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Extract of a Letter from the Governor General in Council
Dated 21 June, enclosed in the above.

"The Rajah of Tanjore, having also failed in
"the most flagrant manner in the performance of
"his Engagements to the Nabob and the Company, the
"balance now due and the punctuality of future
"Payments must be secured to the Company by your
"taking possession of the Managements of his Country
"and Revenues in the same manner and for the same
"reasons as those which have obliged us to authorize you
"to possess yourselves of the Managements of the Territories
"of the Nabob."

Paper of Intelligence.

In respect of the Transactions or Negotiation
with the Danes the following Particulars are said to be
certain.—

The Rajah, 'tis said, according to the Statement
of their account, a large Sum of Money to Chinnea Mudele
and to Khan Saheb.

To get themselves paid, they have persuaded the
Rajah to sell to the Danes some of the Mortgaged villages,
and some other villages which were not Mortgaged for
ready Money viz^{t} for 1 Lack and thirty thousand Pagodas.—

These 130,000 Pagodas Chinnea Mudele
and Khan Saheb are to receive in order to liquidate the
Debt

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Debt which the Rajah is said to owe them. This alienation originates from Chinnea.

Moreover the Rajah has besides the 7 villages granted to the Concubine, given to the old Woman 2 villages free from all duties.

Besides he has given Tondaman 3 villages.

Pro Memoriâ

written by the Inhabitants of the Distrect of Manaar.

Last year / that is in the year Sowme Sawarsa / we were charged without justice to pay to the Circar such and such Arrears of those Arrears we paid a part to the Circar, for the rest we gave Bonds, wherein was included Interest and Premium. A part of this Bond Debt we have paid by selling our Cattle and other things. The rest we promised to pay from the next Crop.

Now as the rumour is spread of the Company's taking the Country, the Dubashes press us to pay off that Debt in ready money, or to give them sufficient Security by appointing able Sureties. By this we suffer unspeakably.

We beg therefore that the Honorable Company will take our Tribulation into Consideration and deliver us, otherwise we shall be unable to go on with the cultivation, and of course the Company will not get Money and we Inhabitants shall not be able to maintain ourselves. / Signd / by Arya Mudeli in the Name Sakkappa Mudeli. Rungana Mudeli of the other Inhabitants

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as his Concubine, 7 Villages have been given. —

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To his own Daughter the Rajah has given 5 Villages This, and the preceding Gift mentioned at 3, have been made out last night. —

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Those Inhabitants, who are favorites to Sheerow and, Chinnea, have been made free from paying any Share to the Circar. —

6

Chinnea, Moodele has bought several Villages of which he is allowed to pay to the Circar 50 ℔ Cent, whereas others pay 60 ℔ Cent to the Circar. —

7

Foreseeing that the Honorable Company would manage the Country, those many free Gifts have been made, the repairing of Banks and water Courses has been neglected, that the Company's Collectors might not be able to produce much Income. —

John Chamier Esqr

Military Secretary.

Sir,

We have the Honor to enclose for the information of the Honorable Board Copy of a Letter we have this Day addressed to the Rajah. —

As we do not expect that his Excellency will accede to the first Proposition, viz.t a voluntary assignment of the Revenues of his Country during the War to the Honorable Company; and as this 5th Day since presenting him with

From Messrs. Ram and Talleyrand, with Copy of their Letter to the Rajah, and of an intended one, in consequence of their Expectation, that his Excellency will not make a voluntary assignment of the Management of his Country during the War. —

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To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency

We humbly beg leave to recall to your Excellency's recollection that this is the fifth Day since the delivery of the Letter from the Honorable President to your Excellency under Date the 13th Instant, and that unless we should have the honor to receive an answer from your Excellency by tomorrow, we shall be under the necessity of proceeding according to our Instructions.

We have the Honor to be, with respect,

&c. &c. &c.

Tanjore
23d August 1790.

Signed George Andrew Ram,
Ernst William Tallofield,

To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency!

The time Limited in the Letter from the Honble President to your Excellency under date the 13th Instant having elapsed, we beg leave to inform you that we are by our Instructions compelled to consider the Silence observed by your Excellency in the light of a Refusal to grant to the Honorable Company a free assignment of your Country during the Continuance of the present War.

Concerned as we are that your Excellency should have neglected such an opportunity of obliging Government by a free and unrestrained Compliance with

Delay, as specified, in their Letter; and that your Excellency will give such undeniable Security for the payment of the Remainder as may remove every Doubt on that head. We take the Liberty to acquaint your Excellency that by our Instructions we are directed, to wait five Days for your Excellency's answer to the above mentioned Propositions. We have the Honor to be, with Respect &c &c

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Resolved that Messrs Ramand, Talboyd be informed, that as the appointments of Tasseldars and the paying two Packs per month Proposition, of Course, both must be performed, before the Proposition can be acceded to. That this is agreeable to the Instructions already sent to Tanjore which it was therefore thought were clear and explicit on this Point.

Minute thereon;

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue.

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

From the Board of Revenue, Measures proposed for the Security of the Grain in the Pagodas.

Honble Sir,

The near approach of the monsoon, on the one hand, and the apprehension of the Incursions of the Enemy on the other renders it absolutely necessary that some immediate Steps should be taken for the Security of

from time to time the progress they may make.

We have been induced to this last alteration by the necessity mentioned in the former part of this Letter, and which we trust will meet with your approbation, having for its sole object the good of the Service in the preservation of the Revenues committed to our Charge. Should we be fortunate enough at this late period, and in the present unsettled State of the Country to effect the transportation of a Sufficient quantity to Places of Security we shall have the Honor of Submitting for your Consideration the expediency of receiving it into Store on account of Government at a Medium Valuation and including the Expence that will necessarily be incurred by this Board in Consequence of having taken this measure upon themselves. —

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

Fort St George
20th August 1790.

[Signed] John Turing
M.w Tudor
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Wm Balfour.

Minute Reserv.

Resolved that the Grain in the Saghire do remain under charge of the Collectors, subject to the Orders of the Board of Revenue that any Expence incurred

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Chase Barry & Co
for our Constituents
H.J. Dupuy
Danl Price
David Haliburton
attorney to Alex. Boswal Esq.
Antonio de Souza
for myself and my Constituents.
Ja.s Call
Geo. Moubray
Joseph Farrow
P.M. Cafsin
for self & Constituents
James Taylor
for self & Constituents
Thomas Cockburn
for Constituents
Edward Raphael
Miguel Joannes
Nagapah Chetty
J Tulloh
for his Constituents
Chocapah
Charles Binny
Peter Bodkin

Annah Savony
Robert Clerk
attorney to M.r L. Sybut
Tayapah

John Mitford
for his Constituents
T.M. Muneapah
for my Father Tirnanum
Arnachellum
R. Gomond
Velloydom
for Samy Ayar
Vencata Royloo
for my Brother
Vencata Royloo
M. Shunmoganayam
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Mooneyappah

To

time of public exigency but we who speak for ourselves or Constituents are willing to receive payment in such mode as to your Lordship's judgement may appear consistent with the necessary Demands for the Public service and a just Consideration for ourselves and Constituents by Bills drawn from this Presidency on your Lordship in Council at the Current Exchange payable in Six, Nine, or Twelve Months, but bearing Interest from the expiration of Thirty Days the period at which the Generality of the Drafts of this Government became payable, or in such other mode as your Lordship may think equitable.

We are influenced, in Soliciting the Liquidation of the Debts due to the Creditors of His Highness the Nabob by a desire of introducing into Circulation and rendering negotiable, a large property now Stagnate and thereby giving energy to the Credit of Individuals, which in times like the present Crisis will we have no doubt appears to your Lordship's Superior Wisdom to be deeply connected with the resources of Government.

We do not mention it as giving us any additional Claim to the attention of your Lordship that such of us as had the power have already in a late instance come forward to assert the State as the protection we enjoy under the British Flag claimed from us that assistance against the common Enemy, but it may not be undeserving the notice of your Lordship how little

the

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Minute thereon.

Ordered, that the accountant General do lay before the Board a Statement of the Sums due from Government to the Public and Private Creditors of his Highness the Nabob, arising from Recipts from the Nabob on this account, prior to the 29th December 1789.

As soon as the above Statement is delivered in, it is agreed, that the Letter from the Private Creditors addressed to the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, shall be forwarded to Bengal, together with the accountants Statement.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esq.r
Senior Member at the Presidency, and the Gentlemen in Council
Fort St George — Madras, &c. &c.

From the Commander in Chief - Is anxious for the Board's reply to his Propositions respecting the Centre army - No further notice will be taken, about Lieutenant Chalmers's application for Pay &c.

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the Honor of yours of the tenth, this Morning - I am sure, you will exert yourselves to the utmost and shall be glad, of your reply to my propositions with respect to the Center army.

I shall certainly follow your advice with regard to Collectors for the present.

I shall trouble you, no further upon the subject of Lieutenant Chalmers's Pay - the times do not admit of making additions to Officers allowances - I have

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The Contractor engages to provide the same proportion of Drivers both for the additional Draught and Carriage Cattle as is prescribed under the Madras Contract

The Contractor engages that the additional Carriage Cattle shall be competent to carry the Burthens and weights which are prescribed by the Madras Regulations.—

In Respect to the allotment of the additional Draught Bullocks the Board agree to allow the addition of one yoke or two Bullocks to each 6 Pounder Carriage or Tumbril, instead of the Spare Bullock to every Six which the Bengal Contract allows of, that is to say, they will allow 8 Bullocks as the Complement for the Draught of a Six Pounder or a Tumbril, including Spare.—

The Contractor engages to Submit to all the Checks with Respect to Musters, Inspection, admission & Rejection of the additional Cattle, which are provided for under the Bengal Contract

The Board agree to dispense with the Restrictions contained in the Bengal Contract in Regard to the Height of the additional Cattle furnished on the Coast, understanding that Bullocks of the Bengal Standard are not to be procured in the Carnatic, the Contractor engaging on his Part, that the additional Cattle shall be competent to the Draughts and Burthens above specified.—

The Board engage that two Months Notice shall be given in writing to the Contractor before the additional Cattle are discharged.——

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To Morgan Williams Esqr
acting President in Council

Sir,

We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Charnier's Letters of the 11th and three of the 13th Instant.

After an attentive perusal of the Papers from Bengal and those from Captain Kennaway and a Revision of our former Report on the Subject of Contingencies Charged by Major Montgomery We do not perceive that any alterations are necessary in that Report, as the Statements of Pay, Batta, &c now Stand, corrected and the Contingencies are fully reported upon.

On the application from the field apothecary We beg leave to remark that the number of Servants for that Department must depend upon the quantity of Medicine under his Charge, and as the Hospital Board are more Competent to judge of such proportion, and of the application in general, We could wish to be informed of their Sentiments which would better enable us to report upon the Subject.

Works

Having examined a Bill of the Contractors for Repairs done to the Hospital at Poonamallee

agreably

From the Military Board recommending that a reference be made to the Hospital Board on the application from the Field Apothecary. Contractors Bill for Repairs to the Hospital at Poonamallee to be discharged. Lieutenant Morris's Estimate for a Drawbridge over the Ditch of the Fort of Arnee approved. Major Wynches Charge for erecting a Battery at Innacondah. Letter from Major Banks on the Subject. Estimate for repairing Gun Carriages at Tanjore, approved. Report on Ensign Roberts's Indent. List of Military Stores made up in July. Gunpowder received in Store.

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agreeably to our desire, an Estimate of the Expense of repairing the Gun Carriages at that Garrison, amounting to Pagodas 313.12.40. we hope you will permit it to be immediately undertaken, in which case an order will be necessary for payment of the above amount.—

With respect to Ensign Roberts's Indent for Stores for a long Twelve Pounder as there is no Gun of that Calebre at the Mount, we do not think a Compliance with it necessary. The Indent is also irregular and informal in all respects.—

We enclose a Copy of a List of Military Stores made up in July, which being approved on Examination, they have accordingly been received on the Company's Books.—

The Officer Commanding the artillery has also laid before us a Proof report of Powder, which appearing to be considerably above proof has accordingly been received on the Company's Books.—

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

Fort St George
24th August 1790.

Signed J Capper
Patrick Ross
George Hall.

Minute thereon

The Board approve the several Recommendations contained in the foregoing Letter.

Agreed that the Hospital Board be instructed to report their Opinion upon the application of the Field, apothecary.—

Ordered

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Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.

Military Paymaster General Fort St George;

Sir,

My accounts for June are kept back until you are pleased to inform me whether the Balance of the accounts for May is admitted, and to be carried on, Pagoda 6675. 7. 34. This will be the case also with the accounts for July, which is now making out.

Trichinopoly, 26th August 1790.

Sam, & Sr. /Signd/ Edwd. Garrow
in Charge of Govt. Employs

A true Copy
/Signd/ Benjn. Roebuck
M.P.G.

Read also the following Letter from Mr. Samuel Johnston, —

John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary &c. Fort St George

Sir,

From Mr. Samuel Johnston, repeating his request to be permitted to proceed to Trichinopoly.

I am honored with yours of the 24th wherein you inform me that until my accounts are delivered in and audited, and until Mr Garrow has reported fully on the State of my Employs I am to remain at the Presidency — with every Submission to the Honorable Board I beg leave to assure you, that when from the dangerous State of my health General Medows had the Goodness to grant me Permission to quit Trichinopoly, I am certain there could not be any cause of Complaint or neglect of my employs being brought against Me,

but

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Longer at the Presidency.

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

Fort St George
27th August 1790.

Resolved, that it be repeated, to Mr Johnston, that he must remain at the Presidency until his accounts are delivered in properly certified, and until they are regularly audited, and reported upon.

Minute thereon.

Read, the following Letters from Colonel Capper.

To the Honorable Morgan Williams Esqr.
President & Council.

Hon'ble Sir

From Colonel Capper. States the principal Points upon which he has differed with Mr Willis, in his audit of the Junction accounts.

My Request to your Honorable Board to allow a Committee to Examine my audit on Mr Willis's accounts, did not proceed from any doubt on my part of it's being perfectly correct, but to satisfy him and the Service in general that every possible allowance, has been made for the Errors in those accounts; and therefore, the only Revision I can make of that audit, is to lay before you as concisely as possible, the principal, points upon, which, Mr Willis and I have differed.

My objections are against Charges not authorised by the Regulations from which,

agreable

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to controul the Expences of the Expedition, That he exercised this power by demanding Returns and ordering a Muster of the Troops - That he did not object to the number of artificers and Followers employed and that therefore, if there be any Excess in the number employed, Mr Sadleir must be deemed Responsible - what controuling powers Mr Sadleir possessed over Mr Willis can only be known to Government and to those Gentlemen; but I have seen no written Order from Mr Sadleir, to entertain a greater number of Artificers and Followers, than are specified in the Regulations, and therefore even admitting Mr Sadleir did possess an absolute controul over Mr Willis, yet it is not in my power without the permission of Government to admit of any excess - What weight Mr Sadleir's seeming acquiescence, when he took the Musters, should have must depend upon the Explanations he may give to the Board - But again even admitting, that it can be deemed an express approbation the Musters taken in December cannot be supposed to authorize any subsequent increase, especially as the Detachment on the 20th of October was ordered into Cantonment, and as the enclosed Return will shew; the principal increase happened between the Months of December 1788 and

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Enclosed I have the Honor to lay before You, a Return of the Artificers and Followers entertained by the Paymaster; with the Monthly Encrease and likewise a Return of those allowed, in the audit, agreeable to the Regulations.

I am, with Respect,
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
[Signed] J Capper

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Followers charged by Mr Willis, as Paymaster to the Gantoor Detachment.

		1788 Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	1789 Jan.	Feb.	March	April
Lascars	Syrangs	8	9	9	9	9	9	9	9
	Tindals	19	25	25	25	25	25	25	26
	Lascars	280	571	699	725	748	748	748	754
	Broken periods	275							
Artificers	Maistries	1	8	16	17	17	17	17	17
	Artificers	81	143	186	196	196	196	200	139
Dooly Bearers	Head Mastry	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Second Masters	12	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
	Third Do	10	11	11	11	11	11	13	13
	Bearers	395	534	534	534	534	534	594	648
	Broken periods	139	–	–	–	–	–	–	20
Coolies	Head Mastry	–	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Second Do	40	52	51	54	54	54	56	62
	Coolies	546	763	726	754	754	803	1045	1175
Puckallies		40	81	103	108	108	108	115	117
	Broken periods	12							

[Signed] J Capper

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To the Honble Morgan Williams Esq.
President & Council

Honble Sirs

From Colonel Kapper reporting on Captain Agnew's Bills for Pay and allowances during his absence upon Service from the Court

Enclosed I have the Honor to lay before you a Bill of Captain Agnew, for a Claim of Pay and Batta, in consequence of his being sent from Bengal with Dispatches to the Honorable Court of Directors, and likewise for accompanying Colonel Cathcart as Secretary of the Mission to China.

He does not produce any papers, in proof of his being allowed Pay and Batta, from the time he left Bengal with the Dispatches; — neither are there any Documents to prove, what allowances he was to receive, whilst officiating as Secretary to Colonel Cathcart; and, therefore, altho' I have a perfect reliance on his word, it is not in my power to pass this account without your permission —

In some cases Officers have been allowed to draw Pay and Batta, when charged with Dispatches to England; but as it is not invariably the case, he should have procured an Order or Certificate from the Secretary of that Presidency with respect to the other Claim it appears to me very reasonable, considering the nature of the Service, upon which he was employed —

I am, with Respect &c.
Sgnd Kapper Coll.

Fort St George
26th August 1790.

Agd

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Agreed, that Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to Colonel Kelly for the Information of Lieutenant Colonel Cockburn.

Minute thereon.

Agreed also to state to Colonel Kelly, that, if the Families of the Bengal Troops consent to occupy a Part of St Thome it will be more convenient but if they do not they will be accommodated on the North Face of the Black Town as specified by the Chief Engineer.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Poona.

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary to
Govt &c.
Fort St George.

From the Resident at Poona reports that the greatest part of the Maratta Artillery under Purseram Bhow has crossed the Kistna and that every thing is quiet in the neighbourhood of Tellichery.

Sir,

Permit me, through the Channel of your Communication, to make known to the Honorable Board, that on the 6th Instant I delivered to the Peshwa the Ratified Treaty of Triple alliance, as concluded by me with this Court the 1st of June last, which was received with every appearance of Satisfaction & the warmest Professions of Friendship.

On the same Day I had the pleasure to learn from Captain Little Commanding

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Death of Ensign L'Haile of the Invalids

The acting President reports to the Board, that Ensign L'Haile of the Invalid Est. died at Madras on the 18th Instant.

Wm Charles Harris Esq

John Turing
Cons Secretary

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D.o of the Governor Generalat Bengal

Concerning the Order sent from Bengal, I think that if the accounts which I have written to the Goverm.t and Council of the 5.th and the 2 Letters of april 27.th and July 24.th wherein I have clearly stated the arrears of march and the Money which I have paid, If the Governor General has known the Contents of those 2 Letters He would not have sent so severe an Order in respect of my Country But not knowing the true state of my affairs and only hearing the speech of my open Enemy, and the Story of his friend by hearing such things He has sent such an Order.

It is written, that I failed in fulfilling the Treaty but I have not failed.

To the Letter in which the Governt and Council august 13.th have written explicitly and what was delivered to me by Mr. Swartz august 18.th to that Letter I have written a free answer — I Coud I have not broke, which you will know with certainty, The Order from the Governor General at Bengal I received august 21.st as to the letter written by the Governor & Council august 13.th it will take some Days to answer it.

You have written, that the term of 5 Days mentioned in the Governor & Council's Letter are elapsed, and that I ought to give an answer

At

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28 Management of the Country for want of Friendship to the Company.

The Friendship for the Honorable Company and the benefit which they have bestowed, on me I know well in my mind, more than I can discribe in this Letter. If you will say that if I have such Friendship for the Company why do I dispute to give up the Management of the Country? To this I reply I have not failed, in the least in complying with the Treaty and whatever assistance you require of me during the War I am willing to afford to the utmost of my power. If without reason and justice I delivered the Management of the Country to you, I shall appear in the Eyes of all men low, may the Court of Directors would think that I failed in respect of the Treaty and therefore delivered the Management of the Country to you, I am not willing to bring such a blame upon me, I am willing to consent that Peishcut Expers be placed and that the Revenue be divided according to the Treaty.

You write that you have heard that some villages have been given away as Inams (Gifts) this is not true, I have given no villages as an Inam (Gift).

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From Mr Williams Balfour

From Mr Williams Balfour requesting Permission for the Paymaster of Tanjore, to visit the Presidency.—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered, in vol 16 P. Nos 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204 205 206 207.

To the Paymaster at Tanjore.

To the Paymaster at Tanjore, with Permission to visit the Presidency.—

To the Deputy Accountant General.

To the Deputy accountant General to lay before the Board a Statement of the Sums due from Government to the Public and Private Creditors of the Nabob, arising from Receipts from His Highness, on the above account prior to the 29th December 1789.—

To the Resident at Travancore.

To the Resident at Travancore, with a Letter from the Government of Bombay to the Rajah.—

To Messrs Ramand, Tallofield.

To Messrs Ram. & Tallofield, referring to the Orders already transmitted to them, and directing them to act agreeably thereto.—

To the agent to the Bullock Contractors.

29th To the agent for the Bullock Contractors enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bengal and Contract lately entered into for the Provision of Bullocks for the Bengal Detachment.—

To Col. Kelly.

To Colonel Kelly with Copy of a Letter from the Chief Engineer, respecting the accommodation of the Bengal Sepoys & of a Letter from Bengal with a Contract lately entered into for the Provision of Bullocks for the Bengal Detachment.—

To

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Instant to a Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Stuart. — I have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

Fort St George
30th August 1790.

Signed John Channer
Secy.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 211. 212. 213. 214. 215.

To the Board of Revenue

To the Board of Revenue directing them to issue Orders to the Collectors in the Circar Districts to send into Arnee Arnboor, and Vellore, all the Grain that can be procured in the Districts — and recommending that it be beat into Rice previous to its being transported to the abovementioned Garrisons. —

To the Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad.

To the Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad advising of the Surrender of Dindigull. —

To the agent for Bullock Contractors

To the agent for the Bullock Contractors directing him to provide without loss of Time 5000 Carriage Bullocks for the use of the Centre Army. —

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General, — stating that Mr Johnston, is not to return to Pondichinopoly until his accounts are delivered in properly certified, and till they are regularly audited, and reported upon. —

To the Military Board —

To the Military Board — to give immediate directions for raising Gun Lascars and Conaty Men, in such Numbers, as they think will be necessary, if the Field Train of the Centre army is increased. —

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3004 Fort St George, 31st August 1790

Colonel Stuart hoped to open his batteries against Dindigul the nineteenth, or twentieth; and, I am in hopes is nearly in possession of it now - when taken, I should recommend, it's being annexed to Mr. Macleod's District in the neighbourhood - and as it is thought here by every body that a Civil Servant would have weight, and enable the aumildars to draw forth the resources of the Country without severity or injustice, I beg leave to recommend Mr. Porcher's being tried, in that appointment, to which I think Palicaudchery may be added when we have taken it - If he has some active young man along with him. —

There is nothing new since I had the honor of writing last, except that Colonel Floyd has been successful in some rencounters with the Poolies. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Medows
Govr & Comm.r in Chief.

Camp at Coimbetoure
22d August 1790.

Minute thereon;

Resolved that Mr. Macleod be invested with the Charge of the Collections in the Province of Dindigul.

Mr. Porcher applies for Permission to defer his Departure —

The acting President reports to the Board that upon his Notification to Mr. Porcher of General Medows's wish that he should be named to the Charge of the Revenues in the Coimbatour Country - Mr. Porcher expressed his grateful acknowledgements for the Honor designed him;

but,

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which he bears to General Medows and which under I hope he admitted as a sufficient Introduction, to the attention of the Honorable Board,

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

Poona 31st July 1790. [Signed] W. Malet.

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

Honble Sir,

The Durbar having officially signified to me the appointment of Buchaju Ragoonath, to reside as the Peshwa's vackeel in the army under your command, agreeable to the 11th article of the Treaty of Poona, and desired me to furnish him with the requisite Pass and Letter of Introduction, Permit me to Hope that in addition, to the Credentials which he will have the honor of presenting to you from his own, Court you will admit this as a Recommendation of him to such share of your attention, as you may deem compatible with his Situation, and the Friendship of the two States. I have the Honor to Enclose Translate of the Copy of the Letter furnished me by the Durbar with which Buchaju is Charged for you - as also of the Passport which I have granted him and agreeable to which I take the liberty of Suggesting your framing an Order to the Frontier Stations for his friendly reception & Entertainment,

which,

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Coshwa Louar Madarai narrain Pundit Purdhan Bhaudan to reside as his Vackeel with the Honorable Major General William Medows Governor of Fort St George

This is to notify the same to all the Honorable Company's Commanders of the Frontier Pasts of all Affairs Civil and Military Through those Districts his Route may lye, and to request that no molestation may be offered either him or his Retinue as the following List; but that on the Contrary such attention may be shewn him and such assistance granted during his Progress through their Respective Districts as may be requisite, agreable to the Cordial Friendship of the Two States.

Sign'd C W Malet
Poonah Resident.

Poona
30th July 1790. List of the Retinue

35 Horsemen
5 Riding Horses
9 Camels
12 Bullocks
7 Tattoos
35 Burkandaz
90 Servants &c.

A true Copy
W Sanktuet
Assistant at Poona.

Minute thereon

Resolved, that the acting President be desired, on the arrival of the Maratta Vackeel at the Presidency, to shew him the attention due to the Station he fills. —

Read

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from Lieutenant Colonel Harris giving
cause to an application from the Field,
Apothecary for Servants, to prepare Medicines
&c and desiring the Hospital Board to
report thereon.

The Hospital Board, seeing the
General Orders have already arranged the
apothecary's Department in the Field, on
the proportion of the Medical Storekeepers
with a General Hospital, and Government
requiring their consideration of the Servants
being adjusted by the quantity of Medicines
Supplied to the Army, find no reason to
attend to Mr. Bengham's application, but
on account of the extent and rapid progress
of the Army with frequent Detachment
which must require occasional Supplies
They recommend that he be allowed Six
additional Coolies with a Writer.

