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Fort St. George August 1790.

Diary.

Intelligence from Cuddalore & Tiagar.

11th. Received Intelligence from Cuddalore & Tiagar – 7. on the former, stating that the Enemy's Horse are moving off – From the latter, that they have plundered every Village in the neighbourhood, & are proceeding with their Plunder towards Amboor.

From Mr. Solicitor Popham.

Received Letter from Mr. Popham, as entered in M.B. No. 38 Enclosing a Copy of the Schedule of Effects lodged by Paupiah Brahmin on the 7th. Instant – Paupiah's Solicitor applies to him for Copies of several Papers.

Sent the following Letters.

To the Honble. Major General William Medows

Governor & Commander in Chief.

Honble Sir,

To Major General Medows – Enclosing Copy of Intelligence from the Nabob – & Extract of the Report of the Military Board respecting Lieutenant Chalmers's Allowances – Recommending that Collectors be not, for the present, sent into the Conquered Countries –

We have had the pleasure to receive your Letters dated the 26th. and 29th. ultimo, & hear with great satisfaction of your progress in the Enemy's Country.

We shall exert ourselves to the utmost to second your operations; & shall have the pleasure to write to you of the Quantity of Grain We may be able to lodge at Amboor, or the other Frontier Garrisons.

We enclose a Copy of a Letter just received from the Nabob, containing Intelligence; which has been communicated to Colonel Kelly.

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11th In reply to that part of your Letter of the 16th ultimo which relates to Collectors, We take the liberty to observe, that, for the present, We are of opinion they had better not be sent, having a perfect reliance in the Arrangements you have made, & may judge necessary to make for the Collection of Revenue in the Conquered Countries: If you find them absolutely necessary the Collectors shall be sent.

We beg leave to Enclose an Extract from the Report of the Military Board, respecting Lieutenant Chalmers's Allowances, & We request you to give orders for our being furnished with the additional Information.

We have the honor to be,
Honble Sir,
Your most Obedient & Humble Servants

Fort St. George.
10th August 1790.

(Signed) Morgan Williams
&c. Council.

To Colonel Kelly
Commanding the Center Army.

Sir,

To Colonel Kelly - Communicating General Abercrombie's Instructions respecting the Center Army - To furnish a Return of the Force with which he will be able to commence offensive operations, after providing for the Security of the Garrisons in the Center Division - The Army to move on or before the 1st of October.

General Abercrombie having expressed his wish to the Board that that the Army under your Command should be completely Equipped for operations in the Enemy's Country, you are desired to state as soon as possible and in the fullest manner what additional Field or Battering Train of Artillery you may judge requisite to Enable you to attempt the Capture

of

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11th of Bangalore — mentioning the quantity of Grain necessary to be carried with you, & the quantity prequisite to be kept in Store at Amboor & in the Frontier Garrisons as a Depôt for your Army.

You will be pleased to transmit a Return of the Force you propose taking with you, after providing for the Security of the Presidency & the other Garrisons in the Center Division. The Force which can be spared for this proposed Service being ascertained, the Calculation of the additional number of Draught & Carriage Bullocks will be easily made.

I am further to acquaint you, that unless the Army to be Employed, as above mentioned, can be ready to quit our Frontiers by the 1st of October, it will not be thought necessary to order the Expedition until after the Monsoon.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) John Chamier
Secy

Fort St. George
10th August 1790.

To Captain Kennaway
Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

To Captain Kennaway — informing him of having assumed the Management of the Nabob's Country — Orders to be given to assist the Nizam's Forces &c.

I am directed to notify to you that, agreeably to Instructions received from the Governor General in Council, this Government have assumed the Management of the Nabob of Arcot's Country during the War, for the better Security of His Highness's, & of the Honble Company's Interests.

Your

2687. Fort St. George August 1790.

11th.

Extract of a letter from Captain Flint - dated Tiagar 5th August 1790.

"A Looty brought in last night
"informs me that 5,000 Horse & 2,000 Pandarums compose
"the Plundering Party that has gone to the Eastward,
"& Commanded by Meer Shaduck - the same that plundered
"Chittapet; he says they intend returning in a day
"or two to Cauvery patnam - They were last night
"at Canrooty - The Puzey's Sheristahdar said yesterday
"that they would visit Cuddalore & Verdachellum
"before they returned."

Extract of a letter from Lieut. Brunton dated Permacoil 7th August 1790.
8 o'Clock A. M.

"Bugruvent Row, Commander of the
"Party of Looties who at present infest the Carnatic, has
"taken up his quarters at a place called Permaul
"Yarie, 10 miles South of Cuddalore, until his
"Party collects - he was to lie in Pondicherry last
"night or this morning on a visit to Colonel Desfresne".

True Extracts
(signed) Gabriel Doveton
Secry to Gl. Kelly

To John Chamier Esq.
Secretary to the Government at Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform the Board that,
immediately on receipt of their Letter of the 27th July, which
respected

From Lieut. Col. Cockerell -
with Copy of a Letter from
the acting Agent for Victualling
the Europeans of his Detachment.

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I have the honor to inform the Board that, immediately on receipt of their Letter of the 27th July, which

respected

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Fort St. George. August 1790.

11th

Your Letter of the 25th ultimo has been received, & the necessary Instructions have been given to the Board of Revenue, to comply with His Highness the Nizam's wishes respecting assistance to his Hircarrahs.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient humble servant
(signed) John Chamier
Secy

Fort St. George
10th August 1790.

To Mr. Malet.

N.B: The former part of the Letter to Captain Kennaway was also sent to Mr. Malet at Poona.

Received the following Letters.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department.

Sir,

From Colonel Kelly - Copy of Intelligence respecting the Enemy's Horse - Requisitions from the Collectors will be complied with - The army Encamp at Ayemcolleum.

I have the honor to transmit, for the Information of the Honble Board, Extracts of Intelligence received this day.

I request that you will be pleased to acquaint the Honble Board that I have received their Letter of the 7th Instant, & that all Requisitions for Military aid, from the Gentlemen named therein, shall be immediately complied with.

The army marched this morning, & are now Encamped near Ayemcolleum.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) R. Kelly

Head Quarters
Center army -
Camp near Ayemcolleum,
9th August 1790.

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11th respected the Victualling of the European Soldiery, Bengal Detachment, I applied to the Agent Victualler who has the Charge from the Bengal Contractor, to know whether he was Empowered by his Principal, or if he would take upon him to relinquish the Charge of the Victualling Engagement, & bear the Government free of any after Claim for an Infringement of his Rights as a Contractor. The answer from the Agent is now submitted, & I wait the further pleasure of Government herein, which I humbly suggest will be proper to pass thro' the Commanding Officer of the Coast Army, to whose orders the Bengal Detachment is now more immediately placed.

I am, Sir, with Respect,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Jno. Cockerell
Lieut. Col. Commanding the Bengal Detach.

Conjeveram
8th August 1790.

To Capt. Edmund Wells
Brigade Major Bengal Detachment

Sir,

I received your Letter of yesterday's date Enclosing certain Papers from the Secretary to the Madras Government to Lieut. Colonel Cockerell respecting the Victualling the European Artillery with his Detachment, & stating two Questions for on that Subject viz.

1st Quest. Whether I wish to benefit by the permission of the Hon. the Governor General in Council to transfer Victualling Contract from my management? —

Answ

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11th purpose of carrying arrack even for 2 months Expendi-
and I have actually now in Camp a sufficient quantity
that time. If the transfer takes place, I beg to sub-
whether the Contractor has not a right to an indemn-
-tion of the Expences he has been at?

I beg further to suggest, that as I have
doubt it would be agreeable to the Right Honble the
Governor General, & the wish of Colonel Cockerell to have
this Department, as well as that of every other in his
Detachment, under his immediate Controul, both with
respect to the Expence & management. I would still wish
to continue in the Charge of it, with Mr. Bissulph's other
Concerns, particularly upon the Terms Mr. Harington
proposes in his Letter - viz., the additional charge of fi
of Meat, & the Expence of Carriage of 30 days Provision
and which seems to be admitted by the answers to his Letter
And I am the more induced to make this offer, from a
conviction that the Expence to the Company will not be so
great as it will be if the Transfer takes place.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp Conjeveram
1st August 1790. —

(Signed) Alexander Morison
Agent for R. Bissulph.

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Fort St. George August 1790.

Dr. { His Highness the Nabob Wallaujah — His acco
_____ to in the 30th Paragraph of the General Letter f

1785 april	30th	To Balance due by his Highness, as p General Books of this date	2,37,982.16
		To Loan made to his Highness in august 1780, for Payment of arrears to his cavalry	2,19,313.6
		To arrears of Rent for the Jaghire of Coonamallee, in which are included the Kist due to 30th September 1780	2,34,180.
		To John Sullivan, for Pay &c. allowances to the Nabob's Troops at Ravanadporam & Tripatore, from 1st Dec. 1781, to 31st Jan. 1785	1,83,732.36
		To D. C. Kippesley for Payments made by him at the abovementioned Garrisons to June 1785	5,100.1.
		To the Superintendant for the amount of his Disbursements on the Nabob's account, for the Months of May & June 1785	84,973.21.
		Pagodas	10,15,582.3.

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(Signed) Georg

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11th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in the

39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57.
58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63.

To Wm Walter Balfour. To Wm Walter Balfour — Wm Skardon appointed Paymaster & Storekeeper at Chingleput — to deliver over to him the Charge of those Employs.

To Mr H. Skardon To Wm P. H. Skardon — To be Paymaster & Storekeeper at Chingle — To deliver over the Charge of the Office of Secretary to the Military Board to Wm Innes.

To Wm Danl Innes. To Wm Danl Innes — To be Secretary to the Military Board.

To Wm G. Wilson. To Wm G. Wilson — To be Deputy Commissary General in the room of Wm Josiah Webbe.

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army accounts. To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army accounts — Informing him of Wm Wilson's appointment.

To Wm Josiah Webbe To Wm Josiah Webbe. Wm Wilson appointed Deputy Com General.

To Wm G. S. Marten To Wm G. S. Marten — To be Paymaster & Storekeepe Palamcotah in the room of Wm Torin.

To Wm B. Torin. To Wm B. Torin — To deliver over to Wm Marten the Char of the Employs of Paymaster & Storekeeper at Palamcotah

To Wm J. Wranghame. To Wm J. Wranghame — To be a Member of the Committee Investigating the accounts of the Kings Troops, in the room Wm Marten.

To Wm B. Roebuck. To Wm B. Roebuck — Informing him of Wm Wranghame's Ap

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11th by the Paymaster at Tritchinopoly for Bills upon Presidency; & 3 p Cent for Money drawn at Madura Cash to be sent to the Southward agreeable to his Recommend

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts. To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts advising him of the above Premiums for Money taken up by the Paymasters at Tritchinopoly & Madura.

To Lieut. Col. Cockerell To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - directing him to send to the Military Board (at the Commencement of every month) a Return of Military Stores belonging to his Detachment - The Belts & Private Tents he has Indented for will be furnished

To the Military Board. To the Military Board - with Copies of Papers received from Bengal & from Captain Kennaway; and a Return of Major Montgomery's Detachment - The Commander in Chief will be requested to state on what footing the Topass Corps is now considered - Colonel Kelly's Indent for Bullocks to be complied with, excepting the two first Articles - The ammunition Tumbrils need not be returned at present - Repairs to the Pagoda of Conjeveram ordered - The Contractors to be ordered to Repair the Black Town Barracks - Their Recommendation respecting the Hospital Privies at Vellore approved - The Repairs of Nabob's House at Tritchinopoly to be post poned - Colonel Cockerell's Indent for Belts & Private Tents to be complied - The Gun Carriages wanting at Vellore need not be sent at present - Stores to the Hanoverians, practising the Exercise, unnecessary - Their opinions on Captain Kennaway's Bill approved - a Bill on Bengal for Pags. 219. 15

2698. Fort St. George. August 1790.

12th.

To Colonel Kelly

Commanding the Center Army.

Sir.

To Colonel Kelly - on the subject of the letter from Colonel Cockerell respecting the Victualling the Bengal Detachment, & supplying them with Bullocks

In reply to a Letter which Lieutenant Colonel C has addressed to Government respecting the Victualling the D Detachment, I am directed to desire you will inform him if M.r Morison has not ... some specific authority fro Bengal Government, as yet unknown to the Board, der the Notification already made to Lieutenant Colo under date the 27.th Ultimo, as conclusive.

As to Carts & Bullocks, it is a busine must be settled between M.r Morison & the Commis General of Grain & Provisions upon this Coast, who wi Endeavor to accommodate M.r Morison by a purchase if they are fit for his Department.

I am, Sir, Your most obedient hum

Fort St. George
12.th August 1790.

signed John Chame

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis

Governor General in Council
at Fort William.

My Lord,

To Bengal - with remarks upon the Nabobs last Letter, Copy of which is Enclosed, & of the acting President's Reply - also Copy of a Letter & Endorsement from the Accountant Gen.l respecting a Claim upon his Highness. —

We have now the honor to Enclose Copy addressed to our acting President, & Copy of a Letter addres him by the Nabob of the Carnatic.

As the latter contains strong charg -bited in very unqualified Language, We think it neces

2700.

Fort St. George August 1790.

12th so small a part as Three Lacks of Pagodas, and to augment
Highness's offer of three more in the course of Eight Weeks
after such frequent Experience of failure in the performance
His Highness's Engagements.

We do not apprehend the Confusion and
Disorder which his Highness expects from our assuming the
Management of his Country, nor do We believe the public
Welfare will suffer, unless it should be from the extraordinary
orders issued by his Highness to his Amuldars.

We have the honor to inclose Copy of the
acting Presidents Letter to his Highness the Nabob, for
anxious to hear that the whole of our Conduct, regarding
Highness, is honored with your approbation.

We enclose Copy of a Letter from our
=ant General, bringing to our view a Claim upon the
the Nabob, — We have not yet communicated the Contents
orders on this subject to his Highness.

Our Latest Accounts from the Camp
the 3rd Instant, & report nothing important.

We have the honor to be,

My Lord.

Your most obedient humble

Fort St. George
12th August 1790.

(Signed) { Morgan Wellesley
Gen. Council

2702. Fort St. George. August 1790.

12th

Collectors on the part of the Company over your Annuldars during the War, if your Highness should fail in the Payments you have offered — and in the latter part of the Letter, your Highness says, you will, in the Event of Failure, consent to the Company's Collectors being sent, agreeably to the Treaty.

They leave to recall to your Highness's Recollection, that during the long discussions between your Highness's Son Amoutul Omrah Bahauder, & the Board, it was fully Explained that Government considered the Security for the four fifths detailed in the Treaty insufficient, & therefore proposed that the Collectors should be invested with Fazildary authority somewhat modified, in order that the Treaty might be rendered efficient — If therefore the Collectors were sent, agreeably to the Treaty, — the purposes intended by their Appointment would not be answered.

Your Highness well knows, that at the end of the Revenue year (in July) new Engagements with Renters &c. are formed — I am therefore surprized at the observation contained in your Letter, that the delay in referring your Propositions to Bengal would not be attended with either loss or danger, for I really apprehend that much loss would have arisen to the Revenue, if the business lately in agitation had been any longer post poned.

The Board do not apprehend any Confusion

or

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Fort St. George 13th. August 1790.

At a Consultation

Present

Friday
13th. August 1790.

Morgan Williams Esqr.

acting President.

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqres

The Honorable Major General

William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read

& approved.

Read the following Letter and

Enclosure from the Accountant General. –

To the Honorable

Major General William Medows.

Governor in Council

Hon̄ble Sir, Fort St. George.

From the Accountant General. – Enclosing the Rajah of Tanjore's Account Current; with Remarks thereon.

Agreeably to your orders, I have now the honor to lay before you his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore's account Current, made up to as late a date as the Accounts

receive

Fort St. George 13th August 1790.

to the Rajah's Private Creditors agreeable to Treaty.— The Kists fixed for this last Fonaccount of Peishcush were within the Period of this Account in May & June 60,000 each month, and 50,000 in July — the Peishcush being reduced as beforementioned — I have charged the Rajah for 80,000 Pagodas as payable in June last, for account of the Private Creditors of the Rajah, whose Rights having been ascertained and sanctioned by the Treaty, cannot I conceive be affected by a subsequent alteration made in the Rajah's Kist bundy for the reduced Sum he is to pay on account of the Honorable Company.

This however and the preceding Articles I submit with deference to the consideration of the Board, as they differ considerably I believe from the Account stated to you on the part of the Rajah.

I am therefore to request you will favor me with your orders on this subject, as also in regard to the Expence of the two Revenue Battalions, reported in my beforementioned Letters to Government, the amount of which I presume ought to be transferred to the Debit of the Rajah, that I may be Enabled to proceed in preparing the Accounts required from my Office for the approaching

Dispatch

2708.

Fort St. George 13th. August 1790.

Dr. His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore his Account upon the Stipulations

1790 April	1st.	To Balance due from His Excellency this day, as p account sent to the Honble Governor in Council	2,20,415.35.52	
	1st	To his Kist due this day	1,00,000 " "	
June	"	To the third year's Instalment due on account of the Private Creditors of his Excellency as p Treaty	80,000 " "	
	"	To the Pay of two Revenue Battalions employed in the Collections of the Tanjore Country, the Expence of which is by the 13th article of the Treaty to be borne by the Rajah, viz. from July 1787. to 30th June 1790, as p Abstract from the Military Paymaster General	62,803.22.23.	
		Pagodas	4,63,219.21.75	

Fort St. George
Errors

(Signed)

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Fort St. George 13th. August 1790.

Minde thereon.

The Board now proceeds to take into Consideration that part of the Bengal Instructions which relate to the Rajah of Tanjore. As the Enquiry into the Charges exhibited by the Rajah against Mr. Ram is not Reported upon by Mr. Sullofield, it will be necessary that both Gentlemen be joined in the Execution of the Service now to be performed. Agreed, therefore, that the following Instructions to them, (Letter / vide P. C. No. 158 /) to the Rajah, as prepared by the Secretary, be dispatched.

To George Andrew Ram
&
Ernst William Sullofield
} Esqres

Gentlemen,

To Messrs. Ram & Sullofield. with letter for the Rajah, & copy for their Information. - Instructions relative to the Arranging the Management of his Excellency's Country.

Having appointed you to act together in a Service of Importance, We shall proceed to convey our orders & Instructions.

You will receive enclosed a Letter addressed to the Rajah of Tanjore, which must be immediately sent to him.

You are to conform to the Arrangements pointed out in the Letter to the Rajah, of which a Copy is Enclosed; and you are as soon as possible to render them effectual, agreeably to such further Instructions as We shall now give you.

By

2/52

Fort St. George 13th. August 1790.

Revenues of the Tanjore Country, & you are to pay particular attention to the Opinions of the Reverend Mr. Swartz, whose Sentiments as to the mode & to the Persons to be Employed are contained in his Publick Letter of of which a Copy is now Enclosed.

You will without loss of time make a Report to the Board of Revenue of the State of affairs in the Tanjore Country; & you will cause the Store of Grain in the Garrison to be completed.-

The form of a Proclamation used in taking Possession of the Nabob's Country is enclosed, that you may adopt a similar one if necessary- an order to the Commandant at Tanjore to furnish Troops upon your written requisition is also forwarded.

You are not to make any References to us by which time may be lost, as it is of the utmost Consequence that this Business should be settled without delay, that arrances may be made for the Cultivation, & the affairs of the Circar put upon a proper footing.

It is recommended to you to consult with Mr. Swartz in every stage of this Business, wherein his Councils are likely to prove advantageous; & you will conduct yourselves with the greatest possible respect & delicacy towards the Rajah, without departing from the Letter & Spirit of these Instructions, particularly with

respect

2714.

Fort St. George 13th August 1790.

You will also I doubt not, most readily concur in any Arrangement judged by Lord Cornwallis & his Council indispensible for the prosecution of the War against Tippoo Sultaun with vigor & success; and you will by such ready acquiescence, afford a distinguished proof of your Zeal & Attachment to the Company.

Before I communicate to you the desire of the Superior Government, I beg leave to lay before your Excellency the State of your Account with the Honorable Company, & to request that you will immediately discharge the Balance, or the greater part of it, at least two Lacks of Pagodas, in ready Money, giving undeniable Security for the liquidation within a reasonable time of the remainder.

This being acquiesced in, as I have no doubt it will, I proceed to announce to you the wishes of the Superior Government, which are, that you will voluntarily assign the management of your Country to the Company during the War - being a measure, which is considered not less beneficial to the publick Cause than conducive to the real Interests of your Excellency.

General Medows informed your Excellency in his Letter of the 13th April last, that there was no wish or intention on the part of this Government to interfere in

Your

2716. Fort St. George 13th August 1790.

The Government of Fort St. George have transmitted particular Instructions to Mr. Ram and to Mr. Fallofield on the subject of this Letter; they will send it to your Excellency. I are ordered to wait five Days for your Reply, which I request you will send to them, as, to prevent loss of time at this critical Juncture of affairs, it is not intended that any Reports should be made to me until the busineys is finally adjusted.

These Gentlemen are invested with full Powers by this Government to act agreeably to the answer your Excellency may give to this addreſs, & they will communicate to you the further Resolutions of the Board, which will be conformable to the Instructions of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council. I depend upon your Excellency's attention to the Contents of this Letter; & hope that I shall hear from Messrs Ram & Falloſield of every thing being settled agreeably to the wishes of the Bengal Government. This acquiescence will be the certain means of recommending you to the future favor of the Honble Company.

May your Prosperity daily encrease!
What can I write more?

Fort St. George
13th August 1790.

(Signed) Morgan Williams

Fort St. George 13th. August 1790.

Army, Colonel Cockerell's Detachment, & a large Battering Train, to march the 1st. of October, & penetrate into the Mysore Country by Bangalore — & I will make every effort possible, with or without Colonel Hartley, to take Palicaudcherry, & march the first of October to attempt the Ghauts — If we succeed, I think We shall shirk the Monsoon, which I am told is very light in the Mysore Country & at Seringapatam none at all, — & possibly end the War by Christmas. — But if Colonel Kelly cannot possibly for want of Money or Grain be enabled to do this, I think his Army should be put into Cantonments as soon as it can; & that on the 1st. of october Colonel Cockerell should march to join the Nizam — and I will attempt the Ghauts whenever I can by myself.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Wm. Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief

Camp at Coimbetour.
31st. July 1790.

To the Honble. Morgan Williams Esqr.
& the Gentlemen in Council at Fort St. George.

Honorable Sir & Gentlemen,

From Major General Medows his opinion on Colonel Brathwaite's Conduct respecting Major Montgomery's Detachment.

Camp at Coimbetour
6th. august 1790.

I have the honor of your's of the 26th. of July, enclosing Colonel Brathwaite's Letter, & desiring my opinion how far he is to blame with regard to Major Montgomery's

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respecting the Equipment & strength of Major Montgomery's Detachment.

of Letters which the General directed me to address to Colonel Brathwaite, Captain Flennaway, & the Majors Montgomery & Wynch; the Copy of a Letter addressed to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell in answer to one of the 16th. of June from that Officer, & Copies of three Letters dispatched to Madura at the time the General thought it necessary to order the 22d. Native Battalion to join the Army in the Field.

I am also desired to request you will inform the Board, on the Subject of the Detachment ordered to join his Highness the Nizam, that when the Instructions on that head were signified to Colonel Brathwaite, the Battalions of Native Infantry in the Masulipatam District were situated as follows.

The 17th. Battalion at Ellore, with the Exception of one Company on Detachment.

The 26th. Battalion at Masulipatam, with the Exception of one Company on Detachment. & the 28th. & 29th. Battalions at Ellore.

That it became necessary to order the Detachment from the Masulipatam District, & more particularly from the Troops stationed at Ellore.

That the 28th. and 29th. Battalions appeared the most proper Troops to send on a Service for which two Battalions were required to move at a very early notice from Ellore.

That

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28th. Battalion was unfortunately landed in the Circars, contrary to the orders of the Agent who furnished it for that year; & the Service on which the Battalion was afterwards ordered prevented the Corps from receiving this part of the Cloathing.

In the End of February of the present year, two Companies were ordered to be added to each of the Native Battalions on the Coast, & as soon as the Reports received of the Recruiting Service warranted putting the Company to the Expence of Cloathing for the new Levies, the Cloathing Agents were instructed to make it up.

Previous to the orders of Government authorizing the additional Expence on account of the Cloathing, the Adjutant General had at his own Risk desired Mr. Balfour one of the Agents to make up Cloathing for the additional Companies of the Battalions in the Masulipatam District, as soon as he was informed by the Commander in Chief that two Corps from that Quarter were to be Employed on Service with the Troops of the Nizam; and in Consequence of this Precaution, the Cloathing for the four Battalions in the Masulipatam District, on their new Establishment of Ten Companies, was dispatched from Madras very Early in the Month of May, which will appear on Reference to the Records of that period in the letter addressed to Government by Mr Balfour & the Adjutant General.

The General desires me to add on the Subject

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from the 17th. Battalion, & from the part of the 26th. in the Masulipatam District, in the proportion from each you may think proper to direct, with the exception of the subaltern Officers & the Serjeants — Such proportion of Subaltern Officers as may be required to compleat the Detachment are to be taken from the Corps in the Masulipatam District, & to be appointed by you to do duty with the 28th. & 29th. Battalions, until the Commander in Chief's further orders are signified — The Serjeants are to be supplied from the 2nd. Battalion of European Infantry in the manner you may judge most convenient for the service without diminishing the Establishment of Serjeants in the 2nd. Battalion.

The Commander in Chief observes in the Copy of the Correspondence that has passed on this subject, that Captain Kennaway is desirous that old Sepoys shall be sent to compleat Major Montgomery's Detachment in exchange for the Recruits, but I am directed to signify to you that the Exchange cannot be admitted, as it does not appear to be a part of the Agreement between the Governor General & His Highness the Nizam, & because the Commander in Chief conceives it to be unnecessary in other respects, as the two Companies added to the Establishment of the Native Infantry Corps on the Coast in February last must be accounted part of the Battalions ordered to join his Highness and may be reckoned equally efficient Soldiers with the rest of those Battalions.

I am

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I have acquainted Major Montgomery that the Recommendation Certificates from the 28th & 29th Battalions for the promotion of Native Officers were approved & delivered to the Military Secretary before the General left Madras, & that he is authorized to promote in his Detachment orders to be Subidars & Semidars the Men recommended to fill those Ranks respectively by the Officers Commanding the Corps, in order to compleat them to ten of each; and that in doing so, he may look upon the Men on Command as Casualties, but that those of every description, whether absent or present, who have fallen sick since the Detachment moved from Ellore are not to be so considered.

As Major Montgomery's Detachment is to be compleated agreeably to the Stipulation on that head between the Right Honorable the Governor General & His Highness the Nizam, & as it will consist of a certain Detail over & above the stipulated numbers amounting to four Serjeants, four Subidars, four Semidars, Sixteen Havildars, Sixteen Naigues, & four Drummers or Fifers - It follows that this detail, in addition to what has been stipulated, will fall to be paid by the Company unless His Highness the Nizam shall agree to pay them as well as the Stipulated Numbers, on account not only of the necessity but the utility of permitting them to remain as part of the Detachment.

On this subject therefore the Commander

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of the above description are admitted at Eleven years of age & subsisted on half the Pay of an Effective Sepoy, until they are of a sufficient age & size to join the Battalion. The Commander in Chief will therefore explain this point to Captain Kinnaway, & acquaint him at the same time that since two Companies were added to the Infantry Battalions on the Coast, the Proportion of Boys under the denomination of "Sepoy Recruits" attached to each Battalion has been encreased to fifty.

Major Montgomery having signified to the Commander in Chief, that from what he can learn of the Nizam's Plan, it will be necessary to have Resources nearer at hand than at Masulipatam, & in consequence that he means to intend to the Chief & Council there for a sufficient supply of Stores with a view of depositing them in some place of safety in the Guntoor Circar; I am therefore directed by the Commander in Chief to desire that you will communicate with the Chief & Council, Major Wynch, & Major Montgomery on this subject, that the Stores necessary may be supplied either from Masulipatam or Guntoor as may be found most convenient for the public service, & placed in the latter District in such situation as may best answer the purposes of the Detachment under Major Montgomery.

I have addressed Major Wynch on this subject, by desire of the Commander in Chief, & have

directed

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Establishment of a Battalion of Native Infantry, according to the Stipulation between the Right Honorable the Governor General & the Nizam.

	Captain	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Adjutant.	Assistant Surgeon	Serjeants	Subidars	Jemidars	Havildars	Naiques	Drummers	Fifers	Black Doctor	Puckallies	Sepoys	Recruits	Head Coniscopoly	Assistant Ditto.
Stipulated Establishment of a Battalion of Native Infantry	1.	4.	4.	1.	1.	8.	8.	8.	32.	32.	8.	2.	1.	8.	800.	40.	1.	1.

To Major Hugh Montgomery

or Officer Commanding a Detachment on Service with His Highness the Nizam.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter to him under date the 3rd. of June, and to express his concern at the difficulties that have hitherto attended the march of the Detachment under your Command.

The Commander in Chief desires me to signify his disapprobation of your nomination of Captain Tutt to act as Commissary of Stores, as he conceives the appointment to be improperly placed in the Officer holding the Office of the artillery with the Detachment, & therefore directs

that

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Since the arrival of your Letter of the 3rd. Inst.
the Commander in Chief has received a Communication from
Captain Kennaway, intimating a meeting, at his Tent,
between you & Meer abdul Cossim; & is sorry to observe
that any obstacles appeared at the time to your Detachment,
being sufficiently Equipped both with Draught & Carriage
Cattle - but hopes that before this can reach you, Captain
Kennaway will have had it in his power to procure you the
necessary supplies.

The General is highly pleased with the readiness
expressed on your part at the meeting with Meer abdul
Cossim, to comply in every respect to the utmost of your
power with the wishes of his Highness the Nizam, and
recommends strongly your continuing this line of conduct.
He is equally sensible that many difficulties may occur in
the course of the Service in which you are employed in
co-operating with the General appointed by the Nizam to
conduct the Expedition: on this subject the Commander in Chief
trusts much to your Judgement & Discretion; and that, as the
Command of the Expedition will unavoidably be placed in
the Nizam's Officer, you will pay the necessary attention
to the Execution of every Plan of Operations he may finally
determine upon. - Captain Kennaway intimates that the
Nizam's Officer will be directed to consult you on what-
ever is proposed to be undertaken; & the General directs

me

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To Captain Kennaway.

Sir,

I am directed by Major General Medows to furnish you with the enclosed Copies of Letters addressed by his orders to Colonel Braithwaite & Major Montgomery, & to express his hope that the Instructions he has given to those Officers will have the desired effect of Compleating expeditiously the Detachment under Major Montgomery to the Strength stipulated between Earl Cornwallis & His Highness the Nizam.

The General requests your early attention to such Arrangements as you may judge proper for adjusting the Pay of the Detachment; & more particularly for the proportion of it that exceeds the Stipulated Detail, as he thinks it indispensibly necessary not to diminish the number of Serjeants & of Native Officers allowed on the Establishments of the Battalions on the Coast, while the number of Privates in those Detached is Encreased so considerably by the Stipulation.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjutant General of the army

Head quarters
Camp at Carroor -
2nd. July 1790. —

P.S. Since writing the above, the General has directed me to furnish you with a Copy of his Letter to the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar (Major Wynch) on the

Subject

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therefore your Conduct ought to be guided by such orders & communications to the extent prescribed by his Lordship; but I am directed to signify at the same time, that Major General Medows is of opinion it will meet with the approbation of Earl Cornwallis, considering the advanced situation to the Southward of your Detachment before this Letter can reach you, if you do not join the Nizam without positive orders from his Lordship, from the Commander in Chief on the Coast, or from the Council of Fort Saint George.

I am also directed to signify from Major General Medows, his decided opinion that your Detachment ought not to be divided in the Event of your receiving orders to join the Nizam.

I have it in Command to express in answer to the other parts of your Letter of the 16th June,

That Colonel Kelly is vested with Powers to assemble Courts Martial for the Trial of Offences committed by the Troops under his Command, consequently, as he commands in the Center Division, your Detachment comes within that description after it has arrived to the Southward of the Kistna; & therefore that you will be pleased to apply to him whenever you may judge it necessary to bring any of the officers or Men under your Command before a General Court Martial.

That the Men of the 2nd Battalion of European Infantry under Lieutenant Wolford whose Contracted Term of Service has expired, should pursue the direct

route

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Battalion of Native Infantry, & the Recruits he has raised & disciplined for the 1st to march as Expeditiously as possible after you receive this, to join the Army at Coimbatoor — Captain Oram's Instructions are herewith Enclosed — he is directed to make you acquainted with them; & the Commander in Chief desires you will use every Exertion in your power to Equip his Detachment for the Service it is intended to perform.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Henry Malcolm.
Adjutant General of the Army

Head Quarters
Camp at Coimbatoor
25th July 1790.—

P.S. If two Six Pounders can be attached to Captain Oram's Battalion, with the means of using them, the Commander in Chief desires you will order them.

H. M.
a.d.c.

To Captain James Oram
Commanding the 22nd Battalion of Native
Infantry at ..... Madura.

