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To the Superintendant of the Nabob's Disbursements.

To the Superintendant of the Nabob's Disbursements — His office as Superintendant to be abolished, & the Books and Papers to be delivered over to the Accountant General — The allowances which he claims to be discharged by a Bill on Bengal, excepting the charge of Pagodas 1669. 21, which is deemed inadmissible.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — To report upon an Extract of a Letter from Captain Read, commanding at Amboor, respecting the Storing of Provisions — an Extract of a Letter from Masulipatam respecting Repairs — And a Letter from the Commandant at Madura, on the Repairs of arms.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Paddy to be Issued to the Sepoys in Madura, & to the Families of Sepoys paid by Mr. Vaughan, in cases of absolute necessity — The Recommendations contained in his Letter of the 13th Instant approved.

Received the following Letters.

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary to the Military Department.

From Colonel Kelly with Enclosure from Major Tonyn stating the number & state of Equipment of the Horse that have entered the Carnatic.

Sir

I have the honor to Enclose, for the information of the Honble Board, Copy of a Letter which I have just received from Major Tonyn.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Kelly &c.

Poultry Plain
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To the Honble Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From the Resident at Poona advising of the arrival of the Bombay Detachment at Sasgaum, on the 18th of June.

On the 23rd Instant I had the honor to receive your Intimation of General Medows with the Army under his Command, being advanced Twenty miles west of Tritchinopoly.

I have the pleasure to acquaint you that Captain Little, who Commands the Force from Bombay destined to act with the Army of this State, having met with the most effectual assistance from the Officers of the Government in conveying his Artillery Stores & Baggage from the place where he landed through the Cohan, to the foot of the Ghaut, arrived at Sasgaum in the neighbourhood of the Mahratta Army, about 5 Cos from the Kistna on the 18th.

I have the honor to be with perfect Respect

Honorable Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Poonah
25th June 1790

(Signed) C. W. Malet

To

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Your intentions of Stationing Coppal Bonson our Route of advance, promise to be of benefit to the public Service in conveying orders, & will be a material private convenience to the Officers of the Detachment.

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

(Signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lt. Coll. Comm.d the Southern Detachment of Bengal troops.

Camp - Vencaty Chittar,
near Selinderoo - 10th July 1790.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob / as entered in C.C. at No. 133 / requesting an immediate answer to the Paper delivered the Emdat ul omrah on the 10th Instant.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob

Received Letter from the Nabob / as entered in C.C. at No. 134 / Enclosing a Letter for the ameldar of Trivatoor, directing him to release the Bullocks which he had detained.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob / as Entered in C.C. at No. 135 / Enclosing Copies of Letters from Colonel Kirkpatrick respecting some Mowers of the Dayree East to blow up the Powder magazine at Vellore, & Requesting his Highness's Opinion thereon.

Sent the following Letters.

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

To Bengal - Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Tranquebar, respecting Commodore Cornwallis - and from the Nabob, respecting the Treaty with the Nizam - and answer thereto - stating that the Enemy's Horse have entered the Carnatic.

My Lord

We have the honor to Enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to us by the Danish Government at Tranquebar, whom

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14th in replying to it satisfactorily were it in our Power, but as Commodore Cornwallis does not act from our Instructions, & has not reported his Proceedings to us, We are unable to afford the Information desired.

We shall transmit to Bengal a Copy of your Letter, in the hope that Lord Cornwallis may have it in his Power to give you Satisfaction upon it's Contents; & We shall also make the Commodore acquainted with the Subject upon his arrival at Madras.

We have the honor to be with great Esteem

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient & most humble Servants

(signed) Morgan Williams

Fort St. George
13th July 1790.

Jr. Council

To Major Montgomery

Commanding the Detachment serving with the Nizam

Sir

To Major Montgomery — With an Official Notification of Mr. Malcolm's appointment as Storekeeper to the Detachment — Informing him how to act in the Event of being joined by Troops of another Presidency — His Recommendation respecting Invalids referred to the Commander in Chief — Captain Lall to remain in Charge of the Military Stores — his application for half Table Money inadmissible.

Having laid before the Board your Letters to me of the 23rd Ultimo, I am directed by them to inclose an Official Extract of the Government Order announcing Mr. Malcolm's Appointment, which it was supposed had been sent by you from the Adjutant General's Office.

In my Letter of the 18th June, I informed you that no particular Instructions appeared necessary — And you

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To Colonel Kelly

Commanding the Troops in the Center Division

Sir

To Colonel Kelly - Enclosing Copies of Intelligence respecting the Enemy's Horse - To suggest such measures as he thinks should be adopted for the protection of the Country.

The Board have received your letter of yesterday's date, together with Intelligence of the same Import from other Quarters - of which I enclose Copies.

As it appears past a doubt that parties of the Enemy's Horse have entered the Carnatick, the Board desire you will without loss of time suggest such measures as in your opinion ought to be adopted for the protection of the Country against predatory Incursions.

It may be necessary to inform you that the Board have reason to expect the Bengal Detachment will join at Wallanjaubad in 6 or 7 days.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

signed John Chamier
Secy

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To Lieut. Colonel Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment South of Nellore.

Sir

To Lieut Colonel Cockerell - To be upon his Guard against the Enemy's Horse, & pursue his March to Wallanjaubad as expeditiously as possible.

A Variety of Intelligence lately received, concur in the report of large Bodies of Horse & Foot preparing to enter the Carnatick, I am directed by the Board to desire you to be watchfull, & pursue your Route to Wallanjaubad as expeditiously as possible. I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

signed John Chamier
Secy

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14th further, and what Instructions may be necessary for the guidance of Major Montgomery's future Conduct.

You will observe that our Reply to Major Montgomery has been conformable to the orders of the Right Honble Governor General in Council on the subject, contained in the following Extract of a letter from his Lordship under date the 31st March last.

"The agreement with His Highness & the Mahrattah State for an alliance with the Company against "Tippoo, not being yet concluded in all its parts, it is 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 desire generally that, until this "point shall have been settled, the Commanding Officer of "the two Battalions shall 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."

We have the honor to be with great Respect

Honorable Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George
13th July 1790.

[Signed] Morgan Williams
& Co. Council

Received the following Letter from Colonel Kelly.

To

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Extract of a Letter from Captain Shawe – dated Poonamallee 13th July 1790.

"I have dispatched an Express to Captain "Hamilton who, in the absence of Captain Gage, Commands at "Trepassore, to warn him of the approach of the Enemy."

"I now think it incumbent on me as "Commanding Officer of the Regiment, to represent to you "very Exposed Situation of the two Companies at that Post, if "any Force should come against it; as there is not a single "Gun mounted on the Works – neither Gate, nor Draw Bridge "and a great part of the East Curtain ruined, and tumbled "the Ditch; so that a Body of Men might with Ease mount "the Ramparts – I also think it my Duty to mention that, "altho' the Bullocks and Camp Equipage for the 76th Regiment "were sent up here some time ago, we have neither Bodies "nor Lascars (at least only 12 out of the Complement, which is 90) "& there are no Field Pieces attached to this Regiment – I must "not point out how useful a couple of light ones would be, in "case of accidents, as there is not a Gun here that could be fired "with safety: If it should be inconvenient to spare Artillery "men, I have above 100 men that have been sufficiently "practised at that Exercise, and a very Excellent Artillery "Officer (Ensign Ralph) so that We could manage "ourselves – I beg leave further to submit to you, Sir

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I beg leave to refer the Honble Board to my Letters of the 2nd June, and the 1st July.

In my Letter of the 2nd of June, they will see that I wished much that the Polygars should, at that time be put under my orders, that I might then have posted them at such Stations as I had fixed upon. — And I am now of opinion that had they been furnished, agreably to my Recommendation, I could have so disposed of them, that the present Depredations would not have happened.

Upon the present posture of affairs, I do not see occasion to alter, but am more confirmed in my opinion delivered to Government in my letter of the 1st Instant — in which I recommended that the whole of the Centre Force, prepared for Field Service, should be immediately ordered under Canvas, to the End that, I might take up such positions, or make such Detachments from it, particularly after the Junction of the Bengal Troops, as effectually to protect the Country from depredation — Even should the greatest Force that the Enemy can detach come against it. — And I am the more convinced that large Detachments will soon appear — I have no doubt of it myself — indeed have received Information that a considerable Body is now on March from the Southward towards the Carnatic.

I now again, therefore, recommend, and hope that the Honble Board will order me to assemble the Troops in the Field — upon which I shall detach towards Ooree the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry, & the two Battalions of

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upon which he declares it as his unqualified opinion, that it is absolutely necessary to order into the Field immediately all the Troops held in readiness for Field Service — That, having a large Body prepared for active operations, he shall be enabled to make occasional Detachments from them, for the protection of the Country; & that he shall have it in his power to expel Invaders, and to give Confidence & Security to the Inhabitants.

Colonel Kelly withdraws

Colonel Kelly having withdrawn, the Board proceeds to give a most particular attention to the situation of Affairs in the Carnatick, and to the opinions given by Colonel Kelly, who commands in the Center Division; & altho' they are very averse to the adoption of a measure by which great Expences will be incurred, yet being convinced that the safety of the Country is at stake, they are aware that œconomy might be ill timed & fatal to the Interests under their Charge. The Board feel that were they to delay issuing orders, as recommended by Colonel Kelly, they should be involved in very great responsibility for the Consequences which might result, if preparations for defence were any longer delayed. Resolved therefore, that Colonel Kelly be authorised to assemble in the Field the Troops ordered to be in readiness; and that it be left to his Discretion to take such Post as he may think best calculated for the General Good, & to draw from the different Garrisons and Posts in the Center Division such Troops as he may judge necessary.

Resolutions of the Board in consequence of Colonel Kelly's Recommendations.

Agreed

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answer to the one addressed to him.

Substance of a letter to be written to the Nabob.

Agreeably to the Resolution passed at the Meeting of Consultation the 13th. Instant, it is Resolved that a letter be addressed to his Highness the Nabob, containing the proposition, directed from Bengal, of leaving under his Highness's Management a Part of the Country Estimated at one fifth of the amount of the gross Revenues of the Carnatick, provided his Highness will be pleased to make a voluntary Surrender of the remaining four fifths to the management of the Company during the Continuance of the War, & until the present Arrears be discharged.

The following Draft to his Highness being approved, it is ordered to be translated and Dispatched (vide also C.C. No. 136).

To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatick

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May it please Your Highness.

To the Nabob - with a second Proposition, in the Event of his assigning over the management of this Country to the Company

Agreeably to the Intimation contained in my Letter of the 13th, I have now the honor to announce to your Highness, that no reply having been received from you, this Government consider your Silence as a Resolution

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Diary

15th Agreeably to the Resolutions passed in the Consultation of this Morning, the following Letters to Bengal & to Major General Medows are now Dispatched.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis KG.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

My Lord.

To Bengal - Enclosing Minutes of this day's Consultation - advising of the arrival of the Army at Darraporam on the 7th Instant.

We are concerned to acquaint your Lordship, that a Variety of Intelligence concurring in announcing an intended Invasion of the Carnatick by a very formidable Force of Horse & Foot, We have been compelled to issue orders for assembling in the Field the greatest part of the Troops Cantoned in the Cntor Division.

We have put the whole under the Command of Colonel Kelly, an Officer of great Experience, & have entrusted him with the Defence of the Country.

We take the liberty to enclose Extract of our Minutes of this Day's Consultation, by which Your Lordship in Council will be made acquainted with further particulars relative to the above Measure.

We expect that the Detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell will reach Wallajanbad about the 25th Instant.

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15th. your army with a View of cutting off your Supplies.

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

Morgan Williams
{Signed} Fort Council

Fort St. George
15th. July 1790. Ex. P. Byrne

Diary

Substance of a Card from the Omdat ul Omrah

Received a Card from the Omdat ul Omrah (a entered in C.C. No. 137.) Enclosing Copies of Intelligence from Trivatoor respecting the Enemy's Horse.- Promising, on the part of the Nabob, that his Highness will send an answer to the Paper delivered to the Omdat, on the 18th. Instant

Received the undermentioned Letters - as entered in C.C.

Nos. 98. 99. 100.

From the Commander of the Ceres.

From the Commander of the Company's Ship Ceres - Enclosing a Bill on the Company for Building Bulk Heads for the Security of the Gunpowder.

From Mr. Secretary Hay

From Mr. Secretary Hay - Enclosing a Letter for Colonel Hartley.

From Lieut. Colonel Maxwell, Commanding at Wallaujabad.

From the Commandant at Wallaujabad - Receives Reports that the Enemy's Horse are returned to the Hills. - States the necessity of the Bengal Detachment's Encamping on their arrival at Wallaujabad - Recommending that some Hircarrahs be sent to that Station.

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Communicated to the Collectors; and in addition to them, we sent them the most positive & repeated Injunctions, after compleating the quantity intended for the different Garrisons, to lose no time in transporting the remainder to places of safety, and to bury what they could not procure Carriage for; and from time to time to report the progress in the Execution of these our orders.

In order to obtain the best information of the actual State of the Grain remaining in the different Districts, we lately called the Collectors before us; when on questioning them, we were surprized to learn that a very great proportion of the whole produce is yet exposed in the fields, owing, as these Gentlemen represent, to a want of Carriage to transport it to places where it might be protected.

We have directed the Collectors to furnish us, without delay, with the Names & Situations of the different Villages where the Grain lies, that we may be enabled to submit to your Consideration, if it be yet practicable, to secure what remains exposed in the open Country, or to convey it to places of Security; but in the mean time, we have thought it our duty to address you on the subject, & to submit to you the Expediency of a number of the Bullocks of the army, or such others as the Contractors can supply for the purpose, being, at this important Crisis, employed

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and am taking measures to repair the Mud Walls that formerly surrounded the Cusba Villages of Trivalore & Carrantandelum, in order to afford some degree of Safety to the Inhabitants, and I have to request your immediate Sanction for raising Two hundred Peons, in addition to those already allowed me, to be employed in such manner as I may find likely to secure the Grain from plunder, & give Confidence to the Inhabitants.

I have further to request that you will please to procure me an order for a Barrel of Gunpowder from Wallaujanbad, to be distributed among the matchlock Peons I have already raised, and those whom I am now expecting your Sanction to Embody.

Should these measures meet your Concurrence, I take the liberty of requesting Information thereof in the course of this Evening, that no time may be lost in re-assuring the Inhabitants, & prevailing on them to return to their Villages.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient humble Servant

Madras
15th. July 1790.

(Signed) John Clerk
Collector

A true Copy (Signed) Willm. Balfour
Secy.

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likewise, if what has been already charged is to be admitted, & at what rate of Exchange.

With respect to the audit of Mr Cochrane's Accounts, I can see no further Examination of them necessary; provided the Paymaster General & Accountant General will certify that Mr Cochrane has had no advances made to him, but what he has regularly accounted for. But at all Events, if the Honble Board are of opinion that, an audit of all the accounts of the Troops serving to the Southward during the late War is absolutely necessary, I flatter myself they will be pleased to appoint a special Committee for that purpose; for I humbly conceive it cannot be considered a part of my Duty to audit accounts outstanding long before I held this office. Nor can I possibly hope that, it will be in my power to pay proper attention to the Accounts of the former War, without neglecting those of the present, which never could be brought up if they were once to fall in Arrears.

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

Fort St. George.
13th July 1790.

Minutes thereon

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper that the Sums charged as Premium for supplying Money must be passed, as necessity existed at the Time for the taking up Money at the different Garrisons upon any Terms.

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Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir

From the Resident at Tanjore — stating the substance of a Conference Mr Swartz had with the Rajah.

You will be pleased to inform the Honble Board that his Excellency the Rajah having complained of sickness for those days, at length agreed to admit Mr Swartz to his presence on the 7th, who carried him the letter from the acting President dated 29th June — The Rajah was laying down so muffled up with Shawls, that Mr Swartz could not well discover his Countenance.

The Rajah said little, but promised if he got well to send an answer to me the next day, which has not come.

He represented to Mr Swartz, that his Offer of the 28th April had neither been accepted nor refused; & till that was done, he could give no answer relative to the payment of the March and April Kists — Mr Swartz replied, that this was the fourth time he had been told that, the Council first expected the Payment of the march and april Kists. That, however he might settle that matter with the Council, it was absolutely necessary that money should be paid for the present Expences of the Garrison — otherwise the consequences would be dangerous — The Rajah admitted this, and said, though he could not pay so large a sum as 40,000 Pagodas immediately

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Minute thereon

Agreed that, as Ten Pagodas p month is the allowance proportioned for the Civil Paymaster General, on account of Office Rent, the same allowance be continued to Mr. Cockburn.

Substance of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjore.

Read letter from the Rajah of Tanjore (as entered in C.C. No. 138) Enclosing Copies of his late Correspondence with the Resident Mr. Ram, & calling upon the Board to relieve him from the troubles into which his Excellency has been plunged by the adverse Intrigues of Mr. Ram.

Ord. C. Byrne

John Irving
Col. Saunders

17th. that Division, yet as 50 have lately been sent down, & there are 12 remaining in Store at that Garrison, We are of opinion that this number will be fully sufficient to supply the army, unless any unusual Demand should be made for them. It has also occurred to us, that when the Troops return into Garrison, a Compliance with the present Indent would leave too large a number of Tumbrils to the Southward, which, in that case, must afterwards be removed at a very great Expence, or otherwise be left to decay useleſsly at that Garrison; Being unwilling therefore to take upon ourselves a Decision, We are induced to submit the Circumstance to your Consideration.

We herewith Enclose the List of Stores intended for Bengal, in which We have Specified such Articles as are immediately required for the Service on this Coast.

With respect to the Repairs recommended to the Gun Carriages at Masulipatam, We are of opinion that the purchase of Materials for the purpose may be ordered, if the Work should be indispensibly necessary to the Service. It may not however be unworthy of Remark to the Committee at that Factory, that the above Deviation from Established Regulations, which prohibit the purchase of Materials to the amount of the Estimate, might have

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17th

To Morgan Williams Esq

Acting President in Council

Sir

From the Military Board
With Regulations for
Lascars & working Parties—
The Wall of a Magazine
in the Black Town wants
repair— Recommending
that a supply of Provisions
be laid up at Amboor—
Reporting on an application
from the Officers of the
23rd Battalion at Madura
for Liveries &c.

We were duly honored with your Commands under date 7th Instant, in obedience to which We have the pleasure to submit Regulations for working Parties.— and many applications having been lately made by Syrangs, Tindals & Lascars, who have served faithfully upwards of twenty years, agreeably to the usage of the Service, before they have a Claim to be received on the Invalid or Pension List, We beg leave to Enclose Regulations for this Department also.

The Commissary General of Grain & Provisions has referred to our Consideration the furnishing of Bullocks for the Troops in the Center Division— of this We can offer no opinion, until We are acquainted with the destination of those Troops; but as the Establishment of Bullocks for Tanjore & Trichinopoly are sent with the Grand army, we think they should be replaced to answer occasional Services.

We beg leave to inform you that in the Wall of the Magazine No. 2, at the Bound Hedge of the Black Town, there is a considerable Breach; and as the Stores now deposited therein will be Embarked on the first

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Regulations for Working Parties.

Working Parties when employed in Works of mere labour, unattended with danger, are to receive additional Batta, according to their respective Ranks.

Works attended with danger to be distinguished under the following Heads – viz.t

First – From breaking Ground to erecting Batteries for taking off the defences.

For this Work each person is to receive double Batta, independent of that which is allowed him while serving with the army in the Field.

Secondly – From the above Batteries to the erecting of the Breaching & Sap Batteries.

Each Person to receive Treble Batta, according to his respective Rank.

Thirdly – From the Sap Batteries to crossing the Ditch, & taking Possession of the Enemy's Works.

As no precise allowance can be fixed for this Duty, an adequate Reward will occasionally be settled, according to the Report made by the Chief Engineer to the Commanding Officer of the Troops.

Besides these Pecuniary Rewards, each European non Commissioned Officer & private Soldier shall receive one or two Drams extraordinary, as the Officer Commanding the

Trenches

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Lascar Regulations

When a Lascar is desirous of being put upon the Invalid List, he should be sent to Madras, in order to be Examined by the Committee for the Examination of Invalids, who, in case of admission, will direct the name of the Invalid to be Entered in the Register, & give him a Certificate of the same.

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Invalid Syrangs to receive			5	p month
Ditto	Tindals	Ditto	1.31.40	Ditto
Ditto	Lascars	Ditto	1.21	Ditto

And whereas an Idea has prevailed that Invalid Lascars are excused all Duty to the Company, it should be positively ordered, that on any Invalid Lascar refusing to perform any Duty required of him, or neglecting to proceed to whatever Station he may be appointed, he is directly to be struck off the Rolls; Government considering themselves equally entitled to their Services as to the Services of any other Invalids.

Pensioned Syrangs to receive			3.21	p month
Ditto	Tindals	Ditto	1.21	Ditto
Ditto	Lascars	Ditto	1.6	Ditto

1st. No Syrang or Comicoply is to be allowed where there are not more than 50 Lascars; & only one Tindal to every Twenty five Lascars.

2nd. When Lascars are sent out of Garrison on any other Service

5th entertained occasionally are to be charged seperately as such.

7th A Register of the Lascars on the Cast, specifying their names, ages, & length of service, is to be kept by the Clerk of the Committee of Works; and in order to Enable him to keep it up, every Paymaster is monthly to send in an Account of all Lascars who have died, deserted, been discharged, or entertained.

8th No Syrang or Sirdal is to be dismissed, or any new Officers appointed, without the permission of the Committee of Works on the Spot.

9th The Lascars appointed for the Care and preservation of Stores and Magazines, are to be Employed under the direction of the Commissary General, Commissaries, Inspectors, or Conductors of Stores, but to be paid and Returned by the Paymaster; And those for the Works, by the Engineer or person in charge thereof. — It is however to be understood that when their Services can be dispensed with in these Departments, they are to be Employed in repairing Roads, making Fascines & Gabions, or any other Duty the Committee of Works may think proper to assign them.

A True Copy
(Signed) Dan.l Ince
Acting Secretary

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17th "the public Tappal Road being distant from the Route of March, my Communication with Fort St. George is by way of Nellore, by the means of Peons whom Lieutenant Boisdaume has Stationed to Goomrapoondy.

I request you will inform the Honble Board that a person on the part of the Venkatty Ghir: Rajah has attended my march from the borders of the Nellore District to provide Supplies of Grain, of Forage, & of Fire-wood for the daily Consumption of the Detachment. Goomrapoondy Stage is in the Jaghire Lands I believe, & from thence forward; I therefore Entreat Information on this Subject, and the Instructions of the Board for my guidance. More particularly, as I am fearful the Villages from hence to Goomrapoondy are too inconsiderable to place much reliance on, for even the current daily Consumption of the Detachment.

I am, Sir, with Respect,

Your most obedient humble Servt

Camp at Narsett.
14th July 1790.

/ Signed / Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Col. Commanding Rmpt. Cavalry

Copy from the Nabob's Son

From the Omdit ul Omrah — stating that His Highness the Nabob intends on the 21st Instant to answer the two last Letters received from the acting President.

The Nabob Omdit ul Omrah Bahadur presents his Compliments to Governor Morgan Williams

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17th the Sepoys, be taken up at Masulipatam, & conveyed to Bengal by the first Indiaman which may touch at Madras in her way to Bengal.

We have the honor to be,
My Lord,
Your most obedient humble Servants

Morgan Williams
Geo. Council

Fort St. George,
17th July 1790.

/ Signed /

To the Honorable Major General Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief

Honorable Sir

To Major General Medows
— With Papers from Captain Hennaway —
& Copies of the Regulations for Lascars & working Parties; which, if approved by him, will be published at the Presidency.

Captain Hennaway having desired that the accompanying Papers might be forwarded to you, We have the honor to transmit them accordingly.

We also beg leave to Enclose Copies of Regulations for Lascars, & for Working Parties, which have been submitted to us by the Military Board — as far as We can judge, We think they will answer well the objects in view, but We have deferred a confirmation of them until We are favored with your Sentiments.

Should you approve of them, We request you will publish them in general orders to the Army

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17th. as soon as the Bullocks now employed with the Bengal Detachment shall arrive, & can be spared for that service — Mr. Clerk's proposition of raising Peons deemed unnecessary.

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts — The Sum charged by the Southern Paymasters as Premium for supplying Money, to be passed — To collect from the different Offices such Vouchers as are necessary to Enable him to make a regular Audit on Mr. Cochrane's Accounts.

To the Military Paymaster General.

To the Military Paymaster General — directing him to prevent, by previous correspondence with the Southern Paymasters, any future charge of Premium for supplying Money for Disbursements — The past to be discharged.

To the Commandant at Amboor

To Captain Read, Commanding at Amboor — with Extract from the Report of the Military Board, respecting the Storing of Provisions at Amboor.

To the Paymaster at Vellore

To the Paymaster at Vellore — with Copy of the above Letter to Captain Read & it's Enclosure.

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam — Stating what Stores received from Fort Marlbro' are to be sent to the Presidency, & what are to be forwarded to Bengal — Enclosing Extract from the Report of the Military Board, respecting Repairs to the Military Stores at their Factory. —

To —

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19th

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Ceres — with a Return of the Troops to be Embarked on board his Ship for Negapatam.

To the Commander of the Ceres

To Ditto — with orders to sail immediately for Negapatam & to return to this Presidency after landing the Troops and Military Stores.

To Ditto

To M.r Hoijsard — with a Return of the Troops Embarked on Board the Ceres.

To M.r Hoijsard at Negapatam

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts To report upon the accounts of M.r Miller Surgeon at Masulipatam

To Colonel Capper

To M.r Richard Dighton, Collector in the Jaghire — Informing him of the places at which Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment will halt, from the 18th Instant, till its arrival at Poonamallee.

To M.r R. Dighton Collector in the Jaghire

To M.r John Clerk, Collector in the Jaghire — to the same Effect.

To M.r J. Clerk Collector in the Jaghire

20th Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in M. B. N.os 121. 122. 123.

From Lieut.t Colonel Cockerell — From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — advising of his arrival at Akarampauk, & of the places at which he intends to halt in his Route to Poonamallee.

From

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To the Honorable the Senior Member
and Gentlemen in Council at
Madras

Darraporam 12th July 179

Honorable Sir & Gentlemen

From Major General Medows
- Takes possession of
Daraporam - hopes Tippoo
will attack him at Coimbetour.
- Proposes certain Arrange-
ments in the Event of
Tippoo's leaving the Coimbetour
Country -

I had the honor of your's of the 29th of June, the
3rd of this month. I am very glad the Mahratta Treaty is sig

You may be sure the rights of the Company w
ever be preserved where I am concerned; & I have great reas
to believe the orders issued will produce the desired effect.

We found this place the day before yesterday, a
all the others, abandoned by the Enemy, whom we are preparing
march as light as possible to, & attack at Coimbetour - If he
waits, it will come to the decided issue of a Battle - & if he
he disgracefully leaves us masters of the Country; which it
be my business to regulate in the best manner I can - If
it should decidedly be taken possession of in the Company's
Name, & not in the Nabob's, who so ill pays us already wh
is our due; and that the present Renters should be contin
who know the Country best, where they are likely to pay u
as regularly as they have done their present Master.

Having no wish on earth but Success!
I have the honor to be
Sir and Gentlemen,
Your most obedient humble Servant
Signed Wm Medows
Gov & Commander in Chief

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from Subalterns of that Rank, rather than throw the Senior Officers out of Employ; and We have since continued to appoint Lieutenants to the Sepoy Battalions from a Reluctance to stop the promotion of Ensigns, who have been kept so long on the Supernumerary List with reduced Allowances, in Expectation of succeeding in their turn to places on the Effective Establishment, Their Situation on that account meriting particular Consideration.

It has, however, been always our Intention to new model the Establishment of our Sepoy Battalions, whenever all the Ensigns who have been so long in the Country should have attained the Rank of Lieutenant, & from that Time to limit the Establishment of Sepoy Battalions to 6 Lieutenants each, whether Composed of 8 or 10 Companies, and to supply the deficiency of Subaltern Officers from the Rank of Ensign.

As far, therefore, as a Compliance with the application of the Ensigns upon your Establishment is warranted by the same Considerations as have influenced our practice in Beng^{l}, We are willing and desirous to indulge them, & We accordingly authorize you to allow of such a Temporary Encrease to the number of Lieutenants in each of your Sepoy Battalions, as will admit of the promotion to that Rank, of all the Officers whose Commissions as Ensigns are dated prior to the 7th of June 1785, this being the date of the youngest Ensign on this Establishment; but We must, at the same Time, recommend it to you to publish in General orders, that

this

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To the Honorable the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Captain Kennaway — Enclosing Copy of the Treaty with the Nizam

I have the honor to forward for the Information of your Honble Board a Copy of the Treaty of Offensive and defensive Alliance against Tippoo, concluded with his Highness the Nizam, which was Signed, Sealed, & Exchanged the 1st. Instant; Intelligence of which I request may be given to General Medows, & a Copy of it forwarded to him, should a safe opportunity occur.

I have the honor to be,
Honorable Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) John Kennaway

Camp at Paungal
5th July 1790. —

Treaty of Offensive & Defensive alliance between the Honble United English East India Company, the Nabob Ayuf Jah Bahauder, Soubahdar of the Decan, & the Peishwah Sewoy Mhadow Row Narrain Pundit Purdhaun Bahauder, against Futty ali Khawn, known by the denomination of Tippoo Sultaun — Settled by Captain John Kennaway on the part

of

him, and deprive him of the means of disturbing the general tranquility in future.

Article 3rd.

This undertaking being Resolved on, it is agreed that on Captain Kennaway's Annunciation to the Nabob Assul Jah of the actual commencement of Hostilities between the Honble Company's Forces and the said Tippoo, and on Mr. Malet's announcing the same to Pundit Purshaun, the Forces of the said Assuf Jah & Pundit Purshaun, in number not less than 25,000 but as many more and as much greater an Equipment as may be, shall immediately invade the Territories of the said Tippoo and reduce as much of his Dominions as possible before and during the Rains, and after that Season the said Nabob & Pundit Purshaun will seriously and rigorously prosecute the War with a potent Army well appointed and Equipped with the requisite apparatus.

Article 4th.

If the Right Honble the Governor General should require a Body of Cavalry to join the English Forces, the Nabob Assof Jah and Pundit Purshaun shall furnish to the number of 10,000 to march in one month from the time of their

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Territory, Forts, &c. due attention shall be paid to the wishes & convenience of the Parties relative by to their respective frontier.

Article 7th

The under written Polyghars & Zemindars being dependent on the Nabob Asaul Jah & Pundit Purdhaun, it is agreed that on their Territories Forts &c. falling into the hands of any of the allies, they shall be reestablished therein, & the Nuzzerana that shall be fixed on that occasion shall be equally divided amongst the allies - But in future the Nabob Asul Jah & Pundit Purdhaun shall collect from them the usual Peishcush & Kundnee which have been heretofore annually Collected; & should the said Polyghars & Zemindars act unfaithfully towards the Nabob or Pundit Purdhaun, or prove refractory in the discharge of their Peishcush & Kundnee, the said Nabob & Pundit Purdhaun are to be at liberty to treat them as may be judged proper. The Chief of Shahnoor is to be subject to service with both the Nabob & Pundit Purdhaun; and should he fail in the usual Conditions thereof, the Nabob and Pundit Purdhaun will act as they think proper.

List of the Polygars and Zemindars.

Chittuldroog	Keychungoondeh
Ainagoondy	Cunnagheery
Harponelly	Kittoor

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Article 10th

If after the conclusion of Peace with Sippo, he should attack or molest either of the Contracting Parties, the others shall join to punish him — the mode & conditions of Effecting which shall be hereafter settled by the Contracting Powers.

Article 11th

This Treaty consisting of 11 articles being this day settled & concluded by Captain Kennaway with His Highness the Nabob, Captain Kennaway has delivered to the Nabob one Copy of the same in English & Persian, signed and sealed by himself — & the Nabob has delivered to Captain Kennaway another Copy in Persian Executed by himself — And Captain Kennaway has Engaged to procure and deliver to the Nabob in sixty five days a ratified Copy from the Governor General, on the delivery of which the Treaty Executed by Captain Kennaway shall be returned.

Signed, Sealed, and Exchanged at Paungul on the 20th of Shawal 1204 Hegira — or 4th July 1790 A.D.

A True Copy

/ Signed / Wm. Stewart
Assistant

Ordered

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to them relative to Tippoo Sultaun, because it's Contents relate more nearly to us; and We hasten to reply thereto, and to thank you humbly for your Lordship's &c. friendly Intention and offers of Assistance in case We should be attacked by Tippoo.

We have hitherto assisted the King of Travancore as much as was in our Power; and We are ready, on your Lordship's &c. promise to see us indemnified at the Conclusion of a Peace with Tippoo, to furnish to his Highness such further aid as we may be able.

To this End We come to propose the following principal Points

1st The Dutch East India Company & the King of Travancore renew their defensive alliance, & the Company gives to the King, during the present War against Tippoo, one Regiment of 500 men, Europeans & Malays, & one Battalion of Sepoys of 500 men, with the necessary Field artillery.

2nd ly The Company finds their usual Pay, & furnishes Arms and Ammunition.

3rd ly The King pays the Batta, or the Field allowance, on the English footing [or rate] - reckoning the Malays to be entitled to the half of the allowance due to the Europeans.

4th ly The King furnishes the Coolies, Draft & Carriage Bullocks, & every thing necessary to the Transport.

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of 2 Companies of Malays each of 100 Men — The Battalion of Sepoys to consist also of 5 Companies each of 100 Men, yet, to each of the 2 Companies of Malays, & of the 5 Companies of Sepoys, one European Officer is attached as Commandant, & one European non Commissioned Officer as Drill Serjeant; and above this, the Battalion of Sepoys is to be Commanded by an European Captain.

The artillery to consist of Four Field pieces with Two European Officers & 18 European non Commissioned Officers, with 20 Country born artillery men.

Article No. 4, is not only but just, yet even necessary, because We could not find here either Bullocks or Buffalocks.