Opinion, approved
to be sent to Lieut.
Colonel Harris
in reply to the
reference.

Ja. Anderson
Physician General

W Raine
acting Chief Surgeon

Will.m Duffin
Head Surgeon

Read

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Read the following Letter and Enclosure from

Mr Fallofield —

John Chamier Esqr

Military Secretary —

From Mr Fallofield at Tanjore, inclosing Translate of a Letter from the Rajah, in which his Excellency desires to be furnished with Copies of all Papers delivered by Mr Rams in Justification of his Conduct. —

Tanjore 26th August 1790.

Sir,

I have the Honor to transmit you Translate of a Letter sent me to day by His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore and to request the favor of you to lay it before the Honorable Board. — I have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

[Signed] E W Fallofield

To E W Fallofield Esqr

Amer Sing Maha Rajah presents his Salam

In my Letter to you written July 11th 1790 I mentioned that you might send me a Copy of Mr Rams defence, that passing over that which he allows, I might give an answer to the rest and send witnesses to confirm it.

you have not mentioned, whether you would send me that Copy or whether you would not, but only desired me to send the Evidencies by a Letter Dated July 12th

I thought it would be better to send witnesses only to those Points to which Mr Rams should object and to pass over those points which he admitted Butas you desired that the witnesses might be sent, I did send them without Dispute. —

Now I hear that Mr Rams Dubash, is reading in his House, the Evidence given by me, — If you

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I had marched from Orgole, when the Circumstances of the Outrage committed on the persons of two Inhabitants were reported to me by Captain Dunwoody the Officer Commanding at the Station; This Report was of a nature that left me no room for Doubt, but the life of one of the Persons was in the most extreme Danger - I ordered immediate Enquiry, and proffered a reward of 500 Rupees to any Person, or Persons, who would give such information as should amount to conviction of the Offenders before a Court of Law - Two men of the Party came before me, and made Oath of such information, that I directed Six of this Party under Lieutenant Holford's Command, to be put in Irons. —

The men who gave this information on Oath, received of my full assurance of being placed in Security — against all violence of resentment, and had their depositions been deemed adequate to the purposes of the Law, they appeared, to me in Claim to the Reward. —

When Lieutenant Holford proceeded to Fort St George with his Party, and the prisoners, he received from me, the Depositions of the two Informers, as public Papers, and I do understand he had arrived at a further knowledge of the business. —

I have received a Subsequent letter from Captain Dunwoody, acquainting me the Inhabitants could not be prevailed on to proceed so great a distance to appear

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approve of it, and, order the necessary preparations to be,
made, — I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Sign'd B. Kelly.

Head Quarters
Centre army
Camp near Arnee
28th August 1790.

To His Excellency Major General Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief.
&c. &c. &c.

I had the honor to receive a Letter from Government last night, copy of which I goes enclosed, and, in obedience to their Commands lose no time in laying before your Excellency, my Sentiments on the Subject of the reduced, Plan which they propose. —

Conceiving that your Excellency's principal view in recommending the Centre army to be equipped for attempting the Seige of Bangalore, and ready to enter the Enemy's Country on a particular day; was to draw part of the Enemy's force from the Southern Ghauts, and from the protection of the Seringapatnam Province, at the moment you meant to attack those Ghauts with the Grand Army — It became my Duty to propose, in my letter of the 16th Instant to Government, the equipment of such a force as I thought could not fail of promoting your views to the utmost extent, by the speedy reduction of Bangalore, and of all the Enemy's Forts in that part of the Country.

But

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particular, yet his absence from the Southern Provinces would greatly facilitate the Operations of the Grand Army - and after all his efforts, I should hope to keep my ground against him, and be ready to execute any commands your Excellency might have to honor me with. —

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest Respect,

Sir, &c.

Signed B. Kelly.

Head Quarters
Centre Army
Camp near Arnee
28th August 1790.

A true Copy

Signed G. Doveton
Secy to Colonel Kelly.

Minute thereon

The Board gave Instructions yesterday to the Commissary General of Grain, & Provisions to provide without loss of time five thousand Carriage Bullocks for the use of the Centre Army — Orders were, at the same time given to the Board of Revenue, for beating into Rice all the Grain procurable in the Arcot District, & afterwards to Store it at Arnee, Amboor, and Vellore. —

Resolved, that Colonel Kelly be instructed to ascertain what number of Polygars are absolutely necessary for Service, and informed that those employed must be paid Batta, as practised during the late War. —

Agreed that he be also desired to send to Madras the Spare Bullocks of the Army, in order that they may make a Trip with the additional Stores & Grain required for the Centre Army - and that not a

Moment

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The Board approve the Proceedings reported in the above Letter.

Minute thereon. Ordered, in consequence that the Military Board, be instructed, to engage a Vessel for the Transportation of Tents to the Southward.

Ed. Chas Harris.

John Turing
Com Secretary

31st time referring the ultimate Decision of your Plan for future Operations to your Communications with General Medows, and the Requisitions you may receive from him.—

The Governor Generals Letter appears to us so full and explicit, that We see no reasons at present to make any material addition to it.—

Our last advices from Fort St George furnish us with good Ground to believe that General Medows is not only completely Master of the Coimbatour Country but that he is likewise in possession of Palicatcherry which opens an immediate Communication for him with the Coast of Malabar and puts it in his power to obtain the assistance of such of your Troops as he may require either from Tellicherry or from Lieutenant Colonel Hartleys Detachment those Troops however could not then be said to act in Cooperation, but in Conjunction with him, and would form a part of his army.

We entertain great doubts whether an independent Expedition from your Presidency to Mangalore and the Bedanore Country (which we conceive to be the only objects of an expedition of Cooperation) can be either advisable or practicable, and so great is our distress for Money owing to our having hitherto Sustained almost the whole Expense of the War that we think it necessary that those

31st the Mahrattas, it may become necessary for the Benefit of the Common Cause, that you should Strengthen the Mahratta army with a considerable Corps of Infantry and Artillery; and as we should participate in the advantages to be expected, from the Services of those Troops, it would only be just and reasonable that they should continue, to be paid, at the Expence of the Company.—

We communicated the Request of your President to Commodore Cornwallis, who has informed us, that he has ordered the Perseverance Frigate to proceed immediately to Tellicherry, and that some other Ships of the Squadron will shortly follow.—

We shall do every thing in our Power to supply your pecuniary wants, but are sorry to learn from your Letter that Muggin Doss declines to enter into a fresh Engagements you have not however explained whether He declines to do it upon any terms whatever, or only upon those of his former agreement.—

We wish you to take every means in your Power to establish a regular and permanent Remittance, and we shall give the same Instructions to Mr. Duncan at Benares who will be directed to communicate with you on the Subject.—

Fort William the 12th August 1790.

We have the Honor to be &c &c

A true Copy
Signed E. Hay Secy to Govt

Signed Governor General &c &c

31st the occasion for a reinforcement of Troops at that Station, and having also requested permission to apply to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam for a necessary advance of Cash to answer the demands they are in daily expectation of from the Inhabitants and Paymasters, We have the Honor to lay before you Extract of their Letter on these subjects and to recommend your compliance therewith - for the Reasons they have stated. We have the Honor to be with Respect,

Fort St George
29th August 1790.

Sir &c.
Signed John Turing
Wm Tuder
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Geo: Moubray
Wm Balfour.

Extract of a Letter from Messrs Cochrane Scott & Jones to the Board of Revenue Dated Guntoor 21st August 1790.

It is from the Zemindars only that we expect opposition, and we already experience the disregard of some of them to our authority, in not having repaired to this place when Summoned: Vasereddy Venkatadry Naidoo has sent a frivolous answer excusing himself, but Mannucksrow Junganah, and Tripetty Row, have sent no answer whatever; while these people remain in their Districts, we apprehend that their influence,

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31st Military assistance such a measure appears to us very necessary; and also that it would at present be exceedingly well timed, by convincing the zemindars and others that we certainly shall be supported in the execution of the trust reposed in us.—

As we expect immediate demands upon us for the advancement of the Cultivation, and also the usual application from the Paymaster in the beginning of the Month, which the Balance of Cash in our hands will not enable us to Supply; and as we have but just received Mr Hughes's accounts, and do not yet know from whom the outstanding Balances are to be recovered, we find ourselves under the necessity in order to prevent disappointment, of requesting permission to apply to the Chief, and Council of Masulipatam, for such part of the Money remitted to them by Mr Hughes, as we may find absolutely necessary, which shall be sent back whenever it may be in our power.—

A true Copy Signed Wm Harington Secy.

Morgan Williams Esqr.
Acting President in Council

From the Military Board respecting Supplies &c for the Ceded army.

Sir, Herewith We beg leave to enclose an Extract from our Proceedings of this Day and to request your attention to the recommendations therein recorded.—

We have the Honor to be &c &c

Fort St George
30th August 1790.

Signed J Capper
Patrick Ross
George Hall

Extract

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"many at least as can be properly Spared, to Convey
"it to Arnee to be ready to move from thence when the
"Bullocks for the Carriage of Guns are provided.

"As it is very probable the Rice will be
"exposed to much rain in the march, I could wish
"some means were adopted by the Military Board for
"its' preservation. Small Tarpaulins to Cover each
"Bullock Load, would, I believe, best answer the purpose,
"they should be nine feet long & 2½ Broad. and the
"Expense, cannot, I suppose, amount to much, as they
"are made by the Military Storekeeper you can easily
"ascertain it. —

Whether the Troops under Colonel Kelly be destined for the Seige of Bangalore, or for inferior objects in the Enemy's Country, it is obvious that they will require, and, that no time should be lost in providing, Rice Pioneers and, probably an additional, number of Lascars for the Guns of the Center Army. —

Resolved, therefore, to recommend to Government that the Contractors be directed to provide as soon as possible, 600 Bullocks for the Carriage of Grain, and, such a number of Draught Cattle as shall appear necessary, from the Returns of Colonel Kelly's Army. That orders be likewise given for raising without delay 600 Pioneers Lascars

and

31st to take immediate Charge of the Revenues.—

To Mr. Falloſield, directing him to send to the Presidency all the Papers relative to his Mission, as soon as Mr. Ram's Defence is delivered in.—

To Mr. Falloſield at Tanjore.

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly.

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly to appropriate a Place for holding Courts Martial, and conducting the Business of the Post Office, in consequence of Mr. Andrews having converted into a Cutcherry the Rooms formerly allotted to those Offices.—

To the Commandant at Ching leput.

To the Commandant at Ching leput stating that the Man accused of the Murder of a private of the 52d Regt. is to be kept in Confinement until the 1st of October next & then to be sent to the Presidency with the necessary witnesses to support the Prosecution.—

Received Letter from the Military Board.—

To Morgan Williams Esqr.
Acting President in Council,

Sir,

From the Military Board 229 Draught Bullocks have been ordered to Madras for the Purpose of transporting Two Eighteen Pounders & two Howitzers to the western army. Statement of Field Artillery for the Centre Army.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Charrier's Letter of the 25th and 28th Instant by order that no time may be lost We have directed the Contractor to cause 229 Draught Bullocks received from the Bengal Detachment to be sent hither without delay, for the purpose of transporting the Two eighteen Pounders & Two Howitzers to Colonel Kelly's army.—

Captain Hall having laid before us a

Statement

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1st Sent the following Letter—

To Colonel Kelly
Commanding the Centre Army

Sir, The Board, desire you will ascertain, what Numbers of the Poligars are absolutely necessary for Service with your Army, or in the Centre Division, as their Execution in either Case, will be attended with Expence, which should be avoided if possible.—

After the numbers absolutely necessary are Specified, the Rajahs of Vencatagherry and Calastry Bamrauze will be directed, to furnish them, and Orders must be given, for their receiving Batta, as practised during the late War.—

You are desired, to inform Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, that if the two Men mentioned, in his Letter of the 28th Instant are able to identify the Persons of those who committed the Outrage, at Angole, they must be sent to the Presidency, as without such identification, it does not appear that, there is Evidence sufficient to bring the Delinquents to Trial.—

As you will most probably be moved to proceed into the Enemy's Country very shortly, the Board desire you will not lose a moment in transmitting your Indents to the Presidency and submitting such Arrangements as you may wish, to suggest for the protection

To Colonel Kelly to state the Number of Poligars he will want— Evidence wanting to bring to Trial the Men of Colonel Cockerell's Detachment charged with having committed an Assault and Robbery at Angole— orders respecting the employing the Bullocks To transmit his Indents without Delay—

Fort St George September 1790.

1st of Dindigul - We request you will publish the appointment and that the Officer Commanding may be ordered to comply with the written applications of Mr. Macleod for Military aid in Support of his authority as Collector.

Upon a notification to Mr. Porcher of your wish that he should be named to the Charge of the Revenues in the Coimbetoor Country, he expressed his grateful acknowledgement for the honor designed him, but requested, if practicable, that he might be permitted to defer his departure for a short time, in order to settle his private affairs.

We wish to know your Sentiments as to Mr. Porcher's request that, if you think the Presence of a Civil Servant absolutely necessary, We may require him to proceed, and in the Event of his being unable that some other Servant may be appointed.

We have the Honor to be,

Sir &c.

(Signed) Morgan Williams.

B Council

Fort St George
31st August 1790.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M B. for the Month of September Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

To the Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

To the Secretary to the Commander in Chief stating that Six Coolies and a Writer are to be allowed to the Field Apothecary.

To

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1 Dependencies.

From the Board of Revenue - recommending

From the Board of Revenue.

that the Garrison of Carangoly be Strengthened, by thirty additional Sepoys.

3 From the Medical Storekeeper - advising of

From the Medical Storekeeper.

having Shipped on Board the Snow Prince William Henry, bound for Nigapatam, the annual Supply of Medicines &c. for the General Hospital, at Trichinopoly.

At a Consultation Present

Morgan Williams Esqr

Acting President

Friday the 3d September 1790.

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs

The Honble Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation, read and approved.

Read a Letter from His Highness the Nabob Dated the 31st Ultimo, and entered in C. C. N° 175 -

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob.

expressing his astonishment that in the Proceedings of Council, on the Subject of the Public Money retained by the late Gouvernor Mr. John Hollond - he [Mr John Hollond] has not been considered the Principal, instead of his Dubash Paupiah, Stating, that, Paupiah, was introduced at this Highness's Durbar by the two

Mr.

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The Nabob having signified, his wish to the acting President that our meetings should be held at the Governor's Garden house, we accordingly assembled on the 27th Instant and read, the several Papers enclosed in Mr Charrier's Letter when it was agreed, to adjourn until the 31st and the acting President was requested, to acquaint His Highness that, we should then, have occasion, for the attendance of Condulram, and Appovlaw the two People Styled by His Highness's Clerks to the Treasury and who certify the "accounts of Monies paid to the late Governor John Stollond &c,"

On our assembling at the Governor's Garden house, this morning we were concerned to learn, that none of his Highness's People were present. We were, therefore, under the necessity of further Postponing the Investigation, and have in consequence to request, in order to avoid future, disappointment and, delay that the Nabob will be pleased to give positive instructions to such of his People as we shall have occasion to call upon, to be in readiness with the several Vouchers & Papers he may judge, necessary to lay before us, & that we may be informed, on what Day they have received Orders to attend — We have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
31st August 1790.

&c &c Signed Hugh Maxwell
George Moubray
Joseph Gamon

The

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that the Term of 5 Days had been elapsed. —

As you sent me the Translation of the letter which came from Bengal august 21st I thought that from that Day 5 Days were allotted. —

However I sent august 23 the letter in the Evening to Mr. Ram, at that time was gone out on his Chaise. This my Harkar told us and went again — waiting there in Mr. Rams House. I had ordered him to deliver the letter and then to return, Mr. Ram came home 12 Clock, my Harkar told me that he had delivered the letter. — The 26 of august 1790 you have sent me a Letter, the contents of which I have understood. —

I consent that the Company's people may be received in the Cutcharee along with my amildars that they may shew unto them the account of the Revenue collected from april 1st 1790 and devide the clear Income according to the order of the Honorable Court of Directors and agreeably to the Treaty. —

Along with this Letter I enclose one to the Governor and Council, which I beg to forward as soon as possible. —

The Moment that I get an answer to this Letter I shall give Order that the Company's people may be with my amildars. —

August 26th 1790.

What have I more to write?

Sir

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Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore

Read also a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to the acting President [as entered in C. C. N° 172] expressive of deep Regret at the appointment of Mr Ramspher is his Excellency's determined Enemy and a bad man to adjust in Conjunction with Mr Falkland the late arrangements ordered from Bengal, - declares that he would sooner Swallow Poison, than admit Mr Ram to a Conference, and entreats the Board not to expose him to continual Insults by delivering him over to the Power of a man so inimical to His Excellency as Mr Ram,

Ordered, to lie for further Consideration

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue, -

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

From the Board of Revenue - recommending that Mr Webb their Secretary be permitted to act as Persian Translator to the Revenue Board -

Honble Sir,

We have the honor of inclosing a Letter which we have received from our Secretary Though Mr Turner informed us that application had been made to Government by Mr Garrow offering to transact the Business of Persian Translator in the same manner, as had been done by Mr Haliburton during the former assignment of the Nabob's country, and that the Board declined his offer. We yet think it proper that Mr Webb's Letter should

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To John Turing Esq.

President &c. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

As in the Superintendance of the Nabob's and of the Company's territories, you will necessarily require the aid of an interpreter, I beg leave to offer my services in the Persian and Mahratta languages. The conveniences of a separate establishment are too obvious to be insisted upon. The Board of Revenue in Bengal have found such an appointment necessary many the are advantages, which may be derived from my understanding both the Persian and Mharatta tongues but when I superadd the consideration of my being your Secretary, and that by attending your deliberations I have a fuller knowledge of your sentiments and consequently a better opportunity of expressing your intentions. I trust that the Board will do me the favor of recommending this application to the consideration of Government.

Fort St George
Sept. 1790.

I have the Honor to be, &c &c
Sign'd J Webbe Esq.

A true Copy
J Webbe Esq.

Extract from Consultation of the Board of Revenue
Dated 1st September 1790.

Mr. Turing thinks it justice to Mr Jarvis

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Minute thereon.

The Commander in Chief having expressed his opinion, that one Aid de Camp to Colonel Kelly would be Sufficient, the Board, must decline authorizing the appointment of a Second —

From Colonel Kelly.

Read Letter from Colonel Kelly as entered in M. B. N.º 12 advising of the Death of Mr. Janes — Paymaster of the Centes army. —

From Mr. Hawkins
From Mr. J. Wynch.

Read Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 13. 14. from Messrs. Wm. Hawkins & John Wynch requesting to be appointed Paymaster to the Centes army. —

Mr. Wynch appointed Paymaster to the Centes army.

Agreed, that Mr. John Wynch be appointed to the Employ vacant by the Death of Mr. Janes —

Dd. Chas. Harris

John Irving
Coll. Lawrence

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4th Conduct till Lord Cornwallis's answer may be received

Camp Coimbatore
2d September 1790.

I have the Honorable,
&c &c
Signed Geo. Harris
Secy.

To His Highness the Nabob Wallajah Bahauder
&c &c &c

I received your Highness's Letter, and I understand their Contents I approve of every thing the Council have done in taking Possession of your Highness's Country, according to Directions from Bengal, except their having put it off so long - The frequent & essential Disappointments occasioned by the want of Performance of your Highness's Promises having rendered the Measure absolutely necessary, I have only to Lament there was no mode left more Satisfactory to all Parties -
What can I say more

Camp Coimbatore
30th August 1790.

Signed Wm. Medows.

Hospital Board, 3d September 1790

From the Hospital Board with a list of the Medical Establishment on the Coast.

As a Dispatch is on the eve of departure for Europe, the Hospital Board, think it necessary to call the attention of Government to the State of the Medical Department on this Coast. They therefore beg leave to transmit a List of the Establishment by which it appears that there is still a deficiency of 11 Assistant Surgeons

Signed Jas. Anderson Physician Genl
Wm. Raine Actg Chief Surgeon
Mile Duffin Head Surgeon

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4th

Alexander Anderson — Travancore
George Anderson — Home on Leave
Maxwell Thompson — 4th Regiment European Artillery
Thomas Lord — 2d Regiment European Artillery
Edward Stuart — at Tanjore
Patrick Bowie — Maddepollam and Ingeram
Henry Miller — 1st Regiment European Infantry
Robert Trotter — Doing Duty with 5th Battalion Native Infantry
Charles Ogilvy — Vizagapatam
John Kincaid — Garrison Bonamallee
John Walker — Chingleput

Assistant Surgeons

Henry Harris Medical Storekeeper General Hospital Madras
Alexander Seawright — Do. — Do. — Vellore
Andrew Berry — General Hospital Madras
Mich.l Corbet — 1st Battalion Artillery Camp
George Baird — Negapatam
Fowke Moore — 19th Battalion Native Infantry
Bernard Mc Mahon Medical Storekeeper Masulipatam
James Ramsay 3d Regiment Native Cavalry
George Fergusson 4th Regiment European Arme
Charles Fleeming 18th Battalion Native Infantry
John Inglis — 4th Regiment Native Cavalry
Alexander Boiswell 25th Battalion Native Infantry
John Bannantine 16th — Do. — Do. Do.
John Duncan 4th — Do. — Do. — Do.
George Baillie Dispensary Fort St George
Joseph Copeland 2d Regiment European Ellore
Morris Fitzgerald Secretary to the Surgeon General

John

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4th James Barker - 9th Battalion, Native Infantry
Edward Mackay 1st Battalion Do Do
Thomas Beckett - 2d Battalion, European Artillery
William Taitt General Hospital, Madras
William Wood, - 3d Regiment Europeans Infantry Yellow
Francis Blacke, 21st Battalion, Native, Infantry
William Martin, General Hospital, Trichinopoly
Henry Hawkes Do Do
John Abeinithie 27th Battalion, N.I.
Leopold Benamor not arrived
John Boyle - Do

Signed J. Conolly
Secretary Hospital Board

Received, the undermentioned, Letters as entered in the B. Nos. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19.

From the Commandant at Chundergerry

From the Commandant at Chundergerry with a Return of Troops Ordnance, and, Stores in, that, Garrison, States that the Calastry Rajah, has not completed his Quota of Peons for that Garrison

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain, and Provisions with Returns of Bullocks and, Carts employed on Service on the 1st Instant.

From - Do Do

From the Commissary General of Grain, and Provisions - Stating the Repairs wanting to the Barrack in which Reddy is lodged, within the Fort of Poonamalla

From Lieut. Hewitson

From Lieutenant Hewitson, requesting Permission, to remain, at the Presidency till January

to

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5th

To Anthony Sadleir Esq.

Chief &c. Council at Masulipatam.

Gentlemen,

To Masulipatam, Stating the Orders given to the Commander of the Queen respecting the native Troops to be embarked from that Factory for Bengal.

The Honorable Company's Ship Queen now proceeds to Masulipatam, and will land the Recruits destined for Colonel Brathwaite's Battalion.

The Captain of the Queen has Orders to take on Board the Sepoys Landed at Masulipatam from Bencoolen, and has particular Instructions as to the treatment of them.- It is requisted, that you will give the necessary Orders for the sending on Board Provisions and Water for the sole use of the Sepoys.—

You will be pleased to Ship on the Queen the Stores at Masulipatam, which are to be transported to Bengal agreeably to former Instructions.—

Fort St George 5th September 1790.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

Signed John Chanier Secy.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Ms B. Nos. 25. 26. 27. 28.—

To the acting Commissary General of Stores.

To the acting Commissary General of Stores.

To the acting Commissary General of Stores to ship on Board the Eisenton, the tents to be conveyed to the Southward.- and on the Queen, the Hospital Tents in Readiness for Bengal.—

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board.- to report upon Indents received from

3058 Fort St George 7th September 1790

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esq.
and the Gentlemen in Council Fort St George Madras

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

From Major General Medows - Plan of Operations for Colonel Kelly's army - approves Mr Floyer's appointment and the abolition of the Office of Paymaster at Samulcotah - No appointments to be considered valid, until approved or confirmed by him -

I had the Honor of yours of the 24th of Augt with all its Enclosures yesterday - and am extremely sorry Colonel Kelly is not likely to penetrate by Bangalore which I do not wish, he should attack, but proceed slowly till he hears I am near enough to Seringapatam, to draw Tippoo's whole attention, and then join me, with what Train he can be supplied with, which I think with the assistance of our allies, might very possibly end the War by Christmas, but if this is absolutely impossible, and he cannot penetrate far enough into the Mysore Country to escape the Monsoon, - as I conceive he can do no good during the Monsoon in Camp, the sooner I think his army is cantoned the better, and Colonel Cockerells Detachment according to Lord Cornwallis's Idea allowed to join the Nizam, if he approves it, of which Captain Kennaway should be acquainted.

I acquiesce in the appointments by the acting Presidents of Mr Floyer to part of the arcot Collectorship, but I beg leave to observe, that I look upon no appointment as good till made or till confirmed by me, -

The Paymasters at Samulcotah being abolished, and every thing that can be abolished with Propriety I approve, -

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I would recommend however that the Vencatagherry and Calastry Rajahs and Bomrauze be ordered to accompany the Army in person, as their presence and name might have a good effect in securing the fidelity and Services of the Enemy's disaffected subjects the most of whom are, in some degree, connected with our Polygars.

The Polygars who accompany the Army need not I conceive, be of any immediate additional expence to the Company - as the Rajahs themselves would, no doubt, afford subsistence to their followers, upon promise from Government, that the amount of such subsistence shall be allowed in their Peishcash - The Calastry Rajah has written to me to that effect.

In regard to the Indents required to be sent in, I have to observe to the Honorable Board, that when those already transmitted, for the Stores of the Ordnance Department, the Carts for the Sick, and the Bengal Sepoy Corps are compleated with, the Troops and Ordnance with the Army will be completely equipped - and, if Government have judged expedient to grant me the additional force and field Train recommended in my letter of the 16th Ultimo, the Stores &c for that addition, agreeably to the Establishment, will, no doubt, be also compleated.