Sir,

Major Sale is directed by the Commander in Chief to order you with your Battalion & the Recruits you have raised & disciplined for the 1st of Native Infantry to march as expeditiously as possible, after he receives the order, to join the Army Encamped at this place.

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with the Detachment under your Command, he trusts as much to your Discretion as to your Spirit, as he is equally anxious to guard against the Consequences of a failure in this Service, as to obtain possession of the Post of Dindigul; you are therefore directed to consider, on this principle, the orders now signified.

Should you judge it imprudent to attempt taking Dindigul by Surprize, the Commander in Chief desires you will take a position near the Fort, & summons it to surrender, provided the Strength of the Garrison or of Detachments of the Enemy near it, are such as to warrant the measure; and that you are to signify to the Commander of the Fort, by the Person you send in with the Summons, that the Commander in Chief is determined to put the Garrison to the Sword if it is not delivered up to you. Should you succeed in any attempt that puts you in compleat possession of the Post of Dindigul, the Commander in Chief desires you will remain in it with your Detachment until you receive his further orders, & that you will communicate your Success without delay. I am desired to repeat to you the Commander in Chief's reliance not only on your Gallantry, but on your discretion in the Execution of the orders now signified; & that if you cannot with prudence attempt getting possession of Dindigul, you will so regulate your march as to join the Army by the most safe route.

Major

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Minute on the foregoing Letter & Enclosures.

Agreed, that Copies of all the Papers that have passed relative to Colonel Brathwaite's Conduct, with regard to Major Montgomery's Detachment, be transmitted to Bengal, & that it be requested of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to decide thereon.

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

John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary, Military Department.

Camp Coimbatore
3rd. August 1790.

Sir,

From the Secretary to the Commander in Chief.- with an Application from the Field Apothecary respecting his Allowances.- the General's reply to Quaries from Captain Read.- Mode the Battering Train to proceed with the Center Army on Offensive Operations.

The Commander in Chief has directed me to Enclose to you, for the notice of Council, a Letter from Mr. Bingham as Field Apothecary, requesting certain Allowances, which the General refers for their Decision; & begs at the same time to observe, that he has no doubt the Council will join him in opinion on it's being right to have the Report of the Military Board on the absolute necessity of any new allowance, or how far Precedent gives a strength to the application for anything which may increase the Expences of the Presidency in the Military Department.

Also a Copy of Quaries from Captain Read, with the General's opinion on them, with the Information that he has referred Captain Read to the decision of Council.

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Beg therefore to observe, & to request the favor of you to lay it before the Commander in Chief, the necessity of having an Established Rule for the Regulation of the Department; likewise to remark that unless a Writer & a few People are allowed me for the preparation of Medicines &c., sent gross & unprepared from the Stores at Madras, it will be impossible to have the many things in my line in readiness, & the more especially when a Field Hospital is established, business multiplied, & the whole Expenditure of Medicines for the Sick of the army to come thro' me.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp at Courtallum.
10th. June 1790.

Signed J. Bingham
Field Apothecary.

Agreed that the application of the Field Apothecary for certain Allowances be referred to the Military Board, for their opinion.

Minute thereon

The acting President is desired to forward to Captain Read, the Paper containing the Commander in Chief's opinion upon the Queries of that Officer; & to inform him at the same time, that the opinion given by the General is approved & confirmed by the Board.

Agreed to defer the Consideration of the latter Part of Lieutenant Colonel Harris's letter, until the Board are in possession of Colonel Kelly's Sentiments as to the Movement of the Centre Army towards the Mysore Country.

Read

after he was seated, he delivered to me a Copy of an order payable at sight for 34,000 Rupees, on account of Major Montgomery's Detachment, which has been dispatched to Rae Anoop Ram, the Person who is charged with the Payment of such of the Troops composing Mohaubet Jung's Force as are in the Nizam's immediate Pay, which is not the case of the Quotas furnished by the Jageerdars.

Your Lordship will observe by the Estimate forwarded in my Letter of the 25th ultimo, an Explanation of which as received from Montgomery was transmitted to Mr Secretary Kay the 8th Instant, and also by that transmitted yesterday, that the regular Expence of the Detachment will amount to 50,000 Rupees p month, exclusive of Contingencies, which if the Charges of the Paymaster and Commissary of Provisions / Offices held by the same Person / and the Quarter Master of the Detachment bear any proportion to those which the Commanding Officer of Artillery, who is likewise Commissary of Stores, has stated as the lowest which are to be expected in his Department, will encrease that Sum very considerably; and as the Company will probably have to Pay the excess above what has been stipulated for it's Expence with the Nizam, I hope I shall have no difficulty in convincing him that that amount ought to be chearfully & regularly discharged.

On

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The Honorable the Governor in Council
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From Captain Kennaway - Requesting on the part of the Nizam that his Vackeel may be permitted to join the Southern Army.

In my Letter of 12th. Ultimo to Mr. Secretary Chamier, I requested him to inform your Honble Board, that his Highness the Nizam, having been pleased to appoint Mohummud Shadie Khan his Vackeel with the army under the Command of Major General Medows in virtue of the Treaty at that time on the point of being concluded, requested he might be allowed to proceed accordingly; but His Highness having since received Information from the above Vackeel, that on application to your President, he had not been able to obtain his Dismission, I have, at his Highness's further desire, to request that he may be permitted to proceed without delay.

I have the honor to be,

Paungul, 31st. July 1790. Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) John Kennaway.

Minutes thereon

The acting President informs the Board, that he has not detained the Nizam's Vackeel, who has been, & is still at perfect Liberty to join General Medows whenever he pleases.

Agreed that a Copy of the Extract of the Letter from Captain Kennaway to the Governor General be transmitted to the Commander in Chief.

Read the following Letter & Enclosure from the Board of Revenue.

To

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An Indent for an annual supply of Stationary having been laid before us by Mr. John Clerke, We take this opportunity of forwarding it, & request your orders to the Civil Storekeeper to comply with it accordingly.

We have the honor to be with Respect,

Honble Sirs,

Your most obedient humble Servants

John Isaac

" Wm. Tucker

(Signed) " David Haliburton

" Wm. Balfour

" Geo. Woodbray

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To the Worshipful John Isaac Esqr.
President & Members of the Board of Revenue.

The humble Petition of Mootoo Pillah,
Renter of the Districts of Mr. Thome'

Sheweth,

That your Petitioner most humbly begs leave to represent to your Worships, that by a General Alarm happened of the Tippoo's Horse coming to these parts, the Inhabitants and Cultivators of all the Villages of this District are entirely left

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answer, from which it should appear that he is more solicitous for the approbation of the Honble Board, than for the Investigation of Truth: I think however he takes a wrong method to obtain it, being clearly of opinion that the intention of the Board is that the truth should be made Evident — Itis doubt would be agreeable to the Rajah that the Depositions of his Witnesses should never be seen by me, & was perhaps an article made at their Subornation. When I speak of their Subornation, I will appeal to Mr. Fallofield & Mr. Swartz whether several of them did not acknowledge they appeared before Mr. Fallofield on Intimidation occasioned by the threats of the People about the Palace. I forbear saying anything further at present 'till I know whether or not I am to have a fair opportunity of answering the Charges brought by the Rajah.

I enclose Copy of a Translation of a Letter I received about three Weeks since, as containing what I believe to be the Sentiments of the People of Tanjour in general, from the most respectable Person in it — the Widow of Pertaub Sing.

Some Parts of it may not perhaps be understood at present, but will be fully explained when I come to answer the Charges brought against me by the Rajah; of which none is more false than that I have been continually his Enemy, since it will be found that I have Endeavored to prevent every thing that appeared derogatory to his personal Reputation as a Prince from appearing against him.

Tanjour 5th. August 1790.

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

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Dear Sir,

I have written to the Board by the Tappal this Evening, & Enclosed Copies of both my Notes to you to day, & Copies of your Answers. — I can only in general assure you, that nothing can be more repugnant to my wishes than to take any step in this Business that you might suppose would tend to deprive you in the smallest degree of every just & fair advantage in writing your Defence — at the same time I am anxious that every part of my Conduct throughout the present Enquiry should have the Sanction & meet with the approval of the Honble Board.

I have the honor to be,
Dear Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) C. Tallofield

Tanjour
1st. August 1790.

G.A. Ram Esq.

True Copies
(signed) G.A. Ram Resident

Translation of a Letter written by Pratap Sing Rajah's Wife.

Drapadah Baih Soo Saheb presents her Salam to Mr. Ram Resident.

Ameer Sing, Chinia Moodeli, & Sherarow being together, have had the following Conversation, as I have heard it from a Person who wishes to be undiscovered.

Sherarow

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Ponnia & Nagoba called hither the Master of Airambhatta Moodeli, in order to make an Enquiry. — If another had come, it would have been difficult. First therefore they will make a bad name to M. Ram, & then punish us all; — & Baba, the late Sirkeel, they propose to beat thro' all Streets — all which it is said has given much Joy to Ameer Sing. — They had before formed a Council to confine our Son Serfojee & to kill us all. By the help of God & the Company, our Lives have been saved. — Afterwards Ameer Sing threw Stones; & by means of M. Holland, he has endeavored to confine him again: By the help of God & the arrival of the General, this proved unsuccessful. At present he is so far confined that he cannot visit us. Has any thing like this happened in the World? The Boy has no liberty to go out: but must sit in one place. Likewise he has not good Victuals. He cannot turn a Horse. — In the Village of our Daughter in law he (Ameer Sing) still keeps, & Collects the Money by his own People. Our & Serfojee's Servants have not Rice to eat, nor Cloaths to wear. When will this distress end? — We have nothing to spend 'till the General overcomes his Enemies, & makes Enquiry into our Business — Being afflicted by Ameer Sing — he Endeavors to remove two or three just men — if he succeeds in his Scheme, We and our Son are gone — & the Country will be ruined by various means: How many Lyes soever Ameer Sing writes, there is no Enquiry into them. He robs the Country — Collects Money — he obliges the

People

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Money hoarded up in the Treasury would be of great service. Now the Company's affairs are neglected, & they / amer ling &c. / look only upon themselves — I pray that an Enquiry may be made into it — Whoever now takes a Bribe, & speaks according to his mind, he is a friend — Whoever tells them that no Bribes are to be given, & that Justice ought to be done, he is an Enemy — Of this there are many Instances.

A true Copy from Mr. Swartz's Translation

(signed) G. A. Ram
Resident

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the undermentioned Letters / entered in Mil. Bd. Nos. 68. 69. /.

From the Deputy Adjutant General to the King's Troops.

From the Deputy Adjutant General to the King's Troops — Stating that the Commander in Chief has given permission to the Hanoverian Officers to return to Europe; & requesting that a Passage may be ordered for them in one of the first Ships.

Minute thereon

Ordered accordingly.

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of army accounts.

From the Comptroller General of army accounts — Submitting to the consideration of the Board a letter to him from Captain Flint respecting the Refund of 104 Pagodas drawn by him as Commandant of Siegar, for the Pay of a Linguist & two Hircarrahs; & stating the Plea upon which he / Captain Flint / grounds the admission & continuance of the Charge.

Minute thereon

Ordered that Colonel Capper be informed, that the Board do not think proper to dispense with the Refund of 104 Pagodas, as this Sum appears to have been irregularly drawn.

Resolved

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Diary

14th Received the following Letters.

The Honble. Morgan Williams Esq.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From the Resident at Travancore - Notes the situation of affairs in the Neighbourhood of Tellicherry - Expects that the Biby of Cannanore will come over to our Interest.

I have just received Letters from the Chief & Factors at Tellicherry, which mention that affairs in that quarter were in a state of tranquillity, excepting now & then the Nairs in their Neighbourhood had had Skirmishes with Tippoo's Troops, & had been generally successful - that the Biby of Cannanore, as the fair season approached, became proportionably more alarmed, & that there was some prospect of her being brought over to our Interest. - Should the Biby enter voluntarily into an alliance with us, it will be attended with very good Effects, as she is the Head of the Moplas, who are very numerous on this Coast, & they then would undoubtedly co-operate with us.

I have been prevented, by the Death of the Brother & Successor to the Rajah of Cochin, from concluding the Treaty of Alliance with the Rajah - In a few days I am to have an Interview with him, when every thing will be adjusted.

I have the honor to be

Cochin 1st. August 1790.

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) George Powney

Resident.

To

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Hospital Board 13th August 1790.

From the Hospital Board. The Surgeon to the 54th Regt. of European Infantry applies for Tin Baths. Their opinion thereon.

Mr. Thompson, Surgeon to the 54th Regiment of European Infantry, has, by the desire of Colonel Kelly, intended to the apothecary four four Tin Baths, in case of the Men being affected with Cramps from sleeping on the Ground.

The Hospital Board have directed their Secretary to acquaint Mr. Thompson, that in the meantime they recommend him to make use of Casks, which may be always procured from the Arrack Agent, and which they apprehend will answer the purpose, until the pleasure of Government be known.

Government are of opinion that the casks proposed will answer very well.

James Anderson
Physician General

(Signed) A. W. Raine
Acting Chief Surgeon

W. Duffin
Head Surgeon

To Morgan Williams Esqr.

Yr. Yr. Yr.

From the Chief Engineer, Commanding Officer of Artillery, & Town Major — with their opinion of the Posts necessary to be Established in the vicinity of Fort St. George. Enclosing a Return of Guards, & Strength of the Garrison for Duty.

Sir

We have met agreeably to your desire, to consider of the necessary measures to be taken for the Security of the Settlement, & are of opinion — That, in the present

alarmed

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14th. We likewise imagine it will be expedient to have a Picquet in the Black Town, ready to move on the shortest notice — and that it will be advisable to have Guns attached to it, although no allowance be made for them in the accompanying Return for armed Posts, nor for 4 Field Pieces intended to move out with the Detachment for the protection of the Bounds, in case of the Enemy's approach. The Strength estimated for this Service, is 500 European & 500 Native Troops.

The Signal Posts & Alarm Posts, for the Troops cannot be fixed until the Honble Board have determined on such as are to be occupied — When their pleasure is known in this respect, measures shall be taken for their being immediately established.

On comparing the Detail of Guards with the Strength of the Garrison for Duty, We find little more than one Relief of Native Troops, as the only part of the Detachment lately arrived from Wallajanbad which can be put on Duty, is the Company of the 21st Battalion Stationed at the Mount; the Artillery Detachment of the 1st Battalion of European Infantry; & Ensign Buchan's Nominal Company of Sepoys being composed of Raw Recruits & Sick, cannot add in any degree to the Effective Strength of the Garrison.

From

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Return of advanced Posts recommended to be occupied — 11th August 1790.

	No. of Guns at each Post. Caliber Pounders 18. 9. 6. 3	European Artillery. Lieuts.	Corps.	Privates.	Total.	Sepoys. Artillery.	Lascars.	Havildars.	Naigues.	Drummers.	Topasses.	Sepoys.	Total.
Mount	. 1 1 .	.	1	6. 7		1	1	4	41	1	68	80	
Muncumbaucum?	. . 1 .	.	1	4 5		.	.	1	1	.	10	12	
Arsawaucum	. . 1 .	.	1	4 5		.	1	2	2	.	24	29	
St. Thomé Redoubt	. . 1 .	.	1	4 5		1	1	3	3	.	30	38.	
Washing Choultry	. . . .	.	.	. .		.	.	.	1	.	6.	7.	
Post on the North West angle	. . . .	.	.	. .		.	.	.	1	.	6	7	
Post on the North Beach	. . . 1	.	1	3 4		.	.	1	1	.	12	14	
Vipery Church	. 3 . .	1	9	10		1	1	3	3	.	30.	38.	
Egmore	. 3 . 1	.	1	3. 4		.	.	1	1	.	12	14	
Lux Church	. . 2 .	.	1	8 9		.	.	1	1	.	12.	16	
Governor's Gardens	. . . 1	.	1	3 4		.	.	.	1	.	6.	7	
Chindadripettah	. . . .	.	.	. .		.	.	.	1	.	3.	4	
With the Signals at Doctor Hovey's Gardens	. . . .	.	.	. .		.	.	.	1	.	3	4	
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Return of Guards & Strength of the Garrison for Duty.

Guards &c.

	Europeans.	Natives
Garrison Guards	127	143
Standing Guards	"	155
		298
One Relief	"	298.
		596
To be allowed for Escorts &c.	"	50
Total Carried forward	127.	646

Strength of the Garrison for Duty

	Europeans Artillery	Infantry	Natives
Hanoverians	50	660	-
Hon'ble Company's Invalids	13	-	-
26th & 36th Battalions	"	"	664
a Company of the 21st Battalion	"	"	38
Invalids	"	"	30
	63.	660	732
Total to Send to advanced Posts	63.	533.	86.

" Patrick Ross Lieut. Col. & Chief Engineer

(Signed) " Geo. Wall Capt. Commanding Artl. in Garrison.

" R. Gomond Town Major

Sent

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15th with Copies of two addressed to us by Colonel Brathwaite, with the Documents that accompanied them.

With the materials now sent to you, We beg leave to submit the Subject to your decision, & shall request to be favored with your Instructions in consequence.

We take this opportunity of transmitting to your Lordship in Council Copy of a letter from the Danish Government at Tranquebar, expressing their being fully satisfied with the Explanations received from the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis respecting his visit to the Nicobar Islands.

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

Fort St. George.
13th. August 1790.

(signed) { Morgan Williams
& Council.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters - as entered in A.B.
Nos. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76.

To the Military Board — To the Military Board - advising them of Mr. Bruce's Appointment as Secretary to their Board in the room of Mr. Sharron.

To Ditto. — To Ditto — To Report upon an Extract of a Letter from the Secretary to the Commander in Chief, respecting the Allowances to be given to the Field Apothecary.

To Ditto — To Ditto — To Report their opinion fully upon a Recommendation from

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16th Received Letter from the Nabob /as Entered in C.C. No. 159/
Enclosing a Letter for the Governor General.

To Colonel Kelly. Dispatched Letter to Colonel Kelly /as Entered in M.B. No. 81/
Enclosing Copy of the Report delivered in by the Chief Engineer,
Commanding Officer of Artillery, & Town Major.

At a Consultation

Tuesday 17th August 1790.

Present

Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President.

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqres.

The Honorable Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & approved.

Read the following Letter & Enclosure from His Highness the Nabob /which is also Entered in C.C. No. 160/.

From the Nabob Wallaujah to Morgan Williams Esqr.

Dated 12th Zehudge 1204, or 15th August 1790.

Received 16th August 1790.

From the Nabob. States the nefarious acts of which Cunjiah was guilty during the Government of Mr. Holland; & recommends that a Committee be appointed to enquire into & ascertain the

1204 Fusly.

I have received your letter of the 25th Zeleud or 7th August 1790, in which you inform me that Cunjiah

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Paupiah, before, during, & since the Government of Mr. John Holland has some Money transactions with the Circar, all which were settled, & Balance paid to him seperately, partly thro' Soucars, partly by a share of a Bill given by Mr. Johnstone, & partly by daily Receipts from my treasury, and are totally distinct from the aforesaid Sum stated against him, which can be proved by the accounts as well as by Witnesses. This Man Paupiah, my Friend will find to be a Lyar, & a Peculator of the Company's Property. — He wishes by false Representations to disprove his having received this Sum of 448,792 Pagodas, which was paid for the public service. But I flatter myself you will not suffer him to rob the Public & me of such a large sum of Money — I fear he will conceal his real Accounts with the Circar, & fabricate false ones to lay before you. — Whoever affords protection to this notorious & daring Rogue, will hurt his own Character — he should therefore be kept under Confinement, as at first, until he pays the Money to the Company.

It was mentioned in the Extracts of the Minutes of Council, that you had given Paupiah Copy of the accounts of Pagodas 448,792 — this, my friend, was not proper — it is sufficient to order him to produce the Books & accounts of all the Monies he received — by this means this Sum will easily be established against him — It is very clear that no Rogue will

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consistent with my Dignity to reply to the falsehoods of that worthless fellow Paupiah, & thereby place myself in a manner upon a footing with him; and as I trust your Highness will be of the same opinion, I request you will represent the same to the Governor & Council.

The Business betwixt Paupiah & the Circar is not very diffuse or Extensive. The Sum stated against him by your Highness to the Governor & Council, he received through the Circar's Mutteseuddies & Sowcars; & the account thereof, specifying the dates of the several Payments, is registered in your Highness's Books. Such Sums as were paid through Sowcars will appear by their Books; & the Witnesses & Evidences are ready to verify his having received the Money. Notwithstanding this, Paupiah is still so daring as to deny it, it is incumbent on the Government to recover the Company's Money. With respect to what Paupiah has asserted that I mentioned to him, your Highness will know whether Colonel Ross has written to you, or whether General Medows or Colonel Harris did ask your Highness. If they have done so, Paupiah's assertion is right - but, the better to come at the real truth of this matter, the Governor & Council should send this my Declaration to General Medows, to Colonel Ross, & to Colonel Harris, and if they have written or Spoken to your Highness, the assertion is true - if not, false. There is no Remedy or End to the assertions of a Liar.

Resolved

2776. Fort St. George 17th. August 1790.

Letter from the Resident at Travancore, relative to the two Regiments
in that Country — which Colonel Hartley is told I would by
all means have him bring with him to Palicaudcherry, as soon
as the Season will permit; — after which, the two Regiments
certainly, & Colonel Hartley probably will join this Army.

Having nothing since my last to acquaint
you with — I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(Signd) Wm. Medows,

Governor & Commander in Chief.

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.
Respecting Grain in the
Barracks at Poonamallee,
& on the Glacis at Chingleput.
Requesting to be allowed
more Commodious
apartments for carrying
on the Business of their
Office.

Mr. Dighton having reported that small
Quantities of Grain are stored in the Barracks of Poonamallee,
& stacked on the Glacis of Chingleput. We beg leave to recom-
mend that the former may be taken Charge of by the Commiss.
General of Grain & Provisions, & that the latter may be received
into Store at Chingleput in addition to the Supplies already
furnished.

We

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Minutes thereon.

Agreed that the recommendations of the Board of Revenue respecting the Grain at Condamallee & Chingleput be approved.

Agreed that the Rooms now possessed by the Military Storekeeper, on the South side of the Fort Square, and a large one under the Fort House, be allotted to the Secretaries, Accountants, Assistants, & Native Writers under the Board of Revenue.

Read the following Letter & Enclosures from the acting Paymaster at Vellinopoly.

To The Honble Morgan Williams Esqr.
acting President in Council Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the acting Paymaster at Vellinopoly with Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to the Commander in Chief, respecting Grain to be transported to Carroor or Erode — States the want of Bullocks for this Service — Wants Cash for Escorts &c — Copy of a Letter from the Nabob's Son respecting Grain delivered to Mr. Johnston.

I have the honor to Enclose Copy of a Letter from Colonel Harris with my answer, & have in consequence endeavored to Contract for Bullocks, agreeable to the General's wish; but independant of the Nabob's immediate influence, it is impossible to procure Bullocks at this place. I have therefore applied personally to him, & have promises of Supply. The Gentlemen employed by the Agent informs he is also using his utmost Endeavors to collect Bullocks from every part of the Country.

I have Ten thousand Loads of Rice ready measured, & in Bags to convey, at the shortest notice; & shall ascertain myself for Expediting the Service to the utmost of my ability in every

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that, orders from the Nabob to the Managers here, if given without reservation, would Expedite the procuring of Bullocks, a great supply of which are now so Essentially necessary for the Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your very obedient & most humble Servant
(Signed) Edward Garrow
in charge of the Pay'r Employ.

Tritchinopoly
10th August 1790.

Edward Garrow Esq.
Paymaster at Tritchinopoly.

Camp Coimbatour 3rd Augt 1790.

Sir,

By Direction of the Commander in Chief, I have to inform you that he requests you will immediately apply to the Inhabitants of Tritchinopoly, that you are ready to receive Proposals for carrying Rice by Contract to Caroor or Errode, on the terms of being guaranteed from loss by the Enemy. These Proposals to be forwarded to Council for their orders; and in the mantime the Commander in Chief desires that you will make every Exertion, on the best Terms you can get, to forward Rice to Caroor.

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) George Harris
Lieut.
Colonel

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I have sent the Extract to Mr. Ferguson, but for several days no letters have been received from Madras.- If you wish to dispatch any Letters, they will go safely from hence to Negapatam, & from that place by Sea.

I am under some apprehensions for money which was sent under an Escort from Madras the 28th. Ultimo, for the use of this Garrison, & of which the Sepoy Families are in great want.- Please, Sir, to assure the General that while I remain at this Station, my utmost Exertions shall be used for the good of the Service.-

I have the honor to be
Sir, Your most obedient & very humble Servant

Tritchinopoly
7th. August 1790.

(Signed) E. Garrow
in Charge of the Pay's Employ.

His Highness the Nabob Hejsawmen ul Mulk Bahauder.

To Edward Garrow Esqr.

Sir, According to my Father's orders I have delivered into the Company's Stores, under the care of Mr. Johnston the late Paymaster 89.279 Cullums & 8 3/4 Measures Paddy, for which I have not as yet got any receipt from him; & being told that you are now taking the same Paddy from Kistna Row the late Paymaster's Dubash, I therefore expect your Receipt for the same, before it is taken, for it belongs to me & not to Kistna Row. What can I say more?-

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irregular, & contrary to your positive orders of the 19th June last – but as the amount of the Refunds claimed from Mr. Willis is very considerable; & as the final decision of the Principles on which my audit on those accounts was made, must serve as a Criterion by which the accounts of the present War must hereafter be tried; it is of the greatest consequence that they should be publickly known to have undergone the most impartial & minute investigation – Permit me, therefore, most earnestly, to entreat your Honble Board to nominate a Committee for the Examination of my audit of Mr. Willis's Accounts, & to Report their opinion to Government. If I have made any mistakes, or put unfavorable construction upon your orders, it is as much my wish, as it is my Duty, to have them rectified; & the Information I shall derive from the Determination of the Committee, will enable me to proceed with more than usual Confidence in the audit of all future Accounts.

If I may be permitted to suggest the Persons to constitute this Committee, I should take the liberty of mentioning Mr. Roebuck, Mr. Mowbray, & Mr. Cockburn; whose official situation, & acknowledged Abilities, seem to point them out as the most competent Judges of the Business to be submitted to their Consideration & Decision?

I am with Respect,
Honble Sir, Your obedient humble Servant
(signed) J. Casper
C.G.S.

Fort St. George.
12th August 1790.

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Minute thereon.

Agreed to inform Colonel Capper, that if he apprehends any Error has been Committed in his audit of Mr. Willis's accounts, he is at liberty to revise it - but that, a Committee, as suggested by him, is not thought necessary.

Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Military Department.

Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite. Lieutenant Colonel Frazer applies for Permission to visit the Presidency - Requests orders to train some Men of his Battalion to the Exercise of the Guns & that they may draw the allowances of Artillery. - Wishes some more Recruits to be allotted to his Corps.

Having Communicated to Major Bonnevaux the leave with which he has been indulged to go to the Presidency, he has replied, that he is in great hopes by his last letters, that it will not be necessary, but that if it should, he will with great thankfulness avail himself of the Indulgence which Government have done him the honor to grant him.

I shall trouble you, Sir, to lay before Government a request from Lieutenant Colonel Frazer - namely, that he may have permission, should he find it necessary, of which he is by no means as yet certain, to make a short trip to Madras.

I would beg leave to propose to Government, as We are so extremely deficient in Artillery in this Division, that I might be allowed to order some Non Commissioned & Privates of my Battalion to be instructed & do duty as Artillery, about 5 Men per Company - This would render the Division more capable of rendering Service at present,

and

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to enable me to furnish Serjeants to the Native Battalions in the Division. I am now about to send Six to Major Montgomery; if were I to comply with the Solicitations of the several Captains of the Native Battalions in the Division, it would ruin my Corps; but if I had Supernumeraries, I would take care to form Serjeants for the Native Corps.

(signed) J. B.

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Frazer be permitted to visit the Presidency, if necessary.

Minutes thereon?

The Board approve Colonel Braithwaites instructing a Proportion of his Men in the Artillery Practice, but it must be done without any Expence to the Company, unless the Men are actually Employed as Artillery in the Field, or Garrison.

Read the following Letter from the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr.

President in Council.

Honble Sir,

From the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops - with Statements of Office Charges, as Charged to the Crown & the Company.

In obedience to Mr. Deputy Secretary Jackson's letter of the 30th Ultimo, I have the honor of laying before the Honble Board seperate Statements of the King's Pay Office Charges, one of which is charged to the Crown, the other to the Honble Company.

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King's office Charges &c. &c. Brought forward	£	281.	4. -
To allowance of Soobriah Brahminy Writer under Mr. Young with the Grand Army, his Pay for 61 days a 30 Pags. p. month, is Pags. 60 or		24.	- -
To Ditto of 1 Clerk under Mr. Young at Tanjore from Ditto Ditto a 10 Pags. p. month is Pagodas 20 or		8	- -
To Office Rent at Tanjore from Ditto Ditto a 15 Pags. p. month is Pags. 30 or		12	- -
To 1 Peon at Tanjore, from Ditto Ditto a 2 Pags. p. month is Pags. 4 or		1	12 -
To 1 Shroff at Tanjore, from Ditto Ditto at 2½ Pags. p. month is Pags. 5 or		2	- -
To 1 Tanycachy, or Office Sweeper, from Ditto Ditto a 1½ Ps. p. mo, is Ps. 3 - or		1.	4 -
To Allowance of Lieut. C. Stuart as Mr. Burke's Deputy in Bengal, for a period of 61 days, at 8 Shillings p. day, is		24.	8 -
To Ditto of 1 Clerk under Mr. Stuart in Bengal, from Do. Do. a 20 Sa. Rupees p. month is Rupees 40 or		4.	10 -
To 2 Extra additional Clerks upon the instruction from Mr. Grenville, for Do. Ditto, a 20 Sa. Rs. ea. being 40 Rs. p. month, is Rupees 80 - or		9	- -
To Office Rent at Calcutta for Do. Do. a 116 Sa. Rs. p. month, is Rups. 232 or		24.	3. 4
To 1 Shroff at Calcutta for Do. Do. a 7 Sa. Rups. p. month, is Rups. 14 - or		1.	11. 6
To 1 Peon at Calcutta, for Do. Do. a 6 Sa. Rups. p. month, is Rupees 12 or		1.	7 -
To 1 Matrona, or Office Sweeper a 4 Sa. Rups. p. month, is Rups. 8 or			18 -
	£.	395.	17. 10
a 8 Shillings p. Pag. is Pagodas		989.	30. 15

King's Pay-Office.
Fort St. George. 11th August 1790.

E. E. (signed) Joseph Garrow
Acty. Dy. King's Pay.

Monthly allowance for Servants in the King's Pay Office at Madras, granted by the Governor & lately approved of by the Honble Court of Directors.

1 Book Keeper's allowance p. month	30 - -
2 Writers allowance at 15 Pags. p. Ditto	30 - -
1 Shroff p. month	2 - -
Office Rent p. month	50 - -
3 additional Writers a 10 Pags. p. month	30 - -
1 Peon p. month	2 - -
1 Moochy p. month	3 - -
Pagodas	147 - -

Fort St. George King's Pay Office.
15th August 1790.

(signed) Joseph Garrow
Acting Dy. King's Pay.

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the Hospital Board be desired to send an Assistant Surgeon to Conjeveram, after which, Mr. Campbell will be ordered to join his Corps in the Field.

Agreed to inform Colonel Kelly that Captain Smith's Company of Bengal Artillery is to be paid by the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment.

Read the following Letter & Enclosure from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Government Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - respecting Silver belonging to his Detachment estimated deficient in Standard Value.

I have the honor of the orders of the Board, contained in your Letter of the 30th July, by the Officer who received the Charge of the Treasure, £50,000 Fifty thousand Star Pagodas remitted for the Service of the Bengal Detachment, Exchange, account of Silver Specie sent to the Treasury at Fort St. George. - The Paymaster of the Detachment has received the Money for the publick Service, & was directed to transmit a Receipt, which hereupon to me has been attended to.

In reply to the desire of the Honble Board, that "a Soucar might be sent to Madras, to make the Exchange of "the Silver" - I have received the within from Mr. Scott - He is now busily employed in making the Pay Abstracts to the Bengal Detachment; & I am fully sensible that on the present Introduction of a new form of abstract, & a new mode of Payment, his reasons for soliciting the Exchange of the Silver may be

performed

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the Rupees which were sent to the Public Treasury under the Escort of Lieutenant Macorkill from Poonamallee.— In answer to the Requisition you have made me on the subject, I must acquaint you that, the Duty of my office at present is such as absolutely to require my personal attendance in Camp; and my Cash Keeper, the only Person in my office I could depute on such an occasion, cannot be sent without the greatest inconvenience to me.

As the Government of Fort St. George have been pleased to offer every Assistance to the Sircars you might send, I take the liberty to propose your requesting the Government to dispose of the Rupees in the first instance, giving the Detachment Treasury Credit for the actual amount they may produce.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Camp near Arnee.
the 12th August 1790.

(signed) Jno. Scott
Cash. to the Detach.t

Minute thereon.

Agreed, that the Silver estimated deficient in Standard Value be received into the Mint & coined, if it shall appear that it cannot be sold with more advantage to the Company.

Read the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mil.y Nos. 82. 83.

From the Military Paymaster General.

From the Military Paymaster General — Stating that the Dooly Boys lately arrived from Ganjam, have refused to go to Camp without

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Diary.

