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# Diary

ordered that the following Drafts of Letters to His
ness the Nabob - His Excellency the Rajah of Tavanore;
Nos. 83. 84.) the Resident at Tanjore, & the
ntant General, with the respective opinions of
embers of Council, be entered hereunder -

ordered

Highness

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Accountant

the Members

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ess the Nabob of the Carnatic -

Fort St. George

Please Your Highness

In my Letter to your Highness of the 2nd Inst.
I expressed my satisfaction in receiving from you an
offer which it was in my power to accept. I wished not
to interfere in the Affairs of Your Highness's Government,
& thought I might depend upon your Highness's
Promises.

Although your Highness engaged to com-
-pleat the Payment of two lacs of Pagodas on or before the
4th Instant, there is but this day effected, including a Bill
upon the Southward & Deposites in different Coins; the
Security for the other two lacs is not yet given, nor have
any arrangements been made for the payment, in the
course of this Month, of a third of the March Kist -

After -

the Nabob - Stating
satisfaction to
Promises -
careful to this
not be put in
in default of
speedy Pay

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24th Letter from me to the Governor General on the subject. Orders I understand were transmitted to his Highness's Vackeels at Madras and Masulipatam accordingly.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedt. humble Servt.
/signed/ John Kennaway

Hydrabad
11th April 1790

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From the Assistant at Poonah — Mr. Malet intends staying at Bombay till the arrival of the next Mails — The Detachment from Bombay was expected to Embark the 15th. Instant.

I have the honor to acquaint you that, by the Post this Instant come in, I learn Mr. Malet's Intention of staying at Bombay, by Colonel Abercrombie's Desire, till the Arrival of the next Mails from the other side of India, which I expect hourly, and which will be forwarded with all poss. Expedition to Bombay. — Colonel Hartley's Detachment was expected to Embark about the 15th. Instant.

I have the honor to be
Sir, your most obedt. Servt.
/signed/ J. Ukhtroff
Asst. at Poona

Poona — 9th April 1790

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

From the Assistant at Poona — Expects Mr. Malet in two or three days.

Sir

In consequence of your Letter of the 16th. Ultimo to Mr. Malet, which I forwarded to him at Bombay immediately on Receipt

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13th. After this Disappointment at a period when your Highness knew that Money was absolutely necessary, in order to enable the army to move, what confidence can I place in your Highness's promises? or what opinion can I have of Your Highness's administration.

But altho' your unnecessary exertion is so inattentive and unmindful of your Promises as to me much longer to allow the Public further Reliances upon Your Highness I therefore think it necessary to notify that I shall be under the necessity of which will probably be painful to myself: I wish to avoid them; but I can be only by a very speedy and punctual discharge your present Engagements.—

It may not be improper to observe, that your Highness's Letter of the 2nd Inst. mentions March Kist as being 7 Lacs.— I beg of your Highness to recollect that the March Kist, according to Treaty, is 80,000 Pagodas, after deducting the Five Per Cent — One Lac may be taken from it, and added to the Kist of 6 Lacs, if your Highness wishes it has been practised.

What can I write more?—

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(signed) William Kaye

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14th and Security for the further Sum of two Lacs to [illegible] paid in the course of this Month; and that We should [illegible] immediately proceed to an Adjustment of Accounts [illegible] with the Nabob, conformably to the orders by the Swall[illegible], for it appears by his Letter that, he considers the [illegible] Payments, with the Remission & Credits claimed, [illegible] Liquidate all Demands which the Company ha[illegible] him for the last year.

The March Kist, calculated at [illegible] 21 Lacs, appears to me to be erroneous, as the Nab[illegible] agreed to relinquish the Tanjore Peishcush to the Co[illegible]

(signed) James Tayl[illegible]

# To the Rajah of Tanjore

To the Rajah of Tanjore — the Arrangement proposed for his Relief by the Court of Directors to be considered in Force, in Time of Peace, from the 1st April 1790 — in consequence of War with Tippoo; requesting he will pay in 1/5th of the Receipts from his Country — A provision will be made to remit to him one Lack of Pagodas for his Family Expences. — To give information of what Sums he intends paying into the Company's Treasury in Consequence, & at what Periods. —

I have received your Excellency's Letter [illegible] 5th Instant. — In future, you will oblige me by [illegible] your Letters to Mr. Ram, the Company's Resident [illegible] your Durbar, who will forward them to me: this [illegible] Regular Channel, by which the Letters I may have [illegible] to write to your Excellency will always be sent.

His Highness the Nabob having, on the [illegible] of last month, acceded to the Arrangement propose[illegible] Court of Directors for his Relief, and for that of your Excellency, this Government is enabled to carry into [illegible] that part of the Arrangement which relates to Your [illegible] Excellency

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therefore, that your Excellency will think fa
him, & pay attention to what he may say to th
to the Affairs of your Government.

It is by no means my wish, or inte
interfere with your Excellency's Government
Excellency may be assured that, I will not upon
long as your affairs are properly conducted,
Payments to the Company regularly made. It
therefore rest entirely with your Excellency, a
is an interference, it will be imputable t
or to your Excellency's evil Counsellors.

Mr. Ram will have the honor to del
Letter to your Excellency, and will explain fart

May your Prosperity & Happiness daily

(signed) Wm. Medows

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Mr. Hollond's Opinion upon the Draft of the Letter
Rajah of Tanjore:

Mr. Hollond's opinion upon the Draft of the above letter to the Rajah of Tanjore

I am of opinion that, this letter is cont
of the Company's orders, and the arrangement
home, with his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore;
beg to record as my opinion.

In Explanation of my observation
letters drafted to his Excellency the Rajah of

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But, as the Company [illegible] think fa[illegible] paid
a War with Tippoo Sultaun, it is [illegible] say [illegible] with
to the System established for that [illegible] are now
which, the Rajah must pay into the [illegible]ith, or unnecessa
four fifths of his Receipts from his Government [illegible]unt; agreably
being made to secure to him one [illegible] will not [illegible]ompany's Treas
the Expences of himself & family. [illegible] conducted [illegible]ountry: Provision
[illegible]ck of Pagodas, for

The President now write[illegible] made
this Subject, in the accompanying Excellency; a
will be pleased to deliver to his Highness [illegible] to the Rajah
[illegible] letter, which y

You will lose no time [illegible]ellors.
answer to this Letter, & you will the honor to [illegible] Excellency.
establishing of such an Arrangement for fut[illegible] farmer obtaining
Payments, as may render it unnecessary to [illegible] the Rajah
the Business of his Government. [illegible]ailyp

It will be proper that, at this Juncture [illegible]
should keep a very watchful Eye over the Admin[illegible]
Tanjore, & report without loss of time any alien[illegible]
Revenue. You will of course, enforce in [illegible]
manner, the contents of the President's Letter, [illegible]
a Copy is enclosed for your Information.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) J. Chamier

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The same to be furnished with respec
the Rajah of Tanjore's Payments, in both Cases.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) John Chamier Secry

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Mr. Holland's opinion upon the Draft of the
to the Accountant General

Mr. Holland's opinion on the above Draft

Beg to record it as my opinion, that the Hon
President in Council should determine the point
referred to the Accountant.

(signed) Edwd Jno Holland

Mr. Taylor's opinion upon the Draft of the Le
to the Accountant General.

Mr. Taylor's Opinion thereon

The future annual Payments from the Nabob in ter
Peace, are clearly ascertained in the Company's Letter
Swallow. The War Stipulations are particularized
the Treaty made with Sir Archibald Campbell;
Instructions therefore to the accountant, so far as the
relate to the Nabob, appear to me unnecessary.
the Board have decided upon the Remission claimed
the Nabob, the Accountant may be directed to prepare
Statement of His Highness's Account with the Compan

(signed) James Taylor

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be submitted to Parliament, and the other Papers t
Honble Court; so that they may be forwarded to Benga
Time to be included in the Dispatches from this Go

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient humble Se

Fort William
Council Chamber
10th March 1790

(signed) Jno White
Secry

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters - as entered
M.B. Nos 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60:

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer - Enclosing a Letter from the acting
Secretary to the Military Board - To lay before them any
such Plans & Papers referred to, respecting Vellore
may have in his Possession.

To Mr. Kindersley — To Mr. Kindersley - with Permission to resign the
assistant Persian Translator

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam - Enclosing Copy of a Letter from the
at Ingeram - to give their opinion upon the Request
by Mr. Tonnerat Chief at Janam

To the Military Board — To the Military Board - Approving their opinions respe
the Repairs wanting to the Hill Forts at Vellore -
Recommendations of the 8th Instant approved - To
upon the Extract from Mr. Cockburn's Letter of the
likewise upon an Enclosed Letter & Indent for Stati
from the Commissary of Stores at Wallaujaubad

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15th making up the Number of Coolies communicated them under Date 30th Ultimo — have transmitted for Military Stores to the Military Board; with their & Colonel Brathwaite's Remarks thereon

From Captain Hall — acting Commissary General of Stores

From the acting Commissary General of Stores — Letter from Colonel Ross, requesting that a proving Powder may be placed at the Salt Pans, as possible. —

# At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Meadows Governor — President.

Friday 16th April 1790 — Edward Inc. Hollond and James Taylor — Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

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

To the Honble Major General Medows Governor in Council

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts — Requesting to be informed of the opinion of the Board upon his Letter dated 29th October, on the subject of Mr. Willis's Accounts

Honble Sir

I have lately received a Letter from Mr. Paymaster of Guntoor, requesting that his Accounts of the

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are exceptionable, but open to Indulgence, & those w[hich] are entirely inadmissible — Neither has he in Bills, [illegible] which he acknowledges to be correct, made any Ded[uction] for that part which is indisputable; but, as if the w[hole] was Irregular, he carries the Bill entire into the G[eneral] Account of Irregularities, which he indiscriminate[ly] Dubious; and by these means he, in some instances, has apparently claimed the Refund of Charges that more mature deliberation, I am persuaded he wo[uld] admitted.

To avoid falling into the same Errors, or [illegible] in conformity to my usual mode of proceeding in [illegible] Cases, I have divided my Audit under different Heads, First, Carefully seperating those parts of the Accoun[t] are agreable to the Usage & Regulations of the Service Secondly, pointing out the Over-Charges, — Thirdly Deficiency and Defect in form of Vouchers — and the Charges not authorized by the Usage of the Servi[ce] previous orders of Government — Of the first, there [is] be no dispute — The Second & Third are only admissib[le] special authority of Government; and the last Head [is] few Charges that admit of any Indulgence.

My Remarks and Mr. Willis's ans[wer] the honor to lay before you; in which you will find [the] generally has been observed — But, as these Papers are very vo[luminous] I shall endeavor to make the subsequent part of this Letter

he is entitled to those allowances: These Mr. Sadleir ha
Dubious, and therefore to be Refunded; but he is cer
entitled to the Batta of a Lieutenant doing Duty in
Corps. I have therefore claimed the Refund of the Tw
only, until he has explained by what authority he has
as aid du Camp.

Ensign Mackenzie of the Engineers was ap
a surveyor in the Circars, and is by the orders of Goverm
entitled to Surveyor's allowances, with Captain's Batta
have therefore demanded the Refund only of Batta
as Ensign of Engineers.

Mr. Sadleir has objected to Colonel Lidi
Pay for September, because there was no Voucher;
has been probably mislaid, and his Pay for that Mon
not appear in the accounts of any other Paymaster,
admitted the Charge.

With respect to Artificers, Mr. Sadlei
the whole charged for them Dubious, on a supposition
besides those belonging to the Paymaster, the severa
charged for their own Artificers seperately; but tha
otherwise: the Paymaster had the whole under him
same manner as the Lascars, and charged for the
abstract. Not but Mr. Willis, in this Instance, de
from the Regulations, for the Artificers should have
attached to Corps, and composed a part of them in like
as Peckallies. However, if they were known to have

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Pr. 28 fs a month for his Dubash as Linguist, which

Inadmissible, being, if any Pay is allowable, much

for a Person of that description.

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Shelter for Stores &c., and repairing & cleaning Magaz

& Store Rooms, has been already objected to; but as se

of the Officers Bills for this Charge are far from being

explicit, I have required Explanations of them, to en

enabled, when their answers are received, to judge

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only Regulations

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in the Detachment to amount to 70, and therefore a

100 Bamboo Coolies without any Maistries; but the

allow 11 Maistries & 152 Coolies for the Officers Ten

Detachment; and consequently I do not like Mr. Sa

this Charge by any means Dubious. The Pay o

Coolies, according to Mr. Sadleir's audit, would be

Pagodas 3 p month; but their Pay, according to the

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Estim

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Mr. Sadleir in his audit allows 4 Lyn
Tindals, & 180 Lascars, which is 10 more than is allo
strict letter of the Regulations; but in the subsequ
months Mr Willis augmented the number of Lascar
he says, by the Order of the Commanding Officer Colonel
and he further alledges that, so far from being objec
by Mr. Sadleir at the Muster taken by him, he de
might be kept up, emphatically declaring he wo
Flesh & Blood, and not paper only for the Money.
authenticity of this fact, or whether Mr. Sadleir or Maj
manding Officer were empowered by Governm which
such orders, I cannot take upon myself to
if Mr. Sadleir or Colonel Liddington were as
such an Establishment, and did give their sanc
being kept up, they unquestionably thereby subjected the
to a very unnecessary Expence; for by Mr. Willis's
& Distribution of the Lascars, I find they were ne
employed; and the Number allowed by the Regulatio
been properly Distributed, would have been fully
— The only plausible reason which Mr. Sadleir,
Liddington, or Mr Willis could assign for keepi
an Extraordinary number of Lascars, must be tha
Detachment was marching into a newly acquired
the Commanding Officer could not expect to supp
that was likely to be sustained by various Casual

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I must next Resume the Consideration of the Bamboo Coolies.— These People are allowed for carrying the Bamboos of the Marquees, but the Bamboos of the Tents are generally carried by Bullocks; I therefore do not see more were necessary with the Detachment that went to take possession of the Guntoor Circar, than what I have stated; which leaves an Excess in M.r Willis's Account of 97 Maistries, and 2871 Coolies for the Month of [illegible] In other Months, the over Charge is greater, but it does not appear to me necessary to trouble your Honble Board's Letter with the particulars of the Surplus for every different Month; for if the Surplus is not admissible in the Month of September, there is no reason that it should be allowed at any subsequent period.—

For the particular reasons assigned by M.r Willis, for entertaining such a Number of Coolies, I refer you to his answer to my Remark; on which I only to observe, that Coolies are undoubtedly necessary, and it might be difficult to procure them in the Guntoor Circar, on which account, a few Spare Coolies might be allowed to carry the Bamboos of the Tents.— But no Officer should be allowed Coolies & Batta at the same time, and therefore granting that M.r Willis was obliged to procure Coolies for those who had deserted on the March, he should have obliged the Officers to pay for them, & not have charged them to the account of the Company.

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The Expences of the Troops in Cantonment transferred to the Barrack Masters Accounts, to whose ment they belong. The Paymaster had Charges for I have objected to their being allowed in a temporary Ca as you will perceive by my Remark; But Cooking Utens & other Barrack Allowances, will I presume be allowed Troops from the time they quitted the Field; otherwise would have neither Field or Garrison allowances. —

I cannot by any means concur in opinio Mr. Sadleir, respecting the Contingent allowances of Ba — Carts are unquestionably necessary in the Fields arrack and other Articles — Gunny Bags are likewise for carrying Rice; and where Carts & Gunny requisite, a small Establishment of Artificers will be who will require Rope, Needles, Twine, & other Im and Materials to work with — Neither can I think Commissary of Grain and Provisions, or his Servants trust to the Scales, Weights & Measures of the Country I have therefore admitted these Charges. At time, it must be observed that, Mr. Willis has be of great irregularity, in making up Carts wi Permission of Government, to whom he should have reported the necessity of making them, with through the Commissary General. This Remark

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late period to ascertain, with any degree of precis
at what rate the Grain &c. was purchased: but
beg leave to remark that, if Mr. Sablein had thou
of requiring from Mr. Willis a Price Current before
purchases were compleated, what was thought too
might have been Rejected. — Mr. Willis a sorts in the
abovementioned that, he forwarded an Estimate to the
of the Prices of Grain & every Article of Provision, ag
to the Charges made, & that he received the approva
the Governor, thro' the Commissary General of Grain &

Mr. Willis has also made an Expensiv
-blishment of Servants, as Commissary of Grain
— From those charged as Paymaster, I have deduc
one Worker; but I in part agree with Mr. Sablei
they should be occasionally employed in the Grain
and consequently I have made a considerable Reduc
those which he charges as Deputy Commissary o
or what during last War was called Grain-Ke

And now, having gone thro'
part of Mr. Willis's accounts, at least those in
relating to himself, I have only to remark th
of them cannot, at present, be submitted to your
These are, the allowances not authorized by the

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The following Resolutions, upon the a

solutions of the Board
he foregoing Letter
Colonel Capper

Items contained in Colonel Capper's audit, are now pa

Allowances to Doctor Gordon

As it appears by the Proceedi
Hospital Board, of the 20th Septem
which were approved by Governmen
Mr. Gordon was entitled to draw
allowances of a Major, the Char
this Head in Mr. Willis's Accounts,
admitted --

Carriage of Medicines

As this Charge was deemed objecti
Mr Sadleir, merely because it was
for by the Head Surgeon, instead o
Medical Storekeeper: and
appear that the
loss thereby, — the
Mr Sadleir

Allowances to Lieutenant Offeney, Aid du Camp to the Commanding Officer of the 15th Regiment of Hanoverians.

The Board are una
city from whence this
the Sum therefore must be
Lieutenant Offeney is certa
the Batta of a Lieutenant do
his own Corps, and the Refus
is only to be obtained --

claimed

Ensign's Batta to Ensign Mackenzie of the Engineers --

To be Refused, as no Office
to draw Batta in a double

Pay to Lieut. Col. Codrington for the Month of September

To be admitted, for the Rea
by the Auditor

Artificers

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Puckallies ——— Mr. Willis's Argument for the present
Keeping up a spare Number of
be attended to. — The deduction ma
auditor is therefore approved
of the Sum of 1230 . 25 . 32 is to be

Coolies for carrying the Bamboos of the Marquees, & spare Coolies. The Excess inadmissible — The Sum
on this Account must be Re

Victualling Charges for the Months of September & October Admitted, on a like Supposition tha
Expence of the Victualling Departm
Mr Willis's Accounts. —

Coals ——— The Auditor's objection App
Cooking Utensils, Oil, &c Admitted, from the time the
other Barrack Allowances

Contingent Allowances of Victualling Admitted, for the reasons
— the Carts & Doolies mad
are of course to be considered the
Property, & to be accounted fo
Departments.

Charge for the purchase of Sheep. This Article comes under
Victualling Charges, and ha
decided upon. If it do
that Head in Mr Willis's
Board are unacquainted
Reason for the Payma
Sheep, than for the pur
the Troops &c. —

Fire Wood ——— Ten fanams & 100 Sticks a

Grain

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Bullocks, that the Regulations having fixed the a
those Bullocks for Field Service, We can see s[ha]
a Deviation therefrom, on the present occa

The Officer commanding the Northe
having Represented to us that, all the Country
had lately received from Masulipatam had prove
Service, We have thought it necessary to direct th
Commanding there, to cause a proof of such Pro
immediately made, & forwarded hither.

We have the honor to be

&c &c &c

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(signed) { J. Capp
Hen
Geo

To the Honble Major General William

Governor in Council

Fort

Honble Sir

From the Military Board—
Recommending that an
Advance be made to Messrs
Wolf & Shawe, on account
of Work executed at Madras,
& at the Hospital at Tripassore—

Messrs Wolf & Shawe having
their Bills for Work done at Madras, amounting
& also a Bill for the building one Ward of an
Tripassore, amounting to ~~Pr~~ 589.—

We beg leave to recommend that an
for the purpose of discharging these Bills, they
certified by the proper Officers.

We have the honor to be

&c &c &c

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15th April 1790

(signed) { J. C
Hen

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Read the following Letter & Enclo

the Military Paymaster General &c

John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From the Military Paymaster General — Enclosing an Estimate of the Monthly Expence of the whole of the Troops on this Establishment. The Bengal Artillery & Brigade of Sepoys estimated on the same Scale, as the Artillery & Sepoys on the Coast &c.

In conformity to the orders of the Hon
signified in your Letter of the 11th. March, I have
little delay as possible, and with as much accura
a Statement will admit of, drawn out the Expen
whole of the Troops on this Establishment, for
on Field allowances; & have also included the
artillery, supposing them to be on
Establishment, and on a similar fo
as a Battalion of East Artillery — The Bengal
of Sepoys, I have also Estimated on the same
Brigade on the Coast; tho' I am not certain as
& allowances made those Troops — It may be
that I should Explain the reason of my
whole Establishment on Field allowances,
possible that the whole should be in the
time; but as the orders of the Board were
on this head, and that not an opportun
what number of Corps were intended to
Judged it more proper to form an Est

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as the Bullocks for it's Carriage must be entered for
beginning of the Month, & the whole Expence co
into the Accounts, altho' the Number of Days
the Month.

The Gratuity to the Field Officers, t
taken into this Estimate, as depending on the event
of the Revenue, & therefore not to be ascertained with a

This Estimate will serve to give a ge
the amount required for each Corps; altho', I
I do not flatter myself that it is perfectly correct
it may answer the wished for purpose.

I have the honor to be
Sr. &c. &c. Signed / John Du
M.G. Pay. G

Pay. Office Madras
16th. April 1791

Transmitted

Minute thereon

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing
to the Right Honble the Governor General in Counc

For Artillery as

From Captain Simon Baillie.

Read a Letter from Captain Simon Baillie of the Ar
entered in M.B., No. 64) stating that he had receiv
Company only Fifty Pounds during his Stay in
requesting that his arrears may be discharged.

Minute thereon.

Agreed that Captain Baillie com
his Pay will commence from the Date with
his Duty on the Coast.

Substance of a letter from the Peishwa

Read a Letter from the Peish
C.C., No. 85.) Congratulating the Pres
arrival & accession to the Government

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And the following Letter to Bengal

### To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis

Governor General in Council

at Fort Wm

My Lord.

In conformity to the orders of your Lordp
signified to us in your Letter of the 5th. February
directed the proper Officer under this Government to
an Estimate of the Expence of the whole of the
Establishment, for one Month, on Field allowan
the Bengal Artillery, and Brigade of Sepoys. — W
We have now the honor to send you, together with
the Letter from our Military Paymaster General,
of the subject.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Lps. Yr. Obt.
(signed) Wm.

To Bengal — Enclosing an Estimate of the Expence of the whole of the Troops on this Establishment, for one Month, on Field Allowances, including the Bengal Artillery & Brigade of Sepoys. Likewise Copy of a Letter from the Military Paymaster General, explanatory of the subject.

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Received the undermentioned Letter as ente

From Lieutenant Collier — From Lieutenant Collier — Enclosing Pa
from the 24th. of February to the 24th. of
Days may be paid him. —

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To Captain Baillie at Fritchinopoly — To Captain Simon Baillie — His Pay to commence from the date of his Return to the service.

To the Paymasters Fritchinopoly — To the Paymasters at Fritchinopoly — with Copy of the above.

To the Accountant General — To the Accountant General — with Copies of the Re[ceipts from] the Company's Paymasters, for Grain &c. received [by] Circar — To report whether they are sufficient [for] or whether it will be necessary to call upon the [Paymasters] the Originals.

18th Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in [Consultations] 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82 —

From the King's Deputy Paymaster — From the King's Deputy Paymaster — Recommen[ding] Colonel Musgrave be desired to issue to each of the [three] Paymasters of the Three King's Regiments (on their [march] Fritchinopoly) on their Receipts, one thousand Star[pagodas]

From Colonel Capper — From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Ar[mies] Enclosing some Bills of the late Captain Sub[ject] found & claimed by his Brother Mr Benjam[in] the administrator to the Estate.

From the Military Board — From the Military Board — Recommending [Lieutenant] be directed to proceed to Tiagar to superintend [the] recommended to be done in that Garrison — [Lieutenant] be directed to purchase the Materials [&] the Stores deemed reasonable by the Committee [of]

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19th Received the following Letters

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Accountant General — Inclosing the accounts Current of the Nabob & the Rajah of Tanjore, to the 1st Instant with Remarks thereon

In conformity to your orders of the 13th Instant, I have made up, to the 1st Instant, the Accounts Current of His Highness the Nabob, & His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore, in conformity to the Existing Treaty between the Nabob & the Honble Company.

The Balance due by the Nabob there as follows:

Arrears of Kists — Pagodas 14,98,195.16.35
Bills for Charges Collections — 1,80,000.—
16,78,

It is to be observed, that the annually disbursed for the Nabob's Charges Collection time, will, when the accounts of the several Paym completed, exceed the above Estimate by Four or Pagodas.

The Balance due by the Rajah by the accompanying Kist Bundy Account 2,20,115.36.52, besides which, the amount due Revenue Battalions employed in his Collections, Excellency, conformable to the Spirit of the 13th as these Sibendy Corps were raised expressly in the Collection of his Revenues, to do the duty Sepoys had before been employed — The Batta which to be paid by the Rajah, by said Article; the charge of those two Sibendy Battalions.

I have the honor to be
Hon. Sir &c. &c. &c. (signed) Geo. Monbrau
Accountant General

Fort St. George
16th April 1790

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19th expressed himself very desirous of seeing me — I intend in a day or two to wait on him.

I have the honor to remain

Parour — 2th April 1790. Yr. Gr. Sr. (signed) George Bonney

Resid

To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. Geor

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Tranquebar — Inclosing Letter from the Rajah has communicated to the Ministers the Wishes of Government respecting the purchase of 500 Horses from the Carnatic Traders — Likewise the proposals of Government respecting 50 Horses to compleat his Majesty's Regiment of Cavalry

I do myself the honor of tr
enclosed Letter from the Rajah of N. 35

I have received 16.
of the 31st Ultimo; and have transmitte
wishes of Government respecting an Election
Merchants who bring Horses from Paym
to Import 500 next Year for the Ho
likewise sent to Cochin, to see whether
there: I am afraid they have left it,
advanced; but I shall do every thing
accomplish this object — That I
subject two months ago, I am
Horses required might have been pro
proposed by Government. I shall be
report the practicability of it at pres

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19.th The particulars of Mr. Malet's late Negociations with this Court, on the important Subject of Co-operation against Tippoo, have been regularly communicated to General Medows. — Mr. Malet's last Address was dated the 28.th Ultimo. Duplicate of which is transmitted by this opportunity, containing the state of his Co[illegible] the Period of his Departure from hence; nothing of Consequence has occurred in th[illegible]

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

Poona — 2.nd April 1790 —

To John Shamier Esq.r
Secretary at Fort S.t G.e — 16,35

Sir

From Mr. Secretary Pomballe — Inclosing a Return of the Detachment of Artillery Embarked on board the Lucknow

Accompanying you will receive the Return of the Detachment of Artillery Embarked on board the Ship Lucknow, for Madras. —

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

Fort William
19.th February 1790 —

Return of the Detachment from the 2.nd Battalion of Artillery proceed to Madras, on Board the Lucknow Country Ship.

| Officers | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lieutenant Charles Willett — 5.th Company of Lascars, consisting of | | | | | | |
| | Quarter Master's Establishment | | 1 | | | |
| Lieutenant Worsborough — 2.nd Company of Lascars | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | 30 |
| | Grand Total | | 3 | 4 | 1 | 30 |

A true Copy (signed) J. Pomballe Sub Secy (signed) [illegible]

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19th to desire generally that, until this Point shall have been settled, the Commanding Officer of the Two Battalions may be Instructed to Co-operate with the Nizam's Forces in Hostilities against the Troops of Tippoo, in any manner that His Highness may advise.

The object of a speedy Junction with the Nizam's army, is too Important to the Interests of both Governments, at this Period, not to require the earliest attention; and We are therefore Confident that your measures for this purpose will [illegible]

You will concert with [illegible] the best mode of making the Cash Payments to the Troops; the amount of which will be [illegible] from the annual Peishcush due from the [illegible] according to the terms of the existing Collection.

We have the honor to be, Sir, Your most faithful Friends & Allies

(signed) [illegible]

Fort William
31st March 1790

From the Nizam to Earl Cornwallis

16,35

received 31st [illegible]

The particulars of my [illegible] past determined on going to War with the [illegible] reasons — the chief of which are his [illegible]

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19th Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant [illegible]
Cockerell — They are to lie [illegible] of the Fo[illegible]
and will proceed immediately with the [illegible]
I have the honor of Tippo[illegible]
Sir [illegible]ay advise.

[illegible]edy Junctio[illegible]
[illegible]int to the [illegible]
[illegible]d to re[illegible]

Fort William
2nd April 1790

John Chamier
Con[illegible]
Secretary at Fo[illegible]

Sir

I am directed [illegible]
[illegible]16.3.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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19th

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be prevailed upon to dismiss her
Gun Master
Person of more weight, in whom the
not be
place more Confidence.
I have the honour to be
Sir
Your
Ram
Tanjour
14th April 1790

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20th Government — If it meets with your approbation, I am to request that you will have it ratified, and properly sanctioned immediately, in order to do away any Jealousies or want of Confidence that may exist among the Men, and in order that they may be immediately printed off, and put into Execution. —

I have the honor to remain

Madras — Black-Town
19th April 1790

&c. &c. &c.
Injnd. Wangenheim
Colonl

The Bearer hereof ——— ———, — years of Age, born ———, whose Time of Agreement for 8 years being expired, during which time he served as a Brave and faithful Soldier; having further willingly agreed & binds himself, against a Bounty of 15 Pagodas, to serve three years more in His Majesty's —th Regiment, upon such Conditions as have been prescribed by the Government of the Honble East India Company, Viz.

"That, in case His Majesty's Hanoverian Regiments shall
"be ordered home before the Expiration of this term of Years,
"he obliges himself hereby to serve the remainder of that
"period in the Service of the Honble Company upon this
"Coast; and upon being drafted and appointed to a Regiment
"in the Honble Company's Service, to be subject to the
"British Discipline & Articles of War"

he is at the Expiration of three Years, without the least further Expences being occasioned him, again to be discharged and

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20th. the Regiments should Return to Germany, I may be furnish-
-ed with Instructions to re-inlist the rest of the men, whose
time of Service is expired, for his Majesty's Electoral
Service in Europe.

The Number of Men, of both Regiments, that are
obliged to do duty, including the abovementioned 200 men,
amount to almost 400; which I think will be sufficient
for doing the Garrison Duty; Especially, if your Excellency
would be so obliging to order the detail for Guards, the Regiments
are obliged to furnish daily, to be altered & diminished until
the Arrival of the first Ship.

I hope that your Excellency will, according to
your generous manner of thinking, not disapprove
my above humble Representation; and be kind enough
not to refuse me your Assistance, in my present critical
Situation. —

I have the honor to be
Madras 20th. April 1790 Yr. Yr. Yr.
signed Wangenheim
Colonel

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B.o.k.
83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. —

To the Paymaster & Storekeeper at Palamcotah

To Mr. Benjamin Torin — to take Charge of the Grain
already brought into the Fort of Palamcotah, by his
Highness

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20th

To Mr. Philip Mayne — The Request contained in his Letter of the 15th. Instant, will be Complied with.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — The Battalions to be sent by Agreement to the Nizam to be put under the Command of Major Montgomery, and to march with all possible Expedition — Two Months Pay to be Carried with the Detachment, & for the present to be put under the Care of Major Montgomery — advising of Lord Cornwallis's Intentions to send to Masulipatam & the Houghton, (for the purpose of joining Colonel Cockerell's Detachment) a Company of Artillery, and three Companies of Lascars &c.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — Enclosing Extracts of two Letters from the Governor General in Council, relative to the Pay and Allowances of the Bengal Detachment; together with a Statement of the Pay &c. for every Description of Troops belonging to the Bengal Detachment, & a comparative Table of the Pay &c. of certain Descriptions of Troops belonging to the Bengal & Coast Establishments — being the Statement made out by Colonel Kepper in pursuance to the latter part of the Extract of the Letter from Bengal, dated the 17th. February — To Communicate the necessary Information to the Officers, under their Authority, for whom it may be necessary; & to deliver a Copy to Lieut. Colonel Cockerell on his arrival —

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20th. ourselves for a prompt acquiescence, whenever the Nizam might make a requisition for 2 Battalions of Sepoys, with Field Pieces &c.; and We have, in consequence, upon the Receipt of your Letter above acknowledged, issued directions for the Marching of Two Battalions, with the Equipment Stipulated, & have appointed Major Hugh Montgomery, an Officer of Experience, to the Command of the Detachments.

Major Montgomery will proceed by the Route prescribed, with as little delay as possible, & will be furnished with the Instructions contained in your Letter of the 31st. Ultimo.

We have to inform your Lordship, that Colonel Musgrave is on his March to Trichinopoly, & it is expected he will arrive about the End of the present Month.

Nothing material has occurred to the Southward, since We last had the honor of addressing you.

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

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20th. April 1790

(signed) { Wm. Medows
&c. Council

Fort S. George April 1790.

20th of Peace; and considering, as We do, Mr. Edward John Holland to be a Party to the direct Disobedience of our Orders abovementioned. — Being also of opinion that it is no less requisite for the support of the authority of the Supreme Government, than it is necessary for promoting the success of the present War, that a Man, who has been guilty of such Misconduct, should be deprived of all authority in the Management of the Company's Affairs, We hereby direct that Mr. Edward John Holland shall be immediately suspended from his Seat and Office as a Member of the Council at Fort S. George, and from the Possession of all Salary or Emolument annexed thereunto, until the Pleasure of the Honble Court of Directors shall be known; And We further direct that the Governor at Fort S. George shall call into Council another Member in the Room of Mr. Holland.

We are concerned that a sense of public Duty requires us to declare that We should, at any time, have looked on Mr. James Taylor as in every respect a Person to be a Member of the Government, of whose conduct will appear upon Record that his own Subsistence, and that of a large Family depend on the regular payment of the Dividends to the private Creditors of the Nabob of Arcot, and that he has already allowed his public Conduct to be influenced by

Considerations

20th during that Period, he declared no Disapprobation, upon Record, of Measures which were in direct Contradiction both to the Letter & Spirit of our Instructions, We must consider him as a Sharer in the Guilt of that Government, of which he was then a Member. We hereby order that, in the Case premised, Mr. Taylor shall be suspended from his Seat & Office as a Member of the Council at Fort St. George, and from the Possession of all Salary or Emoluments annexed thereunto, until the pleasure of the Honble Court of Directors shall be known. — We further direct that his Place at the Board of Fort St. George shall be supplied by the Governor, in the same manner as has been required in respect to Mr. Edward John Holland.