On the Subject of the arrangements for the protection of the Carnatic I shall not hesitate to declare, that, in my Opinion, The Forts and Stations already occupied

of them, necessary on this expedition.

The whole of the Bullocks that can be spared, amounting to 4000 Carriage and 1500 Draft proceed to the Presidency tomorrow morning, under a proper escort. I have the Honor to be, &c &c

Head Quarters Center Army Camp near Arnee, 3d September 1790.

Signed R.d Kelly.

Substance of a Letter to be written to the Rajahs of Calastry & Vencatagherry & Bomrauze.

Agreed that Letters be written to the Rajahs of Calastry and Vencatagherry and to Bomrauze, directing them to state what number of Troops they can send to act under Colonel Kelly's orders and to be employed in defending the different Passes or in such other Services as may be pointed out.

Agreed that part of Colonel Kelly's Letter which relates to Equipment be referred to the Military Board.

Lieut.t Barton appointed Deputy Adjutant General to the Center Army.

Resolved, as the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief that Lieutenant Barton be appointed Deputy adjutant General to the Center Army.

Mr Hawkins appointed Commissary of Grain & Provisions - and Mr Ferguson Surgeon Major to the Center Army.

The acting President recommends that Mr William Hawkins be appointed, Commissary of Grain & Provisions, and Mr Ferguson Surgeon Major, to the Center Army.

Approved, and Ordered accordingly.

In consequence of Mr Ferguson's Removal from

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As Mr Turing has dissented from the opinion of the Majority, we beg leave to enclose copy of his motion.

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

Fort St George
2d September 1790.

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

To Mr Josiah Webbe
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
at Fort St George.

Sir,

I have to request you will inform the Board of Revenue, that I met with many difficulties in establishing the Company's Servants in the different Districts, principally owing to the Nabob's Sons having lately entertained a number of Sibbendy Sepoys, who have been dispersed about the Country under the Orders of the Nabob's eldest Son. One of my people was yesterday opposed by an armed force at the Cutcherry of Potore Jaghire, this being near to Trichinopoly I was soon enabled by a Superior force to remove the obstacle. The Strength of this Garrison & Carriers will not admit of my obtaining similar aid throughout the Districts, should it prove requisite, I could wish therefore, that immediate orders were sent to the Commanding Officer for disarming these People and that such Troops only should be left with the Sons of the Nabob as might be judged proper

for

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for an honorary Guard to their Persons in the Fort.

Trichinopoly 27th August 1790.

Jam, &c. &c.

R. Andrews Collector.

Extract from the Consultation of the Board of Revenue Dated 1st September 1790.

Mr. Turing moves that the above letter be laid before Government, and that it be recommended to them to take such measures, as may appear to them most expedient. — A true Extract

(Signd) J Webbe Secy.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council Fort St George.

From the Board of Revenue; have divided the Districts of Arcot &c. into three Proportions Enclosing the Division.

Honble Sir,

Having in conformity to your instructions communicated to us in Mr. Secretary Chamier's letter Dated 21st August, Divided the Arcot &c. Districts into three proportions We have the Honor of inclosing the Division for your information.

As the Districts of Setevar valued with the customs of Poolical at 12,000 Pagodas pr annum is so far removed from the residence of Mr. Kindersley & so immediately adjoins to that part of the Jaghire under Charge of Mr. Clerk, We take the Liberty of recommending that it be placed under that Gentleman. We have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signd) John Turing
Mr. Tudor
George Maubray
David Haliburton
Wm Dalzell
Hugh Maxwell.

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Mr Kindersleys Division

Arcot & the Sayer or Customs
Chuckerrinelore
Malajahnagur
Mundialum
Vapour
Velapaukum
Timmery
Darrahapaukum
Vellore
Chadagapery
Aliabad
Timmapagur
Amboor
Tootipet
Agrum
Saulgur
Kulliapaddy
Caverypauk
Condapore
Teruvasambore
Mechery
Pondy
Saulapetta
Caliva Walpunda
Sotumbaukum
Muserewauk avalloor
and accachacupum
with Polygar

Trivalum
Mahemundle
Poonah
Chukrayaporam
Cockanore
Campauk
Cholingavaram
Gangul mundle
Ticole with Vellore Pollam
Chittoor with Polygars Cushash
Chundergherry
Trivalore
Mantams
Woolacaud & Timmanore
Wandewash
Elemgaud
Poloor
Calavauktum
Poodawadoo Woolacad
Tripelly

Setwer Division Viz Nagalapour Goomeraproody
Woolacolah, Darcumbut and the Customs of Pulicat
recommended to be put under Mr Clerke

Mr Hodges

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To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St George;

Honble Sir,

From the Board of Revenue with Copy of their Proceedings in Consequence of a Report made to them respecting the detention of the accounts of the Trichinopoly District by the Nabobs People—

Mr Turing having claimed a reference to the Honorable Board upon the subject of our letter to the Collector at Trichinopoly, We have the honor of inclosing Extracts from our proceedings upon that Subject.—

We have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Fort St George
5th September 1790.

(Signed) John Turing
M.w Tudor
David Halliburton
Hugh Maxwell
W.m Brassaw.

Extract from Consultation
1st September

Read Letter from Mr Andrews

Extract of a Letter from Mr Andrews
Dated Trichinopoly 29th August 1790.

So very industrious have the Nabob's Sons been in throwing obstacles in the way, that not an account is to be found in any of the village Cutcheries nor any Public Servants who can give the smallest information. The public accounts of every description have been secured within the Palace so that my only resource for information must be from the different village Coniccoplies, who, I have no doubt will come forward in a few Days; this

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Extract from Consultation 1st September 1790.

Agreable to Mr Turings letter of the 2d the Secretary informs the Board, that the letter to Mr Andrews agreed upon on the 1st has not been Dispatched; Mr Turing moves that the Draft of the Letter be Read, and delivered in the following Minute.

Mr Andrews has informed the Board, the Publick accounts of every description, have been secured by the Nabobs Sons within their Palace at Trichinopoly and, that his only source for information must be from the different Village Omicoplies — but Mr Andrews says he has no doubt these, different village Omicoplies, "will "come forward, in a few Days: this mode, however tedious "I conceive preferable to the pursuance of any harsh "measures towards the Palace" adding at present indeed "the accounts are of no material consequence, as the "people of the Nabob will hardly have left any balances "of Cash outstanding in the Country, and they have "been particularly active in disposing of all the Grain "in the Country so that I have but little hope of procuring "any considerable quantity until the next Crops come in"

Under these Circumstances I conceive, upon more mature consideration, there does not appear to be any immediate necessity for proceeding to extremities by directing coersive measures to compel the Nabobs Sons to deliver up accounts which the Collector declares are

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Board on the 1st Instant he therefore is of opinion, that the Collector should be directed to follow up his instructions.

Mr. Halliburton is of the same opinion as Mr. Maxwell.

Mr. Tudor agrees to the alteration proposed by Mr. Turing.

Mr. Turing desires that the Despatch of the Letter to Mr. Andrews may be postponed, as he claims a reference to the Superior Board.

Agreed that Copy of the proceedings upon the Subject of this and the last meeting be sent up to the Superior Board.

True Extract
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy

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

From the Board of Revenue enclosing Letter from Mr. Lindersley stating that the People at Settimungalum refuse to deliver over charge of the District

Honble Sir,

We have received from the Collector at Arcot a Letter, which we beg leave to recommend to your consideration; and request that Orders may be given for sending to Settimungalum the Sepoys mentioned by Mr. Lindersley

We have the Honor to be, &c &c

(Signed) John Turing
Wm Tudor
David Halliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Wm Balfour

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5th September 1790.

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a Company of Sepoys - I propose detaining him a few Days longer. — I have the Honor to be, &c. &c. &c.

Vellore
3d September 1790.

(Signed) Nath. Edn. Kindersley Collector.

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy.

Minute thereon

Resolved that the acting President be requested to address His Highness the Nabob on the Subject of the Public accounts detained by his Sons at Trichinopoly, and upon the Subject of the other Points detailed, in Mr. Andrews Letter.

Do

Government entirely approve the Sentiments expressed by the President of the Board of Revenue in the Papers laid before them, and can have no Doubt of the Propriety of abstaining from coercive measures, when the Objects in view may be obtained without them, which appears to be the Case, as far as relates to the Public accounts of the Trichinopoly District. —

Do

The Board are of Opinion that the Nabob will of Course discharge the Sebbendies who are no longer useful to him, and that it will be then proper to engage such as are willing and necessary for Revenue Purposes. —

Do

Resolved that a Guard be ordered to proceed to Tettuar agreeably to the Recommendation of the Board of Revenue. —

Agreed that Mr John Clerke be appointed

the Resident in what manner the account Current with the Rajah is to be Carried on, and particularly whether the Ballance of Pagodas 3,65,993 due the end of October 1789 is among the Sums in reference to the Court of Directors as would appear from the Letter from Mr Holland to the Rajah Dated the 7th January 1790, and in what manner the Visits are to be debited to the Rajah's account from the time the 4/5th of the Revenue are to be taken. We humbly hope that the waiting for an answer from the Honorable Board, so Earnestly press'd for by the Rajah, will not be deemed improper in us, especially as the delay of a few Days cannot at this particular time in any material Degree affect the Receipts from the Revenue, or the Interests of the Honorable Company.

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

Tanjore
31st August 1790.

(Signed) G. A. Ram,
E. W. Fallofield,

Answering - Maha Rajah presents his Salam to G. A. Ram, Esqr & E. W. Fallofield, Esqr.

I have received the Letter which you have written to me august 28th and looking upon the Contents of it I have been filled with Wonder. The reason of it is as follows.—

In your Letter of the 24th august 1790, which

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Dated, august 23, as you write that I had not answered that Point, I will write the answer again.

I am not at all so much in arrears to the Honorable Company, whatever I was to pay according to the Stipulated terms till February I have paid off, may you see the account of which I have sent to the Honorable Governor and Council Dated april 5th the Copy of which, account I have sent with that letter to the Governor (which is enclosed in this) by perusing it they will know it, of the 1st March, Exist, which amounts to 68,000 Pagodas and some, I have paid a great part, From the 1st of april the Net Income is to be divided, when all this is decided, it appears wonderful to me when you say that I am greatly in arrears.

If it be made out with certainty that I am so much in arrears - if the accounts be according to rule publicly decided and the just arrears ascertained, then whatever you ask & as to ascertaining them justly I am ready to give it. But if without making out the accounts, you blame me, and again and again write that I am much in arrears, to whom shall I at this time complain of such an Injustice? God must procure me justice. —

You have written, in your letter, that you could not wait till an answer arrived, from Madras to my Letter, for which I am very sorry - If there is something

to -

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to

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Contents of the letter, for that reason I send you a copy of it inclosed in this letter, By perusing it you will perceive that it is not in your power to do me justice in the Point which I have mentioned in that letter.

If in the present business a Conference was preferred to the writing of letters any doubt which One might entertain would immediately be removed, Therefore if Mr. Fallofield and Mr. Swartz will come and speak with me I am ready and that chearfully.

I request that the Copies of these letters which I write to you - and that the Copies of those letters which you may write to me, may forthwith be sent to the Govr. & Council. What have I more to write.

August 29th 1790.

The Rists for Pagodas 4,80,000 calculated in proportion to the Rists of 7 Lacks Pagodas agreeable to Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty Viz.t

1789 November	20571. 31. 33		
December	41143. 18. 66.	171429. 12. 35.	
1790 January	41143. 18. 66.		
February	68570. 31. 30		
March	68570. 31. 30.		
April	68570. 31. 30		
May	41143. 18. 66.		
June	41143. 18. 66.		
July	34284. 37. 65.		
August	27429. 12. 54.		
September	27428. 12. 54.		
Star Pagodas	4,80,000.		

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To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency!

We have had the honor to receive your Excellency's Letter of the 29th August Enclosing Copy of one to the acting President and Copy of an account transmitted to Madras the fifth of March last.

Your Excellency is pleased to express some surprise at our declining to come to a final agreement with regard to the pending Tasildars to your Several Cutcharies, but we beg leave to observe that the payment of two Lacks of Pagodas and proper Security for the remainder of the arrears was considered by us as forming a part of our Proposal and that we possessed no authority to admit of your Excellency's Consent to one part thereof, unless the other was fully acceded to.

It appears that your Excellency does not acknowledge the amount of your arrears to be equal to what the Honorable Board are pleased to Consider them to this we beg leave to reply in the words of the Honorable President's Letter of the 13th August. "If your Excellency "hath any objections to make to the account between your "Excellency and the Company, every attention will be paid "to such objection and replies will be given you as soon "as Circumstantially as possible".

&c

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in a separate address Copy of a Letter we have addressed to His Excellency to day waits on you Enclosed.

We have the Honor to be &c &c

Tanjore
2d September 1790.

(Signed) Ge A Ram
E W Tallofield

To G. A. Ram
E W Tallofield } Esqrs

Gentlemen,

As all the Complaints against me are grounded upon a Supposition, of my being much in arrears, I think you will look upon my request as highly just when I desire you to send the enclosed full account to the Honorable Board and wait for the decision. As I am convinced that I owe to the Company not much above 27,000 Pagodas, a little more or less, I hope the Honorable Board will not deprive me of my Country or destroy my Dignity and Honor for the sake of so small a Sum, If the mistakes which doubtless have been Committed in making up the accounts shall be found out as I hope they will, Government will then be sorry for having exposed me already in a great measure in the Eyes of my Subjects and the world; But if you wait till a decisive Answer in respect of the arrears comes from Madras, you will have the Satisfaction of having prevented Government to do an unjust action.

Tanjore
3d August 1790.

What can I say more

1790 March - - - - - - - - - - 68570. 31. 30

It will appear by the above account that 1711. 31. 45 have been paid on account of March - - - - - - - - - - } 1711. 31. 45.

1790 April 15 By Cash paid Mr. Ram into the hands of his Dubash on bason - - - - } 24000. —

By Cash on account of Grain delivered to Mr. Ram as p account - - - - } 5805. —

June By Bullock hire Pd paid in sending Rice to Trichinopoly as p account } 222. —

July 11 By Cash paid Mr. Ram - - - - - - - - 5000. —

Augt 3 By Do - - Do - - - - - 3000. —

By Rice sent to Trichinopoly - - - - 1113. —

By wages for Bullocks in the Honorable Company's service - - - - - } 800. —

41651. 31. 45

Ballance - - - - - - 26918. 43. 65.

Pagodas 68570. 31. 30

Pagodas 68570. 31. 30

Copy of Stipulation 1790

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John Chamier Esq.
Military Secretary Fort St George

Sir,

It having been judged proper to transmit to the Board every papers received from the Rajah, Mr. Tallofield and I have agreed to forward the Letter Dated 3d Ultimo Sent us by the Rajah with the accounts it Encloses, but Considering the many mistakes it Contains, I should hold myself highly blameable if I suffered them to pass without notice, Tho' the accounts from the same Quarter before transmitted was similar as far as it went, yet being a Copy of a former account surreptitiously passed to the Board without any Communication with this Office, I thought it Sufficient to remark the Date which Clearly pointed out the puerility of an appeal which had been already near Six Months before the Honorable Board, but when this is followed up with new and additional Charges it becomes my Duty to point out the Errors it goes to Establish, to proceed then —

In the 1st part the Rajah's Ministers confounding what they paid at Madrass on account of some Ballance settled by Mr. Holland, which is not stated with what was paid on account of the Kists from November 1789 have made their Payments appear less than what they actually were according to the letter received from the Military Secretary Dated 29th June

Copy

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on the request of the General, for 500, from the Rajah as a trifling assistance towards the support of the war, it could not be expected that the Bullocks were to be sent unladen.

A true account of the Receipts of Money at Tanjore and at Madras according to the Statement of the Military Secretary in his Letter of the 29th June will be found in the Statement of accounts I had the Honor to transmit to the Honorable Board the 4th Ultimo to which may be added 3000 Pagodas received 3 Ultimo to take notice of in the same letter. — I have the Honor to be,

Tanjore
22 September 1790.

&c &c

Signed G. A. Baun
E.W. Fallofield.

P.S. I sent in my answer to the Rajah's Charge against me for receiving presents to Mr. Fallofield on the 30th Ultimo. The Paymaster's Indent for arrears of Garrison Disbursements amounts to 22400 Pagodas. Signed G. A. B.

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Messrs Baun & Fallofield be informed that the Board disapprove of References, and that they be directed to proceed according to the Documents transmitted to them on the 13th Ultimo, reporting to the Rajah in reply to his Letter that his Objections to accounts & Statements will be hereafter received & attended to.

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hereafter,—

Messrs. Richard George Grange,
George Augustus Deedlorgan
John De Morgan
Charles Faman
John Faynton

Ordered Accordingly

Lt. Clark Harris—

John Turing
Con. Saunders

8 Trial next assizes, and that he does not know of any Evidence to appear against him.

Lieutenant young of 72d Regiment having acquainted me that Government do not send any Intimation from Mr Page, Secretary to the Bombay Government, as he has given him reason to suppose he forwarded, relative to a Claim from Lieutenant young & Smith for Passage Money from England I conceive the shortest Mode of clearing up the matter would be for me to write Mr Page, and I now send you an Extract from his Letter to me, though I suppose he will send a Duplicate of the Letter he speaks of to you. —

Extract - "Bombay 22d July 1790.

I hope the Gentlemen concerning whom you "wrote to me (Messrs Smith and young) were accounted "with for Passage Money long since — A Letter was written "to your Government about them, under the 3d May, of "which I am surprized they had not got Intimation before "you wrote me."

Enclosed you have a more particular Indent from Colonel Fiels than the one he first sent as a Pattern Train, and he observes that as many of these Articles as can be furnished from Vellore, so much will the Carriage be lessened. — I have the Honor to be &c &c

Camp Coimbetoor 1st September 1790.

(Signed) George Harris.

8 Satisfactory Information of our Progress than the dilatory Motions of the Mahratta Army will allow me, It is now encamped at this village which is about 6 Cos from the Kistna - Their Artillery has already crossed that River, and I purpose marching thither Tomorrow and crossing it as expeditiously as possible in the Expectation that they will, conformably to their declared Intention, follow me immediately - They have lately been waiting for Reinforcements from different parts of the Country Several have joined, and others are expected, but its being unusual for Mahratta Armies to collect at this Season may occasion their being less expeditious in joining -

The advanced Season at which the Detachments under my Command marched from the Coast rendered our timely Junction with the Mahrattas uncertain, and the difficulties which were occasioned by the nature of the Country our Route lay through, and by the setting in of the Monsoon before I had ascended the Ghauts, were rather increased than removed by the Conduct of the Mahrattas who clandestinely practised several little Artifices to detain us, at the same time that they openly affected great Anxiety for our Arrival - These Artifices and the Drift of them were more plainly demonstrated on my joining their Army which I found in point of numbers far from being in a State to take the Field - and had they succeeded in detaining us beyond the large Rivers which lay in our Route until the heavy Rains had swelled them, they would have thrown all the Blame from themselves, and rested

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To John Chamier Esq.
Secretary in the Military Department.

From Colonel Kelly enclosing the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry into the Conduct of Major Tonyn, and requesting the Orders of the Board thereon.

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit to Government the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry held by my Order to enquire into the cause or causes of the present debilitated and unserviceable State of the Horses of the 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry.

The repeated and frequent representations of the Officers of the 1st Regiment of native Cavalry, as well as my own observations on the condition of the Horses of that Corps induced me to assemble this Court, — and from a perusal of it's procedings there appears to me sufficient grounds for a Court Martial on the conduct of Major Tonyn — but as the assembling a Court Martial at this time, when the Army is about to be employed on active Service, would be extremely inconvenient and almost impracticable, I have thought proper to transmit the whole of the procedings of the Court of Enquiry to Government, requesting them to determine as they shall think proper for the present, — but, at all events to remove Major Tonyn from the Army, and the Command of a Corps to which it appears his conduct has proved so detrimental. — I have the Honor to be,

Sir, &c.

Head Quarters
Center Army
Camp near Arnee
5th September 1790

[Signed] R.o Kelly Lieut

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the detaining at Madras, for the present, all the Recruits that might come from England, We have the honor to inform you that We have Landed from the Queen One Hundred and twenty three and from the Warren Hastings Seventy Seven also twenty Seven Recruits for the 76th Regiment now Serving on this Coast, one Volenteer, two Women, and two Children.

We have directed Captain Douglas of the Queen to proceed to Masulipatam where he will take on board the Detachment of Sepoys Lately Landed there from Fort Marlbro together with some Stores for our Presidency We inclose a Copy of Captain Douglas's Instructions

Being in great want of Flints We have thought it expedient to order Captain Larkins of the Warren Hastings to Land a few Casks of those consigned to your Presidency which We hope will meet with your approbation. We have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
7th September 1790.

Sr. &c.
Sgnd Jo Morgan Williams
&c Council.

To Edward Hay Esqr
Secretary to the Government
at
Fort William.

To Mr Secretary Hay - with Copy of a Letter from the Nabob in which the Name of Mr John Holland is particularly implicated.

Sir,

In addition to the Communications made to the Government of Fort William under Date the 7th Ultimo regarding the Charge brought against Gaupiah Pramany by

& to address His Highness the Nabob on the subject of the Publick accounts detained by his Sons at Trichinopoly upon the subject and of the other points detailed in Mr Andrews's Letter.

Government entirely approve the Sentiments expressed by your President in the Papers laid before them and can have no doubt of the propriety of abstaining from Coercive Measures when the Objects in view may be obtained without them, which appears to be the Case as far as relates to the Publick accounts of the Trichinopoly District.—

As the Nabob will of Course discharge Sibbendies who are no longer useful to him, it will then be proper that such as are willing and necessary for Revenue Purposes, be engaged on account of the Company agreeably to former Instructions.—

A Guard is ordered to proceed to Tettwar agreeably to the Recommendation—with Respect to the making over to Mr Clerk the Charge of that District Government are of Opinion that it may be done if Mr Sanderson wishes it but until he has notified such wish, they desire it may remain under his Charge.

They Confirm the Divisions of the Arcot &c Districts as you have made them.—

I have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
7 September 1790.

&c &c

Signed John Shaw Secy

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as

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A Guard is ordered to proceed to Settuvaycottah agreeably to the Recommendation with Respect to the making over to Mr Clerk the Charge of that District Government are of Opinion that it may be done if Mr Kindersley wishes it but until he has notified such wish, they desire it may remain under his Charge.

They Confirm the Divisions of the Arcot &c Districts as you have made them.—

I have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
7 September 1790

&c &c

(signed) John Shaw Secy

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters

at

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of army accounts.

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts - to report upon the Claims set forth in a Letter from Lieutenant Hewitson —

To W. P. J. Huissard at Negapatam.

To W. George J. Huissard at Negapatam - to employ Coolies & use every possible Exertion to accelerate the Conveyance of Military Stores to Trichinopoly —

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mil. D. N° 39. 40. 41.

From the Resident at Hydrabad.

From the Resident at Hydrabad, requesting that in answering his Letters, the Dates of those received may be regularly noted —

From the Commandant at Nellore.

From the Commandant at Nellore - stating his Intention of forming the Nabob's Sebbendies into Companies of 104 each, with the usual Complement of Commissioned and non Commissioned Officers.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions - requesting Permission to erect a Shed near Plumers Godown, for securing the Rice, for Camp, from the Effects of the weather —

Sent the following Letter to Colonel Kelly —

To Colonel Kelly

Commanding the Centre Army

To Colonel Kelly commanding that a Court Martial to be held on the Conduct of Major Forbes before the March of his army —

Sir

Having laid before the Board your Letter of the 5th Instant with the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry I am directed by them to observe that, as there appears to be Sufficient Ground for a Court Martial on the Conduct of Major Forbes, they are of Opinion one should be instantly

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Duplicate.

The Honble the Governor in Council

at Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal — stating that the Nabob has charged a Person in the Company's Service with detaining 4,48,792 Pagodas intended by His Highness to be deposited in the Company's Treasury directing an investigation to be made and that no person in the Company's Civil Service be permitted to proceed for Europe on the Houghton' till the Person alluded to is named by his Highness —

We think it proper to transmit to you a Translation of a Letter which the Governor General has received this Morning from his Highness the Nabob of Arcot, stating that a Person, in the Company's Service, in whose hands his Affairs were entrusted, some time ago, took from him the amount of the Company's Cist which he was sending to their Treasury, to the amount of four Lacks Forty eight Thousand, Seven hundred and Ninety two Pagodas (Pagodas 4,48,792.)

We also transmit to you a Copy of Lord Cornwallis's answer to the Nabob's Letter, together with the Original which we request that you as acting President will deliver immediately to His Highness, inquiring him expressly, at the desire of the Governor General, to name the Person who is alluded to in his Highness's Letter.

We also direct that means may be immediately taken to put the Person under such Custody and restraints as will prevent his leaving your Settlement. Having thus provided against his Escape, under the Charge preferred against him by the Nabob, you will enter into the fullest examination and enquiry into the facts, taking the Depositions, upon Oath, of all such persons as are able, or likely, to throw any light on this transaction. We desire that you will report to us the result of your enquiry, transmitting to us attested Copies of the Depositions

and

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to the Company's Treasury - The amount of the Nett 4,48,792 Pagodas; and intimidating and keeping my Son in his house like a Prisoner, compelled him to write that nothing had been received from me by him; I ask your Lordship, as my Friend, whether I should or should not make known the oppression above related; which that Person committed towards me, It was his Practise to open all the Letters which I sent through the Governor and Council addressed to your Lordship, and read them and then say it was by mistake; On this account I was complained against him in those Letters, but wrote this other Channels to your Lordship as I learnt your Lordship's Pleasure that I should write thro' the Governor & Council I have done so. A true Translation

(Signd) G. Cherry Secr

To the Nawaub of Arcot

written 26th August 1790.