On Article No. 8, relative to the King of Cochin, We beg leave to observe, that he as well as the King of Travancore is our Ally, and besides this our Vassal to, who possessed before several Districts out, rather beyond, of the Travancore Lines, all which have been taken from him by the Sammoryn. Imagine that Tippoo for his Father Hyder Ally is meant by of which he has since farmed from the Nabob, but which the Sammoryn Tippoo, on account of his close adherence to us, and to the King of Travancore, has taken from him & ruined entirely. We therefore flatter ourselves, from your Lordships Justice & Equity, that you will fully justify us for our Interposition.

By

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that We entertain the highest sense of your Cordial and friendly propositions to assist us and our allies in the War into which We have been forced by the Violence and ambition of Tippoo Sultaun.

It has been with much concern that We have seen ourselves driven to the necessity of having recourse to Arms, both because it was our earnest desire to have lived in peace & tranquility with all our Neighbours, & on account of the Expence with which hostilities must unavoidably be attended, and which will be extremely inconvenient to the affairs of the English East India Company.

We could not however allow any private consideration whatever to prevent our following the dictates of honor & Good faith, which required of us that we should endeavor to save an old ally from the Destruction with which he was threatened; and therefore, when Tippoo attacked the Rajah of Travancore without any just provocation, & in contempt of the Stipulations of the late Treaty of Peace, we did not hesitate a moment in resolving to do our utmost to protect the Rajah's Dominions, and to exact ample Reparation from Tippoo for the Injury that he has done to the Rajah, & for his breach of the Treaty with the Company.

The numerous Army and great Wealth of

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If however our Affairs should take an unfavorable turn, & the Rajah of Travancore be threatened with any new danger, We shall apply to you with confidence for the assistance that you proposed, & we shall at the same time appoint a proper person to negotiate the Terms with you upon which it is to be furnished, and to arrange the Mode in which your Troops can be most advantageously employed for the General Benefit.

We have a pleasure in embracing this opportunity to offer our best thanks for your friendly reception of the Detachment of our Troops under the Command of Lieut. Colonel Hartley; and you may be assured that upon a similar occasion, We shall be happy to make a suitable Return for the good Offices which you rendered them.

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
[signed] Governor General & Council

Fort William
25th. June 1790.

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

Minute thereon

Agreed, that the Commander in Chief be informed of the Resolution of the Government General upon

to your proceeding on the Service entrusted to Mohaubet Jung, for the reduction of the Doáub agreeable to his Highneys's Intention to that Effect, which was communicated to you by Meer Abul Cossim the 9th. ultimo, together with the original & Translate of such points as I requested, in your name, might be settled before your departure, & his Highneys's answers to them.

On my receiving those answers, I objected to the condition which is implied in his Highneys's answer to the 8th. Article, with respect to the regular payment of the Detachment in future; & was answered that, it was inserted for form sake, till the Governor General's Reply to the point referred to him should be received, & that the order which would be given Roy Anoop Ram, the Person appointed to pay the Troops under Mohaubet Jung, would be framed in such a manner as to prevent your suffering any inconvenience from the delay there may be in the receipt of his Lordship's Reply.— This order will be delivered to me to forward to you.— The Sum his Highneys has now agreed to advance is 34,000 Rupees, a few hundred Rupees short of what by the agreement with Lord Cornwallis

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so far as I may be competent to the task, from my knowledge of the Governor General's sentiments or of the nature of the agreement under which your Detachment was sent to the Nizam, in doing which, I mean chiefly to reply to the following Paragraph of your Letter of the 21st. Ultimo, which accompanied the said memorandums.

"I am particularly anxious for the arrival of those Instructions, being at present entirely uninformed with respect to the purport of the Treaty with the Nizam, & consequently uncertain on what footing I am placed, and to what degree I am to co-operate with him."

The agreement by which the Nizam has a right to a Detachment of the Company's Troops has no concern with the Treaty of Offensive alliance recently made with him against Tippoo, but is founded on an Article of the Treaty of 1768, explained and defined by the Governor General to His Highness in his letter of the 7th. July in the following Words — "In proof of the sincerity of my Intentions that "the Treaty should be carried into full Effect, I agree that "in the 6th. Article of the Treaty the words — "whenever the "Situation of affairs will allow of such a Body of Troops to "March into the Decan" — shall be understood to mean that "the Force engaged for by this Article, viz. 2 Battalions of "Sepoys & 6 Pieces of Cannon manned by Europeans, shall "be granted whenever your Highness shall apply for it,

"making

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communicated to you, & having assured you thro' me before Mohaubet Jung, that your advice would be duly attended to, I trust your opinion will have weight accordingly — but as in the particular situation you are in of proceeding on Service without having received your Instructions, it will be of great use and a sure guide to you to know the Governor Generals sentiments, I insert the following Extract of a letter from his Lordship to the Governor in Council at Fort St. George, under date the 31st. March, respecting your Detachment — "The agreement with his Highness & the Mahratta State for an alliance with the Company against Tippoo, not being yet concluded in all its parts, it is 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 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.

To the Queries proposed in the 8th and 9th Articles of your Memorandums, I find it difficult to give any answer: they have with the rest been submitted to the Governor General, whose Decision will in all probability arrive before any cases of the kind supposed shall occur.

I have

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By a Letter received from the Resident at Poona, under date the 23rd Ultimo, I am informed that the Mahratta force under Perseram Bhow had actually entered the Enemy's Country.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

2nd July 1790. (signed) John Kennaway

A true Copy
(signed) N Edmunstone
Asst

Translate of a Writing received by Capt. Kennaway from the Nizam — the 26th June 1790.

An order has been issued directing that, Amer ul umrah Zulficar ud dowlah Mohaubet Jung Bahauder take upon himself the reduction and settling of the disturbances. Captain Kennaway is desired to inform Major Montgomery that he is to proceed with the English Detachment under his Command with the said Mohaubet Jung to be zealous & attentive in performing such services as he may require.

Written the 10th Showal 1204 Hegira
answering to the 21st June 1790.

Signed with Ilhauk
superscribed with the Seal of
Bukhtiar Jung.

A true Translation
(signed) J. Kennaway

A true Copy of the Translation
(signed) N Edmunstone
Asst

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or Sick Men into any of their Forts for Security, & to restore them on Demand.

to whom Injunctions have been given upon that head.

5th That a Trusty Person be appointed by his Highness as the Channel of Communication between the Commander of His Highness's Troops & me.

Ans. Anukan Jung Bahauder has been appointed

6th That a mode be fixed for supplying my Detachment with Provisions & Forage.

Ans. Injunctions have been given to Mohaubet Jung.

7th That a Body of Horse be attached to my Detachment for the purpose of foraging & protecting the Stores, as the Detachment is not sufficiently numerous to serve for that Duty also.

Ans. Injunctions have been given to Mohaubet Jung upon this head.

8th That a month's Pay be advanced agreeable to Abstract; & a certain arrangement be formed for the future payment of the Detachment.

Ans. A month's pay shall be advanced on Account, agreeable to Lord Cornwallis's Letter, & the paper given in by Captain Kennaway, & in future his Highness's Officers will issue the Pay monthly after the Return has been inspected for the number of Men therein expressed, & at the rate specified in the letter & paper abovementioned.

9th

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Head Estimates of Repairs to the public Buildings at Ashes.

Hills without any immediate Effect as to their Object. The Company's Troops on these occasions suffered very little in proportion to the Rance's Peons who accompanied them, & the want of Water & Provisions, and the difficulty of keeping open the communication with the low lands rendered the establishment of a Post upon the Hills impracticable.

Captain Westropp has informed us, that Sanadee's Partizans have been lately repulsed in two seperate attacks which they made upon Moherry and Pretapagherry Villages.

Captain Westropp has added, that Manneevir's Peons frequently act with Sanadee; and that, in consequence of it's being known that they were among those who attacked the Pretapagherry Village abovementioned, Jagganaiken has reprized, by destroying Six of the Vizianagur Villages; but in the course of subsequent Hostilities, two more Pretapagherry Villages were burnt.

Captain Westropp has more recently informed us, that having received Information that Sanadee meditated another attack upon Pretapagherry, a Detachment of the Company's Troops had marched to cover it from his Depredations.

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taken upon ourselves to authorize such temporary Repairs to the Buildings at Aska as are indispensible to guard against the Injuries of Weather. I have the honor to forward you Copies of three Estimates which accompanied our Letter of 23rd October 1788, at which period these Buildings were reported to require effectual Repair, which being deferred by you for future Consideration has not yet obtained an operation.

A similar necessity has induced us to order the Bridge to the North Gate (that at the South Gate lies in ruins) to be repaired; as also the Gate of our Artillery Park, damaged by late hard Weather.

Herewith We have the honor to transmit to you a General Return of the Troops doing duty in this District, together with Returns of Stores, of Light & Heavy Garrison & Field Ordnance in deposite here; with a Copy of the Journal of our Committee of Stores for the month of June.

We have the honor to be with the greatest respect

Honble Sir &c &c

Your most obedient humble Servants

Ganjam
3rd July 1790.

(Signed) " J. Y. Crawford
" R. Gn. Munro
" George Wynch

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of Carriage, equal to the service of the additional Train which joined the Detachment from the Station of Masulipatam, have not obtained the approbation of the Honble Board. — I had in view only one object — "to promote the public service of the War" — I conceived the measure of my convoying Cattle from Ellore for the Carnatic service, very strong indication that Cattle were much wanted, and I had flattered myself I was in the adopting this mode of performing a service of benefit. — It appeared so promising of advantages to the Public, that I submitted the measure to Earl Cornwallis, of the same date as my letter to the Honble Board of Fort St. George. — I hope I shall not be censurable that I delay to forbid the Contractor in providing the supplies until the Board have leisure to reconsider the subject. — And to elucidate this point, I request you will do me the honor to inform the Honble Governor in Council, that the present State of Madras Cattle proceeding to the Southward with me is this "of Draft Cattle in all 611 — of Carriage Bullocks 2082. — This number is inclusive of those Bullocks allotted to the Ordnance, Tumbrils, Camp Equipage, & Musquet Ammunition which joined me from Masulipatam".

If the Honble Board shall still be of opinion that it will be improper to employ the agent of the Bengal Contractor for the supply, I had ordered, being of Draft Cattle 478, & of Carriage 242, I shall instantly countermand the orders.

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If the Honble Board shall still be of opinion that it will be improper to employ the agent of the Bengal Contractor for the supply I had ordered, being of Draft Cattle 478, & of Carriage 242, I shall instantly countermand the orders.

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John Chamier Esqr

Secretary &c.

Akamapet Ka Chitter
13th July 1790.

Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — Encamp at Akamapetka-Chitter — Requesting Information as to the Situation of Poonapaucum.

I am to request you will Report to the Honble Board, that the Bengal Detachment Encamped at Akamapett Ka Chitter this day, having marched about 10 Miles, but the Road rendered very heavy for Guns & Carriages from the hard Rain.

To morrow I purpose to Encamp at Arambauk on this side, & the following Morning the Camp will lie on the South of Coomrapoondy.

As I cannot obtain any certain Information of the situation of Poonapaucum, specified in your route, I request you will favor me with a letter by return of the Tappal, to meet me at Coomrapoondy with such Information as you can afford me.

I am, Sir, with Respect

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Jn.o Cockerell

Lieut.t Colonel Commanding
the Bengal Detachment

Minute thereon

Agreed that an Intelligent Mercarah be sent, to conduct the Detachment by the best route to Pondamallee.

Rest

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of sick & wounded Officers will, from time to time, repair to the Presidency for their Recovery, the Hospital Board think it necessary that a Surgeon should be stationed at Black Town, for the purpose of attending them, as during the late War: and Recommend that Mr. Kincaid Surgeon, lately returned from Europe be nominated to that Duty.

The Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Francis Xavier be appointed a Sub assistant, Joint to the General Hospital Masulipatam, as Mr. Binny is in want of Assistance which cannot otherwise be supplied.

The Hospital Board Recommend that Mr. Thomas Spalding assistant Surgeon, be removed from the General Hospital to the 1st. Regiment of Native Cavalry.

Jas. Anderson
Physician General

[Signed] William Raine
acting Chief Surgeon

William Duffins
Head Surgeon

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From the Commandant at Tiagar

From the Commandant at Tiagar — Stating that the Garrison has not anything in Store except unbeat Paddy, & that the Troops are obliged to procure Supplies from distant Villages. Stating also that the Troops are in great distress for want of Pay.

Minute thereon

Agreed that an Extract of the former part of Captain Kint's letter be sent to the Military Board & of the latter to the Military Paymaster General, who is to be instructed to advance the Paymaster of Tiagar the Sum of 3,000 Pagodas, which, with Money procurable at Cuddalore, will be sufficient to discharge the Arrears due to the Troops at Tiagar.

The acting President reports the death of Captain John Cudmore & Ensign David Cheap.

The acting President reports to the Board the Death of Captain John Cudmore of the Invalids & of Ensign David Cheap of the Pensioned List.

Memorandum from Colonel Kelly approved. To be published in G.O.

The acting President lays before the Board the following Memorandum received from Colonel Kelly Commanding the Center Army, which being approved by the Board, is to be published in General Orders.

Captain Lieutenant Orr to do duty with the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry.

Ensign Hoare Ditto Ditto

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Diary

Surname of the letter to the Nabob

21st Sent Letter to the Nabob / as entered in C.C. No. 1

with Copy of the Treaty with the Nizam & the Peishwa.

Received the following Letters

John Chamier Esq.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From Bengal - Enclosing Copy of the Nabob's letter to the Governor General, respecting the assignment of his Country.

I have orders to transmit to you the Enclos

Copy of the Translation of the Nawaub Wallaunjaw's Lett

which is replied to in that from the Governor General, transm

with this Dispatch.

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient humble

Fort William
2nd July 1790.

[signed] C. Hay
Secy to the Gov.

Translation

Chepauck Hou
30th Chumgaun 1204
or 14th June 1790

My Good Friend!

I request leave to offer my best thanks t
Lordship, for the support, justice, & commiseration wh
you have shewn towards me, & for your Regard to the
subsisting

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To John Chamier Esq
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From M. Secretary Sombelle - Requesting that Musters of the different kinds of Tents in use on the Coast, be sent to Bengal.

The Governor General in Council understanding that Canvas Tents are not calculated for the Carriage provided on the Coast, I am directed to request that the Madras Government will be pleased, in case there is a probability of their requiring Supplies of Camp Equipage from hence, to send round Musters of the different kinds of Tents in use on the Coast, specifying the rates at which they are furnished.

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

Fort William
2nd July 1790.

/ signed / J. Sombelle
Sub Secry

To the Hon'ble Major General Medows
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - stating that no preparations has been made on his arrival at Goonrapoonty, of Provisions, Forage &c.

I have had the honor to report thro' your hands the advance of the Bengal Detachment, on the route you were pleased to prescribe for my Guidance.

This day the Detachment has Encamped on the

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in the route, altho' it is said to lie 6 or 9 miles from the Cortillaire River. I addressed myself to the Secretary on the 13th Instant by Tappal for information on this point, & hoped to receive an answer to day, but none is yet arrived. It is my intention to march to morrow & I shall Encampat Perria pollium — On the following day I propose to pursue the route to the small Village of Poonah pauccum, on the Cortillaire; to pass the River, & Encamp on the most convenient situation to arrive at Poonamallee on the third day, or the 23rd of this Month. I must confess I feel myself acting under some incertitude, but I hope the Intention to conform to your Commands will secure me in your approbation.

I am, Honble Sir, with the greatest Respect
Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp at Goomrapoonday
20th July 1790.

(Signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Colonel commanding
the Bengal Detachment

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary &c. &c. &c.

From Lieut. Colonel Cockerell —
Enclosing a Statement of the daily Consumption of the Detachment — Repeating his application for Supply of Tents for the Native Battalions — Requesting Information respecting the rate of Exchange between the Bengal & Gallandras Specie.

Sir

On my arrival this morning at my Ground of Encampment, I received your Letter of the 20th by a Gaid Hircarrah, of whose local Knowledge of the Roads to Ponamalee

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upon me this Morning, with a Letter from Mr. Clerk, Collector. He had made preparation of Forage &c. at this place, & also provision of Rice & other articles for the Supply of the Detachment: I hope sufficient for this day's Consumption; but tomorrow, I must again take from the Public Stores, & as these are much dimi-nished, any disappointment at Poonamallee of a Supply adequate to three days demand, may place the Detachment in some distress. I beg leave to trans-mit enclosed a Statement of the daily Consumptions of the Camp, that it may be a guide to the Collector in his con-to the Annuldars.

I must repeat my Representation that Sepoy Tents may be allowed to the Native Battalions of the Bengal Detachment; & I request they may if possible be sent to Poonamallee: The full Complement will be for 6 Battalions of 10 Companies each. An Indent shall be prepared & submitted, if the Board is pleased to approve of it. The Belts also are indispensably necessary, & will be per-mitted of I hope.

I request you will inform the Hon'ble Board in Council, that I have received Instructions from Lord Cornwallis in Council to make the Issues of Pay to the Bengal Establishments of Native Troops, Lascars, &c.

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Estimate of daily Expenditure of Provisions in the Detachment of Bengal Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

Rice	Bengal Maunds	350
Dholl	Ditto	50.
Grain for Cattle	Ditto	140.
Ghee	Ditto	7.
Oil	Ditto	5
Salt	Ditto	4.
Total Bengal maunds		556.

A proportion of Spices &c. in common use with the Sta

(Signed) Com.d Wells
Br. Major

From the Hospital Board - Recommending the removal of the Purveyor's Stores from Wallaujanbad & Poonamallee to the Presidency. —— Orders thereon

Hospital Board 19th July 1790.

Previous to the marching of the army from Wallaujanbad the Purveyor's Stores may be sent to Chingleput.

The Troops at Wallaujanbad being ordered to Encamp, the Hospital Board recommend that the Purveyor's Stores in that Cantonment be removed, for safety, to the General Hospital at the Presidency, after supplying the Hospital at Chingleput with such as may be wanted.

As Poonamallee will not be evacuated, the Purveyor's Stores may remain there.

They also Recommend that the Purveyor's Stores at Poonamallee be deposited in the General Hospital, as soon as the 76th Regiment marches from thence.

(Signed) " Ja.s Anderson Physician General
" William Raine acting Chief Surgeon
" William Duffin Asst Surgeon

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21st The frequency of Desertions from the Detachment, tho' chiefly of Recruits, seems to point out strongly the expediency of giving me a power to hold Courts Martial, which I beg leave in the most earnest manner to recommend to the consideration of the Board, as the only remedy for an Evil which, in its consequences, may so materially affect the Service.

I shall be particular in communicating from time to time, such Information as may occur in this Quarter.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) H. Montgomery

Camp near Chunder Ghurr.
4th July 1790.

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary &c &c

Sir

From Lt. James Taylor- Requesting certain papers.

In consequence of the Board's permission that I should be furnished with such papers as I may have occasion for, I request you will send me a Copy from your Minute Book of the four Minutes of Consultation the 13th April, as taken by you verbatim in Council.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient Servant

(signed) James Taylor

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21st of only 11 Articles, which are the same as those contained in the Treaty transmitted by Mr. Mallet, which has 11 Articles.

We have received from Bengal Copies of Letters which have passed between the Bengal Government & the Governor & Council at Cochin, containing an offer on the part of the latter, to assist the Rajah of Travancore with Five hundred Europeans & Malays, and one Battalion of Sepoys of 500 Men, with the necessary Field Artillery upon certain terms, which for the present has been politely declined by the Bengal Government.

We take this opportunity of Enclosing an Extract of a Letter from the Military Board, on the subject of the Southern Indent for Military Stores. — We have for the present, acquiesced in the opinion of the Military Board, but shall send more Tumbrils to the Southward, if you think them necessary.

We have the pleasure to inform you that the Bengal Detachment will reach Poonamallee on the 23d Instant. Colonel Kelly has set off to take the Command of the Army assembling at Wallaujabad.

We have the honor to be with the greatest Esteem

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

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20th July 1790.

(Signed) Morgan Williams
Jno. Holland
Jno. Call
Jno. Stratton
Jno. Cherry
Jno. Hudleston
Jno. Dalrymple
Jno. Brown
Jno. Hollond
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From Mr. Michell at Negapatam.

From Mr. Michell at Negapatam — advising of the arrival of the Snow Union with Military Stores — Stating the immediate want of Muskets at the Settlements of Nagore and Negapatam.

Dispatched the undermentioned letters as entered in M.B. Nos 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140.

To Ganjam

To Ganjam — approving the measures recommended by Mr. Crawford for the restoration of Peace in the District — Temporary Repairs to the public Buildings at Aska to be Executed.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board — The Gun applied for by the Officer Commanding at Bimacole deemed unnecessary — Approving their Recommendations respecting Tumbrils for the Southern Division — the disposition of the Stores landed at Masulipatam — their Regulations for Lascars & working Parties — The Establishment of Bullocks to the Southward to be replaced approving the other proceedings contained in their Letters of the 15th & 16th Instant — To Report upon Extracts of Letters from the Commanding Officer at Chagar, & from Ganjam.

To the Military Paymaster General, & Comptroller General of Army accounts.

To the Military Paymaster General, & the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army accounts — Informing them of the allowance granted to Mr. William Gordon as Surgeon to the Town Goals — his Pension of 50 Pagodas p month to be struck off.

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22nd from the Quarter Master of the 11th Hanoverian Regiment stating the Repairs wanted to the Barracks of that Regiment in the Black Town.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as Entered in M.B. Nos 143. 144. 145.

To W. G. Hoysard at Negapatam — To W. G. Hoysard at Negapatam — with Invoice of Stores Shipped on board the Ceres.

To the Military Paymaster General — To the Military Paymaster General — with Extract of a Letter from the Commandant at Tiagar — directing him to authorize the Paymaster of that Garrison to draw upon him for the Sum of Pt. 3000. for the discharge of the Arrears due to the Troops at Tiagar.

To the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops — To the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops — with Extract of a Letter from Captain Shawe to Colonel Kelly — directing him to advance the necessary Sums to the Officers commanding the different Detachments of Recruits now in the Garrison of Poonamallee.

Received Letter from W. Hawkins as entered in M.B. No 146 requesting to be appointed Commissary to the Centre Army.

At a Consultation

Present

Morgan Williams Esq

Acting President

Friday 23rd July 1790.

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs

The Honorable Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.

Read

that he had learnt some time ago from General Medows, that previous to his departure to take the Command of the Southern army, he had communicated his Sentiments to the Members of your Board, who were then at Madras, on the best mode of managing the Nabob's Country in the Event of it's being put under the Charge of Your Government and had left a List of the Company's Servants who appear to him most proper to be entrusted with the Executive parts of that important duty; and We are persuaded that, in his temporary absence from the Presidency, you will have paid the attention which is due to the opinions and wishes of the General, as being the person principally responsible for the measures of the Government of Fort St. George.

It being, however, of great consequence, in the present critical situation of public Affairs, that We should be acquainted without loss of time, with any differences of opinion that may arise amongst the Members of your Board, and with the Grounds upon which such differences may be founded, We think it our duty to require that, during the absence of your President, it shall be observed by you as a general Rule, whenever your opinions shall differ on any point of business at the Board, that instead of waiting for the usual mode of conveying information

to

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dated 7th ultimo, addressed to the Government of Fort St. George.

It has always been my most anxious wish that nothing should occur to disturb your Highness's Tranquility & Peace of mind during the remainder of your life; and with that view, I have been careful that the Terms of the Treaty concluded between your Highness & the Honble Company should be Executed on our part with the strictest punctuality and Honor, as well as that the Government of Fort St. George should, on all occasions shew your Highness the personal attention and respect due to an old friend & ally of the Company.

Your Highness's good sense, & your own natural sentiments of Honor will however clearly point out to you that, it is necessary among Friends, and for the prosperity and safety of the Dominions of the States, that equal Regard should be paid on your Highness's part to a strict performance of the stipulations of the Treaty.

It has therefore given me the deepest concern to observe, that by the negligence of your Highness's Managers, the payments of your proportion of the Expence for the general defence of the Carnatic, have fallen into so enormous an Arrear, as to threaten the utmost danger to our common Interests.

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manner that you will be pleased to honor the propos
that will be made to you with your ready and chear
acquiescence.

Your Highness may be assured that th
calculated to secure your own honor and personal a
-tages, and to promote the prosperity of your Country
and the accounts of your having assented to them, will
give me very great happiness.

A true Copy
(signed) G. S. Cherry
Sec.

Read the following Letter from His High
the Nabob, (entered also in C.C. N° 141)

From the Nabob Wallaujah to Morgan Williams Esq.

Dated 8 Zekayadah 1204 or 21st July 1790.
Received 22nd July 1790.

From the Nabob —
Requiring an Investigation
of the Accounts between
him & the Company —
Offering to pay by
monthly Instalments
Cash equal to the 4/5ths
of the Revenues of his
Country, as Estimated
by the Government of
Sir A Campbell — Will
not surrender the Manage-
ment of his Country

It is with great regret I am constrained
say, in answer to that part of the Instructions you have
been pleased to communicate to me from the Governor
General, that I cannot, consistently with the reasons
have already assigned in different Letters, acquiesce in
the Requisition now made of a voluntary surrender of
Management of my Countries to the Servants of the Company

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must Entail on me & my Family great Indignity and Dishonor — at the same time Prince to the powers in India as well as in Europe in the clearest light, what Confidence ought to be placed in British Faith; for the dispossessing me of my Countries, without my Inclination, or without any cause that could induce so violent an act, cannot but be construed by them into a Violation of the Treaty between me & the Company. — In full confidence, how in the Justice of the Bengal Government, I am inclined to believe they have acted in this transaction from the purest of motives, & would not cause an act of injustice to be exercised on my Rights, without being convinced of the necessity of invading them from the misrepresentations of this Presidency, owing to an unfair Statement of accounts, by not allowing of Claims I am entitled to from the Treaty & from Justice — According to the Treaty I have a right to the deduction from my Balance, the amount of the loss I had sustained in my Revenues from an essential failure in the Crops, since the Commencement of the Treaty, as will fully appear in the 17.th article. If this Claim or pecuniary Deduction for loss of Revenue occasioned by the want of Rain, had been in any shape doubtful, the Governor in Council was empowered by that article to appoint proper persons to inspect & Examine the

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that the truth may appear, thereby every dispute on that head be entirely done away.

I am equally ready with the English Government to make great sacrifices on Common occasions, & I have done so in many instances which can be easily proved; but I consider the requisition now made of me as repugnant to my honor & dignity, as well as those of my Family, which are all guarantied by Treaty.

In the Event of War, a full and ample provision is made in the Treaty with Sir A Campbell; & this Treaty I am firmly Resolved to abide by. To come into measures with Government for the faithful performance of it on my part. If you will assure me, that no propositions will be made that shall cause any Change in my Government, I will stretch my Credit to the highest pitch in order to give you satisfaction. And I now agree, to send in this critical time for the Expences of the War, one Lac of Pagodas; and after that in the course of twenty days, I further promise to send another Lac of Pagodas — I further Engage to pay the amount of the four fifths of my Revenues according to Treaty, in twelve Lists, or monthly payments, & to post such Security for the faithful performance of these Engagements, as you cannot in reason object to.

To obviate all difficulties relative to the

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had received from the Bengal Government, as communicated in a paper you had put into the hands of my son, I received a Letter from you dated 2nd of Zeckada, or 15th July 1790, containing further Instructions from that Government relative to the surrender of my Country to the management of the Company's Servants, in substance signifying that I should readily acquiesce in a measure so repugnant to my Feelings, my honor & Dignity, & so contrary to the Royal Word pledged to me in good faith by his Majesty the King of Great Britain, that all Engagements entered into between me & the Company should be strictly performed, I should retain in my possession and Management such Districts as would amount to one fifth of my Revenues for the support of myself & Family.

Conscious that I never merited such treatment from the Servants of my old Friend & Ally the King of Great Britain & the Honble East India Company, my astonishment could be only equalled by the concern I must have naturally felt on perusing such a proposition, founded on an Idea that I had violated the Treaty I had entered into with Sir Eyre Campbell, in respect to my Want of punctuality in the payment of the Sum I had agreed to contribute.

Ever I have made my payments agreeable to Engagements, & trust it can be proved to the satisfaction of Government upon a due Investigation of Accounts between

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to give every kind of satisfaction that possibly can be given by the Government, regarding Money; but he cannot consent of surrendering his Countries — Also, He entirely depends upon the Faith, Friendship, & protection of the Company & saving his Honor & Dignity unviolated, so that his greyhairs might not be carried to the Grave covered with shame and indignity.

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Read the following Letter & Enclosure from the Accountant General.

John Chamier Esqr
Secretary
Sir

From the Accountant General — Enclosing the Nabobs Account Current to this day.

Agreeable to your Requisition that I should immediately prepare a State of his Highness the Nabobs Account with the Honble Company in conformity to the Existing Treaty made up to this date, I have now the honor to send it you for the consideration of Government; I have only to remark that when the Account Charges for Revenue troops & Collections can be made to this time, the debit side of the Account will be encreased by four or five thousand Pagodas, & when the amount of Grain delivered at the several out Garrisons, the accounts of which are not yet settled, His Highness will have credit for the amount.

You will be pleased also to mention to the Board that the Balance of Pags. 7,52,843, due by his Highness, as per Account Current dated in the year 1785, & mentioned in the last Letter from the Court of Directors, is not included in the accompanying Account Current.

I have the honor to be
Yr. Hble. Servt. & Obt. Servt. signed Geo. Montgomery
Accountant Genl.

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Order from Bengal to be strictly attended to.

Resolved, that the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council be duly attended to.

Management of the Revenues of the Carnatic to be assumed by the Board.

The Board having taken into mature consideration the Letter from his Highness the Nabob just read, & feeling the necessity of an immediate Decision, it is unanimously Resolved, that the orders of the Supreme Government be carried into Execution, which direct, that in the Event of the Board's being unable to prevail upon his Highness to make a voluntary assignment of the management of his Country & Revenues, the same be assumed by this Government, for the General Good, & advantage of his Highness & the Honorable Company.

In consequence of the above Resolution, the following Draft of a Letter to his Highness the Nabob is submitted to the Board, & being approved, is ordered to be Translated, and immediately Dispatched (Vide C.C. No. 142)

To the Nabob.

To the Nabob. Requesting his Highness to send his orders to his Aumils, to pay to Mr. John Turing, or his order, all the future Revenues of the Carnatic.

May it please your Highness!

Before I enter upon the principal subject of this Letter, permit me to express to your Highness my sincere Regret, that the Company's Representatives in India should be obliged to have Recourse to measures which must be painful to the feelings of your Highness.

It was hoped that the arguments Exhibited to your Highness would have carried conviction with them, & that your Highness reflecting upon the great responsibility of

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Your Highness cannot more sincerely lament than the Company's Representatives do, that a necessity has arisen for adopting the measure I have had the honor to announce to you, but I entertain sanguine hopes that your Highness will become in some degree reconciled to it, when you reflect, that, consistent with an honorable discharge of public Duty, the Superior Government have found it unavoidable, & when your Highness perceives that, while your Subjects are treated with Justice and Humanity, a liberal Fund will be secured for the support of your own Dignity, & the maintenance of your Highness's Family — at the same time that the remainder of the Revenues of your Highness's Country will be honorably applied to the Defence & Protection of your Dominions.

I beg leave to assure your Highness, that the most free and uninterrupted access will be given to the Officers whom you may please to appoint for the purpose of observing the general Conduct of the Company's Servants who may be employed in the Collections, & that full Liberty will be given to Examine & Inspect all Accounts whatever of Receipts & Disbursements that relate to them, during the time that your Highness's Country may remain under the Management of the Company's Government.

Altho' there does not remain a doubt of a very large Balance due from your Highness to the

Company

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Highness will be pleased for the present to excuse
replying particularly to it.

Government have thought proper to
Board of Revenue at this Presidency to form them
into a Board of Assigned Revenue, for the purpose
-intending and managing your Highness's C
They have in consequence desired me to requ
will be pleased to send to me your orders to the
of the Circar, directing them to pay on your High
to John Turing Esqr. President of the Board of A
Revenue, or to his order, all the Revenue which
be paid to the Circar's Treasury, stopping also
Tuncaws & Towgus, facing agreeably to Mr.
Directions in all matters of Revenue - conform
in
what was practised 1781 when your Highness
the management of your Country to Lord Macartn

I request your Highness will be ple
send me the above orders with as little delay as p
as the Board of Assigned Revenue are waiting fo
enable them to carry into Execution the objects
Appointment.

I have the honor to be
May it please your Highness!
Your Highness's most obedient & most hu

signed J. Morgan Willi

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Nellore & Dependencies — Mr. Dighton
Ongole & the Palnaids — Mr. Erskine

Colonel Martins to be continued in the Command of the Marava Country, as practised during the former Assignment.

Signed Wm. Medows

The above Recommendations to be put into Execution

Agreed that the Measures recommended by General Medows be adopted by the Board, & that the Company's Servants nominated by him be appointed to the Stations set forth in the above Paper.

The Gentlemen appointed Collectors to take the Revenue Oath.

Ordered, that the Gentlemen appointed Collectors be called to the Presidency, & that the Revenue Oath be administered to each.

Mr. Harington appointed Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

In consequence of the promotion of Mr. Walter Balfour to a Seat at the Board of Revenue, it is agreed that Mr. William Harington the deputy Secretary, be appointed Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Messrs. Walter Balfour & John Clerk to take Charge of the Collections in the Jaghire.

Agreed also, at the recommendation of General Medows, that Mr. Walter Balfour in conjunction with Mr. John Clerk do have Charge of the Collections in the Jaghire and that the Board of Revenue be directed to suggest an Arrangement for the particular Distribution & allotment of the Districts in the Jaghire to be managed by Messrs. Balfour & Clerke.

Instructions to be sent to the Board of Assigned Revenue.

Resolved, that the Board of Assigned Revenue be informed, that the Tabob has been applied to for the

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disposal of the Force at Wallanjaubad I think must depend upon Circumstances – At present it is a Security to the Carnatic, without any immediate necessity for Offensive Operations.

I shall order the Buggage Master Captains Pay & Batta, according to your desire.