The Terms of the Act of Parliament, as well as the peculiar Responsibility for the Affairs of the Government at Fort St. George annexed to the Governor's Station, require that he should be left entirely at his discretion to select the Persons who would be proper to succeed to Seats in Council that will be vacated by Mr. Edward John Holland, and may be vacated by Mr James Taylor; but we think it right to offer to his Consideration whether, in making this Selection it may not be proper to hesitate in appointing any Person

20th 13th of November last, which positively directed that Tippoo should be considered as at War with the Company if he should attack any part of the Dominions of the Nabob of Arcot or Rajah of Travancore, which were Guaranteed to them by the Company at the late Treaty of Peace.

As Mr. John Kollond has thought proper to relinquish his Station in the Council of Fort St. George, and to return to Europe, I shall forbear, at present, from expressing my Sentiments respecting him, further than by declaring that, exclusive of the Principal share which falls to him of the culpability of the measures of his Government, he is particularly responsible for not forwarding the Letter to Tippoo Sultaun, which according to our Orders, proposed the appointment of Commissioners to examine the Tenure by which the Dutch held Negapatnam & Cyacottah, at the same time that Subject was dispatched to the

Agreeably to the Letter of Instructions

left entirely to his discretion

Had no delay intervened in dispatching that Letter, it would have reached Tippoo before the day on which he attacked the Rajah's Lines, and it is not absolutely impossible that the reasonable propositions contained in it might have induced him to open a Negociation for settling the points in dispute, if he had received them previous

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20th. Intention to commit Hostilities on the 29th. December, could, on no reasonable Ground whatever, be entitled to the least attention; and, by conveying the information of Tippoo's disavowal to Captain Kennaway, without explaining the notorious Circumstances which rendered the truth of his Assertion improbable, Mr. Holland could only have intended to impress Captain Kennaway, & Mr. Malet thro' him, with a belief that all differences would be amicably adjusted; and consequents re[illegible]tly, they might secure, been induced by so high an authority exclusive[illegible]ly to slacken in their Zealous endeavors to secure the the cultiva[illegible] Friendship & Co-operation of the Nizam and the Mahrattas, [illegible]ards, in exacting reparation from Tippoo for his [illegible] against Breach of the Treaty.

[illegible] appoint[illegible] the other Clauses, which either by which [illegible] Act of Duty or of Good Conduct [illegible] same time [illegible] ment of the Board participate [illegible]ched to the ex[illegible] late President, and dissent [illegible]ned in de[illegible] lations of Government have [illegible]ippoo before [illegible]ter, and the attempts of Mr. Edward John Holland to justify himself for the Criminal disobedience of our Orders, or not acting as if he considered the Company to be at War with Tippoo, after that Chief had attacked the Rajah of Travancore's Lines, by

storming

20th present War, that a Man, who has been guilty of such misconduct, should be deprived of any authority in the Management of the Company's Affairs; I propose that he shall be suspended from his Seat in the Council of Fort St George, and from the Emoluments that are annexed to that Station, until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known; and that the Governor in Council of Fort St George shall be directed to call another Member into Council, in the Room of Mr Holland.

I am also called upon, by a Sense of public Duty, to declare that I should, at any time, have Cause upon Mr James Taylor, as a very unfit Person to be a Member of the Government of Madras, because it appears upon Record, that his own Subsistence, and that of a large Family, depend upon the regular Payment of the Dividends to the private Creditors of the Nabob of Arcot; and that he has already allowed his public Conduct to be influenced by considerations of his private Interest. But, independant of this very weighty objection against Mr Taylor as a Councillor, I must likewise add, that, altho' he is not so deeply implicated in the blameable disobedience of our Orders as either of the other Members of the late Government, yet he can by no means be acquitted of a considerable

degree

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20th the Board will agree with me in seeing the necessity in the present critical situation of the Company's affairs in the Carnatic, that Mr. Taylor should likewise be suspended, and his place at the Board supplied in the same manner as Mr. Hollond's.

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A true Copy (signed) E Hay
Secy to the Govt

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A true Copy [signed] E Hay
Secy to the Govt

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# Fort St. George 21st April 1790

27th

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqrs called to Council

The usual oaths of Allegiance & Office having been administered to John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs, as appears on the Proceedings in the Public Department, the above Gentlemen took their Seats at the Board.

## At a Consultation Present

## The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor - President

Wednesday 21st April 1790

## John Turing ——

## and

## Edward Saunders

Minutes of last Consultation

Read the following Letter from

## To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Mr Taylor - Requests Permission to return to his Seat at the Board of Revenue

Prior to a final Decision taking on the Letter this day received from Bengal, as

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation 26th. January 1790

"Mr. Taylor having this day taken his Seat as
"a Member of Government, Mr. James Ball is ap-
"pointed a Provisional Member of the Board of
"Revenue, to act for & in the place of Mr. Taylor,
"conformably to the 4th. Clause of the Act of the
"26th. of his present Majesty, in such Case
"made and provided."

Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion, that the
from Bengal, respecting Messrs. Holland & Taylor
conclusive until the pleasure of the Court of Di
can be known. — They are further of opinion
there would be a manifest Impropriety, with
to Mr. Taylor, in permitting him to sit
of an inferior Board, whose Conduct had
reprehensible as to occasion his Removal
superior Board. — For these Reasons, th
acquiesce in Mr. Taylor's Claim to th
reverting to the Seat which he held at
Board.

Member

Copies of Mr. Holland's Minute
& Mr. Taylor's Letter & Enclosure
to be sent to Bengal

Agreed, that the Receipt of the
Bengal be acknowledged; & that Copies of
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Should any thing material occur during the course of this Evening, I shall dispatch an Express with an account of it

I have the honor to remain
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) George Powney
Assistant

Parour - 13th April 1790
1 P.M.

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing Despatch be sent to Bengal

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Maxwell

To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Maxwell - has halted for a day at Trinomalee - abroding of the attention of the Nabobs Subjects in the Provision of Slaughter Cattle, Grain &c. - the Army high in health & Spirits. -

I have the honor to acquaint you with my arrival at this place Yesterday Morning, and to report that the Troops of every Description under my Command, continue in the best Health and Spirits - The Route for the two last days laying through a Country covered with a thorny underwood, and the Roads not materially being necessarily long, to enable the Army to find Ground for Encamping upon, - I have judged it expedient to halt the Cattle & Followers by halting here this day, and

in

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Collector of the Havailly, with their Replies. — Mr. Crawford could only procure 12 Dooley Boys.

We understand that the Boys wanted, who are here called Gallah Boys, are mostly to be found in the Mahapour District, under Ganjam; and that Colonel Bridges last Year sent Five hundred to Madras: as no doubt your Letter was circular to the Chiefships, We are hopeful the Ganjam Gentlemen will have been more successful than ourselves. —

We are, &c. &c. &c.

Alex.r Davidson
Mich.l Keating
John Snow

Vizagapatam
10th April 1790.

(signed)

The Chief to Vizianam Rauze — 27th March 1790

The Government of Madras having requested the Chief & Council to send, for carrying the sick of the Army, five hundred Dooley Boys, without loss of time, which they apprehend this cannot be accomplished without your assistance.

I should conceive the best mode would be to raise 20 Maistries: each Maistry to raise 25 Boys for which they shall be answerable. The Maistries are to be allowed 2½ Star Pagodas; the Dooley Boys each 2 Fanams per Month

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gone to Madras, and are in the Service there — the few remaining here will not consent to go so far to the Southward, particularly as this is a War time, they say they would rather be turned out of the Country than go to Madras — Colly Cotsford has exerted himself as much as in his power about this business, but the Boys will not upon no means consent to go.

I am exceedingly sorry about this, for had I been successful, you would mention me to General Meadows and he would favor me.

A true Translation

(signed) John Leonhart

Extract of a Letter to Henry Crawford Esqr. Translation
Collector of the Chicacole Havailley — dated 20th. March 1790.

You will perceive the Enclosed Letter is of considerable Importance —

I have made every enquiry in the places I understand where Boys, what are called Pullers, are to be had, are at Shrimpraspilly, Ellore, Jellapilly, Vizagapatam, Bimlipatam, Chicacole &c. which I wish adopted, is sending them to Madras in lots of Twenty Mastry & twenty four Cooly Boys: these Lots to be sent every two days 'till the Number of Five hundred be Compleat. The Subsistence, a months pay, to be advanced on the

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this District, without injury to the Country — In a few days I hope to be able to send you such as I have been able to engage for the publick Service.

A true Copy (signed) Alex. Davidson
Asst

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

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

Honble Sir

From Colonel Capper — Enclosing a Comparative Table of Pay & other allowances of the Infantry, Artillery, Artificers &c on the Bengal and Coast Establishments — likewise a Table of Stoppages at this Presidency.

Agreeably to your orders of the 25th Ult I have now the honor to enclose a comparative Table of Pay and other allowances of the Infantry, Artillery, Artificers & on the Bengal & Coast Establishments; shewing the difference on the Sums Total, as on Pay & Batta only — likewise a Table of Stoppages at this Presidency —

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

Fort St George
20th April 1790

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# Diary

22.d Sent the following Letters.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — orders from thence respecting the suspension of Majr. Holland & Taylor have been carried into Execution? — Enclosing Copies of Mr. Hollands Minute, Mr. Taylors Letter, & of the last Intelligence received from the Travancore Country.

Our President has been honored with — of your Lordship's Letter of the 2.d Instant, with its Enclosu Agreeably to the Instructions therein Contained, Mr. Edwa Holland has been suspended from his Seat in Council the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known

As there does not appear upon our C any Minutes of Mr. Taylor, expressing a Disappro of the Conduct of his Colleagues in Office, during th mentioned in Your Letter, he has also been susp his Seat at this Board, in Conformity to the direct Lordship in Council. —

Mr. Edward Holland sent in [illegible] Minute, and Mr. Taylor has addressed to us a which We have the honor to enclose Copies.

We take this opportunity of forwar latest Intelligence received from the Travancore Country

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) W.m [illegible]

Fort S.t George

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22nd until the pleasure of the Court of Directors shall be known.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

Fort St. George
21st April 1790

/signed/ J. Chamb

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To Mr. George Powney
Resident at Travancore

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To Mr. Powney — Enclosing copy of the Cypher No. 11 — desiring him to acknowledge the receipt of it.

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21st April 1790

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to the native troops

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24th

## Colonel Capper's Minute

The regulations for the Department of the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions were principally drawn out by myself, and I trust will be found, as far as relates to the mode of keeping the accounts, tolerably correct — But, as the Expences in this Department, when the army is in the Field, must necessarily be very considerable, it gives me great pleasure to see them again brought under discussion, by which means every defect will probably be remedied, & not only my Responsibility be lessened, but likewise the final Examination of the accounts be greatly facilitated.

At our last Meeting, it was very justly observed that, the great multitude of Followers attached to the army, and the necessity of carrying Rice for them would not only subject the Company to an intolerable Expence, but likewise retard the operations of the army so as to render it almost impossible to pursue offensive operations, with any Degree of Vigor. No Person could be more ready to subscribe to this opinion than myself, who have long felt the fullest conviction of the truth of it, & every account when Consulted have invariably concurred to recommend the Diminution of the Followers of the army as much as possible; but I must take the liberty of observing that my Sentiments on these Subjects have seldom been

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24.th since to have been known to a Man of Experience, and therefore never introducing into the Service — And thus, having, I trust secured my self from the Imputation of neglect in drawing out my share of the Regulations in general, I shall now give my Sentiments in particular, respecting the Grain and Victualling Department.

Whilst the army continues within the Dominions of the Nabob, or the company's Territories, I humbly apprehend, after a plentiful harvest like the last, it cannot be necessary to carry Rice sufficient for all the Fighting Men and Public & Private Followers for 30 or 40 days — On the prospect of a War, all the Inhabitants of the Country carry their Grain & Provisions into places of safety; and, when the army approaches, are very glad to bring to a ready-money market in Camp any article they can spare above what suffices for the immediate Consumption of themselves & Families — In the course of my Services, I have frequently observed the Inhabitants of the Villages and Towns sent to the army in it's progress thro' the Country, instead of producing an abundance of Provisions in Camp, occasion even a temporary scarcity in the Garrisons; But this remark applies to a period somewhat remote, when the Country

was

24th they made their Terms with Government on a supposition of their Servants being fed as Public Followers: and the latter at least have prescription to plead in their behalf. Had this matter however come before the Board in time of profound Peace, and before the Contracts were concluded, I should have proposed that the Horse Keepers, Grass Cutters, & Bullock Drivers should be considered as private Followers and the Rice to be issued to them accordingly, when indispensably necessary, at such a rate as to secure the Company from loss. But as the Troops are now in motion, and these People have taken the Field, expecting to be fed in cases of great Emergency, I am unwilling to make any alteration for the present, lest they should take the Alarm & Desert, by which the army would be subjected to very great distress.

Upon some future occasion, I should highly approve of drawing a clear line of Distinction between the public & private Followers, and of notifying this Distinction before the army assembles, which would indicate those who are not to be supplied from the Public Stores to provide themselves in due time; but on the present occasion when it may be necessary, in cases of great Emergency, to issue Rice to the Followers of the army, I think all Dooly Boys, Horsekeepers & Grasscutters of the Cavalry, Artificers & Sappers

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25th

# Colonel Malcolm's Minute

I am of opinion that the proposed Draught of a General Order to regulate the mode of issuing Grain in the Field to fighting men and to the public & Private Followers of the army, and of making the Stoppages, is incorrect in several instances relative to those points; and that the general purport of the order is very exceptionable in its present form, as it provides Regulations for a system which I do not understand to be established in the Service, and which, if thus sanctioned by the Sanction of a Government order, will occasion very heavy Military Expences on account of the Carriage & Distribution of Grain in the Fields; the mode of Issue and of making the Stoppages, being no more than Subordinate parts of that System.

By the words "Fighting men", the Native Troops only are meant to be expressed in matters that apply to the delivery of Grain, as the European Military are victualled by the Public in the Field, in lieu of Batta, which is paid to the Native Troops in Money.

The Lascars for the Service of the Artillery being considerable in Numbers, and dispersed in different parts of the Line, it will be very inconvenient and occasion a great delay in the delivery of Grain to them, if they are to be drawn for

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28th. Grain is of so much importance to the operations of the army, and also so valuable to Individuals in the Field, that the Check on the Issue of it, in the first stage of the Proceeding, cannot be too strongly applied, when We know that the subordinate management of the transaction is unavoidably in the hands of the Native Servants of the Public Departments; and that, altho' the Care and Zeal of their European Superiors is to be reckoned upon for the public Service, still much will depend on the Men they must employ in a variety of subordinate Situations.

Although Indents for Grain to the Followers shall be signed, in the first Instance, by the Heads of the Corps and Departments to which they are attached during the time they should also, I conceive, be Countersigned by the Persons respectively who furnish the Followers and Pay them - that those Persons may be thus held responsible for the amount of Stoppages. - This Countersignature will consequently in general fall to the Paymaster, and to the Agent, in the Case of the Contractors for providing Bullocks. - These Rules, I mean apply only to the Followers dispersed in different parts of the Line, who are in a manner detached from the Corps who furnish them for the Service - But there are other points to which attention is necessary - The Commissary of Grain & Provisions in the Field, and the Paymaster have a number of Followers under their own immediate orders & inspection

24th the Servants of Officers shall be made from their Batta Bills, which being paid in arrear, will correspond with the Monthly Discharge of the Grain Account: this will be more Convenient for the Officer, will be ample security to the Public, and will be more correct in point of Regulation than the general terms Pay-Chits, as it stands in the proposed Draught of an Order.

Grain issued for the Followers who are employed for the Service under Contract, such as the Horse Keepers, Grass-Cutters & Bullock Drivers, should, I conceive, be paid for to the public by passing the Value of it in Account Monthly with the Contractors; which may be reckoned just and convenient to both parties.—

I have now to Remark that the proposed Heads of a General Order does not define accurately the description of Men to be classed under the heads of Public Followers and Private Followers; altho' it is evident that, if the Regulations it contains is sanctioned by a Government Order, the Public Expences will be less or more according to the Number of each Class for whom Grain is to be delivered from the Public Store.— The Bullock Drivers are, however put down as Public Followers.— If this is correct, the Horse-Keepers & Grass-Cutters of the Cavalry should I think, be considered in the same Class; and if admitted, I am unacquainted with any just Cause for excluding the Servants of the Officers because the distinction of Public & Private Followers [illegible]

24th Account of the enormous expences it will occasion, if the Public is to pay the Charges of carrying the Grain.

When the army happens to be close to any Magazine of Provisions from which it is thought advisable to draw Grain for the Troops, it may also perhaps be thought necessary to draw a proportion also on account of the Followers, provided they cannot possibly procure it in the Bazar. — But even in this Case they ought, I imagine, to carry it. — I shall suppose for a moment that, 40 days Grain is to be Carried for the Followers, and shall State in gross numbers (making my Calculation rather under than over) the Expence that will be incurred — Draught Bullocks 5,000 and Carriage Bullocks 21,000 is perhaps nearly the proportion of each that will accompany the army. To them I shall only add the Horse Keepers & Grass-Cutters of the four Regiments of Native Cavalry, supposing them Completed to the old Establishment — These Followers with the Bullock Drivers will be about 4/5ths of the whole in Camp, & the Calculation in carrying Grain on their account alone for 40 days, will stand nearly thus

| | Followers | Bullocks |
|---|---|---|
| Drivers, Horse Keepers, & Grass Cutters as above — say | 14,000 | |
| Will require — say, 9800 Bullocks to carry Grain | | 25,200 |
| Contract price of these Bullocks for 40 days — say | | |
| Drivers of the additional 9,800 Bullocks — say | 3,000 | |
| Will require — say 2,100 Bullocks to carry Grain | | 5,500 |
| Contract Price of these Bullocks for 40 days — say | | |
| Total Followers as above, & Expence of carrying Grain for them for 40 days | 17,000 | 31,500 |

Exclusive of which it will be necessary,

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The President laid in circulation the following Minute.

The President's Minute on the foregoing subject.

In consequence of the Military Board's Report, & very proper & intelligent Investigation of the proposed Regulations for the Conducting the Issue of Grain to the Fighting Men & Public & Private Followers of the Army, as well as for making the Stoppages for such Issues, the Governor conceives that the Military Board should have immediate directions to form Regulations on these important Points, on the Principles contained in their Report, & in the Minutes of Colonels Capper & Malcolm.

And in order the better to enable the Board to proceed in this very necessary and arduous duty, the Governor thinks it will be proper to furnish them with such answers to their submitted Queries as shall be first Principles on which they are to form the Regulations required. — He g[ives] Camp[ ], & allowing a [ ] is sure of every assistance [ ] done for 40 [ ] experience of [ ]rs, & Grass Cutters as above —

1st Grain [ ] 9800 Bullocks to carry Grain issued to the [ ] or a [ ] of these Bullocks for 40 days [ ] on occasions of [ ] ditional 9,800 Bullocks [ ] possible means will be taken to [ ] 9800 Bullocks insure a Supply.

2nd The rate that Grain shall be issued at to the Fighting Men, to be the same as last War. —

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To John Chamier Esqr.
24th

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From Mr Secretary Hay — desiring that Directions be immediately sent to Masulipatam to provide a Number of Draft Bullocks, not less than 400, to be ready on the arrival of Colonel Cockerell's Detachment. Enclosing Copy of a Letter to the Chief at Masulipatam on that Subject.

I acquainted you, in my Letter of the 2nd Instant, that the Governor General in Council had been pleased to order a Detachment of Artillery, consisting of one Company of Europeans, with three Companies of Lascars, & a proper proportion of Ordnance, to be embarked on the Houghton, and to proceed to Masulipatam, to join the Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

I have now his Lordship's Orders to request that you will signify his desire to the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, that Directions may be immediately sent to Masulipatam to provide a Number of Draft Bullocks, not less than 400, to be ready for the Artillery going round to that Place, on the arrival of Colonel Cockerell's Detachment. To prevent unnecessary delays in the Execution of this Service, his Lordship has desired me to write a Letter, of which the Inclosed is a Copy, to the Chief of Masulipatam.

I have the honor to be
Sir Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) C. Hay
Secy. to the Govr. Genl.

Fort William
4th April 1790

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24th will permit, fit for Duty, when the Troops under Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell shall preach your Station. —

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

Fort William
8th april 1790

(signed) C. Clay
Secy to Govt.

a true Copy (signed) C. Clay
Secy to Govt.

To the Honble, Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore —
the Rajah has Completed the payment of his Arrears —
Enclosing Abstract of the Rajah's Account, & the Cash Account of the Office

I have the satisfaction to acquaint you that, his Excellency the Rajah, by great Exertions, has this day compleated the Payment of his Arrears demanded by the 15th. Enclosed is an abstract of the Rajah's Account since 12th March last — and of the Cash Account of this Office to the End of april. —

Tanjour - 17th April 1790 —

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

G. Ram Resident

Dr. The Rajah of Tanjour in Account Current with the Honble Company Cr.

| 1790 | | | 1790 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| March 12th | Arrears due from the Rajah, as per Military Secretary's letter | 100,000 — | March | By Cash paid in part of his Arrears | 1700 — |
| | | | | By ditto ditto ditto | 10 — |
| | | | | By Grain valued at | 1100 — |
| | | | April | By Bills valued at | 5000 — |
| | | | | By Cash paid in part of his Arrears | 72190 — |
| | Star Pagodas | 100,000 — | | Star Pagodas | 100000 — |

Tanjore 17th april 1790
Errors Excepted
(signed) G. Ram Resident

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24th Letter from me to the Governor General on the subject of what I understand were transmitted to his Highness's Vackeels at Madras and Masulipatam accordingly.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedt. humble servt.
(signed) John Kennaway

Hydrabad
11th April 1790

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Assistant at Poonah — Mr. Malet intends staying at Bombay till the arrival of the next Mails — The Detachment from Bombay was expected to embark the 15th Instant

I have the honor to acquaint you that, by the Post this Instant come in, I learn Mr. Malet's intention of staying at Bombay, by Colonel Abercrombie's Desire, till the Arrival of the next Mails from the other side of India which I expect hourly, and which will be forwarded with all poss. Expedition to Bombay. — Colonel Hartley's Detachment are expected to embark about the 15th Instant —

I have the honor to be
Sir, your most obedt. humble servt.
(signed) J. Uhthoff
Asst. at Poona

Poona — 9th April 1790

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

From the assistant at Poona — Expects Mr. Malet in two or three days.

Sir

In consequence of your Letter of the 16th Ultimo to Mr. Malet, which I forwarded to him at Bombay immediately on Re

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24th

Situation of his affairs on the arrival of the Detachment at Tellicherry should not render the Junction with him impracticable. We beg leave to refer you, for further information of our Plan, to the Enclosed Copies of Letters We have this day addressed the Governor General & Mr. Penny, and shall only add, that the Detachment We propose sending is Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Hartley, who in the Event of his Joining the Rajah of Travancore, if by hostilities being Commenced he is warranted to act at all, will act at his Discretion for the good of the Service, until he receives Instructions from you, or an Officer under your Presidency Senior to himself.

We have the honor to be

Bombay Castle
3rd April 1790

Yr. Yr. Yr.

(signed) Robert Abercromby
D. Carnegie
Geo. Dick

A true Copy
W. C. Jackson
D. M. Secy

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

My Lord.

The Resident at Poona having this day laid before us the Treaty he has concluded with the Peishwa, which the Quota of Troops expected to be Contributed by this Government

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24th Letter to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, (whereon Detach- is ordered to touch) offer his opinion, from the Circumstances of affairs at the Time, whether our Force will be effectually serviceable to the Rajah – what assistance they might expect from him either in Money or Provisions – and what might be proper they should disembark – and such other Directions as may appear necessary to him for their Guidance. We find, however, from the Information we receive from that Quarter, that Tippoo has forced the Rajah's Troops, possessed himself of his Country, and that our Efforts on his behalf would be ineffectual with so small a Force, it is our Intention that they shall then proceed to Anjengo, Tellicherry or Mahe, preserve that Post beyond a probability of hazard, and be ready to form a Junction with any other Armament may set on foot upon the Coast against the Ruler.

The Precautions We are resolved to take to suppress every extraneous Expence to the Company arising on the above Enterprize, will We presume secure to us such pecuniary Support from you as We may find requisite, and which we shall engage for with every possible regard to their Interest.

Bombay Castle
3rd April 1790

We have the honor to be
Yr Yr Yr
(signed) Robert Abercrombie
(signed) John Morris
Yr Coverd

A true copy
W. C. Jackson
D. M. Secy

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21st

You will permit us to recommend your addressing them in Triplicate for fear of accidents in a critical moment, and in the Cypher No. 11, if you are so provided — We cannot doubt of your Answer being at Sea before the Arrival of the Armament; and should the Enterprize be in your opinion inadvisable or impracticable, the Detachment will Canton at that Station to ensure it's safety during the Rains, & be ready to act on subsequent Plan of operations.

We have the honor to be

Bombay Castle.
3d April 1790.

Y.r S.rs F.ds

(signed) Robert Abercrombie
Go.r Council

A true Copy (signed) John Morris
Sub Secry

A true Copy
W.m Gracie Secy
D. to Sec.y

26th Dispatches the undermentioned Letters noted in the Margin, Nos. 96. 97. 98. 99 and 100. W. K. B.

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam — Colonel Boathe to them the orders he has received from respecting the Detachment to be under the Command of Major Montgomery

To M.r Secretary Kay

To M.r Secretary Kay — advising that the Bombay Government from the 1.st July to the 31.st Dec.r transmitted to him on the 17.th Instant, under

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26th Received the undermentioned Letters - as inclosed in Nos. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108.

From the Paymaster at Tanjore — From the Paymaster at Tanjore — will at all times pay the unremitting attention to the Duties of his Office.

From Ganjam — From Ganjam. Mr. Tudor has proceeded by land to the — Lieutenant Colonel Trent has relinquished the Command of the Troops in that District.

From the Paymaster at Pitchinapoly — From the Paymaster at Pitchinapoly. — will execute the greatest Punctuality all orders he may receive from Colonel Musgrave. Requests the Nabob may be applied to, to furnish People for beating out Paddy.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — From the Sub Secretary at Bengal. — Enclosing Duplicate Invoices of Sulphur & Gun Powder sent from Bengal.

From the Agent to the Contractors for Bullocks. — From the Agent to the Contractors for Bullocks. — he sent the necessary Orders to Masulipatam for the purchase of 100 Draft Bullocks. — If it is thought [illegible] Carriage Bullocks may be wanted, a [illegible] Intimation may be given him. — [illegible] made of Canvas, are too heavy for the [illegible] the Coast, & if carried, require Carts, [illegible] they be lodged in Store at Masulipatam, [illegible] issued in lieu of them.

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of Cannon, the Parapet was only Pervious... Enemy have kept up a Cannonade, but very one to what was naturally to be expected.

In consequence of a Dispatch yesterday Evening received from the Governme a Copy of which I do myself the honor to en proceeded to the Lines to the Minister to Consult with the Subject Contained in it. I returned from the day Break this Morning, and have since dispatched to the Government at Bombay, containing my opin the proposed Expedition, which goes enclosed in of which I also sent to the Chief & Factors at Tel their Information. I sincerely hope my Conduct occasion may meet with your approval. Should Detachment should arrive here before the Enemy possession of the Lines, every success may be e a judicious Sally from such a respectable Colonel Hartley, I understand, Commands it... Rajahs Troops waiting the Assault with impa From the Conduct of the Enemy this day, it wo Tippoo considers it a perilous Enterprize to m

Parvar - 14th April 1790 - I have the honor to Remain

Yr. Yr. Yr. Friend & George

Rev

Fort St. George 25th April 1790

that the Parapet of the Wall was only demolished; but they are now thro' the Ditch, & there is no doubt they are undermining the Rampart in different Places. To day there has been, contrary to our Expectation, very little firing.

From the above description of Tippoo's Operations, there is every reason to conclude, he is determined to persevere in his object against the Lines; & altho' the Rajah's People are waiting to meet him at the breach with undaunted Resolution, yet I am apprehensive he has taken such precautions, that he will accomplish his point, and that his utmost Efforts will be put to the trial in the course of a few days.

Should Tippoo prove successful, & carry the Lines, the Plan intended to be adopted by the Rajah's Troops is, to cross the Cranganore River, & to assemble on the opposite Bank of it, where, with judicious operations, the Enemy's Progress must inevitably be stopped; but I am almost afraid that the undisciplined State of the Rajah's People will scarce allow us to look to so fortunate a Circumstance as that of rallying his whole Force. And this would be the Juncture when so respectable a Detachment as the one your Honble Board has proposed to send here, from Bombay under Captain Knox, would be of the most essential Service; for such is the face of this Country, that the abovementioned Troops would be able undoubtedly to [illegible]

Tippoo

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acquainted the Commanding Officer of every thing material he ought to know.

As the Rajah is at present at Trivandeporam, on the receipt of your Letter, with the Enclosed one to the Rajah from the Honble President, I immediately proceeded with it to the Minister upon the Lines, who is the efficient Person here, who transacts all public Business in the Rajah's Absence. I acquainted him of the proposed Expedition, which gave him great satisfaction - he has assured me of every supply of Provisions for the Troops, upon the same terms that the two Companys Battalions now here receive - That the Pay to the Detachment cannot now be advanced; but he promised me, in the Name of the Rajah, that the whole of it should be adjusted & Defrayed by the Rajah for the period it might act in this Country, after the Termination of the War.

As I am not in possession of the Cypher No. 11, I cannot correspond in it; but I shall give positive Instructions to the Persons who take Charge of my Letters to destroy them, if there should be the most distant danger of their falling into the hands of the Enemy. I shall conformably to your directions, write to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, and Communicate particularly with them on the subject of this Letter, which shall be transmitted in Triplicate

Parour - 18th. April 1790

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

A true Copy (signed) G Powney

vide Margin.

To the Rajah of Travancore - after Compliments

This is purposely to advise your Highness that it is my Intention to send from hence, in a few days, a considerable Force to protect your Highness's Country against Tippoo Sultaun; who, I understand, perseveres in his attempt to invade it. - Mr Powney, to whom I now write, will Communicate to Your Highness further upon the Subject.

What can I write more?

Bombay 3rd April 1790

(signed) Abercrombie

A true Copy (signed) John Morris
Asst Secy

A true Copy (signed) G Powney

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Minute on the foregoing letters

The Board approve the Conduct of Mr Perry in the Reply he made to the Letter received from the Bombay Government — And it is agreed, in consequence of the expected arrival of the Bombay Detachment in the Neighbourhood of Captain Knox, that he be directed to put himself under the Orders of Lieutenant Colonel Hartley.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kepper

To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Kepper — hopes he shall be permitted by the Court of Directors to retire from the Service upon a Pension; & solicits a Recommendation in his favor from this Government

I am told you are going to the Field, I am likewise given to understand that I shall not have the honor to accompany you; and as during your absence in all probability a Ship will be dispatched from Bengal to Europe, I trust you will excuse my requesting your Sanction to an application I find myself obliged to make to the Honble the Court of Directors, for permission to retire from the Service.

My reason for seizing the present opportunity is, that a Ship is generally dispatched from Bengal in the Course of the Month of August, or at the beginning of

September

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The Military Servants to Honorable & Profitable Commands, by which, in the course of a few Years, they must necessarily acquire a very handsome Independency. — To me only, it is denied to obtain either Honors or Profit; and though holding Offices of the greatest Responsibility & Trouble, I can have no hope of ever being able to return to my Native Country, unless my Honorable Employers will vouchsafe to grant me an adequate Provision for life. — These are Circumstances that, I flatter myself will appear to you & to the Honble the Court of Directors as peculiar to the Offices I have the honor to hold, & can never be claimed by any other Person in the Service. — But, besides these, I have one other personal Plea to offer in my own behalf, which is peculiar to myself; and which stands unexampled in the Records of the Company, pre-eminently distinguished for acts of Justice & Liberality to those Servants who have served the Company without enriching themselves. —

In the Year 1778, I was in Europe, when the War broke out between England and France, & was sent overland by both Ministry & the Honble the Court of Directors, with Dispatches for the different Presidencies; but by an unfortunate mistake my name was not mentioned in the Public Letter, & consequently I was not restored to the Service upon my arrival at Madras;

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to the Honble the Court of Directors, with the greatest confidence of success.— The Sufferings of an Individual, even when arising from his Public Conduct, should in my opinion, never be brought forward in addresses of this nature to a public Body; more especially when like mine, they are past the possibility of Redress.

I trust, Sir, you will excuse my presuming to occupy so much of your time, at this critical period but, as my health very visibly declines, & as I cannot hope to do my Duty, in the different laborious Employs I now hold, above a Twelve Month longer, I consider myself called upon, to announce my Situation to the Honble the Court of Directors, by the earliest opportunity that they may have early notice to send out a proper Person to take Charge of my Employs.

I am with great respect
Honble Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(signed) J. Kyd
Colonel & Constructor

Fort St. George
25th. April 1790

Agreed that Copy of Colonel Kyd's Letter be transmitted to the Court of Directors, by the first opportunity

Minute thereon

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in his Confidence to inspect the Conduct of his Officers
We are told in History, was the Mode taken by the
to ascertain the amount of their Chout in Orysa, a
the Mogul Government.

A Compliance with this is what the
-ed in my address to his Excellency — His answer
Matter was of too much Concern for him to speak to
but promised in two or three days to reply to that
Letter from Government. If the alternative should
propond to him by Government, I imagine he would
embrace the latter.

The Expence attending the Method proposed
expressed in the Letter to his Excellency, in it's fullest
would amount to Pags. 1,200 ₱ month; but as there
would be no occasion for this, the utmost amount
be no more than 500 Pagodas ₱ month, and this
might by proper Management be considerably

Mr. Swartz having been pressed by
for Money on a late occasion, has applied to
500 Pags. allowed by the Company half-yea
Schools which was due the end of February
will therefore be added to the account I
transmit to the President the 1st.

The Conduct of the Rajah is in
truly unaccountable: notwithstanding the
he was under to procure the Money to compl
Payment of the Lack, as mentioned in my

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Your Excellency fully perceiving the [illegible]
the benefit intended by the Company, now happily
into Effect (every obstacle being removed by the
the present Government) will, I doubt not, shew
willingness to assist in the strenuous Exertions
making in support of an ancient ally aga
oppressions of a powerful Adversary.

But independant of the Gratitude
your Excellency feels for the favors of the Company,
consideration should, in policy, induce you to
with every measure that may tend to carry
with Effect — namely, that the more rigorously
prosecuted, the shorter will be it's Continuance,
sooner will your Excellency reap the Fruits of
Regulations in your favor.