I have this Instant received your Highness's Letter, recapitulating the Letter received 26th August 1790 and cannot but be very much concerned at its Contents -

It is a matter of regret that your Highness should not have communicated a Subject of this nature to me before this, or at least to General Medows immediately on his arrival at Madras; for my earnest wish at all times is that Justice should be done your Highness in all transactions with the Company and the

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Read the following Letter from the Committee appointed to investigate the Charges brought against Paupiah —

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

Honble Sir,

From the Committee appointed to investigate the Charges brought against Paupiah — Mr Moubray applies for Copies of Letters written by Mr G. Anderson to the late Government now upon Record and of others said to have been withdrawn, desiring to know if they are to call upon Mr E. Hollond.

Mr Moubray having informed your Committee appointed to examine into a Charge brought by the Nabob against Paupiah Dubash to Mr John Hollond for withholding a large Sum of Money paid by His Highness on account of the Honorable Company that he understands certain letters written in the course of last year by Mr George Anderson then a Surgeon on this Establishment and whose name appears to large Sums of Money in the account transmitted by the Nabob to Government with His Letter of the 5th August are now upon the Records of Government which he conceives may tend to elucidate and corroborate the informations laid before us, and further, that one or more letters were received and shewn to, or sent in circulation to the Members of the Board, which were afterwards suffered to be withdrawn, he has therefore recommended that application be made to your Honorable Board for Copies of such letters from that Gentleman, as appear upon Record, and that enquiry be made for those supposed to be withdrawn, he has

further

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orders of Paupiah to Ram Chundah his Shroff on account of the Company. Mr. Moubray begs leave to remark that he understands several Letters were last year addressed to Government by that Gentleman Mr. Anderson, upon the subject of Money transactions with the Nabob, and that some of them appear upon record, but that one of them the last it is said which he delivered and the most pointed was withdrawn, after it had been shewn to, or sent into circulation to the Members of the Board. Mr. Moubray therefore moves "That the Committee do immediately address Government requesting a Copy of those Letters, recommending that enquiry be made concerning the "letter or letters from Mr. Anderson said to have been "suppressed, perhaps this Secretary may be able to give "some information respecting them, but more probably "Mr. Edward Holland, the only Member of the former "Administration now on the Spot, can explain the "matter, who therefore in my opinion ought immediately "to be called upon."

Governors Gardens
3 September 1790.

Signed Geo: Moubray.

Mr. Maxwell begs leave to have time to consider of the propriety of Mr. Moubrays motion.

Mr. Parsons wishes to have time to consider of the Motion.

Adjourned to Tuesday 7th September 9 o'Clock.

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furnished copies of them.—

Because, such written Evidence, even if it was in point, need not be resorted to, when positive viva voce Evidence is to be obtained.—

Because, it appears inconsistent to apply to Government for what Mr. Moubray says, is not on their Records—no information from them, but what is official & obtained from the Records can be considered of any importance.—

Because if the information likely to be given by the Secretary, be deemed of consequence, it may be obtained, by an examination before the Committee without having recourse to the medium of Government.—

For the above reasons I do not think it necessary to apply for the Papers mentioned,—as it would only tend, to prolong the enquiry, and swell the proceedings with matter, foreign to the subject of it.—

7th September 1790.

[Signed] Bs. Garrow.

Mr. Moubray begs the following may be recorded,—

Never having perused the Letters in question I cannot speak from my own knowledge, of the particulars therein stated, but from what I have been told I have reason to believe that they tend to elucidate & corroborate the informations before us, and therefore I think we ought not to defer the application to Government more particularly as Mr. Edward Holland has intimated

his

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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 Extracts of a Letter from Mr Walter Balfour collector in the Jaghire — representing the defenceless state of the Country & requesting it may be taken into Consideration.

The Collector in the Southern Division of the Jaghire having represented to us the present defenceless State of the Districts under his Charge, We have the honor to lay before you Extract of his Letter for your Information, and to request that the Collectors may be either authorized to raise a Sufficient force on which there may be some dependance for the defence of the Jaghire and to impress the Inhabitants with Confidence, or else that your Honorable Board will make such a provision as you may judge necessary to answer the above purpose.

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

Fort St George
9th September 1790.

(signed) John Turing
M. W. Tudor
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
George Moubray
Wm Balfour

Extract

distant Stations, since it is not in my power to make them any promise, but that their orderly behaviour is the best recommendation to the favor of Government.

So far I am happy to say I believe I shall succeed as all is quiet. I must now mention the assistance I have met from the Nabob's European Officers, as I make no doubt Government will allow them due Credit, for the line they adopted.—

Captains Dighton and Everis seeing the turn affairs had taken, came forward for the sake of public peace without adverting either to the Nabob's or the Company's cause, and undertook to keep their Sepoys in obedience 'till orders should arrive from Government.

I have the Honor to enclose a paper which will explain the Situation of the Troops, so far back as the Commencement of the late War, the use that was made of them last assignment, and I hope evince the utility of their being restored to some similar Establishment as the letting of the Farms and the subjection of the Polygars, in all that is Connected with the Collection, will greatly depend upon a permanent and well regulated provincial force— The Crop now upon the ground will be ready to cut, by the time the answer can arrive from Government and the Renters will hardly be able to Secure it unless protected by the accustomed support from the Military, nor will it be a fair trial to the numerous Polygars, to leave temptation in their way, at the very moments they are expected to forego the Sweets of which they have lately so largely partaken

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I have also enclosed to General Medows a Copy of the accompanying application from the Dutch Chief at Tuticorin - a disaffection among the Singleans that has lately broken out in different parts of the Island of Ceylon is I understand, the occasion of this Request. -

Tinnevelly
2d September 1790.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benj. Torin.

His Highness the Nabobs regular Battalions in the Districts of Tinnevelly - at the time the last War broke out were formed into 18 Independant Companies by Sir Eyre Coote and put under the Command of the Officers at Palamcotah but they were subject to the requisitions of the Renter and it was soon found he made an improper use of their Services On Mr. Irwin's arrival he recommended and ultimately had these 18 Companies reformed into three Battalions of 6 Companies each and a European Officer appointed to the Command of every Battalion. - These Officers with their Corps were stationed in the Districts where they could be of most Service - They made returns to the Commanding Officer of the Fort - but were to Comply with all Orders and requisitions they received from the Superintendant.

When the Assignment was restored to the Nabob this Corps, of Course reverted to His Highness's Service - but as they no longer retain any of the Discipline appearance or garb Orders and are Cavalry ill paid and badly Clothed, their

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Translation

To Benjamin Torin Esqr.

Sir, The Government of Ceylon having recalled a part of the Troops which are now at Cochin, amounting to about Four hundred Men, I have solicited permission of the Nabob, for the march of this Detachment through his Highness's Country, but as I fear, the Nabob may be much chagrined, at the loss of the administration of his Country, and in a State of inaction, may not think any more, of this requisition, I request of you, Sir, to obtain from the Nabob, or from the Government of Mal as you may find it necessary, permission, to march a Detachment of about Four Hundred Men European and Malays, from Cochin to Tuticorin; to be transported from thence, to Ceylon, you will much oblige me, nothing will be more agreeable to me, than to find occasion to convince you of the distinguished consideration with which I have the Honor to be,

Sir, &c.

Tuticorin
21st August 1790.

Signed M. Mellen

A true Translation

Signed J Chase

Minute thereon

The Board approve the Proceedings and Recommendations contained in the foregoing Letter

Dr

Resolved from a Conviction, of the Necessity

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Opinion, that one Writer is fully Sufficient for the forms and in answer to the application, of the Latter, We deem it only necessary to refer to your Order to the Comptroller General of army accounts on the 12th April 79 which notifies that "no Officer absent from his Corps "shall, upon any Plea whatsoever, be entitled to draw "House Rent."

The Senior Officer of artillery having represented, to us the necessity of appointing a Serjeant to drill and instruct the artillery Recruits at present in this Garrison, We beg leave to recommend, that a Serjeant of the Invalid Artillery may be permitted to draw the allowance of Drill Serjeant, until the Recruits are perfected in the Knowledge of their Duty.

We transmit for your information, Copy of a Return, of Enginers, Pascars, and, Fascine Makers necessary for the Entire Army, according to the Present Arrangement for it, together with a List of such Articles laid before us by Lieutenant Colonel Ross as will be required to move with that Department on Service. Considering however that the Plan of operations is changed since our Report of the 22d Ultimo, We take the Liberty of requesting to be informed, whether it is your Pleasure that any and what number of Enginers should be sent with Colonel Kelly's Army.

Forbes

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Return of Engineers, Lascars, and Fascine Makers proposed for the Center Army

Engineers	Lascars	Fascine Makers	Artificers								
			Captain	Lieutenants	Tindals	Lascars	Mastry	Mates & Coolies	Carpenters Mastry	Do Coolies	Smiths Mastry
1	2	2	25	1	1	25	1	6	1	3	3

Artificers				
Do Coolies	Blacksmiths Mastry	Do Coolies	Pioneers Sirdars	Bullocks Mastry
3	3	1	1	1

[Signed] Patrick Ross
Lieutenant Colonel & Chief Engineer

A true Copy
[Signed] Danl Ince
Secy.

Return of Sundries wanted for the Engineer Department with the Center Army.

Surveying Instruments		Broad axes	5
Theodolite	1	Hand Hatchets	25
Perambulator	1	Felling axes	5
Chains	3	Miners Tools Chest	1
Small case of Mathematical Instruments	3	Picke axes Short handles	20
		Long Do Do	5
Parallel Ruler	2	Threads	5
Pioneers Tools		Needles	50
Bill Hooks	100	Gunneys for Packing	20
		Twine	5

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Vellum Sheets	2	Blotting Paper, Drs.	2
Sealing Wax	℔ 1/2	Memorandum Books	6
Quills	№ 300	Quartos	3
Pen Knife	1	Folios	3
Ink Powder Papers	6	Black lead Pencils	Dozens 4
Sand Box	1	Rose	6
Red Tape, — pieces	2	Colours for Drawing	
Pounce	℔ 1/4		

/Signd/ Patrick Ross
Lieut.t Colonel & Chief Engr.

A true Copy
/Signd/ Dan.l Ince
Secy.

Minute thereon, Resolved that the opinion of the Military Board upon the Claims of Lieutenants Fergason and Mackenzie be confirmed.—

Do Agreed that two Serjeants of Artillery be permitted to draw the allowance of a Drill Serjeant until the Recruits are perfected in their Duty.—

Do The Board are of opinion that three Subalterns of Engineers will be sufficient to attend Colonel Kelly's Army, and that one of them shall have the Charge of the Pioneers, as recommended in the Letter from the Military Board, under date the 22.d August.

Do The Board approve the other Recommendations contained in the foregoing Letter.—

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

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Delay or Deviation from the Instructions which have been sent to Messrs. Ramand, Falloſield — That the Board are concerned that his Excellency should have found it neceſsary to exclaim so vehemently against Mr. Ram, more especially as Mr. Falloſield is now employed in examining the Charges against Mr. Ram. —

Substance of a Letter to be written to Mr. Falloſield.

Resolved, That a Letter be written to Mr. Falloſield expreſsing the Board's anxiety to receive his Reports upon the Charges exhibited against Mr. Ram, which has been long expected, and must not be further delayed. —

Ex.d Thos. Harris —

John Turing
Com.y Saunders

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The following is an account of the different Forts on the Malabar Coast, and the Supposed Number of Men in each Garison

	Men.		Men.
Chittivahe	500	Cunnah	200
Chogaut	300	Mangalore	3000
Calicoto	3000	Mooltey	60
Colandey	200	Durea Bahaudy Ghut	200
Khulet	200	Tenooey	200
Bergirah	500	Candapore	1500
Mootungul	200	Cuncooey	50
Coorchey	200	Bedure	200
Cannanore	2000	Batcullah	200
Mirragerah	50	Munkey	50
Mamaikey	60	Mooleeur	200
Veel Maundy	50	Onore	500
Ram Ferry	50	Bursoraichey Droog	100
Covahey	50	Rajahmondroog	50
Nilleseer	50	Merjaun	200
Bakul	800	Aukolah	200
Thundergeree	100	Corrunghur	100
Causelgere	100	Sadasew Ghur	1000
Sawseer	100		

The Coast from Ramtery as far as Sawseer is under the Jurisdiction of Bednore, whom I commanded in that Country, I kept up a very large body of Troops but the exact number now Stationed there I am not acquainted with The most considerable Garisons were Sadasew Ghur, Bakul, Onore, & Candapore

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11th to the Bednore Country, the following would be the best Plan - First, it would be necessary to carry the army up the Tedree River, and in order to deceive the Troops in the Bednore Country, you should march from thence to the Bilgherry Ghaut, where the army might encamp for two or three Days, which would naturally lead them to believe you intended to proceed by that Route to Bednore, and would draw their Troops thither from all parts, in order to dispute your passage up - If you could at the same time send a Detachment to the Bottom of the Onore Ghaut, with these two Events you might depend on dividing their Troops in such a manner that not discovering your real intentions you might peaceably march up the Hyder Ghur Ghaut, for there are not more than from five hundred to a Thousand men at that Post, who on the appearance of so large an Army, would directly desert it, after getting up, and you pushed on, you might march into Bednore without Opposition - you should then Detach about five hundred Men to Anantpore, and establish a Post there, as well as at Seringhur, the latter would require about One Thousand Men to maintain it - It would also be necessary to send 500 Men to Custarah; These Posts being established, Tippoo's army would not be able to come into the Province at all; but I should have first

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11th Baggage might be left at the Bottom of the Ghaut where it would be secure, and by moving on light from thence, you would easier get possession of Penah Puttun, and the Baggage might afterwards come up. But should the Troops at Penah Puttun be numerous it would be better to halt at Suddapore, which is a secure place for incamping the army and from thence you could carry on your Operations against Penah Puttun as you thought proper; because it is most likely they would defend this place, which would be reinforced; and, not unlikely but Tippoo himself might come there with his army, on account of its proximity to Seringaputtun every precaution should be taken on your part, so as to be ready for him if Tippoo comes himself to Penah Puttun, and General Medows moves on in the other quarter, the War must be speedily ended, and on the contrary should he continue to oppose the Grand Army, and not appear in person against you, the Business will be equally as soon as terminated.

If it is your intention to go to Tellicherry you should Order Colonel Hartley's Detachment and the Tellicherry Garrison to join you, and if you want Provision and Coolies, I think the best way will

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Command, From the Commencement of Tippoo's attack on Ram Raja, these People Stopt Provisions from going into Tellicherry.

Regarding Coolies, if you will only give your Orders to Mousah, Benabeundy ahmed, and other Merchants at Tellicherry they will Supply as many as you want, but it will be necessary to keep an Eye upon them in time of action, or they will otherwise desert. The Grain at Cannanore should be sent to Tellicherry, and such of the Inhabitants as appear to have any Influence should be devided, and sent to different places. It must be evident to you, that should this plan be determined on, it will be necessary to keep it a profound Secret for there is no faith in the Moplas, and they can never be trusted when Tippoo came against Mangalore, the Moplas were his Friends, and assisted him in Shutting up the Country, which occasioned Colonel Macleod at that time to procud against Cannanore, which he captured, but with the loss of a good many both of the Kings, and Company's Troops. I have heard that the Cannanore Moplas have lately had fresh Disputes with some of the principal People of Tellicherry which makes it clear they can never be confided in. The Bibbee of Cannanore should

therefore

large quantities from thence with him, the Govern-
ment warehouses were all full, there is still however
a quantity left. I have also heard there is a large
Stock of Rice in Mangalore belonging to private
Merchants, as well as at Mooltey. The Inhabitants
that did belong to Calicut which is now destroyed
have removed to Bypore, called by Tippoo Sarmuttun
and Sunderland, the Grain, Tippoo carried from
Mangalore, when he commenced his attack on
Rajah's Lines, is lodged there, as well as the Pepper,
Sandalwood, Cardemums and Rice, from the Circuit
round Calicut, Curratnaut, Cherical and Cotten-
gurry; It is also reported, that at the time, Tippoo
was last in the neighbourhood of Tellicherry, He
lodged the Grain for his Army at Cannanore, from
whence it has not been moved, but is there still.
The Bibbee of Cannanore has also a great deal of
Grain, which is the property of her own Circar, In the
Forts of Bypore which is under Calicut, Cannanore,
Mangalore, Mooltey, belonging to the Mangalore
District, and Bunnaur as which is under Bednore
were to fall into your hands, there would be ample
Supplies for the whole Army for a Year at least.

It would be advisable to gain over if
possible, the Rajahs of Malabar to your Interest
and

11th Severity by their present Ruler; There is a man at Tellicherry whose name is Toopoy, this man is on Terms of great intimacy with the aforesaid Rajahs, should you employ him in bringing them to you, he would certainly effect it, or was the Chief of Tellicherry even to write to them, I dare say they would come to him.—

The Rajah of Coluck is well affected, towards the English indeed were any Troops to come against him from above the Ghauts, Tellicherry would be the only place he could make an asylum of. I think if you could take him with you, you would find him very serviceable, In case of Bullocks being wanted, an application to Moosah, Beracundy ahmed will be sufficient, as they can supply you, The Heads of the Coly Casts can also furnish you with Coolies, but a watchful Eye must be kept over them.—

Route from Bedanore to Seringapatam

To Shahwunhore - 6 Cos situated on the banks of a fine River but woody —

" Ananpore - - 6 Do a large Tank near it & Trees

" Betore - - - 3 Do Close on a River

" Inoore - - - 4 Do a Tank & Trees near the Town

" Singar - - - 6 Do situated on a plain, a River running by it

Bankapore - 7 Do Do —

Turkish

11 not in this Fort, is of little consequence. —

The Madras Battalions in the Travancore Country with a Body of the Rajah's own Troops, should accompany you, and the Rajah no doubt would accede thereto, for as it has ever been the wish both of Hyder and his Son, to reduce him to the State of a Dependant, and which, had it not been for the Protection afforded him by the Company, they would certainly have succeeded in, there must naturally subsist the most pointed Enmity between them. —

Your Army being thus assembled & in course, directed via Coimbatoor you will proceed up Coogulhully Ghaut, when you will arrive at Verdunhully, a good place for Refreshment, and to halt at. —

It would appear that Tippoo considers his present Situation so desperate, and his power so much on the decline, from the large Armies that are drawing towards his Capital from every quarter, consisting of the English, Mahrattas, & Moguls Forces, that he despairs of being able to bring his Troops into action against them, and that he is Sighing for Peace, there cannot be a Doubt of, & to obtain which he would agree to any Terms the English might choose to demand. You be aware of

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If confinement, he has likewise dignified with the Title of Sepoy, with an Army thus composed, I leave you to judge how far it can respect it's Leader, and if it is likely they will stand by him. It is on this account he is afraid to trust himself at any great distance from his Capital, for whenever he determines on confronting the English Army, and the action is of any Duration, his Guns will be deserted and with the greatest part of his artillery, a considerable Portion of his Troops will probably come over to your side, In that case, and they seem willing to enter into your Service, it will be of advantage to you to enlist them releasing such as are not desirous of becoming Soldiers.

Tippoo when at the Head of his Army is at all times to be distinguished by his attendants, which in general consist of 500 or 600 Spearmen, with silver Spears, and a green silk Chittry over his Head, which are marks of Dignity He never allows any Part of his army - should Seringa Puttun be besieged He would find it necessary to be more disguised and would probably only be attended by a Horsekeeper, for he himself would be mostly on Horseback, it is possible by keeping a Constant Lookout, He might be taken. —

Morgan

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To John Chamier Esq.

Secretary Fort St George.

Sir,

From the Resident at Poonah - noting the Situation of the Detachment under Captain Little and of the Mahratta forces on the 17th august -

I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Favors of the 9th and 10th Instant and beg you will return my Thanks to the Honorable the Board for the very important Intelligence contained in them.

My latest advices from the army of this State are Dated the 15th Instant at which time Captain Little having crossed the Kistna was proceeding toward Tippoo's Frontier, the Maratta artillery was before him and the Cavalry was crossing as fast as the Conveyances procurable on the River would permit, my next Letters from that Quarter will I hope bring the pleasing Intelligence of the whole having crossed.

It has been signified to me by the Durbar that 5 Battalions of Tippoo's are on their way from his main Army to reinforce the Garisons of his Northern Frontier. I have the Honor to be &c &c

[Signd] W Malet.

Poonah
28th August 1790.

John Chamier Esqr.

From the Resident at Hydrabad - inclosing a Letter for General Medows - states the last accounts received from Majr Montgomery.

Secretary to the Governor in Council Military Department

Sir,

Fort St George.

I have the Honor to inclose a Letter for General Medows which I request you will forward I have also to beg that I may from time to time be informed of what

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mentioned in the Letter which the Governor and Council have written to me august 13.th I have answered.—

I have declared in my Letter which I wrote you august 31.st that there was not so great an arrear to be paid that all which I was to pay amounted to about 2,000 Pag.s

Before the Honorable Governor and Council have replied to this my Statement of accounts you unjustly ask of me 2 Lacks of Pagodas and good Security for the remainder - and you mention that as 8 Days were elapsed I should send an order to my Ameldars and Patlekdars to obey the Orders which you should send to them All this appears to me so wonderfull for surprizing that I cannot express it in writing

Now the reply which I give you with certainty consists in this viz.t—

I owe to the Company about 2,000 Pagodas and besides that Sum I owe them nothing.—

I lose my Honor and dignity by your taking my Country unjustly and by your bringing upon me a bad name.—

Before I get an answer to the letter which I have written to the Honorable Governor and Council august 26.th and likewise to the letter which I wrote august 31.st enclosing the Statement of accounts and which I sent to you to forward it— Before I receive an answer, I say to these Letters from the Governor & Council

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Sent the following Letter

To Messrs Maxwell
Moubray
& J Garrow

To Messrs Maxwell, Moubray and Garrow, with Copies of Papers required by them — and of a Letter written to the Nabob authorizing them to call upon such Persons as are capable of giving them any Information —

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Board, in reply to your Letter of the 7th Instant to inform you that they called upon their Secretary to report what he knew respecting Mr Anderson's Letters alluded to in yours — he has acquainted them that he never saw any Letters but those which are upon Record — these are now sent to you with the Minutes of the Board thereon — also a Letter lately addressed to the Board by His Highness the Nabob —

Fort St George
10th September
1790.

The Board authorize you to call upon such Persons as you may think capable of giving Information upon the Objects of the Enquiry entrusted to you

I am, &c &c Signed John Stanley
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To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief

To Major General Medows — every exertion is making to enable the Centre Army to move at the time prescribed — enclosing Copy of Mr Torins Letter respecting the employing Provincial Troops —

Honble Sir,

We have been favored with your Letter of the 1st Instant and have communicated to Colonel Kelly your ideas as to his future Operations — We sincerely hope that your Expectations with respect to the Centre Army will

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necessary shall be fixed. —

To Lieutenant Mackenzie - Stating that, according to the Regulations of the Service, his application is inadmissible. —

To Lieutenant Mackenzie.

To Lieutenant Hewitson, his Claim for Pay and allowances, until his Departure for Europe will be admitted, provided he produces a proper Certificate of his being unable to perform his Duty. —

To Lieutenant Hewitson.

To the Fort adjutant at Trichinopoly - the Paymaster will be directed to discharge his Monthly Bill of ten Pagodas, for the Pay of a Writer to be employed in making Monthly Rolls of the Families and Sick of the army. —

To the Fort adjutant at Trichinopoly.

To the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly with Instructions in consequence. —

To the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly.

To the Collector in the Tinnevelly District approving the Proceedings and Recommendations contained in his Letter of the 2d Instant - instructions for raising three Provincial Battalions. —

To the Collectors in the Tinnevelly District.

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah, with notification of the abovementioned Instructions sent to Mr Torin. —

To the Paymasters at Palamcotah.

The Same to the Commandant at Palamcotah. —

To the Commandant at Palamcotah.

To

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From Captain Agnew - with a Letter addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors - to be transmitted to Europe as a number in the Packet by the Houghton

From Captain Agnew

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — enclosing an Invoice of Military Stores shipped on Board the Houghton for the Supplies of this Presidency —

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal

At a Consultation Present

Morgan Williams Esqr
Acting President

Tuesday the 14th September 1790.

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs

The Honble Major General William Medows absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation, read and approved — Read the following Letters from the Board of Revenue —

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

From the Board of Revenue - with Extract of a Letter from Mr Hindersley Collector in the Ceded Districts respecting Grain.

Honble Sir,

We have the honor of informing you that agreeably to your instructions we directed the Collectors in the Ceded Districts to collect whatever grain could be procured; and we now beg leave to

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it, I must first be enabled, to assure the Owners of the terms of purchase, that is, whether the Company will give the Market price; and whether ready Money. On these points I request your early instructions; and also whether the publick necessity will warrant my obliging the possessors of Grain, to dispose of their Paddy on the terms you shall be pleased to determine, should they wish, (as in case of deficiency of Rain they will do) to withhold it.

A true Extract

[Signed] J Webbe
Secy.

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

From the Board of Revenue, recommending that all articles of Provisions sent to the Centre army be immediately paid for.

Honble Sir,

We have the honor of informing you, that we have received from Bonnaugre a letter, in which he represents that he had delivered 700 Sheep and 100 Fowls for the use of the army; but that he had not received payment for those articles. We take the liberty of recommending that Colonel Kelly should be prohibited, from taking any provisions from Bonnaugre, or any of the other Tributaries or Renters without paying for them; and that he should be ordered to pay for those, which he may have

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to General Medows.

Fort William
20th August 1790.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) E Hay
Secy to the Government

To the Honorable Colonel Abercromby
Governor in Council
Bombay.

Honble Sir,

Since the Dispatch of our Letter of the 12th Instant, we have been favored with your Presidents Minute, containing his Sentiments on the mode of employing the Troops of your Presidency to the greatest advantage, for effectually promoting the Success of the War in which the Company is engaged against Tippoo Sultaun, as soon as the Monsoon on your Coast will admit of your undertaking Military operations.

We have read & considered, Colonel Abercromby's Plan with great attention, and, unacquainted as he at that time was, with the complete Success of our Southern Army in Coimbatore, & naturally supposing that a Powerful Cooperation from the Malabar Side would have been necessary to have enabled General Medows to obtain entire Possession of that Country, his Proposition appears to us to be exceedingly sensible and judicious.