In yours of the 11th, you Enclose me a Letter from Bengal, & desire that I would write a Letter to Sippoo conformable to the Instructions, which I take to be unnecessary, as upon his sending me a Duplicate of the Letter you referred to Bengal, by a Hircarrah I returned him the following Answer which I have the honor to enclose and think now our Sword is our Pen: May it never be sheathed but with Honor & Success! I have also received a Copy of Captain Kennaway's Letter to Colonel Cockerell & have the honor to be,

Sir and Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Wm. Medows

Gov.r & Commander in Chief

Answer to Sippoo's Letter.

I received yours, & I understand its Contents You are a great Prince, & but for your Cruelty to your Pe I should add an Enlightened one. The English, equally incapable of offering an Insult as of submitting to

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stanced as I was, as to numbers, orders, & requisitions which I am bound by orders to comply with, I did the best that could be done — this I am certain of, that I faithfully meant to do so; & this Trust after so many yrs of approved Service I shall have Credit for; & I hope that circumstanced as I was, I did not even err in Judgment or do that which I had to do in a less Compleat way, than any Officer in a similar Situation could have done it.

I think what I have advanced will appear clear to you from the letter I had the honor to forward to you under date the 26th. Ultimo, & the Papers Enclosed; but in obedience to your Commands, I shall Endeavor to give you what further Information I can.

The first intimation I had from the Adjutant General of the Detachment to be Commanded by Major Montgomery, was in a letter from the Adjutant General dated 9th. April, of which I enclose a Copy — No. 1.

I had also notice of this Detachment from the Chief & Council, who Enclosed to me a Copy of a letter from M. Secretary Chamier to them, which intimated that the final detail of the Detachment was to be settled by the Commander in Chief.

On the day I received the Letter from the

Adjutant

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investigation of the state of the 17th Native Battalion
to which I was limitted for my Draughts to compl
the other two Battalions to 800 Rank & File, I found
inadequate to do it, without depriving myself of
possibility of affording that support to the Govern
in the District, & that Protection to the threatened Reve
which I had been previously called upon to give by re
-sition from the Chief & Council, all which I trust
have clearly evinced in my Dispatch of the 16th Inst
Had my orders empowered me to Draft from the 16
Native Battalion also, the only other Battalion there
the District, & which composed the chief part of the
Garrison of Masulipatam, it would have been a da
-rous measure there were but seven companies of Se
Sepoys, & the Chief & Council had declared before on
wishing to withdraw some companies of Cavalry fro
from thence, that Troops could not with safety be spa
from thence, as the Zemindars, with their usual train
armed Followers, were mostly then assembled there
fact, I had no latitude to draught from the 16th Ba
The seven companies of the 17th Native Battalion, which
only yet had been collected from four of the different
into which it had been long divided, was all that
me to Equip the Detachment for Hydrabad, & to pro

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regard to new levies was perfectly known to the Comm.
in Chief, in fact it was the state of the whole Establish.
the old Establishment of Eight Companies having been
hastily as possible completed, on account of the appr.
ing War, & every Corps augmented by two additional
Companies, but I had no order to withdraw their rec.
ives & complete them with Effectives – but only to com.
them, which unless otherwise specified, I conceive
to complete them as they stood; I had no orders to com.
them with Effective Men, indeed the whole District co.
not have done it, & I had every reason to believe that
the Sick were all recovering men, & that the Recru.
in the training of which not a moment had been lost, a
any
pains spared, as I knew from my own attention to
them every day, would very soon with just propr.
ludeemed Effective Soldiers. In regard to their Cloath.
& State as to Effectives, I hope it will appear that I ha.
done all that I could do; the Cloathing was by no
means in my power, & the duties of the District, for w.
I was already called upon & responsible, nay the
number of old Sepoys then in the 1st. Battalion, &
to a certainty say in the whole District, would not ha.
admitted of my compleating these Battalions with
Effective Sepoys.

In every thing that was in my pow.

whom I subsequently heard thro' the Adjutant General, but never received the smallest hint of any disapprobation of my Conduct. I conceive therefore, that he is pleased to think I made the best use of the means in my power.

I have had the honor to inform you, that in consequence of an application from Captain Kennaway enabled by the augmented & improved State of the two Battalions in the District, from which I was now at liberty to draught, I have sent to Paugtour 165 old Sepoys, which will complete the Battalions to 800 Rank & File. A circumstance has since happened, I think a very few days after these Draughts marched & of which no doubt the Chief & Council have apprised you, which will evince the absolute necessity of keeping a certain moveable force always ready in the District. 400 Velmah Peons collected, & in the most audacious & rebellious manner carried off the Manager of the Nor[th] Country from the Village of Wyoor, ten Cos from Nellore where he had assembled the Renters, & was collecting the Revenue; it became necessary for me immediately to detach from Ellore an Officer with a respectable Force of Rank & File of the 17th Battalion, to reinforce the Officer who is at Nodjeed with a Company of Sepoys, & to enable him to secure that Fort, & prevent the Escape of the deposed Zemindar's Family, who were supposed to be the Instigators of these Peons; & I have every reason to hope that the Peace of the District is perfectly re-estab-

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from Masulipatam.

With regard to Arms, Accoutrements, & Stores of all kinds in my power to grant, I trust Major Montgomery, & the Officers Commanding Corps, will do me the justice to say, that their Indents were fully complied with, & that the Detachment was completely Equipped. As I had an opportunity of seeing Major Montgomery, the several officers of the Detachment, constantly from the time they were in orders to their Marching, it will I hope be naturally supposed that I gave them every Instruction, Advice, & Information in my power, & was particularly solicitous that the Recruits should be brought forward with diligence. The only Instruction I gave to Major Montgomery in writing, I sent a Copy of to the Commander in Chief, & I have now the honor to Enclose another Copy to you, under No. 7. The accident of the Tumbrils, which from the manner in which it is mentioned in Major Montgomery's Letter could not be unknown to his Highness, must tend to create some unfavorable prejudices in his mind in regard to the Detachment, previous to their being seen by him. I can only say they were new Tumbrils, of the newest Construction.

After this plain declaration of facts, I flatter myself, Honble Sir, that it will appear to you and the Government, & thro' your representation to the Right Honble the Governor General, by whom you have been

called

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Pieces manned by Europeans, are to be held in readiness from the Troops & Ordnance stationed at Ellore, to march on the Requisition of his Highness the Nizam, & that this Detachment is to be Commanded by Major Hugh Montgomery.

I am further directed to inform you, that the route by which His Highness the Nizam requests the Detachment may be directed to join him, is as follows & that further orders will be signified.

From Ellore
To Bezzwarra — 20 Cos
Nungaung — 14 ditto
Suria point — 20 ditto
Nalgonda — 16 ditto
Dairur Gonda — 16 ditto
Lautaupaint — 15 ditto
Pagtour — 12 ditto.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjt. General of the Army.

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9th April 1790 —

A true Copy
(signed) Wm. Wilson
Secry

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite to the Adjutant General — under date 21st March 1790.

I request you to report to the Commander in Chief, that the three Battalions ordered to be assembled at this place, are all here now, but one Company of the

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are so much in want of it

A true Extract

(signed) Wm Wilson Secry

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Northern Division of the army.

Sir

I have the honor to signify to you from
Commander in Chief, that in case a requisition sh
be made to you from Hydrabad for the Detach
ordered to be held in readiness under the Comman
Major Montgomery, you are immediately to a
with it.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Henry Malcolm

Majr. Genl. of the army

Madras.

19th April 1790.

A true Copy

(signed) Wm Wilson

Secry

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.

Sir

I have the orders of the Comman
Chief to signify to you, that the Detachment un
Major Montgomery, directed to be held in rea
from the Troops and Ordnance at Ellore to
Nizam, is to march as expeditiously as
you

early opportunity of replying to the parts of it that are not answered in this Letter.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c. &c.
(signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjt. Genl. for the Army

Fort St George
20th April 1790.

A true Copy
(signed) Wm Wilson
Secry

Cantonment Orders — Ellore 25th April 1790.

The following Corps and Ordnance to be held ready to march out of the Cantonments for this Place on the 27th Instant, under the Command of Major Montgomery.

Captain Tull with one Subaltern & one Conductor — and a detail from his Company, consisting of Fifty two Men, Non Commissioned Officers, Drummers &c. inclusive; & three Companies of Lascars, with 6 Six Pounders & three Tumbrils, completed with Ammunition, to carry Guns; & an Artificer's Cart for the whole.

The 28th and 29th Battalions of Native Infantry, which, by the Commander in Chief's order, are to be completed to 800 Rank & File from the 27th Battalion.

The Ammunition of the Battalions to be completed to the Field Establishment; & Major Montgomery to indent for what Ammunition & Stores he may think requisite

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will then be pleased as soon as possible to send in to Colonel Brathwaite a Return of the Detachment, Stores, Camp Equipage, &c.—& will hold himself prepared to march on a very sudden order, with which will be sent him the Route he is to pursue.

Such Officers, Non Commissioned Officers or Privates of the Corps taking the Field, as have passed the Invaliding Committee, are to be left behind and Correct Lists of them to be left with the Brigade Major as also of such Sick as may be left behind. To supply the deficiency of Privates of the Native Infantry who have passed the Committee, Draughts will be form'd from the 1st. Battalion, if required.

The mode of Draughting will be communicated to the Officers Commanding Corps, on their application for the number of Men wanting to Complete.

Rolls of the Families that are to receive Allowances, to be made out & left with the Paymaster agreeable to General Orders.

A true Copy

(Signed) Joseph Little

Brigade Major 1st. Brigade.

Copy

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fruitless, & that I was steady in my determination to pursue my march, the last Expedient has been recurred to, the mask thrown off, and a positive one produced to halt here.

It was not my Intention to have expressed my Sentiments (& I may add those of every Officer of the Detachment) with respect to the Conduct of this Court & the treatment which in consequence of that Conduct the Troops have every where Experienced, until I had the pleasure of paying my respects to you in person; but I cannot pass over in Silence the glaring difference between the Articles demanded by this order for the Detachment, & those really supplied for it. Instead of being furnished only with one fourth, & in some Cases even one tenth of those, not a murmur would have been heard. It is however apparent that in making those Exorbitant demands consisted the only obstacle he could throw in our way, as by them he induced the Inhabitants of the Villages to desert their Houses & consequently deprived us of any assistance from them unless We had has recourse to Force, of which, & of any irregularity in the conduct of the Detachment to the People of the Country, not a single Instance can be alledged. We have demanded nothing, but what

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I am sorry to be obliged to inform
in reply to that part of your Letter in which yo
tion, that the Nizam has informed you the B
under my Command are incomplete, that such
really the case, they being both young Corps,
not having been completed previous to leaving
to the number ordered by Government, which wa
Rank & File p. Battalion. They are also in ab
with respect to Cloathing, one Battalion in partic
which has received none for some time, & make
motley appearance.

As I expect that Cloathing will be sp
forwarded for them from Masulipatam, that wo
additional motives with me to push forward to
that I might get them in some kind of order ag
the Nizam's arrival there. The present Muste
will give you a better Idea of our Strength;
it to your own Discretion what use to make of it.

Since writing the above, I have receive
Letter of the 27th., and shall proceed as directed.

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

(Signed) Wm. Montgom
Major Commandg

Camp at Culvacole.
28th. May 1790.

A true Copy.
(Signed) Alex. Orr
Acting Brigade Major to the
Detachment.

A true Copy (Signed) Wm. Wilson
Secy

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among the Europeans under your Command of all denomi-
-nations. Yenforced with severity by Examples public to your
Detachment, but in such cases as may render it necessary
to be made public as much concealed as can be from them
with whom you are to act. It was the immoral Conduct
& want of discipline, by all accounts, which formerly plac'd
the French in such disagreeable Circumstances at Nag-
-pad; but I have the fullest Confidence, that the Detachment
now going under your Command, will by their Conduct
establish the Credit of the British Nation, & contribute
greatly to your honor.

You will be pleased, Sir, to march on the
29th. in the morning, keeping to the Route here presented
& use as much Expedition as you can throughout the whole.
After you have left the limits of my Division, which I do
not conceive to Extend beyond the Honble Company's Ter-
-ritory, though you may be still North of the Kistnah, address
yourself to the Commander in Chief. Wishing you a
good March & success, I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c. &c.

Ellore, 25th April 1790.— (Signed) John Brathwaite

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Wilson
Secy.

To

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Sr. &c. &c.

/ Signed / John Brathwaite

Ellore, 25th. April 1790.—

A true Copy

/ Signed / Wm. Wilson
Secy.

To

2321. Fort St. George 23rd July 1790.

Montgomery to the Commander in Chief on that subject.

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

Ellore – 29th April 1790. / signed / John Brathwaite

A true Copy
/ signed / Wm Wilson
Secy

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite to
Captain Kennaway – dated 29th April 1790.

I have used the most strenuous Endeavors to get the Cloathing for these Corps sent from Madras, & have been assured, that it shall arrive so as to overtake them; & I hope it may, as they are much in want of it, notonly as the Cloathing of the 72d Battalion, from it's having been long on Service among the Hills, is quite worn out, but as the two new Companies to each Battalion have not any. Should it not arrive, you may, &c. find it necessary to say something to his Highness on the Subject, such as, that the notice of what Battalions were to go was very short, & that it has been usual for the Battalions in those Circars, annually to receive their Cloathing by Sea in the Month of June.

A true Extract
/ Signed / Wm Wilson
Secy

Agreed

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shall be glad to be honored with your Sentiments of the
Rule I am to be guided by in the amount of my Advances
to Major Montgomery, particularly in respect to con-
tingent Expences.

I have the honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

Paungul 8th. July 1790. (signed) John Kennaway

John Kennaway Esq

Resident at the Nizam's Court

Sir,

5/ I was favored with yours of the 20th. Instant
Kin reply to that part of it, wherein you request to be
"furnished as soon as possible with an account of the
"Pay & Batta, in seperate Columns, of each Rank & Class
"mentioned in the Abstracts forwarded to you on the 2d
"ult. that the particulers of the last Article of it, being 2700
"Pagodas, may be clearly & distinctly specified," I have
now to Enclose you the desired Account — It may be
necessary to observe that the Bullocks for the Service
of the Detachment & the probable Contingencies among
them are included in that Article.

I have also called on the Paymaster &

Commandant

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	Brought forward		500.21.52.
2 Lieutenants Pay for a month a 21.9.62 each		42.19.44.	
Ditto Batta — ditto		66.5.18.	
Ditto Gratuity — ditto		15.25.	124.4.12.
1 Conductor's Pay for a month		15.20.	
Ditto — Batta Ditto		24.33.48	40.12.48.
1 Sub Conductor		4.	4.
1 Serjeant-Major's Pay	12.31.40		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 ℔ day	2.20.50		15.10.10.
2 Serjeant's Pay a 7.31.40 each	15.21.		
ditto Batta — 3.30 ℔ day	4.41.20.		20.20.20.
4 Corporals Pay a 6.19.20	25.35.		
Ditto Batta a — 3.30 ℔ day	9.40.40		35.33.40.
6 Gunners Pay a 6.7 — each	31.		
Ditto Batta a — 3.30 ℔ day	14.39.60.		45.39.60
36 Matrosses Pay a 3.36.60 each	139.21.		
Ditto — Batta a — 3.30 ℔ day	29.22.40.		229.7.40.
1 Drummer 1 Fifer — } Pay a 3.36.60 each	7.31.40		
Ditto — Batta a 3.30 ℔ day	4.41.20		12.30.60
			359.15.70.
Infantry			
1 Quarter Master Serjeants Pay	10.19.20		
Ditto — Batta a 3.30 ℔ day	2.20.50		12.39.70.
3 Privates Pay — a 3.9.50 each	9.28.70.		
Ditto — Batta — a 3.30 ℔ day	7.19.70		17.6.60.
			30.1.50.
			1058.4.72
Artillery Lascars.			
3 Syrangs Pay a 7.10 — each	21.30.		
Ditto Batta a 3 — ℔ day	6.27.		28.15.
6 first Lindals Pay a 2.31.75	16.23.50.		
Ditto Batta a — 2 — ℔ day	8.36.		25.17.50.
6 Lascar Lindals Pay a 2.10.5	11.18.30.		
Ditto Batta a — 2 — ℔ day	8.36.		22.12.30.
Carried forward		76.10.	1058.4.72

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		Brought forward	2153.31
28th Battalion Brought forward		604.14.26.	
1 Serjeant Major's Pay	10.19.20.		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50.	12.30.70.	
1 Quarter Master Serjeant's Pay	9.19.20.		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50.	11.30.70.	
1 Drill Serjeant's Pay	9.19.20		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50	11.30.70.	
1 Serjeant's Pay	7.19.20		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50.	9.30.70.	
1 Drum Major's Pay	3.26.30		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50	6.4.70.	
1 Fife Major's Pay	3.26.30.		
Ditto Batta a 3.30 fp day	2.20.50	6.4.70.	
4 Drummers & 5 Fifers Pay a 3 Pag. each	30		
Ditto Batta a 3.3	24.38.20	54.38.20.	
8 Lubidars Pay a 13 Pag. each	104		
Ditto Batta a 3 fan. fp day	35.18.	139.18.	
10 Jemidars Pay a 7 Pag. each	70.		
Ditto Batta a 3 fan. fp day	22.6.	92.6.	
40 Havildars a 3 Pag. each	120.		
Ditto Batta a 1.30 fp day	40.25.	160.25.	
40 Naigues Pay a 2.16 each	93.14.		
Ditto Batta a 1.30 fp day	40.25.	133.39.	
10 Puckalls Pay at 2.9.40 each	27.1.		
Ditto Batta a 1.30 fp day	10.6.20	27.7.20.	
680 Sepoys Pay a 1.29.40 each	1157.36.		
Ditto Batta a 1.30 fp day	690.5.	1847.41.	
10 Recruit Boys		31.18.	
10 Puckall Bullocks Pay a 1.29.40	17.1.		
Ditto Batta a 2.7 fp day	15.17.10.		
2 Vackeels Pay	10.		
Ditto Batta	6.		
1 Black Doctor's Pay	1.29.40.		
Ditto Batta	1.20	2.30.10	
1 Black Adjutant's allowance		5.	
Drill Havildars & Naigues		2.21.	
		3209.25.24	
Carried forward		3209.22.24.	2153.31.

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Brought forward		3,209.22.24. 2/5
29th Battalion Brought forward		767.38.20.
10 Subidars Pay at 13 Pags. each	130.—	
Ditto Batta at 6 fanams pr day ea	44.12.	174.12.—
10 Jemidars Pay a 7 Ps. ea	70.—	
Ditto Batta a 3 fanams pr day ea	22.6.	92.6.—
40 Havildars Pay a 3 Ps. ea	120.—	
Ditto Batta a 1.30 pr Day	40.25.	160.25.—
40 Naiques Pay a 2.14 ea	93.14.	
Ditto Batta a 1.30 pr day	40.25.	133.39.—
10 Puckalls Pay at 1.29.40 ea	47.1.—	
Ditto Batta a 1.30. ea pr Day	10.6.20.	27.7.20.
680 Lepdrs Pay at 1.29.40 ea pr months	1157.36.	
Ditto Batta a 1.30 pr day	689.5.	1847.41.—
2 Hackeers Pay	10.—	
Ditto Batta	6.—	16.—
1 Black Doctor's Pay	1.29.40.	
Ditto Batta	1.30.	2.30.10.
1 Black Asjutant's allowance		5.—
Drill Havildars & Naiques		2.21.—
10 Puckall Bullock's Pay a 1.29.40 ea	47.1.—	
Ditto Batta a 2.7. pr day ea	15.17.10.	32.18.10
2 Mastries & 50 Dooly Boys Pay	105.—	3262.39.60.
Ditto Batta	52.—	157.—
1 Mastry & 24 Mamooty Cooleis Pay	38.21.—	
Ditto Batta	25.—	63.21.—
2 Mastries & 30 Caumaty Coolies Pay	49.—	
Ditto Batta	32.—	81.—
28th M. Battalion.		
1 Mastry armourer's Pay		
4 Armorers ditto	5.24.—	
1 Smiths ditto	11.36.—	
1 Hammerman ditto	2.40.—	
1 Bellows Boy ditto	2.9.—	
1 Carpenter ditto	.36.—	
1 Chicklldar ditto	2.40.—	
1 Chuckler ditto	2.9.—	
	2.9.—	
Batta for the above People	30.30.—	
	15.15.—	46.3.—
Carried forward &c	347.24.—	8626.11.7

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N.B. The following Contingent Charges given in by the Commanding Officer of Artillery in addition to the above Estimate of Tent Repairs & purchase of Tents necessary for the Detachment in the Commissary's Department for a month ---------- 551--

Estimates of Repairs in the Field Train in the above Department. ---------- 250--

Estimates of Gunny Bags, Wax Cloth, Cocoanut oil, Coire Coir, Coir Ropes, Europe Ropes, Leather, Canvas, Twine, Tar, Grease, Cooley Hire, in the above Department ---------- 150--

Indent of Stores necessary for the two Battalions of Native Infantry, to be supplied, agreeable to the Regulations, from the Commissary's Department ---------- 200--

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N.B. No Provision is made in the Paymaster's Statement for the allowance to be paid to the Troops when the price of Grain exceeds the sum of Eleven Fanams & forty Cash p. twelve Seers, as in the present Instance.

(Signed) Robt. Malcolm
Paymaster

A true Copy (signed) Wm. Stewart Agt.

To Major H. Montgomery
Commanding the Detachment &c.

Sir,

I had the honor of receiving your Letter of 27th. Instant, on the Subject of the Contingent Charges that may monthly occur to my Department. From the Experience I have had of the Countries through which we have marched, & the one we are now in, as well as the Situation

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advanced a large Sum of Money for the purchase of Horses Repairs of the whole Tents of the Detachment.

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

Camp at Cattore.
28th June 1790. —

(Signed) R. Tutt
Capt. Commanding the Artillery.

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart
Assistant

Major Hugh. Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

Agreeable to your request in your letter of yesterday I now have the honor to inclose a Statement of the particulars of your Detachment, with such contingent Charges as are paid by me in my capacity of Commissary of Grain & Provisions - viz. the Bullocks of the Detachment. — It is my duty to inform you, that in the Enclosed account no allowance is made for the Carriage or Purchase of Grain. Should you direct at any future period a Months Supply to be provided for your Fighting Men & Followers, it will take nearly one thousand Eight hundred including spare Bullocks to --- carry it; the Expence with Dowrah at two Current Pagodas each will amount to Current Rupees

Three

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of that Fort, which has fallen down, and of building an additional Granary, to preserve the Grain, now stored against the Weather and other Accidents, to which it is at present Exposed, We beg leave to Recommend the Execution of these Works — The Estimate of the former amounts to Pagodas 73.9, and that of the latter to Pagodas 231.16.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servants
J. Capper
(signed) George Hall

Fort St. George
22nd July 1790.

To be Executed

Ordered, that the Repairs be Executed.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly.

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary in the Military Department

Sir

From Colonel Kelly - stating his Intention of detaching a Force towards Arcot, & the orders he has sent to Captain Reave.

I have the honor to Enclose Copy of Intelligence just received from Captain Read, —

The Force he mentions, as destined for the Carnatic, corresponds exactly in the Numbers, its destination, and in the name of its Leader, with that I had the honor to Communicate in person to the Honble Board

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Minute thereon

The Board approve the proceedings reported in the above letter.

The acting President reports to the Board that Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment will arrive this day at Pondamallee — Agreed, in consequence that the Bengal Artillery now at the Mount, be ordered to join the Detachment.

The Bengal Artillery at the Mount to join Lieut. Colonel Cockerell's Detachment at Pondamallee.

Copy of the letter lately received from Tranquebar to be sent to Commodore Cornwallis.

His Majesty's Ship the Crown, with Commodore Cornwallis on Board, having anchored in the Road yesterday afternoon, it is Resolved, that a Letter be written to the Commodore, enclosing a Copy of the Letter lately received from the Government of Tranquebar.

The Military Board to take up a Vessel to transport the remaining Stores to the Southward.

Ordered, that the Military Board be directed to Engage a Vessel for the transportation to the Southward of the remaining Military Stores, (about 139 Tons) & that the Terms be reported to Government.

Copy Charles Harris

John Turing
Con. Saunders

Diary

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24th received any Supply of Provisions, nor has any Person appeared to assist in procuring them, to point out places from whence they could be purchased, or even to give Encouragement & Confidence to the Inhabitants of the adjacent Villages to remain at their Dwellings & yield such assistance as they might be capable of. Having taken the precaution of collecting a small Depôt of Grain in camp from some former places of Encampment, the Troops have been subsisted; but from the disappointment in the inferior kinds of Grain, which I relied upon finding at yesterday's and this day's Stages, the Cattle, both public & private, have suffered considerably; for the greater part received but very little yesterday, and to day none at all. I trust, I shall on my arrival at Poonamallee to morrow experience that more attention has been shewn to the orders of the Honble Board, for a full Sufficiency of every kind of Provisions being prepared; or otherwise the Detachment must feel distress in a sensible degree.

This Evening I have received a Letter from Colonel Kelly, of yesterday's date, brought by two Troopers from Wallaujanbad — He writes me his Conjecture that I may have received orders of Government to march by the route of Trivalore & Conjeveram in the Event of my not having received such orders, he

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21th Shawe ordered for Halt: But I am solicitous to
with your Instructions, if any longer time of re
be permitted to the Detachment; if it can be allow
out any inconveniency to the Service, but I beli
cause any disappointment to the Expectations of
Commanding Officer of the Centre Division for the
of this Force at Wallanjaubas, I request your perm
to halt, that I may use my Endeavors to prevail
the Native Troops to leave their Families & Cattle
at Madras.

I had the honor to address your Hon
Board in date the 21st, & again last night, thro
Mr. Secretary Chamier, on the subject of Supplies
Provisions. — I entreat your Commands to the Co
& Tumildars may be expedited all that is possib
for the Native Manager at this Station has no
made any provision for the Current demands of
Detachment — Either of Grain, Forage or Firewo

I have permitted the Agent for Bullo
comply with Mr. Cockburn's application for 36
& 500 Carriage Bullocks to be sent to Fort St. Georg
expedite the public Service.

I request Instructions for my further
of March; & I request that my addresses of da
21st & 22nd Instant may be in Claim to your Hon

Captain Shawe of his Majesty's

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Sir

I have the honor to be,
Your obedient humble
Servant
P. Kelly

Head Quarters Center Army.
Rajamundry 22d July 1790.

To
Lieut. Col. Kelly
Commanding Officer
Fort St George.

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Statement of the Troops detached from the Center Army for the Garrisons of Fort St George, Tripassore, Poonamallee &c. Stations.

For Fort St George, & the Picquet on the Islands	Coast Artillery	2 Gunners 43 Privates		N.C. Rvs. 45
	1st Batt.n of European Infantry	2 Subalterns	4	19
	2d.y Batt.n of Native Infantry	1 Subaltern 1 Subidar, 1 Amidar	4	66. 160.
For the Garrison of Tripassore	His Majesty's 76th. Regiment	2 Subalterns	8	60
	Ditto 76th. ditto	2 ditto	8	59
	Bengal Artillery			6 125
For the Mount	21st. Battalion Native Infantry	1 Subaltern 1 Subidar 1 Semidar	3	50
	Bengal Artillery			3 53.
For Poonamallee	Bengal Artillery			6.

Note. Carangooly to be Garrisoned when it is put in a state of defence – it is at present Guarded – One Subaltern, Bengal Artillery – & 1 Conductor – Coast Artillery for Fort St George not included in the above.

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor & Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Hble Sir,

To Major General Medows — Requesting him to report his opinion upon the Conduct to be observed towards Colonel Brathwaite, in consequence of the Colonels Exculpatory Letter, Copy of which is Enclosed.

We have received a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite, repl-
-tory of his Conduct in the Execution of your orders for the Equipp
of the two Battalions under the Command of Major Montgom
A Copy of the Colonel's Letter, with such Enclosures as are n
in your possession are forwarded, that you may be able
favor us with your Sentiments on the subject.

We do not mean to make a Report to the Bengal
Government, until We are possessed of your opinion as to
the Conduct of Colonel Brathwaite.

Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell with the Beng
Detachment arrived at Poonamallee yesterday.

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

Fort St. George
24th July 1790.

(Signed) Morgan Williams
Jas. Council

To John Turing Esq
President — &c. Members of the Board of Revenue

To the Board of Revenue — advising of the several Appointments made in consequence of the intended Assignment —

Gentlemen,

A considerable Increase of Business having been
annexed to the Department under your Charge, by your late
directi

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24th

To John Turing Esq.
President &c. Members of the
Board of Assigned Revenues

To the Board of Assigned Revenue stating the Persons appointed to the several Departments & Collectorships subordinate to their Board.

Gentlemen.

In the Letter which I had the honor to address your Board under date the 26th March last, I notified you the Resolution of Government, that for the purpose of managing certain Districts of the Nabob's Country you were to form yourselves into a Board of Assigned Revenue — I am now to add that, as the whole of the Nabob's Country is to be put immediately under the Charge of the Company, your Appointment above-mentioned is to operate without Loss of time, & the following Nominations have in consequence taken place.

Mr Josiah Webbe to be Secretary, & Mr Lionel Place to be Accountant to the Board of Assigned Revenue — Mr Grant an Assistant.

The undermentioned Company's Servants are to be employed as Collectors in the Districts assigned to their respective Names, and they have accordingly been summoned to the Presidency to take the Revenue Charge

Tinnevelly & Dependant Poligars ——— Mr Porter

Madura, Mellore, &c. and the Pishcush of the Marawars ——— Mr Ballard

Trichinopoly & Dependant Poligars, including Warriorpollam and Arrialore ——— Mr Hudleston

Arcot & Dependencies ——— Mr Stratton with a certain Assistant & Judge Cazy &c.

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28th

To the Honble. Major General Abercrombie

Governor &c. &c.

& to the Gentlemen of Council at Tranquebar.

Gentlemen —

To the Governor & Council of Tranquebar with Copy of Commodore Cornwallis's answer to the foregoing letter.

Upon the arrival of Commodore Cornwallis this Presidency a few days ago, We communicated to him subject of your Letter to us under date the

We Enclose a Copy of the Commodore's Reply our Letter, which, We doubt not, will be satisfactory to you

We have the honor to be with great Esteem

Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servants

(Signed) Morgan William

for Council

Fort St. George

26th July 1790 —

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William.

To Bengal — with Extract of a Letter from the Commander in Chief — advising of Commodore Cornwallis's Arrival, & of the arrival of the Bengal Detachment at Ponamallee. —

My Lord.

We have the honor to Enclose an Extract received from General Medows this day — Nothing has occurred since We last addressed you.

Commodore Cornwallis in his Majesty's the Crown anchored in the Roads last night.

The Bengal Detachment will arrive day at Ponamallee

We have the honor to be &c. &c. &c. for Fort St. George

Morgan Will for Council

Fort St. George

23rd July 1790 —

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26th

To W. W. Balfour — To Mr. William Balfour — informing him of his appo as a provisional Member of the Board of Revenues.

To Mr Harington — Ditto — to Mr. Harington — as Secretary to the Board of Rev

To Mr Place — Ditto — to Mr. Place — as Accountant to the Board of Appeals Rev

To Mr. Josiah Webbe — Ditto — to Mr. Josiah Webbe as Secretary to the Board of Appeals &c

To the Resident at Maddepollam — To the Resident at Maddepollam — advising him of C Erskines appointment to the Collectorships of the Revenue in the Ongole & Palnaud Districts — & his consequent re from Maddepollam.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — directing them to engage a ship for the Transportation of the remainder of the Military Stores to the Southward.

To Colonel Kelly — To Colonel Kelly — approving the proceedings reported in Letters of the 20th and 22nd Instant.

To the Military Board. — To the Military Board — Ordering the Execution of the Repairs wanting to the Works at Ongole — To Report upon Montgomery's Account of the Monthly Expences of his Detachment.

Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in the Nos 158. 159. 160. 161. 162.

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts. — From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Requesting the orders of the Board on the subject of Demands from Messrs Corbett & Boggs for Grain Contracted to be supplied in the year 1785.

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26 From the Commandant at Vellore – Requesting
orders may be sent to the Storekeeper to lay in a
of Salt, Ghee, Firewood, &c.

Dispatches the undermentioned Letters as entered in
Nos. 167. 168. 169. 170.

To Mr. James Taylor – To Mr. James Taylor – with Copy of the Minutes of Con
-sultation 13th. April.

To the Muster Master General – To the Muster Master General – approving his Recommend
of Employing Mr. Atkinson to Muster the Troops compos
the Center Army.

To the Military Board – To the Military Board – To Report upon a Letter from t
Chief Engineer, respecting Repairs to the Black Town.

To the Accountant General – To the Accountant General – Directing him to lay before
Board an Estimate of probable Receipts & Disbursements for
ensuing four months, Commencing on the 1st. August next.

27th. Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mr. Bo
171. 172.

From the Commandant at Tripassore – From Captain Lege, Commanding at Tripassore – Request
he be relieved from the Command of that Garrison, & that he
to join his Corps in the Field.

From Mr. V. Corbett – From Mr. V. Corbett – Requesting to be appointed
Agent for Cloathing, in the room of Mr. William Bu
lately nominated a Member of the Board of Revenue

Mr.

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it necessary, in order to avert the Evil which menaces my publick & private happiness, to make the following Propositions, as they are the best that can be offered in my present Circumstances, & ought not in Reason & Justice to be rejected by your Government — viz.

First — I will cause to be paid immediately into your Treasury the Sum of two Lacks of Pagodas.

Secondly — I will Engage to pay a further Sum of two Lacks of Pagodas in the following manner viz. — In 15 days from the Receipt of the above two Lacks, One Lack & in 15 days from that, the other one Lac of Pagodas.

Thirdly — I do further Engage to give you unexceptionable Security, if necessary, for the payment of the two Last Lacks.

Fourthly — That you may have no doubt of my Sincerity & Inclination to promote the Interest of the Company, and my own, I shall in Conformity to the Treaty secure to the Company four fifths of my Revenue for the purpose of carrying on the War against Tippoo our Wicked & most inveterate Enemy, by appointing the following Gentlemen & Soucars my Collectors and Securities for the following Divisions of my Country viz — The Northern Provinces will be put under the Charge & Security of Mr. Anthony De Souza, whose Character is well known to Government — The

Southern

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"recover by those means the immense amount of
"present Balance, We think it our indispensible
"authorize and direct you to take effectual mea
"in as delicate a manner as may be possible, f
"the Company into immediate possession of the
"Management of his Highness's Revenues and Cou
"in order that the total amount of the Collections
"be applies with fidelity & aconomy, in the prefer
"that have been already settled, to defray the Exp
"of the War for the general Benefit of the Parties, &
"support his Highness's own family & Dignity."