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

18th Sent Letter to the Nabob / as entered in C.C. No. 161. / advising him of having appointed Messrs. Hugh Maxwell, George Moubray, & Joseph Garrow, as a Committee for Investigating the Charges adduced against Paupiah Brahminy.

Substance of a letter to the Rajahs of Calastry & Vencatagherry, & to Bommauze.

Sent Letters to the Rajahs of Calastry & Vencatagherry, & to Bommauze, vide C.C. No. 162 / directing them to join Colonel Kelly with such a Proportion of their Followers as the Colonel may inform them he stands in need of.

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.

Received Letter from the Nabob / as entered in C.C. No. 163 / Enclosing a Letter for Lord Cornwallis.

Substance of two Petitions from Paupiah Brahminy.

Received Two Petitions from Paupiah Brahminy / as entered in M.B. Nos. 84. 85 / the former Stating the hardships he underwent during his Confinement; & requesting a Receipt for the property belonging to him, & lodged in the Company's Cash Chest — The latter stating that the Money said to have been paid to him by the Nabob on Account of the Company, was in part discharge of a Balance due to himself from his Highness. Requesting that the Matter may be dismissed, & that the Papers received from him may be returned.

Sent the following Letter to Messrs. Maxwell, Moubray, & Roebuck.

To

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18th.

John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Governor in Council,
Military Department Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Captain Kennaway with Copy of a letter from Major Montgomery, stating that the Nizam's Army will enter the Enemy's Country on or about the 13th. Instant.

I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Honble Board, a Copy of a Letter which I have this day received from Major Montgomery, & request the Contents of it may be communicated to General Medows.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your most obedient & humble Servant
(signed) John Kennaway.

Saangur - 4th August 1790.

John Kennaway Esqr.
Resident at the Nizam's Court.

Sir,

I did myself the honor of addressing you yesterday, but detained the Tappal till I could transmit you, for the information of his Lordship, agreeable to your Request of the 16th. July, the Result of a Conference with Mohaubet Kung which took place in the Evening. I have now the pleasure to inform you that, in consequence of my acquaring him of the Detachment being in readiness for Service, & urging him to proceed, I received the most positive assurances from him, that he would enter the Enemy's Country on or about the 13th. Instant.

I have the honor to be
Sir, your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) H. Montgomery.

Camp near Rychore.
2nd August 1790.

A true Copy
(signed) Wm Stewart Asst.

2800. Fort St. George August 1790.

18th of which in the 28th Battalion, Colonel Braithwaite had done the utmost the Stores at Ellore would admit of, even to parting with those of his Regiment. I then formed my Encampment, and made the Return as ordered — I also mentioned to Colonel Braithwaite the Deficiency, which struck me in the Returns of the two Corps from the Strength detailed for them in orders; but as the Colonel seemed to think the Spirit of the Commander in Chief's order had been complied with, as far as was consistent with his force, it became my Duty to acquiesce — and on the receipt of an order to march with the utmost Expedition to join the army of the Soubah, and to address the Commander in Chief on my quitting the Company's Territory, I employed myself on the 28th in making the necessary Indents, & on the 29th began my march.

After the first day's march, observing the Line to be much weaker than was consistent with it's Strength upon Paper, I called upon the Captains of the two Corps for the necessary Information as to the causes of it; & beg leave to refer you to their Returns enclosed, as also to the Enclosed Copies of their Letters in answer to an application from me after the Receipt of your's of the 6th Instant.

Agreeably to my orders, I took the earliest opportunity of addressing the Commander in Chief (who had not then left the Presidency) & of forwarding for his Information a State of the Detachment founded on the Returns given me

by

Fort St. George August 1790.

18th "great number of Recruits" - & having required "such Infor-
"mation as might enable him to set the matter to his
"Highness in a clear light" - I wrote him in answer on
the 27th "that I was sorry to be obliged to inform him
"that such was the case, both Corps being young, & not
"having been completed, previous to leaving Ellore, to the
"number ordered by Government viz. 800 Rank &
"File per Battalion." - At the same time stated the
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& concluded by enclosing a State of the Detachment, which
might "give him a better idea of our Strength, - & submitted
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The Application of the 25th. of May was
followed by another under date 5th. June, wherein Captain
Kennaway after Specifying the State of two Battalions
as agreed upon by the Governor General to be furnished
to His Highness the Nizam, requested to know - "how far
"the Strength of the two Battalions under my Command
"corresponded with that Establishment, or to what amount
"it was deficient, without including the non Effectives
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18th to submit to their Judgement, so situated, how far I have acted consistently -- Ordered as I was to march at a short notice, an Entire Stranger to the nature of the Agreement with his Highness the Nizam, & to the probable urgency of the Service I was going upon - feeling as an officer, the satisfaction of being called into active service from Ellore, the most northern Brigade Station, & where every officer lamented the remoteness of his Situation from the active scenes going on to the Southwards, - at the same time that it was particularly enjoined to me to use all possible Expedition to get to Pagtour, whether or not had I protested against marching off the Detachment as it then stood, until an answer to any Representation of mine to the Board could have arrived, ignorant as I then was of every Circumstance relative to our intended Destination, or if any bad consequences should have arisen from such delay, could I have answered either to my Honorable Employers or to my own mind - Attentive to the best of my Power, I took the earliest opportunity of transmitting for the Information of the Commander in Chief a state of the Detachment as it appeared to me, & again from time to time as before particularly stated in this Letter.

I trust, Sir, the Honorable Board will do me the Justice to believe that my Pride, as an officer, would have been highly gratified had my Detachment been more compleat, both as to numbers, discipline, & Dress - Their Disadvantages in which I must allow were great, but such as were incidental to the Service - The 28th Battalion had

Copies of.

Present States of the two Battalions of Native Infantry in the Detachment Commanded by Major Montgomery delivered Camp at Mungall. 28th. 10th. May 1790.

28th. Battalion.

	Europeans.								Natives.									
	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Cadets.	1st Lieutenant & Adjutant.	Lieutenant & Surgeon.	Sergeant major.	Qr. Mr. Sergeant.	Drill Sergeant.	Sergeants.	Subidars.	Jemidars.	Havildars.	Naigues.	Band Master.	Drummers.	Fifers.	Bucktallies.	Privates.	Rank & File.	Sick Recruits.
Present for Duty	1	4	3	1	1	-	1	1	1	2	5	35	33	-	7	1	9	505.	538.	32.
Sick present	"	"	"	"	"	1	-	-	-	2	2	3	7	-	2	1	-	87.	94.	3.
Ditto Absent	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	2	2	-	-	1	-	1.	83.	83.	-
On Command	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
On Leave	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	-	-
Barrack Master	-	1	-	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total	1	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1.	10.	10.	40	40.	1	10.	2.	10.	676.	716.	36.

N.B. 162 Sepoys at Drill who have not joined the Battalion; 2 Naigues & 27 Sepoys Deserted; & 29 Sepoys Entertained since leaving Ellore - also 2 Sepoys promoted to Naigues.

(Signed) Andrew Read
Capt.n Commanding
28th. Battalion N.I.

A true Copy
(Signed) Alex.r Orr.
acting aid de Camp & Field Adjutant.

29th. Battalion.

	Europeans.								Natives.									
	Captains.	Lieutenants.	Cadets.	Lieutenant & Adjutant.	1st Lieutenant & Surgeon.	Sergeant Major.	Qr. Mr. Sergeant.	Drill Sergeant.	Sergeants.	Subidars.	Jemidars.	Havildars.	Naigues.	Band Master.	Drummers.	Fifers.	Bucktallies.	Privates.	Rank & File.	Sick Recruits.
Present for Duty	1.	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	6	7	36.	36.	1	9	2	10	555.	662.	27.
Sick Present	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	2	"	"	"	"	63.	68.	2.
Ditto absent	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	47.	49.	-
On Leave	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	15.	16.	-
Aid de Camp & Field Adjutant	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Dy. Mast.r to the Detachm.t	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	3	6	7	40	40.	1	9	2	10.	680.	795	29.
Supernumeraries	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	4.	7.	

N.B. 27 Sepoys, who were brought in by Recruiting Parties, struck off the 30th. April, being above the Establishment - one Havildar deceased, one Naigue promoted to Havildar, one Sepoy promoted to Naigue, Eight Sepoys Deserted, & nine Sepoys Entertained - 285 Recruits, included in the above, who have not joined the Battalion.

(Signed) Ja.s Dalrymple
Capt.n Commanding 29th. Batt.n

A true Copy
(Signed) Alex.r Orr.
acting aid de Camp & Field Adjutant.

Copies of Returns 1790.

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18th

To Major Hugh Montgomery.
Commanding a Detachment of the Honble
Company's Troops serving with his
Highness the Nizam.

Sir, I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your Letter of this Date, requesting to be favored with the reasons for so many of my Battalion appearing without Cloathing, & for the great number of Recruits in it at our leaving Ellore, conformably to which Letter I have the honor to acquaint you, that I had a sufficiency of Cloathing for the former Establishment of Eight Companies compleat on my leaving Ellore; and that all the Men of my Battalion who had joined the Battalion were Cloathed, & the Jackets of those at Drill were Deposited in my Regimental Stores to be occasionally delivered out as the Men were dismissed the Drill.—
Having received no Cloathing for the two additional Companies of my Battalion previous to my being put under your Command, I consequently had none to issue to those two Companies when my Battalion marched in your Detachment; in which Deficiency I believe I was not singular, as no Native Corps in the Northern Division of the Army had received the Cloathing for their two additional Companies then.

And as to the great number of Recruits in my Battalion on leaving Ellore, I have the honor of accounting for as follows.

Recruits raised for the two additional Companies	136
Recruits entertained in the room of Men promoted for the above mentioned two Companies	20
Recruits Entertained in the room of Men who had passed the Invalid & C.o Committee	41
Recruits in the Battalion at the time of the augmentation of the two Companies, the Promotions &c.a taking place	83
	280

Camp near Rachore
30th July 1790.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a (signed) J. Calrymple
Capt.n Comm.g 2d Batt.n S.P.

2810. Fort St. George August 1790.

18th

From the Commissary Genl. of Grain & Provisions. — From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - with Extract of a Letter from Mr. C. Garrow, respecting the Grain in the Tritchinopoly District.

From Ditto. — From Ditto - Requesting to know if he may empower the Storekeeper at Madura to purchase, & lay into Store, such quantities of Grain as he may be able to procure at the Buzar Price of the Day.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters - as entered in No. Nos. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109

To the Commissary Genl. of Grain & Provisions. — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - directing him to take Charge of the Grain Stored in the Barracks at Poonam

To the Secretary to the Commander in Chief - — To the Secretary to the Commander in Chief - with Copy of a L from Major Montgomery to Captain Kennaway.

To the Board of Revenue. — To the Board of Revenue - with an allotment of Quarters f their Offices.

To Ditto. — To Ditto - approving their Recommendations respecting Grain at Poonamallee & Chingleput.

To M.r T. Lind, Military Storekeeper. — To the Military Storekeeper - directing him to deliver o the Secretaries of the Board of Revenue, the Rooms attached to t Employ.

To the Paymaster at Chingleput. — To the Paymaster at Chingleput - Directing him to rece into Store the Grain Stacked on the Glacis of Chingleput

To the Hospital Board. — To the Hospital Board - To recommend an assistant Sur for the Garrison of Poonamallee.

To Colonel Kelly. — To Colonel Kelly - Captain Smith's Company of Bengal Artillery to be paid by the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment

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Fort St. George 19th August 1790.

Thursday 19th August 1790.

At a Consultation Present -

Morgan Williams Esqr.
Acting President.

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqres

The Honorable Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & Approved.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly. -

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department.

Sir.

From Colonel Kelly - his opinion on the said Train & the necessary to Enable him to attempt the Capture of Bangalore.

I am honored with the Commands of Government under date the 10th Instant, & in compliance therewith have now the honor of stating to the Honble Board what I judge requisite in order to Enable me to attempt the Capture of Bangalore - and that my answers may be the more clear & Explicit, as to the several points of Information that Government require, I shall arrange them

Fort St. George 19th August 1790.

Store on the Frontiers, is on the presumption that this army will not be disturbed during the Siege by Tippoo's whole force – but that, on the contrary, the operations of the Grand army will give his Main Body full Employment, & thereby leave me at liberty to besiege Bangalore, & at the same time detach Escorts to our Depots for Supplies – But should this not coincide with the Commander in chief's Plan of operations, the whole of the Grain should be brought forward at once if possible; or the aid of a Body of Mahratta or Mogul Horse called in from our allies to the Northward, with which a sufficient Escort could be spared from the Siege for every purpose.

The particular places for Depots cannot be ascertained, until I resolve on the Line of operations from the Carnatic to Bangalore.

4th. The force that I would propose to take with me for the Capture of Bangalore, is as follows viz.

1st Regiment of Native Cavalry – The three European Regiments now in the Field – Four Carnatic Battalions of Sepoys, & six Battalions of Bengal Sepoys – The whole force under arms amounting to about nine thousand Men.

Observations. I have thought it necessary to add two or more Carnatic Battalions to my present force, which may take the 3rd of the 8th or 24th – their place shall be supplied by

Detachments

2816. Fort St. George 19th. August 1790.

Minute thereon

The Board are exceedingly anxious for the accomplishment of General Medows's Plans, & are resolved that no means shall be left untried for the carrying them into Execution — They observe that the Battering Train & Field ordnance proposed by Lieutenant Colonel Stiles for Colonel Kelly's army differs from what is above recommended by Colonel Kelly; & they are therefore of opinion, that both should be referred to the Military Board, who should be desired to Report as fully and as speedily as possible upon the subject, & upon such other points as may occur to them relative to the movement & Employment of Colonel Kelly's Army.

The Military Board to Report their opinion.

Agreed that orders be immediately issued for Beating out Paddy into Rice at Vellore, & that the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, & Storekeeper at Amboor be directed to prepare Goomies under the protection of the Fort, for the reception of Grain to be Stored there.

Preparations to be made for sending the Enter Army to the Conquest of Bangalore.

Agreed also that the acting President be requested to procure from the proper Officers a Sketch of the State of our Funds for the carrying on the Plan recommended by General Medows; & that a notification of it be made to the Agent for the Contractors for Bullocks, that he may lose no time in ascertaining whether the

Bullocks

2818. Fort St. George 19th August 1790.

This is to certify that Colonel Eccles Nixon, Commanding the Garrison of Tritchinopoly, from a long Residence in this Country, has been for several Months subject to a great Tremor & weakness in both his Knees, attended with other Symptoms of a general relaxed Habit.

I am therefore of opinion, & do hereby recommend that he makes early application for leave to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope, & to Europe if found necessary - a change of Climate & Cold atmosphere being judged the only means of removing Complaints of that nature.

Given under my hand at Tritchinopoly this 1st day of July 1790.

(signed) Nicol Mein
Head Surgeon.

We consider Mr. Mein's Certificate sufficiently Explanatory of Colonel Nixon's situation, and recommend a Voyage to the Cape, or to proceed to Europe if necessary.

" Jas Anderson Physician Gen.l
Madras 12th July 1790. Signed " Wm Raine acting Chief Surgeon.
" Wm Dunlop Head Surgeon.

Minute thereon. Colonel Nixon having the Permission of the Commander in Chief, & producing the necessary Certificate, it is agreed that he be permitted to proceed to Europe for the Recovery of his health.

From the Military Storekeeper. Read a Letter [entered in C.B. No 110] from the Military Storekeeper, requesting not to be obliged to remove from his present Quarters until he can be otherways provided, & Expressing

his

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Fort St. George. August 1790.

Diary.

19th. Received Intelligence from Captain Read (as entered in M.B. P. III.) Stating that Tippoo has sent two Detachments from his Camp, the one for Canoul, the other for Cuddapah. That the Nizam has Stationed 150 Peons between Paangul & the Army at Canoul. Reports the situation of the Horse in the Vicinity of Kistnagherry.

Intelligence from Captain Read.

From Colonel Kelly. Received Letter from Colonel Kelly (as entered in M.B. P. III.) Recommending that a Spot of Ground in the Black Town be allotted to the Families of the Native Bengal Troops of Lieut. Colonel Cockerell's Detachment.

Sent the following Letter to the Military Board.

To Colonel Capper
&c. &c. Members of the Military Board.

Gentlemen.

To the Military Board - With Copy of a Letter from Colonel Kelly - To report their opinion on the Battering Train necessary for the Capture of Bangalore.

I am directed by Government to enclose Copy of a Letter from Colonel Kelly, & to desire your Sentiments as fully, and as speedily, as possible upon the Subject.

You will observe that there is a difference in the Statements of Ordnance judged necessary by Colonel Kelly & Lieutenant Colonel Gells, as a Battering Train for an Army destined against Bangalore — upon this difference your Sentiments are particularly requested.

You

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Fort St. George 20th August 1790.

19th

The Fort of Amboor.

To Colonel Nixon. — To Colonel Nixon — with Permission to proceed to Europe for the re-establishment of his health.

To the Military Storekeeper. — To the Military Storekeeper — Again directing him to deliver up the Rooms in the Fort Square to the Secretaries of the Board of Revenue — permitting him to draw the House Rent annexed to his Rank, until he is provided with apartments by the Civil Paymaster.

Friday 20th August 1790.

At a Consultation

Present

Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President.

John Turing and Edward Saunders Esqrs.

The Honorable Major General William Medows Absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation Read & approved.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Ram, Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Resident at Tanjore. with Copy of a Letter from Colonel Harris respecting the

In consequence of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Copy of which is Enclosed, the Advertisement

/also

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Carour or Erode, on the terms of being guaranteed from loss by the Enemy. These Proposals are to be forwarded to Council for their orders; & in the mean time, the Commander in Chief desires that you will make every Exertion, on the best terms you can get, to enable the Storekeeper to forward Rice to Carour. I hope you have received my Letter of 19th ultimo.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) George Harris
Secy.

By order of the Commander in Chief.

This is to give Notice that, Sealed Proposals for the carrying of Rice by Contract to Carour, Erode, or other Places in the Coimbatour Country, on the Condition of being Guaranteed from loss by the Enemy, will be received by the Resident — The Proposals to be Transmitted to the Honble Board at Madras for their approbation.

Tanjour — 8th August 1790.

Minute thereon

Agreed, to inform Mr. Ram, that no Delays must be suffered in carrying the Commander in Chief's Wishes into Execution, respecting Grain; & that Rama Swamy's Proposals must therefore be accepted, if better Terms cannot be procured.

Read

2826. Fort St. George 20th August 1790.

To the Honble. Morgan Williams, Esqr.
&c. Members of Government.

Honorable Sir & Sirs,

From Mr. Thomas Kingscote — Enclosing the Bullock Contractors Bill for June; & stating the Commander in Chief's Recommendation thereon.

Enclosed I have the honor to forward you the Bill of the Contractors for Bullocks, for the month of June, by which there appears a Balance in their favor of Pagodas 31,163.. 4.8; which the Commander in Chief desires me to submit to you the liquidating of it in the manner that may appear to you the most eligible.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,
(signed) Thomas Kingscote
Commr. of Grain & Provisions.

Camp Coimbatoor —
9th August 1790 —

Minute thereon.

Agreed, that the acting President be requested to arrange the Payment of the Balance due to the Bullock Contractors for the month of June, by Bills on the Northern Subordinates & on Bengal.

Read the following Letter from the Paymaster at Madura.

John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary.

From the Paymaster at Madura — respecting the Grain in Store claimed by Individuals as not belonging to the Circar.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your two Letters of the 3d August: I have wrote to Mr. Brown on the Subject of the determination of the Board in regard of

the

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orders from the Commander in Chief to take all Grain, Circar's or others, for the use of the army.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your most obedient Servant

(signed) H. Vaughan
Paymaster.

Madura
12th August 1790.

Minute thereon.

Agreed that Mr. Macleod, Collector in the Madura District, be informed, that as there have been Claims made upon Grain taken possession of in Madura as Circar Property, he is to call upon the Storekeeper for the particulars which are in his possession on the subject, & ascertain whether any, and what quantity of the Grain now in Store is the Property of Individuals.

Read the following Letter from Ganjam.

To the Honble. Morgan Williams Esqr.
President & Council at Fort St. George.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Ganjam — Lieutenant Hall, as Fort Adjutant, applies for Arrears due to him, for the Allowance of a Writer, which he has omitted to claim.

We have received Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter dated the 20th Ultimo.

Our address of the 11th Ultimo acquainted you, that We had applied to the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam for a reinforcement of two complete Companies of Sepoys; and the

Grenadier

2830. Fort St. George 20th. August 1790.

Gopaul Doss a Bengal Soucar offers to pay into the Company's Treasury, Specie now in Colonel Kelly's Camp, for Bills on Bengal.

Gopaul Doss, a Bengal Soucar, having reported to the Board (vide Minutes of Consultation in the public Department of the 17th. Instant) that he has in Colonel Kelly's camp the Sum of 35,000 Sicca Rupees, which he is willing to pay into the Company's Treasury at Madras for Bills upon Bengal, at the Exchange of 355 Sicca Rupees ℔ 100 Pagodas; & the offer having been accepted - Ordered that Colonel Kelly be directed to send the above Sum to the Presidency under a proper Escort.

Ex. Chas. Harris

John Turing
Edw. Saunders

Command the 5th Revenue Battalion – Ensign Blair to be removed to the Engineer Corps – Mr. Keating's application for Lord Clive's Bounty – six Gentlemen appointed Ensigns by the Commander in Chief in consequence of a deficiency of Subaltern Officers – Statement of the Deficiency.

prior to the 7th June 1785, under the restriction that no further promotion of Lieutenants in the Infantry is to take place until the Establishment is reduced to the number of that Rank, that will be sufficient to give each Native Infantry Battalion six Lieutenants, including the Adjutant if he enjoys the Rank of Lieutenant.

I am ordered to detail the matter as follows, for the information of the Board, & to Enclose a Draught of a General order /No.1/ for carrying the Promotion into Execution.

Ensigns to be promoted to the Rank of Lieutenant, viz.t from George Philips to George Foote, inclusive		77
Lieutenants at present on the List		190
Joined from Europe Lieutenant Simon Dalrymple, but not yet readmitted in orders		1
Total, after the promotion has taken place		268
Lieutenants required for 4 European Battns at 10 each	40	
Ditto – for 30 Native Battalions at 6 each	180.	220
Establishment of Infantry Lieutenants		
Will remain Supernumerary protempore, after the authorized promotion is ordered		48

and, of course the promotion of Ensigns of Infantry to the Rank of Lieutenant will cease until a vacancy happens, after the Supernumeraries /48/ are required to compleat the European Battalions to 10 Lieutenants each & the Native Battalions to 6 each, including the Staff Officers who Enjoy the Rank of Lieutenant.

I have it likewise in Command to address you on the following Subjects in order to be laid before the Board.

Colonel

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25 Captain James Turing Commanding the 7th Revenue Battalion, has the Genl's concurrence to return to his Rank and Standing on the Effective List, on his laying before the Board the Certificate required by the Regulation, under Date the 6th November 1788 - as soon as the 7th Revenue Battalion becomes thereby vacant, the General will recommend to the Board an Officer to Command it.—

The General gives his concurrence to Lieut. Paggen Shaw being Invalided, and denys it to the application of Lieutenant George Blacker to be returned to the effective List.—

In consequence of a Surgeon's Certificate transmitted by Colonel Kelly, the General recommends that Lieutenant Christopher Hewitson of Infantry be pensioned - but not to draw the Pension in India; and therefore that he be furnished with a Certificate to entitle him to receive Lord Clive's Bounty in Europe conformable to the Regulations on that Head.—

The 4th and 5th Revenue Battalions being vacant by the Death of Captain Cudmore & Lieutenant Macalister, the General recommends that Lieutenant Thomas Stevenson shall Succeed to the Command of the 4th Revenue Battalion, provided the applys to be promoted, and is placed on that List, to which the General will have no objection as he understands Lieutenant Stevenson is incapable of Field Duty in consequence of a wound received in the Head at the demolition

21st excludes the Widows from claiming the Pension.—

The Paper [87] is transmitted by direction of the General in order to inform the Board of the measures he is now pursuing to place a Depot of Provisions in Eroad for the use of the Army in it's future operations.—

On account of the very great deficiency of Subaltern Officers for the Duty of the Army, I am directed to report, for the information of the Board, that the General has judged it absolutely necessary for the Service to appoint six young Gentlemen to act as follows until further Orders.

1790		
June 2	Mr Richard Blackall	
" "	Mr Charles Lucas	} to act as Ensigns of Infantry
July 13th	Mr. John Overend	" as Cornets of Cavalry
Augt 13th	Mr. Henry Spence	
" "	Mr Philip Dormieux	} as Ensigns of Infantry
" "	Mr James Hathway	as L.s F.W.s of Artillery

Although the General has been induced for the reasons assigned, to authorize the above mentioned appointments for the present, he has judged it equally necessary, in conformity to the restrictions of the Court of Directors on the Subject, to intimate in Orders that they are to cease at the conclusion of the present War, upon Reference to the Orders affecting them that may hereafter be received from the Court of Directors.—

The

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D.o for the better security and Safety of His Highness's & of the Honorable Company's interests, the Government of Fort S.t George, by instructions received from the Governor Jeneral in Council at Fort William, have assumed the management of the Nabob's Country during the War; & having taken my case into their Consideration, have been pleased to resolve to Continue me on my present situation and Command upon the same plan as was adopted when the Nabob's Country was assigned to the Honble Company in the year 1781, that Mr. Alexander Macleod is appointed Collector of Revenue in the Marawa, who is to follow such particular instructions, as he may receive from the Board of Revenue, and also that I am to attend to such directions as they may transmit to me in the name of Government.

I beg you will do me the favor of representing to the Honorable Board, how sensible and thankful I am for their benevolent Resolutions respecting me, and, that I shall always endeavour to Conduct myself so as to merit their kind attention.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Signed M. Martinz

Ramnad
17.th August 1790

John

2840. Fort St George August 1790

To John Chamier Esq.
Secretary at Fort St George.

Sir,

From W. Secretary Hay with Papers from Venkata Row, respecting the Jaghiredarships of Arnee, referred by him to the Governor General.

I have Orders from the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the following Papers, which have been sent to my Office.

Copy of a Letter from Venkata Row to Earl Cornwallis, Dated the 16th of February 1790.

Copy of the Memorial of Venkata Row to the Governor General in Council, of the same date,

Papers enclosed, in this Letter & entitled, "Extract, Translation of a Report given in the "Maratta Language by Madavo Row Conogoye, "Register of the Carnatic, concerning Jaghiredary of "Arnee, delivered into the Honorable Board of Revenue "20th November 1786"

You are requested to acquaint the Governor in Council at Fort St George, that these Papers are transmitted to him, as the subject of them appertains to the detail of your Presidency not of this.

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c
Signed E Hay
Sec.y to the Govt.

Fort William
31st July 1790.

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21 on Oath - The Jaghire was immediately mortgaged for the Money obtained for the purposes of Corruption

What can I say more

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest deference and Respect, My Lord,

Madras February 16th 1790.

your Lordship's most obedient & devoted Servant

Signed Vencata Row.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis, Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter Lieutenant General and Commander in Chief of all the Forces in India, Governor General, and President in the Supreme Council of Bengal &c. &c. &c.

The Memorial of Vencata Row, this as Law, and Legitimate Descendant, both by Blood and adoption, in the eldest Line of the original Founder of the Jaghire of Arnee. —

Humbly Sheweth,

That the Original Founder of the Jaghire of Arnee, was Vadagee Basheer, That his Son Conary Row succeeded on the demise of his said father

95 who as or about the age of Twenty two years died, in the life time of Tiroomala Row, leaving a Widow, named Gopee Kabai, since dead, and a Son Sobarro Row, now alive, and the fortunate, but not the legal Possessor, of the Jaghire of arnee, the undoubted right of your Memorialist.

Now this humble Memorial further Sheweth, That Seneasa Row aforesaid to whom the said Jaghire was recently granted, contrary to all the principles of Equity, and all the Customs and Rights of Inheritance, being the Grandson by Adoption of Tiroomala Row, who, after having acted as Dewan, seized and possessed the Government or Jaghire by violence, and by no other Title whatever, is now illegally and unjustly possessing and enjoying the same, to the loss, prejudice, and Ruin of your unhappy and injured Memorialist.

That in conformity to the Directions of the Honorable Court of Directors, Sir Archibald Campbell then Governor of Fort St George, was pleased to order the Board of Revenue to enquire and investigate into, the Titles and Pretensions of the Claimants

That the Board of Revenue in consequence referred the Premises to the determination of the Mandava Royer, The Corrogoye or Register of the

25 for Europe from which period, your Memorialist did frequently visit Governor Holland, and inform him of what had passed on the Subject of your Memorialists' Claim, who promised to see justice done to your Memorialist in the Premises, But in the interim your Memorialist was to his great Astonishment and Mortification informed that Messrs Hollands were determined to grant the Sagbire to Seneva as a Row, claiming under the Claim of Adoption by the Usurper, Teroomala Row, of the Second Line, and your Memorialist did address another Memorial to the Governor in Council, stating that your Memorialist as a Descendant of the eldest Line had an indisputable & preferal Right to the Sagbire, and that the said Seneva Row had no right thereto, and therefore praying that the Honorable Board would be pleased either Summon the several Claimants before them & hear their respective pretensions, or to refer it to the decision of the Casts the Claimants belonged to.

That instead of granting the aforesaid equitable Prayer of your Memorialist, the said Gentlemen have thought it proper to suffer a false Nahazar, or Instrument to be drawn up, and sign

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Extract Translation of a Report given in the Mahratta Language by Madava Row Consogye, or Register of the Carnatic, concerning Jaghiredary of Arnee delivered into the Honorable Board of Revenue 20th November 1786.

Vencata Row, the 2d now living has likewise a Right to his Claim by the Rule of the adoption in the eldest Line in the Family. These two Parties have a right to their respective pretensions by the line of adoption.

It is to be observed that Seneva[illegible]a Row, the 3d now living has a right to his Claim by virtue of the adoption in the Family.

Ragonaut Row the 2d and his Brother Vencata Row the 3d being sprung from the real or regular Line of the Family they have also a right.

As you are Superiors it rests with you, therefore to bestow your Favours on such as your Choice may direct.

To John Chamier Esq.
Secretary in the Military Department

Sir,

The accompanying Letter from Mr. Morison was presented to me by Lieutenant Colonel Cockburn with a request that I would be pleased to forward it to the Government of Fort St George. I have the honor to be &c &c

[Signed] R. Kelly

From Colonel Kelly with Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Cockburn from the Agent to the Army Contractors in Bengal protesting against the measure adopted for stopping the Europeans of the Bengal Detachment with Provisions &c.

Head Quarters Centre Army
Camp west of Arnee
21st August 1790.

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the Madras Government in consequence of a represen-
tation made to them by Mr. Harrington, is conditional
and could not be intended to operate with the Detach-
ment under your Command, as Mr. Harrington had
nothing to do with them.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Alex.r Morison
agent for R. Budden
Army Contractor.

Camp at Arnee
August 16th 1790.

Received, the undermentioned Letters, as entered
in M.B. Nos. 128. 129. 130. 131.

From Mr. Secretary Hay.

From Mr. Secretary Hay — with English and
Persian Copies of the Treaty concluded with the Nizam.

From Mr. Edward Holland Cadet

From Mr. Edward Holland, Cadet, requesting
Permission to resign his nomination.

From Mr. R. L. Willis

From Mr. R. L. Willis enclosing a Memorial
and Papers and requesting that they may be transmitted
to the Court of Directors.

From Colonel de Wangenheim

From Colonel De Wangenheim requesting
that the usual allowance of Passage Money may be
advanced to Ensign Mockel, who has been dismissed
the Service.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters
as entered in M.B. Nos. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139.
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To Mr. H. Vaughan. To the Pay master at Madura on the foregoing Subject.

To Colonel Kelly. To Colonel Kelly to furnish a proper Escort to convey to Madras 35,000 Sicca Rupees now in his Camp, offered to the Company, by Gopaul Doss for Bills on Bengal.

22d Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in the B. Nos 141. 142 143 144.

From Mr. T. Chase Clerk to the Justices. From the Clerk to the Justices recommending that Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell be applied to, to know, if he can furnish any witnesses from his Camp, who are acquainted with such Circumstances, as can support the Prosecution against the Persons charged with an Assault and Robbery committed at Ongole.

From Colonel Kelly. From Colonel Kelly recommending that the Paddy in Store at Amboor Vellore and Arnee, be immediately converted into Rice.

From Mr. H. A. Craig Resident at Cuddalore. From Mr. H. A. Craig takes Charge of the Residency of Cuddalore has advanced 1000 Pagodas to Major Tonyn's Detachment.

23 From Colonel Kelly. From Colonel Kelly appoints Lieutenant Barton of the 76th Regiment, to act as Deputy adj.t Genl.

To the Board of Revenue. Dispatched, Letter to the Board of Revenue Vide M. B. No 145 enclosing Copy of the Nabob's Order to the Amildars and Extract of the acting Presidents Letter to His Highness in Consequence.

Received

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At a Consultation, Present

Morgan Williams Esqr

Acting President

Tuesday the 24th August 1790.