You

Tellicherry or indeed on any part of the Malabar Coast.

It gives us great Satisfaction to find, that Colonel Abercromby's Opinion, coincides so perfectly with that of the Governor General on the great Hazard and Danger that would attend an unsupported and Desultory invasion of the Enemy's Country towards Mangalore, Bednore or any of the more Northern Parts of his Dominions, and on the little solid advantage, that can be expected from such an undertaking.

We cannot conclude without assuring your President, that we are thoroughly sensible of his Zeal and earnestness to forward the Public Service, and after giving him the Lights that we possess, we must again refer him for his ultimate Decision to the Requisition of General Medows, or to such Communications as he may receive from that Office who will no doubt be soon enabled to arrange the future Plan for his Military Operations, and to point out to Colonel Abercromby, as well as to the Mahrattas & the Nizam such movements as he shall think most likely to distract the enemy and the best calculated to ensure his final Success.

We have the Honor to be, &c &c

(Signed) Governor General
& Council

A true Copy
(Signed) E Hay
Sec to the Govr

Fort William
the 19th August 1790.

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belonging to your Detachment from the Bengal Contractor to the Madras Agent. In consequence of which information, I am directed to transmit to you the copies of a correspondence relative to victualling the European troops

Troops of Lieutenant Colonel Deares Detachment, which induced the Supreme Government to Confirm the plan adopted at Madras, of ordering the Commissary of Grain and Provisions to receive all the European Troops of that Detachment under his Charge, to be victualled by him, and to be put entirely upon the same footing as the Troops of the Madras Establishment.

The Propriety and necessity of such a measure, while the Troops of the two Establishments are together, are so obvious that it is the Opinion of the Governor General in Council that it should be adopted by you, as soon after the receipt of these Orders as the necessary arrangements can be made for transferring the Charge from the Agent of the Bengal Contractor to that of the Agent of the Madras Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

The Board are not aware of any Interference that these Instructions can have with those formerly sent to you, under Date the 3d of June, directing the Audit of the accounts of your Detachment to be carried on as usual in Bengal. The only alteration produced by them will be that the Batta of the Non Commissioned Officers and Privates will cease to be drawn from your Paymaster, and consequently will not, from hereafter, be an article of Charge in his Disbursements. You are requested to give Notice to the Military and to

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The Board are not aware of any Interference that these Instructions can have with those formerly sent to you, under Date the 25th of June, directing the audit of the accounts of your Detachment to be carried on as usual in Bengal. The only alteration produced by them will be that the Batta of the Non Commissioned Officers and Privates will cease to be drawn from your Pay masters, and consequently will not, from hereafter, be an article of Charge in his Disbursements. You are requested to give notice to the Military Auditor

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the memorable instance, which Mr. Orme + has recorded, would be sufficient to place in the strongest point of view the dangers, to which the Company's affairs have been exposed from this cause alone. To guard against treachery in their Negotiations requires their most serious attention, but to secure themselves from fraud in matters of Revenue, upon which their very existence depends, is an object of the first magnitude. This however cannot be accomplished, until English Gentlemen shall be able to officiate as interpreters; for with a people, whose characteristic is circumvention, and among whom successful villainy is no impeachment of honour. The greatest severity of punishment will never effectually deter from treachery, because the Lenity of English law renders the chance of impunity superiour to that of detection.

The Historian after having related the Death of Bonia pah draws the following forcible inference. "This complicated treachery shews to "what dangers the affairs of Europeans in Hindostan "may be exposed by not having persons of their own "nation, sufficiently versed in the Languages of India "to serve instead of natives as interpreters." If this conviction could be so strongly impressed upon the

mind

which we have mentioned, they might now have felt the want of European interpreters. The Gentlemen whom we employ in the Company's Service cannot chuse but be men of some learning and education; but we observe with concern, that the merest ignorant a portuguese copiest is rewarded with double, and often with treble the allowances, which are granted to these men.

There is however one objection, which may be started; but we beg leave to anticipate it. We mean the five hundred Pagodas, with which the Company have rewarded all proficients in the languages. Though we are grateful for this mark of generosity, we yet presume to think, that it might more properly be denominated a remuneration; because we can assert from experience that this Sum is not sufficient to defray the expences, which every Gentleman must incur before he can be sufficiently qualified, to demand the gratuity.

Though in acquiring the Languages we labour under difficulties, which are unknown in Bengal — yet, when we look to the rewards, which the Servants upon that Establishment receive, we fly with mortification from the comparison. It has long been a maxim that the Government, which expect to be served with fidelity, must reward with liberality. This truth must be forcibly impressed upon

as I hear of their arrival there;

This measure I have adopted in consequence of the information I lately received from Government of the Commander in Chief's intentions respecting the movements of this army - for as I purpose to enter the Enemy's country by the Pass of Moguilly West of Chittoor which I have lately had examined by Captain Beatson, (whose report goes enclosed) I wish to forward my movements as much as possible, and to put it beyond the risk of the swelling of the Palar to impede the arrival of the Stores in Camp, - after the Stores are at the place I have ordered, and the army ready to move from thence, nothing can possibly interrupt our future progress towards the Mysore Country, nor prevent me fulfilling the wishes of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(signed) R. Kelly.

Head Quarters
Center Army
Camp near Arnee
13th September 1790

To Colonel Kelly
Commanding the Center Army.

Sir,

I have the Honor to enclose a Short Description, with a general and comparative view of the Passes of Moguilly, Cuddapanatham, and Gudda

here the Road is uneven, although not difficult, through a close woody Country, for about four Miles; where it opens and presents at once an extensive view of Tippoo's Passes Pedanaig durgum, Colar, & mulwaggle, Ramasamoodrum Ponganoor, and Amboolapilly, all appearing in sight. Many of these an Army might march almost in a direct line; for being arrived upon the Table land the Country is open and dry, the Roads good and excellent Encamping Grounds.

The Cuddapanallam and Pedanaigdurgum Passes have also carefully examined, and although they were both used in the war of 1767 they are now so extremely rugged, so very steep and have so many short turnings that the labour would be immense, to render them passable by any means, and in going by these routes the Cattle must be unyoked, the Guns taken off the Carriages, and afterwards tediously dragged and hoisted through the difficult parts The Pedanaigdurgum, which is all within Tippoo's Boundary was destroyed, about three years ago, by cutting deep trenches across it, and in one part cutting away the rock upon the brow of a steep Hill in such a manner as to leave no foundation for a road to be made.

The Road from Madras, by Chittoor, and through the Mugley Pass, to Bangalore, is equidistant with that by Vellore and Cuddapanallam, and the Cuddapanallam Pass may also be used at the same time in the transportation of Grain and Stores upon

bullocks

who are not so well informed of the Circumstances as the Honorable Board, particularly the Honorable Court of Directors and the Board of Controul, I must indeed be considered as a very unfit Person to hold the Employ with which the Honorable Board have thought proper lately to honor me if half what His Excellency has advanced against me in these other Parts of his Letter were really well grounded, —

1st The First Para. Charges me from my arrival with a uniform Conduct to oppress and injure the Inhabitants on this head I appeal to Mr Swartz whether it has not been the uniform Tenour of my Conduct to protect the injured, and obtain Redress for them as far as my limited authority as Resident would go. this is apparent from my Letters for a better administration of Justice and was so generally known, that I have at least a Couple of Dozen of Petitions requesting my Interference in behalf of the oppressed. —

Letter to Gov.r 29th Jan.y
to Rajah 30th Do
5th Feb.y 1790

When the Rajah to set forth his Contrary Conduct affirms in the 4th Para. that he had made large Remissions to the Inhabitants it is an absolute misrepresentation his Remissions were nominal his oppressions Real this has been pointed out by me in two Letters to the Rajah which he has never ventured to answer and in two to the Government I appeal to Facts which may be easily

Letter to the Rajah
5th February 1790
28th May Do

Letter to Government
6th May 1790

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"There being no prospect of a favorable Change
"in his Situation, Humanity induces me, to hope that some
"effectual mode of Interposition may suggest itself to you,
"Honorable Sir, by which the Boy may receive the Protection
"he so well merits from the Justice of the Honorable Company

"I beg leave to add that the Reverend Mr Swartz
"in whom Tuljah on his Death bed, appointed Guardian
"to Serfoge, might with propriety be constituted the
"Judge of the Boys condition and while he approved of the
"Treatment shewn by his Excellency the Child would be
"secure of every Protection the Honorable Company could
"wish, to obtain for him.

"I have the Honor to be
&c.
(Signed) Alexander Macleod.

It is true that the Rajah promised Mr Petrie
to release Serfoge it is equally notorious that he broke
every Promise he made relative to Serfoge all that
Mr Petrie did for the Boy, was to get the Place of his
Confinement white washed, it was still rendered so dark
by Pandals and enclosures as to require the Light of
Lamps at Noon Day - The Reasons that Mr Petrie
did not procure more favorable conditions for the Boy
are of a Political Nature and I believe are mentioned
in his Letter of the 28th October 1788 to Governor or in Letters
about that time.

That the Ladies the Mesdames of the late
Tuljaje

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all his Life as dear as possible.

What follows I have only from Report namely that the Rajah should say to some of his People "If this "Boy were put to Death would not this put an End to "all these remonstrances from the Council and Mr Ram" Gis to this that the Ladies seem to allude in their Letts.

The very night of the 28th October when I had left Mr Swartz to protect the Boy two attempts were made to get him away but were defeated by the Propriety of that Gentleman's Conduct and the Prudence of the Boy himself.

The Rajah in his 5 Para says "Reports were "circulated all over the Fort and Country that the Boy was to "be taken away from me by Force as the Friendship between "the Company and me was at an End and that my Throne "and Kingdom were to begin anew to this Boy"

There is no doubt but these and the like apprehensions have been daily instilled into the Rajah by Shereno this has been the Grand Engine of his Influence Unfortunately from the very Commencement of his Reign There seems to have been a consciousness in the Rajah that he was not the proper Successor to his Brother; Hence his Extravagant Joy at being placed on the Musnud, his Excessive Expences in his Processions thro' the Country and at his Daughters wedding which cost him upwards of 2x Lacks of Pagodas tho' it is only set down in the Cutcha Books at 2,500 / as if to make up by a magnificence in Effect in his Title his Poverty to the Boy his Regatory Prodigality to the Bramins

and

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Here follows a List of the Salaries received by the Principal Servants of the Rajah and by his Son in Law,

Shevarow Sirkul		pr annum	6000 Pa
Trimbu Sambajee vackeel	Shevarow's Brother		1200
Nagobay			720
Shunkararow			360
Sacaram	Shevarow's Sons		720
Jeevanah			720
Kristna Swamy Cutto:			
cota modest	Shevarow's Brother in Law		720
Donaboy Muzamadar modest			500
Kristna Swamy Shevarow's Nephew			360
Among Shevarow's Relations and Friends			500
		Shevarows Family	11,800
Rajah's Son in Law			12000

It will appear upon Reference to my Letter of the 23d October that I complied with the Desires of the Rajah in Respect to Serfogee as far as I could with regard to his Safety. The Orders of Government Letter 16th October were to remove him out of the Palace but finding the Rajah would consider this as an additional Grievance I risked the Censure of the Board for not performing their Orders in that Particular notwithstanding I knew my Neglect of this would

occasion

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of a Jewel given to Serfoge by the Widows of Tulyaje which giving Offence to the Rajah I desired he would not wear it tho' assured by Mr Swartz that it was no peculiar mark of Royalty this and every other requisition Serfoge has ever chearfully complied with however mortifying to him or the Dowagers of the Late Tulyaje.

The whole of my Conduct with regard to Serfoge which has been the Principal cause of all the Rajah's Prejudice against may be seen in my Letters to Government of the 12th August 3d September 23d of October 1789 / Since which I have barely mentioned him in my Letter 10th May 1790 / and that I had the Orders and the repeated thanks from the Board for my Conduct in regard to Serfoge will be evident from Reference to Letters from Military Secretary to me.

22d August - enclosing one to the Rajah 21st August -
28th September - Do - Do - 25th September
16th October — Ordering the Release of Serfoge
27th Do - approving of my Conduct in his Release

With regard to the Door and the wall, the Door was removed and the Space bricked upon the Night of the 21st by the Rajah's Order for the purpose of preventing Serfoge from paying his Obeisance to his Mothers the Circumstance is mentioned in my Letter to Govr 23d of October given an account of the Release of Serfoge no arguments have been able to prevail

Letter to Govr 23d October

arrive conceiving he would have waited here a Day or two. On account of this Door being blocked up the victuals which the widows of Tellajee send daily to the Boy were obliged to be conveyed three several long winding Passages and three Days after General Medows Departure some of the Rajahs People had the Brutality to spit their Betle all over the Cloth which covered the victuals in this Condition the victuals were carried to Mr Swartz who sent them to me that this should have been done as the Rajah insinuates by the Servants of Serfoge I cannot believe for many Reasons Serfoge went without his victuals not only for that Day but was forced to put up with Bramminy victuals which I sent to him under a Guard for two or three Days afterwards till the Ladies contrived to have his proper maratta victuals handed over the wall — The Letter complained of was drawn up by Mr Swartz and the Translator sent to me as inclosed in the Rajahs Letter the Latter part was certainly what I had authorized Mr Swartz to say, having at first some Idea in case the Insult should be repeated to cause the Door to be opened after representing the cause to the Rajah In the mean time I sent the victuals as before mentioned waiting to see whether the Rajah would take any steps to prevent the like in future. He took none but the Ingenuity of the Ladies made it unnecessary for me to write a Complaint to the Board which would have contained matter disgraceful to the Rajah — but as the Rajah has

26th May.

not

imagined, would be disagreeable to the Rajah - For
Instance the Encroachment of the old woman's House
/called wan Key formerly a Servant but now a principal
Confident of the Rajah's on the Company's Ground in
which an almost perpetual singing and dancing
sometimes the greatest part of the Night, renders a
considerable nuisance to me who have not the
advantage of a Country House to retire to my Pre-
decessor was I know by much persuasion prevailed
upon to allow this woman to have the use of a small
part of the Company's Ground no doubt with a Reserve
to the Company's Claim - She has lately much increased
her Buildings on it and would have effectually shut
out the Sea Breze from the Company's House by
building Top Rooms to it had I not interposed telling
her know at the same time that I should not interfere
with the Lower Part of her house, out of the Friendship
I bore the Rajah and the Respect to my Predecessor
but that she must consider she was building on
the Company's Ground which they might at any
time Reclaim, —

I should not have mentioned these things
but to shew that I was not inclined personally to
offend the Rajah, —

I now come to speak of Bava's business

and

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Mr Petrie remained at Tanjore the first time Bava was attempted to give any advice he got into Disgrace with the Rajah and the whole of the Business reverted into its old Channel Mr Petrie about the same time recommended by Letter that the Resident's Powers should be extended for the purpose of watching over those Engagements which the Rajah and his Managers had voluntarily come into and that it should make part of his Instructions to attend to the State of the Cultivation in the Country as well as the appropriation of the Revenue.

The above may be considered as a full Answer to all that has been said against Bava and the Letters written by Sir Archibald Campbell since it appears that Sir Archibald Campbell had altered his Opinion of Bava In Fact what Mr Swartz in his Letter recommending Bava 5th May 1793 has affirmed joined with the Impracticability of convicting him of the last Embezzlement affords a remarkable instance of Ingenuity in a Blackman Some of the Charges against Bava were of the most frivolous nature, such as obliging the Inhabitants to keep the Streets clean it were to be wished for the sake of Cleanliness and the health of the Inhabitants that the same Orders were Still enforced.

The Rajah says Para 5 "Even in my own Palace "his" Mr Ram's Intrigues have formented "a Spirit of Discontent and opposition to me hitherto Unheard "of."

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"The Relief afforded to the Rajahs finances by the
"present illegal and disgraceful plunder of the Queens
"can be but small, His Excellency will endeavour to
"transfer the abhorrence inevitably excited by such
"proceedings from himself to the English. This Consideration
"added to the certainty of the Begums still suffering
"greater Oppressions, should their present application
"prove ineffectual, seems to demand a speedy interfe-
"rence on the part of the Company, whose dignity would
"suffer from the Receipt of Money known to have been
"collected by such unjustifiable means."

"Could the Rajah be induced, according to your
"first idea, to depose those of his Servants who have notoriously
"enriched themselves by defrauding him the remainder of
"his Ballance, would be soon provided, and the
"example might prove in some degree a warning to those
"he may employ in future."

"I am &c.

(Signed) "Alex.r Macleod.

P. S. "The Rajah was with Shewarow when the latter
"went to the womans apartments at nights as stated in
"the Petition."

The Ladies have sent repeated messages to
me besides Letters desiring me to transmit them to the
Board But the Ladies expressing themselves rather

according

Sacred to their Privacy and during the former Part of the present Rajah's Reign but to vex the Dowager He took it in his Head lately that he and his wives should have access to an Octagon Tower to get to which he must pass thro the Dowagers apartments - In this he was opposed by that Lady at the Head of her Slaves I suppose there is no occasion for me to assure the Board that I had not the least concern on this occasion - The attack was equally unexpected, as the Defence.—

It is by Enterprises of this kind that the Rajah brings his Conduct into Contempt and while he shall continue to follow such Councils it will scarcely be possible to recover that respectability which ought to attend the Prince of the Country.—

The Letter of the Dowager to me Dated 1st March last being expressed in less Exceptionable Terms than the other Letters I have annexed - It relates to the oppressions of the Rajah to Herself, the other Ladies and Servants I have since received another Letter which relating to the Dust and the wall and otherwise containing much useful Information I have also annexed these Letters are marked B and C.—

B & C

The Rajah's Straining every nerve to promote the Success of our Arms scarcely deserves a serious remark - notwithstanding the Letters from

Colonel

expressing my Sentiments to the Rajah upon Paper but that means giving him the fullest opportunity either of confuting my Arguments or pointing out any failure in respect for, Words may be forgotten or denied but Letters will remain I know of but one Resident, Mr. Macleod who has been here since the Inauguration of the present Rajah, the Bad Terms on which the Rajah chose to be with that Gentleman is notorious The Rajah's Dislike to Mr. Petrie's Conduct is expressed in his Letter of 3 July 1790 to Mr. Holland in short when the Bad managements and Embezzlements of his Ministers renders him unable to pay his Debts to the Company and Government call upon the Resident to urge the Payment in the Strongest Terms, How is it possible for the Resident to continue agreable to the Rajah who has not Capacity to distinguish the Private Person from the Public Officer.

That my Influence should have been Sufficient to prevent People from Lending Money to the Rajah is highly improbable when it is considered that a large Premium is offered, by his Excellency for Money.

That money Lenders should forego such great advantages merely to oblige me cannot be believed with any Degree of Reflection The true cause of the Money Lenders refusal to lend his Excellency more Money is their want of Confidence in his Ministers and their Experience that his Excellency's Affairs have been

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In further Proof of this I have annexed a Minute of Soubarow marked D introducing a Letter from the Sirkul to him / the original in the Sirkuls hand writing / thanking Soubarow in Strongest Terms for his assistance — all which I thought might be necessary to point out how much Rajah is mistaken, and misled when he imputes to a Personal Enmity / in Soubarow and me / towards himself the necessity we have been under to detect and represent the misconduct and Embezzlement of his Ministers. —

D

I have the Honor to be with Respect

&c &c

Tanjore 9th September 1790.

/ Signed / G. A. Ram

Resident.

P. S.

The 300 Bullocks promised by the Rajah to General Medows are returned from Erroad. the Rajah has just sent a Message that he has not Sufficient Influence to prevail on their owners to send them to Camp / The Reason is they have not been paid what was promised them / / Signed G. A. R. &c.

Translation by Mr Swartz

Written by Sulatshnaj Baj & Mohona Baj Sahib late Queens of Tanjore to the Resident Colonel Stuart and Mr Swartz.

A

When our now deceased Maha Rajah was alive, he forbad us to go with him / that is to be burned with

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found it very difficult to send this Letter to you.

As soon as you see this Letter, you are intreated first to save the life of our Son, to leave him to us, and in order to save our lives, to put a double Guard before our Door - then to make a proper Enquiry into our affairs - and to provide for us. Having delivered our and our Sons lives to the Company - you will use all possible speed in preserving our lives - otherwise some fatal disaster will happen - The Company will get a good name by it - you know what is right - as soon as you get this letter put immediately a Guard over us to save our lives and our Son's life and that without asking our Enemy - - Amusing leave - It will be your Charity to preserve our life - you know all and therefor we need not write more.

Translation by Mr. Swartz

B

of a Letter sent by the widow of Pratap Sing Maharajah the Mother of the late Tulja Maharaja to J. A. Ram Esq.

Tropieda Bay Sw Isabel writes to the Resident Mr Ram as follows -

When our Master Pratap Sing Maharajah Died, he gave the Kingdom to our Son Tulja Maharajah.

When Tulja Maharajah Died, Considering that we and the Country needed a Support, he took a Boy of our Cast adopted him according to our Shastas

delivered

village Ambapoor, belonging to Sulastshna Saheb, he has out of Partiality sided with 3 Poligars, who have plundered the Charity House at Ambapoor the 12th day of the Month of March, for which the 3 women (Widows of the late Rajah) are ready to die Besides he (the Rajah) has confined their Slave Girl, whom he daily treats very ill who is now ready to die. —

As I am the Eldest of all must I be all this Injustice? who is Amer sing that he should do all this to me? —

The Company is faithfull and Just being renowned in many Countries and honored; for this Reason I have written this to the Company I shall wait 8 Days - As the Company has taken me by the hand, I have a desire to speak with you personally. —

We have delivered to the Company — ourselves the 3 Ladies (widows of the late Rajah) and our Son Serfoge, to preserve our life and Honor, —

In the Year Sowna Sanavatsa, in the Month of March the 11th Day on Sunday in the Fort of Tanjore;

Translation of a letter written by Pretap sing Rajah's Widow

Droupadi Baiha Aro Saheb presents her Salam to Mr Ram Resident, —

C Amer sing, Chinnia Moodelie & Shevarow being together have had the following Conversation, as I have heard it from a Person who wishes to be undiscovered. —

Shevarow & Chinnia have told the Rajah — Mr

have

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out as Truth - has by calling in a hundred false witnes-
"The European will make a decision, that all is true - Have
"they not by means of Ponnea - and Nagoba Called hither
"the Master of Arumkatta Moodelie in order to make an
"Enquiry - If another had come it would have been difficult
First therefore they will make a bad name to Mr Ram -
and then punish us all - and Brava, the late Sirdar,
they propose to beat through all the Streets - all which,
it is said, has given much Joy to Annersing - They had
before formed a Counsel to Confine our Son Serfoge and to
kill us all - By the help of God and the Company our lives
have been saved afterwards Annersing threw Stones - and
by means of Mr Holland he has endeavored to Confine him
again - By the help of God and 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 - like unto he has not good Victuals - he cannot
turn a horse - The village of our Daughter in law the
Annersing still keeps and Collects the money by his own
people - our and Serfogees / Servants / have not Rice to
eat - nor Clothes to wear - when will this distress end -
We have nothing to Spend till the General overcomes
his Enemies and makes enquiry into our Business
being afflicted by Annersing he endeavors to remove
two or three Just men - If he Succeeds in his Scheme

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to us he exhorted us to pay the Kist money yearly and to hoard up something after the expences of the Palace were taken from it because, in case an Enemy should appear such money hoarded up in the Treasury would be of great Service. Now the Company's affairs are neglected and they look only upon themselves. I pray that an Enquiry may be made into it whoever now takes a bribe and speaks according to his mind, he is a friend. Whoever tells them that no Bribes are to be given and that Justice ought to be done, he is an Enemy of this there are many Instances. —

Translated by

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(Minute of Soubarow) when the House in which I am concerned, was dealing from 15 to 20 Lacks of Pagodas in the Durbar of his Highness the Nabob. Shevarow came to Madras to procure a Tiep of 1 Lack Pagodas to the Company and came to my House, & represented to me the difficulties which surrounded the Rajah and earnestly requested of me to give a Tiep of 1 Lack Pagodas to the Company on his account. —

Tho' I knew perfectly that I should incur the displeasure of His Highness the Nabob I gave this Tiep on the Tanjore account, I thought myself bound to give it, not only for the love I bore to my native Country but also for the former Rajahs affections to my ancestors and to me. —

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therefore you will immediately set off and arrive here.

The Country had good health by the powerful assistance you lately gave us and Maharajah placed great Confidence in your former encouragement and promotion to our affairs.

It will be a great Joy to Maharajah & me if you set out the moment this Letter reaches you and arrive here in 5 or 6 Days - you will come to know every thing on our meeting.

What have I more to say than to keep on me your friendly regard.

Ordered to lie on the Table until Mr Fallofield's Report is received.

Minute thereon.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board,
13th September 1790

From the Hospital Board respecting that all orders issued & Permissions granted to Surgeons or Assistant Surgeons to remove from their Stations may be communicated through this Board - Mr Ponton to be removed from the 24th Battalion and appointed Field apothecary to the Centre army.

Read a Letter from Mr Binny Head Surgeon at Masulipatam acquainting the Hospital Board that Mr Mac Mahon Medical Storekeeper is on his way to the Presidency in consequence of an order from Government to give evidence on the trial of a Malay at the ensuing quarter Sessions.

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John Chanier Esqr

Secretary to the Military Department

From the Acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly stops the measurement of Grain in consequence of Mr Johnstons Servants refusing to sign the daily accounts - requests he may be allowed to draw the Pay granted to persons of his Rank on Public Service

Sir,

You will please to inform Government that when I intend upon the business of receiving charge of the Company's Rice and Paddy Stock, the precaution in Order to prevent future altercation, or Cavil, to make the Storekeepers Servants with my own, sign the accounts of measurement daily - this has been done already with one of the two Granaries - but without any reason given, within this three Days the Storekeepers Servants refuse to sign the daily accounts - tho' they agree to measure it, but as this will leave a wide field for altercation hereafter tho' I am earnestly anxious to close the Business I have sent here for, I have stopt proceeding until I have Orders from the Board.