Resolution thereon

The Board are unanimously of opin
that they could not accept the Propositions of his High
the Nabob, without a manifest Deviation from the or
of the Supreme Board, so pointedly Expressed in the fore
ing Extract — That, independant even of this weighty
Consideration, if his Highness instead of offering the
immediate Payment of two Lacs of Pagodas — a third at the
expiration of 15 days, & a fourth at the End of 30 days — h
gone much farther towards the discharge of the very hea
Balance due by his Highness, which, as it appears by
his last Account Current made up to the 10th Instant, has
accumulated to the Sum of 2,23,403.34.35 (Twenty-

The Board decline the acceptance of the Nabob's offers.

Lacks

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before you, the first opportunity, all papers as are
to Colonel Brathwaite, & Major Montgomery's Detach
that I am so sorry has given so much dissatisfaction.
It does not appear to me that Colonel Brathwaite ha
been otherwise materially to blame than in not comp
ing the Regiments to 800 men each, according to my
but for this he appears to have had his reasons, thou
not sufficient - as, with a Soldier, no reason can be
cient for not obeying the order he understands. How
it will be remedied before this, as well, I hope, as all
other Complaints. - The not having had their new Cloath
was unlucky, but could not be guarded against.
One of the Regiments is reckoned a Remarkable high
Caste one, & the other I hope will resemble it, & then
We shall hear of no more Complaints.

Sippoo I believe is certainly gone up the
Ghauts. We march to morrow, but shall be some days
am afraid, getting to Coimbetour, from a scarcity of Wat

I have some thoughts of ordering Captain
Battalion from Madura, where they want Grain, to join
me, & round Dindegul as he comes by. - We must tak
Palicauchery, if the season will admit; & shall want
suppose four Collectors for the four Districts, when We
are in quiet possession of the Country.

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As there were no Pilots, or Persons fr
We could receive Information, We of course were oblig
ourselves acquainted with the Channel.— In rega
hoisting English Colours, I am very certain noth
that kind was mentioned by me, or any of the Offic
indeed was there any person to talk to upon that or an
other Subject, no Danish Vessel of any kind having be
there during my stay, nor have I been told of any s
Circumstances.— My Servant informs me that the
Some Sheep, which were in too poor a State to keep on
but not with a view to their ever being received on board

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

Crown — Madras Road —
21st. July 1790 —

Signed W. Cornwallis

The Secretary Reports to the Board
Minute thereon a Copy of the Commodore's Letter has been transmitte
to Major General Abercrombie, and his Council, at Tranquebar

Read the following Letter from Mr.
William Collins Jackson, Deputy Military Secretary

To

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pleased to direct it to be notified to me, in case of
acquiescence in the appointment, that my prosp
the Service, & my Claim to your future notice, m
lose Ground, or be in any respect lessened by my
to the Solicitations of a respectable friend. Permit
add, that, if I am not clearly to understand it to
I must, at all Events, decline M. Burke's Offer.

I have the honor to be with the greatest
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient humble Servan
(Signed) W. C. Jackson

Fort St. George
28th. July 1790.

Agrees to inform Mr. Jackson, that
Board have not the smallest Objection to his acting in
Burke's Deputation — and that, they do not consider h
acceding to Mr. Burke's Offer, as a matter that can in
respect prejudice his future Claims in the line of h
Company's Service.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant
Cokerell.

To the Honble. Major General Medows
Governor in Council.

From Lieutenant Colonel Cokerell with an Indent on Emergency for the Detachment proceeding Coast and Secretary Exchange &c

Honorable Sir

I have received your Commands of y
date this morning at 8 o'Clock — The Intim

2370. Fort St George 27th July 1790.

of this Station. — I trust the precautions & orders
& the safeguards granted, will prevent any real
of licentiousness of Conduct against the Troops, &c.
— yet Complaints will probably reach the Ho
-ment: one I know has already, on which I am
with a publick letter from the Town Major.

I sent a Native Commissioned Officer
the damage sustained, & I can affirm to the Board,
been the removal of a few dry Sticks from a Bu
leaf plantation Enclosure, not more than 25 to 30 ya
in length, & some of the Sticks which support the Pl
a few feet only — Safeguards has been given the
& he is now provided with additional.

I hope the Honble Board will
justice to the Troops of this Detachment, than to giv
implicit faith of belief to every report of interested
And the Character they have maintained through
a march warrants me to assure the Board, they were
disposed to be wantonly oppressive to the Inhabitants
The Sticks taken were for Firewood, & not from any
-chievous intent. The plant itself being new
not fit for market, nor for Cattle.

I halt to morrow, in Expectation of
being brought by the Manager, to enable me to
hence with three or four days Supply.

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This is the present state of my Treasury — & the whole of the Corps are cleared up to the 31st day of May. — The European Artillery are paid advance for June.

As I apprehend the Exchange of Specie must be made here, I request to know to what sum Gold is obtainable. — I request the Government will authorize & regulate the rates of Exchange with the Native Bankers; & solicit their Instructions, if it be advisable that I dispatch the Treasure to Madras for Exchange.

It would have been my wish to have waited on the Honble Board; but I apprehend it might be deemed improper to be absent from my Command, whilst each Moment may bring orders of Service to me.

I have directed the Shroff (attending this Detachment under permission of Earl Cornwallis) to wait on the Secretary, & receive the Commands of your Board on the subject of his Tender of Treasure for the Service of Government.

I must beg leave to represent, that I am humbly of opinion the Detachment ought to be furnished with full four days grain to march with from this Station.

I have the honor to be
with the greatest respect
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp Poonamallee.
25th July 1790.

(signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lt. Col. Commanding the
Detachment from Bengal
Indent.

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Merchants principally, to the private aid of two Native Grain Merchants in Poonamallee, & the small resource of my own Depot. But these are in no degree sufficient to form a Store with which I can be justified to pursue my route to join the Center army; which at present is ordered by the road of Trivalore, Perambaucum, &c. to Conjeveram. altho' it is possible that Colonel Kelly may be pleased to authorize the more direct route through Maimungulum.

I have for these substantial reasons used the small means I possess for averting the Evil of a want of Grain, & have sent to Madras to purchase Rice & other Stores for the public Service, to deliver out to the Camp Merchants; & I have much confidence that Earl Cornwallis in Council will not hesitate to sanction the Expence that may be incurred from this urgent Expediency.

I have the orders of Colonel Kelly to form the junction with the Center Army, as soon as the Detachment have rested, & the Colonel Expects that I shall commence my march on the 28th. morning.

I cannot see the least prospect of accomplishing the orders of Lord Cornwallis in Council to Exchange any Silver Specie for Gold Currency of Madras in this time of halt: & I could not undertake it but with the Sanction of your Honble Board, of which I had the honor to give Information to you on the 21st. Instant, & again on the 25th. Instant.

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The Board decline departing from their Resolution respecting Tents.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue, with Enclosures Entered in C.B. Nos 173.174.5/5/

To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor in Council,

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From the Bord of Revenue Recommending that certain Repairs be made to the Pagoda at Conjeveram, for the Security of the Grain lodged there; & that the remainder of the Grain in the Saghire be lodged in places of Security.

Such is the exposed state of the Grain in the Saghire at this Critical period of public affairs, that We are again induced to address your Honble Board on the subject of it's Security, & to recommend that in the Event of the Bullocks with the Centre Army being otherways Employed, that some other effectual means may be speedily adopted of removing it to places of Security; or, as it is probable that considerable supplies will be required for the Consumption of the army at Wallaujabad, the Grain in the Saghire, we humbly conceive, cannot be disposed of to a better advantage if the necessary Carriage is provided by Government for that purpose.

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
your most obedient humble servants
(signed) John Turing
" Wm Tweedie
" David Haliburton
" Wm Balfour

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of Directors, at Eight Shillings the Pagoda, payable in London, at one, two, or three years, but to be allowed Interest for the two latter years, at 5 ℘ Cent. That when two hundred & fifty Marquis are delivered, Examined and Approved by the Committee of Stores at this place, or any other mode of Examination you are pleased to adopt, that on my producing a Certificate or Certificates of the delivery of 250, that I am or his being produced to receive Bills, as above Stated, for their amount; & in like manner on delivery of the remainder.

I am with respect

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) A Dobbyn.

Masulipatam
19th July 1790.

Minute thereon

The Board decline acquiescing in Mr. Dobbyn's proposal of supplying the Company with Rice, upon Bills on the Court of Directors.

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

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Military Department

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions stating that the Garrison Storekeeper has refused to deliver Rice by Weight as customary.

Sir,

I yesterday received the Indent for 10 Garce of Rice, signed by the Governor; and immediately sent my Comiply to Mr. Corbett's Garden, for his Signature, who signed & directed

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Fort St. George 27th July 1790.

Minute thereon

The Board are much displeased that the public Service should be impeded by a contention between the Garrison Storekeeper & the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. — Agreed that the former be instructed to deliver the Rice by weight.

Ten additional Garce of Rice to be served for the use of the Bengal Detachment.

Ordered that Ten additional Garce of Rice be sent from the Presidency to Poonamallee for the use of the Bengal Detachment.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Governor in Council at Fort St. George.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you Copies of the following papers, for the Information of the Governor in Council at Fort St. George.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — with Extracts of Correspondence between the Supreme Board, Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, & the Military Auditor General, relative to the Pay of the Bengal Troops serving on the Coast.

No 1 — Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell to the Commander in Chief dated 2nd June.

2 } Enclosures in Ditto.
3 }
4 }

5 Letter from the Military Auditor General dated 25th June, on the subject of the above.

6 Extract of a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell from the Secretary to the Government — of this date.

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

Fort William.
30th June 1790.

Extract

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Service, & the Express Specie which was issued; for I imagined such Information would lead to Elucidate the Subject. I also addressed myself to Colonel Brathwaite, & to Mr. Sadleir the Chief of Masulipatam; and they have recommended to me to address your Lordship on the Circumstances, having in the mean Time made application to the Government of Fort St. George to give their Consideration of the case. In regard to the Soldiers, it is not of that Importance, but that there is full Time for me to receive your Lordship's Commands & Instructions before any Pay falls to be issued to the Troops which entitles them to this expected Encrease in their Pay, since the Alteration only commences to be due on the 1st. of the present Month, the date of the arrival of the Detachment at Ellore, & the place designated, under the orders of Government I apprehend, by Masulipatam.

If the real advance to be made in the Pay of the private Soldier had admitted to be expressed in the orders of the Detachment, I should have used the opportunity to gratify them; & to have therein encouraged their Steadiness to the Service. Your Lordship will perceive the material difference which is stated in the two Extracts transmitted, & which rest entirely on the valuation affixed to the Specie of Pagodas, Rupees,

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Pay & Batta, which the Carnatic Troops are paid in, for
failure of Gold Currency in their Treasury, that Silver
Currency be issued at a specific standard of Exchange.
This mode, I presume to think, would produce the object
of your Lordship's intentions towards these Troops, by the
orders promulgated.

Indulgence & Reward was the intention, &
I am solicitous it should be fulfilled. And, if I may hazard
an opinion upon the subject, it appears that the just object-
-ard of this Indulgence should be, the advance authorized by
Sir Eyre Coote, & actually paid to the Troops last War. The
Ranks of Commissioned and non Commissioned, who receive
excess Pay to the Carnatic Troops, cannot I think suffer
reduction of Allowance.

It is necessary for me to advert to another circum-
-stance on the subject of Pay & Batta - which is, that the Native
Troops of the Carnatic Army have but one Batta, or Field Batta,
& this only when in Camp. In Garrison they receive Pay
only; The Bengal Troops have a distinction of half & full,
and will stand Entitled during during the War, to full Batta
in all situations of their Services, whether they are in
Cantonment, in Garrison, or in Camp.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Tombelle
Sub Secry

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Extract &c. &c. Allowances for a month of 31 days—

	Ps ℔ C	Rs a P	difference in favor of Bengal	Madras
Subadar	16.18.	52.9.1½	29.6.10½	" " "
Jemautdar	8.30.	27.14.2.	" 1.10	" "
Havildar	3.32.10.	12 - 9	6.15.3.	" " "
Naig	3.7.50.	10.2.10½	6.13.5½	" " "
Drummer	3.21.50.	11.3.11½	4.12 ½	" " "
Private Sepoy	2.24.50.	8.4.5	" 3.7.	" " "

1 Rupee ---- 30 pence ---- 54 42 fanams × 5.13. fanams 4 Cash
1 Pagoda --- 96 pence ---- 16. 16.

1 Rupee × 1. 16. / 5 = 3 Rupees 3 annas 2⅖ piece

(Signed) J. Capper
Sec. to Govt.

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Sombelle
Sub Secry

Earl Cornwallis K.G. Governor General in Council
&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

1st I received, on the 19th instant, your Lordship's Instructions of the 17th covering Copy of a minute laid before the Board, by the Commander in Chief, with an Extract of a Letter to your Lordship from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, & three Enclosures referred to by him, two of which are Extracts of Table of Pay - Nos 1 & 2 - received by him from the Office of the Comptroller General at Fort St. George; & I find that these Extracts agree

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3rd. This shews that the principle upon which the comparative Table ought to be constructed was clearly understood; & therefore, without waiting at present to examine whether or not the calculations are correct, I humbly conceive that your Lordship may decide the question referred to you, merely upon considering the different principles upon which the two Tables have been Constructed.

4th. The Government of Fort St. George have fixed the Exchange at 375 Arcot Rupees, of 8% Cent better than current, for 100 Star Pagodas.

5th. In the Table No. 1, the Pagodas have been converted into Sonat Rupees at the said Exchange, approved by the Government of Fort St. George; & then the rates of the Pay of the Madras Troops, in Sonat Rupees, are compared with the rates of the Pay of the Bengal Troops in Sonat Rupees, without any regard in either case to the imaginary Sterling value annexed by the Company to these Rupees. And your Lordship may observe that, tho' the superior Classes receive higher pay here than there, the main Body of the Madras Army receives greater Pay than that of this Establishment; & that the Bengal Rates on the whole exceed those of Fort St. George in 29 instances only, whereas the rates of Fort St. George exceed those of Bengal in 43 instances.

6th. But, in constructing the Table No. 2. instead

intrinsically worth about 1.11½ — It is difficult, however, to determine the intrinsic Values of these Rupees, because it depends upon the diminution of their weight by the length of time they have been in circulation; for I do not know that there is any such Coin as Sonaut Rupees — the Sicca Rupees under certain circumstances, obtain the denomination of Sonaut. I have on the present occasion been informed by good authority, that a Sonaut Rupee, supposing it to have lost 1 ℔ Cent of it's weight, is worth 2.0 ℔ 88/100 of a farthing, & that a Star Pagoda is intrinsically worth 7.5¼ ℔ 75/100 of a farthing, reckoning Silver at 5.2, & the Gold at £3.17.10½ ℔ Ounce, being the Mint prices.

8th Now, without entering into intricate Calculations, it must be obvious that there is nearly as much * Loss upon one Sonaut Rupee, nominally valued at 30 pence, & really worth about 26½, as there is upon one Star Pagoda nominally valued to the Madras Troops at 96 Pence, and intrinsically worth 89¼ ℔ ¼ of a farthing. — In other words, there would be a loss to the amount of about 12 ℔ Cent more on receiving a Sonaut Rupee at 2.6, than on receiving a Star Pagoda at 8.

It is Evident however, that a Sonat Rupee at Madras must, intrinsically, be of equal value in the hands

* One Sonat Rupee
nominal value 2.6
real value 2.0.7¼ 88/100
Loss on a Sonat Rupee 5¼ 12/100

One Pagoda nominal value 8.0
Real Value 7.5¼
Loss on a Pagoda 1 ¾

2392. Fort St. George 27th July 1790.

Extract of a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell from the Secretary to the Government - of the 30th June 1790.

The Commander in Chief having laid before the Board an Extract of your Letter to his Lordship, concerning the Table, with which you has been furnished by the orders of the Madras Government, of the Comparative Rates of Pay on the Military Department at the two Presidencies, the Military Auditor General was referred to on the Subject, & delivered in a Report, a Copy of which I am requested to Enclose.

I am further to acquaint you, that in consequence of this Report, the Governor General in Council has been pleased to determine that the Comparative Table, No. 1. ought to be adhered to, as being constructed on a proper principle; & that, in order to obviate the difficulties which you have Represented, as well as to conform to the spirit of his Lordship's promise to the Troops, as this was announced in General Orders, it has been thought adviseable, & you are accordingly directed to adopt the suggestion contained in the last Paragraph of Colonel Murray's Letter - that is to say, the Troops of your Detachment are to be paid in the same Coin and at the present Established Rates of Pay of the different corresponding Classes of the Carnatic Army where

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on accountable Receipts of the Paymaster, in the Madras Currency. — The Board have thought it proper to direct me to signify to you, that the accounts of your Detachment are to continue to be audited here — and to repeat their former Injunctions that you would attend to enforcing the most punctual & regular transmission of these Accounts to the Presidency.

A true Extract

(Signed) J. Lombelle
Sub Secy

Copies to Colonel Kepper

Agreed that Copies of the above be transmitted to the Comptroller General of Army accounts.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary to the Commander in Chief

John Chamier Esq
Secretary Military Department

Camp Trepore 19th July 1790.

Sir

From the Secretary to the Commander in Chief — Enclosing an Application from Lieutenant Chalmers Commanding the Topasses — & an Indent from Lieutenant Colonel Giels —

The Commander in Chief has directed me to enclose you, in order to their being laid before the Council, a Letter addressed to him by Lieutenant Chalmers as Commanding the Corps of Topasses, & an Indent from Lieutenant Colonel Giels as Commandant of the Artillery.

The General recommends the former being sent to the Military Board for their Report, how far precedent establishes the propriety of Captains Pay & Batta

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Indent on the Presidency of Bombay for the use of the Army on the Coast.

Articles	Quantity	
Flints & Musket	Three hundred thousand	300,000
Gun powder 60lb Barrels	Three thousand	3,000.

Camp at Darraporam
16th July 1790.

(signed) Thomas Giels
D. Col. Artillery

signed R. Bell
Cy Stores

Minute thereon

The Paymastership of Tiagar abolished & the Garrison to be paid after the 1st August by the Paymaster of Tritchinopoly

Ordered that the above be referred to the Military Board.

The acting President recommends (as a Measure proposed by Major General Medows) that the Paymastership of Tiagar be abolished, & that the Garrison be paid after the 1st of August next, by the Paymaster of Tritchinopoly.

Ordered accordingly.

Ex. Chas. Harris

John Turing
Cov. Saunders

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29th

The Board decline departing from their Resolution respecting Tents:- They will shortly reply to the other parts of your Indent.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) John Chamier
Secy.

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27th July 1790.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell,

Commanding the Bengal Detachment,

Sir,

To Lieutenant Colo. Cockerell with Copies of Letters respecting the Victualling of the Bengal Troops - The Commissary General of Grain & Provisions at the Presidency to victual the European Troops

I am directed by the Board to Enclose for your Information & Guidance Copies of Letters which have passed on the Subject of Victualling the Bengal Troops.

In consequence of the Confirmation of the Bengal Government, as communicated in their Letter of the 21st April, the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions at this Presidency has received orders to victual the Bengal European Troops.

I am Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) John Chamier
Secy.

Fort St. George
27th July 1790.

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2400.

Fort St. George July 1790.

28th. Recieved the following Letters

John Chamier Esq

Military Secretary.

Sir

From Major Montgomery advising of his having crossed the Kistna with the Nizam's Troops - stating his Intentions respecting the mode of supplying them with Grain. -

I have the pleasure to inform you that I this day finished crossing the Kistna with the Detachment under my Command without any accident; I shall now proceed with as much Expedition as can be made consistently with the Nature of the Troops with whom I am to co-operate, which at present consist of about 16,000 Men.

I have judged it expedient to order the Paymaster to provide a small quantity of Grain for the supply of the Detachment, as the People with whom We are to act seem by no means provident in regard to that very necessary article, relying entirely on the quantity procured them from time to time by means of their Horse, a Mode of supply which is not in our Power. The price of Grain in so large an Encampment being of course very high, I have directed it to be delivered out to the Sepoys at the Company's price, agreeable to General Orders, I shall Charge the difference to the Company, of which I hope the Board will approve.

I have the honor to Enclose a Copy of a Letter from the Board of Masulipatam; but am

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28th Detachment; of which Sum 31,000 Rupees were procured from the Nizam on account of what he Engaged with the Company to pay for these Battalions, and 6,000 Rupees by me for Bills on the Resident at Benares, at the rate of 100 Hydrabad Rupees for 108 Benares Sicca Rupees.

(Signed) John Kennaway.

To John Kennaway Esq.
Resident at the Nizam's Court.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you, that the Detachment under my Command yesterday finished the passage over the Kistna, without any accident.

Receipts, agreeable to your request, are Enclosed, & I must beg your particular attention may be directed to procure the Sum you mention in as short a time as possible.

The Speedy arrival of the Stores left behind at Dainarcundah is now become particularly of Importance to the Detachment, as by the Copy of a Letter from the Board of Masulipatam, which I enclose together with my answer you will perceive that some delay on their part is likely to happen in their compliance with my Intent.

Give me leave here, Sir, to observe, that any difficulty we may hereafter Experience on this Score, traces its origin from the total Ignorance in which both Colonel Brathwaite & myself were left as to the nature

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28th beyond the limits of this District, they conceive that such applications as you may have occasion to make, ought to be made to the Government of Fort St. George direct, or if to this Board, that they ought to come thro' Colonel Brathwaite, to whom the selling out of your Detachment was Entrusted. Being unacquainted with the Service, the Chief & Council cannot take upon themselves to judge of the Expediency or necessity of complying with your Intent, & have therefore referred it to Colonel Brathwaite for his opinion.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servants,

Masulipatam
25th June 1790.

(Signed) Wm. Scott
Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart
Assistant

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief & Council Masulipatam.

Gentlemen.

I was favored with Mr. Secretary Scott's Letter by your order, under date the 25th ultimo.

I shall always receive with respect and deference your Sentiments on any Subject; yet in the present instance they would have been more accept-

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28th. Ordered that Major Montgomery's Receipt be lodged with the Secretary of the public Department.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor &c Council

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Masulipatam stating their opinion on the supplies of Stores for Major Montgomery's Detachment - & advising that Mr. Snow has been empowered by the Mayor's Court to receive Charge of the late Mr. Graham's Effects.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your orders communicated in Mr. Secretary Chamier's letters of the 13th & 17th Instant.

Major Montgomery's Detachment, so far as may depend on us, and so far as we may have information to guide us, shall be kept in a complete state of Equipment for service. Since our letter of the 5th Instant, We have received another Indent from Major Montgomery, & the destination of his Detachment being changed, he now desires that the Stores may be sent to Captain Kennaway, instead of being sent to Innaconda, as he before requested. This second Indent having been referred to the Committee of Stores, they inform us, that the State of the Stores here is such, as to admit of it's being complied with in part only, admitting even that some Articles be made up for the occasion; and that it will require at least 370 Draft & Carriage Bullocks to transport the quantity

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28th. respecting the Stores, shall be communicated to the Committee of Stores, for their guidance.

Mr. Snow having informed us of his being authorized by the Mayor's Court to administer to the late Mr. Graham's Estate, We have desired Colonel Brathwaite to direct the Committee Established at Ellore in consequence of your order communicated in Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter of the 6th. April, from which We have as yet received no Report, to deliver up all Effects, Papers, &c. belonging to the Estate, to Mr. Snow, or whomsoever he may authorize to receive them.

We have the honor to be very respectfully,

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Your most obedient humble Servants

Anth: Sadleir

W. Dobbyn

Masulipatam
23d. July 1790.

(Signed) Sam: Statham

Received the undermentioned Letters - as entered in M.B.

Nos. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185.

From Colonel Brathwaite. From Colonel Brathwaite - Enclosing an application from Major Bonneraux to proceed to the Presidency.

From Colonel Brathwaite From Colonel Brathwaite - Enclosing a present State of the Invalid artillery at Masulipatam - Has complied in part with the Intent from Major Wynch at Innacondah.

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From W. H. Craig Chief at Cuddalore

From W. H. Craig Chief at Cuddalore requesting to be appointed to the Management of the Revenues in the Devicotah District, in the room of W. Andrews, lately appointed Collector in the Trichinopoly District.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as Entered in A. B. Nos. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202.)

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - directing him to victual the Bengal European Troops lately arrived, in the same manner as those now at Wallaujabad

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - Enclosing a Petition from Jaggannaut Thauker, complaining of Mr. Vaughan - To report his opinion on the Contents.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - Informing him that the Garrison Storekeeper has been directed to deliver the Grain to him as he receives it, viz. by Weights.

To the Garrison Storekeeper

To the Garrison Storekeeper. Communicating the above Instructions.

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of army Accounts.

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts - Objecting to seperate the Concern of Messrs. Corbett & Boyd, in the Balance due by them to the Company.

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To Colo Brathwaite & the Board of Revenue — 29th — To Colonel Brathwaite with Permission for Major Bonnevaux to visit the Presidency — agreeable to his Request.

To the Board of Revenue — advising of the Intention of Government to repair the Pagoda at Conjeveram, and appropriating it to the Reception of Grain.

To the Paymaster at Ongole. — To Mr Samuel Young — Paymaster at Ongole — with Permission to visit the Presidency, agreeably to his Request.

To Mr. Secretary Hay. — To Mr. Secretary Hay.

To the Resident at Poonah. — To the Resident at Poonah.

To the Resident at Hydrabad. — To the Resident at Hydrabad.

advising of General Meadows's Arrival at Coimbetour, & of his Intention of detaching a Force the next day against Palicacherry.

Sent the following Letter to Bombay.

To the Honorable Colonel Abercromby
President & Governor in Council
at Bombay.

Honble Sir,

To Bombay advising of Genl. Meadows's Arrival at Coimbetour. — We have the pleasure to acquaint you, that General Meadows reached Coimbetour on the 22nd. Instant, without opposition, & was to detach a Force against Palicacherry on the next day.

We have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) { Morgan Williams
&c. Council

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From Mr. V. Corbett. — Received Letter from Mr. V. Corbett — (as entered in M.B. p. 203) requesting to be appointed Agent for the Bengy Bleathing, in the room of Mr. Kingscote.

At

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common danger, We confess that We read the warm and peremptory Stile of his Letter with no small degree of Surprize; But viewing him, as we do, in the light of an old Prince, who has long been allied to the English, respectable in several points of his private Character, entirely unaccustomed to the details of Business, held in ignorance of the real State of his Affairs, and misled by a Set of interested and unprincipled People about him, to whom he has unfortunately given his Confidence; We consider it to be most becoming in the Company's Governments to take but slight notice of any apparent impropriety on his part, & to continue to behave to him with every degree of delicacy & moderation that may be compatible with a proper attention to the common safety, and with a due regard to the discharge of the substantial parts of their own public Duty.

We are persuaded that your answers to his Highness's assertions, & the Explanations which you have given of the principles on which his account has been regularly kept with the Company, would render it as clear & obvious to every impartial Person as it has been long, that the Balance at present due by him is immense, & constitutes a serious breach on

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his Highness & the Company may be made up on the principle that We have mentioned, & stating it in two ways, the one considering the Commencement of the War to be on the day on which Tippoo committed hostilities by attacking the Lines of Travancore, viz.t on the 29.th of December 1789, & the other, on the day on which our Letter dated the 27.th of January last was read at your Board, taking Credit to the Company for four fifths of his Highness's Revenues, instead of the amount of the Kists which ought to have been paid by him during those periods, by the terms of the Treaty.

It will be necessary for you to request that, His Highness will be pleased to furnish you with exact Accounts of the amount of the Collections that have been made from his Dominions from the 29.th of December 1789, to the day on which the management of his Country shall have been taken into the hands of your Government, in consequence of our orders dated the 21.st of June, as being indispensible Materials for enabling you to ascertain with precision the amount of four fifths of his Revenues during the above period, and by that means to make up his Account with the Company upon the principles

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terms of the propositions of the Court of Directors to which he has acceded, as soon after the conclusion of the present War, as he shall discharge the Balance of his proportion of the Expence of supporting the Military Establishment for the general defence of the Carnatic, which, according to the stipulations of the late Treaty, shall then appear to be justly due to the Honble Company.

We have the honor to be,

Honorable Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants

(Signed) Cornwallis.
Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

Fort William
10th July 1790.

The Board observe with Satisfaction upon the foregoing Letter, that in their Correspondence with his Highness the Nabob, they have been careful that their Letters should be free from acrimony; & have replied to his Highness's Invectives, in the most moderate and guarded Language.

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As soon as the business now pending with his Highness is concluded, the Board will apply to him for the accounts desired by the Supreme Govern-

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To the Honble the Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

Hon'ble Sir.

From Bengal - Enclosing copy of a letter received from General Conway on the subject of the Warwith Sippoy.

As We think it possible that the arrival of a Detachment of Europeans at Pondicherry, at this Critical Juncture, may create some alarm, and give rise to reports of an Intention on the part of France to interfere in the present Contest, We have judged it proper to enclose to you a Copy of a Letter which the Governor General has received from the Comte De Conway, in which his Excellency explains the cause of his sending the Troops to Pondicherry, & gives the most satisfactory assurances of the pacific Disposition of his Nation, & of his Resolution to maintain a strict neutrality.

We have the honor to be,

Hon'ble Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servants,

Fort William
10th. July 1790.

Cornwallis
(Signed) Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke

To His Excellency Lord Cornwallis K.B.

Governor General &c.

My Lord,

Last night I received by a Vessel from Madras, the Letter your Excellency honores me with dated the 30th. of January

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forcible manner an absolute Neutrality, & the preservation of harmony with a respectable Nation.

Such, My Lord, are my Sentiments — Such are the Resolutions in which I shall persist, as long as I hold my Station.

Condescend, My Lord, to accept proofs of my lively Gratitude for all the obliging Civilities with which you continue to honor M. de Montigny; & be assured that I know only, nor will ever adopt any other political Tenet than that of Good faith.

I have the honor to be, with the sincerest Sentiments of Respect & Esteem,

My Lord,

Your Excellency's most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Conway

Isle of France.
13th. of May 1790.

A true Translation
(Signed) J. Chace
French Translator

Minute thereon — Agreed, that a Copy of the Compte de Conway's letter to Earl Cornwallis be transmitted to the Commander in Chief.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To

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Considering Mr. Burke's Office in this point of view, we are of opinion, that the first step proper to be taken by you, if it has not already been done, is to fix, seperately from his King's office Charges, such an Establishment as will be adequate for the performance of those duties which he Executes on the part of the Company, and to subject them of course to the audit of your own Officers; & in respect to the Establishment necessary for the King's Office Charges, you must continue for the present, we conceive, to make advances to Mr. Burke on Account, taking his seperate Receipts for the same, & charging the amount of these advances like those made for the Subsistence of the old Regiments, to the Debit of the Crown, as payments made in part of the Sum claimed by the Crown under the parliamentary agreement of 81, leaving it open to that future adjustment which must take place, of the Construction to be put on the act of Parliament under which the old Regiments were furnished.

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

Cornwallis
(Signed) Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke.

Fort William.
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To the Honble the Governor in Council

at Fort St. George,

Honble Sirs

From Bengal – Enclosing the Report of their Military Auditor General, respecting King's office Charges at Fort St. George – & Opinion thereon.

We have been honored with the Receipt of your Letter, without date, on the subject of an Item for office Charges in the King's Paymaster's Accounts, which the Comptroller of your Army Accounts objects to the Introduction of, & referring the subject to our decision.

The several Papers, relating to this question, have been submitted to our Military Auditor General, to be Reported upon; and as his Remarks contribute very much to throw light upon the merits of the question, We have directed you to be furnished with a Copy of them.

After considering the whole of the Correspondence, We must observe to you, that the nature of the Duties performed by the King's Paymaster General, or his Deputy, at Madras, appears to be twofold – first, as a Servant of the Crown, to issue the Subsistence due to the Officers & Men belonging to the Regiments serving under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1781; and secondly, as a delegate of the Company, to disburse the Extraordinaries of the above Regiments, as well as the whole of the Allowances, including Pay to the New Regiments, which, like the Extraordinaries of the old ones, are defrayed by the Company, subject to the Control of their own Officers, & written off to their Military Charges.

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January 1790, & I am anxious to profit by the occasion of a Vessel about to sail to send you an answer.

I am infinitely sensible, my Lord, of the delicate attention with which your Excellency communicates to me the Just motives which induce you to support your Ally the Rajah of Travancore attacked by Sippoo Sultan.

It is my Duty to assure your Excellency, that there does not exist any Treaty of Alliance between Sippoo Sultan & the French Nation. His Majesty was willing to receive, with the Magnificence & Grandeur which are his distinguishing Character, the Ambassadors which this Prince thought proper to send to France in 1787; but it is certain that no sort of Engage-ments were entered into with this Prince — It is also certain that all the official Instructions which I have received prescribe strictly the exact observance of the Treaties. I have transmitted these Instructions to M. De Fresne Commandant of Pondicherry, enjoining him to conform constantly thereto; & I am fully persuaded he will not depart from them.

It is my Intention to send to Pondicherry a Reinforcement of 190 Men, to quiet the apprehensions of the Inhabitants already alarmed at the approach of War, and to secure them against the Insults which they may lie exposed to from the irregular Troops of Sippoo Sultan. This Reinforcement has not, and ought not to have any other object.

The faith of Treaties, the honor of the Nation, it's Interests properly understood — all prescribe in the most

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-ment, & furnish the latter with the Statements required.

Read the following Card from His Highness the Nabob.

From the Nabob — Requesting the acting President will call a Council this Evening

His Highness the Nabob Wallaujau presents his Compliments to Governor M.Williams; & requests the Governor will be pleased to call a Council at the Company's Gardens this Evening at 8 o'Clock — & he has directed his Son Omdit ul omrah Behauder to deliver personally in Council an answer to the letter the Governor had wrote; who is also authorized from his Highness to communicate such matters as are absolutely necessary, and to answer any questions the Board will please to propose.