Your Excellency must be sensible
Estimates of the Revenues of your Country w
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Minister is here with some of the head People of the Country; and We are in hopes that, after the Season is in some degree subsided, a number of them will come here. — We have nothing to apprehend from the Enemy, as the situation We are in is very strong. Indeed, I imagine they will never attempt any thing against us. — Some of the Enemy's Horse, have penetrated as far as Parroor. The Enemy are in possession of the Lines from the Hills, as far as the Chinnamuengalum River. I cannot yet obtain accurate Accounts of the Affair; but, from what it does not redound to the Credit of the Rajah's [illegible]

I have the honor to remain

Sir Sir Sir

(signed) George [illegible]

Rend[illegible]

Sacottah
16th April 1790.

To Major General William Medows

Governor in Council & Commander in C[illegible]

Hon[illegible] Sir

From Captain Knox — Detailing the circumstances relative to the loss of the Travancore Lines. —

The Account I had yesterday the honor of your of the defeat of the Rajah's Troops & the co[illegible] of his Lines, having been drawn up in haste, relate the Circumstances that have since come to [illegible] Between the hours of Six & Seven in the morning, the advanced with Sword in hand to the Assault, having

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to the Minute thereon

Agreed that a Communication be made to the Bengal Government of the foregoing.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Taylor

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Mr. Taylor requesting Permission to refer to the Governor General in Council his request to return to his Seat in the Board of Revenue.

I have received your Secretary's Letter of yesterday date, and as I do not conceive that, the orders from Bengal were meant to extend to deprive me of the Seat at the Board of Revenue which I stood appointed on Record, (as appears by the Letter delivered in) but only to operate on my Seat in Council & the allowances annexed to it; I trust your Honor will indulge me in referring to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council my request of returning to the Board of Revenue as an absolute rejection of it would tend to prevent my holding any Employ whatever in the Honble Company's Service at this Presidency, which I hope & believe could never have been intended by the Supreme Board.

I think it may be necessary here to mention that I never would have accepted a temporary Seat in Council at this Presidency, which I declared to the Board previous to my being sworn in as a Member thereof, if I entertained a suspicion that, there would be difficulty in my returning to the Board of Revenues, when [illegible] from

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necessary for Explanation of his Conduct while acting
of Government.

Read the following Letter from the Board of
Revenue.

To the Honble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Revenue Board — Recommending that Guards be sent to Trivalore & Tripassore — desiring to know if the Barracks at Tripassore may be appropriated for the reception of Grain.

The Collector of the Tripassore District having
Represented to us that he experienced great Inconvenience
the Guard of Revenue Sepoys stationed at Trivalore has
lately withdrawn, and having at the same time expressed
that a small Force may be ordered to the Garrison of Tripassore
for the Protection of the Grain deposited there, We have
the honor to submit the Expediency of this Measure to your
Consideration.

We request to know, likewise, if the Collector may
be permitted to store the Grain in the Barracks at Tripassore
which We understand are now unoccupied.

We have the honor to be
Fort St. George
26th April 1790

Fs. Fs. Fs. John Hollond
Sa. Call

Minute thereon

The Board request the Commander in Chief
will give the necessary Directions for placing such Troops
as can be spared at Trivalore & Tripassore —
unoccupied Barracks at the latter place may be

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Read the following letter from the Resident at Hydrabad.

To the Honble. Major General Medows
Governor of Madras

From the Resident at Hydrabad enclosing Copy of letter addressed to him by Lord Cornwallis on the subject of the aid to be given the Nizam upon his application

Honble Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th. Instant, and am exceedingly concerned that I should have committed such an oversight as, in its consequences, tends to delay the arrival of the Detachment the Nizam has applied for. The only manner in which it could be rectified, would be, by applying to the Nizam for a Letter to you to direct it to proceed; but as that would be acknowledging to him that there was not a likelihood of it's arriving so soon as I had taught him to expect, which he might lay hold of to put the period of his own moving, I cannot think of adopting it, and indeed hope it is unnecessary. I have the honor to forward a Copy of Lord Cornwallis's Letter to me of the 3d. of last, by which you will be informed of the particulars of agreement by which this aid is granted.

Hydrabad 16th. April 1790

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servt.
(signed) John Kennaway

P.S. In forming the Detachment as you have directed it to be formed, should any necessary, but very material Stores be

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# Diary

Received the undermentioned Letters (as entered)

114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119.—

From the Military Board

From the Military Board — recommending that the Officers under Orders to proceed to Tiagar be directed to call at Madras to make an Estimate of the proposed Building there — Represent that Lieutenant Limrickes Claim is inadmissible. Recommend that all Artificers for the Works at our Garrisons be procured and paid by the Paymasters; and Employed under their Orders on the Spot. — That the Paymaster at Tiagar be ordered to strike from his List Chinglaroy Mastry Smith, & Ammoo Mastry Carpenter; and that Moottoo Poniah, Bricklayer be ordered to Tiagar

Moorcah

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — Requesting a Statement of the Difference of Pay & Batta & Allowances to the European & Native Troops of the Bengal Establishments, may be transmitted as soon as possible.

From the Paymaster to the army

From the Paymaster to the army — will pay due attention to the Duties of his Office, and comply with any Orders that may be made to him by the Commanding Officer

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam — have desired Colonel Pearse to order a Committee for taking an Account of the Lateral Effects — Recommend that an Engineer be sent to Ryacotta

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this time, and will march from thence into the Country, as will be more particularly explained by our President.

We have the honor to be

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27th April 1790

Sir &c &c

(signed) Wm Medows
Sr Council

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

My Lord

To Bengal — Respecting Mr Taylor's applications to return to the Board of Revenue
Opening of the Lips of the Travancore Lines — Captain Knox's Letter on the subject
Enclosed —

Since We had the honor to address your Lordship
date 21st Instant, We have received another letter from Mr
Taylor in reply to the answer which We had directed our
Secretary to make to his first letter. —

As Mr Taylor's request, We are induced by
of his last letter, & of your Secretary's Letter which contains
and We beg leave upon this subject to observe that it appears
with your Lordship in Council to decide upon Mr Taylor's claim
and to judge how far the defence he has made of his conduct
entitles him to your favorable Consideration in Which case
the Seat at the Board of Revenue open until your determination
communicated to us.

By the last Accounts received from the
We learn that Tippoo's Troops stormed Travancore

Travancore

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To Mr. J. Lennox — To Mr. John Lennox — Appointing him Paymaster & Storekeeper at Aska in the room of Mr. Lister.

To Colonel Capper — To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts Enclosing the Military Paymaster General's Report upon Sullivan's Accounts: The Bills unpaid to be liquidated by a Bengal Certificate. — To audit the accounts which Mr. Cochrane will lay before him. —

unpaid

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — Troops are ordered to occupy Vizalore and Tripassore, according to their Request. that parts of the Barracks at Tripassore as are unoccupied by Troops, may be appropriated to the Reception of Grain

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — Enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Military Stores shipped on the Experiment, Captain Ferguson, for the Factory.

To Mr. D. Porcher, Agent for the Sabras Prize Money — To the Agent for the Sabras Prize Money. A Certificate on Bengal will be granted for the amount of Mr. Lewis's Receipt — To refer to the Military Board, for Decision such Claims as are of a doubtful nature.

To Mr. James Taylor — To Mr. James Taylor. his request to revert to the Revenue Board (now provisionally held by Mr. Lewis) is referred to the Consideration of the Bengal Government

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Young, and advising them of the orders sent in consequence To report upon a Claim of Lieutenant Comer, & enclosing a Letter from Mr. Cockburn respecting Bengal Invt.

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29th received at, and dispatched from this Office from

January.

To the Paymaster & Storek.r at Wallajanbad

To the Paymaster and Storekeeper at Wallajan

strike off from the List of artificers belonging to

Chingleroy Maistry Smith, & Canmany Maistry

## At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor, President.

Friday the 30th April 1790.

John Turing ——— } Esqrs

and

Edward Saunders }

Minutes of last Consultation Read

The President lays before the Boa

-ing Translation of a Letter from His Highn

(also entered in C.C. No. 88.).

From the Nabob Wallaujah to the Honble Major Gen.

Dated 13th Shabaun 1204 — or 29th April 1790

Received 30th April 1790

From the Nabob declares unequivocally that he cannot perform the Engagements into which he has entered by the Treaty of 1792 and that he is unable to adhere to the Propositions contained in his Letter of the 8th Instant. — States that he has given orders for the Monthly Payment

I have received your Letter dated the 13th Instant, I

understood its Contents — Indeed, my Friend, my

truly distressing and Deplorable — After having

years of my life in the strictest Friendship and

the English, it is now with the greatest distress of

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I should write you particularly of certain mat-
-pecting the administration of the former Governo
Treatment I have experienced from different hand
nevertheless, at a proper opportunity, I shall wri
fully on these subjects. — I have given orders to
oulmulk to pay monthly to your Paymaster or Com
Officer at Tritchinopoly 15,000 Pagodas, I take a
it — To the Madura Renter, to pay 3,000 Pagodas mo
the Paymaster or Commanding Officer on Receipt —
Martinz will pay Ps. 5,000 from the Revenues of Ra
poram monthly — & the Renter of Tinnevelly a
monthly to the Paymaster or Officer Commanding at
Ps. 27,000, which Sums together make Ps. 50,00
— Mr. De Souza or other Soucars will pay into th
Treasury here Ps. 50,000 monthly, out of the Revenues
Northern Countries — & my Attendidies will also
Sum of Ps. 33,000 into the Co. mpany's Treasury
by which means the Company will receive every
Ps. 133,000 — making yearly [illegible] Attendaces of Eng
— altho' on account of the d[illegible]ficiency in the Coll
my Country, owing to a want of Rain, it appear
proper that I should require a Deduction of Ab
Pagodas — Nevertheless, I rely entirely on your ha
this respect. — This mode of Payment shall con
so long as I possess the ability; but (which God
should the Enemy's Cavalry enter and plunder my
& the Collections should not amount to the Sum I
engage

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The Board observe with great Concern that, the above Letter from his Highness is as vague & unsatisfactory those which have been received since the Peishwa's arrival & that it is impossible to form any Correct Judgement of the future Payments to be expected from his Highness, either towards the Discharge of his arrears, or to the Instalments -ing due.

After a most attentive Consideration of the Letter in all its parts, the Board feel it incumbent on them to Record their opinion, that no dependence ought to be on the Nabob's promises at this critical Juncture; correct his Highness's Intentions may be, the Nature of his Government must always render the performance of his Engagements uncertain.

The Subjects to be referred to Bengal

It is therefore unanimously Resolved, that the whole of the Correspondence with his Highness the Nabob, since the arrival of [illegible] transmitted to Bengal; and [illegible] Supreme Board, as the [illegible] -ment, that his Highness's [illegible] War to be placed under the [illegible] as affording the only means by [illegible] derived from it can be realized, and [illegible] attachment of the Poligars & Tributaries secured, which is of the utmost Importance to the successful operations of

The Board are further of opinion that the Measure should be adopted in so comprehensive a manner

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Platforms, which the Military Stores cannot at pres
furnish, We beg leave to recommend that they be fu
from the Engineer Stores, & that orders be given for th
being immediately replaced.

The acting Commissary General of Stores
represented to us the necessity of Examining 4 Iron
Pounders, now at Chingleput, We beg leave to prop
that the Commissary of Stores at Wallaujanbad be
to proceed thither for that purpose, & to report to us wh
Stores may be required to complete them for the
of Vellore, for which they are Intended.

On the 29th December last, We recomm
the removal of 2 Iron twenty four Pounders from
to Innacondah, which were however ordered to be
at Ongole, until further Orders. — As the Carriages
these Guns are suffering from their exposure to
Weather, & cannot be admitted within the Gates of
Fort, We beg leave to repeat our recommendation
their Removal.

Having Examined and approved
of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper
last month, they have accordingly been received
the Company's Books. —

The

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform the Military Board that the Guns fished up in the Roads by the Servants the Master Attendant, are to be considered as his property unless it can be satisfactorily proved to whom they originally belonged; and in that case, the Master will be only entitled to the usual Salvage.

With respect to proving the Guns, it is Agreed, that the Military Board be directed first to ascertain whether the Service is in want of them.

The other Measures recommended in the foregoing Letter are approved.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm, Adjutant General of the Army.

To the Honble Major General [illegible] Governor [illegible] in Council

Honble Sir

From the Adjutant General enclosing Copy of a Letter addressed to him by Lieutenant Colonel Floyd and an Address to Government from several Commanding Officers respecting the Gratuity due to them.

I take the liberty to enclose for the information of Government a Letter addressed to me by Lieutenant Colonel Floyd, and with the Request it contains, do myself the honor to transmit the Address to Government that accompanied it from Two Colonels, Six Lieutenant Colonels, Six Majors & Two Captains of his Majesty's & the Company's Troops on the subject of the Gratuity due to them.

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

We the undersigned Field Officers, & Captains
-ing Regiments of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's
beg leave to state that, Two Years Gratuity is at this
We are sensible it might neither be becomin
convenient to press for Payment at this season; but,
We feel the strongest desire to add ours to the public bo
by requesting Government to accept of the Sums several
us, as a loan on the Terms granted on the present occa

We have the honor to be
Hon. Sir Your
Thomas Musgra
Wangenheim Colo
J. Floyd Lieut
Hamilton Maxwell
Thomas Geils
Wm Sydenham
Patrick Ross
John Durand
Ja. Affleck Major
J. Cuppage Major
Major Stevenson
Wm Younge
A. Ogeney Major
Shangenberg Maj

Stair P. Dalrymple
Capt. Commanding 71st Regt
Capt. Hunter Comm. 52nd Regt

# Dr. The Honorable Company Cash Cr.

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| 1790 April | To Cash paid for 9 Horses as per particular General Register | 871.-- | 1790 April | By Cash received from Lieutenant Macfie on account of the late agency | 5544.20.8 |
| | To allowance for Mahomed Ebrahim Chibuck Swar - @ 1 Rupee each Horse | 2.22.40 | | | |
| | | 873.22.40 | | | |
| | To Balance in hand | 4670.42.48 | | | |
| | Pagodas | 5544.20.8 | | Pagodas | 5544.20.8 |

Madras 30th April 1790.

(signed) A. Grant Lieut.
Deputy agent for purchasing Horses

Madras 30th April 1790

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Detachment the Nizam has applied for; to which I have only to add that, in the Dominions of Aude where considerable Detachments of the Company's are frequently employed at the requisition of the Vizier it is customary for all orders or Applications from the Vizier to the Commanding Officer, or the Commanding Officer to the Vizier, to pass thro' the Channel of the Resident at his Durbar—

I expect in two or three days to forward from the Nizam, a proposal for employing part or whole of Colonel Cockerell's Detachment, in case I should be able to dispense with it's Services in the Carnatic— I have suggested to Meer abul Cossim two modes: 1.st— that the whole, or not less than 5/6.ths of it, with a proper Complement of Artillery, joined from 5,000 to 8,000 of his Highness's own Cavalry under the command of Mahomed Ameen Khan, an Officer of the first Reputation in the Nizam's Service should invade the Dominions of Tippoo, by the way of Cuddapa, and the Countries conquered remain one half in the hands of the Company, and half in the hands of his Highness's Officers: till a General Division should take place; the Company to pay such part of the Charges and the Nizam such part of his Cavalry as compose this Detachment— 2.nd Mode— the Nizam to [illegible] from

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or the proportion of Forces which their Masters re-
respectively furnish; But I should require that
Intended Operations should be communicated to
Commanding our Troops, and, on account of our
knowledge in the Science of War, that they should
be carried into Execution without his consent a[illegible]
approbation.

A true Extract (signd) N.B. Edmonstone
Asst at Wyat.

To lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Co[illegible]

To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

From Mr. Cowney -
Enclosing Duplicate of his
Letter of the 16th. - The fatisman
Rajah promises to assist the
Company - requests
Duplicates of any Orders
that may have been sent him
since the 8th. Instant. -

The Tappal Peons provided at the two
Stages to Parour having desert[illegible], prevented my
you Yesterday; & I almost apprehend that my
the 16th. did not go safe, I therefore now enclose a
of it. We remain much in the same state
then. Very few of the Rajah's People have yet
the Minister thinks they will in a day or two -
respecting the Enemy's Horse having penetrated as
Parour, was premature: none of them have y[illegible]

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From the Paymaster at Palamcotah

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah — advising of the r
one Lack of Rupees from Mr. Powney, which has bee
to the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly.

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah — States that th
but 30 Jarrs of Rice in Store; but that the Nabob's Ma
has tendered to him 300 Jarrs, respecting which he is wa
for Instructions — Repeats his application for a Sub Con
or Store Serjeant, in the room of the Assistant Storeke
deceased.

Minute on the last Letter

Instructions have been already sent to
directing him to receive the Rice tendered to him by
Nabob's Manager.

Ditto . Ditto —

Agreed, that the Commander in Chief
requested to send a proper Person to Palamcotah to
Store Serjeant.

Ext. Regd. Mr. Morton &c

John Irvin
Coll. Saund

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# Fort S. George 1st May 179

30th Captain George Hall, the acting Commissary General permitted to draw the allowance of Ten Shillings p. Diem during the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Morehouse.

To the acting Commissary General of Stores — To Captain George Hall — will be permitted to draw an allowance of Ten Shillings p. diem, during the absence of Lieut. Colonel Morehouse.

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer — To direct the Engineer appointed to proceed to Sagar, to call at Chinglepat to make an Estimate of the expence of Building there, and to Report the number of Artificers with the Garrison who may be employed without further Expence to the Company — To direct Mootoo Yarmiah Sheristry Bramin to proceed to Sagar.

May the 1st Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis &c.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal — The Nabob having failed in his Promises, it will be necessary to adopt some Resolution for securing to the Company, at this Critical Juncture, a certain proportion of the Revenues of the Carnatic — Recommending that his Highness's Country be placed under the Company's Management during the War; & Stating that, the Case of the Rajah of Tanjore is applicable, nearly in every part, to that of the Nabob —

We have had the Honor to inform your Lordship in several of our late Letters [illegible], We were employed making every exertion for the carrying on the War with the greatest vigor, & your Lordship will of course perceive our having attended as much as possible to the economy of the pecuniary Resources of this Government.

In a Letter addressed to your Lordship from the Justice Department, under date the 9th [illegible] were advised of the Offers made by His Highness [illegible] of Payments to be compleated in the course of the

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1.st of Peace — Of course the War Arrangement remains as before settled, by the Treaty, and Establishes that four fifths of the Revenues of the Carnatick shall annually be paid to this Government, with a deduction only of near Two Lacs and a half of Pagodas, for the Nabob's Expences, Jaghires, Charities, &c.a &c.a —

It might have been expected that the Securities for the Performance of the War Stipulations, which are of such Importance, would have been stronger than those which are provided in the Event of failure on the part of his Highness, in time of Peace; but they are in fact less efficient, and the process prescribed for, in time of War, is so tedious and complicated, that it can scarce be said to deserve the name of any Security or provision whatever —

Thus, at a time when the greatest Exertions are necessary, and pecuniary Supplies are of the utmost Importance, We are to depend for our principal Resources upon the operations and management of the Nabob's Government, which the System is perhaps as defective, and indigent as any upon earth.

If We found our Expectations of what we receive from his Highness in time of War from what he has lately paid in time of Peace, our Situation would indeed be a forlorn one; if the Prosecution of a vigorous War, and the Defence of the Country are, in great measure

Fort S.t George May 1790.

1st. with us, and Instruct us to act in conformity, We think you will see the necessity of our adopting the measure in so comprehensive a manner, as to preclude any kind of Interference on the part of the Nabob, while the Country may lie under our Management: if this is not done, the expected advantages will not be derived.

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We have the honor to be

Fort S.t George
1.st May 1790.

Yr. Yr. Yr.
(signed) Wm. Medows
Yr. Council

List of the Packet to Bengal— 1.st May 1790.

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(signed) W.m C. Jackson
Dep.y Sec.y

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Packet per the Minerva opened Papers Agree with the list of the Packet

The Packet in the Military Department by the Honble Company's Ship Minerva, anchored in the Roads this morning, is now opened, & the Papers found to Agree with the List of the Packet.

Two Letters from the Honble the Court of Directors Read

Read two Letters from the Honorable the Court of Directors under date the 2nd December 1789.—

Consideration of the foregoing deferred until a future Meeting

Resolved that the particular Consideration of the foregoing be deferred until a future Meeting.

Edwd Gaskell Hawkins Esq.

John Turing
Com Saunders

Fort St: George 1th. May 1790

Ship Minerva.

General Letter from England dated 2nd December 1789 read, & Resolution passed thereon.

General Letter to the Military Department dated 2d. December 1789 –

Ordered that a Copy of this Letter with the Documents referred to, be transmitted to the Military Paymaster, & that he be directed to pay due attention to the Regulations therein Contained.

Seperate Letter to the Military Department dated 2nd. Dec.

Para. 1st. 2nd. & 3d. Require no Remark –

Para. 4th. and 5th. Ordered that Copies of these Paragraphs be sent to the Hospital Board, for their Information.

Para. 6th. and 7th. – Resolved that the Honble Court's Orders respecting the discontinuing Passage Money to King's Officers going home on Leave be strictly attended to.

Para. 8th. to the End of the Letter – Ordered that Copies of these Paragraphs, with the Documents accompanying, be sent to the Military Board, and that they be desired to make the necessary Investigation & to report thereon.

The President Recommended that the following Draft of a Letter to his Highness the Nabob in Reply to his Letter of the 29th. Ult., be Copied fair & dispatched

(vide also. C.C. N°. 89.)

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and indefinite — If at this moment, when the greatest Exertions should be made from all Quarters, Your Highness gives such trifling pecuniary assistance, what confidency can I place, or what hopes can I entertain of material support from your Highness's Treasury, when the means of replenishing it may become scanty and precarious?

It has, from these Circumstances, been resolved to lay before the Government of Bengal a full Account of our Situation with your Highness, & to solicit their orders on the subject.

It would afford me much pleasure, if it would ultimately have an effect satisfactory to Your Highness, if you would pay into the Company's Treasury at this Juncture such Sums as would bear some proportion to the heavy Demands daily making upon it. Your Highness is a Prince of too much Wisdom not to be perfectly sensible of the absolute necessity which there is of attending to this object without delay.

I have the honor to Remain

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) W. Medows.

Fort S.t George
4.th May 1790

Minute thereon.

The Board approve the foregoing Draft, & ordered that it be immediately Translated & Dispatched.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore —

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Pagodas, viz.t one immediately on the appointment of the Accountants, & Bills for another on People in Madras, payable in 30 days. —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
Tanjour — 28th April 1790.

P.S. Having in my former Letter mentioned what I imagined the Rajah could [illegible] further Effect of his Avenues for the last year, not likewise a [illegible] Estimate of the Produce — I now have the honor of transmitting among [illegible] particular one, which I believe Correct, & likewise an Estimate of what may be expected this year, beginning in april 1790: Both of which I am sanguine will be higher than what I have mentioned.

To George Andrew Ram Esq.r

I have perused your Letter which you addressed to me on the 19th Instant, & return you thanks for your congratulations you mention therein.

I am not less sensible of the Justice which the Honble the Court of Directors have established towards my affairs — As you offer to employ Tasildars, & I by no means consent to that part at present, [illegible] the

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Fort St. George 1st. May 1790—

Your Excellency has omitted to send me a copy of your Letter to the Governor, agreeable to the 1st. Paragraph of the Governor's Letter to you, in which he says, "In future you "will oblige me by sending your Letters to Mr. Ram the "Company's Resident at your Durbar, who will forward "them to me; this is the regular Channel by which a "I may have occasion to write to your Excellency will "be sent."

Now the sending me a Letter sealed up a copy is entirely nugatory, and can never answer proposed — viz., that, if I should think it requisite, have an opportunity of giving the Governor, with of time, my opinion on any part of the letter wh locality of my situation here may enable me to do.— Excellency will observe that, whenever the Governor w your Excellency, he never fails to send me a copy.— Th therefore to request your Excellency will favor me with

and am

Your Excellency's — Well Wisher & Friend

Tanjour — 28th. April 1790.

signed G Ram

An Account of the produce of the Tanjore Country for the last year, ending A under the management of the Sirkeel Shevarow — given in Privately.—

Sooba of Combiconum.

Dry Grain, Pulse, Cotton, &c. about ..... 32,500.0.

Carr and Pishcaum ..... 199,290

Inha. Share ..... 897.387

Cicar Ditto ..... 1098,703. — a 4 ca ..... 439,481.1.

From Inhabitants Cudutsel ..... 27,972.5 467,453.6

Chuckrums — Carried forward ..... 4

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Brought forward Chuckrums ... 2310.40

Sooba of Puttu Cattah - about ... 1,03,000

Lunkum of Tanjore Fort ... 65,000.1
Ditto of Combaconum ... 50,000-
Ditto of Manargoody ... 10,000-
Ditto of Vullum &c. ... 5,000- 1,30,000

Chuckrums ... 2548.4

Exchange at 2/1 ½ P Pagoda ... 1019.1

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An Estimate of Next years produce, beginning April 1790, the Inhabitants having agreed to Cultivate more Land, & to pay more to the Palace than last Year -

Sooba of Combiconum

Dry Grain Puttu Cattu &c. ... 32500.4

Carr and Peshanum ... Cullums 21,91,190-
Inha Shar ... 9,87,587-
Circar Do ... 12,03,703- a 4 fan ½ ... 481.481.1

from Inhabitants Cudutul ... 30.972.5 5,4

Sooba of Manarcoil

Dry Grain Puttu Cattu &c. ... 40390.3
Poonjy Survy ... 5988.6 46378.9

Carr & Peshanum ... 26,74,805.8
Inha Shar ... 12,9,6,917.8
Circar Ditto ... 14,67,17,8 a 1/8 ... 606.417.6

Inha Cudutul ... 40.110.6- 6,9

Sooba of Mayavaram

Dry Grain Puttu Cattu &c. ... 26217.6
Poonjy Survey ... 700- 26.917.6

Carr and Peshanum ... 2132,817-
Inha Share ... 1,79,518-
Circar Do ... 13,43,299- a 4 fa ... 5,44,319-7

from Inhabitants Cudutul ... 30,442-7 6

Carried forward Chuckrums ... 18

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Country from the Depredations of the Enemy — Interest Sum he has paid to Mr Ram for April; and the Monthly Sums he will actually pay from May 1790, till June 1791, on account of the War

by the Resident Mr Ram, in the presence of Mr Swartz — he Contents I understand — You write that, as the Nabob has consented to the arrangement which the Court of Directors has formed for the mutual relief of his Highness and of myself, it was now in your power to carry into Execution that part which concerned me; you therefore desire that, it may be considered in Force from the 1st April 1790 — This has given me the most heartfelt satisfaction, for which I offer you Excellency my fullest thanks. If I had a thousand tongues they would be insufficient to express my Acknowledgments of the Company's Favor: but, what return can I make for so much kindness? —

Your Excellency desires that, in future my Letters may be forwarded through the channel of Mr Swartz — this has been the cause of much concern. It has been a Custom of long standing for Rajahs to maintain at their Durbars Vackeels, thro' whom to carry on their Negotiations. My ancestors have always employed a Vackeel at each for the purpose of delivering Letters to, and conferring with the Governor. If the antient Custom be subverted in the manner proposed by your Excellency, my Character and honor will suffer in the Eyes of Mankind; and that too without any advantage to the Company. As your Excellency is famed for Magnanimity, Justice, and knowledge of human nature I earnestly request that you will not lessen me in the public Opinion, by introducing this new Custom. At present, that I might not oppose your Directions in any

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one of the means of relieving the grievous burthens of my
Affairs were in this situation, when I succeeded the
upon the decease of my Brother. At this time my Affa
were encreased by an additional weight, which I was
unable to sustain: I mean the payment of Seven Lacs
of Pannum. I discharged also the remainder of the
Balance which was due from my Brother. The Strait
I was reduced, — the Mortifications to which I was expos
the losses which I suffered from the Interest of Money bo
to dissipate these difficulties — Your Excellency will e
learn from the relation of disinterested People. Eve
my Succession to the Throne my Embarrasment pre
me from restoring the Cultivation of my Co
Charity, equity, and Justice of the Honble Company fo
them to take into Consideration my former distress: th
*p. 86. *tongue-tied, I was unable to represent to them my diffi
Urged by a regard for the Welfare of my People & by th
wish of rendering justice, they sent orders for lessenin
those burthens which were imposed upon me by Sir
Campbell's Treaty. Conscious that it became neces
me to seize the earliest opportunity for relieving the d
of my People, I made them partakers of the Compan
favor, by encreasing their share in the proportion
Company's Indulgence to me. — Besides m
arrangements with the Sowcars, which as well
for the punctual discharge of the Company's Rev

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of my Country (excepting one Lac of Pagodas) must be contributed to the Expences of the War Establishment, you therefore request to be informed what Sums at what may be expected from me from 1st April 1790. Excellency may rest persuaded that, in this time of Affairs. — I have during the Month of April paid remaining pay Ram the Sum of ₹8,000 Pagodas; beyond this the and Peshanum Crops are very trifling — If therefore Your Excellency has writ, one Lack Pay. be reserved Family, and four fifths of the remaining produce be buted to the War-Establishment, it is clear to every the Company will receive little assistance from my When the Honble Company became acquainted with injustice which had been offered me by some Governors, their love of Justice, their attention to the of my People, and their favor to my house led them to My Difficulties; I have therefore every Confidence they will dissipate my future Distresses — If they should be impressed with an Idea of my contributing Sparingly to the Expences of the War, their wonted favor me would be impaired. To preserve myself from such Censure, I suggest a plan for granting liberal assistance to the Company's Affairs — ₹8,000 Pa have already been paid to Mr. Ram for the Month April — The following then, is a Statement of the

Sums

Fort S.t George 8.th May 1790.

so long as, by the Grace of God and the favors of your Excellen
my Country shall be preserved from the troubles of the Ene
If at any time the troubles of the Enemy prevent the Coll
of the Country & the Collection of the Revenues, I will mak
it known to your Excellency. Then Inspectors on the pa
the Company may be appointed to investigate what
Collections shall have been paid to the Soucars from t
as also what Sums the Soucars shall have paid to the
After this Investigation, your Excellency will give or
the Soucars being reimbursed from the Collections of the
such Extraordinary Sums as they shall have advanc
Company. In such event I shall apply to my
Expences the Sum mentioned in your Excellency's lett
13.th Instant.

If my Country be free from the trouble
the Enemy, the Soucars will, by the month of June 179
pay according to their Teeps the Sum of 7,60,000 Pago
besides this, the Soucars have already paid to M.r Kan
78,000 Pagodas on account of April & Inst.s, the full
to be paid to the Company, by the end of June 1791
838,000 Pagodas. — If this Plan be set aside, & Inq
on the part of the Company be appointed, if, from
the Sums mentioned by your Excellency be appropri
my Expences, and the remainder to be paid to the Com
Your Excellency may learn, upon Consulting any de
peoples, that the Company will not receive 838,000 P

Thus

and

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above Statement, to pay in five Months, from 1st. May to 30th September, the Sum of 300,000 Pagodas. If, according to the four fifths of the Revenue be paid to the Company, they will receive more than 50,000 Pagodas — From this Assertion, your Excellency may be induced to doubt the possibility of the Rajah paying so great a Sum; I will therefore remove this doubt from your mind, by informing your Excellency that the Rajah pays the different Sums according to the periods, and are reimbursed during the Collection of the Crops.

I have inclosed Copies of a Letter from Mr. K. and of my answer — Your Excellency will do me the favor of reading this Letter with your serious Consideration. I rely on your Wisdom and support of my honor: I trust with you to save me from Vexation. I have no support but from your Excellency, confident in you in all Respects. Believing me your sincere Friend, you will, I trust, preserve my Country from the Depredation of the Enemy. To a friend, why should I write more.

A true Translation (signed) J. Webbe
Secretary

Minute thereon.

I agree that a Copy of the foregoing from the Rajah be transmitted to Mr. Ram, and that he be desired to report his opinion fully, and as soon as possible, upon the Propositions contained in the Rajah's Letter; and to consult with the Reverend Mr. Swartze, as to the best mode of securing to the Company the Receipt of the four fifths of the Tanjore Revenue

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Statement of outstanding Balances; or an account of Refunds brought to the period they have been Examined by the Comptroller General of army accounts are not as yet audited by that Officer, as the necessary Explanations from Individuals will be comprized in a Report on the accounts of the last year

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| Garrison Storekeepers Department to the 31st March 1790 | Due from account autory. M.R. Clerk La Gate Register | | 1636. 17. - |
| | Ditto | Caulatteyah Moodely | 208. 15. 25 |
| | Ditto | Cowkeeper | 521. 19. - |
| | Ditto | Mr. Dent for Grain | 392. 13. 16 |
| | Ditto | Messrs. Corbett & Boyd for Grain | 5506. 19. 22 |

Military Paymaster General Due from Capt. J. Campbell Barrack Master, as[illegible] letter 26th December 1788. No.

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| Bonamallee | Paymasters Account of Refunds | | | |
| Tripassore | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Vellore & Amboor | Ditto - but Mr. Gahagan refuses to refund Pag. 100. without an order of Government | | | |
| Cuddalore | Ditto | Account of Refunds | | |
| Nagore and Negapatam | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Tragar & Ranet Nellore | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Tanjore & Vellum | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Palamcotah | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Nellore | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Ongole | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Rampore | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Pemerycotah | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Masulipatam | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Guntoor | Ditto | Ditto | Ditto | |
| Chicacole | Ditto | That Major Gowdie will not Refund Pag. 55 for House Rent for Eleven Months at Cojeincotah, without an order of Government | | |
| | Ditto - | From the Paymaster during the Guntoor Circar Expedition (Comptr. Gen. 1 General's Audit) | | |
| | Ditto - | from several Officers during Ditto — and not rec[illegible] the Paymaster; the amount of which Sums cannot be precisely ascertained | | |

See Pagoda

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signed J. Capy

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under date the 5th. November 1789, Mr. Willis evidently did not consider himself accountable to me, or under my Control as I have already fully stated to Government in my Letters of the 31st. March, 2nd & 20th. June 1789, to which I beg leave to refer. So far was I from authorising any unnecessary Expence, that I recommended a Reduction of all unnecessary Expences, first in my Letter to Sir A. Campbell dated 13th. September, and afterwards in my Letters of 25th. October & 17th. November 1789, to which I likewise beg leave to refer. I did not know what orders or Instructions Mr. Willis received, as they did not pass thro' me, or with establishment of Lascars &c. he was authorized to keep up; of course could adopt no other mode for obtaining a reduction than that which I did in recommending it to the attention of Sir Archibald Campbell. From whom, as I learn from Mr. Willis himself, he immediately received the Orders.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(signed) Wm. Medows

Masulipatam
27th. April 1790.