Mr Andrews the Manager being now here, I presume should receive Orders to send in all the Grain from Out Districts said to be the Company's immediately. —

My Expences on leaving Madras and in Servants Hire run very high - I wish Government would please to take it into consideration, that I may draw the same allowances Monthly as other Gentlemen of my Rank have received

on

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To John Cranmer Esqr
Secretary in the Military Department

From Colonel Kelly enclosing a List of Staff appointments approved by Government recommends that Lieutenant Crane of the 4th Battalion of European Infantry be appointed adjutant to that Battalion vice Ogg

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 7th Instant with the Enclosed Extract of a Letter from General Medows, agreeably to the Letter and Spirit of which I shall accommodate the movements of this Army.

Accompanying is a List of the Officers with their respective Staff appointments as approved by Government - Inaddition to which I beg leave to mention the appointment of Lieutenant Leahy, who, in Conformity to the General Order by Government under Date the 25 of May, was nominated Superintendant of the Bazars.

I beg leave to recommend Lieutenant Crane of the 4th Battalion European Infantry to be adjutant to that Battalion, vacant by the appointment of Lieutenant Ogg Brigade Major to the 2d Brigade.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient,
Servant
(Signed) R. Kelly
Lieut

Head Quarters
Center Army
Camp near Arnee
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To John Shannier Esq.

Secretary in the Military Department.

From Colonel Kelly has ordered Lieut. Douglas of the Bengal artillery to do duty at the Presidency - recommends that Mr Bellson Conductor of Stores be permitted to act as a Lieutenant Fireworker.

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Sir,

Perceiving that an additional Officer of artillery is much wanted at the Presidency, I have directed Lieut. Douglas of the Bengal Artillery, who is not quite competent to field Service, to proceed and do duty there, and, to supply his Services, I have appointed Mr Bellson Conductor of Stores to act as a Lieutenant Fireworker until the pleasure of the Board is known.

I have the Honorable,
&c &c

(Signed) Robert Kelly.

Minute thereon.

The Board approve Lieut. Douglas's being sent to the Presidency - with respect to the appointment of Mr Conductor Bellson to be an acting Lieutenant Fireworker, being expressly contrary to the orders of the Court of Directors, it cannot be confirmed.

Memorial from Messrs. Joseph Coghlan and Peter Smith.

Read a memorial entered in No B. N. 64 from Messrs. Joseph Coghlan and Peter Smith, stating particulars of their situation, and requesting to have Commissions upon the Coast Establishment.

Minute thereon.

The Board taking the above into Consideration, together with other applications of a similar nature are of opinion that the Service will at this juncture derive Considerable advantage from Provisional appointments of Officers, and as it is General Medows's wish that they be made when

proper

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Diary

15 Received, the following Letters

To John Charnier Esq.

Secretary in the Military Department,

From Colonel Kelly Enclosing Copy of a Cowle proposed to be granted to those who are disposed to support the Cause of the Company.

Sir,

I had the honor to mention, in my Letter of the 26th Ultimo to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, copy of which I transmitted to the Honorable Board, that the operations of this army, might, I conceived, be much assisted by the disaffected tributaries of the Enemy.

With this object in view, I trust that Government will have no objection to my granting to those who are willing to support our cause, such terms or Cowle as the occasion may require, I request this permission as two principal people from the Gungoondy and Gungawar Polygars, both of whom are of consequence in the Enemy's Country, have already applied to me on that subject, & I have partly promised to grant them Cowl to the purport of the accompanying Sketch of a Cowl-namah - they readily assented to the terms of it, and were willing to enter immediately into the necessary engagement.

Cowls of this nature can be of no detriment to the publick cause, and may eventually be of great advantage - I trust therefore, that Government will grant me the power I ask - or should they disapprove of the terms of the Cowl I have held out, I request they will

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15th You are also to supply this Detachment, while on this Service, with provisions at your own expence — neither are the Company to defray any expence whatever of Bay or Batta to your people on this occasion.

4th After having taken possession of your Zemindaries, or Pollams, and stationed a Sufficient number of your people to protect them — you are to rejoin the English Army with the remainder of your Troops, & to employ yourself in collecting and bringing into Camp, Grain, and all sorts of Provisions from the Enemy's Country, the half of which, thus collected by you, shall be given to the Army, and the other half shall remain your own property, and whatever grain or Provisions you supply to the Army from your own Pollams or Zemmindaries will be accounted for in the Settlement of your Peshcash. —

5th Should it be judged necessary to furnish you with any Military Stores during the present War, such Stores are to be duly paid for by you after the conclusion of the War, over and above your settled Peshcash. —

6th Every Zemmindar and Polygar of the Bala-ghaut, who, by the assistance of the English Army, takes possession of his Country, is to remain in the management of it during the continuance of the War. when the Country is settled in peace, the Meerassee or Right of Inheritance of every Zemmendary & Pollam shall

15th with the present very urgent Demands and a Dis-
appointment in our Expectations on that Presidency,
will render the Arsenal almost totally destitute of
Articles which are indispensably necessary, We are hopeful
that the Indent on England which we have now the
honor to transmit will be so far supported by your recom-
mendation, as will induce the Honorable the Court of
Directors to an immediate Compliance with it in full.
It remains only for us to mention, that the Articles com-
prising it are, actually wanting and that the greater
part of them are indispensable, In the event therefore,
of a War of long duration, and a failure in this Supply,
we apprehend, the Public Service may materially
Suffer.

The Storekeeper at Negapatam has informed
us that an Opportunity now offers for disposing of a
Number of unserviceable Arms to the Cholias vessels
at that place with much advantage to the Company
- as the expence of freight will thereby be saved, and as We see
no Objection to the measure, provided the Arms are
expressly sold for Exportation, We beg leave to recommend
its adoption. We have the Honor to be,

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14th September 1790.

Wr Wr
J Capper
Patrick Ross.

15th alterations - they are to stand, as follows. —

Article 2d — after this testifying your allegiance to the Company a Sufficient force under the Command of an English Sirdar will be left to you for the protection of your Country —

4th After having taken possession of your Zemindaries or Pollams and Stationed a Sufficient numbes of your people to protect them - you are to rejoin the English Army with the remainder of your Troops & to employ yourself in such Services as may be pointed out whatever grain or provisions you supply to the Army from your own, Pollams or Zemundaries will be accounted for in the Settlement of your Peishcash; —

The alteration, in the Second Article is made because it is conceived that it relates only to Poligars who are possessed of Countries - of Course, the assistance required, will be merely to protect them; —

In the 4th Article the alteration, is made because the Article, as it stood seemed to encourage Plunder, which is no part of the Plan pursued by the Commander in Chief. —

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient, Servant,

/ Signd / John Shaw

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15 being contrary to the express Orders of the Court of Directors cannot be confirmed by the Board - approving the appointment of Lieutenant Crane - and the Orders he has issued, as communicated in his Letter of the 13th Instant -

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts and the Military Paymaster General - with an Extract of a Letter from the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly &c directing them to lay before the Board such Information on the Subject, as they may be in Possession of -

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts and the Military Paymaster General

To the Commander of his Majesty's Frigate Vestal - enclosing an Order to the Commander of the Houghton to receive on board the two invalided Seamen belonging to his Ship -

To the Commander of his Majesty's Frigate the Vestal -

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Houghton directing him to receive on board and carry to Europe two Invalided Seamen of his Majesty's Frigate Vestal -

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Houghton -

To Do - with a like Order for two invalided Seamen belonging to his Majesty's Ship the Crown -

To Do

16 To the accountant General - Indorsing on the account Quick Stock - heirs not to insert the Share of the March List to the Nabob's Private Creditors -

To the accountant General.

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mo. B. Nos. 70. 71. 72. 73.

From Cornet Rideout - requesting Permission to proceed to Europe for the Recovery of his health, and an Order to be received on Board the Houghton -

From Cornet Rideout

From

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To the Honble Morgan Williams Esq:

Senior Member at the Presidency, and the Gentlemen in Council, Fort St George, Madras &c &c

From Major General Medows recommending if Mr Porches cannot accept the appointment that Mr Corbett be appointed to the Collection of the Revenues of Coimbetour, Erroad, and Sattimungalum Districts and of Palicaudcherry when taken and Mr G. Wynch to Daraporam aravacourchy & Carore

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the honor of yours of the 13th Ultimo, and one enclosing the Copy of a letter from Bengal to the Government at Bombay, yesterday - I am extremely obliged to you for having appointed the Districts of Dindigul to Mr Macleod, and wish if Mr Porches cannot come, Mr Corbett should be appointed to Coimbetour, Erroad Sattimungalum; and Palicaudcherry when taken; and Mr G. Wynch to Daraporam, aravacourchy, and Carore.

Hoping Success will continue our attendant;

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

Camp at Coimbetour
8th September 1790.

[Signed] Wm Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief.

Minute thereon.

Resolved in consequence of the Recommendation of General Medows, that Mr Corbett be appointed to the Collection of the Revenues in the Districts of Coimbetour Erroad and Sattimungalum - and Palicaudcherry when taken - and Mr George Wynch to the Collection of the Districts of Daraporam - aravacourchy and Carore.

The acting President lays before the Board

the

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Morgan Williams Esqr.
&c. &c.

From the Commander of his Majesty's Sloop Atalanta requesting an answer to his last Letter.

Sir,

Some Days have now elapsed, since I had the honor of writing to you relative to the Disrespect Fort St George paid to His Majesty's Sloop under my Command on her Arrival in Madras Road, and as I understood from the Officer I sent with the Letter that it was your Intention, to enquire into the Conduct of those whose neglect it might have been,—

I must confess I am rather surprized at not having received your answer;— It has ever been a Mark of Respect and attention whenever one Gentleman writes to another to receive an answer;— that Etiquette is surely not more necessary when they write on the Public Service.—

I must now add, that, I should not have been so long without paying my Respects to you as a Mark of attention due to the Governor of so considerable a Settlement, had it not been from those Slights of Inattention, every man of Honor must feel.

Atalanta Madras Road 16th September 1790.

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

(Signed) J Schomberg.

Minute thereon.

The acting President recommends that Copies of the foregoing Letters be transmitted to Captain

Sir

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To Sir Richard John Strachan Bar.t
Senior Officer of His Majesty's Ships
in Madras Roads.

Draft of a Letter to the Commanders of his Majesty's Frigate Orbal - with Copies of the Letters received from Captain Schomberg requesting him to take the necessary Steps to bring him to a proper Sense of the impropriety of his behaviour.

Sir,

Our acting President having laid before us a Letter addressed to him from Captain Schomberg Commanding his Majesty's Sloop of War the Atalanta We take the Liberty to enclose a Copy of it, and to request that you, as Senior Officer of His Majesty's Ships in Madras Roads will take it into Consideration.

We shall observe, that we do not consider the Atalanta, or any other Ships of War entitled, to a Salute from the Fort upon her arrival in the Roads, if a Senior Officer is at Anchor there, because, it is not usual to give Salutes which cannot be returned, by the Ships to which they may be addressed; with respect to Captain Schombergs representation, regarding the Colours We must observe from the Report made to us that they were hoisted, and the usual Signals announcing one of His Majesty's Ships were made.

But even admitting that Captain Schomberg could establish the Facts that His Majesty's Sloop under his Command was entitled to a Salute and that the Colours of the Fort were not hoisted, We conceive it does not become him to address the Government

in

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upon which We think a Comment unnecessary. —

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signd) Morgan Williams.

Vice Council

Fort St George
17th September 1790.

Mr Saunders objects to the Draft.

Mr Saunders begs leave to observe, that in his Opinion the Sentiments contained in the foregoing Draft are expressed in Terms too Strong. —

Mr Turing approves the Draft the acting President approves the Draft

Mr. Turing approves the Draft.

The acting President approves the Draft

To be copied fair and dispatched.

Resolved that the Letter be copied fair and Dispatched. —

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Cuddalore. —

From the Resident at Cuddalore - requesting an allowance of Bugas - Medicines for the use of the Native Troops at Cuddalore. —

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr.

&c. &c. &c.

Governor in Council at Fort St George

Honble Sir,

I have the Honor to enclose a Letter which Mr Dashwood has desired I would transmit to you, — and likewise an Extract of one from Mr Rolls Our Surgeon, as follows Viz.t —

"I deem it expedient to inform you that several "Sick Sepoys belonging to the Revenue Company, Invalid, "and Pensioned Corps of this Garrison have applied to me "for Medical aid, and as I deem it my indispensible Duty

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Read the following Letter from the Commanding Officer of His Highness the Nabob's Ship the Success Galley

To the Honble Major General Wm Medows

President and Governor &c &c &c in Council.

From the Commander of the Success Galley requesting the Payment of 750 Pagodas for Conveying the Honble Mr Pigot from Mocha to Madras.

Honble Sir,

In consequence of an application from Messrs James Hodgson and John Dixon the Honorable Company's agents at Mocha, a Copy of which I have the Honor of enclosing, I left that Post on the 20th August, much to my own Loss, as had I staid there till the 5th September according to an agreement I had made with Sundry Merchants I should have received on board 160000 Spanish Dollars, The freight of which would have been my perquisite, I therefore hope your Honor taking the Premises into Consideration, will not suffer me to be a Loser by forwarding the Honorable Company's Service, nor think a Compensation of 750 Pagodas unreasonable. — I have the Honor to be,

&c &c

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15th September 1790

(Signed) H. Forster

Mr.

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From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - recommending that the Storekeeper at Chengleput be permitted to employ a sufficient Number of watching Irons to protect the Grain Stocked within the Fort, —

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Minute thereon. Ordered accordingly. —

Q.M.G. Chief Engr

John Turing
Com Laundet

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Mr Herbert Forester
Commander of the Success Galley

Sir,

The Honorable Arthur St Leger having arrived here this Day with Dispatches of the greatest Importance from His Majesty and the Honorable Company We request that you will accommodate him with a Passage on your Ship, and that you will quit this port on, or before the 17th Instant if it can be done without Detriment to the Interests of His Highness the Nabob.—

We are, &c. &c.

Mocha 12th August 1790

(Signed) James Hodgson
J. W. de Ponthieu

A true Copy
(Signed) H. Forester

Minute thereon

Agreed, that Mr St Leger be desired to State what Compensation he may think adequate, in consequence of the Representation made by Mr Forester.—

Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in M. B. Nos 74. 75)—

From the Secretary to the Commander in Chief

From the Secretary to the Commander in Chief requesting (by the Desire of the General) that the Honorable Captain Maitland may be permitted to embark for Europe on the Houghton.—

Minute thereon

Ordered accordingly.—

From

Fort St George, 17th September 1790

"to assist them with my Professional advice, I beg you will
"be pleased, to direct the Paymaster to furnish me with such
"Bazar Medicines and necessaries as I shall point out for
"their sole use, or authorize me to purchase at the Honorable
"Company's cost, such as I shall judge requisite for their
"immediate wants and relief.

"Such Bazar Medicines &c. as are Supplied, by
"the Medical Storekeeper at Madras, are appropriated to the
"uses of the indisposed Gentlemen &c. and Sick in Hospital,
"Consequently there is no Provision made for Sick Sepoys in
"Garrisons; nor are I officially warranted to supply them; for
"according to the usage of the Service, every Battalion is
"furnished with a Black Doctor who supplies the Sick
"with Bazar articles at their own Cost."

As the native Troops at Cuddalore are on a different footing from Battalion Sepoys, no Black Doctor is allowed, or any charge to be made by the Regulations, I must therefor request your Instructions, how far Mr. Rollo may be allowed to charge for Bazar Medicines and in what manner it is to be paid.

I have the honor to be respectfully,
&c. &c.
(Signed) H. A. Craig.

Cuddalore
11th September 1790.

Agreed that an Extract of the foregoing Letter be sent to the Hospital Board, and that they be desired to report thereon.

Reed

Memo thereon,

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in the Stile of Intemperance and Disrespect which he has thought proper to adopt and we therefore desire you will take such Steps as you may think expedient to bring Captain Schomberg to a proper Sense of the Impropriety of his Behaviour.

If you should be unwilling to take any Steps in this Business from the Circumstance of the Commodore's being daily expected, we request you will lay this Letter and Enclosure before him by whom we trust it will be properly noticed.

While we are on the Subject of Salutes we think it necessary to observe, that Rear Admirals Sir Edward Vernon, and Sir Robert Harland, and Vice Admiral Sir Edward Hughes, who Commanded large Squadrons in this Country, always as we understand returned an equal number of Guns to Salutes from Fort St George, which has not been practised by the Ships of Commodore Cornwallis's Squadron. We have not mentioned this before because we were unwilling to state any thing in a Stile of Complaint and which might have the least tendency to disturb the Harmony that ought to subsist between the two Services.

We have this Moments received Captain Schomberg's Second Letter of this days Date upon

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Sir Richard Strachan - the Senior Officer of his Majesty's Ships now in the Roads - and that a Copy also of the following Letter from the Town Major be sent at the same time -

Morgan Williams Esqr
&c. &c. &c.

From the Town Major stating that the usual signal was made for a King's Ship when the Atalanta was working into the Roads.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your Note of this Day, and beg leave to assure you, the Signal for a Ship of War in the Offing was made whilst the Atalanta Sloop was working into the Roads, when she first appeared in Sight a Signal was flying for some other Vessell, whose Colours &c had been distinctly discovered, but when the Atalanta had approached sufficiently near and had taken a proper Situation, to distinguish her Colours and Guns, the former Signal was hauled down, and that for a Ship of War hoisted, and continued flying until, or near to Sunset. —

Fort St George,
16th September 1790.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) R. Gomond
Town Major.

The Secretary having (by order of the Board) drafted a Letter to Sir Richard Strachan, now lays it before the Board. —

To

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the following Letters which he has received from Captain Schomberg, Commanding his Majesty's Sloop the Atalanta, —

Morgan Williams Esqr

V. V.

From the Commander of His Majesty's Sloop Atalanta complaining of his not being saluted by the Fort and of the Colours not being hoisted, on his arrival in Madras Roads.

Sir,

His with some concern that I am obliged, to point out to you the great Indignity which has been offered to His Majesty's Colours this Morning by Fort St George, not shewing Theirs, when I was working into Madras Road, in His Majesty's Sloop Atalanta, under my Command, as well as the Fort not saluting when the Kings Sloop anchored which has I understand been customary, as well as respectful. —

Had I not been apprehensive of the Innocent Suffering, I most undoubtedly would have directed a Shot, immediately at the Flag Staff, as I cannot but Suppose a British Garrison must be always on the Look Out, & not unacquainted with His Majesty's Colours. —

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed J Schomberg

Commander of His Majesty's

Sloop Atalanta

Atalanta
Madras Road
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From the Paymaster at Palamcotah - with a Plan of the House, erecting for the Paymaster of that Garrison on account of which he has received 1000 Pagodas,

From the Paymaster at Palamcotah,

From Mr. Fallofield - stating that all Evidence adduced by Mr. Ram, is collected, and will be shortly transmitted to the Presidency, —

From Mr. Fallofield,

From Colonel Braithwaite - enclosing a Memorial from Ensign Pierce to be laid before the Commander in Chief - The Officers with 188 Draughts of old Sepoys & the Complement of Stores indented for by Major Montgomery have marched to join him - requesting that Ensign James Wilson of the Infantry may be removed to a Cornetcy of Cavalry - Lieutenant Colonel Brindergast applies to Succeed to the Brigade Station, and Command now held by Lieutenant Colonel Frager, —

From Colonel Braithwaite.

17.

The Packet for Houghton now closed

The fair Copies of the General Letters to the Honorable the Court of Directors by Houghton, being signed, it is ordered, that the Packet be closed, —

At a Consultation, Present

Morgan Williams Esq.r

acting President

Friday the 17th September 1790

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esq.rs

The Honorable Major General William Medows

Absent upon Service, —

Minutes of last Consultation, read & approved

Read the following Letter from the Commander in

Chief —

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To the Honble Major General Medows

To Maj.r Genl. Medows with Copy of the Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors and of a Letter from the Governor General in Council to the Government of Bombay.

Governor and Commander in Chief

Honble Sir,

I have the Honor to send you by the Command of the Board, Copy of a Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors received yesterday at Madras by the hands of Lieutenant Sir Seger, together with Copy of a Letter from the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to the Government of Bombay. —

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest respect,

Fort St George
14th September 1790.

&c. &c.

Signed John Chamier
Secy.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68 69. —

To Mr Samuel Johnston — with Extract of a Letter from the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly directing him to send immediate Orders to his Servants to continue to sign the Daily Measurement of the Grain. —

To Mr Samuel Johnston.

To the acting Paymasters at Trichinopoly —

To the acting Paymasters at Trichinopoly.

stating the foregoing Orders sent to Mr Johnston — authorizing him for the present to draw the usual allowances of a Paymaster. —

To Colonel Kelly — the appointment of Mr Conductor Bettison to be an acting Lieut.t Fireworker, during

To Colonel Kelly.

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shall be strictly examined, and justly determined to the Rightful Inheritor, agreeably to established custom - and at that time also the Peishcash to be paid to the Honorable Company will be fixed upon. —

7th and lastly - Those of the Zemindars and Polygars of the Balaghaut who receive this Cowl and engage to act conformably to it, shall be treated by the Honorable Company in the favorable manner therein mentioned — On the Contrary Such of them who avoid receiving this Cowl, and refuse obedience to the Company's authority, By the Blessing of God after the conquest of the Enemy's Dominions, shall be entirely deprived of their possessions and inheritances. —

/Signd/ R. K.

To Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President in Council

Sir,

We have been honored with Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letters of the 7th and 9th Instant.

From the Military Board recommending that Mr. Lennon be appointed to the Command of the Corps of Pioneers with the Cattle army. Enclosing an Estimate for Military Stores for the ensuing season - recommending that some unserviceable Arms be sold. &c. &c. Approbation for Expectation &c.

It being your pleasure that a Subaltern Engineer shall have charge of the Pioneers, we take the liberty to recommend the appointment of Lieutenant Lennon whose activity, and experience in his Profession we think particularly qualifies him for forming that Corps and keeping it in proper Order when formed.

No Military Stores having been received by the Ships of this Season has reduced us to the necessity of having recourse to Fort William, and as a Compliance with

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15 will be pleased to make such alterations as they think proper, or signify to me their pleasure, on that head. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) Bob.t Kelly.

Head Quarters
Coast Army
Camp near Arnee
5th September 1790.

Cowl-namah to the Zemindars and Poligars of the Balaghaut.

As you have solicited to obtain Cowl from the Honorable Company, and are willing to acknowledge and support their authority, I am empowered by the Honorable the Governor and Council of Fort St George to grant to you on their part, the Cowl you solicit, of which the following are the terms. —

1st When the English army shall enter the confines of Tippoo's Country, you are immediately to join the English Standard with all your Troops and followers.

2 After this testifying your allegiance to the Company, a sufficient force under the command of an English Sirdar will be granted to you in order to assist you in re-establishing yourself, on the part of the Company, in your former possessions and inheritance. —

3 With the assistance thus granted, you are to take possession of your own Pollams or Forts both above and below the Ghauts and leave therein a sufficient number of your people for its protection, — and in performing the above service you are to be obedient to the Commands of the English Sirdar who accompanies you. — You

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proper Persons are recommended, who will accept them upon the Terms on which he has named some, it is Resolved that the following be appointed acting Ensigns, and that this measure with the Reasons for it, be reported to the Court of Directors.

Seven Gentlemen appointed acting Ensigns

Mr. Donald McGregor
Mr. John Davidson
Mr. Thomas Conner
Mr. O'Neile
Mr. Archibald Campbell
Mr. Joseph Coghlan
Mr. Peter Smith

} to be acting Ensigns.

The Drafts of the General Letters to be sent by the Houghton being read, and approved, are ordered to be copied fair.

The Drafts of the General Letters to go by the Houghton approved.

John Lumley
Con Saunders

Pd. Sd. Harris

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List of Staff appointments approved by Government

Captain Coke - aid de Camp to Colonel Kelly
Lieut. Barton - Deputy adjutant General

1st Brigade

Captain Douglas - Brigade Major
Lieut. MacDowal - Quarter Master of Brigade

2d Brigade

Lieutenant Ogg - Brigade Major
Lieut. Youngstone - Quarter Master of Brigade

3d Brigade

Lieutenant Cranstone - Brigade Major
Lieutenant Rand - Quarter Master of Brigade
Lieutenant Hay - Deputy Baggage Master
Mr. John Brown, Provost
N.B. Captain Doveton my Secretary omitted in the above, his appointment having been already mentioned in the Orders by Government. —

[signed] R. Kelly

The Board confirm the appointment of Lieutenant Crane to be adjutant to the 4th Battalion of European Infantry vice Ogg, and direct that it be announced in General Orders with the other appointments before confirmed

Minute thereon

Read also the following Letter from Colonel Kelly. —

To

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on Publick Service until my Return. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Sign'd) Edw.d Garrow
in Charge of the Paymaster &
Storekeepers Employs

Trichinopoly
6th September 1790.