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Minute thereon

Resolved, that the acting President be requested to inform his Highness, that the Board will with pleasure meet the Omdit ul omrah in Council this Evening at 8 o'Clock at the Company's Gardens.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

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that We have directed; But, at the time that you communicate the above Instructions to his Highness, you will also notify to him, that the mode in which his account is to be finally adjusted, must be left to further Consideration.

We likewise desire that you will, on this and on every other occasion, when the subject comes under discussion, assure his Highness that, notwithstanding his inattention to the Terms of the Treaty, it has been with the utmost reluctance, & only from the clearest conviction of its being absolutely necessary not only for the Interests but even for the safety of both parties, that We have brought ourselves to adopt a measure in which We see reason to believe that it will give him pain to acquiesce; And you may add the most Explicit Declaration, that, altho' we may feel a sincere regret at observing the management of his Country & Revenues put into the hands of the same corrupt and unprincipled Persons, who have already committed the most cruel oppressions upon his Subjects, & reduced his own finances to their present ruinous & desperate Condition; yet, that We shall think it incumbent upon ourselves to restore the management of his Country to his own disposal & discretion under the

terms

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his part of the Stipulations of the Treaty.

A long train of corrupt and usurious practices of the Durbar, have now so compleatly ruined his Highness's Finances, that no Alteration whatever in the principle, for the adjustment of his public account, could, we apprehend, produce any immediate benefit or Convenience to the Company; and upon a careful perusal of His Highness's Letters, we do not perceive a colour of reason or justice in the objections that he offers to any of the arguments that you make use of in support of the articles of the last account, which was made up by your Accountant General, except that it appears to us to be deserving of re-consideration whether the Account should stand in the form, in which you transmitted it to us, or whether His Highness's Claim should be admitted, that the Stipulations provided for the Case of War should commence their operation on the day that Hostilities took place between the Company & Lyppoo Sultaun.

We do not, as we have already said, expect that an alteration in the mode of making up the account will afford relief to our present Exigencies, by occasioning any difference in his Highness's immediate payments; But we desire that an Account between

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At a Consultation

Present.

Morgan Williams Esq.

Acting President.

Friday
30th July 1790.

John Sturing & Edward Saunders Esqrs

The Honorable Major General
William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and
approved.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honble the Governor in Council

at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

We have received the Duplicate of your Letter, dated the 28th ultimo, Enclosing the Translation of a Letter from the Nabob of Arcot, dated the 22nd of that month, and addressed to your acting President.

His Highness's almost total failure in the performance of his Engagements to the Company being a fact no less notorious than it is serious in it's Effects on our affairs, at this critical juncture of

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To the Commissary and Comptroller General of army Accounts. — To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts. with Copy of a Letter & Enclosures from the Sub Secretary at Bengal, respecting Pay to the Bengal Troops.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — To report upon a Copy of a Letter from the Commandant at Vellore, respecting the laying in a Store of Provisions in that Garrison.

To Mr. W.A. Dobbyn at Masulipatam — To Mr. W.A. Dobbyn at Masulipatam — His Proposal of supplying the Company with Sonts not approved.

To the Military Paymaster General. — To the Military Paymaster General — Directing him to send what Money may be wanting at Vitchinopoly by Goalah Peons.

To the Chief at Cuddalore. — To the Chief at Cuddalore.

To Mr. Edwd Farrow acting Paymaster at Vitchinopoly. — To Mr. Edwd Farrow, acting Paymaster at Vitchinopoly.

To the Military Paymr. Genl. — To the Military Paymaster General

To the Commandant at Siagar. — & To the Commandant & Paymaster at Siagar. with Extract of the P.C. respecting the abolition of the Paymaster Ship of Siagar.

To the Military Board. — 29th. To the Military Board — To Report on an Indent on Emergency from Lieut. Colonel Cockerell.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board — To Report upon a Letter from from the Officer Commanding the Topasses in Camp respecting allowances — upon an Indent for Stores from Lieut. Colonel Giels, — and upon a Letter from Mr. Macleod Collector in the Saghire, respecting Repairs to the Pagoda at Conjeveram ——————

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From Mr. H. Dupuy — Attorney to Lieut. H. Baillie

From Mr. Henry Dupuy — Enclosing a Power of attorney to receive Lieutenant Baillie's Arrears; & requesting an order to the Paymaster to pay the Money due thereon.

From the Paymaster at Ingeli.

From Mr. Samuel Yaunge — Requesting permission to proceed to the Presidency for a few days.

From Mr. Webb

From Mr. William Webb — Requesting to be appointed Agent for Military Cloathing, in consequence of Mr. William Balfour's being nominated a Member of the Board of Revenue.

From the Military Paymaster General

From the Military Paymaster General — Requesting permission to write off a Balance standing in the Books against the Nagapatam Pay.t, which was omitted in the orders lately issued respecting outstanding Balances.

From the Military Paymaster General.

From the Military Paymaster General — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. Farrow, acting Paymaster at Vitchinopoly, respecting the Papers & accounts of the Office during Mr. Johnstone's Paymastership.

From the Commandant at Pormacoil.

From the Commandant at Pormacoil — The Renter of Tindevanum & the Nabob's Manager at Pormacoil offer to protect the Pettah of Pormacoil, if the Company will provide them with a few Firelocks & ammunition — Enclosing Particulars of three People taken upon suspicion of being Spies.

From Lieut. Colonel Cockerell.

From Lieut. Colonel Cockerell — Enclosing a Copy of the bypher No. 11, to be deposited in the Office 'till proper application may be again made for it.

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of Stores that can be sent from hence. The distance of Major Montgomery's Detachment from hence, and the constant movement it may be liable to, of which neither he nor we ourselves may have any foreknowledge, makes us at a loss to know to what place it might be proper to send the Stores he has or may apply for; and as we conceive that Captain Kennaway, from his Station at his Highness the Nizam's Court, is likely to have the best information on the subject, we have written to him, requesting his opinion both as to the quantity of Stores & to what place they ought to be sent; as it appears to us, from the quantity and articles Indented for, and more particularly as Colonel Brathwaite considered the Detachment completely equipped in all respects for a length of time when it left the District, that Major Montgomery must mean those Stores rather as a Deposite, from which he may occasionally receive Supplies, than to be Carried with him into the Field. We have for the same reason desired Major Montgomery to transmit his future applications to us through Captain Kennaway, as the most likely means of saving time that might otherwise be lost in References, as We shall consider Captain Kennaway's opinion as a sufficient Sanction for ourselves to act upon.

Your orders respecting the Sepoys arrived from Fort Marlboro' have been communicated to Captain Carpenter, the Officer Commanding them, & your directions

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=able had they been accompanied by the Stores Indented for, and would have been perhaps more beneficial to the public Service.

You are pleased to Observe, Gentlemen, that you are unacquainted with the Nature of the Service. - I beg leave to acquaint you, that at the Time I marched from Ellore, I myself was in a similar situation, & in consequence at a loss as to the preparation necessary; & I may venture to say, that Colonel Brathwaite himself was equally in the Dark. So soon however, as I had acquired some Information in regard to what was expected from me, I addressed an Indent to you for what appeared to me necessary for the Service then in Contemplation; and this Step I took as the readiest and best calculated to prevent delay, at the same time apprizing Government of my having done so, whose answers expressed their decided approbation of that Step.

The delay, however, occasioned by the Reference to Colonel Brathwaite, will I hope be of little Consequence, from his Vicinity to you; & I am so well convinced of his Zeal for the public Service, that I cannot entertain a Doubt of his Recommending an immediate Compliance with the Indent, thro' whatever Channel it may have been sent to him.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen, your very obedient Servant

(Signed) H. Montgomery

Camp at Collecha bootra Jhaut
16th July 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Hewart
Aid de Camp

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I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen, your very obedient Servant,
(Signd) H. Montgomery

Camp at Collecha boota Jhaut-
10th July 1790.

A true Copy
(Signd) Wm Stewart
Assistant

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of the Service for which the Detachment was destined, & the length of Time it might be supposed to be out: without Information on which points, it was impossible to form a Judgement as to the Quantity or even Quality of Stores necessary for it. I don't mean to imply that there is a deficiency for the present — quite the contrary; I only wish to have a Resource for future occasions. — I don't not however that every thing is now in a proper train, & that no difficulty will hereafter occur.

I have to request you will inform me of the places at which you propose stationing the Tappal from Cuddalore to the borders of the Raichore Country.

I have the honor to be,

Sir.

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) H. Montgomery

Camp at Dewansagoor.
11th July 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Stewart. agent

To Major Hugh Montgomery

Commanding a Detachment in his Highness the Nizam's Country.

Sir.

I am directed by the Chief & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant, and to inform you, that as you are now Employed on Service

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in hopes, as the orders of Government must long ere this have reached them, that no material delay will happen in the forwarding the Stores Indented for.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) H. Montgomery.

Camp at Collachaboo to a East South of the Kistnah 10th July 1790.

N.B. The Enclosure has been already Entered (vide This Day's Diary)

John Chamier Esq.
Secretary to the Hon.ble the Governor in Council,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit, for the information of the Governor in Council, a Copy of a Letter & Enclosures which I have received from Major Montgomery, under date the 11th. July; & I have to request that orders may be sent to the Board of Masulipatam to comply with his Indents, to prevent such delays in future as are to be apprehended from the know of Mr. Secretary Scott's Letter, by which the public Service may be injured.

From Lieut.n Kennaway - & Enclosures relative to Major Montgomery's Indents on Masulipatam, & his Officer's Receipt for 50,000 Rupees.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant.
(Signed) John Kennaway

Camp at Paungul. 13th July 1790.

P.S. You will be pleased to observe among the Enclosures a receipt from Major Montgomery for 50,000 Rupees advanced to him on Account, for the Payment of his Detachment

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28th.

To W. W. Jackson

Deputy Military Secretary

Sir

To W. W. Jackson - permitting him to officiate for Mr Burke; & stating that it will not prejudice any future Claims he may have on the Service.

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter, dated the 26th Instant, & to inform you, that they have not the least objection to your acting in Mr Burke's Deputation; & that by your accepting that Appointment, they cannot consider it as a matter prejudicial to any future Claim you may have on the Service.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble servant

(signed) John Chamier

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Fort St. George
27th July 1790

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord

Forwards with Copy of latest Letter from the Commander in Chief.

We have the honor to Enclose Extract of a Letter received from General Medows, which contains the latest accounts of his operations.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) Morgan Williams

Sec. Council

Fort St. George
29th July 1790.

Received

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Diary

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

28th. Sent Letter to the Nabob (as entered in C.C. No. 1164) again requesting his Highness to send the orders to his Aumils - rejecting the proposition made by his Highness in his Letter of the 27th. Instant.

Sent the following Letters.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment

Sir

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - Informing His Recommendation touching the Silver Specie of the Presidency to be Exchanged for Gold - again declining to comply with his application for the same.

Your Letters addressed to Government, of some under date the 23d. 24th. & 26th. Instant have been received, & I am directed by the Board to express their hopes that the orders issued out will ensure the necessary Supplies to your Detachment on it's March to Wallaujaubad by the route prescribed by Colonel Kelly.

The Board recommend that you should send to Madras your Silver Specie, & direct it to be sold by the Paymaster or Sheroffs attending your Detachment; Should they be unable to effect the Sale upon the Terms usual in similar Cases, the Board will receive the Specie, & furnish you with Gold in lieu of it.

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Batta being allowed; & in respect to the Intent the Council can best determine whether to send it to Bombay or not, from the Expectation they may have of being supplied with the articles from Bengal.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

(signed) Geo: Harris
Secry to the Commander in Chief

Major General William Medows
Commander in Chief &c.

Sir,

Having had the honor of being appointed to the command of the Topass Corps, I take the liberty of saying before you that, it has been in general customary to give Lieutenants the allowance of Captains, when they are intrusted with Commands of Responsibility & consequence to the service. — And as the Duty the Topass Corps has been, & is to be, employed upon, is of the most harassing in the Army, I solicit your protection towards being granted such allowances.

Out of the many Instances that could be given of such allowances being granted by Government, I will select only four — viz. of the four Subaltern Officers who were appointed to Command the four Sibendy Battalions formerly at Tanjore, who were all ordered the Allowance of Captains, altho' the appointments took place originally in time of Peace.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (signed) J. W. Chalmers
Lieut. Commanding the Topass Corps.

Camp at Daraporam
16th July 1790

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where these are higher than the rates of Pay on this Establishment; and where the Pay of any of the Classes on this Establishment happens to be greater than that of the similar Classes at Madras, these Bengal Classes are to receive the Bengal Pay in the Madras Coin at the rate of Sonat Rupees 364-13-10 for 100 Star Pagodas.

His Lordship is of opinion, that the Execution of these orders will render it proper that the Paymasters Accounts should be made out in Pagodas; but this may be left to him to determine, & to practise as he finds most convenient, observing only, that in whatever denomination of Currency the Accounts are prepared, the Conversions are invariably to be made at the rate abovementioned.

The Governor General in Council being aware of the necessity you will be under to Exchange what remains of the Funds you carried from hence, or what you have subsequently received at Masulipatam, into the Madras Currency, you are authorized to do so; & if any loss (an account of which properly attested must be sent to the Board) should attend this Transaction, the Company will bear it. It can only extend, however, to the amount of the Funds in your Hands, as your future Supply will be drawn from the Madras Presidency, & be advanced to you

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hands of a Carnatic, as in those of a Bengal Sepoy; & I do not see any good reason why both should not receive them at the same rate, nor does the circumstance of the Pay of the armies of the two Presidencies, having been originally Established, the one in Gold, & the other in Silver Coin, alter this principle — which leads me humbly to suggest to your Lordship a Remedy that appears to me to be easy & equitable for obviating the difficulties represented by Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — namely, that the Bengal troops serving in the Carnatic shall, agreeably to your Lordship's promise, announced in General Orders, be paid in the same Coin and at the present Established Rates of Pay of the different corresponding Classes of the Carnatic Army, where they are higher than the Rates of Pay on this Establishment; & where the Pay of any of the Classes on this Establishment happens to be greater than that of the similar Classes at Madras, these Bengal Classes shall receive the Bengal Pay, in the Madras Coin, at the rate of 375 Arcot Rupees, equal to Sonat Rupees 366.13.10 p 100 Star Pagodas, & the Accounts may either be made out in Pagodas, or they may be made out in Sonat Rupees, at the above Conversions, & be audited either at Fort St George or here, as may be most suitable to your Lordship's wishes. I have the honor to be

&c &c &c John Murray
Col. & Military Aud. Gen.

Fort William
Military Aud. Gen. Office
24th June 1790.

A true Copy
(signed) J. Tombelle
Sub Secry

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instead of reducing the Pagodas at once into Sonat Rupees at the Exchange of 364.13.10, equal to 375 Arcot Rupees, fixed by the Government of Fort St. George for 100 Pagodas, these Pagodas are first converted into Sterling Money, & that Sterling Money is again converted into Sonaut Rupees, not at the rate of 2.2 9/10, the* acknowledged Value of a Sonaut Rupee, at 87½ Pag.s, but at the rate of 2.6 each Sonaut Rupee, which of course diminishes the number of these Rupees in the Madras Column, & would make the Sonaut Rupee actually worth two Shillings & Sixpence to the Madras Troops, whilst it would remain only nominally so to the Bengal Troops, for is really worth only about two Shillings. — Whereas, if the Pagodas had been first reduced to Sonaut Rupees at 375 Arcot Rupees, equal to 364.13.10 Sonauts, and if the Sonaut Rupees had then been converted, at 2/6 each, into Sterling Money, the number of Sonaut Rupees in the Madras Column, in the Table N.o 2, would have been exactly the same as in the Table N.o 1, & the Comparative Value of each Pagoda would be about 9.1¼ of a farthing instead of Eight Shillings. — I am therefore of opinion that the Table N.o 1 is that which ought to be adhered to, as being constructed on proper principles.

* vide Colonel Kepper's Letter to the Governor in Council 11th May 1790.

7th In my address to your Lordship of the 20th February last, a Sonaut Rupee was reported to be intrinsically

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agree with the Comparative Tables, Nos. 1 & 2, of Pay of the Troops on the Establishment of Fort St. George, and Bengal, the first whereof was received in this Office on the 17th ultimo, & the last accompanied by a Copy of a Letter from the Secretary at Fort St. George, to the Secretary of the Supreme Government, dated the 18th May last, came to hand on the 9th Instant.

2nd I find that the Remark, that the name of the Rupees, in which the Bengal Troops were paid, was not expressed, is so far correct that it was not specified in the Table No. 1. sent from this office, with my Letter of the 16th February last. The Notoriety of the Sonaut Rupee being the only denomination known in the Pay of this army, was, probably, the cause of, tho' I do not think it was a sufficient Excuse for, the omission; but it did not occasion any mistake at Fort St. George, not only because the above circumstance was known in the public Offices there, but because, in the Comparative Table, Enclosure No. 2, which accompanied the Table No. 1 with my said Letter of the 16th February, the Sonaut Rupee was mentioned; & accordingly, it appears that the Table No. 1, received from Fort St. George on the 17th Ultimo, Expresses that "the Madras Currency is reduced to Sonaut Rupees." & that Table was constructed on the following Data.

"111 Current Rupees .... 100 Sonaut Rupees"
"103 Current Rupees ... 100 Arcot Rupees"
"375 Arcot Rupees ..... 100 Star Pagodas"
"42 fanams each."

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The difference of Exchange specified in a Table of Rates of Pay (not Comparative Table) first received from Colonel Capper, Commissary General, is as follows.

80 Cash ——— 1 Fanam
42 Fanams — 1 Pagoda
1 Pagoda ——— 3 3/4 N. Rs. or Sonaut Rs. 3. 10. 4 1/2 as P.

A true Copy
(signed) J Tombelle
Sub Secy

Extract &c. &c. &c. Allowances for a Month of 31 days.

	Rs	f	c	Rs	a	p	Bengal Rs	a	p	Madras Rs	a	p
Subidar	16	18		59	15	3/4	22	11	1/2	"	"	"
Semautdar	8	30		31	12	3/4	"	"	"	3	12	3/4
Havildar	3	32	10	13	11	9/2	5	6	2/2	"	"	"
Naig	3	7	50	11	9	8 3/4	5	6	3 1/4	"	"	"
Drummer	3	21	50	12	13	2 1/4	3	2	9 3/4	"	"	"
Private Sepoy	2	26	50	9	6	11 3/4	"	"	"	14	11	3/4

difference in favor of

111 Current Rupees — 100 Sonaut Rupees.
108 Current Rupees — 100 Arcot Rupees
375 Arcot Rupees — 100 Star Pagodas. of 42 fanams each

N.B. In this Table Madras currency is reduced to Sonaut Rupees.

(signed) J. Capper
C.G. &c.

A true copy
signed) J Tombelle
Sub Secy

Extract

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Rupees, &c., on the Currency of the Country, & the same amount calculated from a Comparative Statement with English Money. Even the Exchange is subject to fluctuation in the different Situations in which the Bengal Troops may be Employed during the War. I humbly beg permission to observe, that the real Intentions of your Lordship, when made known to these troops, were, to make the Pay of the Native Soldier proceeding on the present Service equal to the Pay of the Native Soldier in the Carnatic Infantry. On this promise, the Bengal Sepoys have very naturally concluded that this advance was to be the same as ordered to them on the former Service, by the late Sir Eyre Coote, & which they received during the Services.

What this express Sum was, I am not able to obtain the smallest Information upon, altho' two Battalions of that Detachment are now in this Corps. The Records of this Paymuster in the Office of the Pay Master General or in the Office of the Military Auditor General at Bengal; & from these Authorities, I am induced to hope your Lordship may be pleased to order Instructions for my Guidance. But if any objections rest against the mode, it would tend greatly to simplify the Rights of the Soldier, that instead of entering into all the perplexities of the Valuations & Exchanges of Monies between the Currency of Madras & Bengal, that the Bengal Detachment private Sepoys do in all situations receive the Specie Sum of

Pay

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Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell to the Commander in Chief – dated 2nd June.

Long since I received from the Office of the Commissary General, Fort St. George, a Table of Pay Rates in the Currency of Madras, of their Military Establishment, with an annexed Table of Exchange – a Table was transmitted me, thro' M. Sadleir, Chief of Masulipatam, which shewed a comparative Statement of the whole Classes of Servants on the Military Establishment between Madras & Bengal. This Statement is the Extract annexed No. 1. I had considered this to be my guide, & contented myself with orders to M. Scott, the Paymaster of the Detachment, to make a full Enquiry into the rates of Exchange, & valuation of Money; But it is five days since I received a Second Statement of the rates of Pay on the two Establishments, which is transmitted by authority – & is denoted, a Corrected Statement. The Extract No. 2 is from this last Paper.

It has been a source of very serious Embarrassment to me, my Lord, for it affects the Expectations of the Soldiers in a very material Degree – Expectations formed on the precedent of former Service on the Coast, & which have been pledged to the Troops in General Orders. I have endeavored, but in vain, to ascertain exactly what Payments were made to the private Sepoys of the Bengal Corps, on the former

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directed the Man to carry it to Verapilly his Conicsply; the Man accordingly carries it to Verapilly, who offered to give him the Rice by Measurement, not by weight as usual. this my Servant refused, & returned to Mr. Corbett for an order to Verapilly to weigh the Rice. but Mr. Corbett told him Verapilly had his orders. & to go back to him; he returned to Verapilly. & was informed he had his Master's orders to measure, not to weigh, the Rice. In this manner the public Service has been impeded. It has ever been usual for my Employ to receive Rice from the Garrison Stores by weight, & not by Measurement, for this very substantial reason, that it is in the power of a measuring man to make a difference in the mode of measuring from 1 to 6 p Cent.

The Garrison Storekeeper receives the Rice by weight; I have to request therefore that you will please to obtain an Order of Government, directing him to continue to issue it in the usual manner, by weight, to my Employ. Such impediments thrown in the way of the Service might be attended with very inconvenient Consequences. The present delay will prevent my taking advantage of the Escort of the Bengal Detachment to Wallaujabad.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Thos. Cockburn
Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

Madras.
25th. July 1790.

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Minute thereon

Agreed, to direct the Military Board to report their opinion upon the Repairs wanting to the Pagoda at Conjeveram, noticing at the same time, that it is intended to establish a Post there.

Read the following Letter from Mr. W. A. Dobbyn.

To the Honble Major General William Medows,

Governor in Council,

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Mr. W. A. Dobbyn the proposal to supply the Company with Tents — Bills on the Court of Directors.

Being given to understand, that a number of Tents will be requisite to replenish those on service, & as the exigencies of the present War may not, with conveniency, admit an Issue from the Treasury for the purchase of these Articles, I am induced from this Circumstance to make you the following proposal.

I will undertake to provide and deliver in Masulipatam, Five hundred Marquees, according to the Company's Dimensions now in this Military Storehouse, at the following periods — One hundred in two months — one hundred & fifty in four months — & two hundred and fifty in Eight months. ~~so that the~~ whole shall be completed & delivered in Eight months from the time of this proposal being accepted. — For each Marquee I am to be allowed the now price of Sixty Current Pagodas; & for payment will take Bills on the Honble Court

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I must express my concern that the Members of the Military Board have not been of opinion that the Troops of the Bengal Establishment are entitled to the indulgence of Tents; and I am yet hopeful your Honble Board will be disposed to direct the Issue upon the Indent I submitted.

I am, Honble Sir, with the utmost Respect

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Colo. Commanding
the Bengal Detachment

Poonamallee
26th July 1790.

Agreed, that the Receipt of the different Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell be acknowledged, & that he be informed the Board have issued orders for the necessary Supplies to his Detachment on its March to Nallanjaubad, by the route prescribed by Colonel Kelly.

Orders thereon

Resolved, that it be recommended to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell to send to Madras his Silver Specie, and direct it to be sold by the Paymaster or Shroffs attending his Detachment - which, if they cannot effect upon the usual terms in similar Cases, the Board will receive the Specie, & furnish him with Gold in lieu of it.

Agreed, that the Indent transmitted by Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell in his Letter of the 24th Instant, be sent to the Military Board for their opinion.

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Indent on Emergency - 24th July 1790. — To Military Storekeeper Madras

Names of Stores	No.	Purposes for which wanted.	Admitted.
Sepoy Tents - with Poles Pins & Mallets Complete	60	For the service of the Native Corps (6 Battalions) of the Bengal Detachment on service in the Carnatic	
Private Tents - Complete	3	To replace unserviceable ones.	
Cross Belts - Leather	360	In lieu of Cotton Tape now in use with the above 6 Native Battalions.	

Remark

This Indent is preferred by the approbation of the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis, Governor General, Commander in Chief &c. Communicated to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

(Signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Colo. Commanding the Detachment
Bengal Troops.

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

Honble Sir,

From Lieut. Colo. Cockerell — Representing the distress of Camp for want of Grain — Regarding of his having writ to Madras to purchase Rice — Repeating his application for Boat Tents.

Altho' the Representations I have had the honor to make to your Honble Board on the arrival of the Bengal Detachment at Poonamallee of the 23rd Date, & of the day following, the 24th Instant, stating the scarcity which threatened this Camp, have not been deemed of sufficient importance to claim your Consideration, I humbly conceive it to be my Duty, & I cannot allow myself to be deterred from from repeating these Representations of the distress of the Officers & Men, from the unwillingness of the aumildar of this District.

That the evil of absolute Want of Grain has not befallen the Troops of the Bengal Establishment in this Encampment, is imputable to the Exertions of the Camp Merchants

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I entreat the Honble Board will admit in Excuse for this long intrusion, the nature of the Duty committed to me, & what is due from me to the Troops, & to the Service.

I have used my Endeavors to recommend to both Europeans & Natives of the Detachment to use the present opportunity of our Vicinity to the Presidency to leave their Families & Extra-Baggage; & several Officers, European, as well as Natives & Privates, have my permission of absence to day for this purpose; but the uncertitude of halts beyond to morrow, & the distance will prevent any real benefit of making a considerable diminution of the Baggage & Followers. It was on this account that I made the suggestion of St. Thomas's Mount for the Encampment of the Bengal Detachment; & Marmalong would have been a still preferable Situation.

The orders of the Supreme Government direct me to Exchange all Silver Specie in the Treasury into Gold, the Currency in which the Issues of Pay are made to the Troops in the Carnatic Service. I have the honor to apply for any assistance which Government can afford to enable me to accomplish this order. The Sums of Silver in my Treasury, are as follows - of Sicca Rupees 137219.

of New Arcot — 228,556.

Old Ditto — 81,758 Valued 6 3/4 p.c. dis.count

ditto ditto — 68,785 Valued 6 1/2 p.c. dis.count

This

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Officer recommending that pay & grain be dealt with the Detachment from Bengal

you have now been pleased to give me - that Instructions "for this Detachment will be ordered by Colonel Kelly" - shall be attended to. To this time I have received no other than orders of a General nature to pursue my march to Wallaw-jaubad: but as I have reported to Colonel Kelly the position of this Detachment, I may expect to receive directions in the course of this day, or tomorrow, for my guidance.

I do myself the honor to transmit in this Enclosure, an Indent on Emergency, for the use of the Detach-ment from Bengal. I Entreat the Consideration of the Board to the Accommodation I apply for, which I trust will be deemed Expedient, & just attention to troops, who have shewn themselves attached to the Service of the Honble Company.

My late Representations must shew the Honble Board, the neglects this Detachment is subjected to; I am sorry for the occasion, & must lament that at the close of a laborious March, Circumstances of such disappointment should arise, & that so near the Seat of Government, the Camp should be in want of almost the means of subsisting. - The Manager has made no preparation! — no supplies were made yesterday, & this morning the delivery now making will not I apprehend be adequate to the days Con-sumption. - Firewood is a most necessary Article, & the Camp have been necessitated to seek for it in the vicinity

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Official recommending two days grain to be issued to the Detachment from Bengal

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To the Honorable the Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From W.W. Jackson — Submits to the Board the propriety of his accepting the office tendered to him by his Majesty's Paymaster General, of acting in his Deputation.

W.m Burke, the King's Paymaster General, having made application to me, to officiate as his Deputy on the Coast, in the room of W.m Robert Mitford deceased, I have the honor to report the same to you, & to request you will be pleased to favor me with your orders on the subject.

If you shall see no objection to my acting in W.m Burke's Deputation, provided I continue in the full Execution of the Duties of my Office as Deputy Military Secretary, I shall hope for your permission to accept the appointment: - and if it shall hereafter be found that the Duties of both Stations cannot be conducted with proper attention, or that the one interferes with the other, I shall lose no time in signifying to W.m Burke my intention of relinquishing the Charge of his Office.

Not having in view the smallest personal advantage to myself, by the acceptance of the appointment tendered to me by Mr. Burke, but desirous of acceding to the wishes of that Gentleman, solely, from the high regard which I bear to him, I trust your Honorable Board will be

pleased

Fort St. George 27th July 1790.

I am writing to the Poligars to assist us; & above all things with Grain.— And wishing for nothing but success I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signd) William Medows

Governor & Commander in Chief

Agreed that an Extract of the latter part be sent to Bengal.

Minute thereon

Agreed to defer the transmission to Bengal of the Papers relating to Colonel Brathwaite, until the Board are in possession of the opinion of Major General Medows upon the letter sent him under date the 24th. Instant.

Read the following Letter from Commodore Cornwallis.

To the Honorable the Governor in Council

Madras.

Sir,

From Commodore Cornwallis in reply to the Copy of the Letter from the Danish Government at Tranquebar.

I have been favored with your Letter, enclosing one from the Danish Governor and Council at Tranquebar: It's Contents surprize me a good deal.

In coming from the Andaman Islands the beginning of January, I put into Koncorrie. The Atalanta finding her Bowsprit sprung, cut one on that place, & after visiting Prince of Wales's Island, I returned to join her.

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Lacks Twenty three thousand four hundred & three Pagodas, Thirty four fanams, & thirty five Cash) yet the Board must have rejected the insufficient security which his Highness had offered for the payment to the Company of the four fifths of his Revenues during the War.

And Agree to adhere to their former Resolutions

Upon the whole therefore, it is unanimously agreed to adhere to the Resolutions recorded on the Minutes of Consultation the 23d Instant.

Resolved, that a Letter be immediately drafted to his Highness, & that he be requested to furnish the orders to his Amils, as desired in the Letter written to him on the 23d Instant.

Resolved also, that the Nabob be informed, that the Instructions under which this Government acts, do not authorize the Board's accesing to the propositions contained in his Highness's Letter of this day's date.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief.

To the Honble the Senior Member & Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir and Gentlemen,

From Major Genl. Medows - stating his opinion on the papers referred to him - respecting Colonel Braithwaite - & Hyder's moving from Darapooram on the 8th July - with a Letter to the Polygars to assist him with Grain &c.

Camp at Darapooram 11th July 1790.

I have the honor of your Letter of the 6th yesterday; & shall order the Adjutant General to lay before

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"either according to the terms of the Treaty concluded
"with Sir Archibald Campbell, or of those of the propositions
"made to him by the Court of Directors, to which he has lately
"acceded, long support such Expences as those with which
"the present War must unavoidably be attended without
"being reduced to great Extremity of distress; But We
"must freely declare, that unless the whole or a great
"part of the heavy Arrears which are at present due
"by the Nabob of Arcot & the Rajah of Tanjore can be
"Recovered, & a punctual discharge of the stipulated
"proportions of their Revenues can be secured in future
"for the general Good, We see not only foresee great
"immediate embarrassment to the Company's Finances,
"but also much Ground for apprehension that the ultimate
"Success of the War may be greatly endangered."

"Under these Impressions, & being at the
"same time perfectly persuaded that in giving your
"opinions, you are actuated solely by a regard to the
"substantial Interests both of his Highness & the Company
"as well as convinced that your Judgement cannot be
"erroneous on the impossibility of obtaining in future the
"stipulated proportions of the Nabob's Revenues through
"the Medium of his Highness's own Managers, which
"must also preclude all hopes of your being able to

"Recover

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Southern Provinces will be put under the Charge & Security of Colonel Martinz & Bhavanah Shunkarbut, a Soucar of great Credit; & they shall be Empowered to pay the whole of the four fifths of my Revenues, without any deduction on my own account agreeable to Treaty.

Lastly — I shall in the Event of my Propositions being accepted, chearfully submit to the decision of the Governor General in Council, whose Honor & Justice I place great Confidence in, the period when the payment of the four fifths of my Revenues should Commence, but at the same time I request it may be observed to Lord Cornwallis Bahauder, that although I did not accede immediately to the Propositions sent out by the Swallow, by the Court of Directors, yet I meant from the beginning to have acceded to them; & I flatter myself this declaration, founded in truth, will have it's due weight in his Lordship's Mind.

The foregoing propositions being both just and reasonable, and if adopted will ensure a much larger Sum than what can be collected by the Servants of the Company in the course of a year, I hope they will be found worthy the attention of your Government, & that my Friends will not lessen my Dignity by sending Collectors into my Provinces on the part of the Company.

I entertain the strongest hopes that

in

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At a Consultation

Present

Morgan Williams Esq

Acting President

John Turing & Edward Saunders

Esqres

Tuesday 27th July 1790.

The Honorable Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read the following Letter from His Highness the Nabob, just received (Entered also in C. C. Nº 143.)

Translation,

From the Nabob Wallaujaee to Morgan Williams Esqr

dated 19th Zecayada - or 27th July 1790.

Received Ditto

From the Nabob - Offers to pay immediately two Lacks of Pagodas - a further Lack at the Expiration of 15 Days, the fourth at the End of 30 Days - States the Security he will give for the payment of 4/5ths of the Revenues - And seriously calls upon the Board not to send Collectors into his Country.

Your Letter under date the 10th Zecada, or July 23rd., I have received, & shall particularly reply to it at another more favorable moment - but previous to a communication of my Sentiments on the subject of your Letter, which has given me the most unexpressible Concern, I think it

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26th.

From the Muster Master General. — From the Muster Master General — Recommending that Mr. Atkinson be removed from his fixed station in the Guntoor Circar, to Muster the Troops composing the Center army now at Wallaujaubad.