John Turing
&
Edward Saunders
} Esqrs

The Honble Major General William Medows
Absent upon Service,

Minutes of last Consultation read &
approved,

Read the following Letters from Major
General Medows.

To the Honble Morgan Williams

Senior Member of the Presidency & the Gentlemen
in Council Fort St George Madras &c &c.

From Major General Medows states the Staff necessary for the Centre Army.

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the Honor of yours of the Sixth
Morning, enclosing Letters from Bombay Jan 30
for the Incursion of the Enemy's Horse, which I hope
the activity of Major Toryn's Regiment will put an
end to.

You were very right in sending the
regulation

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he cannot return to the effective List.

I did myself the honor of writing fully to you the 31st of July upon the subject of the exertion I thought absolutely necessary to be made to enable Colonel Kelly with the Carnatick Army to penetrate the Mysore Country, by Bangalore, and begin his March by the 1st of October, on which Day, I will if possible march to attempt the Ghauts, If this is practicable it appears to me we may pass the Monsoon and Shorten the War which it would be economy to do, as any expence for one must be undone by Procrastination. If this is impossible, Colonel Kelly's Army had better go into Cantonments as soon as circumstances admit – Colonel Cockerell the first of October should march to join the Nizam where ever he appoints and I will do the best I can with Colonel Hartley to forward this important Plan, and indeed upon every account I think the most determined measures should be instantly adopted with regard to taking Possession of his Highness the Nabob's and the Rajah of Tanjore's Country according to the orders from Bengal, which I am surprized has not been done before.

We have taken Erode but,

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actively will meet with your expected Success.

I do not think a Quarter Master necessary for one Company of Artillery.

Nothing new has transpired since I had the honor of writing last.

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Camp at Coimbetoor
17th August 1790.

[Signed] Wm Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

Morgan Williams Esqr
Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board are decidedly of Opinion that the Plan proposed for the Capture of Bangalore is inefficacious Reasons for such Opinion.

In Obedience to your Commands communicated to us through Mr. Secretary Chamier under Date the 19th Instant, We beg leave to offer the following Observations on the Battering Train proposed by Colonel Kelly and Lieutenant Colonel Geils, and likewise on the Expedition, in general, against Bangalore.

In forming a Battering Train for an Army marching into the Enemy's Country, attention must be paid to the Strength of our own Army, to the Troops of which it is composed, to the Country thro'

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With respect to 13 Inch Mortars mentioned in Lieutenant Colonel Gils's Statement, We are of Opinion that such unwieldy Pieces of Ordnance cannot well be transported over the Ghauts, into the Enemy's Country, without incurring an Enormous Expense, and increasing the Length of the line of March to such a Degree as to render it impossible for an army of 9000 Men composed almost entirely of Infantry to protect it against the attacks of a Body of Horse, which, by hovering on the flanks must at least very greatly impede, if not entirely Stop, its Motion, and by cutting off many of the Carts & Bullocks loaded with Stores & Provisions, may totally prevent the Execution of the intended operations. But in order to bring the Subject fully before you, We beg leave to remark that the Carriage of 1200 Shells from hence to Bangalore for the Mortars in question, each Shell weighing 190 ℔. and each Cart carrying 4 Shells, will require Bat form Carts 300, and the Bullocks in proportion will amount to 1400.

After thus offering our reasons against sending 13 Inch Mortars and so many 24 Pounder Guns with the Troops destined for the Seige of Bangalore We submit to your the following Statement of Ordnance that appears to us more Eligible for that

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are of Opinion that Grain and even some Stores may be sent up to Vellore or Arnee ready to be taken from thence as occasion shall require— The quantity of Rice necessary for 9000 Men for 40 Days we Estimate only at 76 Garce, which we think will be fully Sufficient, especially if the followers are ordered, as with the Grand Army, to carry 20 Days Rice with them— For the Field and Battering Train proposed by us 3126 Draft and 5413 Carriage Bullocks will be required, We therefore beg leave to recommend, that the Contractors shall be immediately ordered to provide the above number of Cattle which may be immediately employed in laying up Supplies of Stores and Provisions in the Frontier Garrisons, in which they may be covered by proportional Detachments from Colonel Kelly's Army, unless this number of Cattle is ordered to be got ready immediately, it is to be apprehended they will not be provided, or at least sufficiently trained by the 1st October, for the prosecution of the intended Expedition—

The general terms in which Colonel Kelly expresses himself, respecting the force he designs for the defense of the Carnatic leaves us at a loss to give any decided

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as proposed by Colonel Kelly, who intends taking away one of the Battalions now at the Presidency, it will be necessary to leave such an additional Force at this place, when he moves towards the Mysore Country, as will not only secure the Black Town from being burnt, but even cover the Environs from Insults of Horse the Enemy may come with a Small body of Cavalry and by driving away the Inhabitants and Cattle may occasion great consternation and Distress.

Colonel Kelly in his Letter supposes that a body of Horse will be obtained from our allies to join his Army, of the probability of this Event we can form no Opinion, but if such a Reinforcement can be obtained many Improvements we think might be made in the Equipment of the Force intended for the attack of Bangalore but if we are to depend upon our own Troops only, the less they are encumbered the better.

Amongst other Preparations necessary for passing the Ghauts and carrying on a Seige, We entirely agree with Colonel Kelly that a certain Number of Cornaly men or Pioneers will be necessary and as it is not to be supposed that Persons can be immediately entertained, who are acquainted with that Duty, We beg leave to recommend that 500

Pioneers

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Minute thereon

The Board are most anxiously disposed, to carry the Plans and Recommendations of the Commander in Chief into Execution, and for this purpose they have endeavoured to obtain every possible Information within their reach - The Sentiments of the Military Board, expressed in the foregoing Letter, are explicit as to the Impracticability of the proposed Expedition to Bengalore - first in regard to the State of the Carnatic after Colonel Kelly's army may, and, Secondly, as to the Force proposed, for the Invasion of the Enemy's Country - in short the whole Tenor of the Letter is calculated to inspire great Diffidence into the Success of the Expedition

The Board of opinion that the Plan is impracticable -

But, allowing even that the two Points so particularly marked by the Military Board could be satisfactorily arranged, others of equal Importance would yet offer themselves in opposition to the Measure - the Board here allude to the State of their Funds, which will be particularly shewn by a Reference to the following Papers -

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Estimate of Four Months Disbursements of the undermentioned Garrisons as p the Paymasters Cashs Indents.

Estimate of four Months Disbursements for Certain Garrisons.

	Monthly	Four Months
Vellore Estimate for one Mo.	11,950 - -	47,800 - -
Sepoy Paymasters Do -	6,700 - -	26,800 - -
Permacoil Paymasters Do -	480 - -	1,920 - -
Chingleput Do Do -	3,143 - -	12,572 - -
Madras including Poonamalle Tripasore and Mount	21,630 - -	86,520 - -
Quarter Salary to 4 Surgeons		5,000 - -
Tanjore	7,000 - -	28,000 - -
Trichinopoly	25,000 - -	100,000 - -
Pallamcotah	2,979 - -	11,916 - -
Madura	4,125 - -	16,500 - -
		Pagodas 33,1028 - -

Pay Office
Fort St George
24th August 1790.

Signed Benj: Roebuck
Military Paymaster General

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The indispensible Calls upon the Treasury will Stand thus.

Estimate Drafts upon the Treasury from the 1st Sept.r to the 31st December

	Pagodas
Military Paymasters Estimate from the 1st Sept.r to the 31st December	12,36,059.
Contractors Department	30,7000.
Military Storekeeper	100000.
	18,43,059.

Minute thereon

The Board, with great Concern, foresa a Deficiency of several Lacks of Pagodas, not less than four or five, upon an Examination of their probable Receipts, when compared, to their certain Disbursements from the present Time to the 1st of January next.

With these incontestible Documents before them, the Board must forego their earnest wish of following up the Commander in Chiefs Plan of sending Colonel Kelly to the Conquest of Bangalore. They are, however, of Opinion, that advantage may result to the Public Service, by adopting a Plan somewhat less comprehensive, and thereby more feasible Viz.t the Equipment of the Centre Army, so as to enable it to enter the Enemys Country, and to Spread alarms which may be sufficient to draw Tippoos attention.

A reduced Plan of Operation proposed for the Centre Army

Resolved in consequence, that the agent for the Bullock Contractors be directed to provide Bullocks sufficient for the Artillery which such an object would require, & that the Military Board be instructed to deliver in a State-ment of the Ordnance which should be prepared for the Service.

The Military Board to report the Ordnance necessary for the above Plan

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Dr The East India Company in account Current with His Highness the

To Cash paid into the Company's Treasury at Madras from the 1st August 1785 to the 31st July 1790 as p Accounts particular	6,50,255 17 12	
To Do at Trichinopoly & other Garrisons as p Receipts	15,50,296 " 68	
To Tanjore Peshcash for 3 years	60,000 " "	
To Caddy Supplied from the Carnatick for Stores as p account particular	74,471 " "	
To Cash paid for the publick Service thro Gaupiah Dubash to Governor John Holland	4,48,792 " "	81,81,814 18
To the amount of Arrie for 4 years	40,000 " "	
To Remission of 2 Lacks of Pagodas p annum agreed by Governor Campbell in his letter of the 22d February 1787 for 2 years who was the author of the Treaty	4,00,000 " "	
To the amount of Dry Season as inserted in the Treaty for 3 years from the Fazley 1196 to Fazley 1198 inclusive, altho it Sustained great deal more	8,00,000 " "	12,40,000 " "

NB. Besides the above Statement there is still in favor of the Nabob

Remission allowed by the Court of Directors p Swallow Packet for 2 years at the rate of 80,000 Pagodas p annum having above Debited the Company for 4 Lacks agreable to Governor Campbell's Letter there remains still due	1,60,000 " "	
Tanjore Deposit Money	1,00,000 " "	
Balance of 1/2 of the Revenue due to the Nabob at the Surrender of the assignment	1,16,837 " "	
The Amars due from the Poligars owing to the want of assistance to inforce the payment as specified in the Treaty supposed to be	3,00,000 " "	Pagodas 9,42,981/4 18

Pagodas 6,76,837 " "

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From the Nabob Walajah to Morgan Williams Esqr.

Dated 12 Zehudge 1204 or 23d August 1790

Received 24th August 1790.

From the Nabob charging the Board with Injustice and Oppression, in allowing their Servants to take Possession of his House at Arcot.

Cruelty, Dishonor, violation of Treaty and breach of the Faith, do not render it necessary that the House of my Mother, which was built by my Father, should be destroyed; or, that it should now, that is my Palace be remained in the same manner as the Fortress of of an Enemy is invested, - I have Houses both at Arcot and, as Trichinopoly - to demand possession of them, from my Servants, is exactly the same as if you should make a demand of the Garden in, which I dwell - If Justice prevails on you to withhold, your hands from them, send your orders to that purpose to your oppressive Servants - But possibly you may say, that the Orders of Lord Cornwallis Behaudes also direct that you should take away the Palace of the Nabobs Mother, in order to gratify your own wishes - if you have room enough to affix whatever meaning you please to that order - it's well - whatever the Almighty ordains - The Situation to which the ally of the King of Great Britain, the faithful Friend of the Company and the English nation is reduced is wonderful. -

I enclose you a Paper of Complaints -

What can I write more

A true Translation / Signd / Joseph Gamon.

Encl. Pr. Translation

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thin said we were Refractory, and ordered his Havildar to plant two Guards at the Cutcherry and not permit any one to go or come from thence - after given these orders he went to the Cutwal Chaultry - upon securing the oppressive conduct of the Company's People, all the Ryotts of the City shut up their Shops and absconded - Subby sat in the Chaultry and caused it to be proclaimed by beat of Tom Tom, that the Country was assumed by the Company, and having appointed one Assad ally, one of the Inhabitants to the Cutwal, he ordered Europeans to evacuate the Chaultry - from appearances of the behaviour of the Guards, it would seem that victuals and Drink will not be allowed to pass.

At three Pahars an European arrived at Palankeen from vellore, also 50 Bengal Sepoys - Between 4 & 5 in the afternoon, the Subby came again to the Door of the Cutcherry and required, it's being opened, in very pressing terms - after much altercation too tedious to mention, he said he was come to assume the administration, of these Districts as other Aumildars had acceded he desired me to Submit - The answer he received, was as follows - That it was the orders of the Presence, if the Company's People came, as receivers, to allow them access to accounts of the Receipts and of the Income from the Customs

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from want of force sufficient to awe the very superior
number of regular Troops and Sibbendies, which the Nabob
has stationed at that place, we take the Liberty of recom-
mending that immediate measures should be taken for
the removal of the Nabobs Troops, in order that the Gover-
may be enabled, without loss of time to carry his orders
into execution.

At the same time we beg leave to call the
attention of Government to the recommendation of Mr.
Dighton, that his Highness the Nabob should be requested
to send orders to his Shougdar to deliver over the Military
Stores and the Command of the Sibbendy to the Comman-
dant of the Garrison.

Mr. Turing having entered his dissent
to this Letter, we have the honor of enclosing copy of his
Minute.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c.

Fort S.t George
24.th August 1790.

Signed
John Turing
Mr. Tudor
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
George Moubray
Wm. Balfour

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

Gentlemen,

In obedience to your Orders of the
August, I arrived at Mellore, on the 18.th instant

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forbid to deliver over any accounts or to give any Information, voluntarily to the Collector as His Highness the Nabob has a great number of regular Sepoys and Sibbendy in the Fort of Nellore and there are only a few Sepoys belonging to the Company I have thought it not proper to use immediately coercive measures with his Highness the Nabob's Servants in order to make them produce the accounts, but to wait 'till a Company of Sepoys arrive from Ongole for which I have applied to Captain Dunwoody, I have therefore Established a Seperate Cutchery and given Orders in the Districts for all Collections to be paid into the Company's Cutchery only.

Lieutenant Boisdaune has complied with my requisitions to the utmost of his ability, but it appears to me that the force under the Command of the Phouzdar is far Superior in numbers of which Lieut. Boisdaune informs me he has not yet had the Command and that the Phouzdar has all the Sibbendy and Military Stores of the Garrison under his Orders; I therefore, submit it to the Board whether his Highness the Nabob should not be required to send Orders to his Phouzdar to deliver over the Military Stores & Command of the Sibbendy to the Commandant of the Garrison to be taken on the Part of the Company or that Lieutenant Boisdaune be ordered

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authorized any of his Servants to proceed to extremities in open defiance of the Company's authority, after having expressly ordered all his people to deliver up their Firelocks and Swords to our Commanding Officers Suggesting difficulties or apprehensions at this parlicular juncture may be attended with inconveniencies Gentlemen are not aware of, therefore I wish the Subject to be maturely considered, as I can only approve of Mr Dighton's letter simply being laid before Government. — Signed John Turing.

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A true Copy

Signed Josiah Webbe Secy.

Substance of two Letters from the Commandant at Nellore

Read also two Letters from Lieut. Boisdaune, Commanding at Nellore (as entered in Mc B. 8vo 150-151) stating that the Shouzdar has refused to deliver up the arms belonging to the Nabob's Sepoys and that he (the Commandant) had taken down a Proclamation, by the Desire of Mr Dighton, which had been put up in the Bazars by the Shouzdar — Reporting also, that he has found it necessary to appoint Serjeant Dakins acting Store Serjeant — Serjeant Binny acting Key Serjeant and Mr Henry Schutz, acting Serjeant Major to the Garrison of Nellore.

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be requested to send the most pointed Orders to all his Aumildars &c to give up their authority & arms to the Company's Servants.

Agreed that his Highness be requested to inform the Board, whether the account, which accompanied his Letter of the 22d Instant, is to be considered as containing the accounts of His Highness's Receipts from the 29th December last, as desired in the acting President's Letter to his Highness the 12th ultimo.

Minute on Lieutenant Boisdaune's Letter.

The Board approve the measures adopted by Lieutenant Boisdaune for the Support of the authority of the Company, in assuming the Management of the Nellore District, agreed however that he be informed, that he is not forcibly to take charge of the Nabob's Stores, or oblige his Highness's Sibbendies, if unwilling, to enter into the Service of the Company, but that, of such as are willing, and may be necessary he is to entertain in the Company's Service, and take the Command of them.

With regard to the temporary appointments made by Lieutenant Boisdaune, the Board will hereafter notify their Pleasure respecting them.

Minute on the Letter from the Board of Revenue

Agreed to inform the Board of Revenue, that Government are of Opinion, that the arrival

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the liberty of submitting this objection to your consid-
eration, and of recommending that three or more
collectors may be appointed to the charge of this exten-
sive province.

We have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Fort St George
16th August 1790.

Signed
John Turing
Wm Tuder
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Wm Balfour
George Moubray

To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor in Council

From the Board of Revenue on the same subject and enclosing Letter from Mr Kindersley.

Honble Sir,

Since our Letter of the 16th Instant We have received from Mr Kindersley, Collector of the Arcot District a Letter, Copy of which We take the liberty of submitting to your Consideration, at the same time We beg leave to repeat our former Opinion, that three or more Collectors will be necessary to Superintend the Arcot Division.

We have the Honor to be, with Respect &c &c

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19th August 1790.

Signed
John Turing
Wm Tuder
David Haliburton
George Moubray
Wm Balfour

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Minute on the two foregoing Letters

Resolved, that Mr. James Sandon and Mr. Charles Floyer be, in conjunction with Mr. Kindersley, the Collectors in the Arcot & Distric[illegible]

That, as Mr. Kindersley was originally brought forward as judged equal to the whole Charge, this Board are of Opinion, that the largest Portion of the Districts should be preserved to him, and that he be permitted to retain Arcot and Vellore with such appendages as may render his Charge of greater Extent and value than the other two Divisions.

Messrs. Sandon & Floyer appointed Collectors.

Agreed in consequence of the appointment of Mr. Charles Floyer, that the Paymastership of Samulcotah, be abolished, and that in future the Garrison be paid by the Paymaster of Ellore.

The Paymastership of Samulcotah to be abolished

Read the following Letter from the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
Acting President and Council
Fort St George.

Sir

James W. Edward Garrow acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly reporting fully upon the State of the Paymaster and Storekeeper's Employs at Trichinopoly - Brings forward Charges against Mr. Samuel Johnston.

The Peremptory order which I received from Mr. Secretary Charnier on the 18th June, to Cauvery Madras with all expedition, to take charge of this Station, and to report on the Situation of the Different Departments of it to Government as well as the Special Instructions I received at my Departure from the Commissary General

concern, of such a magnitude must have arisen from Secret Causes which led to transactions not yet brought before the Publick Eye and which required a minute Investigation before I could satisfy either myself or Government. I observed on repeatedly referring to the Correspondence a Short letter of the 28th February to Mr. Cockburn, where the Storekeeper Speaks of the Annuldar of Trichinopoly but his meaning is ambiguous. I repeatedly sent for this man being informed that an account of all the Grain in the Districts of Trichinopoly, whether Circar or Private Property were entered in his Cutcherry as well as the mode in which it was afterwards disposed of.

From this man called Saravana Mooddy after repeatedly pressing him for to explain the difference of these reports I was furnished with an account Marked N° in which he States the Quantity of Grain that was actually delivered into the two Granaries of Trichinopoly from the middle of January to the 27th April it was measured jointly by the Circar Servants and the Storekeepers into the Granaries and the Circar was at every expence till the Granaries were filled up, and the Locks put on them. He Explained further to me as all these transactions had passed thro' his hands, that in the month of February Krishna Row the agent of Mr Johnston, lent the Nabob 15,000 Bullock Loads

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who had Demands on the Circar allowed in this Surplus Delivery and consequently to be paid by the Company That after Mr Johnston, evaded to give receipts he complained repeatedly of it to the Commandant of this Garrison and to Madras, and that nothing but Providing for the occasions of the Army would have prevented his putting a Stop to the delivery of any Grain, whatever He declared that no Person can have any claim on any part of this Grain, but that the Company must account for it to the Nabob.

The Enclosures marked, N.2 is a Statement Delivered me by the same man of the Paddy reported to have been purchased in the Out Districts the Circumstance of which he relates as follows.

That a large Sum of Money was lent to the Circar on the Mortgage of 2,000 Cullums of Paddy to a man called Putchapah, that it lay at Kisnavaram Cuttallum, and other Places in the neighbourhood where the Army for some time was encamped - that as Stated in his account marked N2 he allowed Patchapah, to deliver and to take receipts from Mr Kings Cole for part of this Grain so delivered, that a part of it the manager delivered, himself settling the accounts with Putchapah and that the whole Mortgage, was cleared off by a Credit given to this man on the Grain delivered into the

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General of Grain and Provisions after examining it in the presence of the Commandant and officers of the Garison.

In Consequence of the Commander in Chief's Order of the 17th Ultimo to Beat out Grain with all Expedition I sent for the Head Inhabitants of Trichinopoly who had been employed when the Army was here by Mr Johnston, and who readily received it, when the Rice was returned for the Paddy which had been delivered which is within 3 Days - I discovered that a difference arose in favor of the Company of 8½ p Cent between his accounts and mine, and on further Enquiry of the Head Manager of Mr Johnston, I was astonished, to hear that this 8½ p Cent was placed to the private Credit of his Master; I refer for the truth of the Charge I now bring against Mr Johnston, to the accounts in the hands of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for last May and the Charge he makes for Beating out Paddy in that and the Preceding Month, as well as Succeeding as p 8th Monthly Return now made to the Commissary General, &c. elucidates the fact - One Country Measure in a Cullum is all that I give - is all that ever was given in this Garison, a fact so notorious as to be known, from the lowest Cooley up to the European Commandant - the best apology that could be made to me by Mr Johnston's Manager was that I might apply the same advantage unnoticed, to my own private purposes, now that others were secured.

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attention to the following point — It is now recent, but will be forgot when Gentlemen high in Station are gone, and the Fluctuation of the times makes that object, which is now well worthy of Remark, lost in the Scene of future and distant Discussion.

The accounts with the Vouchers from the 1st of January last were sent from hence the 18th of June — the account for May on the 2d of July — no examination consequently could have taken place on any of these accounts before these Periods — I lay much Stress on this Circumstance for it appears that in the Months of January & February the Sums of Pagodas 4766.36.20. and Pagodas 3900 — are charged to the account of Commissary General of Grain & Provisions an account of Grain Purchased under his Order and none is charged in any Succeeding Months & as no observation will appear for so many Months on a Claim now so much the Subject of Contention, when the Circumstance of the now delivery of the accounts is forgot it will operate against the Company on the Ground of having been so long tacitly admitted.

In the Months of February last Mr Johnston drew the following Bills on the Military Paymaster General.

13th February	6000		
17th Do	684	8684	These Sums he Credits
18th Do	2000		

to give Credit for at the time and they are introduced in his account for the Month of May, which was sent from hence only on the 2d of last Month, the day previous

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the account Remains I have taken I cannot yet account for above half the Quantity Charged but I shall speak more pointedly to this Article when I deliver in an account of Remains of Garrison Stores, as I shall also to a variety of other Articles.

I now beg leave to conclude and to assure You Sir, that I shall most readily reply to any points that may require Explanation which I have delivered in the Course of this Report - The Investigation of the accounts with their Vouchers will go of course thro' the Regular Channel as the Presidency.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Edwd Garrow
in Charge of the Paymasters and
Storekeepers Employs.

Trichinopoly
20th August 1790.

Copy of the Account of Paddy delivered by the Circar into the two Granaries of Trichinopoly between the 13th January & 27th April 1790 - as Delivered to me by Saravanah Modaly 16th August 1790.

	Cullums	Mes.	M.
Delivered by the Circar into the Large Granary called by the Name Vellco Conjum of which the accounts were taken jointly by the Servants of the Circar and the Grain Storekeepers -	51279.	6.	3.
Delivered into the Granary called Retta Collengunny above,	38000.	—	—
	89279.	6.	3.
Delivered into these Granaries a further Quantity not allowed in account with Tutchapah, consequently must be paid for by the Company -	6000	—	—
Total	95279.	6.	3.

Part of the above Paddy is said to have been brought into the Granaries by the Nabob's own, Elephants & Camels to Expedite the Delivery of it into Store.

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Estimate of Paddy taken in the undermentioned Districts said to Belong to the Company - Their Return made 19th Aug 1790.

			Cullums	M.	M.
Tottyem District					
Tottyem	1	Veap	140.	"	"
	1	Do	150.	"	"
	1	Do	60	"	"
	1	Do	35	"	"
				385.	"
Poovanallum	2	Do		100	"
Kiavetnum	4	Do	180.	"	"
	3	Do	150	"	"
	1	Do	15	"	"
				345	"
Cottlore	8	Do		190	"
Karacandi	1	Do	28	"	"
	2	Do	70	"	"
	1	Do	30.	"	"
	1	Do	8	"	"
	1	Do	10	"	"
				146	"
Aoolcore	4	Do		60	"
Vedaperumal		Do		70	"
Vandramunga lum	1	Do	40.	"	"
	4	Do	50.	"	"
	1	Do	20.	"	"
				110.	"
Tellore	10	Do		500.	"
Alakaye	2	Do	26.	"	"
	6	Do	150.	"	"
	5	Do	200	"	"
				376.	"
					2282.
Ayaloor District		Do			20.
Naganuttore		Do			100.
Moosaly		Do			
Moosaly	9	Do		130.	"
Soondacoy	2	Do		110.	"
Peramon	2	Do		110.	"
Ayalore	2	Do		100.	"
Chendamon	3	Do		90.	"
Vellore	7	Do		100.	"
Arroor	20	Do		250.	"
Coatoor	7	Do		60.	"
Conasalum	1	Do		70.	"
Cullore	2	Do		70.	"
Maolapaddy	1	Do		70.	"
Sundapallum	1	Do		40.	"
					1200
			Total Cullums		3002.

	Gs	A	M
or the same measured by Garcas	45	10	"

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Abstract from the account and Returns of Receipts & Issues in the Hands of the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions at the Presidency of Paddy Boiled into Rice for the Army and Garrison Store from 1st April to 6 July 1790.

			Cullums				Paddy delivered to beat Out, Rice			Paddy allowed to Coolys to make Rice		
							G.	M	S	G	M	S
1790												
April	30th	As per Return		24000.		or	300					
May	31st	Do		17985.		or	224	32	11.			
				41985.								
		Do Cooley on the above at 2 Mercalls ℔ Cullum								87	18	10½
June	4th	Do	3220.									
	26th	Do	3370.	7.	1.							
		Do	816.	10.								
				7407.	5.	1. or	92.	23	2.			
		Do Cooley on the above at 2 Mercalls ℔ Cullum								15.	17	10.
July	15th	Do		1256.		or	15.	32				
		Do Cooley on the above at 2 Mercalls ℔ Cullum								2.	25	2.
		Total		50648.	5.	1 or	633.	90.	1.	105.	21	10½

By the above Returns the allowance to the Coolies is two Mercals ℔ Cullum - the allowance which is actually made to them, when they Return the Rice into Store is only one Mercal - The loss to the Company is half the Quantity of Paddy that is Charged for Cooley hire.

Orders

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The Honble Morgan Williams Esqr

&c &c

Honble Sir,

From Mr Samuel Johnston requesting Permission to return to his Station

As I find my health tolerably restored, and Doctor Duffin is of Opinion I shall benefit by a Change of air, I do not wish any longer to make use of the leave of absence given me by General Medows of quitting Trichinopoly for a Time; with the permission, therefore of your Honorable Board I propose with all expedition, to repair to fulfill the duties of my Station. I have the Honor to be,

&c &c

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Signed Saml Johnston.

Minute thereon

Resolved that until Mr Johnston's accounts are delivered in and audited, and until Mr Garrow has reported fully upon the State of Mr Johnston's Employs, he be directed to remain at the Presidency.—

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly.

To John Chamier Esqr

Secretary in the Military Department

From Colonel Kelly his Opinion on the Letter from the Chief Engineer, Town Major, & Commandt of Artillery respecting the Security of the Carnatic after the March of the Bombay Army.

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 15th Instant with its

enclosures

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Recruits, which was the cause of detaching them for Garrison, that they might have the opportunity of quickly learning their Duty - I beg to observe that the Recruits of the same standing that remained in Camp under the care of Lieutenant Jordan are nearly perfect in their exercise, and will be reported for duty in the course of a week.

The Honorable Board will see by my Letter of the 16th Instant, that I do not conceive any force can, with propriety, be detached from this Army, on the contrary, that the additional Field and battering train will require an additional number of men; nor does it appear to me as all necessary to add Strength to the Presidency - for I am of Opinion, that were the whole of the Troops, Regulars, Invalids &c. at and in the environs of Fort St George, carefully employed, the Inhabitants would remain in perfect security from small bodies of the enemy, and no considerable force will, surely, make its appearance in the Carnatic while our Armies are in the Field, and affording them sufficient employment in the defence of their own Dominions.

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Head Quarters
Centre Army
Camp near Arnee
22d August 1790.

[Signed] Robt Kelly.

Agreed

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Secretary has already been allowed to the Colonel no new appointment of that description, becomes — necessary. —

I am instructed to add that in case Colonel Kelly applys for a Deputy adjutant General & Deputy Quarter Master General for the Troops encamped in the Center Division, the expediency of such appointments will have the General's consideration, and that his Sentiments will be communicated for the information of the Board as soon as the application is received — In the meantime the General desires me to request that the Board will advert to the opinions he has expressed in the letter to Colonel Kelly on the nature, and tendency of Military appointments in the Field, whether the addition of Expence is to be considered, or the effect they are likely to produce in a Military point of view, if admitted otherways than on authorized, principles. —

As the General is desirous to prevent every arrangement which will unnecessarily increase the Staff personally attached to Officers Commanding he is equally so to establish, that other public Offices of every description attached, hereafter to inferior Divisions of the Army in the Field shall be termed "Deputies" whenever the nature of the Office admits of that term being applied, and that their allowances

shall

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To Colonel Robert Kelly,

or Officer Commanding the Troops in the Centre Division.

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 2d 5th and 7th instant to the Commander in Chief with their several inclosures, and to express that the Commander in Chief notices, with particular pleasure, the alacrity and Spirit of the Detachments made from the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry in pushing at and dispersing different parties of the Enemy's Horse; the Commander in Chief makes no doubt of your own exertions and of the Officers under your Command meeting with Success on every other Occasion.

I have just now intimated to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell the Satisfaction the Commander in Chief experienced, on receiving your report of the good order and appearance of the Bengal Detachment, after so long a March, and that the Tents & Leather belts for the Sepoys are recommended to be supplied.

I am further commanded to signify, that the Commander in Chief considers it his indispensable duty to disapprove in some particulars of the manner in which you have arranged the appointments of the Troops encamped near Conjeveram, and that it

is

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the necessity from any particular circumstances attending the Troops encamped at Conjeveram, for making any appointments in that quarter at present besides those commonly allowed for Brigades, - your own Staff - a Deputy Baggage Master - and a proper person to officiate as provost Martial, and consequently that the three Brigades you have formed, will fall to be commanded, in the present situation of the Troops at Conjeveram, by Lieutenant Colonels Maxwell and Cockerell and Major Russell — The Commander in Chief desires me therefore to inform you that he has signified to the Board his approbation of the following Staff, for the present, to the Troops at Conjeveram

One Secretary — } To Colonel Kelly, provided two Aid de
One aid de Camp } Camps have not been appointed
before the receipt of this Letter in Con-
sequence of the Generals Letter addressed
to the Board a few days ago.

One Brigade Major —
One Brigade Quarter Master } To each of three Brigades.

A Deputy Baggage Master } Each to have Lieutenants pay
A Provost Martial — — } and allowances as those of
Captain can be granted only
to the Men filling the same
posts with the Main Army

Head Quarters
Camp at
Coimbatour
August 16th 1790.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed Henry Malcolm
Adjutant General of the Army

A true Copy
Signed Henry Malcolm
Adjt General of the army.

Read

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The Letter addressed to the Rajah was delivered to His Excellency last night by the Reverend Mr. Swartz. The Letter to Captain Flendoning enclosing the General Orders of the 7th Instant has been delivered to day.—

We beg leave to assure you we shall proceed to carry the Instructions of Government respecting the future arrangements of this Country into Effect without delay, and with the greatest Care and Circumspection.—

We shall take the Liberty to communicate to you the Steps we mean to pursue; which we conceive to be agreeable to the orders we have received.—

After waiting five Days from the Delivery of the Board's Letter to the Rajah, in case we should receive no answer from him, or sooner should we receive his answer, supposing that it should contain a refusal to make a voluntary assignment of his Country to the Honorable Company which we Consider as the first Proposition, we shall in the next place require his Consent to invest us with Tassedary authority and the payment of his arrears of Tist, in the mode directed by the Board, and to this second proposition we shall wait five Days longer for his Excellency's answer, or Eight Days if Circumstances should appear to make it necessary at the Expiration of this time in case of a refusal on the part of the Rajah to give his Concurrence or his

Observing

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the Circar's Money - As the Evidences given by His Excellency's Servants and Mr Rams defence are sent to the Honorable Board, I request that my declaration may be laid before the Honorable Board with my unsigned Respects.

Jam^s H. H^s

(Sigd) C F Swartz.

Tanjore
19 August 1790.