Read also the Letter from Mr. Garrow
(entered in Consultation the 24th August) and
Resolved in Consequence — that Extracts from
it which relate to the Offices of the Military
Paymaster General, Commissary General of Grain
and Provisions, and Comptroller General of Army
Accounts — be sent to those Offices and that they be
desired to give such Information as may be in their
Power on the Subject — Agreed also that Mr. Johnston
be furnished with an Extract of the above Letter of
the 6th Instant and desired to reply to the same. —

With respect to Mr. Garrow's allowances,
it is agreed that he be permitted for the present to
draw Paymaster's allowances — when the Business
upon which he is employed shall be Compleated the
Board will take into Consideration what may be
a proper Compensation for Mr. Garrow's Trouble. —

Read the following Letter from Colonel
Kelly. —

Letter from the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly in Consult. 24th August taken into Consideration

Resolutions in Consequence

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The Hospital Board are sensible how necessary evidences must be in judicial trials - but at the same time cannot help remarking that if Surgeons or Assistant Surgeons are removed from their Stations without their knowledge it must be attended with Prejudicial consequences to the Service - they therefore hope, that in future all such orders may be conveyed to the different Stations thro' them. —

approved

The Hospital Board recommend, that Mr. Andrew Fenton Assistant Surgeon be removed from the 24th Battalion of Native Infantry & appointed Field Apothecary to the Center Army. —

approved

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

Read the following Letter from Mr. Farrow. — John

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After having granted this Step I came to Tanjore and visited the Rajah who shewed me many Civilities and honored me with a present of a pair of Todaus / gold Chains / Bracelets worth 300 Pagodas. I then proceeded to the Religious bath at Ramasavarum from thence to Madura and Shevagunga to settle my affairs at those places - when I received the following Letter from Shivarow. —

Translation of a Maharatta Letter

To Soubarow from his humble Servant Shevarow Sumbaje

I am in good health until this Day of Maurgasira Sudda Dewtiah / Tuesday 16th November 1784 and you will favor me with the tidings of your welfare. —

It is a Month and a Quarter since you took leave of us and departed from this place promising to Come in 18 Days - yet we have not received any news of your setting out from that place. —

Maharaj Sachib asked me "what may be the Occasion of Soobarow's not returning yet since it is so long since he left this place" - to which I answered that he must have some urgent business but however in 5 or 10 Days he will arrive here - It is 10 or 12 Days since this Discourse has passed between me and the Rajah. —

Last night Maharajah sent for me, and said is it not known in how many Days Soubarow will Come - and Commanded me to write and send you this letter by a Mercarorah without delay — therefore

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we and our Son are gone - and the Country will be ruined by various means - How many lies comes Amer Sing writes there is no Enquiry into them - He robes the Country - Collects money - he obliges the people to borrow Money - he doth not pay the wages to his people - He advances no Money for the Cultivation - he doth not pay the Rists to the Company - all this money he Collects to take away our lives - How long shall we be in the dark without hearing that an Enquiry is made and Justice done - May God help - If we think that Justice will be done We hear of his (the Rajahs) managing matters at Madras and here of his endeavours to remove some people - being very much frightend 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 Subject - It is therefore your business to write to the Governor & Council and 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 goon - 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 Rigot came and delivered the Country to

"have given in writing several Complaints against
"Mr. Ram and Subarow which those Gentlemen at
"Madras have believed and from them those Gentlemen
"at first wrote in favour of Mr. Ram afterwards we shewed
"a way how to get Mr. Ram and Subarow removed. When
"these 2 persons are removed who will hear what Mr. Swartz
"says? If we bring over to our Side those that are to Come here
"and bind those, who are at Madras, over to our Interest, who
"will further make any Inquiry - Mr. Ram not minding
"money, hears what Mr. Swartz say so both endeavour
"to introduce Justice If Justice be introduced in this Town
"they will then enquire into the affair of Serfoge and 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 endeavours to remove them -
"Having brought over Madras, we shall bind over that
"European who shall come and his Dubash to our
"Interest and so shall we be able to destroy the name of the
Tulja Rajah's Relations."

"We know the Custom of Europians They dont
"know the affair of our Government - The women likewise
"know not what have they to Speak Therefore they
"say Swarow and Chinna have very confidently asserted
"that they will ruin our Name, Alye they will make
out

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delivered the Government to him in the Presence of our God and delivered that adopted boy to the Honorable Company because he knew that the Honorable Company was faithful.

Not permitting his three wives to go with him, for be burned with him, he declared that he gave them the boy and some Charitable institution saying to them, take this and govern the Country.

After that Amer Sing has got the Government by various means.

We Knowing that the Honorable Company are just expect Justice from them.

Amer Sing meditated to do evil to our adopted Son, and Confined him, But the Company has released him from Prison, saved his life and put a Guard over him but in respect of his maintenance they have not done any thing.

Besides from the day that amer sing took the Government he has distressed our three Daughters in Law more than can be expressed. Their Jewels he has taken, that which has been appointed for them in Clothes, Monthly allowance, and Salary he has not given.

Not Contented with that he has stopped their Charity houses at Nidamangalum and their Village in march this year. Concerning the

Village

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with him, because we were to take care of the his adopted Serfogee Rajah. I have, said he, delivered you all over to the Care of the Company. He assured us that the Company would not fail in the trust reposed in them. Moreover he informed us to lay before the Company any grievance or distress we might have, telling us that the Company would immediately relieve us.

The Enmity which the has shewn us from the Day of the late Rajah's decease is unspeakable. Particularly has the Contrariety been very great from the time that Mr. Petrie was here — Now having been assured, that the Company in England have written in favor of our Son Serfogee Therefore it has been said by "Since there is so much Stir about this Boy, If we do him any Evil, what can they do afterwards" That this has been their Counsil we have heard so as to be certain of it. Those who are near the Rajah have assured us with an Oath of all, only they are not willing to be called upon as witnesses. The Rajah's Friends have not been able to bear it and therefore, have privately acquainted us with it. The Certainty of all this has almost killed us and therefore we have desired our People to acquaint the Company with it. But as every one who goes from us is immediately confined and in great danger of his life, we have found

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been regularly going backwards ever since his Inau-
guration, so that the Probability of Payment becomes
less from year to year and the breaking out of the war
has rendered it almost Desperate.

The Panegyric on Chinia Moodelear and
the Censure on my Agent Soubarow come in all proba-
bility from the same hand, that of Chinia Moodelear himself.
He seems to have taken the very reverse of Truth - as to
Chinia Moodelear's approved Integrity &c - I take the
Liberty to refer to the Committee of Gentlemen appointed
to Inspect his Conduct at Chillumbrum which I am
assured, as far as the proceedings went, tended to crimi-
nate him but was stopped from going forwards by his
act in keeping back Evidence - He was however so
conscious of the Tendency of what had appeared against
him that by a Trick he contrived to get Possession of the
Papers which have never since been heard off - It was
Chinia who was driven away by Tulgaja for his
unprecedented Interference in the Concerns of the Tanjore
Country - For the Character of Soubarow I will appeal
to Mr Swartz to the late Resident Mr Macleod Mr
Huddleston and Mr Sullivan besides a Letter to him in
Shevarow's Hand writing acknowledging the use he
had been of to the Rajah who made him a very valuable
present of Gold Bracelets worth at least 300 Pagodas
for the Service rendered by him -

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Colonel Musgrave and General Medows backed by my applications the Rajah was not able to send 500 Bullocks to Camp - at Length he sent 300 but so late that neither Bullocks nor Rice reached the Camp whilst 1000 Bullocks loads of Rice sent by the Paymaster and me got to Camp safely besides 1300 Bullocks load of Rice sent by private Merchants in short the whole of his Exertion amounts to the Loan of 4 Elephants to the Generals Suite - He has since sent the 300 Bullocks but it seems has made a Charge of 300 Pagodas for them and 1113 for the Rice they carried -

The Rajah observes Para 11 That "many "Residents have been here, whose conduct have received "the approbation of the Company as well for the attention "they had to their Interests as to the Support they gave to "my Honor and Dignity and against Para 9 "This is "not the only Instance that I have been treated in a rude "and uncivil manner by Mr Ram - I must here appeal to Mr Swartz whether it has not always been my Endeavour to avoid all personal altercation with his Excellency distrusting both his Excellency's and my own Temper - by this means there has never been the least altercation except on the Evening he mentions and on the night of the 21st concerning the release of Serfogee when some was unavoidable I have always preserved

respecting

according to their Feelings than with that Respect which I have ever considered due to the Person whom the Company's Representatives have thought proper to make Rajah, I have hitherto returned their Letters, acquainting them that unless they expressed themselves with less Disrespect of the Rajah I could not forward their Letters this is another Instance of my attention to the Rajah which his conduct to me gave him no reason to expect.

The widow of Prataup Sing the Mother of Tulyajee has been ever considered as the first woman in the Palace on the restoration of Tulyajee by Lord Pigot, he paid her a visit of Respect after the Inauguration of Amer Sing she had hardly interfered in any thing — But unfortunately the inconsiderate Behaviour of the present Rajah gave her some cause of Disgust during the Feast of Mahamogum at Combiconum, which occurred in February last (possibly unintentionally) but instead of making up this matter, as in prudence he should have done, he was soon persuaded by his Ministers to aggravate by fresh and unambiguous Insults what was perhaps at first the effect of Chance This occasioned the Dowagers resentment which was followed by attempts of the Rajah against her Dignity —

During the Reign of Tulyajee a part of the Palace inhabited by the women had always continued sacred

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If this alludes to any thing it must be to the Ladies the widows of the late Tulgaje and the Dowager of Pertaup Sing - That there was no occasion for any Intrigues of mine to foment their Discontents is evident from the whole Tenor of the Rajah's conduct towards those Ladies.

The three Dowagers of Tulgaje would have burnt themselves at his Decease, but for his Dying Injunction that they should live to protect the Boy and to do them Justice they have not been negligent in his behalf this is true cause of the Rajah's Enmity to them, of his Seizing their Pagoes their villages nay even their Jewels consisting their Slaves &c. part of these oppressions are well set forth in a Letter from Mr. Macleod to Mr. Petrie Dated 9th September the whole of which I beg leave to quote - The Idea thrown out of obliging the Rajah's unfaithful Servants to disburse for his use what they have embezzled is so perfectly coincident with mine,

"Dear Sir,

"I do myself the pleasure of enclosing to you "the Representations of the late Rajah's women, with "a translation by Mr. Blackburn"

"This address will explain to you their "distresses in addition to their own account and the "publick notoriety of the late Seizure of their Jewels I have "further incontestable proof that these injuries and "indignities have been heaped upon them.

Letter from Mr. Macleod Resident to Mr. Petrie Commissioner

The

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and am happy to find that my placing Guards to protect him from the malevolence of the Rajahs Ministers did not meet with the Disapprobation of the Board, after having by Mr Swartz's Recommendation, proposed him as the properest man to manage the Country with the Proviso that the Rajah had no irreconcilable Aversion to him. I thought the least I could do was to give him Protection till I heard whether my Proposal was accepted or not - and this was partly at the Request of Mr Swartz who was of Opinion if Bava had been carried to the Palace at that time She would never have come out alive - The Recommendation of Bava is what has drawn down this violent attack from the Rajah; yet this with the Dismission of Shevarow was no more than had been before enforced by Mr Petrie see Military Consultations 21 October "Sir Archibald Campbell "makes 3 Propositions the last that Shevarow be dismissed "from the Office of Sirkeil which is approved with some "little Difference from Mr Hollond and in case of the "Rajahs refusal it is proposed to enforce the Treaty" Letter to Mr Petrie 22 accordingly Military Consultations 31st October President's Minute "defends the Board in recommending "Bava as Sirkeil Letter to Mr Petrie same Date in Consequence".

Letter to Government Dated 9th May 1790

Military Consult 31 October

However it appears out of a Desire to comply with the Rajahs Inclinations Shevarow was continued in Office but joined on account of his Insufficiency with Baupanah and Gunapatty Soubiah - Military Consultations 7th November 1788 this however continued no longer than

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not been ashamed to mention it himself I find my attention was misplaced;

It were endless to mention the several Instances of Contempt that the Rajah's People have been encouraged to shew the Boy I shall particularize only one more which was that for 10 Days successively Stones were thrown by the Rajah's People at the Boy and the Guard. My Repeated Messages to the Palace could obtain no other Satisfaction, than that they were thrown by Evil Spirits the Quantity in all thrown might amount to a Basket and each large enough to do fatal Execution if they had taken place in the Head; At length Colonel Stuart upon my Repre: sentation sent word to the Palace that if the Stones continued to be thrown he would place a Guard of European there, from which time no more Stones were thrown.

This unwillingly recals to my Memory a Dozen of similar Instances which a tenderness for the Rajah's Character has prevented my representing to the Board notwithstanding the Enmity which has been imputed to me my Complaints have been uniformly against his Ministers and never personally against him but his Extravagant assertions have in a manner compelled me to bring forward what I would willingly for his Credit have buried in Silence.

Nor have I ever written to the Board on any matter however inconvenient to myself which I so imagined

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occasion Serfoge's still continuing a close Prisoner
tho' not in the Dismal Circumstances of his former
confinement Since that Day he has only been once out
of the Palace and that to be presented to General Medows
after his living so long in the Palace and in the neighbour-
hood of Tulgajee's widows his Removal as proposed
by the Rajah would occasion to them the most poignant
Grief nor could it be done with Safety unless he continued
to be protected by the Company's Troops.

The Boy being under the Company's Protection &
an attention to his Education being recommended by
Government I thought it my Duty as did Mr. Swartz to
call occasionally on Serfoge but not to give Offence we
never went but after visiting the Rajah lest we should
furnish food for his Jealousy our visits have therefore
been less frequent than I conceive they ought otherwise
to have been; his Progress in reading and writing has
been considerable tho' he was not acquainted with a
Letter when first taken out of his Confinement he now
writes with Sufficient fluency - That either Mr. Swartz
or I believe any Person under our Orders ever addressed the
Boy as Maharaj without Leave I positively deny; nor do
I give Credit to it tho' I believe the Term Rajah and
Maharajah are applicable to any Person of the Rajah
Cast so we hear of Maharajah Mundacomar, Rajah
Veerbur and several others who had no title to Sovereign
authority - The same Remark has been made to me

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and particularly to those of the Goddess Marima whom he considers as the Principal agent in his Exaltation may all be derived from the same source.

It has been impossible to convince him that the Company having once taken him by the Hand, are bound to Support him as long as he does not forfeit their Protection, by a total Disregard of his People his word and every thing which ought to be sacred to him.

The offer of 60 Pagodas ₱ Month to Sevagee I conceive to be a great Insult on his Pretensions - The same may be said of the Offer of 2000 Chuckrums for his Marriage being a less Sum than would be expended at the Marriage of the Rajahs appa Cotum - when Sevagee was first released - Mr. Swartz mentioned to me the Propriety of an Establishment for his maintenance & Strongly recommended that it might be paid him by the Company as the only means to insure it to him, and prevent perpetual Disputes and Heart Burnings between him and the Rajah I desired Mr. Swartz to inform me what might be proper, and to state it at the lowest; He accordingly after considering with natives properly experienced in the Customs of the Country, told me that less than 1000 Pagodas ₱ Month could not with any propriety be offered him this occasioned the Letter 23 October Para in my Letter to the Board of the 23 in which I went entirely on Mr. Swartz Judgement. Steve

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Tulgajee apprehended the Boy's life to be in imminent
danger is evident from their Joint Letter to Mr Swartz,
A Colonel Stuart and to me / appendix marked A / which
was delivered to Mr Swartz the day I resolved to effect his
Release in pursuance of the Orders of Government & this
being happily performed on the next Day the 22d I did
not think it necessary to transmit their Letter to Government
observing it in case of a proposal to remove the Guards
that this apprehension from the Ladies was not entirely
groundless is evident from the following incident which
has since been confirmed by Serfoge.—

On the Principal Maratta Festival called
Dussera which falls on End of September - It is part
of the Ceremony for the Rajah to cut off the Heads of
Several Sheep &c. performing this Religious Rite in
the Square on one side of which Serfoge was confined
He observed to one Govendarow Englay a man of
Reputation about the Late and present Rajah that it
would be as well to cut off the a Monkey's Head / a Monkey
was kept in the same square / Govendarow replied "why
"kill the Poor Monkey" The Rajah rejoined you
understand me because it is at present in my Power
This Part in the hearing of Serfoge and has since been
confirmed by him I alarmed him so much that he
went and armed himself with a sort of Knife which
he had in his Place of confinement determined to
sell

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authenticated, and are well known to Mr Swartz

The improper Behaviour of the Rajah towards Serfoge is well set forth in the Letter of Mr Macleod Dated 4th August 1788 which being only one of several from that Gentleman on the same Subject I beg leave to quote the whole

"To the Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
&c &c &c

Honble Sir,

"I lament the Occasion which obliges me again to address you on the Treatment shewn by his Excellency to Serfoge the adopted heir of the late Rajah.

"Tho' my Representations to you on this Subject have been no less frequent than forcible, and "Tho' your admonitions to the Rajah, in consequence, have been such, as the Situation of the Boy demanded, those admonitions have not been attended with the desired Effect."

"In addition to the Knowledge, which Mr Swartz and myself have of the Boy's Situation, the Widows of the late Rajah have stated the Condition in which he is held, and have called upon me as Representative of the Honorable Company here, to procure for the Boy that Protection which has hitherto been refused him by the present Rajah.

"He remains still deprived not only of all Education but likewise of free Exercise & attendance. These

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bullocks, as by either route an Army must encamp at, or near Cuddapanattam.

The first Encampment beyond the Mugtee Pass should be at Pallamanair about Seven Miles from Mugtee a Situation well adapted for drawing Supplies of Grain and Cattle from the Pollams.

Camp N.E. of Arnee 5 September 1790.

Signed A. Beatson Captain of Guides

Minute thereon.

The Board approve the movement proposed by Colonel Kelly.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Tanjore.

To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary Fort St George

From the Resident at Tanjore in Reply to certain of the Charges brought against him by the Rajah.

Sir,

His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore in his Letter of the 3d of June, besides the two Specific Charges which I have answered to, in Seperate Letters, having thought proper to arraign many parts of my Conduct in the Office of Resident at his Capital with what I think I may be allowed to call an unprecedented Degree of Inveteracy —

I hope it will not be thought improper in me to take notice of such other Parts of his Letter as press hard upon my Character and which must undoubtedly tend to prejudice me greatly in the Opinion of those who

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Peddanaig durgum - and in a few Days I shall have the Honor of laying before you a Plan of my Route with particular Plans and Descriptions of these Passes.

I am, with the greatest Respect,
&c. &c.
(Signed) A Beatson
Captain of Pioneers.

Camp N. E of Arnee
5th September 1790.

Route to the Muglee, Ballamander, Cuddapanattam, and Pedanaigdurgum Passes August 1790.

I left Camp N. W. of Arnee and went by Caveamy, Caddy and Vellore, to Chittoor - to which there is a good Gun road - From Chittoor I proceeded, to the Pass of Muglee, which is distant by the Road exactly 20 Miles W. S. W. I examined and minutely surveyed this Pass, which may be made with very little trouble so easily practicable for a Battering Train that it may be carried through it without the necessity of unyoking the Bullocks, and without hardly impeding the March of an army - The whole length of the Pass, from the beginning of the ascent to the bottom of the Descent upon the western side of the Hills, is only 1300 yards, and its greatest perpendicular heights cannot exceed 50 yards; The ascents and Descents are gradual and easy; and none of the turnings so short but they may admit of the full Draught of the usual Complement of Bullocks to Battering Guns - Beyond the Pass is what is called the Ballamanair Pass; here

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upon the minds of our Honorable Masters; for we know that they do not think the attainment of a more subsistence a compensation equivalent to the loss of health, banishment from our native Country, and Separation from our dearest connections.

We trust, Honorable Sir, that you will see this representation in so favorable a point of view, as to deem it worthy your recommendation to the Honorable Court of Directors.

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

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15th September 1790.

(Signed) Joseph Gannon
Persian Translator.
S Webbe
Mhratta Translator.

Agreed that Copy of the foregoing be sent as a Number in the Packet and that the Subject be recommended to the favorable attention of the Court of Directors.

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly.

To John Cranier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department.

From Colonel Kelly intends sending the Stores from the Presidency directly to Arcot states the Route by which he intends marching into the Mysore Country.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of Government, that I have ordered that the Stores &c. now on their way from the Presidency should proceed directly to the Cavalry Cantonments near Arcot, to which place I shall move with the Army as soon as

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mind of that writer at a time, when the Company's affairs were extremely circumscribed, how much more necessary does the knowledge of these languages become now, when the English influence extends itself over the whole peninsula of India? That influence, every Day becomes more immediate, & we may reasonably conclude that a very few years will remove all interposition, between the Company and the natives of Hindoostan.

From these considerations we think it a duty no less incumbent upon ourselves than due to our honorable Masters to point out the discouragement which impedes the cultivation of Oriental Literature.

The Persian Translator begs leave to represent that his Monthly allowance amounts to no more than Twenty five Pagodas - The Mahratta Translator takes the liberty of stating that, he has served the Company for five years at twenty Pags. P. Month, by which, though he has acquired honor he has lost Money, for he has defrayed every charge whatever from that small pittance - Such, Honorable Sir, is the encouragement held out to the Company's Servants; such the inducement but we may venture to affirm that, if great to distinguish ourselves in the Service of our Honorable employers, had not more stimulated us than the advantages,

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General of both Establishments when the Change takes place.— Jam, &c. &c.

(Signed) E Hay Secy to the Govt.

Fort William
20th August 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) E Hay Secy to the Govt.

Minute thereon,

Agreed that Copies of the above Papers be immediately forwarded, as directed.

Read the following Letter from the Persian and Maharatta Translators.—

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St George

From the Persian & Maharatta Translators requesting that a more liberal allowance may be annexed to their respective appointments—

Honble Sir,

That the Languages of this Country, whereon so much depends upon the fidelity of their Servants, are highly important to the Company is a position unnecessary to be enforced, because universally admitted; but, whilst their advantages have been generally allowed, few have been found to encourage the Study of them, To this want of inducement may be attributed, that general inattention to the Country Languages, which now pervades the Service and the Company's affairs have consequently been entrusted to the mediation of interpreters, whose ignorance is perhaps only to be equalled by their perfidy If any man could, for a moment entertain a doubt, the

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To John Cramer Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St George

Sir,

Sent Enclosed with Copy of this Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell respecting the Letter forming the Charge for victualling the Europeans of his Detachment to the Madras Agent.

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter, Dated the 6th Instant, from the Board at Fort St George, transmitting an Extract of one written by Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, on the 28th of July, to Mr Cockburn, the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions at your Presidency; and I am desired to forward to you the enclosed Copy of Instructions that have been sent, in Consequence, to Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, that you may be pleased to lay the same before the Governor in Council.

I have the Honor to be, &c &c

Fort William, 20th August 1790.

Signed E Hay

Sect to the Government

To Lieut. Colonel Cockerell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment

in the Carnatic.

Sir,

The Governor General in Council has been furnished by the Board at Madras with the Copy of a Letter addressed by you to the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions, in which you assign your objections to transferring the Charge of victualling the European Troops

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You have already received the best opinions with we had it in our Power to give, from the Governor General's Letter Dated the 2d and our Letter Dated the 12th Instant, and, altho' by advices that have since arrived, from Fort St George, we have reason to believe that General Medows will require a Sufficient force to be joined to Lieutenant Colonel Hartley's Detachment from Tellicherry and your Presidency to insure the reduction of Palicacherry in the beginning of October, whilst he is preparing to ascend the Ghauts with his whole force and invade the Mysore Country yet we do not foresee at that time a possibility of Tippoo's Army, or even a considerable part of it being brought to act against the Corps which is to be employed in the Reduction of Palicacherry.

We have now therfore, only to repeat that we think it adviseable that you should send such reinforcements as those that we have already mentioned, and particularly as many Artillery Men as you can spare to Tellicherry or to Lieutenant Colonel Hartley soon as the Season will permit but we do not conceive that so great a force as Colonel Abercromby proposes will be wanted or that any means could be found for equipping such a Body of Troops for active Service in the Country to the Southward of Tellicherry

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have already taken.

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

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10th September 1790.

Signed John Turing
W.m Tinder
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Geo: Moubray
Wm Balfour

Minute thereon.

Agreed, that Colonel Kelly be informed that it is expected he will take care to prevent there being any Complaints of his People taking Poultry &c without paying for them.

With respect to the Grain which Mr. Kindersley thinks he can procure, the Board are of Opinion, that much will not be wanted - what is taken above the Circar Share, must of course be paid for.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Secretary Hay.

John Chanier Esqr. Secret Dept.
Secretary at Fort St George.

From Bengal with Copy of a Letter addressed by that Government to the Governor in Council at Bombay.

Sir,

I have orders from the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed, Cyphered Copy of a Letter written yesterday to the Governor in Council at Bombay with a request that it may be sent immediately to

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11th to lay before the Honorable Board extract from a letter which we have received from Mr. Kindersley - at the same time We take the Liberty of offering our opinion that, if the proprietors of Grain should be compelled to deliver it without prompt payment at the market price, it would create an alarm in the Country, and probably give rise to a large emigration.

We have the Honor to be,
&c; &c.
Signed John Turing
Wm Tudor
David Halliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Geo. Moubray
Wm Balfour

Fort St George
16th September 1790

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Nath.l C. Kindersley
Dated 6th September 1790.

The small quantity of Circar Grain that has been found, (Cullums 2400) I have ordered, to be immediately beat out, and thrown into the Garisons you mention, and I have already agreed for Cullums 2500 more, at 3 Cullums & Pagodas I have reason to believe, that, within a reasonable distance of Arnee, Vellore, and Amboor, a quantity of Paddy may be found, to the amount of 50,000 Thousand Cullums for five hundred Madras Farce, but in order to procure it

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To Mr Secretary Hay — with Invoice & Bill of Lading of Tents and tent Poles shipped on Board the Queen Captain Douglas For Fort William. —

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Mr Ernst William Fallofield, The Board are anxious to receive his Report upon the charges exhibited by the Rajah against Mr Ram. —

To Mr E. W. Fallofield at Tanjore.

To Messrs Ram & Fallofield.

To Messrs Ram and Fallofield — with a Letter for the Rajah and Translation for their Information. —

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — the Flies of Tents to be used for securing the Grain intended for the Army — instead of erecting a Shed as recommended in his Letter of the 9th Instant. —

To the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in the Bd. Nos. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. —

From Mr George Binny Surgeon, complaining of his being superceded by Mr Gahagan. —

From Mr George Binny Surgeon.

From Major Wynch — enclosing a Memorial and requesting that it may be sent to the Honorable the Court of Directors by the Houghtons. —

From Major Wynch.

From the Commandant at Pennacoil — stating that the numbers of Sepoys now in that Garrison will not admit of his giving any assistance to the Collector & requesting that such an addition be made as the Board may think necessary. —

From the Commandant at Pennacoil.

From

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11 will be realized — Every Exertion is making to enable it to move at the time prescribed.

Mr. Torin, Collector in the Tinnevelly District has addressed us on the Subject of entertaining some Provincial Corps for the Collection of the Revenues and has informed us of his having sent you a Copy of the address.