From Mr. J. H. Karson — From Mr. J. H. Karson — applying for the Paymastership of Chingleput in the room of Mr. Walter Balfour.

From Mr. Torriano Paymaster at Vellore — From Mr. Torriano — applying for a Collectorship in the Event of the Nabob's Country being taken under the Management of the Company.

From the Commissary Genl. of Grain & Provisions. — From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Requesting to know if the Bengal Detachment, now on it's march to Wallaujaubad, is to be victualled on the same footing as the other Bengal Troops on the Coast.

From Mr. J. Clerk Collector in the Jaghire — From Mr. J. Clerk — Stating the difficulty of procuring sufficient supplies of Provisions for Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment, occasioned by the desertion of the Inhabitants.

From Mr. R. Dighton Collector in the Jaghire. — From Mr. R. Dighton — Recommending that an agent be appointed to procure supplies for Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment.

From Colonel Kelly — From Colonel Kelly — Enclosing two Recommendatory Certificates for the promotion of Native Commissioned Officers in the 8th and 12th Battalions of Native Infantry — Stating the Route by which he has recommended Colonel Cockerell to march to Walladjaubad.

From

Fort St. George July 1796.

26th

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters, as Entered in
MB Nos 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157.

To the acting Secretary to the Military Board

To the acting Secretary to the Military Board — Directing him to make over to Mr. Cockburn the Rooms now used by the Military Board, sitting as a Committee of Works.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Informing him of the above Instructions to the Secretary to the Military Board.

To Mr. John Erskine

To Mr. John Erskine at Maddesollam — Informing him of his appointment to the Collectorship of the Revenues in the Ongole & Palnaud Districts — directing him to repair to the Presidency to take the Revenue Oath.

To Mr. R Dighton

The same to Mr. R Dighton — as Collector in the Nellore District & Dependencies.

To Mr. Macleod

Ditto — to Mr. Macleod — as Collector in the Madura & Nellore Districts &c., and the Peishcush of the Maravars.

To Mr. Kindersley

Ditto — to Mr. Kindersley — as Collector in the Arcot District & Dependencies.

To Mr. R Andrews

Ditto — to Mr. R Andrews — in the Tritchinopoly District, & from the dependant Poligars.

To Mr. B Torin

Ditto — to Mr. Benjamin Torin — in the Tinnevelly District & Dependent Poligars.

To Mr. D. Haliburton

To Mr. D. Haliburton — Informing him of his Appointment as a Member of the Board of Revenue.

To

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24th Nellore & Dependencies — Mr. Dighton
Ongole & the Palnaud — Mr. Erskine

An application has been made to the Nabob to furnish the necessary orders to the Aumils of the Circar, which, when obtained, will be sent to you — In the mean time, you are desired to prepare the requisite Instructions for the Collectors, & to make such Arrangements of Detail, as may be necessary for securing the Revenue, both now and hereafter in the best possible manner.

The Instructions sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue under date the 16th October 1781. are, as far as they apply, to be attended to by your Board.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) John Shamier
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Fort St. George
23rd July 1790.

To the Honorable William Cornwallis
Commodore & Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships
in India.

Sir,

To Commodore Cornwallis — Enclosing Copy of a Letter & its Enclosure lately received from the Danish Government at Tranquebar.

We have the honor to Enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to us by Major General Anker & the Council at Tranquebar, & to inform you of our having in reply acquainted them that We had forwarded a Copy to Lord Cornwallis, & should, on your arrival at Madras, present you with one also. We have the honor to be

&c &c &c (Signed) Morgan Williams & Co. Council

Fort St. George
23rd July 1790.

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25th directed to act as a Board of Assigned Revenue, Government have thought proper to appoint two additional Members to the Board of Revenue, & to nominate the following Company's Servants.

Mr. David Haliburton
Mr. William Balfour

Mr. Balfour is to be the provisional Member, instead of Mr. Maxwell.

In consequence of Mr. Balfour's promotion, Mr. Harington has been appointed Secretary to your Board. Mr. Grant, one of your Assistants, is to be transferred to the Board of Assigned Revenue.

Mr. Dighton, & Mr. Macleod having been named to Charges in the Nabob's Country, their places must be filled up in the Jaghire, which, in the opinion of Government, may in future be managed by two, instead of 3 Collectors — They have named Mr. Walter Balfour, who in Conjunction with Mr. Clerke is to have Charge of the Collections in the Jaghire.

For the particular Distribution & Allotment of the Districts to be managed by the above two Servants, Government desire you will suggest and lay before them an Arrangement.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient and
most humble Servant

(signed) John Chamier
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23rd July 1790.

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25th

Sent the following Letters.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment.

Sir

To Lieut. Colonel Cockerell — directing him to obey Instructions from Colonel Kelly — Enclosing Copy of the Report of the Military Board upon his application for Bullock Tents — To accept the Offer made him by the Shroff of advancing Arcot Rupees for Bills on Bengal — at the Exchange.

The Board have received your several Letters, the last dated yesterday.

With regard to your March to Wallaujaubad, you will be guided by the Instructions you may receive from Colonel Kelly; & you will make such Halts as may be necessary to the Detachment.

It has been already determined by the Government, that it is not necessary to supply Tents for the Sepoys of the Bengal Detachment — This determination was passed in consequence of a Report from the Military Board, of which a Copy is Enclosed for your Information.

You are requested to send in an Indent to the Military Board for Belts, which will be taken into Consideration.

In reply to the offer of the Shroff, who attends your Detachment of two Lacs of Rupees for Bills on Bengal, I am directed by Government to inform you, that they are willing to accept the Tender, allowing 110 Arcot Rupees for 100 Pagodas.

The Rate of Exchange between Sicca & Arcot Rupees, & Star Pagodas is as follows — Sicca Rupees 350 p.c. Star Pagodas;
Arcot Rupees 356 p.c. Ditto.

I am, Sir, your most obedient Servant

(Signed) John Chamier
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To
Lieut. Colonel George
23rd July 1790.

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21st has put himself under my orders, & his Detachment is Encamped at a small distance from me, & nearer to the Garrison of Poonamallee.

I am, Honble Sir, with the greatest Respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Jno Cherrell
Lieut Colonel Commanding
the Bengal Detachment

Camp Poonamallee
23rd July 1790.
Secret.

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary in the Military Department

Sir,

From Colonel Kelly with Statement of the Troops detached from the Coster army, for the Garrisons of Fort St George, Poonamallee, Tripassore &c.

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit, for the information of the Honble Board, a Statement of the Troops detached from the Coster army, for the Garrisons of Fort St George, Tripassore, Poonamallee, & Outstations. The Honble Board will, I trust, approve of the Arrangement I have made.

The Detachments for the several Garrisons and Posts named in the Statement, will march from hence to morrow, under the Command of a Captain from the 74th Regiment.

When the Garrison of Tripassore & the Post at the Mount are occupied, as I have now arranged, the two Companies of His Majesty's 76th Regiment at Tripassore, & the Detachment of Artillery at the Mount will be ordered to join their respective Corps

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24th He recommends me to pursue that Road. I conclude the late heavy fall of Rain, & consequent difficulty of the Roads, has been the consideration which induced that Recommendation, & as the Detachment has thus far surmounted those Impediments, & there being no direct Road from this place to Trivalore, I shall to morrow morning pursue the march to Poonamallee, agreeable to the Route prescribed by the Board for my Guidance.

I have transmitted to the Office of the Town Major, for the information of the Honble Board, a list of the names of the Men who have Enlisted for the Service of the Bengal Artillery, under the permission they were pleased to grant; and Claims which they have preferred for Arrears of Cloathing and Half mounting.

I have the honor to be with Respect,
Sir, your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Jn.o Cockerell
Lieut.t Colonel Commanding
the Bengal Detachment.

Camp at Arrambaucum
23.rd July 1790.

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

From Lieut Colonel Cockerell — Giving of the arrival of the Detachment at Poonamallee — Requesting further orders, & acquainting the want of Provisions to be forwarded demanded of the Detachment — Receives Instructions from Colonel Kelly &c

Honble Sir

I have the pleasure to report the arrival of the Detachment from Bengal at Poonamallee, at Eleven o'Clock this forenoon — after a march of near 13 miles. — To morrow

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Fort St George — July 1790.

Diary

24th Received the following Letters.

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary to the Government.

Sir

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell stating the general want of attention to the Supplies of Provisions for the Detachment since it's Entrance into the Jaghire.

This morning I did myself the honor to acquaint you by opportunity of an Officer returning to Ponamallee, that the Bengal Detachment had arrived at this place to day, and that it was my intention to march tomorrow & Encamp near Ponamallee; also that the Party of discharged Men from the European Regiment at Ellore under Lieutenant Holford, would this Evening proceed on their March to the Presidency, by the way of Ponamallee.

I am concerned to be under the necessity of reporting thro' you to the Honorable Board, the very partial preparation which has been made of Supplies necessary for the Troops of this Detachment since it's entrance into the Jaghire. Yesterday, at the Stage of Perriapollum, I received but a very scanty allowance of Rice, inadequate to one day's Subsistence of the People, and even that was obtained with much difficulty from the Amuldar, who created numerous difficulties & delays, and behaved in an unbecoming & blameable manner. Of Grain for Cattle, none whatever was received.

At this Encampment, I have neither

received

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Fort St. George 15th July 1790.

Board on the 13th Instant, and to the following

publick Letter of that date.

You will be pleased to inform the

Board, that I arrived at my quarters

1st Regiment of Native Cavalry, with the 2d

of Native Infantry, with the Cavalry detach

formed into a Separate Encampment, with every

necessary forrower. It is my intention to move

the Gallopers three Stations ennui, that is on the

22nd Instant, to attack Pulicat, according to

my Letter of the 13th Instant, twenty days which we

persuaded will have expired by that

I have ordered Captain Rose with the

of the 76th Regiment under his Command to join

Colonel Cockerell, when he shall arrive at the

Pornamallee. And Captain Rose is directed to

over the Charge of the Garrison of Chingleput

remains after his departure.

By my last dispatches from

Colonel Cockerell, he was to have appointed

of the Cortillaire may inform his progress

that be the case, I recommend that

order the Ennore Boat to be

effects of lowering it considerably.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

J. Kelly

Head quarters, Center Army

Wallerjanabad 20th July 1790.

George 21st July 1790.

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Board on the 15th Instant, and which I allude to in my publick Letter of that date.

You will be pleased to inform the Honble Board, that I arrived in Camp yesterday. The 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry, and the 25th & 27th Battalions of Native Infantry, with 4 Six Pounders attached, are formed into a seperate Encampment, with every thing necessary to move. It is my intention, that, as soon as the Galloper three Pounders arrive, which I expect the 22nd Instant, to detach this Force, as I mentioned in my Letter of the 15th Instant, towards Arnee — which I am persuaded will have a good Effect.

I have ordered Captain Shawe with the part of the 76th Regiment under his Command to join Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell when he shall arrive in the vicinity of Poonamallee. And Captain Shawe is directed to deliver over the Charge of the Garrison to the Senior Officer that remains after his departure.

By my last Accounts from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, he seems to apprehend that the Rising of the Cortillaire may impede his progress. — Should that be the case, I recommend that Government would order the Ennore Bar to be opened, which will have the effect of lowering it considerably.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient humble Servt.
(Signed) R. Kelly

Head quarters. Centre Army
Wallerjahbad. 20th July 1790.

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Three thousand Six hundred monthly; and the original purchase, should the Country not supply it, will cost at the present price in this Camp, Current Pagodas Five thousand Six hundred & thirty Six. Fanams thirty eight, Calculated at five Dubbs p Seer, & four Dubbs for one Current fanam — the quantity requisite being thirty nine Madras Garce, one hundred & seventy Marcalls.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Robert Malcolm
Cap.t & Commissary of Grain & Provisions

Camp at Ataloor
28th June 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Stewart
Assistant

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copies of the above be sent to the Military Board, & that they be directed to Report their opinion upon the Sums charged as Contingencies in the Account delivered by Major Montgomery to the Resident at Hydrabad.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

To Morgan Williams Esq.r
Acting President in Council

From the Military Board stating the Repairs wanting to the Works at Engole.

Sir

The Committee of Stores at Engole having represented the necessity of repairing the South Bastion of

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I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Robert Malcolm
Dep.y Commissary of Grain & Provisions

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28th. June 1790.

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Acting President in Council

From the Military Board stating the Repairs wanting to the Works at Angole.

Sir

The Committee of Stores at Angole having represented the necessity of repairing the South Bastion of

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situation Weare in respecting our Supplies of Stores of every denomination, which I have been obliged to procure in the best manner I could by purchasing at a very dear rate, having no Garrison at hand to draw them from, I have made a Calculation upon the most moderate terms I could; & to the best of my Judgement the following Estimates will be as little as will supply the Detachment; so as to have it at all times ready for Service.

Estimate of Tents, Repairs & purchase of Tents necessary for the Detachment ---------- 551.--.--

Estimate of Repairs to the Field Train ---------- 250.--.--

Estimate of Gunny Bags, for ammunition and Stores, Wax Cloth, Europe Rope, Lone Cir, Coir Rope, Leather, Canvas, Twine, for Grease &c. &c., & Cooley hire ---------- 150.--.--

Amount of Stores necessary for the two Battalions of Native Infantry, to be supplied agreeable to the Company's Regulations from the Magazine of the Detachment, including the damages & losses they may sustain on the March & in Action. ---- 200.--.--

Current Pd. 1151.--.--

N.B. Estimate of replacing 4 Bullocks Condemned last month ---------- 600.--.--

The above Estimate will I think be the Monthly Expences of my Department. It may be more, but I think not less. - I have since our leaving Ellore, advanced

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Brought forward ——— 347.25 8626.11.7

29th N. Battalion

1 Mastry Armourer's	Pay	5.21	
3 Armourers	ditto	11.34	
1 Smith's	ditto	2.40	
1 Hammerman's	ditto	2.9	
1 Bellowsboy's	ditto	.36	
1 Carpenter's	ditto	2.40	
1 Chickledar's	ditto	2.9	
1 Chuckler's	ditto	2.9	
		30.30	
Batta for the above People		15.15	46.3

Artillery

1 Mastry Carpenter's	Pay	5.21	
6 Carpenters	ditto	17.30	
1 M. Smith's	ditto	5.21	
6 Smiths	ditto	17.30	
1 M. Armourer's	ditto	5.21	
4 Armourers	ditto	11.34	
3 Chickledars	ditto	6.25.16	
4 Chucklers	ditto	8.33.48	
7 Hammermen's	ditto	15.21	
7 Bellows boys	ditto	6	100.26.64
Batta for the above People		50.13.32	
		150.40.16	
9 Packall Bullocks Pay & Batta for the Artillery & Staff		51.30.3	596.13.19
Contingent Expences			
101 Carriage Bullocks employed bringing Rice with the Detachts in May		450	
1 Amildar 1 Naick & 25 Harcarahs 2 Chubdars & 2 Peons Pay		112.8.32	
Tatti allowance for a Major Commanding		150	
Deficiency of the Price of Rice served to the Sepoys in May		73.41.48	486.8
Draught Bullocks of the 2d Field Train 200, a 2½ Pags ea		500	
Ditto for Attack & Provisions for the Europeans on Carts 26, a 2½ pr ea		65	
Carriage Bullocks for the Stores & Tents of the Detachment 650, a 2½ Ps ea		1300	1865
Current Pagodas		11,573.40.26	
		a. Pa	
or Rupees		40,508.13.9	

Camp at Atacoor 28th June 1790.

Signed) E. J. Robt. Malcolm
Pay. & Commissary of Train & Provisions
N. 73.

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Brought forward ..... 3209.22.24. 2153.33.3.

29th N. Battalion.

1 Captains Pay for a Month		38.31.40	
ditto Batta ... ditto		49.25.16.	
ditto Gratuity ... ditto		11.26.20	
			99.40.76.
5 Lieutenants Pay for a month	a 19.15.60 each	96.36.60.	
Ditto Batta	33.2.64. each	165.14.—	
Ditto Gratuity	7.31.40 each	38.31.40	
Ditto Sepoy allowance	5.— each	25.—	
			325.40.20.
2 Ensigns Pay	a 15.25 each	31.—	
Ditto Batta	24.33.48 P°	49.25.16	
Ditto Gratuity	3.36.80 P°	7.31.40.	
Ditto Sepoy allowance	4.— P°	8.—	
			96.14.56.
1 Adjutants Pay		19.15.60.	
Ditto House allowance		6.—	
Candles & Stationary allowance		2.21.—	
			27.36.60.
1 Surgeon a Assistant Pay		15.25.—	
Ditto Batta		24.33.48.	
Ditto Gratuity		3.36.60.	
Ditto Servant allowance		10.—	
Ditto Bazar Physicks		30.—	
			84.7.28.
1 Serjeant Major's Pay		10.19.20.	
Ditto Batta a 2.30 P day		2.20.50.	
			12.39.70.
1 Quarter Master Serjeants Pay		9.19.20	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 P day		2.20.50.	
			11.39.70
1 Drill Serjeants Pay		9.19.20.	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 P day		2.20.50	
			11.39.70.
3 Serjeants Pay a 7.19.20 each		22.15.60	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 P day ea		7.19.70	
			29.35.50.
1 Drum Major's Pay		3.26.20.	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 P day		2.20.50	
			6.4.70
1 Fife Major's Pay		3.26.20.	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 P day		2.20.50	
			6.4.70.
9 Drummers & 1 Fifer's Pay a 3 Pag. each P m		30.—	
Ditto Batta a 3.30 ea P day		24.39.20	
			54.39.20.

Carried forward ..... { 767.38.20 / 3209.22.24 } 2153.33.3

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Brought forward		1052. 4. 72.
Artillery Lascars Brought forward		76. 10.
3 Puckall Bullocks Pay 3. 29. 40	11. 4. 40.	
Ditto Batta 3. 4 7/8 p day	7. 39. 51.	19. 2. 11.
163 Lascars Pay a 2 Pagodas each p month	336.	
Ditto Batta a 1. 40 p day	186.	522.
Washers Pay	6.	
Ditto Batta	4.	10.
		627. 5. 11.
Civil Lascars		
3 Syrangs Pay a 7. 10	21. 30.	
Ditto Batta a 3 fan.s p day	6. 27.	28. 15.
2 Peons Pay a 2. 21.	12. 21.	
Ditto Batta a 2 fan.s p day	7. 16.	19. 37.
134 Lascars Pay a 2 Pag.s each p month	268.	
Ditto Batta a 1. 40 p day	148. 15.	416. 15.
1 Comcoply's Pay	2. 21.	
Ditto Batta a 2 fan.s p day	1. 20.	3. 41.
		16 3/4.
		1095. 29. 11.
No. 1 19th Battalion		
1 Captain's Pay for a month	38. 31. 40.	
Ditto Batta Ditto	49. 25. 16.	
Ditto Gratuity Ditto	11. 26. 20.	99. 40. 76.
1 Lieutenants Pay a 19. 15. 60.	77. 21.	
Ditto Batta 33. 2. 64.	132. 9. 16.	
Ditto Gratuity 7. 31. 40.	31.	
Ditto Depoy Allowance a 5 Pagodas each	20.	260. 30. 16.
3 Ensigns Pay a 15. 21.	46. 21.	
Ditto Batta a 24. 33. 48.	74. 16. 64.	
Ditto Gratuity a 3. 36. 60.	11. 26. 20.	
Ditto Depoy Allowance a 4 Pag.s each	12.	144. 22. 4.
Adjutants Pay	19. 15. 60.	
Ditto Horse Allowance	6.	
Ditto Candles & Stationary	2. 21.	27. 36. 60.
Surgeon Assistants Pay	15. 21.	
Ditto Batta	24. 33. 48.	
Ditto Gratuity	3. 36. 60.	
Ditto Servants Allowance	10.	
Ditto Bazar Physicks	15.	69. 128.
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Commanding Officer of Artillery for such Information, with respect to the probable Contingencies in their different Departments, as they might at present be able to supply, I enclosed you have their answers.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) H. Montgomery
Major Commanding the Detachment

Camp at Mutoor
28th June 1790.

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Stewart
Assistant

Statement of the Expences of the Detachment under the Command of Major Hugh Montgomery for one Month

Major's Pay for a Month	58. 5.20.	
Ditto Batta Ditto	124 —	182. 5.20.
Paymaster's Pay for a Month	38. 31. 40	
Ditto Batta Ditto	49. 25.16	88. 14.56
Ditto his Domicofly's Pay		25.30
Brigade Major's Pay for a Month	38. 31. 40.	
Ditto Batta ditto	49. 25. 16	
Ditto Horse Allowance	6. —	
Ditto Stationary allowance	2. 21 —	
Ditto Candle allowance	3. 21 —	100. 14. 56.
Artillery		
1 Captains Pay for a month	42. 19. 44.	
Ditto Batta ditto	49. 25. 16.	
Ditto Gratuity ditto	11. 26. 20.	103.29 —
Carried forward		500.21.52

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Agreed that Copy of the above be transmitted to General Medows, & that he be informed that the Board do not mean to make a Report to the Bengal Government, until they are possessed of his opinion, as to the Conduct of Colonel Brathwaite.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from Captain Kennaway.

To the Honble the Governor & Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

From Captain Kennaway with Letter from Major Montgomery, Enclosing Monthly Account of the Expences of his Detachment.

I have the honor to forward for your Information a Copy of a Letter & Enclosures I have received from Major Montgomery under date 28th. June, respecting the monthly Expences of his Detachment. I beg leave to call your attention to the great difference that appears between Major Montgomery's Estimate, & the Abstracts which were transmitted by your Honble Board to the Governor General some time about the Months of July or August last, & were forwarded to me by his Lordship to be communicated to the Nizam the 2nd. September, which including every Expence, amounted to the Exact Sum of Pags. 9851.37.72, in which the strength of each Battalion was estimated at 800 Sepoys, Exclusive of Havildars & Naigues — And

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To Lieut. Colonel Malcolm

Adjutant General

Sir.

I have the honor to receive the Commander in Chiefs orders of the 20th. Instant, determining the detail of the Detachment to be commanded by Major Montgomery, the 25th. Instant; & this morning very early the Detachment marched. Herewith I have the honor to send to you to lay before the Commander in Chief, a Return of the Detachment as it marched, as also of the Stores & Camp Equipage. I have thought it necessary to send with it a supply of Stores over and above those allotted as the Field Establishment of each Corps, as it is probable this Detachment will not for a long time be in a situation to have recourse to any of the Company's Storehouses; which I hope the Commander in Chief will approve, as also of the Instructions which I have given to Major Montgomery of which I enclose a Copy. Lieutenant Northen of Captain Tuttis Company had been sent to relieve and act as Inspector for Lieutenant Scott at Masulipatam, & Lieutenant Scott is ordered to join the Detachments at Bezzawarra. There ~~were~~ some Vacancies for Subalterns in the Battalions sent, & I had many applications from officers who were desirous of being appointed to do duty with these Corps, but I did not think myself authorized to comply with their applications, or to appoint any Staff to the Detachment, but reserved Major

Montgomery

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To Major Hugh Montgomery

Commanding a Detachment.

Sir,

All the Instructions I have as yet received relative to the Equipment of the Detachment under your Command, is, that it is done at the requisition of his Highness the Soubah, & you are to join him. To this end I subjoin the Route by which His Highness has required that you should march, & to this it is necessary you should pay particular attention, as in that Route only will the Country be prepared to accommodate the Detachment with Provisions &c. Immediately on your entering the Soubah's Country, you will meet a person whom his Highness has sent to meet the Detachment and regulate all matters relating to it, but as I have put into your hands a Letter from Captain Kennaway on this subject, I need say no more on it, as I could could only repeat what I find he himself has said to you in that Letter.

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To you whom I have found at all times so attentive to all matters of discipline, & from whom I have derived so much assistance, it is scarce necessary to say what I am sure will occur to you, that it is of the utmost importance, exclusive of the ordinary routine of discipline, that sobriety & discreet & moral conduct should be strictly attended to among

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been punctually paid for, nor was it ever our intention to do otherwise. The chearfulness with which the Detachment has borne those difficulties, & the good order and Discipline they have invariably preserved during their March, does them great credit. The Europeans of the Detachment have now been two days without Mutton, that which they have been supplied with for some time before, has been of the worst kind, nor have the Officers been better accommodated. Four of the Tumbrils belonging to the Detachment having been broken in consequence of the stoney Roads, I was obliged to leave their Ammunition at Daiver cunda, & as the Phouzdar of the place refused either to give a Receipt for it, to take charge of it, or indeed to render any assistance whatever, I was obliged to leave a small Guard with them. I am to request you will be pleased to concert measures with the Nizam's Ministry, for the forwarding of those Stores, of which I enclose a List, as soon as possible to the Detachment.

The Route laid down for me by Colonel Brathwaite, & which from your Letter of the 14th. Instant I understood has undergone no alteration, having been essentially deviated from by Abdul azeez Khan, I subjoin a Copy of the one taken in consequence of his Representations, & from which no remonstrances whatever could induce him to deviate.

I am

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Copy of a Letter from Major Montgomery to Captain Kennaway — Dated Camp at Culwacole 28th May 1790.

Sir,

I did myself the honor to address you last night, & inform you of the requisition I had just received from Aboul Azeer Caun.

In the hope of meeting with you soon at Pagtour, & there settling an arrangement, which might effectually obviate the difficulties under which We now labor, I have been studious to overlook every impediment thrown in my way, though pointedly directed to obstruct my march, by the very person whom I had understood to have been sent to facilitate it. My great object being, as mentioned last night, to reach the place of my destination without any unnecessary delays, induced me to use my utmost Endeavors (consistently with the attentions which, by your Letter of the 19th Ultimo, I was requested to pay to the Representations of this Man) to surmount those Impediments; in which having so far succeeded, I was induced to believe that, in the short distance which intervenes between this place & Pagtour, nothing could possibly arise to obviate our proceeding; at length however, finding all artifice

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requisite for the Detachment.

The Paymaster to send a proper Person in his Department, to serve out the arrack, victual the Europeans, &c.

Further Orders will be issued relative to the Parading & moving out of the Detachment — but the utmost Alacrity is expected from all Persons concerned, to accelerate the marching of the Detachment. — and a new Detail will be given out for the Cantonment.

A true Copy,
(Signed) Joseph Little
Brigade Major 1st Brigade

Cantonment Orders — Ellore 26th April 1790.

The Artillery, & two Battalions ordered, in the orders of yesterday, to prepare to move out at 6 to morrow, are to move out to morrow morning at Day Break, to the Artillery practising Ground, with their Camp Equipage Complete. There the Brigade Major will attend, & draw them up, & inspect them; & having received a full Return from the Commanding Officer of each Corps of the Corps he commands, will deliver over the Detachment to Major Montgomery, who will be pleased to attend for that purpose. Major Montgomery having received the Detachment, will move with it to a Convenient spot adjoining, & form his Encampment. The Major

will

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upon receiving this, You is to proceed to Pagtour by the route mentioned in my letter of the 9th Instant.

Captain Lutt is to Command the Artillery of this Detachment, with two Subalterns, & a Detail from his own Company, to consist of Fifty two Men, Non Commissioned Officers Drummers & Fifers inclusive, & three Companies of Lascars. Lieutenant Scott, the Inspector of Stores at Masulipatam, is to be directed to join Captain Lutt's Company; & one of the Subalterns now with it at Ellore, is to do duty as Inspector of Stores at Masulipatam during the absence of Lieutenant Scott. Your orders are likewise to be signified for leaving a Careful Serjeant in Charge of the part of Captain Lutt's Company that will remain at Ellore after the Detachment marches.

The Commander in Chief also directs me to acquaint you, that the Infantry of Major Montgomery's Detachment is to be the 28th and 29th Battalions; & as the Treaty with His Highness the Nizam requires each Corps shall consist of Eight hundred Rank & File, that they are to be Completed to that Strength from the 17th Battalion.

I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your address to the Commander in Chief of the 11th Instant, and to acquaint you that he will take an early

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17th. Native Battalion which is on Duty at Nooreed; I can always have it here in a few hours, & I believe the Chief & Council will enable me in a few days to withdraw it. The two Battalions which have come in, are by no means in that state of discipline that the Corps here before have been kept up to; but no time shall be lost in bringing them to it.

A true Extract
(Signed) Wm. Wilson
Secry.

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite to the Adjutant General under date 9th. April 1790.

As there are some Reports here that it is possible some of the Battalions from hence may go to Hydrabad, I think it proper to send you the state of the Cloathing of the three here. The 17th & 28th Battalions, exclusive of their additionals, are without Cloathing, or what is worse, in Rags. It may perhaps be deemed proper to dispatch the Cloathing of these Corps sooner than usual.

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I have the honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir

Your most faithful & very obedient Servant

(signed) John Brathwaite.

Samuel Devi.
18th. July 1790.

P.S. I have also the honor to Enclose you, under No. 9, an Extract of a Letter I addressed to Captain Kennaway the day the Detachment marched, as my Endeavors to procure Cloathing had not as yet been successful. It will Evince that after having unsuccessfully used my Endeavors to get the Cloathing in time, I had the precaution to enable Captain Kennaway to prepare his Highness the Nizam, to obviate as far as possible the impression the tattered Cloathing & the uncloathed new levies would but too probably make; but to this Letter, I never received any Reply.

(signed) J. B.

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.

Sir

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Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.

Sir

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to acquaint you, that two Battalions of Sepoys, & 6 Field Pieces

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-ed, & the Revenue secured. This will serve to prove that the Velmah Cast, who are the very numerous adherents of the deposed Zemindar, do not want the will to project & the audacity to attempt acts of rebellious outrage whenever they shall suppose the Force in the District inadequate to their Chastisement; & will I trust authorize what discretion I have used in preserving in the District some few Men ready for any Service.

I has the honor to Enclose to you in my dispatch of the 26th an Extract of a Letter from Major Montgomery to Captain Kennaway, Enclosed to me by the latter — I have it now in my power to send you, under No. 6, a Copy of the whole of that Letter, as I have received it from Major Montgomery, which I do as I hope it will tend to convince you that the Detachment was a fundamentally well disciplined Body of men, though many of them were still returned as Recruits, & fell in upon the left in white Jackets, & of course diminished the Effective Strength of them in Major Montgomery's State of them in reply to Captain Kennaway, and was very striking to the Eye; but as I have set forth, it was not in my power to compleat them with Effective Men, or provide the Corps with Cloathing. Major Montgomery assures me, (and indeed I think it is Evident from his words when he expresses that he wished to have brought them into some kind of order before the Nizam saw them — it applies to the Cloathing, which he hourly expected to join him.

From

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I appointed them very completely — to one Battalion I gave new arms, to the other new accoutrements, & I fitted out the Detachment very amply with Stores of all kinds; & I am convinced that had it not been for the unfortunate want of Cloathing, that the Battalions would not have made an incomplete or unmilitary appearance any where, but very for the contrary — And That I have that Opinion of the Officers as induces me to believe they will prove effectually Serviceable Battalions; but the total want of Cloathing so strikingly pointed out the old from the new Soldier, that it could not but be noticed, & when noticed must of course be acknowledged: but to you, Sir, it cannot be unknown how very great a part of our Army at present consists of no older Soldiers, who I hope nevertheless form a very effective part of the line. I trust from what I have said, that it will appear to you, & thro' your Medium to the Right Honorable the Governor General, that I stand fully acquitted, in all fair acceptation of these terms, of either neglect of Duty, or Disobedience of orders, as I trust it has already done to the Commander in Chief on the Coast, to whom I sent an exact State of the Detachment in all respects, the day it moved from Ellore, & which I think must have reached him at Madras on the 4th May, & from

whom

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for any Service which might occur in the District, & for which I was already called upon to be prepared — Under this dilemma, there being no time for delay, I had recourse to the only expedient which presented itself to my Judgement, which was to send the two Battalions ordered, compleated to the Coast Establishment, the grand total of which is 800, & this I did do by draughts of old Sepoys from the 17 Battalions. Certain it is, this Detachment was not precisely the Detachment ordered by the Commander in Chief, namely 800 Rank & File, much less was it the Detachment expected at Hydrabad — but of the Expectations there I was uninformed, but I trust it was the best substitute, every circumstance considered, that I could possibly send. I felt also, that it would appear to very great disadvantage from tattered worn out Cloathing, & the new levied parts being without any Cloathing but their white Jackets, on which account they fell in on the left, & were evidently conspicuous, but it has not been in my power to prevent either of these striking disadvantages under which the Detachment laboured. All that I could possibly do, I had done to procure the Dispatch of the Cloathing, but it had not arrived, & I was ordered to push off the Detachment with all possible Expedition — The state of the Corps ordered on this Service, with

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Adjutant General above alluded to, viz.t the 14th., I addressed a Letter to the Commander in Chief, in which I mentioned the State of each Corps in the District, & particularized that "the "23d having just come in from Service in the Ganjam "Country, is not yet in that order I could wish it" — & I was particular in noticing our Deficiency of Cloathing, & said that I had in a previous Letter stated that matter to the Adjutant General. That I was not inattentive to give every Information in my power, & to press the matter of the Cloathing, will I think evidently appear from Extracts of my Letters to the Adjutant General, which I have the honor to Enclose under No.2. I did not receive any Reply to my Letter of the 14th. addressed to the Commander in Chief, except what is contained in the Adjutant General's Letter of the 20th. April, which I received on the 26th, & of which I have the honor to enclose you a Copy under No.4. & this was the first intimation I had of the Corps that were to go, which were to be pushed off with all possible Expedition; & to this End, I had also received a Requisition from Captain Kennaway. On the 26th. therefore, immediately on the receipt of the orders of the 20th. I issued a Cantonment order at Ellore, of which I have the honor to enclose you a Copy under No.5. No man could be more anxiously zealous to pay implicit obedience to the orders I had received, as my orders will evince, but on an

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have always looked upon War as declared from the moment you attacked their Ally the King of Travancore.- God does not always give the Battle to the Strong, nor the Race to the Swift; but generally Success to those whose cause is just.- Upon that We depend!

What can I say more?

(Signed) Wm. Medows

Minute thereon

Agreed that Extract of the latter part be sent to Bengal.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from Colonel Brathwaite

To the Honble. Morgan Williams Esq

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Colonel Brathwaite - In Exculpation of his Conduct respecting the incomplete State of Major Montgomery's Detachment.