A plain Declaration of what Mr Swartz heard Concerning a Money transaction between his Excellency and Mr Ram

In the month of March Chinnea Moodaly came to me in company with a Military Gentleman and shewed me 3 Copies of Bonds to the amount of 34,000 P. wherein the names of Mr Ram and of his Dubash Suberow were mentioned,

1st The first Bond for 20,000 P. in Mr Rams Name, -

2 The Second for 5000 P likewise in Mr Rams name. -

3 The Third for 9000 P. in Suberow Mr Rams Dubashes name.

These are said Chinnea the Copies of 3 Bonds which his Excellency has given to Mr Ram by which you may see that tho' he talks much of Justice he is not that man as you may take him to be. -

Being Surprized and astonished by reading the Copies of those 3 Bonds - I said to Chinnea To me it appears incomprehensible that a Gentleman who takes Bonds from his Excellency to such an amount

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power of any European to hurt you or to give you trouble
His Excellency then mentioned the 3 Bonds which he
had given to Mr Ram and his Dubash.—

I expressed my astonishment and said that
I could not comprehend how a Gentleman who had
accepted of Bonds to such an Amount should be so free
in censuring — I thought that such a Sum of Money
would incline him to be silent or Connive.—

His Excellency said Mr Ram is not content
with having the Bonds, he wants ready Money If as
I cannot pay him that Sum now, he gives me so much
Uneasiness.—

I said, that If I was convinced of Mr Rams
want of Integrity in the affair, I should not wish to have
any thing to do with him But to come to the Knowledge
of it, I intreated his Excellency to permit me to speak
to Mr Ram on that Subject and engaged to remove
all uneasiness which this affair was said to have
produced.—

I requested leave to speak to Mr Ram
but not to write to the Honorable Board, for without
acquainting Mr Ram with what I had heard of
those 3 Bonds, how could I have dared to write to
Government without committing a flagrant act of
injustice and rashness.—

His Excellency refused to give me leave

to

Boy, whom I found in a dark Room, a Camp burney at his side - The Room was very dark and no air could reach it - I asked the Boy whether he had any master to teach him reading and writing - Sheverow who was present said immediately yes yes he has a man to teach him - I asked the Boy who replied in the presence of Sheverow - I have none to teach me - therefore I do not know one Letter. —

Gournment ordered me frequently to visit the Boy and to enquire how he was kept - But I have not been able to visit him above 5 or 6 times, because I could not get Permission. —

For two years I intreated the Rajah privately and often in the presence of Sheverow to shew kindness to the innocent Boy, to give him a Room where there was any Circulation of air not to be jealous of him, assuring him that that Boy could do him no harm, that if he would shew some kindness to him and let him enjoy some times fresh air, all complaints would cease. —

But my representations were unpleasant at last the widows of the late Rajah sent a Complaint to Sir archibald Campbell who ordered a Letter to be written to the Rajah, admonishing him to treat those widows and the Boy kindly, otherwise Complaints would be sent to England. I was ordered to deliver the Letter, but it had no Effect. —

Seeing

Mr. Ram said, I will ask him no question - The Boy was sent for - upon which Mr. Ram produced the Governors Order - and took the Boy by the hand - The Rajah became violent - Colonel Stuart said - that he hoped - His Excellency would not violently oppose the Governors Order.

The Rajah desired that Mr. Ram might await some / I think 10 / Days Mr. Ram said, I must obey the order - and put the Boy under a Sepoys Guard - The Rajah at last said Mr. Swartz stay you here with the Boy this night - that the Sepoys may not be called into this interior part of the Palace - I asked Mr. Ram and the Colonel what I should do; they said that it depended upon me - but that they were content with my staying with the Boy - I accordingly consented to stay - Mr. Ram and the Colonel went away - The Rajah and Sherrow and I myself were alone I then said - This uneasiness His Excellency oweth to you Sherrow, you intended to ingratiate yourself by those cruel Severities which you made the Boy to suffer - How often have I begged to desist, how often have I told you that the Honorable Company and the English nation to whose Protection the Boy has been delivered by the late Rajah in the presence of Mr. Hudleston Colonel Stuart and me would not suffer those Severities Sherrow said - you have told us all this last Night.

The Rajah then said - as you are our Friend why

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I thought was quite agreeable to the late Rajahs Desire

Concerning Bava - His Excellency asked me whether I had recommended Bava to the Honorable Board, yes, said I, not to be Sirkeel but inspector of the accounts of the Country for which he is well qualified - However if Bava should ever be employed, he is & must be under a Controul - His Excellency and particularly Chinnia said that they could prove that Bava had embezzled Money and that the Inhabitants would give Evidence and had given it - I said, not the last 2 years - for there you could prove nothing - but these few Days, since you heard of Bava having been recommended to the Honorable Board, then you were seeking something against him - when he was confined you sought Evidence against him - but found none - you desired him to pay 50,000 Rup. promising to release him out of his Grave / for his prison was a hole 6 feet long 4 Broad and 4 high just like a small Monument over a Grave / He sold his Houses & borrowed Money to get his liberty - Chinnia replied - there has 2 Lacks of Chuckrums at Karickal & Negapatam I said, - Fy upon you Chinnia - These are the very words of our Conversation - His Excellency's Letter says that they convinced me of Bava's having embezzled Money - & saying so and convincing

become

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be ordered to proceed to Coonannalee until an Assistant Surgeon can be procured for that Duty.—

The Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Finlay Fergusson Senior Surgeon be appointed Surgeon Major to the Centre Army; and that Mr. Joshua Gillespie Surgeon, be appointed (in his room) to the 2d Regiment European Infantry at Ellore

Consideration of this recommendation postponed—

(Signed) James Anderson
Physician General
W Raine
acting Chief Surgeon
William Duffin
Head Surgeon

Read the following Letter from Mr. Buchanan agent for his Highness the Nabob in the Tinnivelly District.—

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
President
John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs
Members of the Honorable Council of
Fort St George

From Mr. Buchanan states that he has Grain in the Tennivelly Country to the value of 30,000 Cavodas assigned to him by the Nabob for Money transmitted to Madras—and requests that the necessary Orders may be given to the Collectors respecting it.—

Honble Sirs

I beg leave to state to you the following Facts—a report having some time ago prevailed here, that

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proper on the Occasion to those who may have the principal Charge of the Honorable Company's business here – It being easier to prevent an act of injustice than to get it redressed.

I have transmitted to my agent Wm Balfour Esq. His Highness the Nabob's Perwannah or Order authorising me as above – should it be required to be produced to your Honors.

I have the Honor to be, with great respect
&c. &c.
Signd James Buchanan

Palamcotah
10th July 1790

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esq.
President & Council

Honble Sir,

From the Commissary and Comptroller General of army accounts – reports that Ensign Mackel is entitled to the allowance of Passage money.

Agreeably to your Commands I have the honor to inform you that by the Hanoverian Capitulation, Ensign Mackel being furnished, with proper Certificates from the Surgeon and Commanding Officer of the Regiment is entitled to a free Passage, being Pag. 200, which is to be paid to the Captain of the Ship on which he embarks, and also to one years Pay as a Gratification on his return to Europe.

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I am, with Respect &c. &c.
Signd J Capper Colo

Orderd

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Diary

25th Sent the following Letter

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at

Fort William

To Bengal with Copy of the Report of the Military Board, on the Sums charged as Contingencies, in Major Montgomery's account.—

My Lord,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Letters from your Lordship in Council Dated the 9th & 25th Ultimo — We had previously received one from the Resident at Hydrabad, giving cover to the Statement of the Monthly Expence of Major Montgomery's Detachment, by which it appeared, that the Sum exceeds considerably the Estimate of the Expence of two Battalions which was presented to the Nizam.—

As the Statement abovementioned contains some articles under the Head of Contingencies upon which We were desirous of having the Sentiments of our Military Board, We desired them to report fully their Opinion upon them, which they have accordingly done.—

We have approved the Report of the Military Board and have sent it to Major Montgomery We have now the Honor to submit it to your Lordship.—

We have furnished Major Montgomery with the Instructions drawn out by the Officers of your

25 We announce to your Lordships the impracticability of this Plan. We have given it the most deliberate attention, having before us all the necessary Documents, and We have been obligid, to report to General Medows that both with regard to the time prescribed (viz^t the 1^st October next) and with respect to the present State of our Funds & probable Resources We have found that the project cannot be carried into Execution. —

We have however proposed a Secondary Object which We believe to be within our Reach and We have taken measures for the securing of it, if the General should advise us of his wish that it be undertaken. —

We beg leave to enclose a Copy of our Dispatch to General Medows, with the Papers that accompanied it — by which the whole will be laid before your Lordships. —

Our latest accounts from the Army are, Dated the 19^th when nothing particular had occurred. —

M^r Bourney has advised us of the death of the Rajah of Cochin and that he is carrying on his negociations with his Successor. —

We have the Honor to be,

&c &c

Fort St George
25^th August 1790.

Signed Morgan Williams
& Council

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Board do not agree with Colonel Kelly, as to the State in which the Carnatick should be left, after his army marches - they seem to think much impediment would arise to his Progress, if a Body of Cavalry should, hover upon the Flanks, and in short the whole tenor of their Letter is calculated, to inspire great diffidence as to the Success of the Expedition.

But these apprehensions and, Doubts would not induce us to give up the Plan, while any probability remained, of its feasibility - our greatest dread has arisen from the State of our Funds to about One Lack - for upon an Examination of our probable Recupts, when Compared to our certain, Disbursements from the present time to the 1st January next, We foresee a deficiency of several Lacks of Pagodas, not less than Four or Five.

The Military Paymaster General's Estimate from the 1st September to 31st December amounts to 12,36,059 Pagodas - The Contractors Department to upwards of five Lacks - The Military Storekeepers to about One Lack.

Having before us such incontestible Documents, We must forego our earnest wish, of following up your Plan of sending Colonel Kelly to the conquest of Bangalore, but We believe that advantages may result to the Publick Service by adopting a Plan somewhat less comprehensive and thereby more

feasible

25th of the Force at present under Colonel Kelly's Command.—

The necessary Artificate having been given in by Captain Turing, he has been restored to the Effective List, and the Revenue Battalion, lately under his Command is thereby become Vacant.—

Having at the recommendation of the acting President, appointed Mr. Charles Floyer to the Charge of the Collections of a part of the Arcot District. We have thought it a good opportunity to abolish the appointment of Paymaster of Samulcotah, and We have directed that Garrison to be paid, as formerly by the Paymaster of Ellore.— We have the Honor to be,

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Yr. &c.
Signd Morgan Williams.
Yr. Council

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

To Major General Medows - communicating Intelligence from Captain Kennaway respecting Tippoo's situation - and enclosing Copy of Colonel Kelly's Letter - applying for a Deputy adjutant General.—

Honble Sir,

I am directed, by the Board, to communicate the following Intelligence received from Captain Kennaway and Dated 7th Instant.—

"The Nawab Dara Jah, Mohaubut
"Jung, informed me today that he had just received
"authentic accounts from four or five different quarters
that

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necessary to be taken with Colonel Kelly, if his Army is not to be fitted out for the Seige of Bangalore but employed in smaller Objects in the Enemy's Country.—

Government desire that you will immediately order the Ordnance &c. which you may judge requisite for the lesser Object, to be prepared, in order that Colonel Kelly may, if approved by the Commander in Chief, march on the 1st of October next.—

As soon as you have reported what Ordnance will be necessary, the Agent for the Contractors will be directed to provide the Bullocks.—

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I am &c. &c.
(Sign'd) John Chamier Secy.

To Colonel Kelly
Commanding the Center Army

To Colonel Kelly advising of the Board's Resolution, to forego the Plan of fitting out his army for the Seige of Bangalore requiring his Sentiments on a more reduced Plan of Operations.

Sir,

After attentively considering your Letter of the 16th Instant with the Sentiments of the Military Board upon it, I am directed by Government to inform you that they have resolved to forego the Plan of fitting out your Army for the Seige of Bangalore, but they have submitted to General Meadows whether it may not be conducive to the Publick Interest, that the Army under your Command should be sent into the Enemy's Country, and they therefore wish to have your Sentiments fully

on

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thinks that the largest Portion of the District should be preserved to him, and they accordingly desire that in making the Distribution into three Parts, Mr Kindersley shall retain Arcot and Vellore with such appendages as may render his Charge of greater Extent and Value than the other two They also desire that the Collections may be entirely independant of each other.

Government have read with Concern the report made to your Board by Mr Dighton and will desire the acting President to note in a Letter to be written to the Nabob, the extraordinary Conduct of His Highness's Bhoundary Annuldar at Nellore they judge that the arrival of the Detachment from Ongole which Mr Dighton must have judged sufficient will put the Business upon a proper Footing and rectify the inconveniences which a misinterpretation of the Nabob's Orders had produced.

Government will direct Lieutenant Boisdauné to receive Charge of such Military Stores appertaining to the Nabob, as the Bhoundar may think proper to deliver up with respect to Sibbendies Lieutenant Boisdauné has been furnished with authority to entertain such of the Nabob's as may be necessary and willing to engage in the Service of the Company.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

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Sign'd John Channier Esq

Deputy

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25th in regard to certain Draft, and Carriage Cattle which have been provided, for the Public Service by the Bengal Contractors agent, under sanction of Orders issued, by me to the Bengal Detachment at Ongole on the 1st July and which has been reported, and is at this time before the Right Honorable Governor General in Council I made a Report at the same time to the Government of Fort St George of the Steps I had taken, and they were pleased to consider such Provision unnecessary and forbid it - Their Orders were immediately conveyed, to the agent, but as Purchases of Cattle had been made under the sanction of the Orders of the 1st July, it was a justice due to him to receive all the Cattle provided and purchased, to that time - The Cattle thus provided, for the Service amount to 239 head to this time, all of which have been, duly inspected by Committees of Officers agreeable to the Regulations of the Bengal Contract excepting 10 - The original Establishment of the Detachment was 290 Cattle, composed, of 150 Draft and 140 Carriage - The Object of my present application is to know if the Carnatic Commissary of Stores is to apply the Services of these Cattle (239 Surplus to the Bengal Establishment) to the Ordinance of the Bengal Train, it having been stated to me that some difficulties occur to him, from Orders of the Commissary for Cattle at Fort St George, If they are not allowed to be employed they must stand on the Bengal Returns as Surplus to the Establishment until I can receive the Orders of the Supreme Government -

Camp at Arnee
August 22d 1790.

A true Extract Signd Jn. Cockburn
Lieut. Colo

To

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25th Nellore District and requesting an Explanation of the Account enclosed, in his Letter of the 22d Instant.

Received, the undermentioned Letters (as entered in M. B. Nos 152. 153. 154. 155.)

From Lieutenant Fergusson - stating that the Paymaster at Trichinopoly has refused to pay his Monthly Bills for two writers employed by him, in keeping the rolls of the Families of the Sepoys, and of the Sick, stationed in that Garrison.

From Lieutenant Fergusson.

From the Commandant at Angole - advising of having detached from that Garrison, one Company of the 8th Battalion native Infantry, to the Garrison of Nellore, at the Requisition of Mr. Dighton.

From the Commandant at Angole.

From the Commandant at Nellore - stating that the Phousdar there has received no Orders to deliver over to him the Stores &c. and enclosing the Phousdars answer to his application.

From the Commandant at Nellore.

From the Secretary at Bombay - enclosing a Bag Letter for the Rajah of Travancore.

From the Secretary at Bombay.

Dispatched, the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179.

To the Residents at Hydrabad and Poona - informing them, that a Detachment from the Grand army has taken Erroad - and that another is besieging Dindigul.

To the Residents at Hydrabad and Poona.

To

To Mr Edward Holland Cadet.

25th To Mr Edward Holland, Cadet - permitting him to resign the Service agreeably to his Request.

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Mr Secretary Hay advising that a Detachment from the Grand Army has taken Errode and that another is besieging Dindigull inclosing Letter from the Nabob to Lord Cornwallis.

To Mr S. Johnston.

To Mr Samuel Johnston directing him to remain at the Presidency until his accounts are delivered in and audited, and until Mr Edward Garrow has reported fully upon the State of his Employs.

To Major Montgomery

To Major Montgomery with Copy of the Report of the Military Board, on the Statement of the Monthly Expences of the Detachment, which having been approved in all its Parts, must be strictly attended to by him.

To the Resident at Hydrabad.

To the Resident at Hydrabad with the above Letter and Enclosures for Major Montgomery & Copies for his Information.

To Lieutenant Brooksbank.

To Lieutenant Brooksbank with Permission to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope, and eventually to Europe, for the Recovery of his Health.

To Capt.n W.m G. Roberts Comm.g 30 Batt.n N. I.

To Captain G. Roberts advising him of the above Permission given to Lieutenant Brooksbank appointing Lieutenant Briggs to act as Adjutant to his Battalion in the Room of Lieutenant Brooksbank.

To the Commandant at Nellore

26th To the Commandant of Nellore approving his

Conduct

26th of a Letter from Ganjam Dated the 17th May last - the Remissions allowed to the Ranee of Mohery to be brought to account as a Military Charge.

To Mr N. E. Kindersley - Collector in the Arcot &c. Districts - with Extract of the Letter to the Revenue Board, respecting the appointments of Messrs Sandon and Floyer and the Division of the Arcot &c. Districts.

To Mr N. E. Kindersley Collector in the Arcot &c. Districts

To Colonel Kelly - communicating General Medows's Sentiments relative to the Staff, necessary for the army under his Command - advising of Mr Kincaid, Surgeon being appointed to do duty at Coonamalee - Informing him of the appointments of Messrs Sandon and Floyer to be, in Conjunction with Mr Kindersley Collectors in the Arcot &c. Districts - approving his Suggestion of detaining at the Presidency the Company of the 26th Battalion of native Infantry alluded to in his Letter of the 23d Instant.

To Colonel Kelly.

Received Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board - (as entered in Mil B. N° 183) requesting to be furnished with the Returns of the Troops composing Colonel Kelly's Army.

From the Secretary to the Military Board.

27th Dispatched Letter to Colonel Kelly (as entered in Mil B. N° 184) with Copy of the above Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board - directing him to furnish the Returns therein required.

To Colonel Kelly.

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and also a Paper of Intelligence regarding the recent alienation of several Villages in this Country, a Measure which has been repeatedly and Strictly forbidden by the Honorable Company, We hope our Conduct in this Instance as well as in every Stage of the Business will be honored with the approbation of Government. —

We have the Honor to be,

Tanjore
22^d August 1790.

&c. &c.

[Sign^d] Geo^e Ram

E. W. Tallofield,

To George Andrew Ram, Esq^r

&

E. W. Tallofield, Esq^r

Amer Sing Rajah presents his Salam.

The Letter which the Honorable Governor and Council have written to me 1790 august 13^th Mr. Swartz has delivered me yesterday.

In this Letter are mentioned, instructions which the Honorable Governor and Council have sent to you to communicate them to me. These Instructions you have not sent to me. —

Besides in the 11^th Paragraph is mentioned the Order from the Governor General of Bengal which as they say shall be made known to me, I asked Mr. Swartz what these Orders were; but he replied that he did not know them. —

Both

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"Instructions of the Right Honorable the Governor
"General in Council"

We beg leave to remark that neither of these
Paragraphs we conceive authorize us to send any
thing more than the Letter to your Excellency; but for
your further Satisfaction, Mr Swartz will again
wait upon your Excellency this Evening with the
English Translation.

We are, with the greatest Respect,
&c &c

Tanjore
19th August 1790.

(Signed) George Andrew Ram
E. W. Fallofield

To George Andrew Ram Esq
&
E. W. Fallofield Esq

Amer Sing Maha Rajah presents his Salam.

The letter which you have written to me
august 19th Mr Swartz has delivered to me that I might
I have understood the Contents.

I have written to you desiring to see the
Instructions which the Governor & Council have sent
to you that I might know them.

You say that you are not authorized to
send those Instructions to me, This has been very
grievous to me, If an Enemy to the English desired to
know the Orders of the Governor & Council, it might

at

first intimation of a desire to see them, I order to Evince to your Excellency our Sincere desire to give you all the Satisfaction possible we beg leave to Enclose an Extract of a Letter from the Governor General in Council of the 21st June 1790 to the Government of Madras, altho' in so doing we may possibly have exceeded the Line of our Instructions.

We embrace this occasion to acquaint your Excellency that we have received information, that your Excellency had it in Contemplation to alienate Several of your villages and make Grants of them to others, whereby the Revenues and Resources of the Country would be diminished, We hope we should stand Excused to your Excellency for mentioning this Circumstance which we have been induced to, from a perfect Conviction that such a measure would be extremely disagreeable to Government, and we beg to add, that it will become our indispensable Duty to Communicate the intelligence we have received to the Honorable Board, unless it should appear by the answer your Excellency may be pleased to honor us with that the matter has been misrepresented.

We have the Honor to be with Respect &c. &c.

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Signed { George Andrew Ram
E. W. Tallofied.

Extract

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at some time be proper to shew them. —

I am a Friend, to the English and am under their Shade, trusting that they will preserve me and my Country - To refuse to such a Friend a sight of the Governors orders is not right. —

Now I am in the Dark in respect to those Orders or Instructions. —

If I know those Instructions and the Orders sent by the Governor General of Bengal, all will be clear to me. —

I shall then be able to answer the Honorable Governor & Councils Letter and know what assistance I am to give them which I cannot do, when I am ignorant of the Honorable Governor and Councils Order. —

You will therefore be so kind as to answer this letter very soon. —

What have I more to write?

20th August 1790.

To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency.

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of this Date - It gives us concern, that your Excellency should again express a wish of seeing our Instructions, as could we have Communicated them to your Excellency without impropriety, we should not have hesitated a Moment to send them on your Excelleny's

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What have I more to write?

28th August 1790.

To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency.

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of this Date - It gives us concern that your Excellency should again express a wish of seeing our Instructions, as could we have Communicated them to your Excellency without impropriety, we should not have hesitated a Moment to send them on your Excellency's

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Both points, as Mr Swartz said I might ask.
The Copies of both are necessary to me, Be so
kind as to send them both as soon as possible.
August 19th 1790. What have I more.

To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency!

We have received the Letter of the 9th Instant
which your Excellency has done us the Honor to address
to us, and understand the Contents, upon Reference to the
10 and 11 Paragraphs of the Letter from the acting Governor
to your Excellency to which your Excellency alludes,
we find in the 10th these words.

"The Government of Fort St George, have trans-
"mitted particular Instructions to Mr Rawand to
"Mr Tallefied, on the Subject of this Letter, they will send
it to your Excellency, whereby we beg to observe is
meant only the Letter we had the honor to send your
Excellency by the Reverend Mr Swartz.

The 11th Paragraph is as follows "These
"Gentlemen are invested with full Power by this
Government to act agreeably to the answer your
Excellency may give to this address, and they will
communicate to you the further Resolutions of the
Board to which we will be conformable to the

Instructions

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Received Letter from the Nabob (as entered in Country Correspondence N° 170) enclosing a Letter for Lord Cornwallis.

Dispatched Letter to M^r Secretary Hay- (as entered in 46 B. N° 185) with the abovementioned Letter from the Nabob to Lord Cornwallis.—

At a Consultation Present,

Morgan Williams Esq^r

Acting President

Friday the 27th August 1790

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esq^rs

The Honible Major General William Medows absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.—

Read the following Letters from Messrs Ram & Tallofield,—

John Chamier Esq^r

Military Secretary

Sir,

As we think it a duty incumbent on us to make the Honorable Board acquainted with every material Circumstance in the progress of the business which they have been pleased to entrust to us, we request you will be so obliging to lay before them the enclosed Correspondence with the Rajah and

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26 Conduct in Support of the authority of the Company in assuming the Management of the Nellore District directing him to engage such of the Nabob's Sibbendy & Sepoys as may be necessary, and are willing to enter into the Company's Service —

To Colonel De Wangenheim - informing him

To Coll de Wangenheim

that the allowance of Passage Money will be paid to Ensign Mockel, on an application to the Office of the Kings Paymaster General —

To the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops - to pay the abovementioned allowance to Ensign Mockel —

To the acting Deputy Paymaster to the Kings Troops

To the Resident at Cuddalore - approving his having advanced One Thousand Pagodas to Major Jongué Detachment —

To the Resident at Cuddalore

To the Military Paymaster General - with Extract of Mr Craig's Letter, advising of his having advanced One Thousand Pagodas to Major Jongué Detachment —

To the Military Paymaster General

To Messrs Balfour Spalding and Colt - Attornies to Colonel William Fullarton - annexing the Report of the Military Board as a Reply to their Letter of the 6th May last —

To Messrs Balfour Spalding & Colt Attornies to Colonel William Fullarton

To Lieutenant Sommers - permitting him to proceed to Sea for the Recovery of his health —

To Lt Sommers at Bonnacaul

To the Board of Revenue - with Extract of

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To Masulipatam informing them of the abolition of the Office of Paymaster at Samulcotah - and that that Garrison is in future to be paid by the Paymaster at Ellore.

To Masulipatam.

To the Paymaster to the Center Army informing him of the Staff to be attached to the Center Army.

To the Paymaster to the Center Army.

To Mr James Sandon appointing him Collector of a Division of the Arcot District & Dependencies - to hold himself in readiness to take the Revenue Oath.

To Mr James Sandon.

The same to Mr Floyer - and directing him to deliver over Charge of the Employs of Paymaster & Storekeeper at Samulcotah to Mr Harry Taylor Cay: master at Ellore.

To Mr Charles Floyer.

To the Paymaster at Ellore advising him of the above Instructions issued to Mr Charles Floyer.

To the Paymaster at Ellore.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - directing him to send to the Presidency such Witnesses now in Camp, as are acquainted with the Circumstances of the Charge of an Assault and Robbery brought against the Europeans of his Detachment on the Night of March from Ongole.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

To the Chief Engineer to suggest a proper Spot of Ground in the Black Town for the accommodation of the Families of the Native Bengal Troops - agreeably to a Copy of a Letter enclosed to him from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

To the Chief Engineer.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment

Sir,

I am honored with your Letter of to day, requesting my determination, in regard to certain Draft and Carriage Cattle which have been provided by the Bengal Contractors agent.—

In reply, I beg to inform you, that, I am ignorant of the nature of the subject, and, can therefore give no determination thereon, but recommend you to apply to the Government of Fort St George, from whom you will, no doubt obtain, a conclusive answer.—

I have the Honor to be, &c &c

Signed K. Kelly.

Head Quarters
Camp west of Arnee
August 22d 1790.

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Vencatagherry.

Received, Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah, (as entered, in Country Correspondence N° 168) promising to furnish Troops agreeably to Colonel Kelly's Requisition, and requesting that they may be allowed, Batta—communicating Intelligence respecting the Fouzdar of Cuddapah.—

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

Sent Letter to the Nabob (as entered, in Country Correspondence N° 169) The Language used by his Highness in his Letter of the 23d Instant, is not applicable to this Government—Mr. Lindersley's Conduct approved in assuming the Management of the ceded Districts—respecting the opposition, shewn by His Highness's Fouzdar and amildar, to Mr Dighton, Collector of the pollams

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Received the following Letter from Lieut.t Colonel Cockerell

To John Chamier Esq.r

Secretary to the Government, Fort St George

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell - with Enclosures respecting the Draught and Carriage Bullocks provided by the Bengal Contractors agent - stating that the Ordnance Department of his Detachment has been delivered over to the Commissary of the Carnatic Establishment.

I request you will submit to the Honble the Governor in Council the Enclosures N.o 1 & 2 - and entreat to be honored with the Orders of the Board on the Subject of these Cattle.

In reply to the Commands of the Honorable Board, "that I should transmit Monthly Statements "of all Military Stores belonging to the Detachment "of Bengal Troops." I have the Honor to inform the Board that the Commanding Officer of the Centre Army, did very soon after my junction, direct the whole Ordnance Department of the Bengal Detachment to be delivered over to the Commissary of the Carnatic Establishment.

Camp Arnee
August 24.th 1790.

I am, &.c &.c
Signed Wm Cockerell
Lt Col Com.d the Beng.l Det.t

Extract of a Letter from Lieut.t Colonel Cockerell to Colonel Kelly Commanding the Centre Army.

Sir, I beg leave to request your determination in

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on this Subject

You will be pleased therefore to Communicate to Government your Ideas as to the Objects which may be attainable upon the abovementioned reduced Plan, and you will also transmit your Sentiments to the General without loss of time.—

In the Interim, the necessary Preparations will be made for enabling your Army to move by the 1st of October next.—

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I am &c &c
Signed John Chamier
Secy.

To John Turing Esqr
President &c Members of the
Board of Assigned Revenue.

To the Board of assigned Revenue—respecting the Distribution of the Collections of the Arcot Districts to Messrs Kindersley Landon & Floyer—and the Conduct of the Nabob's Shougar & annuitants at Nellore, stating the Orders given to Lieutenant Brisdaune—

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters Dated the 16th 19th and 24th Instant—they have in consequence appointed Mr. James Landon, and Mr. Charles Floyer to be, in conjunction with Mr. Kindersley the Collectors in the Arcot &c. Districts.—

But as Mr. Kindersley was originally brought forward, as judged, equal to the whole Charge, Supposing that some of the Junior Servants could have been put under him as Assistants Government thinks

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25 "That Tippoo was arrived at Seringapatam had
"reviewed his army there and was preparing to
"undertake by forced Marches some expedition of
"importance in consequence of which he [Durab Jah]
"had sent orders to the Officer Commanding his Troops
"Stationed in the Adowni District to March from
"Cola and encamp his force on the Southern banks of
"the Tungbuddra to which River he has sent rafts for
"crossing."

I have received the Letters from the adjutant General addressed to me by your directions & the necessary Orders have been issued in consequence.

Colonel Kelly having applied for a Deputy adjutant General in a Letter this Day received I am directed by the Board to enclose a Copy of it, and to request to be favored with your Sentiments thereon.

I have the Honor to be with great Respect
&c. &c.
[Signed] John Chamier Esq.

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To Colonel Capper
&c. Members of the Military Board

To the Military Board to report the Ordnance &c. necessary for Colonel Kelly's army to enable it to enter the Enemy's Country, without having in view the Conquest of Bangalore.

Gentlemen,

Government have received your Letter of the 22d Instant and approve your Sentiments & Recommendations - they wish to be informed without loss of time what Ordnance you will judge necessary

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feasible We mean the equipment of the Centre Army so as to enable it to enter the Enemy's Country, and to spread alarms which may be sufficient to draw Tippoo's attention — We believe that Bullocks sufficient for the Artillery which such an object would require may be procured by the 1st of October, and that you may be enabled to carry this Plan into Execution if you think it eligible, We shall immediately order the Agent to provide Bullocks and shall direct the Military Board to lay before us a Statement of Ordnance which should be prepared for the Service.

We shall also, without loss of time endeavour to raise a considerable Sum of Money by Loan, for our probable Resources will not without such Assistance be equal to the Expences which even this Secondary Plan would occasion.

We shall communicate our Resolutions to Colonel Kelly, and We shall desire him to lay before us, and transmit to you his ideas, as to the objects which would be within his reach, should you approve the Plans above submitted to you.

If you think that nothing can be done of sufficient Importance to justify the great Expence which must result from sending Colonel Kelly's Army into the Enemy's Country — We shall beg to be favored with your Sentiments as to the disposal of

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor and Commander in Chief

&c. &c. &c.

To Major General Medows enclosing Copies of the Papers laid before the Board respecting his proposed Plan of operations for the Centre army - stating the several Points which obstruct it's Execution, proposing a less comprehensive Plan - advice of Captain Turing's being placed on the effective List - of Mr Floyer's appointment and the abolition of the Office of Paymaster at Trincomalee &c.

Honble Sir,

We have been honored with the receipt of your several Letters Dated the 14th and 17th Instant to all which We have bestowed the greatest attention.

We are most anxiously disposed to carry your Plans and Recommendations into Execution and We have endeavoured for this purpose to obtain every possible Information within our Reach, We now enclose Copies of the principal Papers which have been laid before us on the Subject.

We are sorry to remark upon them that they announce almost an impossibility of carrying your Plan into full Execution, for it is very doubtful whether the Bullocks requisite for the Battering Train and Carriages for the Rice could be procured within the prescribed time - and if they could, the State of our Treasury and our probable Receipts during the next Six Months offer an insurmountable difficulty for they do not promise us the means of doing more than supporting our present Establishment and if added to it, any large Drafts should be made by the Paymaster of the Grand Army, We shall have difficulty in providing for them.

You will observe that the Military

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25th your Governments for foreign Detachments and enjoined his Observance of them.—

We have received Mr. Secretary Hay's Letter under the 9th Ultimo giving cover to Copies of the Correspondence between Lord Cornwallis and the Resident at Hydrabad with Papers referring thereto, to all which We shall pay due attention.—

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.

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(Signd) Morgan Williams
&c. Council

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

My Lord,

2 Bengal—Stating the Impracticability of the General's Plan of sending Colonel Kelly with his army to attack Bengalore—Copy of the Dispatch to the General,—advice of the Death of the Rajah of Travancore

We have had the Honor to communicate to your Lordship in Council the progress of the army under the Command of General Medows and We have from time to time acquainted you with such Intelligence as We received, and with the General's wishes and Intentions.—

We informed your Lordship in our Letter of the 19th Instant that We were employed in ascertaining the practicability of the General's Plan of sending Colonel Kelly with his army to attack Bengalore, and that we would if possible carry it into Execution.