Minute thereon.

The Board observe upon the foregoing letter, that Mr. Sadleir not only disavows his having sanctioned an Extra Establishment of Lascars, but declares that he never gave an opinion, or was consulted on the subject. Agreed therefore that, Mr. Willis be informed that he must

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all and every kind of Services required.

Madras - 3rd May 1790.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
Wangenheim
Colonel

Minute thereon

Agreed, that Colonel De Wangenheim be informed that, however desirous the Board are of availing themselves of the services of his Majesty's Electoral Troops, they cannot consent to the Clause quoted in the foregoing Letter, the subject having been referred to Bengal, and the Decision of Earl Cornwallis Council obtained thereon. — But, as it is essential to have the Service of the Hanoverian Troops, the Board authorize Colonel De Wangenheim to re-inlist them for two Years only, upon the Conditions with which he already furnished, making the necessary Deductions with Money, conformable to the Period for which they are re-

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Hydrabad.

The Honble Major General Medows &c. &c. &c.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From Mr. Malet - The Regent Minister at Poona has promised that no time shall be lost in fulfilling his Engagements, as stipulated, in the Treaty of War with Tippoo

Hon^ble Sir

In consequence of the Communication of your Letter under the 16th Ultimo, I yesterday made a formal Announcement to the Regent Minister of this State, of the prosecution of the War between the Honble Company & Tippoo Sultan, & the

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which accompanied it for Information of the result of the
Reference which has been made of that Gentleman's Dispa
the Peishwa, to the Nizam for his accession. The reas
His Highness wishing for an alteration in the 3d. Art
it, I understand to be because it is settled by the pre
subsisting between him and the Peishwa, that, whichever
the Chiefs take the Field in person, the Troops of the o
shall be under his Command, either to act with his
or seperately as he may chuse to appoint. An Idea, tha
number of Cavalry stipulated to be furnished the Compa
intended to be employed without being joined by
of ours, is the reason of his being solicitous for an
being added to the 7th. Article, and a desire to have h
recognized, as well as the Peishwa's, (if the mode of fair
partition, as established by my Treaty, is departed from
Countries which he estimates, I fancy with some Exagge
as being worth near a Crore of Rupees per annum, is th
of his proposing an Alteration in the 10th. Article, whic
Peishwa has informed him, the Article in question is
meant to affect his Rights, I do not imagine he, or
Mr. Malet will have any objection to.

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble

Hydrabad
20th April 1790.

(signed) John Kennaway

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to enable him to suggest any alteration in it which he might think would be for the advantage of himself and the Peishwa.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (Signed) John Kennaway

Hydrabad
17th. april 1790.

Translate of the ultimate alterations of the various articles of the Treaty agreed upon between Pundit Purshram & Mr. Kennaway proposed by His Highness the Nizam, & delivered by Meer Alum to Kennaway at a Conference on the 17th. April 1790. for the purpose of being sent to Mr. Malet

Alteration & Remark. Art. 3rd.

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Where it is written - "The said Poligars &c. shall pay their usual Tribute to the Peishwa" - add - "and their Peishcush to the Nizam".

If the said Poligars should revolt from Pundit Purshram or the Nizam, or fail in the Payment of their Peishcush & other dues, both shall be authorized to bring them to order as shall appear adviseable to them shall be carried into effect

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President, & it is accordingly agreed, that a letter be written to Masulipatam to the purport abovementioned.

Read the following Letters from the Resident & from Captain Knox at Travancore.

To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Mr. Bonny - advising of the arrival of Colonel Hartley's Detachement at Tyacottah on the 23d. Ultimo.

I have the honor to inform you that the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Hartley of his Majesty's 75th. Regiment - one Company of Artillery and 2 Battalions of Sepoys, under the Convoy of the Phanix Frigate, anchored off Tyacottah this Colonel Hartley came ashore, and intends to in morning to determine upon the Measures he will adopt, with respect to the position of the Troops.

This will give the greatest confidence the Rajah's Troops; and I entertain no doubt that a few days a great part of those who have gone off will return to this place.

I have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Tyacottah
23rd April 1790.

(signed) George Bonny
Resident

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he has only two Days Rice, and was wholly in want of
Firewood. Salt, Ghee, Curry Stuff, and every other article
requisite to the Subsistence of Troops, waving that objection
in itself insurmountable, I never could consent to
a measure, without a sufficient Water convoy and
secure my retreat, which in the present juncture
impossible to obtain.

I have too long been amused with
which have never been fulfilled; and altho' I
assurances that Cranganore shall be supplied, it
with my knowledge that the Minister is utterly
to furnish it with ten days provisions. The Enemy
can take a position which will Effectually cut off
communication with Cranganore. The Boats
were upon the River have entirely disappeared, and
I believe gone to the Southward. The necessity of the
times obliged me to give up those belonging to the Detach-
ment. they have since my arrival here been
by the Minister, and he can now give me not
The Rajah has no Stock of Grain in the
had, it could not be conveyed to Cranganore in any
quantity for a siege.

Having taken post upon this Island, I must
watch the turn of affairs, and act as Circumstances direct.
Considering the trepidation among the Rajah's Troops, and
the convincing proof they have given of want of firmness
there was no other plan which I could have adopted.

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From the Deputy Military Paymaster - reports that the Sum of Pags. 12,664-7-77 appears due to the Inhabitants of Caranjooly for Grain delivered to the Company during the Last War.

Having received the necessary Account
Captain Wanderson who Commanded at Caranjoo
great part of the late War, on whose Receipts fo
delivered by the Country People in Store there,
has been made to Government for payment of the
& on which I have been desired to report - I
the honor to acquaint you for the Information of
Board, that it appears by the accounts transmi
Captain Anderson, that he received from the In
a quantity of Rice & Paddy to the amount of Pa
for which he granted his Receipts, and issued
to the Troops in Garrison, the agent in Cam
I have examined the different accounts, and
has been given to the assigned Revenue,
Pags. 2,481. 30. 10 - to the Agent for
of Pags. 3,000. 25. 20 - Number the head of
of Pags. 2829. 23. 7 - There appears also
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To the Honble. Major General William

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Honble Sir and Sirs

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Minute thereon

The Board regret very much that the Servants of the Civil & Military Powers in the Masulipatam District should be carried on without perpetual References to Government Subjects which, if properly attended to, might be easily Agreed, that the Demand be discharged, but that it be Com to the Chief & Council that the Board are much dissa expect a more strict attention in future to the prope of similar Objects.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Cockerell.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council & Commander in Chief

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell advising of the arrival of the Detachment under his Command within the District of Ganjam — The Troops are paid for the Month of February — & Pay for the Months of March will be issued during their Halt at Ganjam

In obedience to the following Extract from Letter of Service which I was honored with on my Appo to the Command of the Detachment of Bengal Native proceeding to the Southward — Viz. "on your arrival ed Countries immediately subje to the Presidency of Fort "you will send notice thereof to the Governor in Coun "obey all orders that he may send to you, or that "sent to you by the Commander in Chief of the Fort "Presidency for your future guidance; and in case you "be received, you will continue your march to Cuttack "Forwards, unless interdicted by any directions from "I do myself the pleasure to report to Your Excellency

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and have the defective parts renewed, and replaced with new Work where necessary.

As the proper management of this Fund requires both knowledge and practice, and requires the exercise of a degree of Caution that cannot be always practiced with common Coolies, I beg leave to submit to you the propriety of retaining the Lascars who have been accustomed to such Work, and who have been lately sent to Camp, by an equal number of those newly raised, that the former may return to the Presidency where they can be most usefully Employed.

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The present state of the Gates of Communication to the Black Town, as well as the Palisade Gates for securing the Water Courses, likewise merits your attention.

Before I quit this subject, permit me to remind you that, the provision of Pioneer Materials formerly ordered to be in constant readiness for the use of the Garrison, having become unserviceable thro' age, their remains were sometime ago sold by order of Government, so that there is not at present a single Gabion, Fascine, Hurdle, or Piquet left in Garrison.

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Signed Patrick Ross
Lieut. Colonel & Chief Engineer

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To the Reverend Dr. Wells — To the Reverend Dr. Wells — appointing him Chaplain to the 1st Regt. of European Infantry, until the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — directing them to appoint one of the Lieutenants to accompany Major Montgomery's Detachment as Paymas[ter] [to] Lt. Montgy.

To the Military Paymaster — To the Military Paymaster — to pay particular attention to the inclosed Copy of a Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors.

To the Hospital Board — To the Hospital Board — Enclosing the 4th & 5th Paragraph[s] of a General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors, under date 2nd Dece[mber] 1789.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors, dated 2nd December 1789, & the Papers to which it refers — to investigate the subject, & report the result to Government.

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Received the following Letter from the Deputy Accountant General.

John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir.

From the Deputy Accountant — Enclosing a Statement of Gratuity due to the Field Officers — desiring to be instructed how a Distribution is to be made of the Year's Gratuity due the 1st Instant

I accompanying I do a Statement of Gratuity due to his Majesty's and the Honble Company's Field Officers, requested in your Letter of the 30th ultimo.

Another year's Gratuity falls due to them on the 1st Instant; it is therefore necessary for me to be furnished with directions from the Honorable Board in what manner the distribution is to be made, whether as formerly recommended by the Right Honble Governor General, or whether the new Mode is to be adopted here on the same plan as in Bengal, conformable to the

# Fort St. George May 1790.

6th. Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Ltr. B. Nos 27 to 30

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From Mr. Foster Resident at Nagpoor

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The President cannot think of laying down any Rules for measures to be transacted in his absence — The Board will act as Circumstances may require; he is prepared to have the fullest Confidence in them, and desir that all Letters, not of a private Nature, may be opened by them — when immediate Decision is necessary, they will of course decide upon them, but when the Certainty of Communication admits of it, & the Subjects are of importance, he requests that they may be communicated to him previous to any determination upon them.

If the Measures recommended to Bengal respecting the Nabob, & the Rajah of Tanjore should be directed to be carried into Execution, the President thinks the operation of them should Commence from the 12th July, the End of the Revenue Year — as to the precise mode of Arrangement, he shall leave with the Secretary his ideas on the Subject, together with

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Mr Turing's Minute

Mr Turing's Minute stating the anxious concern he feels in consequence of the President's declaration of his Intention to quit the Presidency & take the Command of the Army — reasoning on the Subject.

The President's Information to the Board of his Intention to command the army destined for offensive operations, has impressed me with anxious Co[ncern]. I have the most perfect Conviction that the Pres[ident], in deciding upon the measure, was actuated by [the] of motives; and it would have given me the [highest] -faction, if it were not for the consideration that [] from the Presidency at this Juncture, may be [attended with] Consequences of so important a nature, that I am [compelled] by motives of public Duty to state to the Board my [ideas] upon the subject.

From what the President has experienced since his arrival, he must be well acquainted with the Embarrassed State of this Government, whose Current Charges even in Times of Peace are fully equal to it's Common Resources — and now, that we are involved [in] a most expensive War, I am really at a loss to judge, [what] to expect from the Government of Bombay, by what mode of Supply We shall be able to answer the Exigencies of the Service.

The resources of this Government must in a great measure depend upon the Execution of the War Arrangement, as established by Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty, by which 1/5th of the Revenues of the Countries belonging to the Nabob of the Carnatic & the Rajah of Tanjore are to be made over to the

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Having thus delivered my Sentiments with [illegible] and candor, I have only further to observe, that during the President's absence, I shall endeavor to act in [illegible] possible, & cordially support the President's views [illegible] the public Service.

(signd) John Turing

In Council - 7th May 1790.

Approve (signd) Edward Saun[illegible]

Mr Saunders begs leave to subscribe [illegible] to the Sentiments expressed in Mr Turing's Minute.

Mr Saunders subscribes to the sentiments expressed in Mr Turing's Minute.

Mr Turing entered the following Minute

Mr Turing's Minute

Mr Turing moves that the Charge of the Army be delivered over to the President as Commander in Chief - That Officers Commanding Garrisons & Detachments be directed to Correspond with the President - And that Orders be given to the President to negotiate with the Rajas &c. upon the Malabar Coast, dependent on Tippoo.

The late act of Parliament, Orders of the Court of Directors having given to the President a discretionary Power and authority in certain cases, and having likewise vested in him the Office of Commander in Chief of the Forces on this Coast, Mr Turing moves that, in the present situation of affairs, the operations & conduct of the army, should be entrusted to the President & Commander in Chief during his absence; & that Letters be written to all Officers in Command of Detachments & Garrisons under this Presidency, to Correspond with the President & Commander in Chief, and to obey all such Orders as may from time to time be received from him; and that they do also communicate to the Secretary in that Department, for the regular information of the Board, all material Circumstances which may occur.

Mr

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as it is of great Consequence for our Reputation
Country, that the Troops should preserve a strict discipline
with alacrity, which could not be expected if their Pay were
fall into arrear, We desire that you will, in concert
Kennaway, take the most effectual Measures in
securing Funds to discharge the Pay of those Troops
punctuality as if they were actually employed in
in the Carnatic.

We have, with a view to assist you
Propositions to Sadhoff at Benares to induce him to
Payment of the Nizam's Peishcush in future at the
We believe that an Agreement to that Effect will soon

We have the honor to be
Sir Sir Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants
Cornwallis
Signed Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

Fort William
19th April 1790.

Minute thereon

Resolved that we be notified to the Governor General
in Council that the Detachment allotted to join the subsidiary army
was paid up to the day on which the Demand from Ellore, that
Pay for two Months has since been sent.

Resolved also, that the Sentiments of the Supreme
Board be requested as to the propriety of completing the Peace Establish-
ment on the Coast to 36 Battalions. This measure, if adopted,
will necessarily encrease the Dependence of this Government upon
Bengal for Supplies.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Musgrave.

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me to remove such as have been appointed by the orders of your Honble Board to fill particular Stations, and to dispose of them as may appear to be most to the benefit of the Service, Should it be found requisite to do so.

To procure the Completion of Grain ordered to be stored in this Garrison, and Tanjore / Exclusive of the forty days supply with which the army marches, is an object I have much at heart, and shall sedulously endeavour to accomplish. And as the Granaries here are capable of containing the largest quantity, besides being much more convenient in every respect, for the supply of the Army both now and hereafter, I have to solicit your permission to bring such a proportion from the Stores at Tanjour, as may be thought sufficient, to lodge it in the Granaries of this Garrison.

Pritchinopoly Plain
1.st May 1790.

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

To the Honble. Major General Medows
Governor & Council

From Colonel Musgrave will do his utmost in every respect towards the Collection of Grain in the Pritchinopoly District

Honble Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's Letter under date the 29.th Ultimo, mentioning the Nabob's having given orders for delivering up all the Grain in the Pritchinopoly District, and directing that the Bullocks

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To the Honble Major General William Medows.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore — Colonel Hartley's Detachment will disembark tomorrow — The Rajah's People acquire Confidence — Intelligence of Tippoo's Proceedings, as communicated by a French Deserter

I did myself the honor of acquainting you on the 23d ult, of the arrival here of the Detachment under Lieut. Colonel Hartley. — The Troops have not yet disembarked, but I believe in the course of this day, they will be all on shore. The situation of affairs here became so critical, that the arrival of the Detachment has been most fortunate and opportune: Indeed I may venture to say, it has saved this Country, for the minds of the Rajah's People were so depressed, that the least movement of the Enemy towards this part of the Country would have made those few who were collected, disperse and quit it; and the Enemy might have penetrated into the heart of it without meeting the least opposition. Before the arrival of these Troops, I had a most arduous task in preventing some of the Head People from quitting this place. — They now have, already, acquired Confidence; & in a few days I make no doubt both Troops & Inhabitants will flock to this place. —

A French Deserter came in last night from the Enemy's Camp — he reports that Mons. Lally was with 700 Men within two or three Miles of Cranganore, — that Tippoo was to join him on this day with a large Force, with the

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or deficiency that shall arise, in consequence of Capt. Wilson's non performance of his Engagements.

As We understand that only the Officers of the Bengal Establishment which are attached to any Corps receive an allowance in lieu of Tents & Carriage; and that the Bengal Artillery coming by Sea to Masulipatam bring with them Bengal Canvas Tents, We are of opinion they should be lodged in Store at Masulipatam, & Madras Tents issued in their stead, for the reasons assigned by Mr. Cockburn, but at the same time We beg leave to recommend that the above Bengal Tents be returned to Bengal, by the first Opportunity, and that the Government General be advised that it will not be necessary to send Canvas Tents with any Detachments from that Presidency coming by Sea, excepting such as are sent with the Officers of the Corps, who receive an allowance for providing their own Tents, and are paid for the Carriage of them.

The acting Commissary General of Stores has laid before us a report of the Proof of 2000 Barrels of Bengal Gunpowder received by the Lord Cornwallis, Sea, & Warren Hastings. likewise of 1200 Barrels made at the Madras Powder Mills. all which appearing considerably above proof, have been accordingly received on the Company's Books.

As the Powder at Masulipatam appears from a late proof, to be of a superior quality, & that at Ellore is reported as unfit for Service, We take leave in consequence to recommend that

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To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Military Board — Recommending that Lieutenant Corner's Bill for secret Service be discharged. —

Having considered the Papers referred to us respecting Lieutenant Corner's Application for secret Service Money, We beg leave to remark that his Statement appears to us satisfactory. This Charges moderate, considering the Nature of the Service on which he was Employed; We, therefore recommend that his Bills be discharged. —

We have the honor to be

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George 2nd. May 1790.

J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
Geo. Hall

(4 sigs)

Minute on the foregoing Letters

The Board approve the several Recommendations of the Military Board — Ordered that the same be carried into Execution.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam, (with Enclosure, entered in Miscellany Book No. 30).

To

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Minute thereon

Agreed that the subject of the above Letter be referred to the Consideration and Decision of Lt. Colo. Crawford, this day appointed Chief of Ganjam, in whom the Board have great confidence; and they have also hopes that under his administration, the utmost attention will be paid to the re-establishment of Peace & Good Order, & the future improvement of the Revenue.

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor &c. Council

Fort S. George

Hon'ble Sir and Sirs

From Masulipatam — Two months pay for the troops ordered to join the Nizam, is sent to Major Montgomery — The Paymaster at Ellore has furnished them with 50 Lascars — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bengal desiring them to engage 100 draft Bullocks for the use of Colonel Cockerell's Detachment — have received advice from Cuttack of Rupees from Ganjam & two from Vizagapatam being sent to their Factory to be appropriated towards the Payments to be made to the Nizam — The Nizam's Agent is in possession of the third Bill drawn by Bengal in his favor, for 3,50,000 Rupees —

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your orders communicated to us in your Secretary's Letters of the 20th and 22nd Instant, and conformably thereto, have done every thing that depends on us for Expediting the March of the Troops ordered to join His Highness the Nizam. Two months Pay for this Detachment, amounting to Madras Pagodas 15,000, has been sent to Major Montgomery, & the Paymaster at Ellore has been desired to pay them up to the time of their leaving that place. The Paymaster informs us of his having entertained 50 Lascars, in consequence of a requisition from Colonel Brathwaite, to accompany the Detachment, as none of those belonging to the Cantonment of Ellore could in the Colonel's opinion be spared.

The necessary information respecting the Pay of the

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this place, has for sometime past been in possession of the third Bill of Exchange for 350000 Rupees drawn by the Government General in his favor, but understanding that we had received no orders in regard to the Payment, he has not made any personal application for the amount.

We have the honor to be
Hon.ble Sir &c. &c. &c.
Anth.y Sadleir
Masulipatam 29th. April 1790. Signed W.m Dobbyn
Sam.l Statham

The Board approve the Proceedings reported in the above Letter

Minutes thereon

Ordered that the last Paragraph of the Letter from Masulipatam be replied to from the Public Department.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Nagore.

The Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council
Fort S.t George

Hon.ble Sir

From the Resident at Nagore — Communicating the steps taken for the safety of Nagore — Requesting that the Sepoys of the 1.st & 2.nd American Battalions may receive Pay as regular Sepoys, while they are employed in town; & that the Number of Lascars in that factory (37) may be accounted to 50 — The Inhabitants of Nizapatam will make no Subscription towards the defence of that place — Enclosing Extract of a letter to Mr. Horsford on this subject, & his reply

Although unwilling to trespass on the time of your Honor &c., I think it my Duty to communicate the steps I have taken for the safety of Nagore, in case of any trouble in this part of the Country.

The Town of Nagore being of far more Importance, with respect to its Commerce, Shipping, & the property of the Inhabitants

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on to employed in Revenue Collections, I hope I shall be excused by your Honor &c. if I humbly solicit on this Lahaly this Indulgence, which the other Sepoys of those Corps who do duty in Tanjore, are I understand at present allowed.

The Number of Lascars belonging to this Factory being only 37, the Storekeeper has applied to me to beg of your Honor &c. would permit the number to be completed to 50, on account of the Number of Vessels that arrive from the Presidency laden with Stores for the Southern Garrisons, and the other business of this Department.

I beg leave further to acquaint your Honor &c. that I consulted with Lieutenant Hammond, the Commanding Officer at Negapatam, in regard to whatever has been done towards strengthening the Town; and there being no European Officer stationed with the Nagore Sepoys, I requested of him to take them for the present under his Charge, which I hope will meet with your Approbation.

With respect to Negapatam, I take the liberty to inform your honor &c. that, it is in a defenceless State, & appears to be of too great an extent, being near three Miles in Circumference, for the Ditch which surrounds the whole & has gradually been filling up to be deepened, or the old Mud Wall which has fallen to decay to be repaired, without great Expence, & which would be a work of Considerable time. The Number of Revenue Sepoys stationed at Negapatam at present is 54, and the Inhabitants, altho' they have been applied to, are unwilling to contribute any Money among

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Seconds their Exertions by a small Assistance of Men & Stores.

In consequence of a Subscription Paper which I circulated at Nagore, Copy of which I enclose, I hope I shall obtain sufficient to raise and pay 200 Sepoy Militia.

Advertizement

Nagore March 1790.

In order to put the Town of Nagore in such a condition that it may be defended against any sudden incursion or surprise by the Enemy's Horse, by which it was destroyed in the late War — and at the same time not to subject Government to additional Expence on this account, the Resident proposes to the Merchants & Inhabitants that they shall make a Voluntary Monthly Contribution, and that the whole of the Money so subscribed shall be appropriated solely to the Security of the Town of Nagore — that this Contribution shall continue Monthly for three Months — the 1st. Payment for one Month to be made on the 1st. May; or if it should be found necessary to prolong the period, that then it shall continue six Months: and it is not doubted that every one who considers that his family, houses & Banksalls, Vessels, Merchandize & property of every kind, may by such an Expedient, under Gods blessing, be preserved and secured; will readily afford all the assistance in his power towards the attainment of so important an object.

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Extract of a Letter from G. S. Hoisard

I circulated a Copy of the Subscription Paper for

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the army continues in the Field — the first at Don. & the second at Six Pagodas from ensuing

Ordered according by

Ordered

The President, in his Character of Commander in Chief, recommends that the following be published in General Orders.

Military Arrangements recommended by the Commander in Chief

Ensign John Younge of the 19th Native Battalion having leave of absence to proceed to Europe, declines to avail himself of it, in consequence of the War.

Mr. William Ben having appointed a Cadet for this Establishment by the Court of Directors, is appointed an Ensign of Infantry from this date — his rank will be finally settled on the arrival of the List from Bengal.

Majr. John Bellson, & Samuel Watson appointed Conductors of Stores.

Approved — Ordered according by

John Irving
Lt. & Secy.

Lt. & Genl. Staff Corps

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7th made of two Companies to each Battalion, We beg leave to suggest to your Lordship in Council the propriety of completing our Sepoy Establishment to 36 Battalions, & We shall be happy to receive your Instructions thereon. — It will not however be improper to note that the measure will necessarily encrease our Dependence upon your Lordship in Council for supplies.

Our President has this day communicated to us his Intention of proceeding very shortly to the Southward, in order to take the Command of the Army now Encamped on Pitchinopoly Plain.

A Representation has been made to us by our Military Board, respecting the Bengal Canvas Tents expected to be landed with the Detachment of Artillery proceeding to Masulipatam on the Houghton, stating that they are too heavy to be carried by the Bullocks of the Coast, & suggesting that the Tents made on the Coast should be issued in their stead.

The Military Board further recommended that the Bengal Tents should be returned, & that We should suggest to your Lordship in Council that, in future it will not be necessary to send Camels Tents with any Detachments coming by Sea, excepting such as are sent with the Officers of the Corps who receive an Allowance for providing their own Tents, & are paid for the Carriage of them.

We submit this Recommendation to the

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to your Judgement for the Management of this Matter as you may think best for forwarding the public Service.

I am further directed to notify to you that the Commander in Chief will shortly leave the Presidency, and proceed to Tritchinopoly for the purpose of taking the Command of the Army -- This has made it necessary to take your Situation into Consideration.

They have in consequence resolved that, on account of your peculiar Situation, the 600 Pags. p month which were allowed you as Commanding the Army on the Coast, & which were struck off upon the arrival of the Commander in Chief, shall be again enjoyed by you from the day of your leaving the Presidency until the Commander in Chief's arrival at Tritchinopoly; after which, they have determined that your Batta, which is six Pagodas p day, shall be encreased to Ten.

In coming to this Determination, the Board have not considered your Situation as Second in Command, but they have resolved to encrease the Allowances annexed to your Rank, as a Testimony of their approbation of your Zeal & judicious Conduct while in Charge of the Army.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) John Chamier
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8th be ready on the Ground; and so situated, as to be most convenient for the Reception of all Cases, fit to be accommodated in the Field Hospital.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient & devoted
humble servant

Trichinopoly
3rd. May 1790.

(signed) Colley L. Lucas
Surgeon Invalid to the Army

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Fort St. George

Sir

From Captain Lieut. Lorimer respecting the purchase of Horses.

Being just arrived, I have had the honor to receive the orders of the Commander in Chief, which I shall execute to the best of my abilities.

My accounts were made out before I left Bombay, & would have been sent by Lieutenant Rumley, but were detained for the Charges of Anjengo & Return of Horsekeepers: of which Articles will be sent, being entered at the bottom of the same Accounts. I am happy to find my purchases come within the limits of Government; & should they encrease, it will only be by the superiority of the Horses, as none but the best of Cattle may be expected both for Men and Officers.

The necessity of sending the Bombay Men on to Palamcotah is the cause of their not being returned, being obliged to put them onboard a late Ship from China (the Lord Castlereagh) — she is expected daily, when I shall have the honor of forwarding the

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9th. The Guntoor Circar, of the situation of the Military Stores at Ramapatam.

From the Garrison Storekeeper. From the Garrison Storekeeper - Enclosing thirteen Accounts Current of different Articles of Store, to be referred to the Comptroller General. - an Account of the Provisions & Stores remaining upon the Garrison Storekeeper's Books 31st. March 1790, & an account remains of Provisions & Stores, & outstanding Balances, which he has delivered in Charge to his Successor Mr. Lieut. Corbett.

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## To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

My Lord

To Bengal. The Ensigns of Infantry on this Establishment have applied to be promoted to the Rank of Lieutenants - requesting an Answer to the Letter addressed them under date the 2nd December 1789. -

The Ensigns of Infantry in the Company's Service on this Establishment have addressed us, setting forth that the Sepoy Battalions of the Bengal & Bombay Armies have no Commissioned Officers under the Rank of Lieutenant; & have requested our Consideration of their Case, which they conceive must be looked upon as peculiar at all times, but more particularly so during the present Service, when the Troops of the three Establishments will necessarily be employed together in the Field against the common Enemy, & when it is considered at the same time that, with a very few Exceptions, their date of Rank is in the years 1782 and 1783. -

Previous however to complying with the request of the Ensigns of Infantry, We have judged it necessary to apply to your Lordship in Council, as the System that has been adopted in

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Fort S.t George 11.th May 1790.

Read the following Letter from Bengal

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

From Bengal - approving of the Plan proposed by Mr. Harington for victualling the Bengal European Troops -

We have been honored with the receipt of your letter of the 26.th Ultimo, accompanied by a copy of one from the Agent to the Contractor for Victualling the Bengal European Troops, & informing us of your having adopted the Plan proposed by Mr. Harington, of ordering the Commissary of Grain & Provisions to receive all the European Troops from Bengal, under his Charge, and to be put entirely upon the same footing as the Troops of your Establishment.

The propriety and necessity of that measure, as long as the Troops of the two Establishments act together, are so obvious, that it must meet with our entire approbation, & We shall accordingly inform the Contractor's Agent here of our Confirmation of the arrangement. The adoption of a different System by us in our first Orders, having proceeded only from a Conviction that the Contractor possessed Rights, under his Contract, to derive a profit, if any should be forthcoming, from victualing the Bengal Troops, which could not be withheld from him, but at his own Requisition.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Signed Cornwallis
Chas.t Stuart
Peter Speke

Fort William
21.st April 1790.

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10th. in the formation of the Coast Army, gives to each of the Sepoy Battalions an equal proportion of Lieutenants & Ensigns; altho' we conceive that, if the principle laid down by the Company in the Establishment of officers for a Battalion of Native Infantry warrants that the whole of the Subalterns of these Corps shall be of the Rank of Lieutenant, at Bengal & Bombay, there can be little doubt of the propriety of extending the same principle to the Native Battalions of Infantry on the Coast Establishment — We request to be favored with your Sentiments on this Subject.

We also beg leave to express our Wish to be favored with an answer to the Letter addressed to your Lordship in Council from this Government, under date the 22nd. December 1789, respecting Gratuity for the Field Officers on this Establishment

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Wm. Medows

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Mr. Council

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

Sent. Letter to the Nabob (as entered in C. C. No. 91.) requesting His Highness to discharge the annuity (for the year 1789) due to Brigadier General Joseph Smith - Enclosing Copy of a Letter from the General's Attorney:

At a Consultation Present

The Honble. Major General William Medows
Governor - President -

Tuesday
11th. May 1790

John Turing ——
and
Edward Saunders
} Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read

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I have taken the Mount House, in consequence of the last and determined orders, where I can have 200 Horses under my Eye, for the better accommodation of the Battle, as they may arrive from the Northward - as either Lieutenant Rumley or myself must always be present at the season the Ships may sail for the Coast.

Bombay Castle
21st. April 1790.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c Signed / John Torin
Capt. Lieut. Cavalry

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Nos 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45.

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From the Resident at Nagore

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for

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal - advising of the appointment of Mr. George Forster to the Residency at Nagpore.

of

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From Colonel Sydenham - requesting that an application may be made to the Nabob, for the payment of last years Annuity due, from his Highness, to General Joseph Smith.

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my Station with Satisfaction to myself, & with every Comfort to the Sick & wounded, have prompted me to lay before you the following observations, & to entreat you will be pleased to forward them to the Honble the President in Council for their Approbation — Should they, in the mean time, meet with yours, it will be an additional Recommendation to them; & the Cloth necessary for Constructing the Tents may be ordered in readiness, until the pleasure of Government be known.

First — As the calling Surgeons from their Corps as often as the necessities of the Sick & wounded of the same require it, would be attended with the utmost Inconvenience, I recommend that Surgeons & Assistants be immediately attached to the Field-Hospital; there to remain under my immediate orders, in readiness for all occurrences the Exigencies of the Service may create: The Regimental Surgeons to obey all Summons's the Service may demand, or I require.

Summonses

Second — Taking Tents from the lines, as specified in the late Regulations, must ever be productive of Inconveniencies, as, when accidents occur, it is then too late to send for them; and in Doolies it is at times impossible to dress or attend to them, if wounded: nor, can the Bamboos be taken out and replaced, or fixed advantageously in a Tent, without great Trouble. In room of which, I therefore recommend (having often experienced their utility) that Cases of Coarse Cloth, or Dungaree, be held in readiness to be filled with Straw, as Beds for the Field Tents. — Those, if they meet with your Approbation, I shall order to be made up.

The Field Tents above recommended can ever

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in M.P. Nos 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39.

To the Resident at Nagore — To Mr. E.W. Fallofield — Approving his Exertions in putting Nagore into a proper State of defence — consenting to grant Pay to the Revenue Troops while serving in the Town of Nagore, & to the encreasing the Number of Lascars from 37 to 50.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — the Recommendations in their Letter of the 2nd Instant approved — the necessary orders to be issued. To decide all references brought before them, respecting the Distribution of Prize Money to the Madras Captors.

To Ganjam — To Ganjam — the Consideration of & decision upon the Rajah of Jellantra's Petition will be entrusted to the Discretion of their new Chief

To Lt. Oliver Coll. Paymaster to the Army — To the Paymaster to the Army — Lieutenant Hart, Muster Master of the Army, is permitted to employ two Conicaplies while in the Field — the first at 10, & the second at 6 Pags. p. Mensem.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — to report particularly upon the Enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Storekeeper at Tritchinopoly.

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army accounts — To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts — the Board authorize two Conicaplies to be employed under Lieu.t Hart.

To Masulipatam — To Masulipatam — In the Event of Sents being brought with the Bengal artillery coming by sea on the Houghton, an order must be given to the Commander of the Ship to keep them on Board, & reconvey

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7th Consideration of your Lordship; I shall order the Tents sent on the Houghton to be kept on Board, & to be re-conveyed to Calcutta.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signd) Wm. Medows

&c. Council

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To Colonel Musgrave

Commanding the army at Tritchinopoly

Sir

To Colonel Musgrave – Aid de Camps to Officers under the rank of Colonel cannot be improper – the removal of Field, & appointments of additional staff Officers is left to the Commander in Chief – his proposition of bringing Grain from Tanjore to Tritchinopoly approved – stating the allowances to be granted him in consequence of the President's intention of taking the Command of the Army

The Board have received your Letters of the 1st & 3rd Instant, & are much pleased with the favorable Report you have given of the State of the Army Incamped on Tritchinopoly Plain.

The Board remark that it is unusual & therefore improper to allow Aid De Camps to any Officers under the Rank of Colonel, & they must therefore decline deviating from the Custom. —— With regard to the other recommendations, they have resolved to leave the removal of Field Officers, and the appointment of additional Staff entirely in the hands of the President, in his Character of Commander in Chief, & he will in consequence give you the necessary Instructions on this point.

The Board entirely approve your proposition of bringing Grain from Tanjore to Tritchinopoly, & trust

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## Diary

7th Sent the following Letters

### To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord.

To Bengal. recommending an Augmentation of the Establishment of Native Infantry. Advising of the Presidents Intention to take Command of the army - submitting to their Consideration the recommendation of the Military Board respecting the disposal of the Bengal Canvas Tents expected to be landed at Masulipatam per the Houghton.

We have been honored with the receipt of your Lordship's Letter dated the 19th Ultimo, & shall pay due attention to the Instructions you have given respecting the two Battalions of Sepoys allotted to join the Soubah's army -- They marched on the 29th Ultimo from Ellore, paid up to the Day; and two Months Pay was sent to them. On this Subject, We have written to Captain Kennaway.