I have lost no time in acknowledging the receipt of a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier under date the 6th Instant, written by order of Government. The Contents of that Letter would fill me with inexpressible Concern, was I not perfectly conscious that, after the most rigorous Enquiry, Candor cannot impute to me any neglect of Duty whatsoever, or disobedience of any order that I was in a situation to obey; on the Contrary, I trust it will appear clearly, that Circumstances do

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the necessary orders to the Annuitants of the Circars, which, when obtained, will be sent to them — That, in the mean time, they are to prepare the requisite Instructions for the Collectors, & to make such arrangements of Detail, as may be necessary for securing the Revenue both now & hereafter in the best manner possible — And that, the Instructions sent to the Committee of Assigned Revenue under date the 16th October 1781, are, as far as they apply, to be attended to in the present case.

The Proceedings to be reported to the Governor General.

Resolved, that the whole of these Proceedings be reported to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief.

To the Honble the Senior Member & Gentlemen in Council

Hon'ble Sir & Gentlemen

Madras &c.

Camp at Darapooram 13th July 1790.

Lord Cornwallis Mesons — Has his opinion on the subjects mentioned in the Board's Letters to the 6th & 9th Instant Answering their Letters to Tippoo Sultaun.

I had the honor of yours of July the 2nd & 4th yesterday; and am extremely obliged to you for your decision upon Colonel Musgrave's application: The Bond of Indemnification I think absolutely necessary, & shall be complied with.

I agree with you perfectly in your answer to Colonel Kelly, as I conceive Tippoo has other things to think of, than Colonel Cockerell's Detachment. The

disposal

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The acting President lays before the Board the following Paper, which was delivered to Mr. Swing on the departure of Major General Medows.

Recommendations of Major General Medows, in the Event of the Nabob's Country being taken possession of.

In the Event of Instructions being received from Bengal, respecting the taking the Nabob's and Rajah's Countries into the hands of this Government, the President thinks that they should be managed as nearly as possible as those under the Company's Government — having at the same time in view the modes adopted by the Committee of Assigned Revenues. The Salaries, Establishments, of all Sorts to be conformable to the practice with the Board of Revenue & Collectors under them.

The President thinks, that for the better management and superintendance of the Assigned Countries, two additional members should be added to the Board of Revenue — & recommends Mr. Haliburton & Mr. William Balfour for this purpose.

He further Recommends that the Board of Revenue shall keep a seperate Set of Proceedings, to be entitled Proceedings of the Board of Assigned Revenue, & that Mr. Josiah Webbe be Secretary, & Mr. Place accountant. — He also Recommends that the Countries be managed under Collectors as follows

Tinnevelly & Dependant Poligars	Mr. Lorin
Madura, Mellore, &c. & the Peishcush of the Marrawars	Mr. Macleod
Tritchinopoly & Dependant Poligars	Mr. Andrews
Arcot & Dependencies	Mr. Kindersley with one or two Assistants

Mellore

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Company upon Existing Engagements, yet it is by no means the Intention of Government to insist upon carrying to your Highness's Debit a single Item of the account, without the most fair & accurate Investigation — I shall therefore direct the account made up to the present time, to be prepared, & I shall have the honor to lay it before your Highness accompanied by the Authorities on which the several Articles are introduced — Thus, I hope to prove to your Highness that the Company's Governments are incapable of making Demands upon your Highness that cannot be supported by the clearest & most obvious tenor & meaning of specifick Agreements.

Your Highness in your Letter of the 21st Instant having declined the proposition made to you of retaining under your own Management a part of your Country estimated at one fifth of the amount of the Gross Revenues of the Carnatic, & of making a voluntary Surrender of the remaining four fifths to the management of the Company — this Government will secure & pay to your Highness one fifth of the Net Receipts from the Carnatick with such other Sums, provided for in the Treaty.

Your Letter of the 21st Instant will be forwarded to Bengal agreeably to your Request — Your Highness

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rests with the Company's Governments in India, for the defence of the Territories of your Highness, of the Company's, & of their allies, would have acquiesced in the sacrifices requested of you, convinced that they were necessary, & had no objects but the public Welfare & Security.

I flatter myself that your Highness, upon mature reflection on Tippoo's insatiable Ambition, & his personal inveteracy to your Highness & your Family, on the many insults & injuries which you have suffered from that Prince or his Father, on the danger to which the Carnatic has long been, & is at present Exposed from that powerful Chief, would have lent a favorable Ear to our arguments & persuasions, & would have been convinced that in the propositions made to your Highness your substantial Interests as well as those of the Company were involved.

But as Arguments have failed, owing as I much fear to the interested & criminal motives of the Advisers by whom your Highness must have been influenced to resist our Solicitations, it remains for me to communicate to your Highness the decision, & directions of Lord Cornwallis & his Council which are, that in the Event of our being unable to prevail upon your Highness to make a voluntary assignment of the management of your Country & Revenues, We should assume the Management of it, for the general Good & Advantage of your Highness & the Honble Company.

Your

Dr. His Highness the Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn in Account Current with the Honble Company in Conformity to the Existing Treaty Cr.

		Pagodas Fs. 6
1790		
June 9	To Balance due this day, as per Account delivered to the Honorable Board	14,18,024.34.35
July 10	To his Hist due this day	7,00,000.—
	Pagodas	21,18,024.34.35

		Pagodas Fs. 6
	By Cash received at Madras from the 9th to the 30th June 1790	12,894.—
	By Bills from the 1st to the 23rd July 1790	11727.—
		24621.—
	By Balance due by His Highness	21,23,403.34.35.
	Pagodas	21,48,024.34.35

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Errors Excepted

(Signed) Geo. Montray
Accountant General

NB. A Teep or Cavalram for Pags 50,000.
due 25th ultimo — of which 5,000 Pags has
been received, there remains at present to
be paid — Pags 45,000.—

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between me & the Company by Commissioners expresly appointed for that purpose; which is now become the more necessary since my veracity is questioned, and a more implicit Regard is paid by the Bengal Government to the Representations which have been transmitted to them from this Presidency.

For the reasons I have so pointedly set forth, I cannot consent to an Interference in my Revenues on the part of the Company, particularly as I do not deserve it; & will immediately Enter into such Engagements with your Government as will ensure beyond a doubt (as I shall tender you the best security) the four fifths of my Revenues towards the Expences of the War, agreeably to Treaty; by monthly Instalments, as I have already mentioned, besides ensuring to you the payment of two Lacks of Pagodas, which will be lent me; if I am left in the quiet possession of my Revenues.

A true Translation

(signed) Joseph Garrow
P.no Fr.

Read also the following Cardfrom Omdut ul Omrah to the acting President.

From the Omdut ul Omrah offering on the part of the Nabob, to pay money as suggested by his Highness desiring to surrender his Country.

The Nabob Omdut ul Omrah Behauder presents his Compliments to Governor M.r Williams Esq.r, — and he has it from the Nabob Wallaujaw to assure that he is ready

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real Value of my Revenues, it is necessary I should acquaint you, that they were Estimated in my Letter to Sir A Campbell of the 22nd. February 1787, at Pagodas 19,26,000, exclusive of the amount of Jaghire of my Families & the Expences of Collections. Four fifths of this Sum I will punctually pay into the Company's Treasury, provided my Country is not destroyed or falls into the possession of the Enemy: In such case (which God forbid!) a proper deduction must be made from the payment of the Kists, for any loss I may sustain by such an Event.

I depend upon the faith of the English nation, & being ally to the King of Great Britain, the first & sincere friend of the Honble Company & of his Majesty, for these fifty years past. I request therefore that you will hereafter protect me from the two following circumstances, of which I am in dread — namely, on one side against the wicked Designs of my Inveterate Enemy, who attempts to reduce & ruin my Country — and on the other hand, where my sincere Friends the English seems determined to seize it.

Should these terms not be agreeable to your Government, I am to request that a Copy of this Address be immediately transmitted to Bengal by a Sea Conveyance.

Just at the moment I was concluding my Sentiments on the subject of that part of the Instructions you

had

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Cutcherry Receipts of all the Countries & Districts subject to my authority for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of such Deduction, which being once ascertained was to have been carried as a Charge to the Credit of my account Current; and when I demand such loss arising from the failure in the crops for want of Rain, it is incumbent on my friends the Governor & Council to take notice of the loss they sustained in their Jaghire at that period. — According to Justice, I ought to have Credit for the Grain laid in Store in the different Garrisons, amounting to Pagodas 138,000. When the aforesaid deductions are allowed, which I have a just claim to from common Justice, I trust it will appear, now I am freed from the War debt in consequence of my acceding to the proposition made by the Court of Directors by Swallow packet, relative to the assigning over to them for their use, the annual Money paid by and arrears due from the Rajah of Tanjore, after reserving a single Grain of Corn as Peishcush as my Right of Sovereignty, I am not indebted to the Company a single Pagoda, or at any rate such a Sum as to authorize Government to seize my Revenues in a violent illegal manner. If it is still persisted in that I am indebted to the Company such considerable Sum as I am supposed to be, let Commissioners (such as are not wickedly designed against me) on both sides be appointed without further delay to investigate our respective Claims,

that

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without the least shadow of Reason or Justice, on the part of your Government, or without a breach on mine, of any of the Articles of the Treaty, which ought to subsist for ever between the Parties concerned unviolated & uncontaminated, after it had been so solemnly recognized both by myself & the late Governor in Campbell, as the best that could have been devised for the security of the whole Carnatic, & the defence of the Company's Dominions, as well as the security of all Sovereign Rights, as exercised by former Soubahdars of the Carnatics.

But in what manner has the Treaty been observed since the departure of Sir A Campbell, on the part of the Company or their Constituents? Was it by neglecting to furnish me, agreeably to the 4th. Article of the Treaty, with an accurate Account annually of the numbers of Troops maintained, & the names & situations of the Garrisons supported by annual Contributions? particularly the Troops & Garrisons maintained by the nine Lacs of Pagodas, which I had agreed to Contribute annually to the defence of my own Dominions?

I am supposed to have deviated from the Treaty, on an Idea I have not performed fully my pecuniary Engagements, of course subject to the Lash of the 5th. Article. But how is this proved? A mere assertion cannot be termed facts; & I am surprised they should have had such weight in Bengal as to cause the transmission of the Instructions you have received from thence, which if put into Execution,

must

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without the least shadow of Reason or Justice, on the part of your Government, or without a breach on mine, of any of the Articles of the Treaty, which ought to subsist for ever between the Parties concerned unviolated & uncontaminated, after it had been so solemnly recognized both by myself & the late Governor Sir A Campbell, as the best that could have been devised for the security of the whole Carnatic, & the defence of the Company's Dominions, as well as the security of all Sovereign Rights, as exercised by former Soubahdars of the Carnatic.

But in what manner has the Treaty been observed since the departure of Sir A Campbell, on the part of the Company or their Constituents? - Was it by neglecting to furnish me, agreeably to the 4th Article of the Treaty, with an accurate Account annually of the numbers of Troops maintained, & the names & situations of the Garrisons supported by annual Contributions? - particularly the Troops & Garrisons maintained by the nine Lacs of Pagodas, which I had agreed to Contribute annually to the defence of my own Dominions?

I am supposed to have deviated from the Treaty, on an Idea I have not performed fully my pecuniary Engagements, of course subject to the Lash of the 5th Article. But how is this proved? Mere assertion cannot be termed facts; & I am surprised they should have had such weight in Bengal as to cause the transmission of the Instructions you have received from thence, which if put into Execution,

must

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At a time that We have been forced into a War by the injustice & insatiable ambition of a Prince whose power, stimulated by an inveterate hereditary enmity to your Highness and your Family, has more than once brought your affairs to the brink of Ruin, and who, in contempt of the sacred Engagement of the late Treaty of Peace, has attacked a neighbour and ally of your Highness & the Company, in order to prepare to turn his arms with accumulated strength against ourselves, and when the Resources of Bengal have been strained to the utmost to supply the immense Expences of the necessary Military preparations, I should have thought myself deficient in real Friendship to your Highness, as well as in Duty to my Country, if I had not taken such measures as appeared to me to be indispensibly requisite for the protection of your Dominions, & for the security of your Highness's own personal honor and Dignity.

To effect these great and important purposes, this Government has transmitted Instructions to the Government of Fort St. George, which will be communicated by that Board to your Highness, and being your warm and sincere Friend, I recommend in the most earnest

manner

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tous by the means of the periodical dispatch of your proceedings, you shall transmit tous Copies of all Minutes that shall be read at the Board & entered on your proceedings, within two days at farthest after such Minutes shall be presented, in order that We may be able to form an early & satisfactory Judgement on the principles and reasons by which your Conduct may be respectively influenced.

We must likewise Recommend that Copies of all such Minutes should be transmitted to General Medows, as We conclude that every resolution or transaction of consequence at your Board is amply & regularly communicated to him.

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants
(signed) " Cornwallis
" Chas. Stuart
" Peter Speke

Fort William
2nd. July 1790.

To the Nawaub of Arcot

Written 3rd. July 1790.

I have been honored with your Highness's letter dated 11th. Ultimo, Enclosing a Copy of your letter dated

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Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir

From Bengal — Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis to the Nabob — Further Instructions on the Subject of taking Charge of the Collection of the Revenues of the Nabob's Country.

We enclose the Governor Generals answer to the Letter addressed to his Lordship by his Highness the Nabob of Arcot, with an English Translation, & We request that you will take the earliest opportunity to forward the original to his Highness.

We are not entirely without hopes that, before this Letter reaches Madras, you will have been able, without experiencing much opposition from his Highness, to carry our Instructions dated the 21st Ultimo, for taking upon yourselves the management of his Country, into Execution; but should the Nabob have manifested much reluctance to acquiesce in the propositions which you have been directed to make to him, We trust that, without departing from the moderation and respect that we so earnestly recommend it to you to observe in your manner towards his Highness, you have taken efficacious means to overcome such obstructions as he may have given to the measure, without any unnecessary delay.

The Governor General has informed us

that

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To the Adjutant General — With a Letter to his address received from Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Adjutant General

To W. J. Huijsard at Negapatam — Enclosing a Receipt for the Military Stores Shipped on board the Ceres.

To W. J. Huijsard at Negapatam

To the Commandant at Nellore — directing him to take the steps necessary for the protection of the Tappal Peons proceeding to & from Nellore.

To the Commandant at Nellore

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — Informing him of the orders sent to the Collectors to provide every thing necessary for his Detachment — Stating that the Hircarrah (bearer of this letter) will shew him the best Road to Poonapauccum.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell

To the Civil Storekeeper — To comply with the Indents for Stationary for the Commissary General of Stores.

To the Civil Storekeeper

22nd Received a Card from the Omdut ul Omrah (as entered in B.C. No. 110.) Requesting to be furnished with the English Translation of the Persian Letter from Lord Cornwallis this day transmitted to his Highness the Nabob.

Substance of a Card from the Omdut ul Omrah.

Received the undermentioned Letters, as entered in C.L.B. Nos. 181. 182.

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — advising of the arrival of the Detachment near Anambauccum; & of his Intention of marching to Poonamallee on the 23d.

From the Chief Engineer — From the Chief Engineer — Reporting his opinion on a Letter from

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21st

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William.

My Lord,

Forwd with Copy of Ltr from the Commander in Chief - Advising of the arrival of the Bengal Detachment at Poonamallee.

We have the honor to Enclose Copy of a Letter this day received from Major General Medows.

We expect that Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment will reach Poonamallee the 23rd Instant.

We have the honor to be
My Lord
Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George
20th July 1790.

(signed) { Morgan Williams
For Council

Received the undermentioned Letters, as entered in M.P.B. Nos 130 131. 132.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - Repeating his application to be allowed to draw the same Sum for office Allowance, as granted the Civil & Military Paymaster General.

From the acting Secretary to the Military Board.

From the acting Secretary to the Military Board - requesting to be informed of the Intention of Government relative to the taking up Vessels to transport the remainder of the Military Stores to the Southward.

From

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25th Sent the following Letters

To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor & Commander in Chief.

Honorable Sir

We have the honor to Enclose Copy of a Letter received from Bengal, respecting the Establishing Lieutenants as the only Subalterns in the Sepoy Battalions on the Coast.

We request that you will favor us with your sentiments as to the propriety of making, at this time, the arrangements permitted, and, if to be made, as to the best mode of carrying into Execution the latitude given by Lord Cornwallis & his Council; We request you will, in the latter case, direct the Adjutant General to prepare & transmit to us such a Draft of a Government order as shall be conformable to the Instructions from Bengal.

We have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated , & to express our perfect confidence in your Conduct.— We are convinced that the Arrangements which you may make in the Enemy's Country, will be entitled to the fullest approbation.

We have received from Captain Kennaway Copy of the Treaty concluded with the Nizam, which was signed sealed & Exchanged on the 4th Instant. It consists of

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To John Chamier Esq

Military Secretary.

Sir

From Major Montgomery. Entering Copies of the Nizam's Instructions, & of some Queries made to his Highness & his Replies — Requesting to be Impowered to Sit a Court Martial.

I was favored with your Letter under date the 18th Ultimo, conveying to me the approbation of the Board for the past, & Instructions for my future Conduct.

I now beg leave, thro' you, to express to the Board the sense I entertain of their good opinion, & to assure them that every Effort of mine will be exerted to merit it, by a strict adherence to the line of Conduct they have pointed out.

Since my last the Nizam having come to a determination of first reducing the Do'aub Country, I received from him last night at Permannah, (a Copy of which is enclosed) in consequence of which I marched this morning. & shall lose no time in crossing the Kistnah, & using every Effort in my power to forward the Service.

[illegible] Note — The Paper here referred to, is dated in Computation the 20th Instant.

Previous to our Destination being fixed, I had judged it expedient (in the Event of my being sent on Service before the arrival of my Instructions) to submit some Queries, thro' the Resident here, to the opinion of His Highness — Of those Queries, & of the Answers to them by his Highness, Copies are likewise Enclosed.

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21st. Ult. Composing the Detachment, in the same Currency, & after the same rates as practised & Established for the Carnatic Service; & to Effect this, I am authorized to Exchange my Silver Currency into Gold if that Currency which is used in payment to the Carnatic Army; But as a loss is expected to arise in this Transaction, it is required of me to obtain the Sanction of the Board of Fort St. George. I therefore request to be informed the rate of Exchange for Sicca Rupees, & Arcots, with Gold Coin in general use at Madras, to guide me in conforming to the orders I have received from the Supreme Government.

A Shroff attending the Detachment has made me a tender of the sum of Two Lacs of Rupees for the Service of Government, for Bills on the Governor General in Council, but he demands one p Cent advance upon the present average Rates of Exchange with Calcutta. I request to know the Board's pleasure if the Shroff shall attend their orders.

I am, Sir, with Respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp Porriapollium
21st July 1790.

(Signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Colonel Commanding
the Bengal Detachment

Estimate

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21st

I shall avail myself; but as he reports it is many years since he travelled this road, & is uncertain of the distance, I cannot undertake the whole March for to morrow, & it is therefore my Intention to Encamp half way, so as to arrive at Poonamallee the day after to morrow.

I am informed by Colonel Kelly, that the Detachment of the 76th Regiment, now quartered at Poonamallee, is ordered to join my Detachment, & to proceed with me to Wallaujaubad. I have to report to the Honble Board, that I shall wish to make one day of halt at Poonamallee to refresh the Troops & Cattle, for they will be in want of it, after seven successive days of march; which altho' not Extraordinary in point of distance, have been rendered very fatiguing from the state of the Weather, & the badness of the Roads.

Whatever public & private Convenience a longer halt in the vicinity of the Presidency promises to the Detachment in general, I cannot propose it as my request under the present Circumstances: The Honble Board alone can judge of this; & I request to be honored with their Commands, that, if it be Expedient, I may prosecute my route without delay to Wallaujaubad.

The amildar of this District has waited

upon

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21st the South side of the Village of Coomrapoondy, after a fatiguing march of near 13 Miles; the Roads naturally heavy & confined, rendered much worse from a Continued fall of Rain the whole night, which ceased not 'till 9 o'Clock this morning. - At this Stage no preparation whatever has been made of Provisions, Forage, or Firewood; & am obliged to have recourse to the Depôt which I had Collected on the public account, from Surplus of Grain provided in the Districts of the Vencatygheri Rajah, whose assiduous Endeavors I shall more fully make report of to your Honble Board hereafter.

I have used my Endeavor to gain Intelligence of the situation of Poonah pauccum, the Stage laid down in the route which the Secretary transmitted to me for my guidance, but I am sorry to say without the success I could wish: The Country People cannot give me the least Information. My own Guides, whom I am accustomed to send in the front of March, acquaint me that some Provisions & Straw are Collected at Perriapollum, Estimated at 4 Cos from this Encampment, & situated on a small Stream of Water, supposed to be a Branch of the Cortillaire River; & they further Report that, at the distance of 2 Cos, on the North Banks of the Cortillaire, is a small Village of the name of Poonah pauccum, but no travelled Road to it, lying through cultivated or ploughed fields. Possibly this may be the place described

in

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21st subsisting between me & the King of Great Britain, the Company & the English nation; all which are instances of the excellent qualities which your Lordship possesses. And I am also thankful to your Lordship that, taking no notice of the Exertions & Representations of my Enemies, you have become my support.

I enclose Copy of a Letter that I have lately addressed to this Government, in which I have mentioned that they did not give me any Information relative to this War with Tippoo — By this I mean the Administration which preceded that of General Medows.

I have to all intents and purposes placed myself, my Family & Government under the protection of the Almighty, & in your Lordship's powerful & friendly support.

May constant happiness be the fortune of your Lordship & of your Family!

What can I say more?

A true Copy of the Translation

(signed) E Hay
Secy to Govt

To

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Fort St. George 20th July 1790.

Captain Edward Tibbings to do duty with the 3d. Battalion of European Infantry.

Lieutenant J. Dalrymple with the 2d. Battalion of Native Infantry.

Ensigns Benn, Blair, Ballard, Redman, Caldwell, Tickborne, Dalrymple, & Harris, to do duty with the 3rd. Battalion of European Infantry.

Ensign MacDowall of the 3d. Battalion European Infantry, removed to the 2d. Battalion Native Infantry.

M. Bettson, Conductor of Stores, to do duty with the East Artillery at Wallaujanbad.

By Command of Sir Charles Oakeley

John Turing
Lt. & Secy.

Fort St. George 20th. July 1790.

The Board approve the nomination of Mr. William Gordon, to the appointment of Surgeon to the Town Goals, & agree that he be permitted to draw the same allowance as Mr. Raine did Viz.t Sixty Pagodas a month; & that the Pension of 50 Pagodas a month do cease.

Minutes thereon

Agreed that Mr. Kincaid Surgeon be appointed to attend Sick & Wounded Officers in the Black Town; but without any Extra Expence to the Company.

The other Recommendations of the Hospital Board are Approved.

Read the undermentioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 127. 128. 129.

From Mr. Stephen Popham

From Mr. Stephen Popham — Stating, that the Report of the Enemy's Horse having entered the Carnatic, has alarmed the Inhabitants at his Farm; & requesting that the Board will allow him a few Sepoys & a Gun.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Mr. Popham that his request cannot be complied with.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — Requesting to know if it is the Intention of the Board to purchase the Grain offered for Sale to the Company by the Paymaster at Madura; & stating that he cannot give an accurate Report of the Price, as Mr. Vaughan has not particularized what Proportion the Measure bears to a Garce, or the Gold Fanam to a Pagoda.

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From

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Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board 16th July 1790.

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Chamier, requiring the Hospital Board to inform Government whether the Appointment of Surgeon to the Town Jails is absolutely necessary; & if so, to recommend a proper Person to succeed Mr. Raine in that Station.

The Hospital Board are of opinion that the Appointment should be continued; & recommend Mr. Gordon, in consideration of his length of Service; & tho' they cannot bring him forward in the progressive Line, to entitle him to any other than a fixed Rank — yet being ever found attentive to his duty, as far as his abilities were equal, & being in the vicinity of receiving aid from professional Men on difficult occasions — they hope these Circumstances will be a sufficient plea for their Recommending him to the Care of the Jails.

As it is probable a number of

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I have to report to the Honble Board that the Bengal Detachment marched from Vellore the 10th Instant, & expect to Encamp at Coomrapoonty on the 19th of the Month.

An occurrence which happened at Ongole, of an outrageous Violence & Robbery the night of march from thence, has compelled me to confine six European Soldiers of the Party from Vellore, against whom the strongest presumption of Guilt appears; & I am bringing them Prisoners & in fetters to Madras. Captain Dunwoody's Report to me, gave me reason to suppose that a life had been lost in the Violence perpetrated, but the unfortunate Man was not dead on the 5th. I have recommended the Evidences to be sent to Fort St. George.

I have addressed Colonel Kelly respecting the place of Encampment for this Detachment, & have suggested it to be at St. Thomas's Mount, or at Poonamallee, rather than at Wallaujaubad, if the circumstances of the Public Service admit of it.

I am, Sir, with respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Jn.o Cockerell
Lieut. Colonel Commanding
the Bengal Detachment

Camp near Gundoor
12th July 1790.

To

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Fort St. George 20th July 1790.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Chief & Council be informed, that the Board place the fullest Confidence in the measures recommended by Mr. Crawford, for restoring the peace of the District which are consequently approved.

The Board approve the temporary Repairs, which have been ordered to the public Buildings at Ashta — which, for the present, are deemed sufficient.

Read the following Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary &c. &c.

Sir

From Lieut. Colonel Cockerell — Signifying his application to take up some additional Bullocks — Manner from whence he has confined such Bullocks on suspicion of having committed a Robbery at Ongole — proposes encamping at the Mountain Provinallies.

I had the honor to receive the orders of the Board this Morning, dated from your office the 5th. Instant.

I will use the permission for receiving into the Bengal Artillery such men of the Ellore Party as may be desirous to renew for this Service, & I shall do myself the honor to transmit a List of their names to you, as soon as I have prepared it, & the men shall have been Examined by a Committee of Surgeons, that they are fit & proper to renew Contract.

I am sorry the Endeavors I have used to induce the Bengal agent for Bullocks to provide a number of Draft-

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The Pretapagherry Rajah has stated to our Chief, that it is four months since he made complaint that his Brother Munnedoo had burnt or plundered twenty two of his Villages; that from Government having taken no cognizance of the Offence, Munnedoo has been encouraged to renew his Hostilities; & himself, who 'till now has patiently waited your Decision, has been compelled to make reprize by similar Incursions upon Vizianagur, which he justifies by the necessity of self defence.

Our Chief has given it as his opinion, that these Instances of Munnedoo's misconduct, added to his disobedience to the orders of Government, & to his failure of Engagement with his Surety tending to endanger the Revenue Collection, would deservedly incur severe punishment, but that the Crisis of affairs to the Southward, & the weakness of our Military Force in this District, are inducements with him to present conciliatory measures; whence he has proposed to send a respectable Peishcar, with a sufficient Escort of Sepoys, to an Eligible Station between the Vizianagur & Pretapagherry Districts, to prevent further hostilities between them, and to admonish the Brothers to a more peaceable demeanor, & to a more becoming dependence upon your Justice — Suggestions which we have adopted to practice.

Upon representation of it's immediate Expediency to preserve them from total ruin, we have

taken

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9th That the Commanders of his Highness's Troops may be peremptorily ordered to use his Endeavors in allaying & adjusting any disputes and altercations that may arise between the Troops of the two Governments.

Ans. Injunctions have been given to Mohaubet Eung, Hyaut ullah Khan Bahauder, & Roy anoop Ram.

The Copy signed by me on the part of Major Montgomery deposited with the Nizam, on the original being returned.

(signed) J. Kennaway

A true translation
(signed) B Edmunstone
Agt.

A Copy of the foregoing has been already transmitted to General Meadows.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam, with three Enclosures Entered in M B Nos 124. 125. 126.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
President & Council
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir & Sirs

We have the honor to acquaint you that since our last detail of operations in the Field, three several Detachments have been made from Barramapore, to the Hills

From Ganjam - Stating the depredations committed by Insurgents & Measures - Expeditionary & preliminary measures for the restoration of Tranquility - Enclosing three

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Translate of a Papers of Requests from Major Montgomery to the Nizam, as it has been signed by his Highness.

The Nizam's answers.

1st That I may be informed of & consulted upon the Plan of Operations & every circumstance relating thereto, & that I may be made acquainted with what is expected from the Detachment.

Ans. Conformably to his Highness's Engagement, a Body of Troops under the command of Dauraw Jah Ameer ul omrah Bahauder & Mohaubet Jung & has been ordered into the Doaub, & in future Mohaubet Jung will inform the Major at all times of the Plan of Operations agreeable to order.

2nd That I may be informed of the number & quality of the troops with which the Detachment is to act.

Ans. For the present, 16,000 horse & foot have been detached.

3rd That I may have permission to inspect the Artillery & Stores belonging to those Troops; & that their Commander may be instructed to inform me from whence Supplies of Stores can be drawn in case of necessity.

Ans. The officers of the Detachment have been ordered to allow of the Major's inspecting the artillery & Stores; & the necessary supplies will henceforward be drawn from Rangoor.

4th That an order be issued to the Sellidars to allow me, whenever I think necessary to send Stores

Ans. The County on the other side of the Kistna has been made over to Mohaubet Jung,

or

to

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I have already informed you that the Bazar of the Detachment is left to your own Management, & that the Customs have been given up. The ease & security which the Troops will derive from it, will I trust be answerable to your Expectations, & to the difficulty I have had to accomplish the point.

Before I conclude, it may be necessary to inform you, that the uniform tenor of the Governor General's Instructions to me from the time of my leaving Calcutta to the present time has been to conduct myself in all my transactions with the Nizam & his Officers in the mildest & most conciliatory manner: Injunctions which Experience has taught me the full value of, since I have found that points are more likely to be carried by firmness cloathed in that dress, than in it's more abrupt & naked form, which is apt to excite their suspicions, when opposition will immediately follow. The high hand with which the French conducted themselves during the prevalence of their power in this Country, instilled a jealousy of all Europeans into the breasts of the Natives, which has not yet subsided: The present introduction of English Troops, a measure violently opposed by a powerful party at this Durbar, has helped to revive that jealousy; a consideration which I have no doubt will continue to obtain your constant & serious attention, in respect to the Conduct of the Troops under your Command.

By

"making only one Exception that it is not to be Employed
"against any Power in alliance with the Company viz.t
"Pundit Perdhaun, Madajee Scindia & other Mahratta Chiefs
"Ragojee Bhoosla, the Nawaub of Arcot, & Nawaub Vizier,
& "Rajahs of Tanjore & Travancore — That the Battalions,
"at present not defined in number, shall not consist of less
"than 800 Men each — That the 6 field pieces shall be
"manned with the number of Europeans which is usual
"in time of War; that the Expence to be charged to your
"Highness shall 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 this Expence
"shall be as per seperate account — that this Detachment
"shall march within two months, or sooner if possible, after
"it is demanded, and your Highness shall be charged
"with the Expence of it from the day it enters your
"Highness's 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, in order to
"defray the Charges the Company must necessarily incur
"to put such a force in a state of Service."

In reply to the query proposed in the 5th. article of the Memorandums of — "how far your dissenting
"from any operations will have Effect" — I have to observe that the Nizam in reply to the 1st. article of the Paper of requests, having signified that all Plans would be

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he is bound to pay, for the Detachment, every charge included, which I shall encrease to 10,000; and would recommend to you the most exact economy in the Expenditure of it, as well as in that of your future supplies, both from the nature of the Situation you may be in, & the backwardness of the People of this Country in respect to the payment of Troops. — In ringing your request for another advance from Roy Anoop Ram when sufficient time has elapsed, you will not forget to state that the Money received by me was for the Months pay agreed to be advanced for the fitting out the Detachment, so that the Pay you will have to demand must be calculated from the day you entered the Carnatic Territories at the rate of 9851. 3/. 72 Star Pag. p. 6 p Month. — You will be pleased to inform me from time to time of the manner in which those payments are made, and you may depend on my utmost Endeavors being used to make up by Supplies from hence for any delay which may occur in them.

Such of the points stated in your paper of memorandums as depended on his Highness having been replied to by him, I have agreeable to the promise made you in my Letter of the 25th. ult.o, to explain such as depend on me

So

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upon the offer of the Dutch Government to afford
assistance to the Rajah of Travancore in the War
against Tippoo Sultaun.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures
from Captain Kennaway.

To John Chamier Esqre
Secretary to the Honorable the
Governor in Council &c &c Fort St. George

Sir

From Captain Kennaway -
Enclosing Copy of his
Letter of the 3d Instant
to Major Montgomery &
of the Papers which
accompanied it.

I have the honor to forward to you a Copy
of a Letter which I wrote yesterday to Major Montgomery,
with the Enclosures that accompanied it; which, after
having been communicated to the Hon'ble Board, I
request may be transmitted to General Meadows.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) John Kennaway

Nizam's Camp at Pangul
3rd July 1790.

Major Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir

I have the honor to enclose a Translate of a
Perwannah I have received from the Nizam in respect
to

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of which that Prince is possessed, has rendered it necessary for us to take our measures with great Circumspection, in order to give us a reasonable prospect of being able to force him to make an adequate atonement for his Infraction of the Treaty; and some Circumstances occurred, which occasioned a greater delay than We expected in completing our preparations.

We have however at last had it in our power to send very considerable Armies into the Field; & having also entered into a Confederacy with Nizam ali Khawn, & the Peishwa's Government, by which these Powers are engaged to attack Tippoo's Northern Dominions, We trust that We shall soon be able to bring the War to an honorable termination.

It is also in the mean time a great Satisfaction to us to have reason to hope that the operations of our principal Army under the Commands of General Medows in the Country of Coimbetour will effectually occupy Tippoo, & prevent him from disturbing you or any of our Allies in Your Neighbourhood on the Coast of Malabar; & should our Arms prove successful, we may have no occasion to be burthensome to you for the friendly aid that you have offered.

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Fort St. George 20th July 1790.

By the 9th Article We do not ask for any new advantages, but only a reassurance of that to which the King of Travancore is already bound in consequence of the aforesaid Treaty.