It is now with real concern that We

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Ordered that the usual allowance of Passage Money be paid, to Ensign Mockel.

Ens. advanced.

Captain James Turing having delivered in the necessary Certificate, is now restored to the Effective List of the army.

Captain James Turing restored to the Effective List.

Lieutenant Stevenson, Fort adjutant of Vellore, having reported that he is unfit for Field Duty, which also appears by the Surgeon's Certificate, is now placed on the Invalid List, and is appointed to the Command of the 4th Battalion of Revenue Troops and of the Fort and Garrison of Samulcotah, agreeably to the recommendation of the Commander in Chief.

Lieutenant Stevenson, Invalided and appointed to the Command of the 4th Battalion of Revenue Troops & of the Fort and Garrison of Samulcotah.

Ex.d Chas. Harris

John Turing
Com.d Saunders

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That His Highness the Nabob was about to put himself on the War Establishment, and to give up this amongst others of his Countries - I did myself the honor to represent to General Medows Governor of Madras by Letter Dated 26th March last "That I had by repeated Letters from His Highness the Nabob as His agent in the Tennevelly District, raised Money and remitted it to him lately, to amount of Thirty thousand, C.N. Pagodas for which I am personally accountable here, and for the payment of which I have a deposit of Grain sold to me, of the present Crop to that amount.—

And to express my hope and trust, That in the event this Country shall be assigned to the Company, Justice may be done, and such Orders in consequence be transmitted, here by Government as may prevent any attempt to interfere with Grain thus sold, and thereby to enable me to comply with engagements made by the Order of His Highness The Nabob, for which I have his authority to produce;"—

His Honor General Medows, was pleased to answer "That, in the above event strict justice should be done to all Parties" I ask no more.

And for this purpose, Honorable Sirs, I beg leave to request that as it is now reported such Assignment is to take place, in that event you will be pleased to grant such Orders as may appear to You proper

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become synonimous terms I admit it but not otherwise. /Signed/ C. T. Swartz.

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board,

Hospital Board
23d August 1790

From the Hospital Board recommending that Mr Fencaid do proceed to Poonamalee to take Charge of the Sick in that Garrison in the room of Mr Campbell that Mr Fergusson be appointed Surgeon Major to the Circars army and that Mr Gillespie be appointed to the 2d Regiment of European Infantry at Ellore,

Read a Letter from Mr Secretary Charnier enclosing Copy of an extract of a Letter from Colonel Kelly, requesting that an Assistant Surgeon should be sent to take charge of the Sick Recruits at Poonamalee in the room of Mr Campbell, whose services are wanted with his Regiment in the Field,

The Hospital Board, altho' totally incapable of relieving the King's Surgeons, or Assistants, in the care of their Sick, having hitherto been unable to comply with the General Orders to Station Assistant Surgeons, at the General Hospitals, and different Corps of the establishment, yet on such an emergency they recommend that Mr Fencaid Surgeon to the Black Town

approved

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why did you not this very morning send me word, that such an order had been sent to Mr. Ram — I said Ten Days ago I intreated you to prevent the present Uneasiness and that was an act of friendship. But to give you notice of Government's letter after it had been confidentially communicated to the Colonel and me would have been treachery which your Excellency must never expect from me. —

The next Day the Boy was conducted to his new apartment by Mr. Ram — The Colonel and I were present — But a cross Wall had been built last night to prevent the Boys visiting the late Rajah's Widows who call themselves the Boy's Mothers. —

A Bramany who formerly taught Mr. Burke and afterwards Mr. Blackburn the Mahratta Language was appointed by my Recommendation to teach the Boy Reading and writing His Excellency's letter says that my Servants were given to the Boy — But the writer of that letter knew that that Bramany had never been my Servant — The Boy has made a good use of the opportunity given to him — He reads and writes the Marattah Language and is very willing to learn English — The letter says — that Mr. Ram visited the Boy — and that I accompanied him, which is true I enquired how he improved in learning & admonished the Bramany not to be remiss in teaching which I

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Seeing that all my Entreaties were fruitless, I was quiet But during the administration of J. Hollond Esqr. a new application was made for the Relief of the Boy When I heard of it — I begged Leave of Mr. Ram to go to the Palace to intreat the Rajah once more to change his Conduct towards the Boy Mr. Ram said that he had nothing against such a friendly representation — accordingly I went and used all arguments to persuade the Rajah to take the Boy out of that dark place to shew some marks of kindness to take him some times out to enjoy fresh air — I assured the Rajah that if he did so all Clamours would immediately cease — If not I thought that some thing would be soon done to relieve the Boy — The Rajah said very well — I will do some thing — I begged not to make any Delay. —

Ten Days after this Conversation Mr. Ram got an order from J. Hollond Esqr. to take the Boy out of the Rajah's Lands and to put a Guard of 12 Sepoys over him. —

Mr. Ram sent for Colonel Stuart and me shewed us the order and requested that the Colonel would go with him to the Palace — His Excellency's letter doth not mention the Colonels presence — Though that gave the weight to the whole affair — Mr. Ram the Colonel and I went that Evening to the Palace — Mr. Ram desired to see the Boy — His Excellency made an objection saying that some questions might be put to the Boy and that he might answer them in a manner disagreeable to him.

Mr.

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to talk to M^r. Ram on the above mentioned Subject I was therefore obligid to be silent and refrain myself from judging. — Signed C. F. Swartz

Tanjore
August 15^th 1790.

His Excellency has been pleased to mention me in the affairs, concerning the Boy, adopted by the late Rajah, I humbly beg leave to put the matter into a clear light. —

Two Days before Tulja Maha Rajah died he sent for me and said - This Boy I have adopted. I appoint you as his Guardian and father, I promised to do what I could to the benefit of the adopted Boy, but recommended to put the present Rajah at present at the Head of administration. —

after the Death of the Rajah Sir A. Campbell called some Pandits / learned Braminies / together who declared that Amersing had a better right than the Boy to the Throne. —

Passing over their Sentence / right or wrong / the boy was set aside, however the present Rajah was admonished by Sir Archibald Campbell to behave as a Father to the Boy. —

But in a short time a Complaint was sent to Madras / probably by the widows of the late Rajah / of the severity which the Boy experienced. —

An Order came from Government to M^r Macleod and I think to Colonel Stuart to enquire into the Treatment, which the Boy has met with Both Gentlemen sent me to the Palace to see the

Boy

amounts should be censuring so freely.—

Chinnea modaly affirmed in strong terms that the Bonds had really been given.—

Then said I. If so dont pay them, you commit a Sin by paying away such large Sums which you must take from the poor Inhabitants.—

Chinnea said that Money has been promised before my arrival here. I replied—Give me leave to speak to Mr. Ram and I'll be security that those Bonds shall give you no more trouble.——

The Gentleman who was present said to Chinnea, you hear that Mr. Swartz engages to free you from all trouble in Respects of the Bonds—Give him leave to—speak to Mr. Ram and to annihilate the Bonds, which as you say have been given to Mr. Ram.—

Chinnea replied such leave I cannot give and so we parted.—

Some time after this Conversation I accompanied Mr. Ram to the Palace—when Mr. Ram had taken his leave. His Excellency desired me to stay a little.—

His Excellency began to complain of Mr. Ram and the trouble he had given him.—

I said—If your Excellency would hearken to the advice, which I so often have repeated, viz.ᵗ to do justice to the Inhabitants and pay regularly the Rents to the Honorable Company, it would not be in the

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observing an absolute Silence we shall request him to give Directions to his dumuldars to obey the Orders we may send to them, and if he pays no attention or refuses his Consent to this last proposition we shall next proceed to assume the managements of the Country by issuing a Proclamation agreeably to the form of that which was Enclosed us.

We flatter ourselves we have understood the Board's directions in their true Sense, and put a right Construction upon them.

We have the Honor to be

Tanjore
19^th August 1790.

Hon^ble Sirs
Your most
Signed J Ram
E W Fallofield.

John Chamier Esq^r

From Mr Swartz's states the Circumstances that have come to his knowledge respecting Money Transactions between the Rajah of Tanjore and Mr Ram. The Treatment of the Boy Sorfogee - and a Charge brought against Bava of embezzling Money

Sir,

The Honorable Board sent me an Extract of His Excellency the Rajah's Letter wherein I was called upon to declare what I had heard concerning a Money Matter. I have given a declaration to the best of my knowledge.

But as His Excellency's Letter mentions my name in the affair of the boy whom the late Rajah adopted, I beg leave to relate those circumstances which may clear up that affair.

I have taken the Liberty to say a few words concerning Bava, because it is said in his Excellency's Letter that I was convinced of Bava's having embezzled the

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Read the following Letter from Mr. Powney.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr.

Governor in Council

Fort St George.

Honble Sir,

From the Resident at Travancore reporting the Death of the Rajah of Cochin.

I am sorry to inform you of the Death of the Rajah of Cochin. He died yesterday of the small Pox. His Indisposition prevented me from concluding the Treaty of alliance and Vassalage which he consented to accede to, and it will now be some time longer, before I shall have it in my power to see his nephew, who succeeds him, he has already sent to me to inform me he possesses the same dispositions that his predecessor did, and has requested he may be considered by your Government in the same Light, as his Uncle.

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

George Powney Resident.

Cochin
14th August 1790.

To be communicated to the Bengal Government.

Ordered, that a Communication of the Death of the Rajah of Cochin be made to Bengal. —

Read the following Letters from Messrs. Ram and Fallofield, and from the Reverend Mr. Swartz. —

John Chanier Esqr.

Military Secretary at Fort St George.

From Messrs. Ram and Fallofield, their Reasons they prefer taking, in Consequence of the Board's orders to assume the Management of the Rajah's Country.

Sir,

We have received the Letter of the Honorable Board Dated the 13th Instant with all the Enclosures,

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is not without concern, he withholds his sanction to any part of them, because he is convinced you have acted with the best intentions, and is equally sensible of the merit of the Officers whose Situations will be affected, in some degree by an alteration, of the appointments you have submitted, to the considerations of Head Quarters.

I am directed, to communicate to you on this subject that, when particular circumstances do not interfere, it is the desire of the Commander in Chief that the Main Army and every subordinate Division of Troops in the Field shall be arranged in a manner not only to check the Expence attending numerous Staff appointments and to prevent intricacy of detail in the circulation of Orders from the head, but also to guard against every measure that may be productive of the disagreeable feelings which the Commander in Chief has frequently observed to operate on the minds of Military Men, to the prejudice of the public Service, when advanced appointments, made out of the common line, have not been allowed to remain in force at an after period in consequence of a change of Men and circumstances.

Under the above principles & considerations the Commander in Chief does not see the propriety in the common course of Military Arrangements, nor

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shall be regulated on the principle of their officiating in a Secondary capacity, which is in fact the case at all times, but more particularly so when the inferior Division happens to be joined to a Superior one, on considering the matters in this point of view the General recommends that the person to be appointed, in the line of Baggage Masters with the Troops under Colonel Kelly in the Field, shall be termed, a "Deputy," and be paid accordingly and that in all future appointments of a similar description, as above mentioned, the same Rule shall be observed, which he makes no doubt will meet with the concurrence of the Board, for the reasons he has assigned.—

I am further instructed, to request of you to state to the Board, from the General, that Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell having reported the application for Tents for the use of the Bengal Sepoys to be authorized by Lord Cornwallis, and having represented, at an earlier period of his March to the Southward, the bad condition and quality of the cross belts with the Detachment the General has considered, those points and recommends to the Board to comply with Lieut.e Colonel Cockerell's indents in both Cases.—

I have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signd) Henry Malcolm
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To

Head Quarters Camp at Coimbetour 16th August 1790.

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the last Paragraph of the foregoing Letter be communicated to the Commander in Chief.

Agreed that Colonel Kelly be informed of the Opinion of the Commander in Chief, with regard to the Staff necessary for the Centre Army.—

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from the Adjutant General,

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary of the Political & Military Department

From the Adjutant General with Copy of a Letter addressed to Colonel Kelly acquainting Staff appointments. The Commander in Chief recommends that Lieutenant Colonel Beckwith's Indents for Sepoy Coast Tents & Cross Belts be complied with.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you from Major General Medows and to request you will lay it before the Board, the Copy of a Letter addressed this Day, by his Command, to Colonel Kelly, and to communicate the General's recommendation that the Staff appointments as detailed in the Letter to Colonel Kelly may be allowed, until further Orders; only, that as the General in the Letter he addressed to the Board a few Days ago, made no objection to Colonel Kelly's having two aid de camps he wishes no alteration to take place in that respect, provided the Board has authorized two before this Letter comes to hand; if not he thinks one will be sufficient.—

The General desires me to observe, on reference to the Letter to Colonel Kelly, that as a

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enclosures, but as my reply to the Letter from Government under date the 10th Instant, was Dispatched previous to the receipt of the Letter of the 15th it could not be then taken into consideration, as the Board desire.

Upon the Letter and Return, given into Government by Lieutenant Colonel Ross, Captain Hall, and the Town Major, I have to remark, that the Posts recommended by those Gentlemen are judiciously pointed out, and should I think be occupied as far as the Service can admit.

Under the head Lowenes of Strength of the Garrison for Duty, I cannot but suppose that a mistake is made in the number of Native Troops. The 24th and 35th Battalions together are said to amount only to 664, whereas from the Returns transmitted to me by the Captains commanding those Battalions the number is nearly double - and if so, it will appear that the native Troops at the Presidency are fully adequate to furnish the Guards for Fort St George and also for the advanced Posts, which, together by the Returns require 1260 natives.

I am sorry to perceive that the artillery Men sent from Wallajanabad, are not included in the Returns - and are said to be totally unfit for Duty - the most of them, it is true, were recruits

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To lie on the Table.

Ordered to Lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Samuel Johnston.

John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary &c. Fort St George

From Mr. Samuel Johnston requesting Permission to delay transmitting his accounts, till he is able to return to his Station.

Sir,

I am honored with yours on the subject of my accounts; Some time ago I acquainted the Comptroller General that being obliged to quit my Station owing to a very dangerous Illness I had not been able to look into my accounts from January; and therefore could not venture to deliver them, not having received any answer from him, I took it for granted he was Satisfied; - as I have every Reason to hope, from Doctor Duffin's assurances that I shall not longer have occasion to avail myself of the Permission granted me by General Medows, to come to the Sea Coast for my health, I have to request the Honorable Board will be pleased to indulge me until I return to Trichinopoly, where without loss of time the accounts shall be transmitted. -

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Sign'd Samuel Johnston.

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20 August 1790.

The

Return of Paddy & Rice Remaining Bought & Received, from 12th July to 13th August 1790.

Balance & Receipts

	Paddy	Rice
	P. M. S	P. M. S	P. M. S
To this Quantity returned, to me as Remaining in the Granaries under date the 7th July	227. 381. 7		
The above when measured, and Received from Mr. Johnston's Servants from 12th July to 13th August 1790 — — turned out	207. 392.		207. 392.
Deficiency on Measuring the above Rice	19. 389. 7.	227. 381. 7	
To Paddy Received, from Mr. Johnston's Servants from D° to D° is Cullums 10833 4 Marly Sure			135. 166. 7.
To this Quantity issued to Beat out into Rice Cullums 10000. — —		or 125. —	
To Cooley hire allowed for Beating Paddy on 10,000 Cul. D°. 833. 4.		or 10. 166. 7.	
1 Measd off Cullum — — — — —	10,833. 4. —	or 135. 166. 7.	
To Rice received for Paddy Beat out as above			60. 390 2½
		Received & Remains to be accounted for	268 382. 2½

The Paddy in the Granaries is now receiving and a particular Report will be made of it – The Rice in the above Report is going away daily to Carcoil under Charge of Conways the Receipts and Issues will be Reported weekly to the Commissary General of Grain

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E E. Signed Edward Jarrow

in Charge of the Grain Department.

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Trichinopoly 16th August 1790.

Copy of the Account of Paddy Delivered by Saravanah Mooday the Amildar of Trichinopoly said to be laying in the out Districts of Trichinopoly which Composes the Store Keeper's Return of 426 Gasce as a part of this Garison Store Mortgage Originally to a Man Called Putchapah — Cullums Mon. M 2,7,800 — — —

Allowed to be Charged to the Credit of Putchapah who delivered it to Mr. Kingscote for the use of the Army with Permission of the Circar — — —	Cullums M. M. 14,72	M. 11. —
Delivered by the Circar to Mr. Kingscote but to be settled between Putchapah & the Circar	6,935	5. —
Cleared off further with Putchapah, by an Ordiron for 952 Cullums 79 L. M. 6 M. delivered into the Granaries in the Fort so much having been sent in from the 2,7,000 Mortgaged to him — — — — —	6,000	— —
Remains due to Pachapah on this Mortgage — —	136	0 —
	2,7,800	— —

The above is the mode in which he accounts for the Grain said to be laying in the out Districts as part of the Company's Store & is already disposed of — Several disputes between Pachapah & Kistna Row have arisen on this account.

Estimate

previous to my arrival — I mention this Circumstance as his Rough account for January is now in my hand, & very properly gives the Company Credit for these Bills, tho' Effaced by Mr. Johnston himself It may be a proper question to ask him, his private Reasons, for postponing these Credits to so late a date.

On the 21st April last Mr. Johnston drew a Bill for Pagodas 34.37.31.59. in favor of Mr. William Balfour on account of Military Stoppages for Cloathing made from the different Corps in the Months of October November & December last, and he Charges these Stoppages against the Company in his December account but he has never Credited the Company for the Bill.

In January or February last I see by a Memorandum that Mr. Johnston drew a Bill on the Military Paymaster General for Pagodas 1000 which he has given no Credit for.

The Stoppages for Cloathing for January February and March amounting to S.Rs 4569.29.43. are Charged against the Company in March account Mr. William Balfour the agent has applied to me for Payment of this Sum and it is consequently unpaid by the Paymaster here.

In February March and April last Pagodas 11,666 are Charged for Gunny Bags alone, from the Receipts and Issues from the Storehouses Ogle and the

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It is easy to calculate 8/9ths Cents taken from a Store of Grain provided for the use of the Grand Army from a Store already more than 1/3 defective in quantity thro' previous Intrigue and which when its value is considered in a political point view at a critical moment like the present no wise Supplies are drawn from hence might end in the loss of this Garrison and materially affect the operations of your Army.

Painful as this part of my Report is to me unless I had pursued the same fraudulent Destructive plan my first Returns must have pointed out the Circumstance to Mr Cockburn.

The very high trust so properly reposed in the Auditor and Comptroller General of all accounts will make it unnecessary for me to do more than pass a few General Cursory Remarks on the Bills delivered to Mr Johnston nands two months ago at Madras — Their Amount from January to the end May is Pagodas 188235 The Originals and vouchers have been long as the Presidency and of course forthcoming on requisition — But as Mr Johnston Claims a — Balance from the Company on his last account Pagodas 6675. 7. 34. Justice to that Service which has been my Support for upwards of Twenty One Years will not allow me to pass unnoticed some Articles of Charge, and I wish also sir, to draw your particular

attention

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The Granaries in the Fort of Trichinopoly for 6000 Gallons
In what name Mr Kingscote gave the Receipts for the
Quantity delivered by Putchapah, in the out Districts
he does not know — The Company being equally respon-
sible if Putchapah himself is Satisfied;

It was only yesterday that after changing
the Sepoy Guards, a Trusty Servant of my own returned
from the Villages where the Grain was reported to lay —
I enclose his Report marked N° 3. upon Grain that was
pointed out to him as the Company's but it also includes
the Seed for the ensuing Crop — This Quantity added to
Mr Kingscotes Report of the 7th Instant, is all that is —
forth coming — and I can only lament that my many
avocations prevent this Report from being Compleat by
a Return of Paddy in the Granaries in the Fort which it
will yet take a considerable time to measure —

I had fortunately just compleated the
Measurement of Rice in Store previous to the Generals
Order of the 17th ultimo directing me to prepare it im-
mediately to Convey to Carour — I enclose the Return —
delivered to me marked N° 4 and the Quantity it
measured, I observed much of the Rice was very bad
but as difficulties were started, on delivering it I re-
ceived it as it was tendered, and am now sifting out,
such part of it as is mixed with dirt and dust — The
Samples of it I shall send under Seal to the Commissary
General

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and that in the Same Month a Bill was drawn from Madras upon the Nabob's Sons how which came into Mr. Johnston's hands for 15,000 Pagodas more - That Kistna Row had outstanding claims on the former Renter Anund Row - all which Demands the Nabob's Managers had intended to discharge by admitting of so much Grain, to be received as Private property from the Quantity delivered by the Circar into the Granaries as would discharge them, but that in consequence of a failure of agreement on the part of Mr. Johnston, in discharging part of a Bill for 50,000 Star Pagodas - made over to a man called Paupiah in Madras for which Mr. Johnston had a Tuncka on the Tinnavelly Country - the Nabob had sent positive Orders to Tichinopoly by express to Stop any Settlement whatever with Mr. Johnston, who in consequence availed himself of the Circar Grain that was delivering into Store placing the amount of the beforementioned Claims to his Private Credit as Grain purchased of Individuals and Charged to the Company's account from whom by transfer of Demands he now claims payment of the Grain delivered into Store.

From these Causes nearly arose the different Reports of the Circar and Storekeeper and on these Grounds they Stand at the present Hour.

Tho' the whole Quantity of Paddy stated in the Storekeepers Return, was sent in by the Circar, he accounts for the Nabob's Claims being so much less, by allowing all above 89,279 to the Credit of a Person who

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of Grain and Provisions renders it necessary that I should make a more particular report than I have hitherto done in justice to myself as well as to be relieved from a responsibility I shall otherwise fall under — and, in doing this, it will be painful to me to implicate the Conduct of Mr. Johnston the Gentleman who has been in Charge of the Employs.

The Correspondence that had passed between the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions and Mr. Johnston, for Months previous to my arrival so far back as 13th January last on the Subject of Grain, ordered into Store to compleat the Supplies of this Garrison as well as to Support the Grand Army, made it necessary for me to pay great attention to the business and to draw my Information on the Subject from Persons on the Spot where the Transactions happened.

The Nabob Charges to the Company with having delivered into the Publick Granaries in consequence of Government Orders 8927 9 - 6 7/8 Cullums of Paddy valued at 12 or 13 Gold fanams the Cullum — The Storekeeper on the other hand avers that no part of the Grain delivered into the Company's Stores was received from the Circar but that the whole was purchased & that the Company are responsible to the Individuals from whom he procured it. —

So palpable a Contradiction in a

concern

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

Gentlemen,

I take the liberty to trouble you with a Separate letter on a subject more immediately relating to myself. Having been disappointed of the assistants I expected, when I was first honored with the appointment of Collector of the Soubah of Arcot and its Dependencies, I am become apprehensive that the great Extent of Country entrusted to my management, may deprive me of the ability of paying that particular attention to the Distant Districts, which I am anxious to manifest towards the important Trust reposed in me. I therefore request you will solicit the Consent of Government to my resigning the Charge of all the Arcot Districts South of the Pennaur River. This seems to me a natural Division of the Province, and I understand that South portion of it, yields a proportionate Revenue to the whole of about 3/8th. If I am mistaken, I request that the Division of Southern Districts, may extend to that amount. I have the Honor to be &c &c

Nath.l E. Kindersley
Collector

Vellore
17th August 1790.

A true Copy
Signed J Webbley.

Resolved

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A meeting of the Detachments from Angola, which Mr Dighton must have judged sufficient, will put the Business upon a proper Footing, and rectify the Inconveniencies which the misinterpretation of the Nabob's Orders has produced.

Read the following Letters from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir

From the Board of Revenue recommending that two or more Collectors be appointed in Conjunction with Mr Kindersley Collector of the Arnt District.

When We consider the Situation of the several provinces, which have been committed to the charge of Collectors, we feel apprehensive that the very great extent of the Arcot Division, holds out the prospect of such difficulties, as cannot be expected from the more compact boundaries of the other Districts - This province extends from Volconda, near Trichinopoly northward, to the borders of Nellore, and westward to the hills as far as Amboor Chingamah &c - Though we have every confidence in the zeal and ability of Mr Kindersley, and though the general plan of collection may be facilitated, by portioning the Country into smaller Divisions - We yet think that the exertions of an individual must prove unequal to the Superintendance of so large a tract - We take the

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Minute on the Nabob's Letters.

The Board are sincerely concerned that His Highness the Nabob, unmindful of his exalted Situation, should descend so much as to arraign, in very unqualified Language, the Conduct of the Company's Government at this Presidency.

But whatever may be His Highness's Sentiments, the Board can assert with Truth, that they have been influenced, by no motives, but those conducive to the Public Good, and that they have always been and are still anxious to shew every possible Respect and attention to His Highness.

Intended answer

Agreed that his Highness be informed that it does not appear even from the exaggerated Description of his aunildar at Arcot, that any improper Steps have been taken by Mr Tenderson by in assuming the Management of the Arcot District that if there is any Building at Arcot, or elsewhere, to which his Highness is unwilling that the Company's Collectors or their Servants should be admitted, it will be left untouched; and that there is no Intention to trespass upon Private Property, nor even to use particular Public Building which his Highness may wish should be sacred.

Minute respecting the Phougdar at Nellore

Agreed that the Conduct of the Phougdar at Nellore be notified to his Highness - and that he be

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ordered to take them, on the Part of the Company, as this matter is of consequence towards satisfying the minds of the Inhabitants I hope to be favored with an immediate answer.—

I received Mr Secretary Webbe's Letter Dated 17th August and shall lose no time in procuring the Information necessary to make the arrangements for advertizing for Sealed proposals for Renting the different Divisions of the Districts.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c.

Nellore
25th August 1790.

Signed Rich.d Dighton Collector

A True Copy
Signed J Webbe Secy

Mr Dighton informs the Board, he has applied to Captain Dunwoody for a Company of Sepoys, and upon their arrival at Nellore he proposes to proceed to execute the orders of Government, when, I trust it will be found the Nabob's Phoujdar & aumildar will submit or at least not make any serious opposition to our Collector. If Mr Dighton had judged it expedient, he was empowered to call upon Captain Dunwoody for a greater force, and he is also authorized to entertain such a number of Sibbendy, as he thinks are immediately necessary for the Service.—

I cannot conceive the Nabob has authorized

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the next morning I went into the Fort of Nellore, and the enclosed Correspondence passed between me and his Highness the Nabob's Amuldar and Phouzas Meer Bagel after writing my last Letter No 3 acquainting him that I would come to the Cutcherry he sent me a verbal answer by a Chubdar saying that if I had his Masters Summud he would either receive me at his Cutcherry or wait on me. I then proceeded to the Cutcherry and found he had locked the Door, after waiting some time he sent a Message desiring I would return to my House and he would wait on me. I remained for some time expecting his arrival but as he did not make his appearance I immediately proceeded to read the Proclamation and had it affixed at the Fort Gates and Circulated about the Districts and am now waiting in expectation of seeing the Inhabitants and Sticke Curnums Poligars &c belonging to the District, whom I have reason to expect will very soon make their appearance, but at present they are rather alarmed in consequence of Orders Published by His Highness the Nabob's Amuldar setting forth that his Highness does not deliver over the Country with his own Consent and that he has applied to the Bengal Government and expects answers in forty Days until which time all his Servants are expressly

forbid

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Customs of the City — but if their Intention was to Seize the Management, the Servants of the Circar were not whilst Life remained, in their bodies, to obey them. The Cabby then said the European Gentleman wanted us and desired me would go and talk with him — I answered, any obedience from me to the orders of that Gentleman when he was come to Seize the Circars Country would be direct breach of your Highness's Orders — at length, He planted fresh Guards in all Quarters, and went away. —

I have further to inform your Highness that it was with great difficulty my Letter could reach the post man, to be forwarded to your Presence.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue. —

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

Honble Sir

From the Board of Revenue, with Enclosures from Mr Dighton, relative to the refusal of the Nabob's Phouzdar and Amuldar at Nellore to submit to the Company's Authority.

We have the honor to inclose Copy of a letter which we have received from the Collector at Nellore, As the Nabob's Phouzdar and Amuldar has refused to submit to the Company's authority (a resistance which might be expected, from the nature of the Nabob's circular Orders, Copy of which is now before us) — and as Coercion could not then be attempted with prudence from

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Translation of a Letter from Mahomed Abdillah Sumildar of Arcot.—

This Day being the 9th Zelhuge 1204 Hegery / 25th august 1790 / four Guards of Company's Sepoys from Arnee came to Abdilcauder the Cubby who is arrived here to assume possession of these Districts—on the arrival of these Guards a European came in a Dooley to the Cutcherry and declared Abdilcauder having been appointed Sumildar of this place on the part of the Company, and that they were ordered to displace me, and put the Company's Sumildar in possession of the Cutcherry and therefore desired I would open the Doors—I made answer that the Cutcherry belonged to the Circar, and that we could not consistant with the Circars orders put the Man in possession as Sumildar—neither could give them admittance into the Cutcherry for inspection, unless they were come as Recaivers, but besides the Districts under my Management in which were the Jaghires of your Highness's Family and the Circars own Tillage Lands, they would then be allowed to interfere in the Sayer or income from the customs of the City of Arcot which was appropriated to the Yomiahdars—I told them if their intention was to seize the Management it would not be allowed, nor would they gain admittance into the Cutcherry—If they had the Circars Sanud, to produce it—The Cubby

then

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Nabob Wallajah Bahauder assigns Treaties with Governor Davidson & Governor Campbell &c

By the amount of the Cists to the Company from 12th July 1785 to 12th July 1787 at 16 Lacks P annum according to the agreement with the Hon. Davidson for 2 years	32,00,000	
By Do from 13th July 1787 to 12th July 1789 at 21 Lacks P annum according to the agreement with Governor Campbell for 2 years	42,00,000	
		74,00,000
By Cists due from the 12th July to 30th November 1789	3,00,000	
By Tanjore Peishcash due in March 1790	2,20,000	
By Proportion of the March Cist of 8,80,000 for 1 Month from 30th November to the 29th December 1789 when Hostilities commenced with Tippoo	2,20,000	
By the Company's proportion during the War of 4/5th of the neat Revenue as follows.		
Gross Collection of Revenue from the 29th December 1789 to 12th July 1790 6 Months and 15 Days	19,76,660	
Deduct Charges Sibbendies Inms, Repairs of the Tanks and Mallas, and the Expences attending the Cutcherry	2,31,160	
	8,45,500	
Do Sirkars Share of the 1/5th	1,69,100	
neat	6,76,400	
		14,16,400
		88,16,400
By Balance in favor of the Circar		6,13,414 18
		Pagodas 94,29,814 18

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Money to be raised by Loan.

Resolved, also, that every Exertion be made to raise Money by Loan; for the probable Resources of this Government will not, without such assistance, be equal to the Expence which even this Secondary Plan would occasion.—

The forgoing Resolutions to be communicated to the Commander in Chief

Agreed, that the foregoing Opinions & Resolutions be communicated to the Commander in Chief and that his Sentiments be requested as to the utility of the measure of sending Colonel Kelly's army into the Enemy's Country which, if not of sufficient Importance to justify the great Expence which must result therefrom, he be in that case desired to give his Opinion regarding the Disposal of the Force at present composing the Centre Army.

The forgoing Proceedings to be transmitted to the Governor General.

Resolved, that these Proceedings be transmitted to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council.

Read the following Letters from the Nabob (entered; also in Country Correspondence, Nos. 166. 167.)

Translation

From the Nabob Wallaujah to Morgan Williams Esqr.

Dated 10 zehudge 1204 or 22d August 1790

Received 24th August 1790.

From the Nabob with an account Current in which a Balance is brought against the Company.—

I sent you before the General account wherein it is mentioned and Years dry Season only. There were for three Years, dry Seasons, in my Country. I wrote in my Letter of the 23d Rumzaun or 7th June 1790 to Governor Turing about it agreeable to which I now send you the account.

What can I say more?— A true Translation

(Signed) Joseph Farrow 2nd Sr.

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Abstract of Carriage & Draught Cattle for a Battering Train for the Service of the Western Army Fort St George, August 23d 1790.

N°2. Carriage & Draught	Carts			Bullocks		
	Platforms Double	Single	Total	Draught	Carriage	Total
Carriage and Draft Cattle necessary for a Battering train for the Western Army. For 8 Heavy field Guns with Limbers &c	"	"	"	880	— "	880.
4 Spare Carriages for Do with Do	"	"	"	150	— "	150.
4 Mortar Carts	"	"	"	120	— "	120.
3 Laboratory Chests and Carriages	"	"	"	30	"	30.
4 Stow Tumbrils	"	"	"	40	— "	40.
3 Platform, double Carts, for Mortars and Spare Beds	"	"	"	12	— "	12.
carrying the Stores for the Ordnance, exclusive of the Magazine	13	22.	35	96	— "	96.
Do Gunpowder Corrd & Sealed Barrels 2,116	—	"	"	"	1058	1058
Do Shot, Shells, and Fuzes	150	"	150	600	3323	3923.
18 Gun, & 8 Mortar Platforms	96	"	96.	384	"	384
Spare Bullocks, one to every Six	"	"	"	386	731	1117.
Total without a Magazine of Stores	259	22.	281	2698	5112	7810.
For the Magazine of Stores	19.	102.	121	280	258	538
Spare Bullocks one to every Six	"	"	"	47.	43.	90
Total Do for the Magazine	19	102.	121	327	301	628
Total Bullocks and Carts requisite	278	124.	402.	3025	5413.	8438
For two 5½ Inch Howitzers & Spare Carriage & five Tumbrels				101	"	101
				Grand Total	3126	5413. 8539

(signd) George Hall A.D.C. Com.d Gen.l of Stores

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Indent of Cash wanting to the Military Pay.r Genl. for Pagodas Disbursements for Troops from the 1st September to the 31st December 1790.