The Peace Establishment of Native Infantry for this Presidency is 36 Battalions - When the Arrangement took place, in april 1786, 30 Battalions only were compleated, which Sir Archibald Campbell thought sufficient, as the Country was in a State of Peace, & a very large Force of Kings Troops doing duty on the Coast - This Determination was approved by the Court of Directors, for the reasons assigned.

But as the Establishment of Native Troops at present Existing on the Coast, is not sufficiently numerous for Field operations, even including the addition lately

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you sent me among the European & Portuguese Inhabitants of Negapatam, & gave a Malabar Translation thereof to the Heads of each Malabar & Gentoo Cast, to be communicated to the body of each Cast living in Negapatam, explaining to them in the fullest manner the object & Intention of your proposal, wherein their safety and defence was the only consideration; but I am sorry to acquaint you that, to the first paper not a single Name has been Signed, & that, the answer to the latter from the Casts has been generally that they are not in Circumstances to make any subscription. I should mention to you, that the Sum I suggested as sufficient for raising and maintaining a Sibendy of 200 Men, was 300 Pagodas a month, which Calculated upon the Number of Houses in Negapatam (ie three thousand) was at the rate of 2 fanams each house per month.

three Extracts (inclos) E. H. Fallofield

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Fallofield, that the Board very much approve his Exertions in putting Nagore into a proper State of Defence, & that his Requisitions regarding the Pioneer Troops, & the additional Number of Lascars will be complied with. —

Ditto Ditto

It is not conceived necessary to give any particular Directions respecting Negapatam, as the Board imagine the Inhabitants will see the necessity and propriety of providing for their own security, in the same manner as practised at Nagore.

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

Read Letter from Colonel Capper (as entered in M.B. No. 31) recommending that Lieutenant Hart, Muster Master of the army, be permitted to employ two Conicoplies whilst the

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among themselves towards raising a Militia — This will appear to your Honor &c. more fully by an Extract of a Letter to Mr. Hoisard, & his answer, which I have the honor to enclose — I must therefore beg leave to suggest that some augmentation to the present strength of the Garrison appears to be necessary; which, together with barricading the principal streets, may serve as a Defence for the Inhabitants, as well as for the best and most valuable of the private Buildings in the Town, there being none belonging to the Honble Company.

I have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) C. W. Malcolm

Nagore - 3rd May 1790.

Extract of a Letter to G. F. Hoisard

I request you will set on foot a subscription at Negapatam among all descriptions of Persons, for the purpose of providing a defence for the Town, against any irregular Horse that may, in case of troubles, enter the Country.

At such a critical time I should be unwilling to propose any undertaking to Government that would lead to much Expence: Strengthening a little the Gateways, & barricading the principal Streets might be done, I should think, at but little; and if the Inhabitants would subscribe enough among them for a Militia of 150 or 200 Men, Government might possibly be the more readily induced to

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Inhabitants, than Negapatam, and being equally convenient for the debarkation of Stores, my principal attention has been directed to render it as secure as possible against any sudden incursion of the Enemy, to which, from it defenceless Condition, the place was particularly Exposed; a misfortune it experienced in the last War, when a Body of irregular Cavalry entered it by surprize, plundered and, in a great measure destroyed it. A Stockade with a Ditch, has been carried round two sides of the Ground which contains the Factory, the Grain Godowns, Storehouses, Flag Staff, and a large Fishing Village, where the Boat People reside; the other sides whereof are defended by the Sea & the River. The old Battery round the Flag Staff, which by it's Elevated Situation Commanded this Ground, being destroyed, a temporary one with Gabions is constructing in it's place; which, together with Chivaux de frize placed in the principal Streets leading to the Town, & Ditches cut across them, will I hope prove a sufficient security against any parties of the Enemy's Horse.

The whole number of Revenue Sepoys at Nagore being one hundred & six, I proposed to the Inhabitants to contribute among themselves a Sum sufficient to raise a Militia; & I have the pleasure to acquaint your Honor &c., that enough has been subscribed for the payment of about three Companies.

As it would be great Encouragement to those Sepoys of the 1st. & 2nd. Revenue Battalions stationed here, if your Honor &c. would be pleased to allow them the same Pay as Regular Sepoys during the time they serve in Town, I are

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the Detachment on it's March from Bengal, shall be communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, as you have directed, when he arrives in this District, as well as to the Officer in Command of the Troops Embarked on the Houghton.

We herewith enclose Copy of a Letter which our Chief has received from the Secretary to the Government General; in consequence of which, Colonel Brathwaite has been desired to apply to the agent of the Contractors for Bullocks, to purchase or engage 400 Draft Bullocks, being the number specified to be wanted for the artillery Embarked for this place on the Houghton, in order that they may be put in training as soon as possible, so as to be in readiness as far as Circumstances will admit by the time Colonel Cockerell's Detachment arrives.— This We thought necessary to be done without delay, as the 182 Draft Bullocks kept up for the ordinary Service of this District were deficient of the Number necessary for the artillery belonging to the Detachment ordered to join the Nizam; and there will probably not be more than time sufficient to admit of the 400 wanted for the Artillery Embarking on the Houghton, being procured and trained, before the arrival of the Troops under Colonel Cockerell's Command.

We take the present opportunity of Informing your Honor &c.a that We have received advice of one Lack of Rupees from Ganjam, & two Lacks from Vizagapatam being on the road to this place, which Sums are to be appropriated, as the Chiefs & Councils of these Subordinacies have acquainted us, towards the payments to be made to the Nizam.— We understand that his Highness's Agent at this

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To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Ganjam - advising of the Escape of the Pellantra Rajah; Sending Copy of the proceedings of a Garrison Sepoy Court Martial held in Consequence.

We are concerned to acquaint you, that on the Evening of the 6th. Instant, the Pellantrah Rajah found means to effect his Escape from Confinement in our Fort, of the particulars of which transaction we are not possessed, tho' We apprehend it to have proceeded entirely from a Neglect of Duty on the part of the Guards; and hold it necessary, for our own Vindication, to remark, that all the Prisoners here are consigned to the Charge of the Officer in Command of the Garrison.

We should have made earlier Communication of this occurrence, but that, We thought it adviseable to await the Determination of a Garrison Sepoy Court-Martial, a copy of the proceedings of which is enclosed, for the fuller Elucidation of the subject; we also forward the transcript of a Letter from Captain Gent, further explanatory.

We have the honor to transmit to you the translate of an argee, or letter, from the Pellantrah Rajah since his Escape from our Fort, & submit to your consideration the propriety of conceding a Cowle to him, assuring him of protection so long as he may remain obedient to Government & regular in his Payments.

We have the honor to be

Yr. Yr. Yr. Morgan Williams

(signed) R. Dr. Munro

George Wynch

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that a sufficient number of Barrels thereof be immediately sent to Ellore, to replace those under proof at that Garrison, which may be sent to Masulipatam by the returning Bullocks. It being a matter, however, of the last importance to the Public Service, that the quality of Gunpowder should be clearly ascertained, We mean not to close the subject with the above Recommendation, but to go further into this business as soon as possible, and investigate the Causes of the Powder of Ellore and Masulipatam being so widely different, as appears by the late proofs transmitted from those places.

Colonel Capper has laid before us a Report of the particular State of the Garrison Ordnance at Trichinopoly, taken by Colonel Sydenham & Major Smith in December last; and to prevent the bad consequences to be apprehended, should the unserviceable Guns be brought into use at any future period thro' mistake, We beg leave to recommend that the Condemned mark be cut in all the Guns of that description as soon as possible, and under the Inspection of Major Smith. This measure will also prevent the Expences that might be incurred in making up Carriages for them. otherwise

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. J. Capper
Patrick Ross
[signed] Henry Malcolm
Geo. Hall

To

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the Intention of laying Siege to Cranganore — that when he quitted the Camp, they had not heard of the arrival of Colonel Hartley's Detachment — That Tippoo had demolished a considerable extent of the Lines — That all the Guns taken upon them were in his Camp, & it was said he was going to send them to his Country.. That no part of his army had yet been detached.

The Enemy has not yet crossed the Chinnamungalum River.

I have the honor to remain

Jacottah. - 25.th April 1790.

&c &c &c (signed) George Powney

Resident.

Read the following Letters from the Military Board.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Military Board - reporting on the non Performance of Capt.n Wilson's Engagements - recommending that in future no Tents be sent from Bengal with the Detachments coming by Sea — 2000 Barrels of Gunpowder from Bengal, & 1200 Barrels made at Arcot received into Store - Some Powder from Mendipatam to be sent to Ellore - the Condemned Mark to be cut in the unserviceable Guns at Trichinopoly

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of M.r Secretary Chamier's letter of the 27.th Instant.

The Captain of the Experiment having executed a Bill of Lading, expressly binding himself to deliver the Stores shipped on that Vessel to M.r Willis, Storekeeper at Innaconda, or to his order, and having Landed such Stores at Ramapalam, without delivering a List thereof, or waiting until a proper person could be sent to take charge of them, We have apprized M.r John Mynch, the Attorney of the owner, that his Constituent will be held responsible to the Company for any Loss

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of the Army, while they are not wanted on other services, may be employed in bringing it into Garrison. — I have accordingly acquainted Mr. Johnston, Storekeeper at this place, with the pleasure of your Honble Board, and my readiness to supply him with Cattle for the purpose of complying therewith; and shall do my utmost to expedite, in every respect, the Collection of the Grain. It is necessary, however, to observe that, many delays are frequently caused by the Circar, & that much attention is required to prevent his Highness's Managers from converting the Grain, when collected, to their own use & Emolument.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
signd Thomas Musgrave

Trichinopoly Plain
3rd. May 1790

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters

The Board are much pleased with Colonel Musgrave's favorable Report of the State of the Army Encamped on Trichinopoly Plain.

Resolved, that the Removal of Field Officers & appointment of additional Staff be left entirely in the hands of the President, in his Character of Commander in Chief.

With respect to aid de Camps, it is agreed to inform Colonel Musgrave that it is unusual, and therefore improper to allow any to an Officer under the Rank of Colonel.

The Board entirely approve of Colonel Musgrave's Proposition of bringing Grain from Tanjore to Trichinopoly.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Musgrave attorney of the late Lieut. Gen. of the army at Pitchinopoly Proposing the Removal from Field Officers, & appointment of additional Staff - Recommending that a part of the Grenadiers stationed at Tanjore be removed to Pitchinopoly.

I have the satisfaction to acquaint you that, in course of yesterday the last Division of the Troops under my command passed over from the Island of Seringham in perfect health, which enables me to report to your Honble Board the entire Junction of the Forces upon Pitchinopoly Plain, without any occurrence having taken place of material Consequence.

Since my arrival at this place, I have been constantly employed in making various arrangements, which the assemblage of so respectable an army unavoidably requires.- The additional Staff appointments which will be wanted to complete these arrangements, are four aide de camps, - one Brigade Quarter Master - and three Brigade Majors; a much less number than I conceived would have been necessary: fewer I am convinced cannot be dispensed with for doing justice to the public service. I am in hopes therefore your Honble Board, sensible that I have at all times studiously avoided the incurring of any extra expence not obviously required, will favor me with your sanction to the above Appointments, which I have delayed publishing 'till I know your pleasure.- For carrying on Duty in the Field & Garrisons to the Southward, I am likewise of opinion some other arrangement among the Field Officers will be necessary, which induces me to request you will empower

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Mr. Turing likewise moves that the President & Commander in Chief should be considered as having a full latitude to negotiate and settle any Conditions which may appear to him necessary for the publick Service, with any of the Polygars dependent on the Carnatic, as also with the Nair Chiefs, Polygars or other Persons dependant on Tippoo Sultaun's Government, or in his Service.

(signed) John Turing

Mr. Saunders's Opinion

Mr. Saunders is of opinion that the words — "as also with the Nair Chiefs, Polygars or other Persons dependant "on Tippoo Sultaun's Government, or in his Service" — should be omitted, as appertaining to the special authority of the Governor General &c. in Council at Bengal

Mr. Saunders approves the Motions contained in Mr. Turing's Minute, with the above Exception

Mr. Saunders expresses his perfect approbation of the Motions contained in Mr. Turing's Minute, with the above Exception, and, it is accordingly Resolved that, the Powers proposed be delegated to the President, & that the necessary notification of them be made.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From Bengal — recommending punctuality in the payment of the Troops sent to the Nizam — hopes that an agreement will be soon concluded with a Shroff at Benares, for the payment of the Nizam's Resident at Hydrabad

Honble Sir

We trust that, before you can receive this Letter, the two Battalions and six Field Pieces, which the Nizam has required according to Treaty, will have begun their March, to join his Highness's Army.

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the Company. While these Countries remain under the present management, we have but a precarious Dependance; I am happy in the reflection that the Board had but one Opinion upon this subject, in their late reference to the Right Honble the Governor General in Council.— In the Event, however, of the Supreme Board's acquiescence in the propositions We have submitted to them, there will be still a difficulty in establishing the necessary and effectual arrangements, and much may depend upon the President's personal weight & abilities for the success of any measures found expedient to be adopted.

Indeed, I consider the proper Settlement of this Business to be an object of the first importance, not only as tending to secure Certain funds of Supply, but also as the means to support Public Credit.— I need not add, how much public Opinion must always depend upon a Confidence in the Man entrusted with the Chief Management of Affairs, and which was verified in a very recent instance.— In paying this just Tribute to the President, I mean only to draw this honest inference— that, as he has happily succeeded in acquiring public Confidence, & that his Measures are known to be approved and supported by the Government of Bengal, I am apprehensive that his leaving the Government at this time in other hands, may tend to affect the Public Credit— Nor am I backward to avow my opinion that Public Affairs cannot be expected to succeed so well, as under the immediate auspices and direction of our President.

Having

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with a list of Company's Servants, who may be employed to the advantage of the Company & with Credit to themselves.

The President earnestly wishes, that, previous to his Departure, the arrears, long due, of Gratuity, Temporary allowances, & off Reckonings, shall be discharged by Bills on Bengal; in which case, there would remain the arrears of Pischcush to the Nizam, & the Interest upon the Bonded Debt, which last amounts to about one & a half Lack of Pagodas: these are Demands which press, & should if possible be liquidated.

Previous to his Departure, the President will deliver over Charge of the Cash to the Senior Member of Council on the Spot.

The President will have the honor of communicating to the Board his Motions with the Army, as far as may be Consistent and necessary — he trusts he shall be honored with their entire Confidence, as to the Conduct of it — He, as well as they, must be exposed to such a variety of Circumstances so unforeseen & so little to be Calculated, that it is impossible to give specifick Directions — &c — this is above written, is therefore only to be considered as the Conjectures of the President's Ideas. — The President and the Board must have mutual confidence in each other — both meaning well, there is little doubt of Success. —

7th May 1790.

(signed) Wm. Medows.

Mr. Turing begs leave to enter the following Minute.

The

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upon the Presidents arrival, should be continued from the day he left the Presidency, as long as he continues in that situation; after which, that his Batta as Colonel, which is Six Pagodas a day, should be encreased to Ten, not as Second in Command, but as having Commanded the Army so much to the satisfaction of the Board — & that this should be recommended strongly for the approbation of the Court of Directors.

(signed) Wm. Medows

The Board acquiesce in the Presidents Recommendations respecting Colonel Musgraves Allowances for the Reasons given.

Agreed that this subject be fully mentioned in the next Dispatch to the Honble Court of Directors.

The President delivers in the following Minute.

The Presidents Minute respecting the Arrangements necessary to be made in consequence of his Intention to join the Army.

The President has the honor to announce to the Board his Intention of proceeding in a few days to the Southward, in order to take the Command of the Army.

Upon the departure of the President, Colonel Kelly will come to the Residency, under whom the Town Major will execute the Garrison Duties, under the orders of the Senior Member of Government, & the Brigade Major will Circulate the necessary orders to the out Posts in the Centre Division.

Colonel Kelly will Command in the Centre Division — Colonel Nixon to the Southward, after the Army moved — & Colonel Brathwaite to the Northward — They will receive & Execute the orders of the Board.—

The

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5th the orders from the Honble Court of Directors in their Letter of the 11th March 1789, and referred to this Government by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council in their letter of the 29th July 1789. The Statement of the Distribution for the Year 1789/90 can then be prepared as soon as the Revenue Accounts of the Year are compleated, & I am furnished with a Statement of their Amount

It will be necessary that the Adjutant General be directed to furnish me with a list of the Officers.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

General's Office.

signed / Robert Woolf
Gr. accountant

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Statement of Gratuity due to the Field Officers in His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Service on the Coast of Coromandel.

The amount of Gratuity due to His Majesty's Field Officers from 1st February to 30th April 1788 ..... 1,595. 28. 66

Ditto ... Ditto ... Ditto ... from 1st May 1788, to 30th April 1789 ... 23,321. 10. 77 — 24,917. 3. 63

Due to the Company's Field Officers for the Gratuity from 1783, to 30th April 1788 ... 2,442. 18. 28

Ditto ... Ditto ... Ditto ... from 1st May 1788, to 30th April 1789 ... 29,364. 3. 29 — 31,806. 21. 57

Pagodas ... 56,723. 25. 40

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Errors Excepted

(signed) Robert Woolf
Gr. accountant.

N.B. The amount due from the Company's Field Officers on account of the Gratuity overpaid in 1788, is Pag.s 27,504. 26. 24, to be deducted from their shares for the Year ending April 1790; as p.r Statement N.o 3, inclosed in my Letter of 19th November 1789.

Amount due from sundry Officers as p.r above mentioned Statement N.o 3, their names not being inserted in the List of 1789 ... Pagodas 10,759. 2. 40.

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1th

To Mr. Secretary Hay — Acquainting him, for the Information of the Bengal Government, that it has been judged absolutely necessary to grant some Certificates for Bengal Bonds in liquidation of some Claims for Military Arrears.

To Captain Alexander Beatson. — No deviation can be made from the G.O. of the 20th. March, which determines the Pay and Allowances to the Guides.

To Mr. Joseph Garrow — Permitted to officiate as Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops, in the room of Mr. Robert Mitford deceased, until Mr. Bunker shall have nominated a Successor.

5th. To Masulipatam — Regretting the dissensions constantly arising between the Military & Civil Powers in their District. The Bill from the Bullock Contractors, alluded to in their Letter of the 28th. ultimo, is to be discharged — The Board are much dissatisfied with the Proceedings reported to them.

To the Military Paymaster General, & Comptroller General of army accounts

To the Military Paymaster General & Comptroller General of Army accounts — to pay particular attention to the 6th. and 7th. Paragraphs of a letter from the Honble the Court of Directors under date the 2nd. December last.

To Colonel de Wangenheim

To Colonel de Wangenheim — The Clause alluded to by him in the articles of agreement, for re-inlisting the Hanoverian Soldiers, cannot be omitted. — Authorising him to propose to the Hanoverian Troops their Reinlistment for one or two Years only, upon the Conditions before given him; making the necessary Deduction in the Bounty Money, conformable to the period for which they re-inlist.

To Mr. Garrow. Persian Translator

To the Persian Translator — permitting him to engage two more Persian Writers or Moonshies, if such be absolutely necessary to conduct the business in his Office.

To

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Agreed that the foregoing Letter be sent to the Military Board for their Opinion.

Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.P.B. Nos. 8. 9.)

From Captain Beatson of the Guides - Stating that he has completed the Establishment of Guides to the Number Specified in the General order of the 20th. March last - Requesting that the former allowance of 2 fanams daily Batta may be still continued to the Guides on actual Service.

Agreed to inform Captain Beatson that, the General order of the 20th. March last, is to be considered in Full Force; and that no deviation therefrom will be allowed.

From the Reverend Mr. Wells - requesting to be appointed Chaplain to the 1st. Regiment of European Infantry.

Agreed to comply with the requisition of Dr. Wells, until the pleasure of the Court of Directors be known.

The President proposes to the Board that, the Appointment of Deputy Military Storekeeper, vacated by Mr. Roebuck in consequence of his nomination to the Post of Military & Civil Paymaster General, be annulled, as he has reason to believe it an unnecessary one.

Ordered accordingly.

John Irving
C.W. Saunders

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confer the appointment. Mr. Garrow has acquiesced in my request, provided it should meet with the approbation of the Honble Board, which Inquest may be signified to me.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c (signed) Jn.o Mitford

The Board permit Mr. Joseph Garrow to officiate in the Kings Pay office, until Mr. Burke shall signify to whom he has given the appointment.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer

To the Honble. Major General William Medows
Commander in Chief & Governor in Council

Honble Sir

I have the pleasure herewith to lay before you the annual Repairs, of which I shall not trouble you with a particular Detail; but beg leave to recommend to your attention the Draw Bridges of the Fort, especially their Iron Work, which has suffered much from having been long exposed to the pernicious Corosive air, against which We have not hitherto found any effectual remedy. - This has induced me to request your orders for hanging the Chains made during Sir Archibald Campbell's Government for the Sea Gate, and I consider it unsafe to attempt raising the Bridge with what are now affixed to it. - The Chains of all the other Draw Bridges should be thoroughly examined,

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Buckshee Ally - Stiles himself a Commandant in Tippoo's Service.
this Man received from Captain Dirom 10 Pag.s monthly.

Chellapah - a Hircarrah employed & Paid by Captain Dirom.

A Plan was laid by the above named Persons to defraud Government of Money, under pretence of procuring Intelligence from Tippoo's Camp & Country.

The Detail of the manner in which this was attempted to be effected, would be very long & uninteresting.

It is sufficient generally to state that, Buckshee Ally wrote Letters from hence to pretended friends of his in Tippoo's Camp, and at Seringapatam;

That Cundapah the Subadar procured the Emissaries (one of whom has run away) to carry the Letters;

That Mirza provided fit answers to the Letters; & that, after a certain Lapse of time, the two Hircarahs brought the answers, ingeniously inserted into the Soles of a common Slipper.

Upon the seperate & cross-examination of the Hircarrahs, they contradicted eachother in every particular relative to their pretended Journey.

The composition, Style and flowing hand of the Letters received, prove the imposture at once, for they are said to have been written by the Son of the Nabob of Savanore, & by a Tailor; but the Letters bear indisputable marks of having been written by some Man much in the habits of business.

Cundapah the Subadar & Chellapah Hircarah have confessed the whole, but from the manner of doing it

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the arrival of the Detachment of Bengal Troops under my Command, within the Districts of the Honble Company's Settlement of Ganjam this day, & to morrow they will Encamp at Ganjam.

A Return of the Detachment, I have now the honor to transmit, made up to the 1st of this month; and, annexed to it, I have ordered to be Copied the Return of a Detachment of European Artillery & Lascars Embarked on the Houghton East Indiaman for Masulipatam, to reinforce this Detachment.

I am necessitated to halt at Ganjam, in order to replace Public and Private Servants, and to give some Relief to the Detachment in general, after the March from the Ferrying place of the Chilka. Two Days will, I hope, suffice for this purpose, & I shall then resume the Route to the Southward; and I trust that no material cause of impediment can occur to interrupt our progress, which I shall use every exertion in my power to accomplish with all possible Expedition, that the Detachment may gain the advantage of passing the Kistnah before the Floods come down. Sickness alone can, I think, retard our advance; and, alth' the Numbers in the Hospitals exceed the average which Battalions on march usually have, yet the Complaints in general are slight Fevers, & this will not be of long Continuance.

Mr. Williams Chief of Ganjam, has rendered every assistance to our advance from the Chilka Lake, &

advises

ferrying

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Bullock Contractors, before the Receipt of his Letter of the 26th. March, and we certainly wish that, as he had such authority, he had exercised it, in a manner to have saved the Company unnecessary Expence, by the keeping of Bullocks contrary to both his own and our Construction of orders, and particularly if they were kept up, in not permitting them to be sent to Masulipatam, where their Service was, if at all, wanted. This is the State of the matter, as it appears to us, but that your Honor &c. may have the matter properly before you, We enclose Extracts containing all our Correspondence with Colonel Brathwaite & others on this subject.

The Contractors Bill for the hire of those Bullocks, that never were employed, has now been sent to us, amounting to Pagodas 1414. 15. 60, which the Storekeeper here could not, agreeably to Regulations, give a Certificate for, as his Indent never was complied with. We do not mean to imply that the Contractors ought to suffer because it appears that their Agents have done their Duty; but when so great an Expence has been incurred, & the greatest part of it after Colonel Brathwaite knew that the Bullocks could not be employed, induces us to request your orders in what manner the Bill is to be discharged.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Hble. Servts.
Anth. Sadleir
W. Dobbyn
Sam. Statham

Masulipatam
28th. April 1790.

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is just so far as above Stated, the same never having been discharged by the Company. The reason that the Receipts were not taken up when presented at the time all other Claims which had arisen during the War were brought in, was, that the necessary information had not been obtained, or they would have been discharged, in the same manner, as those of the Bullock Masters and others whose Claims were clearly ascertained, by Certificates on Bengal for Military arrears; and being now so long delayed, they cannot be liquidated without a particular order of the Board.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c. (signed) Joseph Garrow
Dy Sec.y

Agreed, that a Certificate for a Bengal Bond be issued to Mess.rs Porcher Redhead & Company, the Agents for Gonabaty Iyer, for 12,664. 7. 77. for which Credit appears to us in the Company's Books.

Read the following Letter from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, (with Enclosure lodged in the Office.) —

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with respect to Security & Supplies, it is the most eligible position; & it surely must have been accounted rash in the Extreme, had I been tempted to oppose with a handful of Men, a powerful and victorious Enemy.

The Enemy has four different Encampments upon the Lines. He has not yet crossed the Chinnamungalum River, but when he does, he must immediately discover how the Communication between Cranganore and the Island of Ajeen is to be shut up. From a Battery upon the western extremity of the Lines, he has fired some random Shot at Cranganore: it is not within breaching distance; but the Troops in the Fort must be considerably incommoded, as it is from thence he keeps up a heavy fire, as his Battery is elevated far above the level of Cranganore.

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

Island of Ajeen
1790.

The Board are highly pleased at the satisfactory Information communicated by Mr. Powney of the safe arrival of Colonel Hartley's Detachment at Tyacottah.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Joseph Garrow, Deputy Military Paymaster General.

To

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To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor in Council & Commander in Chief

Honble Sir

My Exertions to put this Island in a state of defence have been unremitting, & I have had such difficulties to encounter as could not have occurred in any other Country, or in any other Situation. This combination of Extraneous disappointments has obliged me to use all my Assiduity to obviate their tendency, & has materially interfered with the Duty I owe to you & to myself, of a full and regular Communication.

The Panic infused into the Rajahs Troops has not subsided. Of all Detachment, not more than two thousand are now on the Island. They have fled to the Southward, and those who remain cannot be brought into order, and only wait for an opportunity to escape. — An alteration in the Minister's Sentiments has given me much disquiet, as it affects the public Service. — In a Conversation I had with him last night, he proposed to throw the Detachment into Cranganore, and at the same Instant talked of going to the Southward. — To the first proposition, as affairs now stand, I never can accede, & against the last I strongly remonstrated — Admitting that Cranganore was properly supplied with Provisions, which is so far from being the case that Captain Flory now Commanding there yesterday waited upon the Minister to represent that he

those who were saved by the disposition of the

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Remark on the 13th. Artc.

This article has been adjusted by Captain Kennaway

Remark on the 15th. Artc.

The Nabob having moved out on this Expedition, concealment is attend; let the draft of articles be therefore sent without delay to Calcutta to be signed & Sealed.

Alterations proposed in the specification relating to the Nabob of Shahnoor, inserted in the List of Polizas &c. given by the Poonah Durbar to Mr. Malet

The Afghaums of Shahnoor shall enter into the Service of Rondit Per Shaun and the Nizam.

If the said Afghaums shall revolt from either of the Powers, they shall both be authorised to bring them to order. — Whatever may appear adviseable shall be carried into Execution.

A true translation

(signed) B Edmenstone
Aid.t de Camp

Detachment for the Nizam has Marched

The President reports to the Board that the two Battalions of Sepoys, under the command of Major Montgomery, have marched from Ellore to the Soubah's Country. — He is of opinion that a Paymaster & Storekeeper should be nominated to attend them; and proposes that the appointment of the Person be left to the Chief & Council at Masulipatam, which will afford them the opportunity of rewarding such Servant under them, as may have deserved Encouragement from his Zeal & attention to his Duty.

The Chief & Council at Masulipatam to appoint a Paymaster to the Detachment under the Command of Major Montgomery.

The Board acquiesce in opinion with the President

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Charles Ware Malet Esqr.

Resident at Poonah

Sir

In reply to your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo, forwarding a Copy of the Article of Alliance agreed on between you & the Peishwa, which was delivered home by the Nizam, in presence of the Mahrattah Vackeels the 6th. Instant, I have now the honor to transmit for your Information a Draft of the alterations proposed by His Highness in the Articles of that Treaty, a Copy of which was also transmitted to him by Poondit Purtaum, and have no doubt but such an Adjustment of them as shall be finally settled by you and Ballajee Poondit will in consequence of the said Pundit's approbation be conformed to by His Highness. I have already informed you that, I [illegible] satisfaction from His Highness, on [illegible] joining in the present War, as [illegible] I have after [illegible] haut, in behalf of the Company. [illegible] above Paragraph was settled at the Durbar [illegible] The President [illegible] a proper reply to your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo, [illegible] of Sepoys, under the [illegible] ed from Illore to [illegible] roved of by the Nizam, the Minister, and the Peishwa's Vackeels. I have only further to refer you to the enclosed Papers, which are marked in the order in which they should be read, for the particulars of what has passed between me and the Durbar, in respect to Reference of this Treaty to the Nizam, which Meer abul Cossim has assured me was sent to the Nizam, not only for his approval, but

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effectual Discharge of the Peishwa's Engagements, as Stipulated in that Event by the Treaty of 29th ultimo.

I have the pleasure to acquaint you that the Minister, in reply, assured me no Time should be lost by this Court in the necessary preparations for the faithful Discharge of it's Engagements; adding that, as the Durbar has it in Contemplation to encrease the Force of it's Stipulated Quota for the Invasion of Tippoo's Northern Frontiers, there was a Probability of it's not demanding the Detachment of the Company's Forces, of which it had an Option.

Should this Arrangement take place, I shall lose no time in Communicating it to the Government of Bombay, by which they will be enabled, should they think proper, to increase their Force on the Malabar Coast.

Poona - 16th April 1790.

I have the honor to be
Yr. Excy. Yr. Excy. Yr. Excy.
(signed) C.W. Malet

P.S. Since writing the foregoing it has been effectually signified to me that the Detachment of the Company's Forces abovementioned will be required to join the army of this State before the Rains.

The Honble Major General Medows
Governor of Fort S.t George.

Summary - respecting said Formal Ratification and Treaty of Co-operation. Copy of Letter to Mr. Malet & Translate of the Alterations.

Honble Sir

I have the honor to refer you to the Enclosed Copy of a Letter to Mr. Malet under date the 17th Instant, and a Paper

which

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must produce the written Order of Lieutenant Colonel Lidingtoun, the Officer Commanding the Guntoor Detachment, authorising the Establishment of Lascars, after which, the Board will decide upon the Charge.

Read the following Letter from Colonel De Wangenheim

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief &c. & Governor in Council &c. &c.

Sir

I have the honor to report that, by the Indiaman arrived here yesterday from Europe, I did not receive any orders and Instructions from his Majesty, respecting the Two Electoral Regiments, and submit it now to your Excellency's Judgement, what measures are to be taken with regard to the Men of the Hanoverian Regiments whose time of Service is expired, after the new Six Weeks-Engagement should be elapsed.

Could an Agreement for one or two Years take place, that the Co[illegible]ation

"in case the Regiments should be ordered home sooner,
"the Men that have entered into such an Agreement should
"be obliged to serve the remainder of that period into
"the Service of the Honble Company upon this Coast
was struck off entirely, I have not the least doubt of their reinlisting entirely, whereby the Regiments would soon be again brought into a Situation as to be able to perform all

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Resolved, that Colonel Capper be instructed to write in the name of the Board to the different Persons mentioned in the above Statement, directing them to pay into the proper Offices the different Sums for which they are held Accountable to the Company. — All Sums under one thousand Pagodas to be paid in one Month from the date of the application to them; and all Sums exceeding one thousand Pagodas to be paid within Three Months.

Ordered that the Comptroller General do report every three Months, what Balances upon Audits are outstanding.

Read the following Letter from M.r Taylor.

M.r John Chamier

Secretary to the Government at Fort S.t George

Sir

I have been honored with the orders of Government communicated to me in your Deputy's Letter of the 16.th inst.t, and request that you will in reply inform the Honble the Governor in Council — that, M.r Willis never consulted me, with regard to the number of Lascars it might be necessary to keep up for the Detachment employed in the Guntoor Circar, nor upon any other subject of Expence; neither did I ever offer any opinion to him of what Establishment of Lascars might be necessary, because I found that, notwithstanding the orders I received from the Governor, under date the 30.th October, repeated and confirmed by Government under

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every attention to the Preservation of the Rajah's Consequence in the Eyes of his Subjects, so far as may be practicable, without losing sight of the main object.

Agreed also, that Mr. Ram be directed to inform the Rajah, that the President has received his Letter, and will take the Contents into Consideration; and that in the Interim it is expected that no Time will be lost, on the part of his Excellency, in clearing off Outstanding Balances.

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

To The Hönble. Major General Medows
Governor in Council

Hönble Sir

Commissary and Comptroller General of Army inclosing a Statement of the Balances of the whole of the Accounts now Examined and Audited

Agreeably to your Commands of the 6th. Ultimo, I have the honor to lay before you a Statement of outstanding Balances, arising from Refunds due from Departments, & the Paymasters of the Subordinacies and out Garrisons.

The whole of the Accounts for 1789 have been Examined, but they are not finally audited, as some of the Explanations to objectionable Charges are not received.

I have the honor to be
Hönble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) J. Capper
Capt

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end of June 1791. In offering to pay this Sum by means of Soucars, I have been actuated by the hope of increasing the Company's favor towards me, when they shall have heard of my Exertions. I have no other view. — If, as Your Excellency has mentioned, the Collections be divided, the Company will not receive 7,00,000 by the end of June 1791: of this I am confident. — If any other should assure your Excellency of making good the offers which I now make — or even one lac lyp. — and if your Excellency should rely upon their promises, — I will immediately consent to the Execution of the Treaty for the benefit of the Company's affairs; and, altho' it was formed contrary to my Inclination, will readily accept my quota of the Revenue, as mentioned in your Letter. I have made a positive offer of paying to the Company the Sum of 7,60,000 Pagodas, by means of the Soucars. — If a division be made according to your Excellency's Letter, I am clearly of opinion that the Company's Receipts will not amount to that Sum. Whatever measure your Excellency shall please to adopt, I am ready to accompany you in it. As one fifth of the whole Expences of the War, at which my proportion has been fixed, will load me with an insupportable Burthen, I shall address the Honble Company to pray that they will be pleased to do me justice.