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My Lord &c. &c.

/ signed / J.G. Van Angelbeck with 5 others

Cochin 18th May 1790.

A true Copy of the Translation

/ signed / E. Hay Secry

To the Honble J.G. Van Angelbeck Esq

Governor - &c. Council at Cochin

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5th The Detachment to be commanded by a Dutch Field officer, — however, whatever relates to the operation of the War, the arrangement thereof belongs to the English General, or Commanding officer; also, in case of being Detached, or on any other Emergency, Justice & Impartiality to be observed.

6th The Sick and Wounded to be admitted & cured in the English Hospital.

7th The Detachment to share equal with the other Troops in Plunder or Prize money — The Malays & one half of Europeans.

8th On concluding a Peace, the Dutch East India Company as well as their Ally the King of Cochim, also the King of Travancore to be Included, and care taken for their Indemnification.

9th The King promises in future to furnish regularly the 3,000 Candies of Pepper to the Dutch Company, which by the last Treaty of 15th August 1753, he is bound to give annually.

10th The English Company to guarantee this alliance.

To explain the aforegoing articles more clearly the following is added.

The Regiment mentioned in article No. 1, to consist of 3 Companies of Europeans each of 100 Men, &

of

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Minute thereon

Ordered, that a Copy of the Treaty be sent to his Highness the Nabob.

Ordered, that a notification of the Receipt of the Treaty be made to the Commander in Chief.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from the Secretary at Bengal.

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir

From the Secretary at Bengal - Enclosing Copy of a letter from the Government at Cochin & the Reply thereto -

I am directed by Government to transmit to you the Enclosed Copy of a letter, dated the 8th. inst. which has been received from the Governor & Council at Cochin, also a Copy of the answer to it; that you may be pleased to lay the same before the Governor in Council at Fort St. George for his Information.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant

Fort William
25th. June 1790.

signed C. Hay
Secy to Govt.

To Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G. &c. &c. &c.
Governor General &c. &c. Supreme Council of Bengal.

My Lord & Gentlemen

The Governor & Council of Ceylon have sent to us the letter which your Lordship &c. have wrote

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Bellarree ——— Cannoor
Roydroog ——— The District of abul Kakeem Khan
the Chief of Shahnoor

Article 8th

To preserve as far as possible consistency & Concert in the Conduct of this Important undertaking, a Vackeel from each party shall be permitted to reside in the Army of the others for the purpose of communicating to each other their respective views and Circumstances; & the representations of the Contracting Parties to each other shall be duly attended to, consistent with Circumstances & the stipulations of this Treaty.

Article 9th

After this Treaty is signed and Sealed, it will become Incumbent on the Parties not to swerve from its Consitions at the verbal or written instance of any Person or Persons whatever or on any other pretence, & in the Event of a Peace being judged Expedient, it shall be made by mutual Consent, no party introducing unreasonable Objections; nor shall either of the Parties enter into any seperate negotiations with Tippoo, but on the receipt of any advance or Message from him by either party, it shall be Communicated to the others.

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their being demanded by the shortest and safest Route with all Expedition to the place of their Destination to act with the Company's Forces; but should any Service occur practicable only by Cavalry, they shall Execute it — nor Cavil on the clause of — "To act with the Company's Forces" — The Pay of the said Cavalry to be defrayed monthly by the Honble Company at the rate, & on the Conditions hereafter to be settled.

Article 5th.

If in the prosecution of the War by the three Allies, the Enemy should gain a superiority over either the others shall to the utmost of their power exert themselves to relieve the said Party and distress the Enemy.

Article 6th

The three Contracting Parties having agreed to enter into the present War, should their arms be Crowned with Success in the prosecution of it, an equal division shall be made of the acquisition of Territory, Forts, & whatever each Circar or Government may become possessed of from the time of each Party commencing Hostilities, but should the Honble Company's Forces make any acquisitions of Territory from the Enemy previous to the Commencement of Hostilities by the other Parties, those parties shall not be Entitled to any share thereof. In the General partition of

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of the said Honble Company with the said Nabob Assof Jah by virtue of the Powers delegated to him by the Right Honorable Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G. Governor General in Council, appointed by the Honble the Court of Directors of the said Honble Company to direct & controul all their Affairs in the East Indies.

Article 1st

The friendship subsisting between the three States agreeable to former Treaties, shall be encreased by this & between the Honble Company & his Highness the Nizam; the three former Treaties concluded with the late Nillabut Jung thro' Colonel Forde in the year 1759, with the Nizam thro' General Caillaud in the year 1766, and the Treaty of 1768 with the Mahrat Government, together with Lord Cornwallis's Letter of 7th July 1789 which is equivalent to a fourth Treaty, remain in full force, except such Articles of them as may by the present Treaty be otherwise agreed to; & Perpetual Friendship shall subsist between both parties & their Heirs & Successors agreeably thereto.

Article 2nd

Tippoo Sultaun having engagements with the three Contracting Powers, has notwithstanding acted with Infidelity to them all; for which reason they have united in a League, that to the utmost of their power they may punish him

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this is not to be considered as a permanent Establishment, but that the promotion of all the Officers of Infantry who are commissioned prior to the above date being effected, the fixed Establishment shall consist thereafter of no more than Six Lieutenants to each Native Battalion, including the Adjutant, if he Enjoys that Rank, & that no further promotion of Lieutenants is to take place, until the Establishment is reduced to that Complement

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

Fort William
30th June 1790.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Sentiments of the General be requested upon the subject of the foregoing Letter; and that, if he approve the carrying into Execution at this time the Arrangements permitted, he be desired to direct the Adjutant General to prepare & transmit to the Board such a Draft of a Government Order as shall be Conformable to the Instructions from Bengal.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from Captain Kennaway.

To

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Minute thereon

The Board have the most perfect Confidence in the Commander in Chief — and are assured that whatever arrangements he may make in the Enemy's Country will obtain their full approbation.

Agreed that Copy of the General's Letter be sent to Bengal.

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

To the Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From Bengal Recommending some new Arrangements in consequence of the Application lately made by the Ensigns of Infantry on the Establishment

We have been honored with your Letter of the 10th Ultimo, acquainting us with an application from the Ensigns of Infantry on your Establishment, which set forth, that the Sepoy Battalions of the Bengal & Bombay Armies have no Commissioned Officers under the Rank of Lieutenant, & applying for our Sentiments on the propriety of adopting the same System at Madras

We must inform you, in answer, that at the time the orders of the Honble Court of Directors for the new Establishment of the Armies under the different Presidencies were received, the Establishment of Bengal had so many supernumeraries in the Rank of Lieutenant that it was thought most Eligible to compleat the Sepoy Battalions

from

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From the Commandant at Ongole

From the Commandant of Ongole — advising of his having placed a sufficient Guard in that neighbourhood for the protection of the Tappal Cons.

From the Town Major

From the Town Major — Enclosing an application from Lieutent. Blacker of the Invalids to be placed on the Effective List

Minute thereon

Ordered that Lieutenant Blacker's application be transmitted to Lieutenant Colonel Malcolm for the opinion of the Commander in Chief.

At a Consultation, Present

Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President.

Tuesday 20th. July 1790.

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqrs.

The Honorable Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.

Read the following Letter from Major General Medows.

To

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To the Resident at Travancore. — To the Resident at Travancore — with a Letter for Lieutenant Colonel Hartley received from Bengal.

To the Commandant at Madura — To the Commandant at Madura — Directing him to issue Grain to the Troops in cases of Exigency — The Sweepers &c., applied for by the Officers of the 22nd. Battalion, to be allowed in proportion to the number of Quarters in the Garrison.

To the Paymaster at Madura — To the Paymaster at Madura — with Copy of the last Paragraph of the above Letter, respecting Sweepers &c.

18th. Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in M.B. Nos. 114. 115.

From Colonel Kelly — From Colonel Kelly — Enclosing a letter from Captain Shawe, recommending an advance of money to be made to the Officers Commanding the different Detachments of Recruits Garrisoned at Poonamallee, — to subsist them to the 21st. August.

To Lieut. Colonel Cockerell — To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — Expects to Encamp at Goomrapoonoy on the 19th. July.

19th. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters — as Entered in M.B. Nos. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120.

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17th Army -- We shall also, in that case, repeat the publication at the Presidency.

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

Fort St. George
17th July 1790.

(Signed) Morgan Williams
Sr. Council

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in M.B. Nos. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113.

To the Board of Revenue — To the Board of Revenue — Lieutenant Norris will furnish any Plans of the Sayhire they may require.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions -- Approving his Proposition of putting a stop to any further removal of Grain from Tanjore to Pitchinopoly — Permitting him to draw the same Allowance for Office Rent as the Civil Paymaster General viz. Ten Pagodas p month.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — So Ditto — directing him to furnish the necessary Provisions for the Troops ordered to Encamp.

To the Board of Revenue. — To the Board of Revenue — Informing them that Colonel Kelly has been directed to take the necessary measures for transporting Grain to places of safety in the Sayhire, as

soon

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17th Having informed Him the other day that an Answer to the Paper delivered to him shall be sent on Saturday; but since been favored from the Governor with another Letter upon some other matters, in consequence of which begs to inform the Governor that it will take up till Wednesday before a reply can be sent to both Letters.

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Sent the following Letters

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

Fort William

My Lord

To the Governor General in Council advising of the arrival of the Snow Marlbro' at Masulipatam with Sepoys & Military Stores intended for Bengal — & of the Intention of detaining a part of them.

We have the honor to inform your Lordship that the Company's Snow Marlbro' from the West Coast arrived at Masulipatam a few days ago, and landed there some Sepoys & some Ordnance Stores destined for Bengal.

As most of the Stores are much wanted here, We have taken the Liberty to order their being detained excepting the following,

2 Carriages Howitzers	8
1 Howitzer Brass	8
1 Mortar Iron	8
1 Screw Elevating	8

These Stores last mentioned will, with the

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To John Chamier Esq

Secretary &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From Lieut. Colonel Cockerell Reports his intended Route from Nanpett to Wallaujahbad.

I had the honor to receive your Letter of the 10th, yesterday at noon, forwarded to me by Lieutenant Boisdaume Commanding at Nellore, Enclosing a Paper of Intelligence from Captain Read at Ambore of the 8th. My Letter of the 12th Instant will inform the Honble Board that the Bengal Detachment was pursuing it's route towards Wallaujahbad, in conformity to the specific march-route sent to me.

I am to report that the Troops Encamped at Nanpett this morning: To morrow I halt, there being no convenient Stage intermediate from hence to the Cortilaire River, I understand, for this purpose.

The Stages I propose to march from hence, are as follows — On the 16th. to Akarampauk — the 17th. to Akamapettka Chittee — the 18th. to Arambauk — the 19th. to Goomrapoondy — the 20th. to the South banks of the Cortillaire River — the 21st. to Poonapaucum — & the 22nd. to Poommalla. — These Stages I am hopeful to be able to perform; & to make the Report, to assist the ready transmission of such Orders as the Board may have occasion to honor me with, for my further Guidance.

It is necessary to notify in this place, that

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17th Service than that of the Field, they are only to be paid the following Batta – Syrangs, two fanams – Tindals, one fanam and forty Cash – Lascars, one fanam.

3rd When Lascars are under the Command of a Tindal, he is to be allowed an Extra pay of half a Pagoda pr month.

4th The amount of Stoppages for the Lascars of every Garrison, or in the Field, is to be inserted at the foot of the Rolls for every Month, and remitted to the Clerk of the Committee of Works at Fort St. George, who will always order the Cloathing to be made, & sent to each Garrison by the 1st of January every year.

5th Lascars are on no account to be made use of as Peons, Servants, or Coolies, or employed by the Officers or others under whose orders they are placed, on any business, or in any manner which can interfere with the public service.

6th The fixed number of Lascars allowed to each Garrison are to be Charged distinctly by themselves, and their labour directed by the Committee of Works there – for whose Information one of the Paymaster's Conicoplies is to keep a Lascar Book, to be shewn daily to all the Members as a guide to them in regulating their Indents for removing them from one work to another. – They are to be careful that those required are not kept longer than is necessary to perform the duty for which they have been demanded – all others Employed or

entertained

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pg.th Trenches shall think proper — The Indent for the Liquor must be signed by the Engineer on Duty, who must direct at what time and in what quantities it shall be issued.

Pioneers, or occasional Lascars are to be paid nothing Extraordinary for working during the day, unless the Commanding Officer or Chief Engineer certifies they deserve it by particular hard or dangerous Duty.

The working Parties being provided with proper Entrenching Tools, should any of them be lost or broken through carelessness, the Person who had them in Charge will be held responsible at the following rates, to be stopped out of his working Money

Stoppages for Entrenching Tools.

	P.	C		P.	C
Shovel	10.	40.	Helves for axes	3.	—
Sap Hook	12.	40.	Rattan Baskets	1.	65.
Hand Hatchet	8.	—	Spade	18.	40.
Hand Bill	9.	—	Felling axe	16.	—
Pick axe	20.	20.	Iron Crow	22.	40.
Mamooty	7.	16.	Broad axe	18.	—
Handle for Ditto	60.		Pick Iron	13.	40.

The above mentioned Stoppages to be made by the Paymaster, who is to carry the amount to the Company's Credit.

A true Copy

Signed Dan.l Price
acting Secretary

Lascar

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17th " beg leave to recommend that this opportunity may be taken for repairing the same as soon as possible.

The General orders of march having directed that all Commanding Officers should lay in a supply of Rice, Ghee, Salt, Firewood, & arrack, which were deemed the most indispensible articles, we are concerned to find a necessity to provide Ambour with any other at this Juncture; as, however, it is a frontier Garrison, if the Buzar of that place, of which no Return has been received by us, does not afford a sufficient quantity of Ragsall, for the use of the Troops, we are of opinion that a proper quantity there of may be purchased, but that the Storekeeper at that Garrison should be directed to keep an account of the Sums, so to regulate the retail Price, as to secure the Company from loss.

We have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient & faithful servants
(signed) J. Cuppage
Geo. Hall

Fort St. George
16th July 1790.

P S In answer to the application of the Officers of the 22nd Battalion, for the Customary accommodation of Sweepers &c., We beg leave to request they may be allowed in proportion to the number of Quarters in Madura.

Regulations

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Fort St. George July 1790.

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We have the honor to be
Sir
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J. Casper
(signed) Geo. Hall

Fort St. George
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been avoided, has the necessary punctuality been observed in the transmission thereof at its date 1st March 1790 which could have afforded sufficient time for the Articles being regularly sent from this Presidency.

With Establishments of artificers for the Garrison, & for the 22nd Battalion, We are at a loss to account for the neglect of the Repairable Arms at Madura. — We have in consequence called upon the Storekeeper for an Explanation, of which We shall duly advise you, & of our own sentiments on the subject.

We have the honor to lay before you Copy of a List of Military Stores received in last month; & the several Articles being found, on Examination, to be equal to muster, they have accordingly been received on the Company's Books.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient & faithful Servants

J. Capper
signed/ Patrick Ross
Geo. Hall

Fort St. George
15th July 1790.

To

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Diary

17th Received the following Letters

To Morgan Williams Esqr.
Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board — The Commandant at Vellore applies for a nine Pounder & some small Stores. — 450 Barrels of Madras Gunpowder received into Store — Repairing Tumbrils Indented for from Trichinopoly — Reporting on a Letter from Masulipatam respecting Stores from Fort Moulbro'. & repairs wanting to Stores at their Factory — & the Letter from the Commandant at Vellore about repairable Arms — List of Military Stores received last Month.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letters of the 2nd 5th 6th 12th & 13th Instant.

The Commanding Officer at Permacoil has Indented to us for a nine pounder Gun with small Stores, for the purpose of keeping an Enemy clear of the Pallah. We do not conceive that any good use could be made with a single Gun, but being unacquainted with your Intentions respecting that Garrison, We beg leave to request your orders on the subject.

The officer Commanding the Artillery has laid before us a Report Proof of 450 Barrels of Gun Powder, manufactured at Madras; which appearing considerably above proof, they have been received on the Company's Books.

We have likewise received an Indent for Stores for the use of Trichinopoly & the Troops South of the Coleroon, in which are included 48 Tumbrils — Altho' this number appeard necessary to complete the Statement kept up in

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immediately, he would endeavor to deliver it in several Payments. Late last night five thousand /5000/ Pagodas were sent to the Office, which was borrowed for that purpose. The Paymaster's Indent is for 8,000 Pagodas; but I hope this will be sufficient to satisfy Women of the Sepoys in Camp, & the more urgent demands of the Garrison.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
/signed/ Geo.a Ram
Resident

Tanjour
12th July 1790.

P.S. Mr. Falconfield has sent me the letter from the Rajah to the President, dated 8th Ultimo, and the answer from the acting President dated 26th Ultimo.
/signed/ Geo.a Ram
Resident

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

Read letter from W. Cockburn /as entered in P.B. No. 101./ Stating that the late Regulations for Quarters having deprived him of his Office, he hopes the Board will allow him to draw the same Office Rent as the Military Paymaster General — Viz.t Fifty Pagodas p.r month.
Agreed

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At Colonel Capper has authority to call upon the different Offices for the Explanations he may deem necessary in his Audit of Mr. Cochrane's Accounts — and as the Vouchers missing are expected to be produced — the Board cannot dispense with a regular Audit.

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

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions Proposing that a Stop be put to the removal of Grain from Tanjore to Tritchinopoly.

It being resolved to stop for the present the beating out Rice at Tanjore & Tritchinopoly, and as the Expence of removing Paddy from the former to the latter Garrison must be great, and in some measure rendered unnecessary by the power given to the Storekeeper at Tritchinopoly to purchase Paddy, I beg leave to propose that, a stop be put to the further removal of Grain from Tanjore to Tritchinopoly.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Tho. Cockburn
Commissary Genl of Grain & Provisions

Madras - 15th. July 1790.

Minute thereon

The Board approve the proposition of putting a Stop to the further Removal of Grain from Tanjore.

Read

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Minute thereon

Orders having been issued for assembling an army in the Field, it is trusted that all places in the Center Division will be protected.

Agreed that Colonel Kelly be desired to take such measures as may be requisite, either for transporting the Grain to Wallaujanbad, or to places of safety in the Jaghire, as soon as the Bullocks under Convoy of the Bengal Detachment shall arrive.

Agreed to inform the Board of Revenue, that the measure proposed by Mr. Clerk of raising Bonds is unnecessary.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kepper.

To the Honble. Morgan Williams Esq
President in Council

Honorable Sir,

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts — Respecting the Premiums charged for money advanced for Paymaster's Disbursements — Reporting that Certificates from the Paymaster General and Deputy Paymaster General for the sums advanced to Mr. Cockrane & Disbursements, may serve instead of an debit of his Accounts.

In the Accounts of the Paymasters of the Southern Garrisons, I perceive a Charge is made, & has been for some time past, of 1½ ℔ Cent premium at Tritchinopoly, & 3 ℔ Cent at Palamcotah, for supplying Money for the Paymaster's Disbursements. The manner in which these Garrisons are at present supplied with Money is unknown to me, and therefore it is impossible for me to judge whether this Charge is admissible.

I do not find it has been regularly authorized by Government; therefore, I must beg leave to know whether it is your pleasure that it is to be continued in future, and

Likewise

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on this important service, which we have reason to think may, by proper Exertion, be effected in a very short time.

We have received a Letter from the Collector of the Tripassore District, requesting our Sanction for raising two hundred Peons, in addition to those already allowed him, for the Protection of the Inhabitants and Grain in the several Purgunnahs under his Charge.

We have the honor to lay before you a Copy of Mr. Clerk's Letter, & request to be favored with your orders thereon.

We have the honor to be
Honorable Sir
Your most obedient humble Servants
John Turing
(signed) Mathew Tudor
Geo. Moubray

Fort St. George
16th. July 1790.

John Turing Esqr
President &c. Members of the Revenue Board

Gentlemen.

I am sorry to inform you that the Inhabitants of the Districts of Cavantandelum Saut Magana and Tripassore have deserted several of their Villages, & fled to the Jungles & to the Forts of Poonamallee & Chingleput for security. I have called upon the Polygars for assistance,

and

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At a Consultation, Present

Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqrs.

Friday,
16th. July 1790.

The Honorable Major General William Medows Absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From the Board of Revenue Recommending the Collecting of the Grain now laying in the open Fields, & storing it in places of Security Enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. Clerk, requesting permission to raise Two hundred Boys for the protection of the Country under his Charge.

Soon after the first rumour of an approaching War in the Carnatic, we submitted to the late Government the Expediency of appropriating the Grain produced in the Jaghire Lands to the Formation of a Store at the Presidency as well as in the different Forts in the Jaghire, which recommendation Government thought proper in part to adopt; though far short of what this Board conceived was requisite for the Security of the Revenue.

These orders of Government we immediately Communicated

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Acting President

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqrs.

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These orders of Government we immediately Communicated

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15th The latest accounts from the army mention, that General Medows reached Daraporam the 5th Instant, without opposition.

We have the honor to be
My Lord,
Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort St. George
15th July 1790.

(Signed) { Morgan Williams
Jet. Council

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

Hon'ble Sir,

To Major General Medows
Enclosing an Extract of this day's proceedings respecting the assembling of the Troops
Communicating Intelligence from Captain Read, respecting Tippoo's Intention of cutting off his Supplies.

We have the honor to Enclose for your particular information an Extract of our proceedings in Council this day, by which you will perceive that We have been compelled to order Colonel Kelly into the Field, & to assemble the Troops in the Center Division.

We are in most anxious Expectation to hear of your progress in the Mysore Country, and indulge the most confident hopes that the Campaign will be prosperous.

The Intelligence last received from Captain Read, mentions that Cummeer ul dien Kawn is appointed to the Command of a considerable Division of Tippoo's Army, which is to be kept in the rear of

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on the part of your Highness to adhere to the declarations already made in answer to the Board's Solicitations to your Highness to surrender the management of your Country to the Company during the War.

I am now therefore, agreeably to the Instructions this Government have received, to make another Proposition to your Highness, to which it is hoped your Highness will give your Concurrence. It is, as follows—

That, instead of your Highness is receiving one fifth Part of the Net realized Revenue to which you are entitled by the Treaty, during the Continuance of War, your Highness shall retain in your own hands a part of the Country estimated at one fifth of the amount of the gross Revenues of the Carnatick, & that, on this arrangement's being agreed to, your Highness will be pleased to make a voluntary Surrender of the remaining four fifths to the management of the Honble Company during the Continuance of the War, & until the present Arrears be discharged.

I trust this proposition will be honored with your Highness's Approbation & Concurrence, & that I shall without loss of time be favored with your answer.

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

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Ex. C. Byrne

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&c. &c. &c. Sd/ Morgan Williams

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Ed. B. Byrne

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Colonel Kelly again Called in to Council.

Agreed that Colonel Kelly be requested again to attend the Board.

Colonel Kelly attending, the acting President Communicates to him the foregoing Resolutions, & informs him, that the very heavy Expence which will be incurred renders it necessary that every attention should be paid to Oeconomy; & expresses the hopes of the Board that he will keep this Circumstance constantly in view, & be very cautious that his Recommendations be liable to the least possible Expence.

Instructions given to Colonel Kelly

The acting President also acquaints Colonel Kelly with the desire of the Board that, in the arrangements of Detail which he may Establish, proper attention be paid to the Security of Poonamallee, Tripassore, Conjeveram, & Carangoly, where there are considerable Depôts of Grain.

Colonel Kelly withdraws

Colonel Kelly expresses himself perfectly satisfied with the propriety of what has been said to him, & having promised to pay all due attention to it, withdraws.

G.O. for assembling the Troops to be prepared.

Resolved that the necessary General Order for assembling the Troops be prepared.

The Proceedings of the day to be sent to Bengal, & to the Commander in Chief.

Resolved also, that Copy of this days proceedings be transmitted to the Bengal Government & to General Medows, & that Letters be drafted to accompany them.

The acting President informs the Board that he has not received any Letter from His Highness the Nabob, in

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Sepoys now at Wallaujanbad; who will have orders to move about in various directions — always taking care, however, to keep Arnee in view as the post to fall back on, should the approach of a superior Force render that measure necessary — The army however ought certainly to be in the Field before these smaller detachments are made; otherwise there would be risk in making them; and it is what I would by no means advise.

The above Detachment, with the army always ready to support it, & a Body of Poligars under my orders, whom I could place in the situations I thought proper, would I think soon clear the Carnatic of its present Invaders, give confidence to the Inhabitants, and totally prevent these smaller irruptions in future; and perhaps, check those intended of more consequence.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant.

(signed) R. Kelly

Choultry Plains
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Colonel Kelly called into Council.

The acting President acquaints the Board that Colonel Kelly is in readiness to attend them, if any Explanations, or further Information should be required from him; upon which it is agreed that he be called in.

Colonel Kelly attending accordingly, & being made acquainted with all the Intelligence in possession of Government, relative to the situation of Affairs in the Carnatick, is desired to give his sentiments, upon

His opinion recommending the assembling of all the Troops ready to take the Field.

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18th "the Sick in Hospital, belonging to the different Corps
"in this Cantonment, would not be better situated at the
"General Hospital, than to remain at Poonamallee – at
"least such as are not likely speedily to recover."

(signed) "Robt. Shawe"
Captain Commanding

"Colonel Kelly
"Commanding in
"the Carnatic Division."

A true Extract
signed Gabriel Doveton
Secry to Col. Kelly

At a Consultation Present

Tuesday
the 15th July 1790

Morgan Williams Esq
Acting President
John Turing, and Edward Saunders
Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly:

To John Chamier Esq
Secretary in the Military Department

Sir

From Colonel Kelly
Recommending certain
Measures to be adopted for
the protection of the Carnatic

I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of the Letter from Government dated the 13th Instant, desiring that I will, without loss of time, suggest such measures as in my opinion ought to be adopted for the protection of the Country against predatory Incursions.

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To John Chamier Esq

Secretary in the Military Department

&c

From Colonel Kelly with Enclosure from Capt. Shaw, recommending that the present Garrison at Tripassore be withdrawn that two Twelve Pounders be attached to the 76th Regiment and proposing the removal of the Sick to the General Hospital

I request you will be pleased to lay before the Hon'ble Board the accompanying Extract of a letter from Captain Shaw Commanding at Poonamallee.

In support of the subjects in this Extract, I beg leave to recommend to Government, that the two Companies of his Majesty's 76th Regiment stationed at Tripassore, be now withdrawn – because I know that Tripassore is untenable, and I do not think that Europeans should be risked in such Situations – As Government, however, may think proper to maintain a Garrison there, it ought I think to consist of Poligars, Sibendies, or Peons, or of any other description of Troops, except Europeans.

I recommend also, that two field Pieces (12 Pounders) with Tumbrils and Ammunition complete be immediately sent to Poonamallee, and attached to the 76th Regiment.

The number of Doolies & Lascars for the 76th Regiment, will no doubt be compleated as soon as possible.

The removal of the Sick, as mentioned by Captain Shaw, is also, I think, a proper measure.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant

(signed) R. Kelly

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To the Honorable Major General Medows

Governor, and Commander in Chief

Hon'ble Sir

For Major General Medows stating the reply of the Board to Major Montgomery's Letter respecting his Subordination to the Nizam. & the point of Seniority, in case of being joined by the Bombay Troops.

We have received a Letter from Major Montgomery, Commanding the Detachment serving with the Nizam, in which he had stated the necessity of being furnished with particular Instructions, whether he is by Treaty to consider himself as acting in Concert with, or in Subordination to the Nizam or the General Commanding his Forces; and in whether in the Event of his being joined by the Bombay Troops, he is to be allowed a discretionary power to act as may appear to him most conducive to the public Good.

We have informed Major Montgomery in reply, that he is to serve with the Nizam's army against the Common Enemy in such manner as his Highness may point out; and that if any difficulties should occur, he must endeavor to overcome them by consulting and co-operating with Captain Kennaway.

We were of opinion, and accordingly stated it to Major Montgomery, that in case the Troops of the two Residencies should be united in one Service, the Senior Officer would of course take the Command of the whole.

We wish to be favored with your Sentiments upon the above Points, & whether in your Judgement, any further,

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14th you were then directed to serve with his Highness's Army against the common Enemy, and of any Difficulties should occur, you are to Endeavor to overcome them by consulting and co-operating with the Company's Resident at the Nizam's Durbar in such manner as he may point out

In the Event of your joining with the Troops of another Presidency, according to the Rules of the Service, the Senior Officer will of course take the Command.

With respect to your Suggestion of being joined by European Grenadiers, as it is submitted to the consideration of the Commander in Chief, it will rest with him to give his orders thereon.

Directions have been given for your being supplied with Stores as fully as possible.

Captain Tutt is to remain in charge of the Military Stores of the Detachment. With respect to his appointment of Commissary of Stores, it will be hereafter determined upon, agreeably to the opinion which the Commander in Chief may give of the necessity attending such appointment.

The Board decline authorizing your drawing Bat Table Money.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant

signed John Chamier Secry

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11th whom We have informed of our Inability to reply satisfactorily, as the Commodore does not act from any Instructions from this Government, nor report his Proceedings to us.

We have acquainted Major General Anker & his Council that We should Communicate the contents of their letter to your Lordship in Council, & to Commodore Cornwallis upon his arrival at Madras.

We take this opportunity of forwarding to your Lordship in Council Copy of a Letter received from the Nabob, respecting the Treaty concluded with the Nizam & the Maharattas, with the answer given to it by our acting President.

We are concerned to inform you that some of the Enemy's Horse have entered the Carnatick, & plundered in the neighbourhood of Poloor

We have the honor to be
My Lord
Your most obedient humble Servants

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signed Morgan Williams
& Council

To the Honorable Major General Inker
Governor &c. — and to the Gentlemen of Council
at Tranquebar

To the Governor and Council at Tranquebar — informing them that a Copy of their Letter is transmitted to Bengal, & will be sent to Commodore Cornwallis on his arrival at Madras.

Gentlemen

We have been honored with the receipt of your Letter under date the 5th Instant, & should have great pleasure

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Lieutenant Boisdaune
Commanding at Nellore

Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the public services of your Endeavors with the Tourdar and Aenter of Nellore, to promote the due supplies of the Detachment of Bengal Troops; but it is with concern I am obliged to quit Nellore with the Sentiments I have been impressed with from the wanton and prevaricating Conduct of the Ram Reddy. His first Efforts to impose on the Troops a very high advance of Prices, having been detected in such manner that he could not persist — The next game he sought to play off was, to withhold the supplies, knowing the wants of the Detachment. This Effort failing likewise, through the Exertions of Lieutenant Bushby holding the public charge of Grain in Camp; The Reddy yesterday prolonged the deliveries, and delayed the measurements by every means in his power, to the extent of sending false and short measures to the Persons employed by him in giving out the Grain to the Merchants of our Bazars, and to my public Servants in Charge of the Depot of Grain.

These Efforts of the Reddy's, are such a resistance to the recommendations you troubled yourself so much to bestow on him, as advice, and to the Assurances he gave me, that it is incumbent on me to submit his behaviour to Government.

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To the Honorable Morgan Williams Esq.

Governor Fort St. George

&c

From Colonel Nixon — stating the Force and Position of the Nizam's Army — and advising of the arrival of General Abercrombie with the army at Darraporam on the 7th Instant.

I have the honor to acquaint you, that two Harcarrahs from Nizam Ally Cawn's Camp, with a Passport from Captain Kennaway dated the 9th. May, arrived here last night, & relate that his army now in the Field, consists of 20,000 Horse, 30,000 Foot, 50 Guns, 400 Elephants, & 500 Camels — That the whole were ready to cross the Kistna, and the Army to enter Cudapa or Canoul — They also Report that the English Detachment had joined, & as they say, consisted of three Battalions, nine Guns, and six Tumbrils.

General Abercrombie with the army has arrived at Darraporam four days ago; and it is reported he intends marching on to Cimbetoor, to offer Tippoo the opportunity of meeting him, if he chuses it; so that in a few days it is possible We may hear of a Battle being fought near that place.

I have the honor to be with respect,

Honorable Sir,

Your most faithful

Obedient Servant

(signed) Eccles Nixon

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Colonel Kelly 14th

Dear Sir,

Yesterday I received Intelligence of a thousand Horse having entered the Nabob's Country through the Changa-mah pass, they have burned all the Villages in the neigh-bourhood of Poloor and Chittapet, and captured the Inhabitants, I am told they are part of a Body of Ten Thousand which Tippoo had ordered to invade the Carnatic.

This account has been confirmed come to day in every particular, by two of the Nabob's People who came here wounded from Chittapet - and they add that these Looty wallars were to proceed to Trivatoor, & would be there this day: they have neither Guns, Horsekeepers, or Grass Cutters with them; but are Equipped with Fire arms, Lances, Swords, & Bows & arrows.

'Tis likewise reported that a Party of Six hundred more have passed towards Cunnatoor & Arcot, but this seems to want confirmation.

Amood ally Cawn Tasledar of Chittapet, is amongst the Prisoners, and badly wounded.

I am with Esteem,

Dear Sir,

Your very obedient humble Servant

(signed) J. Col. Fonyn.

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A true Copy
(signed) Gab. Doveton
Secry to Col. Kelly

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To the Commander of the Company's Ship Ceres — with a Return of the Troops to be Embarked on board his Ship for Negapatam.

To the Commander of the Ceres

To Ditto — with orders to sail immediately for Negapatam & to return to this Presidency after landing the Troops and Military Stores.

To Ditto

To M.r Hoijsard — with a Return of the Troops Embarked on Board the Ceres.

To M.r Hoijsard at Negapatam

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts To report upon the accounts of M.r Miller Surgeon at Masulipatam

To Colonel Capper

To M.r Richard Dighton, Collector in the Jaghire — Informing him of the places at which Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell's Detachment will halt, from the 18th Instant, till its arrival at Poonamallee.

To M.r R. Dighton Collector in the Jaghire

To M.r John Clerk, Collector in the Jaghire — to the same Effect.

To M.r J. Clerk Collector in the Jaghire

20th Received the undermentioned Letters — as entered in M. B. N.os 121. 122. 123.

From Lieut.t Colonel Cockerell — From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — advising of his arrival at Akarampauk, & of the places at which he intends to halt in his Route to Poonamallee.

From