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Indent of Cash wanted by the Military Paymaster General on account of the Troops in the Field, and Garrisons supplied by him from the 1st September to the 31st December 1790 including the King's Troops.

	Monthly			Four Months		
Southern army Mr Colt	140,000	"	"	560,000	"	"
Center army Mr Taner	35,000	"	"	140,000	"	"
Do - King's Troops	9,500	"	"	38,000	"	"
Garrisons as pr Estimate	84,257	"	"	337,028	"	"
Bengal Detachment	31,177	40	49½	124,711	36	37
14th & 15th Hanoverian Regiments	9,000	"	"	36,000	"	"
Civil Paymaster	17,700	"	"	70,800	"	"
	326,714	40	49½	1,306,859	36	37
Deduct						
Mr Colt's Balance Estimated the 1st August	40,000	"	"			
Colonel Cockerell's Balance on account of the Bengal Troops	50,000	"	"	150,000	"	"
Total Pagodas				836,859	36	37

Pay office
Fort St George
24th August 1790.

[Signed] Benj Roebuck
Military Pay Genl.
Estimate

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Pioneers shall be raised without Delay and be put under the Command of an Experienced Engineer who should be ordered to instruct them in making Fascines and Gabions.

In the Detail of the army as stated in Colonel Kelly's letter, we do not perceive any mention made of Engineers of whom we think a proper Number will be wanted on the Expedition.

You are pleased to direct us to suggest such particular measures as may appear to us necessary to be immediately taken, in the Event of it's being judged expedient to order Colonel Kelly to advance in the Enemy's Country by the 1st October. Our Sentiments on this subject will depend in a great measure upon the Force which will be left at this Presidency after Colonel Kelly marches. In the mean time We are of Opinion that alarm Posts should be established without Delay, so as to apprize the Inhabitants of any approaching Danger, time enough to provide for their Safety.

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.

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Signed J Capper
Patrick Ross
George Hall.

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decided opinion on this subject, but if they are the same sort of People who were lately sent from Camp in the Center Division as Colonel Kelly's Letter implies they are, we can by no means consider them as any material addition to our Effective Strength - In the Return there were 45 Artillery amongst whom there were only one Gunner and one Matross fit for Duty - 43 are Recruits of this Season 9 of whom have been in the Hospital ever since they landed, the other 34 have neither Cloathing, arms, or accoutrements, are without Discipline or non-Commissioned Officers to teach them - of the Detachment from the 4th Battalion of European Infantry There are fit for Duty, 1 Lieutenant, 1 Serjeant 1 Fife, and 25 Privates, 12 of whom are recruits of this Season and 1 Serjeant, 1 Corporal and 6 Private were unable to do Duty at Walajabad for a Considerable time past, and 1 is a confirmed Lunatic - of the Detachment under Ensign Buchan 1 Only arrived fit for Duty.

Whilst the Center Army continues in force on this side of the Ghauts, it is not perhaps absolutely necessary that the Strength of this Garrison should exceed the number requisite for the common Guards in time of Peace, but We are of Opinion that so far from reducing the present force

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that purpose,

Guns Iron with Field Carriages & Limbers 24 Pds 4
18 Ds 8
12 Ds 6

Mortars Brass with Beds 10 Inch 2
8 Ds 2
5½ Ds 4

Howitzers equipped for Field Service 5½ Ds 2

In making this Statement we have kept in view both the difficulty of transporting heavy Ordnance over the Ghauts and the necessity of sending what is sufficient to carry on the Siege with Vigor without being obliged to send continually for fresh Supplies of Guns and Stores and We trust that the Battering Train proposed will be found fully Sufficient for the attack of any of the Forts in the Mysore Country and full as much as can be carried with safety and Expedition into the Enemy's Country.

Colonel Kelly in his letter proposes having Magazines of Stores and Provisions established on the line of Operation, but says that not having determined upon the route he means to take, he cannot fix upon the particular places for Depots until this point is fully ascertained, we cannot pretend to point out what places will best serve as Depots, however, as the General line of Operations must be on the western Frontier, We are

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thro' which they are to march, and to the Service for which they are intended.

Our Army, according to Colonel Kelly's Letter, will consist of about 9000 Men, including only one Regiment of native Cavalry and a Corps of Artillery and Lascars, much too small for the Number of Artillery and Ordnance, These are to march thro' Passes, which no doubt will be rendered as difficult of access as possible, and the Enemy's army prepared to oppose them, will, in all probability, consist Principally of Horse, From all these Considerations We cannot approve either of the Force proposed, for the Invasion of the Enemy's Country or for the Defense of the Carnatic in Colonel Kelly's absence, of the Statement of the Battering Train proposed by himself, or of that drawn out by Lieut.t Colonel Gils - with all possible Deference to Colonel Kelly, We cannot concur with him in Opinion that 8 Brass 18 Pounders are necessary for the Field Train neither can We think 8 Iron 24 Pdrs necessary for the Battering Train - The four Iron 12 Pounders for Enfilading may be very Serviceable as a Siege, and these also may occasionally be used in the Field - Four 5½ Inch Brass Mortars, two 10 and 2 Eight Inch Mortars will, we conceive, be as many as can be required for the attacks of any place between our own Frontiers & Seringapatam

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Dindigul has refused to surrender. We must take that and Palicaud chevvy before We attempt the Ghauts which I still hope to do by the first of October, and having no wish on earth equal to that of Success,

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Camp at Coimbetoor
14th August 1790.

Signed Wm Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
Senior Member at the Presidency, and the
Gentlemen in Council Fort St George Madras &c &c

From Major General Medows - Surprised to hear that the Board have passed the Managements of the Nabob's Country a Quarter Master for the Artillery of Colonel Kelly's Army, deemed unnecessary 5

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the honor of yours of the seventh this Morning, inclosing your Proclamation, and am extremely glad you have at last proceeded to the indispensible necessity of taking possession of His Highness the Nabob's Country; and hope very soon to hear of your having done the same by the Rajah of Tanjore. By no means desire Copies of the voluminous papers that must have been necessary & that I one Day or other hope to have Leisure to read at the Presidency.

I heartily hope and trust Colonel Kelly's activity

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regulation for foreign Detachment to Major Montgomery and the Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors.—

I have had Colonel Kelly wrote to, to say I see no pretence for Colonel Maxwell's having a Secretary nor do I know what he means by his commanding the line, when as second to Colonel Kelly, he should only Command the right wing.— The rest of the Staff is upon the Liberal footing of this Country, which surpasses every other, but may, I suppose, be complied with.—

Nothing new has occurred since my last.—

Camp at Coimbetoor
14th August 1790.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Signed Wm Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
and Gentlemen in Council Fort St George Madras &c.

From Major General Medows his intentions when Colonel Kelly's Army should not be able to penetrate the Mysore Country by the Pass of Coimbetoor with the most determined Measures to be adopted in regard to the taking Possession of the Hubbly Province of Tarpore's Country and taking Bundgoul in case it surrendered.

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the Honor of yours of the third, yesterday, and am very glad the Treaty with the Mahrattas is signed.— There is no objection to complying with Colonel Brathwaite's requisition for Lieutenant Shaw upon his going through the necessary forms.— But according to late regulations he

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Received the undermentioned Letters vide
No B. Nos 146. 147. 148. 149.

From Colonel Kelly

From Colonel Kelly advises of the arrival in Camp of Lieutenant Riddle with a Company of the 26th Battalion Native Infantry recommending that the Company be detained at the Presidency for the Purpose of Escorts &c instead of joining its Battalion at Masulipatam.

From Lieut. Stevenson 3d Batt. E. Infantry

From Lieutenant Stevenson at Vellore enclosing a Certificate of his Ill State of Health, and requesting to be placed on the Invalid List.

From Captain James Twining

From Captain James Twining enclosing a Surgeon's Certificate for his Readmission on the Effective Establishment.

From Captain G. Roberts Comm.g 36 Batt.n N. Inf.y

From Captain G. Roberts Commanding 36th Battalion N. Infantry with an application from Lieutenant Brooksbank to proceed to the Cape for the Recovery of his Health — recommending that Lieutenant Briggs of the 30th Battalion of European Infantry be appointed to act as adjutant to that Battalion during the absence of Lieutenant Brooksbank.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob

Received Letter from the Nabob as entered in Country Correspondence No 165 enclosing a Letter for Lord Cornwallis.

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To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts with Copy of the above Letter from Colonel Dettangenheim directing him to report if Ensign Mockel dismissed the Service is entitled to Passage Money.

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army accounts.

To Colonel Kelly with Copy of the Letter written to the Rajahs of Calastry, Vencatagherry and Bommauge.

To Colonel Kelly.

To Do permission granted to Ensigne Simmons to proceed to Sea for the Recovery of his Health a G.O. published directing all officers at the Presidency, to join their Corps immediately.

To Do

To Mr Samuel Johnston expressing the Surprize of the Board at his Inattention to their repeated Orders peremptorily calling upon him to deliver in his accounts immediately.

To Mr S. Johnston

To Ganjam directing them to pay the allowance claimed by Lieutenant Hall, if customary.

To Ganjam.

To the Resident at Tanjore directing him to pay attention to the Generals Wishes respecting Grain Rama Swamy's Proposals to be accepted if some better can be obtained.

To the Resident at Tanjore.

To Mr A. Macleod Collector in the Madura District to ascertain and report to Government whether any, and what Quantity of Grain, now in Store at Madura, is the property of Individuals.

To Mr A. Macleod Collector in the Madura District

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To Lieutenant Colonel John Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment

Sir,

By the General Orders issued this day in Camp by Colonel Kelly, I observe that it is directed, that the Commissary General for Grain and Provisions on the Coast shall supply the Europeans of the Bengal Detachment with Provisions &c. from this Date.

As I consider this as an infringement of the Contract subsisting between the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council in Bengal, and Robert Biddulph, as his agent regularly appointed to act for and represent him with the Detachment which came round from Bengal under your Command, I beg to represent to you for the information of Colonel Kelly, that I view this Order as militating against the Interests of my Principal, and that therefore, at the same time that I consider it my Duty to pay a respectful obedience to it, I must also consider it as incumbent on me in behalf of my principal Mr R. Biddulph to protest against the measure, in as far as it may be a deprivation of any Rights he possesses under that Contract.

I beg further to observe that the acquiescence of Earl Cornwallis in Council with the request from the

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signed by the friends of Seneva sa Row, and his Brother in law Vackeel to the Rajah of Tanjore, and by virtue thereof to grant the Jaghire to the said Seneva sa Row — without making any arrangement for the Payment of the Balance due to the Honorable Company, or stipulating for the Succours usually sent in case of War by the Jaghire-idar of arms, the Jaghire having been originally a sort of Feudatory Tenure.

That your Memorialist being reduced, by this decision so injurious to his rights, and fatal to his Interests to a Situation beyond description — calamitous, and distressing, and destitute of those powerful assistances which his more fortunate opponent has derived from alliances with Natives, who were in favor and power, and from the use of their Wealth, places his whole Confidence in the Equity of the Right Honorable President in Council, humbly Solicits that Protection and Redress which the peculiar hardships of his Case shall seem to require, implores a fresh Investigation of his Claim of Right as a Descendant of the first and eldest Line, and prays that in the mean time the Right Honorable President in Council will order the Revenues & Arrears of the Jaghire to be paid into the Treasury of the Honorable Company until the legality of his Claim shall be finally decided, or, If your Memorialist as in duty bound will ever Pray &c. — Extract

Madras
February 10th 1790

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the Carnatic, directing him at the same time to call in and take four other persons, to his Assistance, in proceeding to enquire in whom the Right of the said Jaghire was vested.

That in Consequence of such Reference Maudava Royer did call in and take four other persons well versed in the Laws and Customs of the Indians, and after having with their united Aid, and Assistance fully examined into the Premises, did deliver, on the twentieth Day of November 1786, his Report, under his Seal and Signature to the said Board of Revenue, stating that your Memorialist as Descendants of the eldest Line had a right to the Jaghire, and that the two other Claimants were Descendants only of the Second and third Line.

That the said Board of Revenue having furnished the then Government with a Translation of the said Conogoyee's or Registers Report, (which your Memorialist supposes was transmitted, a Number in the Packet to the Honorable Court of Directors,) But previous to the right being determined, or pronounced, either in favor of your Memorialist, or the other Claimants, Sir Archibald Campbell (unfortunately) embarked

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25 father to the Jaghire That the said Conary Row was Succeeded by his eldest surviving Son, Senevasa Row, whose eldest Son Vencata Row, (your Memorialists Great Uncle by Blood, and Grandfather by adoption,) succeeded him, That after his decease his eldest Son Senevasa Row, succeeded him, by whom your Memorialist as Heir at Law in the eldest line of Consanguinity was adopted, as will more fully, and at large appear by a Table of Consanguinity hereunto annexed, That the said Senevasa Row, the immediate Ancestor of your Memorialist, was violently, cruelly, & illegally dispossessed, of the said Jaghire of Arnee, and put into Confinement by Tiroomala Row, (who acted as his Dewan,) who continued thus illegally to enjoy the Emoluments, and exercise the Rights of the said Jaghire of Arnee during the life of the said Senevasa Row, (your Memorialists Ancestor by Blood, as well as Father by the Oriental Custom by Adoption,) and also during his own Life, using, however, upon all and every occasion no other Seal than that of the said Senevasa Row, so illegally dispossessed and confined as aforesaid - That the said Usurper Tiroomala Row, died, leaving no Issue, but adopted another, Sobanoo Row, by name,

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To

To His Excellency the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

My Lord,

The Claims of the injured, so long unattended to, and disregarded, as this Presidency will certainly be deemed by you fit Objects of attention, - It is under the Influence of this Persuasion that I presume to address your Lordship. - The enclosed Memorial addressed to your Lordship in Council will best explain the just Grounds of my Complaint. I wholely rest my Cause on the equity of my Claim, and shall only add that could I have procured Sixty thousand Pagodas as my more fortunate Opponent did, to pay into the hands of an unfeeling and rapacious Man at that time high in Office, I should not be reduced to the necessity of troubling the Supreme Council Board with the enclosed Memorial. - At an Interview with the Person alluded to, I was asked "How much I could procure and advance" - I replied, "If my just "Claims were successful, I could obtain and give "Twenty thousand Pagodas" - I was answered, - "That "is nothing, I can have more," I retired and lost my Cause - This I am ready to come forward and prove

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John Chamier Esqr

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department Fort St George

Sir,

From Captain Kennaway, communicating Intelligence respecting Tippoo as received from Anup Ram

I have the Honor to forward for the information of the Honorable Board the following Translate of an Extract of a letter from Anup Ram to the Nizam's Ministes written from Raychore the 3d and received by the Ministes the 7th Instant which I request may be communicated to General Medows.

"The Nawab Durah jah (Mahaubut Jung) informed me to day that he had just received authentic accounts from four or five different quarters that Tippoo was arrived at Seringapatam had received his Army there and was preparing to undertake by forced marches some expedition of importance in consequence of which he (Durah Jah) had sent Orders to the Officer Commanding his Troops stationed in the Adowni District to march from Cola & encamp his force on the Southern banks of the Tungbuddra, to which River he has sent rafts for crossing."

I have the Honor to be &c &c

(Signed) John Kennaway.

Paangul 8th August 1790.

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The General therefore instructs me to request, that the Board will take up the matter on the principle of this report in the first Dispatch to the Court of Directors in order that the Court may be fully informed of the nature of the appointments which he has judged it necessary to authorize for the interest of the Company's Service at this period, in the conviction that the measure and the manner of adopting it will meet with the approbation of the Court of Directors.

The General requests that the Court of Directors may be informed, at the same time, that the deficiency of Subaltern officers for the Duty of the Army will stand as follows after admitting the several Details as mentioned in this Letter.

Infantry	Subalterns deficient		60
Artillery	Do	Do	4
Cavalry	Do	Do	1
Engineers	Do	Do	2
		Total	67

Head Quarters Camp
Coimbatore August 14th 1790.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjutant General of the Army.

Received the following Letters

To John Chamier Esqr
Military Secretary &c

Sir, I am honored with your Letter of the 7th Instant notifying to me, by order of Government, that

for

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21st of Wandiwash, —

The General recommends Captain George Hodson of Invalids to succeed to the Command of the 5th Revenue Battalion, —

In the event of Lieutenant Stevenson's applying to be Invalided the Fort adjutancy of Vellore becomes Vacant and the General recommends Lieut.t Alexander Foulis to be appointed Fort adjutant of Vellore vice Stevenson, —

Ensign John Blair of Infantry lately appointed having expressed a desire to be in the Corps of Engineers the General recommends that he be removed to that Corps with his Rank. —

The General is of Opinion that the inclosed Documents N.o 4. 5 & 6 relative to the Claim of Mrs Keating widow of the deceased Lieutenant Colonel Keating are regular and Sufficient authority for the Board to order payment in India, of the pension to which She is entitled, by the Regulations for the distribution of Lord Clive's Bounty, provided, the Sum stated in the Certificate is conformable to what is required under the Agreement by which His Lordship's Bounty is bestowed. — The orders of the Company authorize paying the Pensions of widows in India, but the General does not recollect at this time the Sums respectively the property of Officers at their Death, which excludes

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Colonel Nixon having applied by Letter, accompanied by a Surgeon's Certificate, to proceed to Europe, a Copy of both (No. 2) are herewith Enclosed. The General gives his Concurrence to the application made in Colonel Nixon's Letter being Complied with, agreeably to the usage of the Service; and directs me to detail, that in consequence of Colonel Nixon's going home, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Frazer will succeed to the Rank of Colonel & the Command of an European Battalion; Major John Dupont to the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel; & Captain Archer Arnold Langley to the Rank of Major, provided Officers Senior to those now in succession to promotion in the respective Ranks above mentioned do not return from Europe, previous to announcing in Orders the Promotion in consequence of Colonel Nixon's going home. As there are at present Supernumerary Captains of Infantry, the Senior Lieutenant of that List will not succeed to the Rank of Captain, in consequence of the Vacancy made by Colonel Nixon, until the Supernumeraries are disposed of.

The General has granted Leave of absence to Colonel Nixon to proceed to the Coast on the 20th September next, & will direct Lieutenant Colonel Bridges to be at Tritchinopoly before that date, & to Command there until further orders. The General will signify at the same time that Captain Leighton is to Command Palamcottah, until further orders, from the time Lieutenant Colonel Bridges leaves that Post to take the Command of Tritchinopoly.

Captain

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Diary.

Receive Letter from the Nabob

21st Received Letter from the Nabob /as entered in C.C. No. 164./ stating that he has ordered his People to attend the Committee appointed to investigate the Charges adduced against Paupiah Bramineey.

Petition from Paupiah Bramineey.

Received a Petition from Paupiah Bramineey —/as entered in M.B. No. 120/ Stating that all the Proceedings of Government towards him have been violent & illegal — that he does not consider himself bound to appear before the Committee appointed and demanding back the Property delivered by him, as Security for his personal Appearance before the Board.

Received the following Letter from the Adjutant General /with Enclosures entered in M.B. Nos. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127./

John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary in the Political & Military Department Fort St. George.

Sir,

For the Adjutant General with the names of Ensigns from Indiaps to be promoted to the Rank of Lieutenants — Colonel Nixon to proceed to Europe — Promotions &c in consequence — Lieutenant Davidson to be Recommended for Lord Cornwallis's Annuity — Lieutenant Stevenson to be appointed to the Command of the 1st Regiment Battalion — Appointments recommended in consequence — Captain Roberts to Command

I have it in Command from Major General Medows to address you, in order to be laid before the Board, on the subject of the Letter under date the 30th June from the Governor General, relative to a Promotion of the Ensigns of Infantry on the Coast; and to express the General's opinion, that that Letter authorizes this Government to promote to the Rank of Lieutenant all the Ensigns of Infantry on the Coast who have a Date of Rank prior

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Fort St. George 20th August 1790.

Grenadier Companies of the 11th Battalion have subsequently arrived at Barrampore.

Since the Detachment which We acquainted you We had made to the Borders of the Vizianagur & Pretapagherry Districts, Hostilities have ceased in that Quarter.

Lieutenant John Hall our Fort Adjutant, has applied to us for the Payment of Arrears outstanding, from his having hitherto omitted to draw the Monthly allowance for a Writer, which by the Table of Staff allowances in the Book of Regulations appears an Appointment of his Station; & We request your orders on the occasion.

Herewith We have the honor to transmit to you, a General Return of the Troops doing Duty in this District, for the month of July, together with Returns of Stores, of Garrison artillery, & of light and heavy field artillery; and a Copy of the Journal of our Committee of Stores for the same Period.

We have the honor to be with the greatest respect,

Honorable Sir & Sirs,

Your most obedient humble Servants.

Ganjam 5th August 1790.

(signed) H. Crawford
R. R. Munro
George Wynch.

Minute thereon.

Agreed, to inform the Chief & Council at Ganjam, that if the Allowances claimed by Lieutenant Hall are usual & regular, they are of course to be paid to him.

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Fort St. George 20th August 1790.

the Balance on the audit of his Accounts.

In reply to your letter enclosing the Petition, I took no step to procure Grain of which I did not officially acquaint the Commissary General of Provisions; I beg to refer to my letters to him from the time the Nabob's Manager began to deliver me Grain on account of the Company – & who has asked me for Receipts for the whole quantity taken charge of by me.

I sent for the Person who I supposed to be the Petitioner, a Soucar named Sheekurry joey who has Concerns with Zaganadt Thacker; & who told me he had on the 25th April 2000 Cullums of Paddy from Ramaswamy Renter, made over to him on account of a Private Debt, at the rate of 13 fanams ℔ Cullum – I beg to remark, that it was a period of near two months from the time the Grain was ordered to be delivered over to my Charge; & that this same Grain had been Collected by Subarow the former Renter, & of course must have been part of the Circar Grain. Finding the many Impediments & Difficulties thrown in the way of my Collecting Grain by the Nabob's Managers, & finding the Renter was endeavoring to prevent my getting any from the Inhabitants in the Madura District, in which he fully succeeded, I sent by beat of Tom Tom the terms on which I wished to procure Grain – also put it up at the Fort Gate in English & Malabar, & gave it to the Guards who were placed over Grain, a Copy of which I sent to Mr. Cockburn.

I beg to mention that I have received

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Fort St. George 20th. August 1790.

Read the following Letter from the Military Paymaster General.

John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary &c.

Sir,

From the Military Pay. Genl. stating that he has not received any Accounts from Vizagapatam since December last

I request you will be pleased to inform the Honble Board, that I have not as yet received Mr. Johnstone's accounts, which are now due since December last; that the accounts of my office are in consequence falling behind, & that I cannot hold myself responsible for the regularity of my office, while such a line of Conduct is pursued by the Paymasters.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, your most obedt. humble Servant
(Signd) Benjamin Roebuck
Military Pay. General.

Pay. office, Fort St. George,
19th. August 1790.—

Minute thereon.

The Board are surprized at the Inattention of Mr. Johnston to their repeated Orders respecting the Transmission of his Accounts to the Military Paymaster General — Agreed, that he be once more called upon peremptorily to deliver in his Accounts immediately.

Read the following Letter from the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions to the Grand Army

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Transportation of Rice by Contract from Tanjore to Cuddalore Proposals in consequence.

(also Enclosed) has been affixed to the Gates of the Fort in all the Country Languages, has been put in the orders, and signified by Tom-Tom round the Fort.

The Enclosed is a Proposal, as I understand, from a Man named Rama Swamy, who I am informed is a Responsible Person.

I have received from Mr. Fallofield Copies of all the Papers which the Rajah has produced to confirm his Charges, & hope shortly to give the Board a good account of them.

Upon the receipt of your Letter of the 5th. relative to the laying in a further Quantity of Grain in Store, I wrote to his Excellency, mentioning likewise the Distress of the Wives of Sepoys in Camp, mentioned in my last, but as yet have received no kind of answer.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) G. Ram Resident.

Tanjour
14th. August 1790.

G. A. Ram Esqr.
Resident at Tanjour.

Camp Coimbetour
3d. August 1790.

Sir,

By Direction of the Commander in Chief, I have to inform you that he requests you will immediately signify to the Inhabitants of Tanjour that you are ready to receive Proposals for carrying Rice by Contract to

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19th. You are also desired to suggest such particular measures as may appear to you necessary to be immediately taken, in the Event of it's being judged expedient to order Colonel Kelly to advance in the Enemy's Country by the 1st. October next.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble Servant

Fort St. George. 19th August 1790. signed / John Cranmer Secry.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters / as entered in H.B. Nos. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119.

To Secretary Hay — To H. Secretary Hay — with Copies of Letters from General Medows — stating that the Board are employed in taking Measures for the accomplishment / if possible / of the General's wishes.

To Ditto — To Ditto — with Letter from the Nabob for Lord Cornwallis.

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. — To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — directing him to issue the necessary orders to the Paymaster at Madura, to lay into the Company's Stores there any Quantity of Grain he may be able to procure at the Bazar Price of the day.

To Ditto. Ditto. — To Ditto — To direct the Storekeeper at Vellore to beat out into Rice with all expedition as much Paddy as possible — To instruct the Storekeeper at Amboor to Erect temporary Goomies under the Protection of the Fort.

To the Paymaster at Vellore. — To the Paymaster at Vellore — To comply with the Directions of the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions respecting the beating out of Paddy, & the Erection of Goomies under the Protection of the

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his hope to be allowed the same monthly House Rent as enjoyed by the Military Paymaster General.

Agreed to inform Mr. Lind that he must vacate immediately — that the Civil Paymaster will provide him with apartments as soon as possible — & that he cannot be permitted to draw House Rent beyond what is allowed to his Rank of Senior Merchant.

John Turing
Coll Saunders

Recd Chas Harris

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Bullocks required, can be procured within the prescribed time.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Nixon.

To the Honorable Morgan Williams Esqr.
President & Co. Council.

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

From Colonel Nixon requesting Permission to proceed to Europe for the Recovery of his health.

I have the honor to acquaint you, that in consequence of my having obtained the Commander in Chiefs Permission to proceed to the Coast upon the 20th. September, I take the Liberty of Enclosing a Certificate of Ill health, & to request your permission to Embark by the first favorable opportunity for Europe, for the recovery and re-establishment of it, without resigning my Commission, to the duties of which, in the Event of my perfect recovery, I shall return with as little delay as possible; & further request the Honorable Board may make such mention of me to the Court of Directors, as they shall judge my long Services in India to merit.

I am with perfect Respect,
Honble Sir & Gentlemen,
Your most obedient & faithful Servant
(signed) Eccles Nixon.

Vitchinopoly
15th. August 1790.

This

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Detachments from all the Battalions, of Men not so fit for Field Service as those I retain – by which means, a fourth part of each Corps will be left behind – which will also be the case, I fear, with the Bengal Sepoys, as they are becoming very sickly: Such Men shall be distributed where they are most required.

In reply to the last Paragraph of the Board's Letter I know nothing to prevent the Army's being ready to enter the Enemy's Country by the 1st. of October – If there is, it will readily be known to the Honble Board on enquiry of the several Departments which are to furnish the Ordnance & Stores, the Grain, & Draught & Carriage Bullocks.

In the above Statements, I have fully set forth the additional Equipment of Force I require, in order to attempt the Capture of Bangalore – At the same time however, I beg leave to observe, that if Government, from their knowledge of the Commander in Chief's Plan of Operations, suppose that the Expedition can be undertaken with a smaller force & less preparation, I shall most chearfully enter upon it, with the fullest Confidence that, from the Exertions of Government, as well as of the Troops under my Command, the attempt will be crowned with the success it deserves.

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

Head Quarters.
Coster Army
Camp West of Arnee,
16th. August 1790.

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them under different heads, with a short observation to each.

1st. I should require six Brass 18 Pounders & Two 5½ Inch Howitzers, in addition to the present field train.

Observation. Should Tippoo's Army oppose me in any Stage of the Expedition above the Ghauts, I think I cannot require less than eight 18 Pounders with the Army, I have but two at present.

2nd. I should require as a Battering Train, the following Ordnance viz.t

Iron 24 Pounders	8
ditto 18 Ditto	6
ditto 12 Ditto for Enfilading	4
Brass Mortars, for the Siege, 5½ Inch	6
Ditto Ditto Ditto 8 Inch	2.

Observation. Should it be inconvenient to spare me eight 24 Pounders, I think six might suffice, provided the number is made up to me in Iron Eighteens. My reason for chusing small Mortars is, that I have never observed large ones produce that Effect which might be expected from the vast Expence & trouble of carrying & working them — A Body of about five hundred Cornatty Men will also be necessary at the Siege.

3rd. Nine thousand Bullock Loads of Rice, equal to about one hundred & fifty Garce, should be carried with the Army; & the like quantity, should be laid up in Store on the Frontiers.

Observation. The carrying forward only one hundred & fifty Garce of Rice to the Siege, leaving the other half in Store

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18th. Detachment — Mr. Surgeon Campbell to join his Regiment as soon as an Assistant Surgeon can be appointed to Poonamallee.

To the Muster Master General. To the Muster Master General — Permitting Mr. Burton to visit the Presidency.

To the Commissary & Comptroller Genl. of Army Accounts. To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts — If it be necessary, he may revise his audit of Mr. Willis's Accounts.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell. To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell — The Silver estimated deficient in Standard Value will be received into the Mint & recoined, if this mode is of more advantage to the Company than by selling it.

To the acting Paymaster at Tritchinopoly. To the acting Paymaster at Tritchinopoly — directing him to use his utmost Exertions to comply with the wishes of the Commander in Chief, as communicated in his Letter of the 10th. Instant.

To the Military Paymaster General. To the Military Paymaster General — informing him that the Terms upon which the Chief & Council at Ganjam entertained the Dooley Boys, are to be strictly adhered to.

To Colonel Brathwaite. To Colonel Brathwaite — Permitting Lieutenant Colonel Frazer to come to the Presidency; approving his Recommendation of Instructing a Part of his Men in the Artillery Exercise — declining to grant them the Pay & allowances of Artillery, except when Employed as such in the Field or Garrison.

To Mr. Secretary Hay. To Mr. Secretary Hay — Enclosing a Letter from the Nabob to Lord Cornwallis.

To Ditto. To Ditto — with Copies of Papers received from Major Montgomery, respecting the Detachment under his Command.

At

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18th. Received the undermentioned Letters - as entered in M.B. Nos. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93.

From the Commandant at Vellore. From the Commandant at Vellore - States the impossibility of assisting the Collector in that District with Military Aid, on account of the want of Native Troops - Reports that the Sepoys ordered to that Garrison from Chandernaghery are not arrived - Recommends that Poligars be procured to Garrison the Hill Forts of Mayamundlem, Callis Ghurr, & Dolee Ghurr.

From Colonel Kelly. From Colonel Kelly - Enclosing the Surgeon's Certificate on the case of Lieutenant Sommers, who requests Permission to proceed to Sea for the recovery of his health. Requesting that the Officers who have been appointed to the 3d. Battalion of European Infantry, & are at the Presidency, may be ordered to join their Corps immediately.

From the Commandant at Tiagar. From the Commandant at Tiagar - Reporting that the Horse lately in the Carnatic, are now at Narsingaporam.

From the Commandant at Chingleput. From the Commandant at Chingleput, Reporting the Death of Lieutenant Chesholme of his Majesty's 71st. Regiment.

From the Commandant at Madura. From the Commandant at Madura - Reporting that Captain Oram's Battalion, with the Recruits for the 1st. Battalion, & two Brass Six Pounders with their Tumbrils, marched from that Garrison on the 8th. Instant.

From Mr. Andrews. From Mr. Andrews - Advising of his having landed at Cuddalore, & delivered to Mr. Craig the Cash committed to his Charge.

From

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To Major Montgomery
Commanding &c.

Sir,

In consequence of your Letter of this date requesting I would favor you with the reasons of the great number of Recruits belonging to the 28th Battalion, it's want of Cloathing, & it's not being on a footing with the other Corps in point of Discipline, when put under your Command.

I have the honor to acquaint you the number of Recruits (109) were raised in consequence of General orders to augment the Establishment of Native Battalions from Eight to Ten Companies.

The Cloathing for the Battalion was shipped at Madras for Ganjam & lost at Sea.

Twelve months prior to my joining the Battalion in January last, it had been employed in the Ganjam District in quelling Incendiaries, & detached in small Parties for the protection of the Villages - Ten Days after I joined, the Battalion was ordered to march to Ellore.

From the nature of the Service abovementioned, a Corps could not be expected to manauvre & Exercise equal to Corps collected for a Considerable time.

Since you marched with the Detachment from Ellore, the Cloathing has been received, & every opportunity taken to render the Battalion perfect; & I appeal to you, Sir, for it's present appearance, Regularity &c. as far as such time can admit of. I have the honor to be,

Sir, your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) Andrew Read
Capt. Commanding 28th Batt.n N.I.

Camp near Raichore
28th July 1790.