There is one more subject, to which I wish to engage your Excellency's attention. — Besides the Sum already paid to M.r Ram for the Month of April, I engage, according to the

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Sums which I will actually pay.

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| For | May — 1790 | 70,000 |
| | June | 70,000 |
| | July | 60,000 |
| | August | 50,000 |
| | September | 50,000 |
| | October | 25,000 |
| | November | 25000 |
| | December | 25,000 |
| | January 1791. | 50,000 |
| | February | 70,000 |
| | March | 70,000 |
| | April | 70,000 |
| | May | 66,000 |
| | June | 60,000 |
| | Pagodas | 7,60,000. |

If orders (or assurances) be given that no Company's Servant shall interfere in my Affairs, I will deliver Peons from respectable Soucars for the punctual discharge of the above Sumes. — In this offer, I have been guided by no interested motives. I will candidly inform your Excellency that, I have been actuated by a desire of recommending myself to the favor of the Company, and by a wish of averting the disgrace and dishonour which could not chuse but pursue me in the Event of transferring my Country to the Company's Servants: I have had no other Intention. I beg you to be assured of it. — If your Excellency will do me the favor of signifying your acquiescence in the proposed Plan, I will immediately forward to you the Soucar Peons. The Money will be punctually discharged: of this there is no doubt.

The Soucars will continue to discharge the Peons.

&c

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the regular advances necessary to Cultivation. These adjustments gave me the greatest pleasure. I contemplated the prospect of discharging the Company's Tribute, and of settling my private Debts within the coming year; I cannot therefore sufficiently express the concern and grief which I felt at your Excellency's Communication of the actual Commencement of the War. I look forward with confidence to the day, when your Excellency's Conduct and Bravery shall lay the Enemy low, and Exalt the fame of your Victory.. If however my evil Stars again doom my Country to the Devastation of Sippoo, twenty five years will hardly suffice to restore it's prosperity: in the which Space, what other Wars may arise God only knows.

It grieves me to think that, if the Enemy's Inroads lay waste my Territories, life will be too short for my beholding it's restoration. My only refuge against this Fear is the favor of Heaven, & your Excellency's Courage.. That my Mind may be well at ease — that the — of my People may be preserved — that the Confidence of the Soucars may be preserved — and that the Inhabitants may be encouraged to prosecute Cultivation — I earnestly request that, from your favor towards me, your Excellency will form in my Country a small Army adequate to the above purposes.

Your Excellency writes, that Government consider themselves at War with Sippoo Sultaun in consequence of his attack upon the Rajah of Travancore; and that according to Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty, four fifths of the Revenue

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forwarded this Letter through the means of Mr. Ram.

I am truly concerned at the War which, your Excellency informs me, is commenced with Tippoo Sultaun. My Country has not hitherto, in a fourth degree, recovered the losses which it sustained during the War of 1780. from the depredation of the Enemy, and the loss of it's Inhabitants — Whilst, therefore, I yet feel the severe Consequences of the late War, the present prospect fills my mind with the most anxious alarm. As your Excellency is celebrated for Science, Knowledge, and bravery, I implicitly rely upon you for the protection of my Country.

During the late War, my Country was exposed to the uncontrouled inroads of the Enemy: for three years they plundered, and collected the Revenues: even during these times, of difficulty, when my Subjects were afraid of leaving the Forts, my Brother made the greatest Exertions, from the most sincere wish of assisting the Company's Affairs, insomuch that, by Pawning his Jewels and Plate, by borrowing Money from the Sowcars, he paid to the Company Six Lacks of Pagodas. Upon the Conclusion of the War, my Country obtained no Relief: the Governor & Council insisted upon my discharging the Balance of the War, which amounted to Six Lacks — As I was disabled from affording my People that Assistance which was so necessary to their Recovery from the Vastation of War, they were exposed to the severest distress — I was compelled to pay the annual Tribute of Four, to which was superadded the Balance of 6 Lacks; this Effectually deprived

me

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Brought forward Chuckrums ... 18,9,543.1

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| Dry Grain Puttu Cuttu &c | | | 11,084.6½ |
| Gingey Tunny | | | 300.- 11,384.6½ |
| Carrand Perhanum | 560,912.- | | |
| Inha Tha | 250,593.3 | | |
| | 310,318.9 a 4/ an | | 1,24,128.3½ |
| Circar Dc | | | 5541.- |
| from Inha Cudutul | | | 141,054.- |

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| Dry Grain Puttu Cuttu &c | | | 31,281.1. |
| Carr and Perhanum | 537,634.9 | | |
| Inha Tha | 733,668.9 | | |
| Circar Dc | 803,966.- a 4/6 | | 341,613.3 |
| Ponja about | | | 2507.8 |
| from Inha Cudutul | | | 27,281.7 402,683.9. |

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| Puttu Cuttu &c | | | |
| Perhanum | 303,224.- | | |
| Inha Tha | 150,470.6 | | |
| Circar Dc | 152,753.6 a 4/6 | | 63,010.5 |
| from Inha Cudutul | | | 727.- 65823.- |
| | | | 1,00,000.- |
| Ca of Puttu Cottah | | | 65,000.- |
| Sum of Tanjour Fort | | | 50,000.- |
| Combiconum | | | 10,000.- |
| Manar Goody | | | 5,000.- 130,000.- |
| Vellum &c | | | |
| | | Chuckrums | 26,79,104.- |

Exchange at 24/p 100 Star Pagodas 10,93,511. ½

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjour (entered also in C.C. N°. 90.)

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to the Honble. Major Genl. Medows Governor &c. &c.

From the Rajah of Tanjore. Requests that a small Army may be formed at Tanjore to preserve his Country

The Letter which your Excellency did me the favor of addressing to me on the 13th. April, was delivered to me on the 19th. by

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Brought forward Chuckrums — 499954

Dry Grain, Puttu Buttu &c. — 40,390.3
Coyy Tarry — 5,988.6 — 46,378.9

Carr and Peshcaum — 24,84,885.8
Inha. Tha. — 11,11,917.8
Cicar &c. — 13,72,968 — a 1/3 — 565,717.6
from Inha. Cudutul — 40,110.6 — 652,205.1

Dry Grain Puttu Buttu &c. — 26,217.5
Coyy Tarry — 700 — 26,917.5

Carr and Peshcaum — 22,37,817
Inha. Tha. — 9,89,518
Cicar &c. — 12,48,299 — a 1/4 for each — 499,319.7
from Inha. Cudutul — 30,464.7 — 556,681.9

Puttu Buttu Dry Grain — 11,084.6½
Coyy about — 300 — 11,384.6½

Carr and Peshcaum — 560,912
Inha. Tha. — 250,593.3
Cicar &c. — 310,318.9 — a 4 for each — 124,127.2½
from Inhabitants Cudutul — 5541 — 141054

Dry Grain Puttu Buttu &c. — 31,281.1

Paddy Cullums — 15,37,634.9
Inha. Tha. — 7,33,668.9
Cicar &c. — 8,03,966 — a 4¼ &c. — 341,613.3
Coyy about — 2507.8
from Inha. Cudutul — 27,281.7 — 402,683.9

Dry Grain Puttu Buttu &c. — 2085
Paddy Cullums — 303,224
Inha. Tha. — 150,470.6
Cicar &c. — 152,753.6 — a 1/16 — 63,010.5
from Inha. Cudutul — 727 — 65823

Carried forward Chuckrums — 2318,401.9

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the intent or the meaning of the Treaty: but If I admit the Company's accountant to inspect the Receipts, it is very true that it will remove every doubt of the company, as you mention in your Letter; but as there is very trifling Ballance to be collected in the late Samba Crop (of which I dare say you must be very sensible) if I divide the receipt of that Balance, you must be sure it must be trifle, — As I do not wish to make it appear that the Receipt from my Government is trifle, particularly in a time when the Company looks to their Friends for an greater Assistance, I therefore proposed to the Honble the Governor a better mode of Receipts to the company than my complying agreeable to the Treaty, and shall wait for his answer.

Herewith send you my answer to the Governor's Letter, and hope you will forward the same soon to the Presidency.

What can I say more?

A true Copy of the Translate sent with the Letter; Copy of the Letter is annexed. (signd) C. Ram.

To the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency

I received yesterday Evening your Excellency's Letter, without date, and have observed its' Contents. — It is of little moment whether the person appointed to inspect the Circar Accounts be called Tafsildar or Accountant as long as he has the proper authority for doing it.

Your

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To the Honorable General William Medows

Governor &c. Fort S. George

Honorable Sir

After repeated Messages to the Palace, having at length obtained a Letter in answer to the one I had the Honor to deliver to his Excellency on the 19th. I lose no time in transmitting it to the Presidency, tho' his Excellency has furnished me with a Copy of it, which I take to be the Contents of the Letter delivered to his Excellency; I have therefore enclosed a Letter to him, desiring to be furnished with such Copy. The Letter of his Excellency to me, and my answer are enclosed.

Being unacquainted with the Offer His Excellency may have made in the Letter now transmitted, I can Letter say nothing positively as to the probability of Performance: but have some reason to think his Excellency's Expectations are too [illegible]

His Excellency in his Letter to me, in case of the [illegible] 5th being received by the Company, appears to admit of the propriety of establishing Accountants, tho' he does not chuse they should be called Sazsildars — Under whatever Denomination they may be classed, provided they have sufficient authority, it will be in my power, should it be wanted for the public Service, and provided they are continued a year in Employ, to raise a couple of Lacks of

Pagodas

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To the Nabob.-

May it please your Highness.

The Nabob - his Situation & the Company has been reminded of Bengal - Requesting he pay into the Company's Treasury such sums as would be in proportion to the heavy Debt they are daily making upon.

I have received your Highness's Letter of the 29th. Ultimo, & have read with concern the description you have given of your Situation. It is to be lamented that your Highness signed a Treaty containing conditions which you represent to have been against your Inclination, & contrary to your repeated Remonstrances; and it is to me a very painful task to be obliged to call upon your Highness for the performance of Engagements stated by your Highness as bearing so hard upon you.

Your Highness well knows that I am placed in a station of great responsibility, & will I trust be convinced that the measures of my administration have no object but the Public Good. I am no stranger to your Highness's long Connexion with the Company; & I am disposed to pay all possible attention to your Highness's Representations.

With these Sentiments I have read your Highness's last letter now before me, & I am very sorry to remark upon it, as my own opinion, & that of the Council, that it is impossible for this Government to place their dependance upon Offers which are so vague

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2nd. Received the undermentioned Letters – as entered in M.B. Nos 6.7.

Paymr. of Tritchinopoly — From the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly – The Nabob's Son having sold the Grain in the Tritchinopoly District, he the Paymaster, has purchased it of the Soucars, and granted to them accountable Receipts payable in two Months.

Commissary General of Provisions. — From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions – Inclosing Returns of the Establishment Bullocks employed on Service, of Carts, & of Grain in the several Garrisons taken from the last Reports – Cannot state the number of Bullocks at present employed – Will send the Statement as soon as the Returns come to hand.

At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor – President

Tuesday 4 May 1790.

John Turing —— and Edward Saunders } Esqrs.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

The Board now proceed to pass the necessary orders upon the Dispatches received by the Honble Company's Ship

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4th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters – as entered in Ltr B for the Month of May Nos 1. 2. 3. 4. 5.

Military Paymaster To the Military Paymaster General – a Certificate for a Bill on Bengal to be granted to Mr. Benjamin Sulivan, as Administrator to the late Captain B. Sulivan.

Resident at Maddepollam To the Resident at Maddepollam – advising that Mr. John Lennox is appointed to be Paymaster at Aska in the Room of Mr. Tuder –

Vizagapatam To Vizagapatam – Enclosing Invoice & Receipt for sundry Military Stores taken on the Snow Experiment, Capt. Lucius Wilson, for that Factory.

Chief Engineer To the Chief Engineer – to direct the Engineer who is to proceed to Tegar, to transmit without delay an Estimate of the Expences for Repairs wanted to the Walls & other parts of the Fortifications at Tegar.

Governor of Columbo To Columbo – Informing them of the Presidents Intention of immediately taking the Field, to revenge the Insult offered by Tippoo – hope for the assistance of the Dutch in the Operations on the Malabar Coast

## At a Consultation Present

The Honble Major General William Medows
Governor – President

Sunday 6th May 1790. John Turing —— } Esqrs
and
Edward Saunders }

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved

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1st to depend upon us, We conceive it self-Evident that We must have recourse to modes very different from those prescribed by Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty.

We have thought it necessary to say thus much by way of preamble to the consideration of the Letters which We have now the honor to submit to you — They contain the Correspondence between our President and the Nabob, on the Subject of the Balance due from the latter to the Honorable Company — The last letter from the Nabob, dated 29th Ultimo, is as vague and indefinite as the preceding ones, and We are as much at a loss as ever to ascertain on what We may with propriety Rely; We believe it will appear that no dependance ought to be placed upon the Nabob's promises, for however Correct his Intentions may be, the nature of his Government must always render the performance of his Engagements uncertain.

After a most attentive Consideration of this Subject in all its parts, We are now to declare to your Lordship our unqualified opinion, that this Government ought, during the War, to take the Nabob's Country under their own Management, as affording the only means by which the Resources to be derived from it can be realized, & the fidelity and attachment of the Poligars & Tributaries secured, which is of the utmost Importance to the successful operations of the War.

If your Lordship in Council agree in opinion with

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1st. April, in consequence of very urgent Letters addressed to him by our President, who, ever since his arrival, has been endeavoring to procure from the Nabob a liquidation of the heavy arrears due from his Highness, upon the Treaty made with Governor Campbell in February 1787.— Some Money has been paid in, and more is promised; but, as the whole is so inadequate to the discharge of the Claims which the Company have upon his Highness, and the Payments of what is promised are so uncertain, We find ourselves compelled to lay before you our Situation with His Highness, that We may be honored with your Instructions for our Guidance.

By a Statement laid before us by the Account-ant General, it appears that, the Nabob on the 1st. of April owed for arrears of Payments upon the Treaty the Sum of Pagodas 16,78,195.16.35. exclusive of other Demands to a considerable amount.— We have had his account made up to the 1st. April, agreeably to the Treaty; but subsequent to that period his Highness will be entitled to considerable Remissions in his Payments to the Honble Company in time of Peace, for, on the 29th. March, he notified his acquiescence in the arrangement proposed for his Relief by the Court of Directors, in their Letter of the 20th. August 1788.

But as the Peace Arrangement cannot now operate, We are to consider what the Nabob is to pay in time of War, & what Security We have for the Payments.

The New arrangement proposed by the Company & lately accepted by the Nabob, has reference only to times

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# Diary

30th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters - as entered in M.B. Nos. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150.

To Alexander Grant Esqr. Deputy Agent for purchasing Horses

To the Deputy Agent for purchasing Horses — To deliver over the Balance of Cash in his hands Pags 4670. 42. 48 — to the Military Paymaster General — The Commander in Chief will give the necessary orders respecting the 9 Horses purchased by him on account of the Company.

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General. To pass receipts for Pags 4670. 42. 48. the Balance remaining in the hands of Lieutenant Alexander Grant, which will be delivered over to him.

To the Accountant General

To the Accountant General — To draw out and lay before the Board a Statement of the Gratuity now due to the Field Officers, belonging to his Majesty and the Honble Company, serving on this Coast.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — The Guns fished up in the Roads by the Servants of the Master Attendant are to be considered as his Property, unless it can be satisfactorily proved to whom they originally belonged — To state whether the Service is in want of the Guns in question, after which the Board will give the necessary orders about proving them — The Recommendations Communicated in their Letter of the 23rd Instant Approved —

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts —

Captain

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the Chinnamungalum River — I can get no Intelligence of the Enemy's operations, altho' I have offered large rewards for People to go out, but not one will venture — I am in expectation of receiving the Cypher No. 11 from Tellicherry, which, as soon as I procure, I shall correspond in it, as I make no doubt the Key to it is in your possession.

I yesterday sent the Cartimand Rajah to Tellicherry in one of the Company's Cruizers — his Country is contiguous to that place, & he has promised to render every assistance to the Company to annoy the Enemy.

I have the honor to remain

Cartimaud

Anjengo — 18th April 1790.

&c. &c. &c. (signed) George Powney
Resident

P.S. No Tapal has arrived here since the 15th. — If any orders should have been transmitted to me, after the 8th Instant, from your Honble Board, I beg leave to request they may be sent in Duplicate.

(signed) G. P.y

Read the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 141. 142. 143. —

From Captain George Hall, acting Commissary General of Stores, requesting the Board will be pleased to annex some Extra allowance to his present Situation.

Agreed that an Allowance of Ten Shillings P.r Diem (being half the Sum allowed to the Commissary General of Stores) be granted to Captain Hall, during the absence of Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse.

From the acting Commissary General of Stores. —

Minute thereon.

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from 3 Battalions to the whole of the Detachment to Invade the Enemy's Country with his main Army; in which case he is to pay for it in the same manner as he is to do for the two Battalions he has already applied for.

Should any other Plan be preferable to the above, or any mode by which the above may be improved, with a likelihood of it's being assented to by People who have their own Interest constantly in view. & generally calculate that Interest in rather a short sighted manner, occur to you, I beg to be favord with your Sentiments & shall avail myself of them to the best of my ability.

I have the honor to be

Hyderabad 18th. April 1790.

&c. &c. &c.

(signd) John Kennaway

Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis to the Resident at Poona, under date the 22nd. March 1790.

With respect to the Right of Supreme Command of such Armies as may be composed of Confederate Troops, it is not easy at present to pass a Decision, as several unarranged Circumstances would necessarily require Consideration.

My opinion however in general is, that, in Armies where the Proportion of our Troops is very small, such for instance as the Junction of three or four Battalions to the main Army of the Mahrattas, the nominal Command should be vested in the Mahrattas, or in the Nizam's Officer, according to the known rank of those Officers.

or

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Agreed that Lieutenant Alexander Grant be directed to deliver over the Balance of Cash in his hands amounting to Pagodas 4,670. 42. 40, to the Military Paymaster General.

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief informs the Board, that he will give the necessary orders respecting the nine Horses purchased by Lieutenant Grant.

Read the following Letter from Captain Kennaway. and enclosure

To The Honble Major General Medows
Governor of Madras

Honble Sir

I have already replied to the Doubts expressed in your favors of the 31st. Ultimo, and 5th. Instant, concerning who is to pay the Detachment applied for by the Nizam, agreeably to Treaty; and in answer to that part of your Letter of the 31st. where you express a supposition that the Detachment will be Commanded entirely by the Nizam or his Officers, and will have nothing to take but the natural appointments or specific Directions — I have the honor to enclose an Extract from a Letter of Lord Cornwallis's to the Resident at Poonah, which, as it refers to a case in point, may be of assistance to you in drawing out such Instructions as you may judge necessary to give the Officer of the Detachment.

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Ordered to lie on the Table

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Read the following Letter from the Deputy Agent for purchasing Horses

To The Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council & Commander in Chief

Honble Sir

As I am soon to leave the Presidency, I beg to lay before your Honble Board an account of the Agency from the 8th Instant, when I received charge of it, until this date. — From this Statement you will observe there remains a Balance in my hands of Pagodas 4670. 32. 48, and that I have purchased 9 Horses. I request to be favored with your Instructions regarding the disposal of this Sum, and to be informed to whom I am to deliver over the Charge of the Horses.

It is incumbent upon me to mention that, I have certain Information of about 400 Horses upon the Road for this Market, encouraged by the former agency, and allowed to pass free under it's passports; how far therefore Government becomes pledged to provide a market for them, I humbly beg to submit to the Consideration of your Honble Board.

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Having that allowance due to myself from May 1783. to May 1789. & from the 29th. of December 1789. to the present date, I take this opportunity of expressing my wish to have it settled in whatever manner Government may think proper in regard to the rest of the Field officers

I have the honor to be

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&c. &c. &c.
signed Henry Malcolm
Adjutant Genl. of the Army

To Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm.

Adjutant General.

Sir

I request, in the name of the Parties concerned, you will be so good as to forward the Enclosed address to Government, in circulation for signature, by those who approve, as soon as it can conveniently be done; and that afterwards you will be pleased to enclose and forward it to the Honble the Governor in Council.

You will oblige me by acknowledging the receipt of the Enclosed & and by taking the trouble to inform me of it's being duly transmitted as addressed.

I have the honor to be

Camp. 9th April 1790

&c. &c. &c.
signed J. Floyd
Lieutenant Colonel 19th. L.D.

A true Copy signed A. Malcolm
adjt. Genl. to the Army

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The Conductor's Books have also been examined, and found regularly brought up to the 1st Instant.

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

Fort St. George
25th April 1790

(signed) J. Capper
P. Roos
Henry Malcolm
George Hall

To Captain Hall
Director of the Laboratory &c.

Sir

My Servants having, in cleaning the Roads, discovered several large Guns, that the honor some Weeks ago of mentioning the Circumstance to the Governor, and proceeded to Weigh them. — They are those which you have seen on the Beach, and are, in all, 6 twelve Pdrs.
There is also a quantity of Shot.

I request that you will procure an order for receiving them, if necessary, proving them, in order that, when received by Government, I may have an opportunity of making the proper Charges.

I am, Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

Fort St. George
2nd April 1790

A true copy (signed) Danl. Price
Actg Secy

(signed) H. Boyd
Master Attendant

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Manner, as to preclude any kind of Interference on the part of the Nabob, while the Country may be under the Company's Management - for if this be not done, the expected Advantages will not be derived.

It is further Resolved to recommend that, the Instructions which the Right Honble the Governor General in Council may think proper to give in Consequence of this Reference, relative to the Nabob, may extend also to the Rajah of Travancore.

Agreed that a Letter to the foregoing Effect be immediately drafted.

Read the following Letter from the Military Boards.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

We beg leave to enclose Copy of a Letter from the Master Attendant at this Port, respecting 7 Iron twelve Pounders, which his Servants have fished up in the Roads - as We doubt whether these Guns are the property of the Company, or of the Master Attendant, We request your orders on the subject; & if they should be considered as his Property, We request to know if it is your pleasure that they should be proved.

The Garrison of Vellore requiring 20 Gun Platforms

From the Military Boards - inclosing a letter from the Master Attendant respecting 7 Iron twelve Pounders fished up in the Roads by his Servants - desiring to know whose property they are to be considered - & recommending that the 20 Gun Platforms wanting at Vellore be issued from the Engineer Stores & the Commissary of Stores at Vellore authorized & directed to proceed to Pondicherry to procure 4 Iron Eighteen Pounders; & that 2 - 24 Prs - at Cuddalore be examined & transmitted.

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engaged to pay – in such case, Mr. Debourx or any other Soucar for the Northern Districts, Colonel Martinz & Mr. Buchannan who are entrusted with the Management of the Southern Countries, Mr. Binny & Mr. Mitford who are employed in the Revenue of Arcot, will be strictly ordered to pay to the Company 4/5ths of the Revenue, and 1/5th to me.

I have delivered Paddy to the amount of nearly Ps. 130,000. – The Paymasters at some places have, and others have not granted their Receipts – As you have sent them orders to give Receipts, I am in expectation of receiving them shortly – These together with the Paymasters Receipts for Ps. 67,000, which I before sent you will make Two Lacs of Pagodas – From certain causes, it is not in my power to pay the Two Lacs according to my agreement, those who had agreed to lend me Money having disappointed me; I must request of your kindness to allow me a few days longer time – Of the amount of the two Lacs, I have already given you a Bill on Pitchinopoly for Ps. 20,000; & by the blessing of God, I will pay the remainder of the 2 Lacs by the 15th. of May – And from the 1st. June, the arrangements for Payments as above stated shall take place, the Payment to begin in that month, & to continue to continue to be made at the end of every month. – –

What can I say more? –

Translated from the Persian
signed Joseph Farrow
Persian Translator

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Amount of 17,000 Pagodas — Letter to his Excellency — Lord proceeds to relate circumstances of his late Administration, Treatment which he has experienced from Individuals.

I perceive that I have reason to dread my Country will be taken from me, because it was not in my power to perform the Engagements which, contrary to my Inclination and repeated representations, I was forced to enter into. — I have already informed my Friends of the reasons which caused the Execution of the Treaty of February 1787, and the manner in which, at that time, I was deceived and disappointed in the hopes which were given me. I was well convinced that my Revenue was not sufficient to allow of the Payment of the amount of the Rists, which Circumstance I have constantly represented to the Government here; I have likewise stated my situation to the Gentlemen in England, who are Men of Justice, in the hope that they will afford me entire Relief. — Independent of this, my Country has sustained great Loss for these four Years past in consequence of Dry Seasons. — I am perfectly sensible of the want of Money for the public Service, but what can I do? the amount of the Collection of my Country, I have paid to the Company: to encrease the Revenue is not in my Power, but depends upon the favor of the Almighty. — It is true that, in my Letter dated the 1st. Instant, I did engage to pay certain Sums at fixed periods, but unavoidably it has not been in my power to fulfill; which is not a proof of my want of Inclination to pay the Money, but of the inability of my Country. — As I perceive that you are at this time entirely employed in making preparations for War, I do not wish to draw your attention to other matters, or otherwise I should

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To Asst. to Travancore — To Mr. George Powney — Approving his answer to the Letter from the Bombay Government — advising of the Orders transmitted to Captain Knox, to put himself under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Hartley.

Ganjam — To Ganjam — advising of Mr. Lennox's Appointment to the Paymastership at Aska, vice Mr. Tudor.

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To Colonel Capper — To Colonel Capper — will communicate the Contents of this Letter of the 25th. Instant to the Court of Directors — his Request it is hoped will be favorably received.

To Mr. Joseph Garrow Persian Translator — 28th. To the Persian Translator — to Correspond immediately with Mr. Cheny Persian Translator at Calcutta, & to transmit to him, once in every three Months, authenticated Copies of all the Persian Papers received at & dispatched from his Office.

To Mr. Robert Andrews Paymaster at Tiagar — To the Paymaster at Tiagar — To include in the List of Artificers for that Garrison, Chingleroy Maistry Smith, Awsmang Maistry Carpenter, & Mootoo Swamiah Maistry Bricklayer, who are ordered to proceed to Tiagar.

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We have the honor to be
Fort S. George
27th April 1790

Sir Sir Sir Wm. Medows
(signed) {
Sir Council

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters — as entered in No13. Nos 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140.

To Colonel Musgrave — To Colonel Musgrave — the Bullocks not employed on other Service, to bring into Poitchinopoly the Grain of that District.

To the Paymaster at Ongole — To the Paymaster at Ongole — To apprize Mr. Willis, Paymaster in the Guntoor, of the Situation of the Stores destined for Immi-
-conbah — To give Mr. Willis every Information on this subject, that he may be enabled to report thereon to Government

To Mr. Cochrane — To Mr. Cochrane — to present his Accounts to the Commissary & Comptroller General, who has received Instructions to audit them.

To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck — To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck — appointing him Civil and Military Paymaster in the Room of Mr. John Turing.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — acompanying the Nabob's order to his Phousdar to deliver up all the Grain in the Poitchinopoly District — advising of the orders sent to Colonel Musgrave to employ the Bullocks in his Service.

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To

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27th examine and report his Opinion as to the Effects likely to be produced by the Embanking of the River in the manner proposed by Mons.r Sonnerat

Lieut.t de Wangenheim From Colonel de Wangenheim, — Enclosing the names of the 200 hanoverians who are willing to re-enlist.

The Persian Translator From the Persian Translator — accompanying authenticated Copies of all Persian Correspondence from 1.st January to the 1.st Instant. Obliged to engage five more Persian Moonshies.

Moonshys

Sent the following Letters

To the Honorable Colonel Abercrombie
Governor in Council at Bombay

Honble Sir

We have been favored with your Letter of the 3.rd Instant, & are of opinion that the Detachment which you have resolved to send to the Relief of the Rajah of Travancore, may be of essential Service.

Monday — Captain Knox was instructed to put himself under the orders of Lieutenant Col.l Hartley — Colonel Abercrombie's Detachment will reach Tritchinopoly about this time; and will march from thence, with the Madras Troops, into the Travancore Country.

We have sent orders to Captain Knox, Commanding the Troops of this Presidency in the Travancore Country, to obey such orders as he may receive from Lieutenant Colonel Hartley, upon whose Judgement We shall entirely confide, as to the Operations he may think feasible against the common Enemy.

Our Army will reach Tritchinopoly about this

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Read the following Letters Entered in Mil. Bd. Nos.

110. 111. 112. 113.

From W. Young – Enclosing a list of Stores landed at Ramiapatam from the Snow Experiment, Captain Wilson: & requesting orders respecting them.

Agreed that W. Young be directed to communicate with Mr. Willis on the subject, & that a Notification be made to the Military Board of the Non-Performance of Mr. Wilson's Agreement.

From the Deputy Military Paymaster – Reporting upon the Bills of the late Captain Sulivan for Pay &c. and feeding the Cavalry.

Ordered that the Bills be returned to Colonel Capper, with Instructions to pass such of them to the Credit of the late Captain Sulivan, as may appear due; and that he notify to Mr. Benjamin Sulivan the Board's displeasure at the Delay in bringing forward the Claims of his deceased Brother, which are now admitted as a particular Indulgence.

From Mr. Cochrane – referring the Board to his application of the 8th. June last, & begging that his accounts may be audited by the proper Officers.

Ordered accordingly.

From Lieutenant Charles Corner – enclosing a Bill for Intelligence during his Service in the Marawar Country.

Agreed that the above Claim be referred to the Military Board.

John Irving
Con. Saunders

incurred above what the Engagement with His Highness, concerning it, would authorize. I have little doubt of his agreeing to defray it —

(signed) John Kennaway

Captain John Kennaway
Resident at Hydrabad

Sir

In the agreement made with the Nizam, as expressed in my Letter to his Highness on the 7th. July, it was declared that the Expence to be charged to him for two Battalions of Sepoys, & six Field Pieces manned with Europeans, should be no more than the exact Sum which it costs the Company to maintain a Body of that Force, when employed on Service in the Field; and that His Highness should be charged with the Expence of the Detachment from the day it enters his Territories, until it quits them on its return to the Company's, with the addition of one Month, at the average Calculation of the whole amount, to defray the Charges which the Company must necessarily incur to put such a Force in a state fit for Service.

In order to determine the Sum thus payable by the Nizam, application was made to the Government at Fort St. George to furnish the necessary accounts; & from these abstracts have been made, which the Secretary will enclose in this Letter, that you may communicate them at a proper opportunity to his Highness & his Minister — the amount that will be charged to his highness, from the day on which the Force, that may be applied for, enters his Country, and for one Month prior

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to the Reception of Grain.

Roebuck appointed Civil & Military Paymaster; Lenox Paymaster at Ostaka vice Mr. Tudor

The President Recommends Mr. Roebuck for the appointments of Civil & Military Paymaster General — and Mr. Lenox to be Paymaster at Ostaka, vice Mr. Tudor.

Approved & ordered accordingly.

Read the following Letter from the Agent for the Madras Prize Money.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

Agent for the Madras Prize Money — requesting an advance of Cash paid into the Company's Treasury, amounting to Pags. 7,516.7 — due to the Madras Captors.

The Madras Captors having by their Agents at length agreed on the mode of dividing the Prize Money due to them, I am to request an advance of Cash paid into your Treasury on their account, amounting, as appears by Mr. Secretary Freeman's Receipt, to Pags. 7,516.7 — and am further to request your Permission to refer all Demands made on me, on this account, which may appear of a doubtful nature to the Military Board for their Decision. Madras.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(signed) Jos: du Pré Porcher
Agent for Madras Prize Money on the part of the Company

Fort S. George
23rd April 1790

Resolved that a certificate for a Bengal Bond be given to the Agent for the amount of Pags. 7,516.7. in the hands of the Company; & that Mr. Secretary Freeman's Receipt be demanded in consequence.

Madras

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from any cause, become necessary for me to retire from my provisional Seat in Council; & they cause further to observe, in regard to my Conduct as a Member of Government, that I was by no means Inattentive to our Political situation, and that all the orders issued previous to your arrival, & measures taken for the Equippment of the Army for Field Service, were subsequent to my being called into Council, & in a great measure originated from my repeated Representations of the necessity & urgency of the Case — and I should, as a matter of course, have recorded my Sentiments thereon, had not these Measures been adopted —

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

Fort St. George
the 22nd. 1790 —

Agreed that a Copy of Mr. Taylor's Letter be transmitted to the Bengal Government, & that the Subject be referred to their Decision — In the mean time, it is Resolved, that the Seat at the Board of Revenue, now provisionally held by Mr. Call, be kept open

thereon.

Read a Letter from Mr. Taylor (as entered in Mis. No. 109) requesting to have access to the Records, & Extracts of such parts as he may have occasion for —

also

Mr. Taylor

Ordered that the Secretary do furnish Mr. Taylor with Extracts of such parts of the Records as may be necessary

thereon

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Flags upon the Top of the Breach, rushed on with great impetuosity — Two of the Rajah's Battalions of Carnatic Men; who fronted the Breach, sustained the first onset with some firmness; but perceiving themselves Deserted by the Nairs, Bowmen, Pikemen & Conjeevarts, and having suffered some loss from the Fire of their own rear Files, they broke and dispersed — The Minister retreated to a River about five Miles from Mellore & Endeavored to rally his People; but all his Endeavors proving ineffectual, he ordered every post upon the lines to be Evacuated, and those Troops who had not fled were directed to take the Road by Chinnamungalum. I had no Intimation of this when my public Letter of yesterday was dispatched, but shortly after a Hircarrah came into Camp from the Minister with Information to that Effect. I collected every Boat upon the River, and was employed until 5 o'clock P.M. in getting over the Rajah's Troops, when I marched the Detachment to Ayseen; but having a River in my way, I did not get over until this Morning. I received the Minister Yesterday forenoon upon the Southern Bank of the Chinnamungalum River; and had the satisfaction to find that my Plan of taking Post upon the Island of Ayseen perfectly accorded with his Ideas — It is with great pleasure that I inform you that, those of the Rajah's Troops who availed themselves of my assistance & protection, are now out of danger — I cannot make any Computation of their Numbers, but several thousands have landed on Ayseen, & a large Body is now opposite the Detachment, waiting for Conveyance.

Island of Ayseen
April 1790

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

(signed) T. Knox

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in the fullest manner your Excellency's Inclination to give the most perfect Satisfaction to the Company & their Representatives, permit me strongly to recommend to your Excellency to allow me to appoint Tasildars to attend your Annuitants, & Portugadars, not in any shape to interfere in the Duties of their Offices, but merely to take account of the actual Receipts, for the mutual Satisfaction & harmony of your Excellency and of the Company's Representatives; which that, by God's Blessing, may continually increase, is the Prayer of your most faithful Friend & well wisher

18th: April 1790

(signed) L Ram

Agreed that the Consideration of the foregoing be deferred, until the expected Letter from the Rajah to the President shall be received.

Read the following Letters from Mr Powney & Captain Knox.

To the Honble Major General William Medows Governor in Council

Honble Sir

This day We have been assembling as many of the Rajah's Forces as We could collect — but not one-fifth of them are to be seen here: the greatest part of them have taken to the Hills & gone to the Southward. The

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he has within these few days given a second Wife to his Sirkel, which Wedding is to cost him 20,000 Chuckrums, tho' no more than 5,000 are to be paid at present — 20,000 Chuckrums is about 8,000 Pagodas — this at least is the Information I have received.

What his Excellency has mentioned in his late letter to Government on the subject of a Coinage, appears to me very just. If a Mint for Pagodas could be allowed in Tanjore, it would certainly be of considerable Benefit to the Country — As to his Expressions regarding me, they appear too general to require a particular answer; whilst favored with the approbation of the Honble Board, I can very well support the Sarcasms with which his Excellency is pleased to honor me.

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

20th April 1790

His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

&c

May it please your Excellency

It is with the most heartfelt satisfaction I congratulate your Excellency on the full Establishment of the Honble Company's Orders in your favor, made known by the late letter from the President; and hence forward I imagine the 1st April 1790 will be considered an Æra auspicious to the Tanjore Country.

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opportunity; and that a Testimony do accompany it, &c.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore

To
The Hon^ble Major General William Medows
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Hon^ble Sir

Rec^d at Tanjore — I received on the 18th. the orders of the Board
under date the 13th. with all the Enclosures, and Yesterday
delivered to his Excellency the Letter from Government, with
one from myself of which Copy is enclosed. —

Having consulted with M^r. Swartz and others
well versed in the affairs of the Country, in what manner
the four fifths of the Revenue might be best secured for
the Company, & the Evasions which might be expected from
his Excellency's Servants avoided; Two Methods only
occurred — First, by Amuldars, & Putakadars being appointed
on the part of the Company to receive the Rents, and allowing
the Rajah to have Ameens to inspect their Conduct (which
perhaps might be considered as derogatory to the Reputation
of his Excellency) — Or Secondly, by appointing Tasildars
to take an Account on the part of the Company, of the
Receipts taken by his Excellency's Officers: a mode by no
means uncommon, the Rajah frequently appointing Persons

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nor was any mention made of me, during two Years that I remained in India — Tired at length of waiting in hopes to be restored to my former Situation, I sold off all my property, during the late War at a very great loss, & returned to Europe with my Family. There I remained upwards of two Years, & at last was allowed only £ 2,800 for my Expences & Losses; and which, I solemnly protest, did not defray the Expence of my Passage Money only; besides the Expence of maintaining myself and family for upwards of 7 years that I remained without Salary or allowances of any kind from the Company.

These Pleas, Sir, may seem conveyed to you in the Language of Complaint, but I request you will not consider them in that Light: they are offered only to prove to you that, an Indulgence granted to me by the Honble the Court of Directors, will not subject them to frivolous Importunities for a Retreat, from every Person who has served them 30 years like myself. If disposed to Complain, I could relate such Circumstances to you, as would greatly affect your Sensibility; but I disdain to have recourse to such artifices, in support of a Claim which, I flatter myself, stands upon the broad basis of Public Justice; and which, upon that Principle, I submit thro' you to the

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September; & consequently, by writing at this time, I may flatter myself with the hope of receiving an answer by the latter Ships of the ensuing Season.

It is usual to preface a letter of this kind, with a vain and Tedious detail of long and faithful Services; but on this subject, I should be entirely silent, & content myself with a Consciousness of always having done my Duty, as a zealous & faithful Servant, to my Honble Employers; did I not foresee the necessity of furnishing them with a Plea for granting me a moderate retreat for Life, without creating a Dangerous precedent that would subject them to Numberless applications of a similar nature. — In my case, there are some Circumstances, peculiar to myself, that will scarcely ever occur again,

The first is entirely Official. With the highest Rank, both Civil & Military, my Salary being extremely moderate, it has not been in my power to save much Money; and whilst the nature of my Office has precluded me from the possibility of holding any other lucrative Employ, the Constant attendance requisite to the different Departments in which Sact has, of course, prevented me from Engaging in any other pursuits for the improvement of my Fortune. The Company's Civil Servants are eligible to Seats in Council, & likewise to Chiefships. —

The

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The Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I am sorry to inform you that the Lines are in possession of the Enemy. They stormed this morning at daybreak, and carried them much easier than We expected. We have but very imperfect accounts of the Affair yet. It is said that 6,000 of Tippoo's dismounted Troopers made the Assault — that the Rajah's Troops withstood them for a short time, when some Polygars giving way, they were panic Struck, and the Consternation became general. The Company's Battalions have taken Post at Tyacottah upon the Island of Tripsem, where I think We have not much to apprehend. The Minister intends to assemble as many of the Rajah's Forces as he can upon this Island in order to act hereafter as Circumstances may present themselves. I have dispatched a Boat with an account of this to Tellicherry.

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

Received 15th April 1790

Tippoo's whole Army from penetrating into it. at all
Events, the Difficulties & Impediments which the Enemy
must meet with between the Lines & the River, will be so
considerable, that, even in possession of the Lines, they would
not be able to prosecute any Military Operations further than
the River for many Days. —

For the above reasons, I humbly conceive that, the
present Juncture is favorable for the Detachment to join the
Rajah's Troops: its arrival will at least Check the Enemy's
progress, on the supposition that the Lines are carried;
but on the contrary, should the Enemy meet with a Repulse,
a Sally from the Lines on Tippoo's Camp from such
Force as might then be formed here, would in all probabi-
lity be attended with every success, as an Enterprize of
this nature would be so little expected by the Enemy.

The Troops should Disembark at Jacottah,
where the Cranganore River flows into the Sea; from
thence they may proceed to the Lines in the course of six
or seven hours, and they may possibly arrive there without
the Enemy gaining any Intelligence of such a measure. —
This is on the supposition that the Lines are maintained
until the arrival of the Detachment; but as a few days,
at this Juncture, may occasion a great alteration in
this situation of Affairs here, I shall keep a Boat ready
here to proceed immediately to meet the Detachment to
acquaint

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At a Consultation Present

The Hble Major General William Medows

Governor — President

1790. John Turing — } Esqres
and
Edward Saunders }

Minutes of last Consultation Read & approved —

Read the following Letter from the Resident at

Tavancore

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Hble Sir

After the Dispatch of my Letter to you yes-
terday, the Enemy the whole Evening kept up a very heavy
and uninterrmitting Cannonade; and from the Effect the
Firing has the day before, We expected a practicable Breach
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Mr. Hayward, Commander of the Snow Tartar.

To the Paymaster at Pitchinopoly — Stating that a Complaint has been preferred against him by the Nabob; and directing him immediately to pass the Receipts for the Grain of which he has taken charge.

To the Agent to the Contractors for Bullocks — To send orders to his agents at Masulipatam to provide a Number of Draft Bullocks, not less than 400, and deliver them to the Officer commanding the artillery expected from Bengal per the Houghton.

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George Powney Esq.re

Resident with the Rajah of Travancore.

Sir

The advanced Season of the Year rendering a Diversion from hence, in the Enemy's Country on the Coast, ineligible at present; but desirous nevertheless to contribute our Assistance to the General Cause as far as may be practicable, We have Freighted Vessels to proceed in 8 or 10 days to Cranganore, with his Majesty's 75.th Regiment, Two Battalions of Sepoys, and a Company of Artillery with Lascars; But as the Efficacy of the above Measure will depend greatly on the Situation of the Rajah's Affairs at the time of the Detachments arrival, We have judged proper to send an Express Boat to you with this Letter, and one from the President to his Highness; and We are to request that you immediately communicate your Sentiments to the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, whether the Juncture may be favorable for it's joining him — where you would Recommend the Troops should Disembark (taking into Consideration, however, that We have taken up Tonnage for them to proceed no lower than Cochin) whether the Rajah will pay and Victual them, or on what other footing they may be considered — & in short, that you will assist the Gentlemen at Tellicherry with whatever observations may arise on the subject. You will

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25th Government towards carrying on the War against the Common Enemy, is clearly defined; We have been enabled thereby to determine how far it may be adviseable to carry your Lordship's Instructions of the — January into Effect. The advanced Season of the Year, and the difficulty which this Presidency labors under, in setting on foot Military Enterprizes with that promptitude which the Emergency Exacts, forbids our making a Diversion in the Enemy's Country. But these Obstacles ought not to preclude our making such Exertions as appear to us practicable in other mode. Private advices from the Rajah of Travancore's Camp (sufficiently authentic) bespoke him in a very critical Situation: Tippoo it seems having erected Batteries to a very Considerable Extent in front of his Lines, and Silenced several of the Rajah's Guns. General Medows, we doubt not, will have afforded him Succour in Time. But We are of opinion that, a Respectable Corps from hence to form a Junction with the Madras Troops, in the Rajah's favor, may be acceptable; and Commanding at present in our Port sufficient Tonnage to transport such an Armament, We have this day resolved to send down His Majesty's 75th Regiment, Two Battalions of Sepoys, and a Company of Artillery, as soon as they can be equipped, which We flatter ourselves will be in Ten days. We propose immediately to notify our Intentions to Mr. Powney and the Rajah of Travancore, in order that the former may by

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24th Receipt, Communicated to the Durbar, with a view of hastening the Military Preparations in this quarter, that the latest Intelligence from the Travancore Frontier indicated War, the official Denunciation of which might be expected from Mr Malet very shortly. On Mr Malet's receipt of your Letter, he determined to return hither with all possible Expedition, & I have now the honor to acquaint you that, by a Letter just received from him, I have reason to expect him here in two or three Days. I shall Communicate to the Durbar to morrow Morning that Mr Malet has settled every thing with the Bombay Government for the speedy Compliance with our Engagements.

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(signed) J. Uhthoff
Agent at Poona

Poona 7th April 1790.

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

Hon'ble Sir

Extraordinary — Detachment ordered upon the Application of the Rajah of Travancore — Inclosing Copies of Letters written on the subject to the Governor General & Mr Malet

Altho' the advanced season of the year presents an irremediable obstacle to our making a Diversion in the Enemy's Country upon this Coast, We have considered that a respectable Effort may be made from hence, before the Rains, in favor of the Rajah of Travancore, provided the

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Dr. The Honble Company's Cash Cr.

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| April 1. | Balance as p account sent to the Residency | 5,416.33.18 | April | By Cash advanced the Military Paymaster | 8,000.-.- |
| | To Cash received | 72,920.- | | By Ditto advanced for the Carriage of 1 Lac of Rupees of Grain | 3,000.-.- |
| | | | | Civil Charges | 624.23.25 |
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| | | | | Balance | 66,712.9.53 |
| | Star Pagodas | 78,336.33.18 | | Star Pagodas | 78,336.33.18 |

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Errors Excepted (signed) G. Ram Asst.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Deputy Secretary's Letter of the 21st ultimo, enclosing a Letter from the Governor to the Nizam, with a Translate for my Information, which has been delivered.- I beg leave to refer you to my Letter under date the 12th January to Mr. Hollond, & the Enclosure which accompanied it, by which you will perceive that the Nizam's Objection to receive Gold instead of Silver for such part of the Pistheush as may be found indispensably necessary to tender in that Coin had been removed, and that he was ready to receive it on the Conditions specified in the Enclosure above alluded to, which was a Copy of a

Letter

To Mr. Chamier at Hyderabad - advising that the Nizam is ready to receive his Pistheush on the Terms specified in an Enclosure of this Letter of the 12th January -

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To Anthony Sadleir Esqr

Chief at Masulipatam

Sir

I am directed to acquaint you that, the Governor General in Council has been pleased to order a Detachment of Artillery, consisting of one Company of Europeans, with Three Companies of Lascars, and a proper Proportion of Ordnance, to be sent to Masulipatam, to join the Bengal Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — They are to be imbarked on the Houghton, which will sail in a few days — And, as a Number of Draft Bullocks, not less than 400, will be wanted for the Service of the Artillery, his Lordship has requested the Governor in Council at Fort St. George to give directions for their being provided, as soon as possible, at Masulipatam.

His Lordship is at present unacquainted with the mode of supplying the Cattle for the use of the army at the Presidency of Fort St. George; but he requests that you will take such measures for securing or collecting the Cattle as may appear to you to be best calculated to prevent any delay, as soon as the orders of your Government shall arrive.

If you should be able to deliver over any Bullocks to the Commanding Officer of the Detachment, previous to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's arrival, he has orders to receive and train them — so that they may be made, as far as Time will

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3rd The distinction of Public & Private Followers of the army to cease, and the two Classes in future to be termed "Allowed Followers"; But it is to be clearly understood by the Officers & every Department of the army, that this only extends to the different Proportion of Followers & Servants, as actually fixed by Government; and the President recommends that the latter description of Followers shall be regulated as soon as a Report on this head can be obtained from the Officer Commanding the Army in the Field, in answer to a requisition from Government.

4th Allowed Followers are not to be served Grain, except from Stationary Magazines, and from them only, when the Offier Commanding the army shall thinks it absolutely necessary. They are in all cases to carry their own Grain; & it shall be issued to them at the rate of one Fanam the Buccaber.

When the Military Board have formed the Regulations, they may be directed to point out such of them as are necessary to be issued in General Orders, & such as they conceive only necessary as Instructions to Officers Commanding & Heads of Departments.—

(signed) W. Medows

Approved (signed) C Saunders
J. Turing

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28th. if this Plan of carrying Grain for the Followers is to be adopted, to provide Carriage for 700 Drivers that will accompany the last detailed 2,100 Bullocks, amounting, in point of Expence at the Contract Price for 10 days, to about 150 Carriage Bullocks, and so on ad Infinitum. If a System of the kind is Commenced, the carriage of the Army will be augmented beyond all Bounds, the Followers will be innumerable, & the Expence to the Public must be immense, without a possibility of ascertaining the amount upon any fixed Principle; and altho' this is not precisely the case in regard to the Carriage of Grain with the Army for the Native Troops, I beg leave to express my opinion that the Regulation, even on that part of the subject, should appear as providing for a situation of unavoidable necessity, or of great Importance, or particular occasions rather than as a matter of course; because I am convinced, if this is not attended to, that, in the course of a very short time, there will be few Detachments marching Post to another, even in times of profound Peace, & it will not be thought necessary to Invent Regulations, they may as are necessary to be to Carry it. they contain only neces of Departm

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to the delivery of Grain in the Field from the publick Store, originated in order to discriminate the Followers of the Army who were to be intitled to the favorable consideration of the publick, by being supplied with Grain at all times more certainly and at a Cheaper rate than others, either on account of their utility, or on account of their being paid by the Publick. — Servants to the Officers (according to a regulated proportion) are thought necessary in the Field in this Country, they are certainly as useful a description of Followers as those that are supplied for the Horses & Bullocks thro' the medium of a Contract; and as only the Contractors & the Officers are paid by the Public and not their followers, the latter do not appear to me to have any Claim to attention on account of their being in the Pay of the Publick, altho' perhaps equally entitled, on account of their Utility. — I have endeavored to explain myself particularly on this part of the subject, lest the principle which appears in the draught of a General Order should be admitted by supplying Grain from the Public Store with the army to the Followers — If they are to be thrown into two Classes, I conceive that the Bullock Drivers, Horse Keepers, & Grass-cutters of Cavalry, & the Officers Servants should be considered as Private Followers —

I am confident, however, that when the System of supplying Grain from the Public Store in the Field to Followers is thoroughly investigated, & the Consequences are attended to, that it will in general be found inadmissible, on

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(the Servants of their respective Departments) whose Grain Indents, I propose, these Gentlemen shall sign in the first Instance, and that they shall be Countersigned by the Quarter Master General, or some other Public Officer supposed to be in possession of a Return of Followers, for the Information of the Commander of the Army.

The Countersignature, in the former Case, of the Persons who furnish the Followers for the Service, to be the security of the Public for the Value of the Grain; and, in the latter Case, their Signature to be the public Security, because the Countersign of the Quarter Master General, or other public Officer is intended only as the Check on the Numbers drawn for. — In both Cases, the Signature & Countersignature to be deemed indispensably necessary before the Indents are complied with by the Commissary of Grain & Provisions. — The Countersignature to be invariably put on the back of the Indents. —

The Grain for the Servants of the Officers may, I think, be delivered on Indents, as proposed in the Draught of a General Order: that is to say, signed by Individuals, & Countersigned by the Commanding Officers of Corps. — to which may be added, that the Indents of Officers Commanding Corps, and of those that are not Regimentally attached in the Field, (such as the Staff) should be Countersigned by the Quarter Master General, or other Public Officer, as above. — I also propose, that the Stoppages for Grain delivered to

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by one Indent from each Corps in the manner that is proposed, and will answer very well for other Corps.

I have the same objection to the mode proposed for drawing Grain to the Followers (the Servants of the Officers excepted) besides which it occurs to me that Imposition, in regard to the quantity to be drawn for, may be checked if the Indents are signed in the first instance by the Officers at the heads of the Corps and Departments to which the Followers are attached; instead of the Original Indents (as proposed by the Order) to be given in by the Persons who furnish the Followers for the Service. — The Tent Lascars, Artificers, Puckallies, Dooley Boys, and Cooleys are provided by the Paymaster. — The Bullock Drivers by the Contractors, & the Horse Keepers & Grass Cutters of Cavalry by the Officers Commanding Troops in a European Regiment, & by the Commandants of Native Regiments. — The Number of these followers is so considerable, and their situation in the Line so dispersed, (the Horse Keepers & Grass Cutters excepted) that the Plan I have suggested appears absolutely necessary to prevent Grain being drawn for, that is not required for the Followers actually present, as it will be extremely difficult, if not totally impracticable, for the Paymaster and the Agent of the Bullock Contractors to ascertain the numbers exactly at all times, considering the variety and frequency of Casualties among these Followers, incident to Field Service, and that they will necessarily be distributed in different parts of the Line. —

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attached to Corps, & Bullock Drivers should have Rice delivered to them at a moderate Rate; but the private Followers, in which I would include all Officers Servants, should be made to pay a rather a higher Price; nor could this Regulation be very well deemed a hardship upon the Officers, for being on full Batta, they can bear a trifling and temporary Increase of their Expences; and this, would produce the salutary Effect to the Service, that they will be cautious of augmenting the Number of their Servants, when they find a difficulty of procuring Provisions for them

rate

For my own part, I do not approve of publishing a General Order respecting the Issues of Rice to the public or Private Followers, which might create an opinion amongst them, that they must at all times be supplied. — I think, therefore, it would be better to send the same orders under the form of Instructions to Officers Commanding, or the heads of Departments, by which means every necessary provision of Grain may be prepared, but never issued excepting in cases of the greatest Emergency, and then at such a rate as would secure the Company from loss —

provision

(signed) J. Capper

A true Copy
(signed) Dan'l Pnee
acting Secretary

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was infinitely more populous, & better Cultivated, and when our armies were upon a smaller scale than at present — Perhaps also, the precautions now taken respecting the Carriage of Grain & Provisions take their rise, in a great Measure, from the distresses We experienced during the last War, under such inauspicious Circumstances as it is to be hoped never will occur again. But as We are not to expect the advantages of one situation, nor to apprehend the disadvantages of the other, We had better I think pursue a Middle course, and neither go to the Field wholly unprovided with Grain & Provisions, nor yet embarrass the Movements of the Troops with a useless Train of Followers, and a superfluous Number of Draft & Carriage Cattle. —

It seems a question with the Board, whether or not Horse Keepers, Grass Cutters, and Bullock Drivers should be considered as publick or private Followers; But, in whatever light they are to be considered, these People, if Rice cannot be bought in the Bazar, must be Fed from the public Stores, otherwise they will no doubt Desert, and it is hardly possible the army can move without them. The real state then of this question (I believe) will be not whether they should be fed, but at what rate. — The Contractors for feeding the Horses and Bullocks will say that,

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seldom been required, and when required, have scarcely ever been adopted. The System of the Service, which in a great measure fixes the number of Followers, was formed by a superior power, and sent to this Board, not to be Examined or Considered in any respect, but to serve as a Guide to us for drawing out Regulations for maintaining that Establishment either in Garrison or in the Field, agreeably to the Rules of the Service, and upon Principles of the greatest Regularity & Economy. — Upon these principles I have acted, as far as I have had any share in drawing out or Judging of these Regulations, and the System would permit me; but have studiously avoided obtruding any opinions that might subject me to the imputation of presumption for passing the bounds prescribed to us by our former Instructions from Government — But, the Business at present under Consideration, and the additional powers lately granted to this Board seem now to call upon me to deviate from this cautious mode of Proceeding; and I trust I shall be pardoned for imputing the Inefficacy of the Regulations, and the Expence of the different Establishments to the Defects of the System itself. — Thus much it appears necessary for me to say in Explanation of my perceiving Defects in the Regulations at this time, which ought long

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Query 5th — Is any distinction to be made between the Public and Private Followers?

6th. If Grain is to be delivered to the Followers from Stationary Magazines, should it not be at the same rate at which the Native Troops pay for it? — And, if to be delivered from the Public Store in the Field, will it not be advisable to establish the rate at One Fanam 20 Cash of Pucca Seer? —

On considering the application of Lieutenant Collier of His Majesty's 77th Regiment, for Pay & House-Rent, Colonel Capper informed us that he had signed his former Bills at the requisition of Colonel Musgrave, on the condition of his joining his Corps at Bombay, by the first favorable opportunity; but finding that he has neglected to avail himself of every opportunity, & indeed suffered the Season to elapse for going to Bombay, Colonel Capper did not conceive himself authorized any longer to sign his Bills — For these reasons, and as Lieutenant Collier is not on Duty on this Coast, We are of opinion he is not entitled to draw his Pay or other allowances at Madras, when his Regiment is at Bombay.

We have the honor to be
Sir Your Most Obedient Servants
J. Capper
Patrick Ross
Henry Malcolm
Geo. Hall

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24th shall be no longer necessary to write in Cypher, you are requested to return the Copy now Sent.

The Board direct me to desire you will acknowledge the receipt of this Letter.

I am Sir

Your most obedient Servant

[signed] W. C. Jackson

By Wm Sec.y

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24th April 1790

Received the following Letters.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Military Board — Reporting on the Regulations respecting mode of issuing Grain to fighting Men and Followers of the Army — Recommends Cypher — and returns Minutes &c on the Subject —

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 10th. 13th. and 16th. Instant, with their several Enclosures.

The Regulations proposed respecting the Mode of issuing Grain to the Fighting Men, and Public & Private Followers of the Army, as well as for making Stoppages for such issues, having been minutely investigated, We beg leave to inform you that, the Regulations, in their present form, appear to us in many respects defective; and as our principal objections are detailed in the Minutes recorded by Colonels

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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council at Fort William

My Lord

We have the honor to transmit, the Information
of your Lordship in Council, conformably to your Instructions under
date the 17th. February last, a Comparative Statement of the present Pay
& Batta of the Corresponding Ranges of the Establishment with those of Bengal; shewing the Difference between them
at a fixed rate of Exchange.

The necessary Orders have been given to the Chief in
Council at Vizagapatam, who will communicate with Lieute-
-nant Colonel Cockerell upon his arrival in that District.

We have the honor to be
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&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Wm. Medows
Lt. Col. Council

To James Taylor Esqr.

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council
to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of yesterday's date,
and to inform you that he considers the orders from Bengal
relative to your Removal from Council, positive, & conclusive,
until

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The Comparative Table accompanying Colonel Capper's Letter has been sent to Bengal, and to Masulipatam for the Information of Lieut. Colonel Cockerell, agreeably to the Instructions of the Bengal Government in their Letter of the 17th February last.

The President in his Character of Commander in Chief Recommends that Ensign Robert Bowles of the 3d. Battalion of European Infantry do act as Adjutant to the 7th. Revenue Battalion, vice Averall Resigned.

Ordered accordingly.

John Turing
Coll Saunders

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of the Maistry, alias Head Boy.

Inform me, if you please, what assistance you can give me. You know the country, talk the language, and can advise me how I can be most successful in performing this Duty.

A true Copy (signed)
Alex.r Davidson
Chief

Extract of a Letter from Henry Crawford Esq.r Collector of the Chicacole Havailly, to Alexander Davidson Esq.r Chief of Vizagapatam

dated 20.th March 1790

I have received your Letter of the 20.th Instant, and am in consequence using my best endeavors to engage as great a Number of Bearers to go on the public Service to Madras, as I can possibly procure. — Of the large number of these who were carried away by the Two Battalions of Sepoys lately marched to the Southward, scarcely any are yet returned; and those now remaining at Chicacole and it's Environs do not much exceed one hundred. — Of this Number about Forty are Farmers, who are too useful to be sent out of this

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monthly.— They are to have Rice allowed them at the same rate, which is very low, as the Sepoys.

The families of these Galla Boys must be answerable to the Circar for their fidelity and service.— If your Cutwall Buchana does not undertake and accomplish this, he is not worth his Salt: I know him to be clever, and a Man of abilities.— If the Maistries desire Pike-Men to accompany them, I think they ought to have them.—

Your rendering this publick Service would give great pleasure to Lord Cornwallis & General Medows, to whom, if successful, I shall mention it: If it unfortunately fail, I must ascribe the failure to the want of Exertion in Buchana.—

A true Copy (signed) John Leonhard
Genoa Translator

From Viziaram Rauze to the Chief — dated 30th. March 1790

I have received your Letter, desiring to raise Five hundred Dooley Boys to be sent to the Presidency for the use of the Sick in the Army.—

I have ordered my Cutwall Buchana to raise the number wanted, but I understand from him that the Maistries informed him that, Boys who frequently go to the Southward are common in the Woodisha or Ganjam District: and some out of those few that are in this District are already gone,

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proceed tomorrow morning towards Sagar.

It is incumbent upon me to mention to your Honble Board, in justice to the Subjects of his Highness the Nabob, that they have shewn much attention, with respect to the supply of Slaughter Cattle & Grain; and by the Intelligence I have received, no scarcity of these Articles is likely to occur during the remainder of the March, which will abviate the necessity of expending any part of the Public Grain that accompanies the Army, and render it a welcome addition to the Depot required to be stored to the Southward.

I have the honor to be

Camp. Trinomallee
18th April 1790

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Thomas Musgrave

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Honble Sir

From Vizagapatam — have not been able to procure more than 12 Dooley Boys. Before the Gentlemen at Ganjam have been more successful — Correspondence with the Subject

We are concerned to inform you, that it has not been in our Power to procure Dooley Boys to proceed to the Army Voluntarily — Could it have been effected, Veziaramrauze would have furnished the Numbers — We enclose for your Information Copies & Extracts of Letters to the Rajah & to the Collector

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Minute, & of Mr. Taylor's Letter & Inclosure be transmitted to the Superior Government.—

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From the Resident at Travancore.
— The Enemy have breached about 20 feet of the Rampart of the Lines — have got thro' the Ditch, it is supposed, are Mining the Rampart — The Rajah's Troops have made an unsuccessful Sally from the Lines —

The Enemy have recommenced their Operations, and are carrying them on with great vigor. — Yesterday morning they breached about 20 feet of the Rampart of the Lines, which the Rajah's People filled up again. — They have now got thro' the Ditch, and are mining the Rampart, it is supposed, in several places. — Since 3 o'clock this morning the Enemy have kept up a very heavy and incessant Cannonade. I have not yet had any Reports from the Lines of the Effects of it; but I should conceive, from the firing, there must be, by this time, a practicable Breach. — We have every reason to expect an immediate Assault —

Two days ago, the Rajah's Troops made an unsuccessful Sally from the Lines — I have had no particular accounts of it from the Minister; but, I am informed, more than one hundred of his People were killed and wounded —

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relates to me, I trust the usual priviledges granted to Servants of the Company, in consequence of repeated positive orders from the Court of Directors, will not on the present occasion be denied me, and that I shall accordingly be furnished with any Charges which may be conveyed against me by the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, in order that I may have an opportunity of replying thereto, and of offering such Circumstances to his Consideration as may exculpate me from the fault imputed against me. Should you think proper to preclude me from this priviledge, common to all Servants of the Company; I beg leave to request your attention to the Minutes of Consultation, when I was called to a Seat at the Board, of which the enclosed is a Copy; and to the acts therein mentioned, whereby I revert to my Station at the Board of Revenue, at present held by Mr. Call, as a Provisional Member. —

I have the honor to be
with
Honble Sir
Your most obedient Hble Servant
(signed) James Taylor

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In consequence of the foregoing, the President directed the Secretary to write the following Letter to Mr Edward John Holland and to Mr James Taylor

To Edward John Holland
& James Taylor — } Esqrs

Gentlemen

I am directed by the Honble the President to send you the accompanying Letter & Enclosure received from Bengal, and to inform you that, in Consequence of the orders therein contained, he considers your Seats in Council vacated —

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
signed / John Chamier
Secy

Mr. Holland sent in Circulation the following Minute.

I protest against the Measure, & beg leave to observe that, I conceive the Charge of Disobedience to the orders of the Governor General in Council to be unfounded —

signed / Edwd Jnt. Holland

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2d degree of Criminality even on that head, unless it should appear upon the proceedings of the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, that Mr. Taylor took an immediate opportunity, as the importance of that Business demanded, to record his disapprobation of the Conduct of his Colleagues in Office, in neglecting to provide such equipment as should enable the Army to take the Field, after that decided circumstance had occurred of Tippoo's attack on the Possessions of the Rajah of Travancore, under which they were positively directed by our orders of the 29th. of August, and 13th. of November to considers themselves at War with Tippoo, and to take measures to prosecute the War with Vigor.

I propose therefore that General Medows should be directed to examine the proceedings of the Madras Board, from the day on which Mr. Taylor took his Seat, until the date on which our orders of the 29th. of January arrived at that Presidency; and, if it should appear that Mr. Taylor, during that Period, declared no disapprobation, upon Record, of Measures which were in direct Contradiction both to the Letter & Spirit of our Instructions; I must consider him as a sharer in the Guilt of that Government, of which he was then a Member. And, I trust, in that Case, that the

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Our Censures for the above Culpable acts, are likewise applicable to Mr. Edward John Holland, who, as a Member of that Board, has a share of Responsibility for the Measures that I have stated of the late Government; and as I consider it to be no less requisite for the support of the authority of the Supreme Government, than it is necessary for promoting the Success of the present

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20th previous to his having actually Committed Hostilities.

It must also be imputed principally to Mr. John Holland, as almost culpable neglect, that he gave no Communication to the Residents at Hydrabad and Poonah of Tippoo's having violated the Treaty with the Company by attacking the Rajah of Travancore's Lines on the 29th of December; but, after the above neglect, he is still more reprehensible for the manner in which he Communicated to Captain Kennaway that part of Tippoo's Letter dated 1st January, in which he asserts that the attack was made by accident, and without any orders from him; because Mr. Holland well knew that the Reports of Mr. Bowney, the Resident, and accounts thro' different channels positively said that, the attack was not only made by Tippoo's direct orders, but that there was every reasonable to believe that he actually conducted it in person, Intervening himself wounded or bruised in the action.

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Intention

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20th Persons who will not declare upon their Honor that they are not directly or indirectly Creditors of the Nabob of Arcot or Rajah of Tanjore, and that they will not become Creditors of either of them, unless from a Succession by Will, or some unavoidable Cause, so long as they shall continue to be Members of the Government.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

signed { Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

Fort William 2nd. April 1790

Governor General's Minute — 2nd. April 1790.

I have read with great attention the Minutes of Mr. Edward John Holland, which have been transmitted to us by the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, in answer to our Letters dated the 8th. & 11th. February, requiring that Government to assign Reasons, or to give Explanations, those parts of their Conduct which We stated to have appeared to us in a very disadvantageous light; and I am persuaded that the other Members of the Board will be as little satisfied as I am with the Justification that has been offered for several apparent neglects of public Duty, but particularly for the disregard and disobedience of the clear and explicit orders contained in our Letters dated the 29th. of August & 13th.

20th Considerations of this private Interest — But, independent
of this very weighty objection against Mr. Taylor as a
Councillor, we must likewise add that, although he
is not so deeply implicated in the blameable Disobedience
of our Orders, as either of the other Members of the late
Government, yet he can by no means be acquitted of
a considerable degree of Criminality even on that head,
unless it should appear upon the Proceedings of the
Governor in Council of Fort St. George that Mr. Taylor
took an immediate opportunity, as the importance
of their business demanded, to record his disapprobation
of the Conduct of his Colleagues in Office, in neglecting
to provide such Equippment as should enable the
Army to take the Field, after that decided Circumstance
had occurred of Tippoo's attack on the Possessions of
the Rajah of Travancore, under which they were
positively directed by our Orders of the 29th of August
& 13th of November to consider themselves at War with
Tippoo, and to take Measures to prosecute it with vigor.

We therefore request that General Medows
will examine the Proceedings of the Madras Board from
the day on which Mr. Taylor took his Seat until the
Time at which our Orders of the 27th of January arrived
at your Presidency; & if it should appear that

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20th. The following Letter from Bengal was received Yesterday.

To the Honble Major General Medows.

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal — Mr Edward John Holland to be removed from his Seat in Council, for Disobedience of Orders — Mr James Taylor to be removed, unless it appears that Bond, that he disapproved of the Measures adopted by the Govt.

We have been favored with your Letter of the 2nd ultimo, and have read with great attention the Minutes of Mr. Edward John Holland, in answer to our Letters dated the 6th & 11th of February, which required of the late Administration to assign the Reasons, or to give Explanations, of those parts of their Conduct, which We stated to appear to us in a very disadvantageous light.

Entirely dissatisfied, as We are, with the Justification attempted by Mr. Edward John Holland of several apparent Neglects of public Duty, and especially the Disregard and Disobedience shewn by the late Government, of which he was a Member, of the clear and explicit Orders contained in our Letters, dated the 29th of August and 13th of November 1789, which positively directed that Tippoo should be considered as at War with the Company, if he should attack any part of the Dominions of the Nabob of Arcot or Rajah of Travancore, guaranteed to them by the Company at the last Treaty

of

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Kennaway 20th To Captain Kennaway — The Detachment, as stipulated between Lord Cornwallis and the Nizam, will march from Ellore with all possible Expedition, and proceed to the Gaut of Pagtour by the Route prescribed — The Detachment will be Commanded by Major Montgomery. 4 Two Months Pay will be carried with it — The current advances to Constitute a Deduction from the annual Pischcush due to His Highness —

de Wangenheim To Colonel De Wangenheim — The Number of Hanoverians to be Re-enlisted, is to be restricted to 200 — The Form for Re-enlisting, proposed by him, approved — 200 Copies will be printed —

Sent the following Letter to Bengal.