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has been a long time dispersed on Hill Service, and in Revenue Collections in the Sanjam District, from whence it had only very lately been called down to Ellore — a Year's Cloathing for it had been lost at Sea — that which they had was inevitably in a bad state — Add to this the large Proportion of Recruits which had lately been raised to compleat the Battalions to the present Establishment, and which were returned to me when I took Charge of the Detachment at Ellore as "Present, fit for Duty" — The old Sepoys of the 2d Battalion, which were present, & composed a part of the Detachment, were in the most perfect order both in Discipline & Dress.

I shall now conclude with informing you that a number of Recovered men & Recruits joined some time since — that the dilatoriness of the Nizam's motions has enabled me to discipline those who came under the latter Description at our leaving Ellore — and that I am this day joined by a Draft of 165 Effective Sepoys sent by Colonel Brathwaite, which puts the Detachment upon a very respectable footing.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your very obedient Servant
(Signd) A. Montgomery.

Camp near Raichore.
31st July 1790.

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him the desired information.

In my letter to you under Date the 16th. June, I stated the Correspondence between Captain Kennaway & me on the subject, & informed you that I understood he had made application to Colonel Brathwaite for a Reinforcement of old Sepoys sufficient to complete the Battalions in the room of the Recruits; at the same time expressing my Wishes for the Success of that application.

It may not be unnecessary to inform you, that on observing a part of the Clothing in a bad state, I had at an early period of my march written to the Board of Masulipatam, requesting it might be forwarded as expeditiously as possible after it's arrival there; and that in consequence of that Letter, the Cloathing has since been received.

To the foregoing Statement of the Correspondence between the President and myself, and of the different Representations made by me to the Commander in Chief & to your Board respecting the weakness of the Detachment, I have to add that I am entirely a stranger to the Correspondence which may have passed between the Governor General & Captain Kennaway, or between the latter & Colonel Brathwaite, with the above Exceptions.

I must now beg leave to call the attention of the Honorable Board to my particular Situation, and

to

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by Commanding officers of Corps - and pointing it out to his notice in my Letter accompanying (under Date 11th. May,) in the following Terms.

"Heg leave to call your attention, Sir, to a present "State of the Detachment under my Command which I forward "herewith to the Adjutant General for your information. By "that State you will perceive the difference between the nominal "& real Strength of the Detachment, tho' even the former "is not complete to the number which I understand was the "Intention of Government - 800 Rank & File in a Battalion."

On the 3d. June, when forwarding the Returns of the Detachment, I again addressed the Commander in Chief on the subject, in nearly the same words as in my Letter to you of the same date, which I beg leave to quote as follows.

"At the same time, I cannot but lament a "Circumstance which I request may be attended to - namely, "the Extreme weakness of the Detachment under my Command, "little calculated to inspire Confidence or excite a Spirit of "Enterprize in a Prince of the Nizam's Character".-

Captain Kennaway having, previous to my reaching the Nizam's Camp, written to me officially, on the 25th. May - "that the Nizam had informed him the "Detachment was incomplete, & that We were Enlisting a

"great

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Sir

Chamier Esq.

Secretary &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters under Date the 6th & 13th Instant, and in obedience to the Requisition contained in that of the 6th to state to you the following particulars for the Information of Government.

By Cantonment orders, under date Ellore 25th April 1790, a Detachment of Artillery with 6 Six Pounder & their Stores, together with the 28th and 29th Battalions of Native Infantry, to be Compleated by the Commander in Chief's order to 800 Rank & File from the 17th Battalion, were order to be held in readiness to move out on the 27th under my Command.

By orders under date the 26th April, the above Troops were to move out on the 27th, to be drawn up & inspected by the Brigade Major, who having received a full Return from the Commanding Officer of each Corps, was to deliver over the Detachment to me. I was then directed to form my Encampment, to send to Colonel Brathwaite a Return of the Detachment, it's Camp Equipage, Stores, &c. and to hold myself in readiness to march on a very sudden order.

I accordingly received Charge of the Detachment, & found the Arms in good order, as they still are, together with the greater part of the Accoutrements, to which, by the Deficiencies

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To Mr. Hugh Maxwell,
Mr. George Moubray
& Mr. Joseph Garrow.

Gentlemen,

Lr to Mr. Maxwell, Moubray & Garrow — appointing them a Committee to investigate a Charge brought by the Nabob against Paupiah — Instructions for their Guidance.

You are appointed by Government a Committee to Examine into a Charge brought by the Nabob against Paupiah Dubash to Mr. John Holland, for withholding a large Sum of Money which, agreeably to the Nabob's Declaration, was paid by his Highness on account of the Honble Company.

The accompanying Papers will shew the progress which has been made in enquiring into this business; & in order to prosecute the Investigation, you will Examine the Witnesses whom the Nabob will send to prove the Money being paid to Paupiah — the Information of the Evidences to be attested before a Magistrate.

You are afterwards to call upon Paupiah for his Explanations & defence, & you are to Report the whole, with your opinion thereon to Government.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your most obedient humble servant

Fort St. George
3d August 1790.

(Signed) John Chamier
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Received the following Letters.

To

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without their full Complements of Maistries.

Ordered, that the Military Paymaster General be informed, that the Terms upon which the Chief & Council at Ganjam entertained the Dooley Boys, are to be strictly attended to.

From the Chief Engineer. From the Chief Engineer – Enclosing Major Banks's Survey & Report of Mr. Willis's House at Guntoor.

From the Table. Ordered to lie on the Table.

Pr. Charles Harris

John Turing
Cor Laun de

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performed under the Inspection of the Treasurer, are admissible. It is the mode I should deem very desirable on a further consideration, that part of this Treasure being estimated deficient in Standard Value, the loss to the Public will be lessened, I humbly conceive, by Assay, & delivery to the Mint as Bullion, than if it be offered to Exchange Brokers, who would very naturally assert it's not being current, to add a higher depreciation upon it.

I have therefore to request that the Honorable Board will direct the Exchange to be made by the public Treasurer, & the account proceeds upon it, be sent to Mr. John Scott Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment, to enable him to regulate his accounts with the Office of the Military Paymaster General in Bengal. —

I beg leave to observe that this mode will most fully meet the Instructions of the Supreme Government, whose Directions to me were "to "obtain the Sanction of the Government of Fort St. George to the Rates of "Exchange". —

I am, Sir, with Respect,

Your most obedient humble Servant

(signed) Jn.o Cockerell
Lieut.t Col.o Commanding
the Bengal Detachment. —

Camp near Arnee
15th August 1790. —

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell,
Commanding the Bengal Detachment.

Sir,

I have received the Copy of a Letter to you from the Madras Government, dated 30th ultimo, wherein they request you will send some Sowcars to Madras to dispose of

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the orders of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, contained in his Lordship's letter to this Government under date the 7th July, relative to King's Office Charges, be strictly attended to.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly;

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department,

Sir,

From Colonel Kelly recommending that an assistant Surgeon be appointed to the Garrison of Poonamallee, & that Mr. Campbell, assistant Surgeon to the 76th Regt. be ordered to join his Corps in the Field - Requesting to know if Captain Smith's Bengal Company of Artillery is to be paid by the Paymaster to the Bengal Detachment

I have the honor to acquaint you that Mr. Campbell, assistant Surgeon to the 76th Regiment, was left by Captain Shawe in charge of the Sick of the Garrison of Poonamallee, when the 76th Regiment marched from thence; but as the Services of Mr. Campbell are now much required with the Regiment, I have to request that Government will be pleased to appoint an assistant Surgeon to that Station, that Mr. Campbell may join his Corps in the Field.

Lieutenant Colonel Eckerell has applied to me to know, whether it is intended that the Company of Bengal Artillery under the Command of Captain Smith is now to be included in his General abstract, & paid by the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment, or whether Captain Smith's Company is to draw Pay as heretofore, from the Paymaster of the Center Army. On this point I request the decision of the Honble Board.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c. (Signd) R. Kelly.

Head Quarters
Center Army
Camp. West of Arnee.
14th August 1790.

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The former includes the King's Pay Office Charges at Calcutta, Madras, & South of the Coleroon, for a Period of Sixty one Days, conformable to the custom in his Majesty's Service: It has been regularly transmitted home by the several Dispatches from this Office to the Pay Office Whitehall, & no Item of it has been hitherto objected to.

The latter is a monthly allowance audited regularly by the Comptroller General under the Sanction of this Government, & lately approved of by the Honble Court of Directors.

I have the honor to be,
Honble Sir,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(signed) Joseph Garrow
Acting Dy. King's Pay.

King's Pay Office
17th August 1790.

King's Pay Office Charges, at Calcutta, Madras, & South of the Coleroon, for a Period of 61 days. Charges to the Crown.

To allowance of Joseph Garrow Esq. as Mr. Burke's acting Deputy at Madras for the payment of King's Troops, for a period of 61 days, a £1 - ₱ diem - is	61	- -
To Ditto of Mr. Jones Accountant at Madras, for ditto ditto, a 40 Ps. ₱ month, is Pagodas 80 - or	32	- -
To Ditto of Mr. John Lane Clerk, attending on Mr. Burke, & removing with him from place to place at Mr. Burke's Expence, for ditto ditto a 45 Ps. ₱ month is Pagodas 90	36	- -
To Ditto of 3 Clerks at Madras - one a 20 Pags. & 2 a 15 Pags. ₱ month, being 50 Pagodas ₱ month - is Pags. 100. or	40	- -
To Ditto of 3 Extra additional Clerks from the Stress of business upon the late Instruction from Mr. Grenville, a 15 Pags. ₱ month is Pags. 90 - or	36	- -
	40	- -
To Ditto of Office Rent at Madras from Do. to Do. a 50 Pags. ₱ month is Pags 100		
To Ditto of 1 Peon from Do. to Do. a 2 Pags. ₱ month, is Pags. 8 - or	3	4 -
To Ditto of 2 Peons from Do. to Do. a 2 Pags. ₱ month, is Pags. 16 - or	2	8 -
To Ditto of 1 Mooshy from Do. to Do. a 3 Pags. ₱ month, is Pags. 6 - or	2	8 -
To Ditto of 1 Shroff from Do. to Do. a 3 Pags. ₱ month, is Pags. 6 or	2	8 -
To Cloathing for 1 Peon for one year 6 Pags. 21 fanams or	2	12 -
To Ditto for 1 Peon for one year 6 Pags. ₱ month - is Pags. 3. or	1	4 -
To Tawny carchy, or office Sweeper at 1½ Pags. ₱ month - is Pags. 3. or	1	4 -
To allowance of Lieut. D. Young as Mr. Burke's Deputy to the Southward for a Period of 61 days at 8 Shillings ₱ day is	24	8 -
Carried forward £	281	4 -

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List of the Persons for whom the Comptroller General has demanded the Refunds due from them respectively, as specified in his Report & Statement to Government of the 3rd. of May 1790.

Garrison Storekeeper's Books.

	Pagodas	fans.	Cash
From Mr. Robert Clerk, Sea Gate Register	1636.	17	.
Ditto Caulatiyah, Moodelyar	208.	15.	25.
Ditto Cowkeepers	521.	19	.
Ditto Mr. Dent for Grain	392.	13.	16.
Ditto Messrs. Corbett & Boyd	5506.	19.	22.
Ditto Doctor Jahagan at Vellore	100	.	.
Ditto Mr. Willis	11,394.	18.	38.
Star Pagodas	19,759.	18.	21.

N.B. Some other accounts of the Gantoor Expedition not yet Explained.

Fort St. George 12th. Augt. 1790.

(signed) J. C.
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Statement of Balances brought to account since the orders of Government of the 6th. of april 1790.

Refunds by the Tschapour Paymaster, as attested by Mr. Snodgrass acting in the absence of the Paymaster — 51. 32. 31.

Ditto by the Samulcotah Paymaster — 53. 26. 26.

Ditto by Mr. M Keating acting Paymaster at Visagapatam — 416. 31. 34.

Ditto by Mr. W. Gordon acting Ditto at Ditto — 182. 21 .

Total Pagodas — 704. 27. 11

(signed) J. C.
66 fo.

Agreed

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Agreed that Mr. Garrow be desired to make the greatest possible Exertion to comply with the Commander in Chief's Wishes respecting Grain, & informed, that whatever assistance can be given by the Collector of Revenue in the Trichinopoly District must be demanded, & will be afforded.

Grants Exercise

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

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr.

President in Council.

Honble Sir.

Honble Commissary and Comptroller General of army Accounts. Recommending that a Committee be appointed to examine into that of Mr. Willis's Accounts.

Agreeably to your orders of the 4th of May last - I have the honor to lay before you, the names of those Persons who have lately refused or neglected to make good the Refunds due to the Honble Company, & also a Statement of the out Standing Balances that have been paid in, during the last three Months.

Amongst those who have hitherto not complied with my Requisition, for the payment of the Refunds, is Mr. Willis, whose accounts of the Detachment Equipped for taking possession of the Guntoor Circar remain still unsettled. He has written to me several Letters on this subject, in explanation of the objectionable Charges, & likewise objecting on his part, to the Constructions that I feel myself obliged to put upon the Resolutions of your Honble Board of the 16th of April last. It is very much my wish to submit the whole of his Letters & my answers to your Consideration; but this mode of Proceeding would be extremely

irregular

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Colonel Harris
Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

Sir

I have been favored with your Letter of the 13th Instant, & shall immediately signify to the Inhabitants of this Place the Commander in Chief's Intentions respecting transporting Rice to Carour or Errode. The Commandant there has applied to the Nabob's Manager to have Bullocks brought in from the Country for this purpose. As Rice will for some time be going from hence, a letter from the General to the Nabob's Son would accelerate the Busines.

Captain Parr writes me that such Bullocks of Major Young's Detachment as he cannot load at Carour, he shall send on to this place. I have every thing ready for the purpose; & submit with deference if the Service would not be benefited by these Bullocks making a second trip with Rice from hence to Carour & thus far advanced.

Of 426 Garce of Paddy which stood on the Returns, when I left Madras, as a part of this Garrison Stock, tho' in the neighbouring District, hardly any part is forthcoming; it is consequently a Reduction of this Store. I have reported the circumstances to Government, & have in consequence received orders to purchase Paddy by every means to make up the Deficiency. I have already procured above 100 Garce; & shall use all my efforts to prevent the Effects of this Deficiency being felt: above 2,000 People are now Employed in Beating out Rassy.

I have

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The late arrangement of offices resolved on by your Honble Board having allotted but very insufficient accommodations for this Department, & the great Increase of busines occasioned by the Management of the Nabob's Countries committed to our Charge, renders it indispensibly necessary that We should be provided with more Extensive Apartments; and as We are directed to form ourselves into seperate Boards & to keep the Proceedings thereof distinct, consequently two Establishments of Servants &c. must be furnished with their respective accommodations. We therefore are induced to recommend that if one of the Company's Houses cannot be appropriated for this purpose, We may be permitted to procure some House in the fort at Rent that may be calculated for the occasion, as our Secretaries have stated the great Inconveniencies they are at present subject to in transacting the Current Business of their respective offices, from the want of Room & other necessaries for those employed under them.

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

(signed) John Turing
M.o Tudor
David Haliburton
Geo Moubray

Fort St. George.
12th August 1790.

Agreed

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will acknowledge himself as such — but an Examination of the Books, Accounts, Evidences, & the several Representations and declarations from first to last, will effect a discovery of the truth; I request my Friend will not in future give Paupiah any Copies of my Papers.

The villainy and falsehood of Paupiah is sufficiently notorious in this place, without my expatiating upon them — There are many People in Madras who can bear testimony thereto — To throw a veil over his nefarious Conduct, he will represent many things to you that are absolutely false & unfounded, which it will be unnecessary and useless to communicate to me — I therefore again Request you will appoint a Committee of three such trusty Gentlemen as will fully and impartially investigate the business, & I will order the Witnesses as abovementioned to attend them.

Translation of a Declaration made by my Son Omdatul Omrah Bahauder comes enclosed.

What can I say more ?-

A true Translation

(signed) Joseph Smith
Pr. Tr.

Declaration of Omdatul Omrah Bahauder, delivered to his Highness the Nabob 30th Zeleand 1204 Hegira, or 12th August 1790.

I don't conceive it to be by any means consistent

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Dubash of Mr. John Holland the late Governor, denies the Charge I have preferred against him: This I understand. It seems Paupiah has employed a Lawyer to plead his cause with you, but I request you will set the Lawyer aside, & cause the Enquiry to be made by a Committee of Gentlemen unconnected with him or his Master; and to Establish his having received this Sum, which was paid by me for the public Service, the Witnesses, the Sowcars & the Mutteseddies of my Treasury who paid the Money to Paupiah, shall be sent to them.

Besides the Sum of Pags. 48,792 Stated in my former Letter, I have since discovered that Paupiah is in possession of a Bond of Ram Row my Mooteseddie for Pagodas 36,000 dated 5th. December last, a Cowrnamah under the Seal of my Son Omdut ul Omrah Bahauder for 10,000 Pagodas, & a Note of hand of Ram Row for 5,000 Pagodas, also a Bill of Exchange & Cowrnamah of Sheavalram the agent of Boodeerjee for Pagodas 5,000; all which availing himself of his Master's temporary power he Extorted, as he also did a Cowrnamah from the Sheragungah Vackeel for one Lack of Rupees: These Papers should all be returned to the Circar — Apprehensive that in order to deceive and defraud, he may offer these Papers to the Company by way of Bail or Security, I think it proper to apprise my friend that they are void, of no Value, & should therefore not be accepted.

Paupiah's declaration that he has large Sums due from my Circar, is totally false — the fact is,

Paupiah

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14th From the Honble Court of Directors, of supplying the Cloathing for the Troops by Contract, as now practised in Bengal. Enclosing Copies of the Papers which passed at Bengal on that occasion.

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army Accounts — Recall upon Captain Flint for the Refund of 10½ Pagodas, as stated in his / the Comptroller's / Letter of the 11th Instant.

To the Resident at Hydrabad — Stating that the Nizam's Vackeel has not been detained by the acting President, & that he has been & is still at liberty to join General Meadow's Army whenever he pleases.

To the Accountant General — The Charges for Revenue Battalions to be omitted for the present, in the Rajah of Tanjore's Account Current — No Omissions to be made in the Tahsildar's Mirbunny Account Current.

To the Commanding Officer at Tanjore — To furnish upon the written Requisition of Messrs Ram & Tallofield, such Military Aid as they may require in the management of the Tanjore Country.

15th Received the undermentioned letters. as Entered in Mr. Nos 77. 78. 79. 80.

From the Commandant at Cuntoor — advising of the Receipt of the Letter addressed to him under date the 6th Instant with it's Enclosures.

From the Commandant at Tiagar — with Information of the Enemy's Horse, with their Booty, having gone thro' the Ahtoor Pass — Expects they will return in Ten or twelve Days.

From the Commandant at Demericottah — will give every assistance in his power to the Family of Velgondah & Dawercondah Proceeds to Ongole for the recovery of his health.

From the Commandant at Vellore — will pay attention to the Requisitions of the Collector of the Revenues in that District

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15th Sent the following Letters.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor & Commander in Chief

Honble Sir,

To Major General Medows advising him of the Board's intention of forwarding to Bengal all the Papers relative to Colonel Brathwaite's Conduct

We have had the pleasure to receive your Letters of the 31st Ultimo & 6th Instant, & shall exert ourselves to the utmost in seconding your operations, as We had the honor to inform you in our Letter of the 10th Instant, of which We enclose a Duplicate.

We purpose immediately forwarding to Bengal Copies of all the Papers that have passed relative to Colonel Brathwaite's Conduct with regard to Major Montgomery's Detachment, & to request the Governor General in Council will be pleased to decide thereon.

We enclose Copy of a Paper received from Captain Kennaway.

We shall pay attention to the different Subjects contained in Lieutenant Colonel Harris's Letters to our Secretary.

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

Fort St. George
13th August 1790.

Signed { Morgan Williams.
& Counc.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council
Fort William

To Bengal - with Copies of Papers setting forth the Cause of the incomplete State of Major Montgomery's Detachment - & Enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Danish Government at Tranquebar.

My Lord. We have the honor to Enclose Copies of Letters received from General Medows, & from the Adjutant General, together with

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From the foregoing Statement & the accompanying Returns, the Honble President & Council will see that an additional Number of 500 Sepoys & 60 Artillery with their proper Officers will be required, in order to Conduct the Service in a manner that will give Protection to the Settlement & satisfaction to our Honble Employers.

It is to be regretted Circumstances do not admit of Establishing a more advanced Chain of Posts, to extend from St. Thomé Redoubt, by the Admiral's House, along the Banks of the St. Thomé River to Messrs. Cappe's, Moubray's, Ameer ul Omrah's Bungaloe, & to Marmalong Village; & from thence by the Post on the Pondamallee Road occupied last War to Vipery - as it would have encreased the general security, & have afforded much more protection to the Cattle of the Inhabitants - But as the Posts stated as necessary for the safety of the Settlement will require for their defence a force considerably exceeding the present Strength of the Garrison, all idea of further extension now must be laid aside.

Was there reason to apprehend any considerable Body of the Enemy near us, it would be advisable to shut up all but the principal Avenues leading from the Country: & these should have Traverses made across them; But as this will be a considerable inconvenience to the Inhabitants, it may be dispensed with for the present.

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

Fort St. George.
14th August 1790.

(Signed) Patrick Ross, Lieut. Col. & Chief Engineer
Geo: Hall, Captain Commanding Artly in Garrison.
R. Gomonde Town Major.

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alarmed State of the Country, a Post of observation should be immediately established at Vendalore, which may be readily done by an Arrangement with the neighbouring Peigars — From thence, the first appearance of an Enemy's approach may, in a very short time, be communicated by Signals to the Mount, & from the Mount to Pondamallee, & to Fort St. George, by Stations at Nungumbaucum, the Ameer's House on Choultry Plain, & Doctor Storey's Garden House; whilst by Signals repeated from them by St. Thomé Redoubt, the Luz & Vepery Churches, & from the North West angle Bastion of the Black Town, all the Inhabitants in the Environs of Madras may be apprized of their Danger early enough to provide for their Safety.

The Post on the Top of the Mount should be put in a State of Defence, be provided with Guns, & the Detachment for it's Protection supplied with Provisions & Water sufficient for their Consumption for Ten or Fifteen days, at least. — The Posts at St. Thomé & Nungumbaucum & Parsewaukum should likewise be rendered sufficiently strong to defend themselves against any Flying Parties that may appear before them, until they can be supported from the Garrison.

It will likewise be proper to have some small Guards North of the Black Town, to give notice of the approach of Danger in that Quarter: This done, they may retire, as the Enemy advances.

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To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department.

Sir,

From Colonel Kelly — Encamp. West of Arnee &c. Calls in the detached Parties — Recommendation Certificates for the promotion of Native Officers in the 8th & 15th Battalions of Native Infantry.

I request that you will be pleased to acquaint the Honble Board that I have received their Letter of the 10th Instant with the Copy of the Nabob's Letter which accompanied it — & that I shall particularly attend to the Information contained therein.

I have also to request that you will be pleased to acquaint the Honble Board that the army is now Encamped West of Arnee — that the Detachments which I had judged proper to make from Conjeveram, in pursuit of the Enemy, are now called in — And that I shall keep my whole Force collected in the vicinity of this Garrison, waiting for further & authentic Intelligence of the Enemy's Plans and operations — I shall then suggest to the consideration of Government the measures which, in my opinion, ought to be adopted.

I have the honor to transmit Recommendation Certificates for the promotion of Native Officers in the 8th & 15th Battalions of Native Infantry — I approve of the Recommendations, & request the Confirmation of Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant

Head Quarters Center Army — West of Arnee — 12th August 1790.

(Signed) R. Kelly.

Hospital

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Minute on the Letter from the Accountant General dated the 6th. Instant.

Resolved, that the Accountant General be informed, in reply to his Letter of the 6th. Instant entered upon the Proceedings of this day's Consultation, that the Board see no objection to the Rajah of Tanjore's Account, excepting with regard to the Introduction of the Charges for the Revenue Battalions, which, not being noted in the Treaty, are for the present to be omitted in this Account.

Ditto on his Letter of the 10th. Instant.

—— And that, with respect to his Letter of the 10th. Instant, & Entered in that day's Diary / Copy of which has been sent to Bengal / it is agreed to inform Mr. Moubray, that no Remissions in the Talbot Kistbundy Account Current are for the present to be introduced.

The Military Board to Report whether it would not be more reasonable to have the Army Clothing supplied by Contract than by Agency.

Resolved, that it be stated to the Military Board, that the Court of Directors have recommended to the Consideration of this Government, whether the Clothing for the Troops might not be supplied at a more reasonable rate by Contract / the Plan lately adopted in Bengal / than by the present mode of Agency - And that they be desired to bestow their attention upon this Subject, & report fully to Government thereon.

Lt. Col. Chas. Harris

John Turing

Col. Saunders

Fort St. George 13th August 1790.

People to borrow Money – he doth not pay the Wages to his People. – We advanced no Money for the Cultivation – he doth not pay the Kists to the Company – all this Money he collects to take away our lives – How long shall We lie in the Dark without hearing that an Enquiry is made & justice done – May God help! – If We think that Justice will be done, We hear of his (the Rajah's) managing matters at Madras, & hear of this Endeavor to remove some People – Being very much frightened by all this, We write to you this Letter. – As the Company is our helper, We shall be safe. – If the Company gives no Answer, We cannot longer subsist – It is therefore your business to write to the Governor & Council, & to Entreat them to take care of us.

As there is no Money advanced for the Cultivation, We don't know how the Cultivation will go on – In like manner, if our business be delayed, it will be difficult to maintain ourselves. – As you know all, We have written this.

Besides, as there is no way to send Victuals to our Son, how long shall We send it to him over the Wall? – We pray to God that all these hardships may be alleviated by you – When Lord Pigot came & delivered the Country to us, he Exhorted us to pay the Kist Money yearly – & to hoard up something after the Expences of the Palace were taken from it, because in case an Enemy should appear, such

Money

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Shevarow & Chinia have told the Rajah – We have given in Writing several Complaints against M.r Ram & Sooberow – which the Gentlemen at Madras have believed. & from thence those Gentlemen first wrote in favor of M.r Ram – afterwards We shewed a way how to get M.r Ram & Sooberow removed – When these two Persons are removed, who will hear what M.r Swartz says? If We bring over to our side those that are to come here, & bind those who are at Madras over to our Interest, who will further make any Enquiry? M.r Ram not minding Money, hears what M.r Swartz says, & both Endeavor to introduce Justice – If Justice be introduced into this Town, they will then enquire into the affair of Serfojee, & the affair of the Inhabitants – Besides, as this year the Company will one way or other interfere in the management of the Country, We must not let them know the whole Revenue: Though We should spend a Lack of Pagodas, We must by one lye or other endeavor to remove them – Having brought over Madras, We shall bind over that European (who shall come) & this Dubash to our Interest, & so shall We be able to destroy the name of the Tulja Rajah's Relations.

We know the Customs of the Europeans don't know the affairs of our Government – The Women likewise know it not – What have they to spend? Therefore they (viz.t Shevarow & Chinia) have very confidently asserted, that they will ruin our Name – & Lye they will make out as Truth – how? – by calling in a hundred false Witnesses – The Europeans will make a Decision that all is true – Have they not by means of

Cornia

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Copies of Letters to & from Wm. Fallofield 4th August 1790.

Dear Sir.

Being at Dinner when your last Note came, & having nobody to Copy my answer, I was naturally more Concise than I should otherwise have been. — You no doubt have Copies of all the Evidence you have taken, either Fair or Foul — I do not conceive it necessary to wait till I can see the whole Body of Evidence at once; but such parts of it as are ready, which can, I imagine, be sent to me immediately, & other parts upon the Return of those — It appears to me so evident that I have a right to this, that I cannot conceive you will upon Reflection think it necessary to write to Madras & wait for the return of an Answer; especially as you have a Gentleman (Mr. Swartz) whose advice I understand is recommended to you, & who I am sure will not depart from that Rule of Right — to do as We would be done by — so far as to refuse me the Copies I require — But if you still continue to think it necessary to wait the return of an answer to Madras, I must hereby protest against the Delay it will occasion not only in this business, but in the public service in general at this place.

Intelligence is just received at the Post office, that the Tappal to Madras has been stopped at Shially, on account of a considerable Body of the Enemy's Horse who have plundered Porto-Novo. I remain Dear Sir,

Your's truly

(signed) J. Ram

Tanjore
4th Augt 1790 — E. Fallofield Esq.

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of their Cultivation. & retired yesterday to Madras & the neighbourhood for shelter.

As this is the proper time to begin the Cultivation of the present year, if it is delayed to protect the Inhabitants and encourage them to carry on their Cultivation, it will occasion a loss in the Farm, wherefore your Petitioner most humbly entreats your Worships will be pleased to adopt such method as you shall think proper, that the Inhabitants may return to their habitations & carry on their Cultivation.

And your Petitioner as in Duty bound shall

7th August 1790.

Ever Pray!

A true Copy

(signd) Wm. Harington Secy

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary at Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Resident at Tanjore enclosing Copy of a letter from the late Rajah's Widow, which states the substance of a Conversation she overheard in previous to Mr. Rumbold

After sending my Letter of yesterday, I received two Notes from Mr. Fallofield, which I answered; these with the answers he informs me he has transmitted to Madras.

I now transmit a third Note of mine with his

answer

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To the Honble. Major General Medows.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir, Fort St. George.

From the Board of Revenue Regarding the Grain in the Jaghire Enclosing a Petition from the Renter of St. Thomé District, stating the desertion of the Inhabitants & for Mr. Clerk's annual Indent for Stationary.

Immediately on receipt of Mr. Secretary Charrier's Letter, under date the 30th Instant, advising us of orders having been sent to Colonel Kelly that the Spare Bullocks of the army might be employed on the application of the Collectors in the Jaghire for the purpose of transporting the Grain, We transmitted the necessary Instructions to the Collectors, & desired that no time might be lost in availing themselves of this opportunity to the best advantage.

With respect to the particular Statement of Grain in the Jaghire which We promised to lay before your Honble Board, We have been disappointed in this Expectation by the desertion of the Servants Employed under Mr. Macleod, who were alarmed by the Report of Cooties having entered the Jaghire, & it has been with difficulty that a few of them have been prevailed upon to return to their Duty.

The Renter of St. Thomé having given in a Petition, representing the Impediments to Cultivation occasioned by the desertion of the Inhabitants from that District on account of the general Alarm of Sippoo's Horse, We have the honor to lay before you Copy thereof, & request that you will adopt such measures as shall induce the Inhabitants to return again with confidence to their several occupations.

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Fort St. George 13th August 1790.

On my receiving from Meer Abul Cossim a Copy of the order to Anoop Ram, already mentioned, I enquired of him how far Mohaubet Jung's moving was impeded by the want of a proper Military Chest, which I had been informed was, among others, one cause of the present unlooked for delay: he assured me to the Contrary & that Anoop Ram had been furnished with a sufficient Sum to answer the Demands of Mohaubet Jung's force for five months - In respect to the delay and the few Troops yet assembled at Raychore, which Major Montgomery has again represented to me, he asserted that the prescribed number had crossed the River, & only required being collected together; that Mohaubet Jung had been repeatedly desired on no account to delay his departure, & should again be written to, altho' so late as yesterday the Mahrattah Vackeels had denied to the Minister that any Information of the Commencement of hostilities by General Medows had been communicated to the Peishwa by Mr. Malet, and consequently Purseram Bhow had not crossed. I took no further notice of the Conclusions of what he had said than to refer him to the occasion of our present interview.

A true Extract

(Signd) Wm. Stewart Assistant.

To

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Fort St. George 19th August 1790

his hope to be allowed the same monthly House Rent as enjoyed by the Military Paymaster General.

Agreed to inform Mr. Lind that he must vacate immediately — that the Civil Paymaster will provide him with apartments as soon as possible — & that he cannot be permitted to draw House Rent beyond what is allowed to his Rank of Senior Merchant.

John Turing
Coll Saunders

Recd Chas Harris

Fort S^t George 24^th August 1790

observing an absolute Silence we shall request him to give Directions to his dumuldars to obey the Orders we may send to them, and if he pays no attention or refuses his Consent to this last proposition we shall next proceed to assume the managements of the Country by issuing a Proclamation agreeably to the form of that which was Enclosed us.

We flatter ourselves we have understood the Board's directions in their true Sense, and put a right Construction upon them.

We have the Honor to be

Tanjore
19^th August 1790.

Hon^ble Sirs
Your most
Signed J Ram
E W Fallofield.

John Chamier Esq^r

From Mr Swartz's states the Circumstances that have come to his knowledge respecting Money Transactions between the Rajah of Tanjore and Mr Ram. The Treatment of the Boy Sorfogee - and a Charge brought against Bava of embezzling Money

Sir,

The Honorable Board sent me an Extract of His Excellency the Rajah's Letter wherein I was called upon to declare what I had heard concerning a Money Matter. I have given a declaration to the best of my knowledge.

But as His Excellency's Letter mentions my name in the affair of the boy whom the late Rajah adopted, I beg leave to relate those circumstances which may clear up that affair.

I have taken the Liberty to say a few words concerning Bava, because it is said in his Excellency's Letter that I was convinced of Bava's having embezzled the