To The Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council at

Fort William

My Lord

Letter to the subject of this letter sent to the Detachment Commanded by Major Montgomery — Instructions Reported & Orders thereupon by Lord Cornwallis

We have been honored with the Receipt of your Letter dated the 31st Ultimo, with its Enclosure, & our Secretary has laid before us the several Letters addressed to him by Mr. Secretary Way —

Upon an Intimation which our Resident had received from Captain Kennaway, We prepared

ourselves

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20th Highmoys the Nabob's Manager, and such further quantity as may be tendered him.

To the Military Paymaster Genl. To the Military Paymaster General — To state whether the Bills for Pay & Batta, and for the feeding of Horses, said to be due to the late Lieutenant Sullivan, have been Discharged.

To the Chief Engineer — To the Chief Engineer — To order an Engineer to proceed to Tiagar for the purpose of superintending the Works recommended to be done in that Garrison.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — The Recommendations contained in his letter of the 19th Instant, are approved, and the necessary Orders issued in consequence.

To the Military Board. To the Military Board — to Report upon an enclosed Estimate & Letter from the Storekeeper at Chingleput.

To W. Robert Andrews Purchr at Tiagar. To W. Robert Andrews — To purchase such Articles on the Spot, as may be wanted for Executing some Works at Tiagar, and at such Prices as may be deemed reasonable by the Committee of Works in that Garrison.

To the Editor Madras Courier. To the Editor of the Madras Courier — To strike off 200 Copies of the Form for Re-Inlisting the Hanoverian Soldiers.

To the Commandant at Tiagar. To the Commandant at Tiagar — advising that an Engineer will be sent from the Presidency, to superintend the Works recommended to be done at that Garrison — to be Executed agreeably to the Regulations.

To

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20th at liberty; and upon his desire sent back to Germany according to the Tenor of the present Existing agreement, concluded in the year 1781, between his majesty & the Honble Company, respecting the Hanoverian Regiments.

For which purpose, and in order to ascertain the above, this printed agreement has been delivered & signed by the present Government.

Madras 4th April 1790

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief & Governor in Council &c &c

Sir

I do not fail to report to your Excellency, that the Men of His Majesty's Hanoverian Regiments who have engaged to serve upon the prescribed Conditions, & accordingly received Bounty, amount nearly to the number of 200— and it appearing that no more of them incline to re-inlist, and a Ship from England may certainly be expected in the course of 8 or 10 days, I humbly request that no further Reinlistment do take place, until it's arrival; that I may not do more than I may be able to account for to his Majesty; being assured that I will receive the necessary orders regarding the two Regiments.— And, it is very probable, in case

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From Coll. Dallymacheim— Supposes that the Number of Men inclined to re-inlist will amount to about 200— Recommending that no further Re-inlistment may take place 'till the arrival of a Ship from England

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19th Received two Letters from the Rajah of Travancore, dated 31st March, and 3rd April (as entered in C.C. Nos 86.87) the former advising of his having sent to Mr. Powney one Lack of Rupees, and that the remainder will be paid hereafter. Has prepared Warlike Stores & Magazines of Grain in every situation, and is in constant Expectation of the March of the English army — The latter advising that he has paid Mr. Powney two Lacs of Rupees, in part of the Lac of Pagodas for the Expence attending the sending him aid — has caused a Division among the Moplas & Nairs — will exert himself to the utmost in the present Crisis —

Purport of two Letters from Rajah of Travancore.

21st Received the following Letters

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Commander in Chief &c &c &c and Governor in Council

Fort St. George and &c

Madras

Honble Sir

Enclosed I do myself the honor of sending you a Form of the agreement for the signature of each Man of His Majesty's Hanoverian Regiments under my Command, who may be induced to re-enlist —

Form sent for the Signature of Soldiers of the Hanoverian Regiments under his Command who might be induced to re-enlist

This agreement is framed according to my Idea of it, and in conformity to the Terms, I conceive authorised by Earl Cornwallis, and prescribed by this Govern-

-ment.

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19th Received March, on their part, to pay the Sum, or Instalment of
former 5,000 (one Lac Seventy five thousand) in Silver,
of Rupees on every third month, on such date or dates as
prepare ever be laid upon here; so that such Instal-
situation, ments make up the Sum of Rupees 7,00,000 (Seven
army — sum of the annual Peishcush, at the rate of
two lacs of 6 Cent, that is, for every 100 Rupees paid at
attending the Silver, the Parties are to receive 107 B.Rs.
the Masters

the Payments are made, the amount will
carried forward present Cr from Time to Time, to the Debit of your
Residency

Note

The Hon.ble January. the 15th ie of the Agreement has been sent to Captain
Resident at Hydrabad.

Sir,

your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) C Kay

Secy to the Govr

Hon.ble

General William Medows

Governor &c Fort St. George

Sir

Since my Letter of the 2nd Instant, of the Sum
to be paid by the 15th. Instant viz.t 77,920:

Cassy has been received to the amount of about — 5,000 — —

Troops have been given for — — — — — — — — 51,167 — —

Of these by the 15th will have been received 30000
the remainder in 8 or 10 days 21167
51167

Balance — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 26,753 — —
27,920

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4th. taken possession of the Country & property of my Government, & the execution of this determination at this time immediately as your Lordship's Request, from motives of Friendship with the English Company; and my desire that the two Battalions should be held in readiness, with several other matters requiring an answer — will have been made known to your Lordship from the Letters of Meer abul Cossim. — As by the help of God, I intend to set out on my March on the 1st Rejib, (17th March) I trouble your Lordship to order the two Battalions, agreeable to Engagement, to march, that they may join my army on the Banks of the Kistna, at the Gaut Pastoor. — Further particulars will be known from the letters of Meer abul Cossim.

A true Copy of the Translation,

(signed) E. Hay
Secy to the Govt.

To
Hon. Chamier Esq.
Secretary at Fort St. George

From Mr Secretary Hay — Mr Houghton will be dispatched immediately to Masulipatam, with a Company of Artillery & three Companies of Lascars —

I have orders to acquaint you, for the Information of the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, that, as the greatest part of the Artillery on your Establishment is likely to be employed on Service to the Southward, the Governor General has been pleased to order a Company of Artillery, and three Companies of Lascars; with a proper Proportion of Ordnance, to Masulipatam, to join the Detachment

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To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal - Inclosing Copy of a Letter from the Nizam to Lord Cornwallis, with the Subject of the Corps to join the Nizam.

We have the honor to transmit to you a Translation of a Letter received by the Governor General, from His Highness the Nizam, in which he notifies his intention to set out on his March from his Capital on the 8th. Instant; and desires that the Force, with which We are, by treaty, ordered to supply him, may be ordered to join his army near the Banks of the Kistna, at the Gaut of Pagtoor.

We are, in Consequence, to direct that Two Battalions of Native Infantry, of 800 Men each, and Six Field Peices manned with the Number of Europeans usual in Time of War, may be ordered, with the least possible delay, to join his Highness's Army on the Banks of the Kistna at the Gaut of Pagtoor, according to his Highness's Request; and that Intimation may be sent to Captain Read[illegible] of the Time when the Nizam may expect them to arrive there.

The Agreement with his Highness & the Mahrattah State for an Alliance with the Company against Tippoo not being yet concluded in all its parts, we are not in our power to acquaint you in what Relation of Command the Company's Troops shall act with those of the Nizam; But, We think it proper to

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I have likewise made known to the Minister, the proposal of Government, respecting the 50 Horses to complete his Majesty's Regiment of Cavalry.— The Rajah might part with the Number without the least Detriment to his Service; and indeed with all his Cavalry, for they are very expensive to him, without the possibility of being serviceable in this Country.— I have often represented to the Rajah the inutility of such a Body of Cavalry as he has, in the State they are in; & proposed to him to dispose of the Horses to the Honble Company— but without Effect: He considers them as a piece of State without which he cannot dispense.— I shall do myself the Honor of acquainting you with the Answer I receive from the Minister on this Subject.

Nothing material has occurred, with respect to the Enemy's Operations, since my last.

I have the honor to be

Parrur— 10.th April 1790— &c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) George Gonney

Resident

To John Chanier Esq.r

Secretary at Fort S.t George

From Mr Ulkhoff at Poona— Mr Malet will return in a day or two from Bombay

Mr Malet being absent at Bombay, I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter to him of the 16.th ultimo, which arrived here this Morning & dont the

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19th

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

Fort St George

From the Resident at Travancore - The money he has received from the Rajah consists of foreign Coins - Has agreed to take them at the rate they bear at Cochin - Tippoo has brought his Troops to the Ditch, but only keeps up a Fire of observation - Expects daily to hear from the Malabar Rajahs -

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

I have been prevented from making the second dispatch of Treasure, to the amount of one Lac of Rupees, until this day, for want of Coolies - As there is no Coin in this Country, the Money which I have received from the Rajah Consists of Venetians, Moidores, & Dollars - As the most equitable way of adjusting the Exchange, I have agreed with the Minister to take them at the rate which they bear at Cochin.

The Enemy are still in front of the Lines - The Reports from Deserters are, that Tippoo is in the Camp, and does not mean to desist from his attempt on the Lines, altho' his present Conduct does not correspond with such Intention - Hitherto, to every appearance, he has an ostensible object in view, in bringing his Trenches to the Ditch: this he has compleated; and now remains quiet, as to any further operations. For three or four days past, he has kept up a Fire only from Musquetry.

I have not yet heard from the different Malabar Rajahs, but expect it daily - The Cochin Rajah has expressed

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March 31st By Bullion from the Rajah of Tanjore,
which it was agreed to credit his Highness
under this date, in part of the March
By Cash received this Month, as per Cash

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March 31st To this Ballance

Pagodas 19,30,422.16.35

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Errors Excepted.

signed George Moubray
Accountant General

NB The Nabobs last Kist of this year for
Seven Lacs of Pagodas is payable in
February next

Arrears for Prayers Collection 130000
Bills for Kists 1490.195.16.35

1678.195.16.35

Pagodas 19,30,422.16.35

NB Deposites in different Coins 26,095
A Bill on Tritchinopoly has
been received on account of
His Highness for Pagodas
50,000 a 46 Pagodas 43,103 1/2
And from the 31st March to this
day there has been received here
in Cash 113,066

Pagodas 182,264 1/2

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From the Governor & Council at Columbo

18th. From the Governor & Council at Columbo — Congratulating the President on his arrival & accession to this Government —

From the Governor of Columbo

From the Governor at Columbo — with similar Congratulations.

From Mr. Magaw

19th. From Mr. Philip Maine — Enclosing a Letter from the Chief at Viza apatam, approving his Conduct; and begging that he may be favored with the original Letters & the Copies to be sent home, respecting his Court Martial.

From the Storekeeper at Chingleput

From the Storekeeper at Chingleput — Enclosing an Estimate of the Expence required for erecting a Shed for the Ordnance & Stores lately received from Wallaujabaad.

From the Commissary General

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — States the Quantity of Paddy in the Garrison of Palamcotah. — The Nabob has sent into the Fort 300 Garce. Recommends that the Storekeeper be directed to receive it in Charge, as well as any further quantity that may be sent in; & that an order be obtained from the Nabob to his Manager, directing him to see that the Grain is properly cleaned and dried previous to delivering it to the Storekeeper —

From the Hospital Board — Recommending that a Parcel of Europe Medicines, offered by Major Gomonde, to the amount of £A. 3. 9, be purchased; and that the usual advance of 50 P Cent upon the prime Cost be paid. —

Received

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17th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters - as entered in C.B.
Nos. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. -

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts -
stating the Resolutions of the Board in consequence of his audit
on Mr Willis's Accounts.

To the Paymasters South of the Coleroon - To pay particular
attention to the Requisitions made by Colonel Musgrave -
The People under their orders to be employed in beating
out Paddy.

To the Military Board - Their opinion on Colonel Floyd's
application for 12 Puckalley Bullocks has been approved -
a Bill on Bengal for the Balance due to the Contractors for
Repairs will be granted - Enclosing Letter & Enclosure from
Lieut. Collier, to be Reported upon.

To the Chief of Masulipatam - desiring to be informed
whether Mr Willis, as Paymaster to the Guntoor Detachment,
had his Sanction for an augmentation in the Number of
Lascars, over and above the Number directed by the Regulations
of the Service.

To the Paymaster at Wallaujabaad - Colonel Floyd's
application for an addition of 12 Puckalley Bullocks inadmissible.

To the Chief Engineer - To lay a New Platform at the Salt
Pans, for proving Gunpowder.

To

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Fort St. George 16th April 1790

The President, in his Character of Commander in Chief, recommends that the following Military Arrangements be published in General Orders.

Colonel Robert Kelly to command at Wallajaubad, on the arrival, there, of the 1st Battalion of European Infantry

Captain Robert Mackay to command Arnee, after the 1st Battalion marches out.

Ensign Thomas Averall permitted to resign the acting Adjutancy of the 7th Revenue Battalion, in order to join his Corps in the Field.

Ordered accordingly.

Edwd Wm Holland

James Taylor

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to this Consultation because by
Honble Company such Form is
for the reasons assigned by me on
Nabob when it was sent in —
from which Letter the Minute
chness appears to have been
ct to that part which relates
Toby
1st, as to the best of my recollection,
March 1st was made by the President at
ution there was ordered to be drafted and
me the Gen —
n Orc

James Taylor

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of a Corps of each Description of them in the Service; and then Multiply the amount by the whole number of Corps on the Establishment, as this total may be divided & subdivided according to the real Number of Troops intended for Field Service, and the real Expence, as near as an Estimate can come to, be ascertained.— In this Estimate no notice is taken of the Field Expence of the Ordnance, & Stores Departments, as, from their nature & that of the Service the Troops are to be employed upon, it is not to be ascertained. There are also many incidental, & Contingent Charges, which depending on the nature of the Service, cannot possibly be estimated: such as, Secret Service Money; Rewards to Guides &c.; Working Money to the Troops, when Employed on Extra-Duty; Repairs to Equipage; & a variety of others which must and will arise out of the Service to be performed.— An allowance therefore should be made for such Charges to be added to the Certain Expenditure.—

The Charge for the Carriage of Provisions cannot be fixed with certainty, unless the Number of Days to be Carried, and the number of Corps to be divided were exactly ascertained.— In this Estimate, the same Rule of Calculating for the strength of each Corps has been observed; and as it is supposed that they would take with them 40 Days provisions, whichever way they move, that number of Days has been charged in the Expence of the Month,

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Resolved, that the opinion of the Military Board, upon Lieutenant Colonel Floyd's application for an Addition of 12 Puckally Bullocks, be approved & confirmed

Agreed that a Bill on Bengal, at the Exchange of 393 Sa. Rs. p. 100 Sa. Rs. be granted in favor of the Contractors for Repairs, for the Balance due to them.

Read the following Letter from the Sub Secretary at Fort William.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary at Fort S. George

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Bill of Lading of Five hundred Barrels of Gun Powder shipped on Board the Warren Hastings, Captain Chemmant, as a further Supply for the Madras Government.

A quantity of Sulphur will be sent round by some future opportunity.

I have the honor to be
Sr. Yr. Mo. Obt. Hble Servt.
(signed) J. Tombelle
sub secy

Ordered that the Bill of Lading be sent to the acting Commissary General of Stores at the Presidency.

Read

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Grain & Provisions laid in Store at Innambak & Servants belonging to the Commissary of Grain & Provisions

The Orders of Government, contained in a Letter from the Secretary to Colonel Capper, under date the 5th. February 1789, are to be considered as operating finally upon these Charges.

Agreed that the foregoing Resolutions be communicated to the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army accounts, & that he be directed to cause the several Refunds to be made.—

The President lays before the Board Copies of Sundry Receipts from the Company's Paymasters, for Grain &c. Received from the Circar; & Recommends that they be sent to the accountant General, with an order to examine them, & to report whether it will be necessary to apply to his Highness for the Originals.—

Ordered accordingly.

Read the following Letters from the Military Board.

To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

We have been honored with the Receipt of M. Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 9th & 10th Instant

We think it only necessary to remark on Colonel Floyd's application for an addition of Twelve Puckally Bullocks

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Artificers for the Month of September — As the Number of Artificers for the Month of September does not Exceed what is allowed by the Regulations; and as the whole were known to have been Employed, Regularly Mustered in the Presence of Mr. Sadleir, with the rest of the Detachment — the Charge is to be Admitted.

Artificers for the 6 subsequent Months. — This Charge is deemed wholly inadmissible, & the Sum of Pr. ₹. 1233.10.10 must be refunded.

Charge for Secret Intelligence — Although the Board are not convinced of the necessity of this Charge, yet in Consideration of the Vouchers produced by Mr. Willis, & the Opinion given by the Auditor, they consent to the admission of it.

Allowance to Lieut. Colonel Edmonstone's Detach. as Linguist. — The Charge of Pr. ₹. 41.28 p. mensem for the Pay of a Linguist, is considerably too high. No greater Sum will be allowed on this Account, than has been usually granted on similar occasions.

Charge for building Shelter for Stores &c. & Repairing & Cleaning Magazine & Store Rooms — To be decided upon at a future Period.

Charge for Bamboo Collies for Officers Tents. — Admitted.

Doolies ——— The Arrangement made by the Auditor respecting Doolies, is approved & confirmed by the Board — the Sum of Pr. ₹. 1620.10 is therefore to be Refunded.

Lascars ——— Mr. Sadleir will be called upon for an Explanation of the Charge on account of Lascars; & the Board will afterwards decide upon the Admissibility of it.

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Mr.

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and which have been paid to different Officers; from whom, in consequence of my audit, a Refund has been demanded; but the receipt of Explanations from the different Officers cannot be expected in less than a Month; when they shall be laid before you without delay; and the Paymasters at the places where the different Officers are Stationed, will be directed to receive any Refund which may be deemed necessary by the Honble Board.

I had begun the audit of these Accounts in last February, when they were taken from me to be sent to Mr. Sadleir, to be examined by him. — On the first sorry perusal of them, perceiving some Charges, the Impossibility of which could not so easily be ascertained, after allowance Edington Lingaist departure of Sir Archibald Campbell, who had immediately superintended & directed the Equippment, & was then on the Spot; I had the honor of addressing a Letter to you of the 3rd. of February, & received your Answer the 5th. of the same Month; to which I must beg leave to recal your attention, and to know whether it is your pleasure that your Commands, transmitted to me on that occasion, should be considered as operating finally upon the present audit.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) J. Capper
Cpt. &c.

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equally to 55 New Doolies that he has taken upon him to make up without proper authority; and therefore cannot be admitted, without the permission of your Honble Board.

Mr. Sadleir Says that, he gave Mr. Willis a Dustuc to procure Sheep, at the rate of 6 for a Pagoda; and Mr. Willis has charged them at 3 - 3½ - & 4 p Pagoda; in excuse of which he alledges that, the Country People paid very little Regard to Mr. Sadleir's Dustucs; and that Mr. Sadleir particularly directed him to procure Sheep from Ongole, to replenish the Guntoor Circar, which was in danger of being exhausted, from the continual supplies to the Detachment.

Mr. Willis charges for Firewood at 20 fanams a hundred, but Mr. Sadleir says they might have been procured at 10 fanams a hundred. — My own opinion is that, they ought not to cost any thing; for the Lascar Pioneers might have been employed to cut Wood sufficient for the Troops, without subjecting the Company to any Expence whatever.

On the subject of Grain & Provisions laid in Store at Innacondah by the Order of Government, I could wish to refer the Honble Board to Mr. Willis's Letter of the 18th of June last; in which this matter is very fully discussed. — It is impossible for me at this

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After having examined the accounts of the Lascars, Puckallies, Coolies, artificers, and Dooley Coolies; and likewise seperated those Charges, some parts of which are Allowable & some Exceptionable, I shall next proceed to lay before you some Remarks on the Victualling & Grain Accounts.

In the Examination of Mr. Willis's accounts for Victualling, I do not perceive that he has paid strict attention to the Regulations; but allowing Mr. Willis's prices, it appears that when the Troops were in the Field, they were altogether victualled at a Cheaper rate, than if allowed Dry Batta for the Two months of September & October; as will appear by the following Statement.

| | Pr. | £. | C. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 44.574 Men, at - 3. 30 each - being the aggregate Number Victualled from Sept.r 1st to 3d. November | | 3581. | 35. 60 |
| Dry Batta, pr Journal Parcels, paid to 270 Men in lieu of Provisions | | 20. | 3. 60 |
| | | 3,601. | 39. 30 |

Total State of Mr. Willis's Account for the Victualling Department in September 1465.41.60

Ditto — Ditto — in October 1350.34.32 2815.34.12

Additional Expence to the Company, had they received Dry Batta in lieu of Provisions — 786.4.18

In this respect a Saving has accrued to the Company of Pr. £. C. 786.4.18 during Two Months - September & October; after this Period the Victualling ceased, as the Troops went into Cantonment.

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the absence of those who might be left in the different Forts.
— The Pay & Batta of these Extra Lascars amounts to
Ps 6182..12..49 — in which Sum however is included Batta for Lascars in Cantonment, drawn by different Officers, and for which there are Vouchers. It remains with the Honble Board to determine, whether the whole, or any part of this Money is to be Refunded, & by whom.

The Puckallies, as I have already observed, should have been attached to the different Corps; but those belonging to the European Corps and Staff were kept under the Paymaster; which was not only informal, but also to great a Number were Entertained. In the Month of December Mr Willis has Charged for 108 Puckallies, which is nearly double the Number regularly allowed — There are no less than 16 Charges for the Commissary of Stores & artillery, whereas, I do not know that he is entitled to one; & certainly 4 would have been sufficient both for him, & the artillery — And as to Spare Puckallies, 40 of whom are Charged, I know of no such People allowed by the Regulations. Mr Willis's reason for keeping up a spare Number was — "that when the alarm "of Tippoo's Intention to hostilities went forth, a spare Stock "was requisite to supply what could by no other means be "supplied, and that it would be very imprudent in him not "to have made some provision for casualties in every Department"
— On Account of Puckallies, I have deducted for Six Months Pagodas 1230..25..32 —

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Estimate only 57 Pagodas. In this Remark, I do not mean to include the Bamboo Coolies allowed to the different Staff Officers, nor those called Spare Coolies in Mr. Willis's Accounts: Upon these, I shall in another place have occasion to make some further observations.—

Mr. Sadleir has objected to every Charge for Doolies, excepting four to attend the Hospital; but the Regulations allow 8 Doolies for 100 Europeans: according to which the Hanoverian Regiment would be entitled to 56, the Artillery 12, the Cavalry 4, and allowing one for each Battalion of Sepoys, for the Sick Serjeants, which is not prescribed by the Regulations, but is often granted as an Indulgence, makes 75 Doolies; and, as 6 Men are allowed to every Dooly, and a Maistry to every 6 Doolies, the account would Regularly stand thus — 75 Doolies, 13 Maistries, & 450 Bearers, which makes an excess in Mr. Willis's accounts of 9 Maistries, & 18 Bearers — At the time the Audit was made, I supposed the Excess of this charge to amount to Pag.s 7787. 28; but as the Detachment, altho' nominally in a fixed Cantonment, was ordered to be ready to take the Field on the shortest notice, (as per Letter from Mr. Sadleir to Sir Archibald Campbell of the 1.st December 1783, and other Papers quoted by Mr. Willis) I have now allowed the Pay of Bearers for 75 Doolies as above, deducting the Money advanced in September to the Chamlipatam & Ellore Bearers, which not yet
the foregoing Sum to Pag.s 1624. 10

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employed, and were regularly Mustered in the presence of Mr. Sablier, with the rest of the Detachment, as the Number for the Month of September does not exceed what is allowed by the Regulations, it would be acting with Severity almost bordering upon Injustice not to admit this Charge; Besides the Commanding Officer of the Detachment was at least equally culpable with the Paymaster, in not having made a proper Distribution of them, according to General Orders. But, for the Subsequent Months, Mr. Willis did entertain more Artificers than are specified in the Regulations; which he accounts for by saying they were required in the different Garrisons, after We took possession of the Gumtoor Circar; but as his Accounts for these Artificers are not certified by the Commanding Officer, & he ought not to have entertained them without the order of Government, or the Commanding Officer, he must, according to the strict Rules of the Service, Refund their Pay for 6 Months, amounting to Pagodas 1283. f. 10. 20 - unless he is relieved from it by your Orders;

Mr Sablier has also objected to a Bill for Secret Intelligence, amounting frequently to 160, or 170 Pg.s pr month. Mr. Willis has produced 2 Vouchers for it, one of them a list of the People, with their respective Stations - and the other a Draft for their Pay, signed by Colonel Eidingtoun. This Charge therefore, being supported by regular Vouchers, & being in other respects agreeable to the usage of the Service,

I think

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both of Mr Sadleir's audit and my own —

Mr. Sadleir objects to Doctor Gordon's drawing the Pay of a Head Surgeon of an Hospital, and therefore states the whole of his Pay drawn as Dubious — If Mr. Gordon was not authorized to draw the Allowances of Head Surgeon, while acting with a Detachment, he was unquestionably entitled to receive the Pay of a Surgeon; and consequently could not be called upon to Refund more, than the difference between the Allowances of an Head Surgeon and those of a Surgeon. But upon Examination, it appears that Mr. Gordon was entitled to draw the Allowances of a Major, as appears by the Proceedings of the Hospital Board of the 20th September 1788, which were approved by Government —

Mr. Sadleir objected to a Charge of Doctor Gordon's for the Carriage of Medicines, which he thinks should have been drawn for by the Medical Storekeeper Mr. Ponton, and therefore strikes it out of the Account as Dubious; but as the Carriage of Medicines must be paid for, I do not see any reason why this Charge should not be admitted, tho' I confess it is irregular —

Lieutenant Affney also, of the 15th. Regiment of Hanoverians, drew the Pay and Batta of a Captain, for acting as Aid du Camp to the Commanding Officer of that Corps — It remains to be proved that this Gentleman was appointed by proper Authority, and of course whether he

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Detachment equipped for taking possession of that Circar, may be finally settled. I am only waiting for your Commands, in consequence of my Report of 29th October last, to which I have not yet received an answer.

I have the honor to be
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(signed) J. Capper
Col A.A.

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The Board now take into Consideration the following Letter from Colonel Capper, dated in October last, on the subject of Mr. Willis's accounts.

The Honble John Hollond Esqr
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

Report with Mr. Willis's Master and Grain & Provisions Establishment.

In the Examination of Mr. Willis's accounts as Paymaster & acting Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the Detachment sent to take Possession of the Guntoor Circar, I have according to your orders divested myself, as much as possible, of the idea of their having been previously audited by Mr. Sadleir; but after my own audit was finished, I compared his Remarks with my own, & finding they do not exactly correspond, I shall begin my Report, by pointing out, as well as I can, in what particular circumstances they differ.

Mr. Sadleir in his Audit (in some very few Instances excepted) has made no distinction between the Charges which are

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14th Invoice of Gun Powder Embarked upon the Warren Hastings for this Presidency.—

ndential To Lieutenant Colonel Stuart — the Board have no objection to his joining the army in the Field.

Sec. To Colonel Bruce — To give immediate orders for the Execution
ce 1790 of the Repairs to the Breaches in the Hill Forts of Sarzarow & Gurarow, & the Pettah Wall of the Fort of Vellore — Two Guns to be placed in the Hill-Fort of Gurarow — To state the particulars of the Materials, and the number of Workmen required for the Repairs of the Old Walls of Vellore.

g Paymaster To the Military Paymaster General — To issue Pay to such of the European Troops, from Bengal, as may be in Garrison or Cantonment, in the same manner & at the same Rates as to the Troops belonging to this Establishment placed in similar Situations — To commence from the 5th Instant —

on — To Mr. Richard Dighton, Collector in the Saghire — All Articles going to Camp are to pass Duty-free, on receiving a proper Certificate from the Cutwall or any other Person appointed for that purpose by the Commander in Chief.—

15. Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in M.B. Nos. 61. 62 & 63. —

ours People From the Bazar People of the Camp — Petitioning that the Articles they carry into Camp may pass duty-free —

Masulipatam From Masulipatam — have given the necessary orders for making

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President's opinion in consequence of the observations of

Messrs. Holland & Taylor

The President's Opinion, in Consequence of Mr. Holland & Taylor's Letters

The President has Read the observations of Mr. Holland & Mr. Taylor upon the Letters proposed to be sent to the Nabob, the Rajah of Tanjore, the Resident at Tanjore, & to the Accountant General. — He continues in the opinion that, those Letters are properly Drafted; and takes upon himself the Responsibility which may attend their being dispatched in their present form.

(signed) Wm. Medows

Read the following Letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

Charles Nicholas White Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

A Packet will the Honble the Directors early in the Month of August

I am directed to desire you will apprize the Honble Governor in Council at Fort St. George that, it is the Intention of the Governor General in Council to dispatch a Packet to the Honble Court of Directors from Bengal, early in the Month of August next; and that, it is his Lordship's Wish that the necessary Instructions may be issued, without delay, to the proper Officers under the Government of Fort St. George, to expedite the Preparation of the several Accounts that are annually required to

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Mr. Holland's opinion upon the Draft of the Letter to the Resident of Tanjore.

Holland's opinion on Draft of the Letter to the ... at Tanjore —

I am of opinion that, this Letter is contrary to the Spirit of the Company's orders, and the arrangement, referred Home, with His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore; which I beg to Record as my opinion.

(signed) Edwd Jno Holland

Taylor's opinion on same subject

Mr. Taylor's opinion upon the Draft of the Letter to the Resident at Tanjore.

I am of opinion, the arrangement should be considered in force from the 29th ultimo, the date of the Nabob's Letter.

(signed) James Taylor

To Mr George Moubray

Accountant General

Sir

Accountant General — Statement, shewing ... of the alteration ... annual Payments ... Rajah of ... in Peace & War, ... of the ... Company's ... arrangements by ...

You will be pleased to prepare & lay before the Board a Statement, shewing the operations of the alterations to be made in the future annual Payments of the Nabob, in time of Peace, in consequence of his having acceded to the Company's proposed Arrangement by the Swallow, under date the 20th August 1787

You are also to furnish a Statement thereof upon the War Stipulations; both to date from the 1st April 1790 —

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to the Resident, I beg leave to observe that my objection is to the following Words — "It has been resolved that the "Arrangement in time of Peace, both in regard to the Nabob "& the Rajah of Tanjore shall have commencement from the "1st. April 1790."

(signed) Edwd. Jno. Holland

Mr. Taylor's opinion on the draft of the Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore

I am of opinion the Arrangement should be considered in force from the 29th. ultimo, the date of the Nabobs Letter.

(signed) James Taylor

Andrew Ram Esqr.
Resident at Tanjore

Sir

The Board have received your letter of the 2nd. Instant; also one from the Rajah, of which a Copy is enclosed for your Information.

His Highness the Nabob having, on the 29th. March, acceded to the Arrangement proposed by the Court of Directors in their Letter of the 20th. August 1788, (of which an Extract is enclosed) it has been resolved that the Arrangement in time of Peace, both with respect to the Nabob & to the Rajah of Tanjore, shall have Commencement from the 1st. April 1790.

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Excellency; and it is therefore to be considered in force, in Time of Peace, from the 1st of april 1790—.

It will remain with the Court of Directors to confirm or annul the Remissions granted to you by Mr. John Holland, who has referred the Subject to them. I cannot sanction this proceeding; but have consented to it's remaining in suspense until the Instructions from England are received.

As this Government now considers itself at War with Tippoo Sultaun, who has invaded the Territories of the Rajah of Travancore, an Ally of the Honble Company, it is necessary that your Excellency should pay in to Government four fifths of the Receipts from your Country; amounting one Lack of Pagodas which the Honble Company established for defraying the Expences of Your Excellency

I request, therefore, your Excellency will be pleased to inform me what Sums you will pay in to the Company's Treasury: Provision to the Rajah, and at what periods, commencing from the 1st Lack of Pagodas, for the present Month, for the purpose of discharging your Letter, which of to the War, as prescribed by the Treaty entered into Excellency.

in obtaining Archibald Campbell with your Excellency.

urge the Rajah Observe with concern that, your Excellency's as relative to Mr. Ram, seem to convey ideas unfavorable of his Conduct. I have no reason to believe that this Gentleman's Behaviour while discharging his Duty at Tanjore has exceeded the Line prescribed; & I trust

therefore

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Statement of the Nabob's Payments, as they are this day the

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Cash received from the Nabob to 30.th April 1790 - in S.t Pag.s 131,103-

By a Bill on Tritchinopoly ---------- 13,163 1/2

Deposites in M.r P.s 20,914. a 8 p.r Cent - 22,500

Old Porto Novo Pag.s 2338. a 14 p.r Cent -- 2,015

New Ditto Ditto -- 1170 a 17 p.r Cent -- 1,000

Arcot Rupees --- 2,090 a 360 p.s Pag.s 580.

26,095

Pagodas -- 200,301 1/2

Mr. Holland's Opinion upon the Draft of the Letter to His Highness the Nabob -

Before I can give any opinion on this Letter, I wish a particular account to be laid before the Board of the amount paid by His Highness the Nabob in part of the two Lacs of Pagodas, the payment of which is represented to be incomplete. The amount of Deficiency should be stated to His Highness; and it should be particularly explained to him, what further Payments are expected from him for Arrears, and future Monthly Payments respectively, on the principle of the Arrangement ordered by the Swallow -

signed Edw.d Jn.o Holland

Mr. Taylor's Opinion upon the Draft of the Letter to His Highness the Nabob -

I am of opinion that this Letter should be confined solely to the demand of the Balance of the two Lacs due on the 6.th Inst.t;

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ordered that the following Drafts of Letters to His
ups the Nabob - His Excellency the Rajah of Travancore;
C.C. Nos. 83.84.) the Resident at Tanjore, & the
stant General, with the respective opinions of
embers of Council, be entered hereunder -

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ease Your Highness

In my Letter to your Highness of the 2nd. Inst.
I expressed my satisfaction in receiving from you an
offer which it was in my power to accept. I wished not
to interfere in the affairs of Your Highness's Government,
& I thought I might depend upon your Highness's
Promises.

Although your Highness engaged to com-
-pleat the Payment of two lacs of Pagodas, on or before the
4th. Instant, this is but this day effected, including a Bill
upon the Southward & Deposites in different Cutcheries; the
Security for the other two lacs is not yet given, nor have
any arrangements been made for the payment, in the
course of this Month, of a third of the March Kist -

After -