We have taken the Subject into Consideration and directed Letters to be written to the Officer Commanding at Palamcotah and to Mr. Torin containing our Instructions, which we shall be happy to hear are approved and confirmed by you — The Letters are now sent under flying Seals to you, that you may forward them if your Sentiments accord with our's, if not you will be so good to detain them & acquaint us with your Opinions and wishes on the Subject.

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

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15th September 1790

/ Signed / Morgan Williams

&c Council

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in 16 B. Nos. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55.

To the Military Board — approving the Recommendations contained in their Letter of the 7th Instant — the arms applied for by the Commandants at Nellore to be supplied when the number of Sibbendies necessary

To the Military Board

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September 5th 1790

Council, it is not in my power to give an answer to your Letter. — What have I more to write?

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr

Governor in Council Fort St George;

From the Resident at Travancore with a Bill on Bowany Shunkera Pattar for one Lack of Rupees in Part of the Sum to be advanced by the Rajah

Honble Sir,

I do myself the Honor of transmitting a Bill on Bowany Shunkera Puttar, a Soucar at Madras, for the Sum of One hundred Thousand Rupees (Rupees 100000) being in part of the advance which the Rajah of Travancore was to make. The Balance amounting to Twenty five thousand Rupees, I am now receiving in Specie, shall be sent to Mr. Torin at Palamcotah. This latter Sum will complete the advance of One Lack of Pagodas. —

As I found it difficult to procure the whole of the advance in Specie from the Rajah, I prest him for any part of it in Bills on Madras, which he found more convenient to comply with. The Bill is drawn by Gopinaud Tatcoor a Soucar here, as it is mentioned in the Body of the Bill that I am to write a Letter of advice to Bowany Shunkera Puttar. I take the Liberty of enclosing it, to be sent to him at the presentment of the Bill. —

Ayacottah
28th August 1790.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

(sign'd) George Powney
Resident

First

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11 progress is made in the preparations necessary to enable the Army under Colonel Kelly to execute their Plan which the General has allotted to it.—

Sam, &c. &c.

/ Signd / John Kennaway

Paungal
2 September 1790

P. S. My last Letter from Major Montgomery is dated the 27th Ultimo in which he informs me that Mahautut Sing was to march the next Day and that he had received orders to proceed with his Detachment accordingly. — / Signd / J. K.

John Cranmer Esqr.
Military Secretary

From Messrs. Ram and Fallofield, with Copy of a Letter from the Rajah stating that he only owes the Company about 27000 Pagodas.

Tanjore
6 September 1790.

Sir, We have the Honor to enclose you Translate of a Letter which we have received from the Rajah of yesterday's Date. —

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

/ Signd / Geo. A. Ram
E. W. Fallofield.

Amer Sing Maha Rajah presents his Salam to George Andrew Ram
Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs.

I have received both your Letters one written august 31st and the other September 2d Both I received and have understood the Contents of them. —

To the Disputs about the account mentioned

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To

Morgan Williams Esqr.

President &c. Council

Fort St George.

From Mr. A. Macleod Collects in the Madura & Dindigul Districts with Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to the Commander in Chief.

Gentlemen,

By desire of General Meadows I have the honor to enclose a Copy of a Letter from Colonel Harris

I have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Alex.r Macleod.

Dindigul
7th September 1790.

A. Macleod Esqr.

Sir, I am directed by the Commander in Chief to acquaint you that he supposes you have or will receive authority and Directions from the Council to act as Collector for the District of Dindigul, in addition to Madura, but if they should not yet have arrived, he desires, and by this authorizes you to proceed to Dindigul without loss of time to act as such, as it is of very great importance that the Country should be settled & the Resources of it brought forward as speedily as possible Captain Bowser, who Commands in Dindigul is wrote to by this post to assist you & the General desires that you will acquaint the Council with the Contents of this & that you by his Directions wait their Orders & Instructions.

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

(Signed) Geo: Harris, Secy to the Commander in Chief.

Camp Coimbatoor
4th Septr 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) Alex.r Macleod.

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would make over to the Mahrattas, and Negam, all the Territories taken from them, even in the time of his Father to this Day — but supposing this effected, and the Country made over to them, such is his treachery, that without the least Remorse, he would take the first Opportunity when the English Troops had returned to Garrison, and no immediate Danger threatening him, to dispossess them of the Country again; and that he would be the same Despot as before, I believe they would have early proofs of. The Mahrattas and Moguls ought to proceed with their Armies to Rustumabad, or Serah, for Tippoo will not be able to oppose them; as the best Officers, to whom the greatest trusts were given in the time of his Father, he has since his Demise, either totally cut off, or confined them for Life; many to avoid this disgrace have destroyed themselves — The greater part of the Inhabitants of the Bednore District from Bacul to Sadasseu Ghur which were chiefly Christians, he has converted to the Mahomedan Faith, these he has made Sepoys of, so they must be all affected to his Service — He has treated many of the Inhabitants of the Carnatic & Coluck after the same manner, as well as numbers from Madras and Bombay, whom after a long

confinement

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11 Tumberah - 8 Cofs The Plain continued, and near a fine Tank

Casore - - 6 Do continuation of the plain, and a Nother River

Bonewah - 8 Do Plain continued, and a Tank

Arsunkerah 3 Do - Do

Ginnerseti - 5 Do - Do

Anebangore - 5 Do Do

Chundra Puttun 3 Do Do

Cuckeree - 5 Do Do

Yutteopah - 3 Do Do

Cunumbaree 4 Do Do and a River

Seringa Puttun 4 Do

If you get possession of Perah Puttun, I should consider Seringa Puttun as on the Eve of being taken likewise. Perah Puttun is a very large Fortress, and a Delightful Place, very healthy, good Air, and water. There are fine woods near it, and Cattle in great Plenty. The Ground on one Side of it, is very favorable for an Army to encamp on, it being a perfect Plain covered by the Fort, so that no Enemy can venture to approach it, & you can secure also a Communication with Colicut & Tellicherry; but as I suppose you would not stay long at this place, but pursue your Route to Seringa Puttun, whether there is much Grain or

not

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and keep them with you, the advantages of which would be as follows.

The Rajah of Chericul can bring into the Field 2000 fighting Men, and 1000 Coolies for Baggage, The Rajah of Carnutnut has rather more, and the Rajah of Coton Gurry can also furnish you with as many, and the Cobuck Rajah can supply you with good information, and Provisions - you would do right, after entering into alliance of Friendship with the above Rajahs, to send a Company's Officer into each of their Districts to take an account of their Revenues, half of which they would willingly give up to the Company, on the other half being secured for themselves; but you should at the same time assure them of your Protection and favor, and convince them it is your intention to take care of them, I will also write to these Rajahs myself, advising them to establish a good understanding and Friendship with the English, the happy Effects of which will be obvious, as in the End it may probably tend to preserve to them their Districts They are no doubt of themselves inclined to join you, and would be glad of your Protection, for these last two or three Years they have been treated with great

Severity

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11 therefore be dispossessed of her Fortress, the Inhabitants of which might be made useful to you—It will not be difficult to Subdue it; the Garrison is not very large, from 500 to a 1000 Men of the Bibbees, and about 100 or 200 of Tippoo's own Troops, comprise the whole, you will find a great deal of Grain in it, which you can Send to Tellicherry, after Garrisoning Cannonore, you should send a Detachment to Bapore, which is under Calicut, where will be found Rice Sandalwood, and Pepper in great abundance, The Garison of Mangalore does not exceed from 100 to 200 Men, & that of Mirjhy not above 50 or 60, at Barnawar there may be about two hundred By sending a few Vessels, with a small party of Troops before Mangalore, the Garrison would leave the place without opposing them, you could then collect all the Rice Grain and Stores &c that may be found in it, and send them to Tellicherry.—

On the Coast is a District called Barcon, the Revenue of which is about four Lacks of Rupees a place called Burmawar under its Jurisdiction, not far distant from Durrah Bahadur Ghur is the Repository of all the Rice Crops in that Country, & till Tippoo went against Travancore, when he took

large,

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11th be to take Cannanore, before you go inland, where you will find great plenty of both - Tippoo reposes great trust in the Bibbee of Cannanore, who is connected with him by marriage, and when Tippoo was last down on the Coast, He ceded over Several new Districts from the other Rajahs to her, and left her also a great quantity of Provisions, In return, for which, she is under a promise to him, in case of a War breaking out, to collect the whole of her Cast, (the Moplas) together, from Mangalore, to Cochin, and form them into an Army to act in his favor I think no time should therefore be lost in taking Cannanore, which will Supply you with Provisions in abundance for as Tippoo considers it as a place to resort to in time of Danger, He will naturally write to the Bibbee to comply with her promise to collect a Body of the Moplas, which in case of your going up the Coast, will be very troublesome to the Army, and will also, when you leave the Coast, prevent a communication with Tellicherry, for these reasons, it would be advisable to get possession of Cananore immediately, and another good Effect would probably result from it, that the Troops along the Coast convinced of your Superiority, would be glad to put themselves under your

Command

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15th first mentioned, that 500 Men ought to be detached to Sagarpore, 300 to remain in the Fort, and the other 200 to go to Gourmeruccen in order to defend the Entrance from Thanore, If you approve some of my own People can attend you, to point out the Places I speak of, when you can act accordingly.

The Military Road from Tellicherry to Seringa-patam, — Viz.

To Pachey — 6 Cos
" Bauley — 6 "
Kurey — 6 —
Harley — 6 — which brings you to the bottom of the Ghaut, where you must necessarily remain a Day or two, on account of getting the Baggage up — From Harley to Sudapore 7 Cos. —

From Sudapore to Paniah Puttum 7 Cos in this Day's March you pass thro a thick wood in which there is exceeding good water, and if you choose to halt there, you can do it without Interruption. —

From Peria Puttun to Gatey malway — 5 Cos
From thence to Seringa Puttun — 10 Do

When you leave Tellicherry, you should make Enquiries on the Road, at Coluck, Peria Puttun, or Saddapore, respecting the Strength of Tippoo's army, for as they can easily inform you on that head, it will be a great Satisfaction to you, as you move on — your heavy

Baggage

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11th Candapore, and Mangalore, the three latter Forts have been destroyed since the last War.

Places on the Coast where Troops may be easily landed

The Tudrey which is the River that General Matthews went up in the late War, is well situated for this purpose, and there is a good place for landing Troops at Onore, but here at this Season there is a heavy Sea, Candapore is favorable likewise, for disembarking an Army, but the water in the River is shoal, and will not admit of large Vessels going over the Bar - Troops however might easily be carried over in small Boats, neither can Vessels of above 400 or 500 Candy go into Mangalore River, In the River at Cannanore, Ships can go up as far as the Dutch Factory, where there is a good place for Landing, and at Calicut an Army can be disembarked with the greatest ease - From this place to Tadasery Bay, if three or four large Ships & forty or fifty Boats were just to anchor before the entering Forts of any size, for two or three Days, firing forty or fifty Shot at each, the news would be immediately transmitted to Tippoo, who hearing of so powerful a Force being on the Coast, would be obliged to detach a considerable Body of Troops to oppose them. This would reduce his grand army so much, that Victory to the English must inevitably follow, after causing this Diversion, should you wish to proceed

to

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Diary

11th Sent Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore (as entered in C.C. 8th 1791) requesting him to state his objections to any Items in the account Current transmitted him - stating that the Business to be arranged with his Excellency is to be done by Letter, or through the Medium of Mr. Swartz - the Orders already sent to Messrs. Ram and Tallofield are explicit and must be adhered to.

Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore.

Received the following Letter

John Shannier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St George.

Sir,

I am directed by the President in Council to enclose for the Inspection of the Government at your Presidency, certain Information, which he has obtained, from Hayett Saheb heretofore Killadar and Governor of the province of Bednore, from which some Information, worthy of notice may be collected. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant,
[Signed] William Page
Secy.

From Bombay with Information received from Hayett Saib, formerly Governor of Bednore.

Bombay Castle
19th August 1790.

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Hospital Board,
6th September 1790

From the Hospital Board Mr Michael O'Donoghue be appointed an Assistant Surgeon recommending that Mr W.m Peters be appointed a Sub Assistant & sent to Chingleput to relieve the Surgeon & in the room of Mr Gabriel who is ordered to Bengal

Mr Michael O'Donoghue having presented himself a Candidate for the Station of Assistant Surgeon, & the Hospital Board finding he has received a liberal Education, for his Profession in France recommend that he be appointed an Assistants Surgeon, and Stationed, at the General Hospital at the Presidency.

Consideration deferred.

Read a letter from Mr Walker Surgeon at Chingleput stating the ill health of John Gabriel, Sub Assistant Surgeon,

The Hospital Board considering the number of Sick under Mr Walkers Care, recommend that W.m Peters be appointed a Sub Assistant and sent to his Assistance.

approved - but to act only during Mr Gabriels Illness

Signed Jas. Anderson Physician Gen.l
W.m Paine Acting Chief Surgeon
William Buchan Head Surgeon

Substance of a Letter to be written to the Rajah of Tanjore.

Resolved, that a Letter be written to the Rajah of Tanjore, in reply to his Excellency's Letter of the 27th August and that it be stated to him that every attention will be paid to the Objections he may have to the accounts transmitted to him on the 13th Ultimo - but that, at this important Crisis the Board cannot authorize the slightest Delay

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Iron Wedges		12	4d Nails	℔	8
Sledge Hammers		2	3d Do	Do	5
Carpenters Tools			Pump nails	Do	½
Adzes		2	Brads	Do	1
Plains		3	Iron flat Bars		2
Chissels		3	Square Bars		1
Mortice Do		2	Steel Do		2
Gouges		2			
Pinchers		1	Wood Screws	Dozn	3
Hand Saws		2	Log Lines	Sets	2
Augers from 1½ to ½ Inch		3	Twine	℔	1
Gimblets		11	Glue	Do	2
Claw Hammers		3	Masons Tools		
Two feet Rules		4	10 Feet Rod		1
Chalk	℔	10	6 Do Do		2
Callipers		1	5 Do Do		3
Cross Cutt Saw		1	3 Do Do		2
Compass		1	Plumb Rules		2
Smiths Tools			Square		1
Beak Iron		1	Level		1
Bench Vice		1	Sighting Boards	Pr	1
Hammers		2	Mallets		3
Files		9	Pickets		50
Screw Plate		1	Log Reel		1
Bellows Sockets		1	Boxes		2
Two Iron		1	Stationary		
Country Bellows	Pr	1	Imperial Paper	Dr	2
Sundrys			Royal Do	Do	3½
30d Nails	℔	150	Demy Do	Do	3
24d Do	℔	50	Foolscap Do	Do	8
20d Do	Do	25	Quarto Post Do	Do	3
16d Do	Do	10	Cartridge Do	Do	2
6d Do	Do	8			

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Works

The Chief Engineer having informed us that the places from whence Brick Rubbish is now brought by Lascars for the Repair of the Roads is at so great a distance, We therefore beg leave to recommend that 6 Carts be allotted for the purpose, as Lascars are not only difficult to be raised, but in the end it will also be much cheaper to remove Rubbish by Carts than by hand.

Stores

The Commandant at Vellore having Indented to us for 400 Stand of Arms, in consequence of your Orders for his enlisting such Sepoys Sibbendy, as shall offer their Services to the Company, We request to be informed whether they are intended for the Duty in that Garrison, or to be distributed among st the different Corps of this Establishment.

Mr. Benjamin Roebuck having requested to purchase One of the large Copper Boilers in the Arsenal, promising to return it if required, and as We see no Objection to complying with his request we submit it to your Consideration.

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) P Cappes
Fabrick Ross

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That three Provincial Battalions be entertained in the Company's Service upon the Pay of Regulars, to consist of 500 each, to be commanded by Captains Downey Dighton, and Everett, to make returns to the Officer Commanding the Garison of Calamcotah, and to be paid by the Paymaster of that Garrison, in the same manner and Subject to the same Regulations of Detail as were in force, during the Time the District was under Mr. Irwins Management.

As it will be proper to obtain the sanction of General Medows to the foregoing Measure it is further resolved, that the Instructions to the Collector &c be forwarded under a flying Seal to the General, that he may transmit them, if his Sentiments accord with the Boards and if they do not, that he may detain the Instructions, & acquaints the Board with his Opinions & wishes on the Subject.

Do Agreed that Mr. Torin be desired, to give the necessary Directions for facilitating the March of the Troops from Cochin to Tutacorym, as practised upon similar Applications, agreeably to the Request of Mr. Mekin.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board:

From the Military Board reporting on the applications made by Lieuts Ferguson & Mackenzie recommending that the Sergeant appointed to Drill the Recruits for the Artillery in Travancore, be allowed the Pay of Drill Sergeant. Return of Engineers Serjeants &c. for the Carnatic army proposing that Cattle be used for removing Rubbish to Repair the Roads. The Commandant of Artillery applies for a Stand of Arms. & Mr Roebuck to purchase Cuspidores Copper Boilers

To Morgan Williams Esqr

Acting President in Council

Sir,

We have been duly honored, with Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letters of the 28th and 31st Ultimo and 5th Instant.

On the applications from Lieutenant Ferguson and Lieutenant Mackenzie, We are of

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there is no doubt but they will be glad to reenlist with the Company, and I think require no further inducement, but the promise of being regularly paid in future.

The Nabob's Officers in Command of his Battalions, before the Late War were reappointed to these Corps by Lord Macartney - and much benefit was received by Mr Irwin from their Exertions - The same good Effects have been experienced, by me in the present occasion Captains Downey, Dighton, & Everett (at present appointed to them are Officers whose Services were known and acknowledged throughout the whole of the last War - and from other Circumstances are peculiarly deserving the Consideration of Government.

These Troops received the Pay of Regulars there was also a Corps of armed Peons in Mr Irwins time to the number of 1200 at a Pagoda each p Month - whose immediate Duty it was to attend on the Renters and make the Collections in the detail.

but as the Renters will have to provide themselves with Sibbendy, this Corps will be useless in future and the Expence a Saving to Government.

The Battalions were paid by the Paymasters of Palamcotah, - and all under the Commands of the Company's Officers in the Fort.

I am Sir Your most Obedt Humble Servt

Benj: Torin

To

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Whatever resolution the Board may come to upon this subject, I hope I shall be excused for mentioning the Situation of the Nabob's European Officers in this District, nor be deemed unreasonable in intimating the wish of Captains Powney, Dighton and Everit, to be continued in the Command of such Corps, as the Board determine to keep up, for the use of this District. I have mentioned Captain Powney tho' absent from Sickness as it is his intention to return immediately to his Corps, and the peculiar hardship of his and Captain Dighton's Situations are too well known to Government, not to meet with their indulgence.

Mr Irwin's establishment amounted to 1800 Revenue Troops and 1200 Peons; but as there is a small part of the 8th Revenue Battalion at Palamcotah, tho' their Services, are, at present, required for Garrison Duty, I believe the forming of these Nabob's Men into three Battalions of 500 each, will be found Sufficient for the Country Service, and to provide for as many of the Black Officers and Men as have any Claim from former Services, and as are likely, if not entertained, to become very troublesome for their arrears.

I have taken upon me to send a Copy of this Letter to General Medows direct, that no time may be lost in the reference, and that I may know how to answer those people when they call upon me for pay.

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Secret & Military Department

Sir,

From the Collector in the Tinnevelly District recommending that Mr. Rebold's Troops now at Tinnevelly be entertained by the Company and put under the Command of Captains Young Lightstone and Grant - The President & Council applies to Government to march four Hundred Dutch Troops from Colombo through the Nabob's Country &c.

Yesterday I had the Honor to report to the President and Board of Revenue, the execution of their Instructions to me, in all that related to the immediate Assumption of the Revenues in the District of Tinnevelly - I have to request you will take the earliest opportunity of informing Government, that the Nabobs Servants, previous to my arrival, had assembled together in the Town of Tinnevelly a Military Force to the amount of 2500 Sepoys, besides Armed Peons, that these People are divided into five Corps, with the distinction, of three regulars, and two Silendies every Corps has it's Commandant, and due proportion of Officers, and they are all Commanded by a Bussoldar.

To make the Establishment nominally Compleat a Brigade of Guns have been provided with Bullocks and a proportion of Lascars and there is a Troop nearly of 100 Cavalry 50 of whom are mounted. —

I was sensible little was to be apprehended from all this preparations in the Execution of the Orders of Government and the Event has proved it, but I have to sollicit the attention of the Honorable Board, to the present Situation of the District and to entreat their immediate Orders, as to the disposal of these People, who are in little or no Subordination, very much in arrears, and perhaps only quiet in the hope of Exchanging to a better Service - Under the prevailing idea of this hope I shall endeavor to seperate and send them again to their

distant

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his intention of soon embarking for Europe. —

7th September 1790.

(Signed) J. M.

In consequence of the above declaration the other Members of the Committee do not think they would be warranted in withholding their Assent to an address to Government — Resolved that an Extract of the Proceedings relative thereto be forwarded at the same time. —

A true Extract

(Signed) Joseph Garrow

Secretary to the Committee.

The Secretary reports to the Board that he never saw any Letters but those which are upon Record. He heard of another, which Mr. Casamayor told him, he had seen, but it never came to the Secretary's Office. —

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Copies of the three Letters upon Record, from Mr. George Anderson to the late Government, be sent to the Committee, with the Minutes of the Board thereon, and Copy of the Letter lately received from the Nabob, in which his Highness asserts, that the Money paid to Baupiah, ought to be considered, as paid to Mr. John Holland. —

Do

Resolved that the Committee be informed, that they are authorized, to call upon such Persons as they may think capable of giving Information upon the Subjects of the Enquiry entrusted to them. —

Do

Read

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further submitted to your Committee to recommend the propriety of calling upon Mr. Edward John Holland the only remaining Member of the then Government on the spot to declare what he knows of such Letters. —

Mr. Moubray has also suggested that information may perhaps be obtained from your Secretary relative to the Letters in question although they were not sent to this Office to be entered on Record. —

Under these circumstances although they differed in opinion from Mr. Moubray as will appear from an Extract of the proceedings on that subject herewith transmitted The Committee did not conceive themselves warranted in withholding their assent to this address. —

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Hugh Maxwell
Geo. Moubray
Joseph Farrow.

Fort St George
7th September 1790.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Committee appointed by Government to examine into a Charge brought by His Highness the Nabob against Sanpiah Dubash to the late Governor Mr. John Holland —

Friday 3d September 1790.

Mr. Moubray delivers the following Minute

Happening that several large Sums charged in the Nabob's account were received from Mr. Anderson by the hands of Cundal Row and paid by him by order

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the Government of Fort St George - with this view therefore, I lose no time in replying to your Highness's Letter, & request that you will be pleased, immediately on Receipt of this, to name the Person alluded to in your Letter just received, to the Gentlemen in the Government of Fort St George, to whom I have given explicit Instructions in what manner to proceed, —

Your Highness may rest assured of my Exertions to render you Justice - and I hope you will make me happy by frequent Letters, mentioning your Health. — A true Copy

(Signd) Geo. Cherry Sec.y

The Board observe upon the foregoing that, in the appointment of a Committee to investigate into the Charges against Paupiah / Dubash to the late Governor / and in the other measures adopted, they have anticipated the above Orders from Bengal - They have transmitted to the Governor General in Council, Extracts from their Proceedings and Copies of all the Papers that have passed, and shall strictly observe the Directions given in the future Steps that it may be necessary to take. —

Minute by Messrs

agreed that the Secretary be directed to draft a Letter to the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, as instructed by the Bengal Government. —

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and of your Minutes on the Subject, and that you will keep the person charged, under restraint until you receive our further Orders.

If the Nabob should hesitate to name the Person, to whom he alludes in his Letter, before the Houghton sails from Madras, we direct that no person who is or has been in your Civil Service, shall be allowed to proceed to Europe by that Ship.

You will observe that this Letter is written from our Secret Department, that the Subject may not be communicated at this Settlement, and We beg leave to recommend a similar caution at Madras.

We think it proper to add that, if the Nabob should charge any person in England with the Robbery Stated in his Letter, the Secret Committee of the Honorable Court of Directors may be immediately informed thereof by the Houghton, that they may take such measures as they may think necessary to bring the Offenders to Justice.

We have the Honor to be
Sir &c.
(Signed) Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
Peter Speke.

Fort William
26th August 1790.

From the Nawaub of Arcot
Recd 26th August 1790.

In hopes of Redress I write your Lordship, that a Person in the Company's Service in whose Hands my affairs fell some time ago, took by force from me the amount of the Company's Kist which I was sending

to

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9th instantly ordered, and the matter be decided upon before your Army proceeds upon Service. —

Should you be of Opinion that it is not practicable at this juncture to assemble a Court Martial, you will take such Steps with respect to Major Forsyth, as are usual and proper upon similar Occasions. —

Fort St George 9th September 1790.

I am, &c.
Sign'd John Cranier Secy.

10th

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in No. B. Nos. 42. 43. —

From Colonel Kelly. From Colonel Kelly enclosing a Recommendation Certificate for the Promotion of a native Commissioned Officer in the 2d Battalion of native Infantry — has ordered the Recruits for the 76th Regiment to be thrown into Garrison at Tripassore. —

From the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army accounts. From the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts reporting upon Lieutenant Hewitson's application. —

At a Consultation, Present

Morgan Williams Esqr.
Acting President.

Friday the 10th September 1790.

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs.

The Honble Major General M.r Medows absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved. Read the following Letter from Bengal. —

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8 as entered in M.B. Nos. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38.

To Mr. Secretary Hay - The Proceedings of this Government in the Military and Political Departments from the 1st of January to the 31st March last have been entrusted, to the Care of Captain Douglas, Commander of the Company's Ship Queen.

To Mr. Secretary Hay.

To Colonel Kelly - with Extract of a Letter from General Medows - approving the appointment of Lieutenant Barton as Deputy adjutant General - requesting him to furnish a List of the Officers with their respective approved Staff appointments - advising of the appointments of Mr. Hawkins as Commissary of Grain and of Mr. Ferguson as Surgeon Major to the Center Army.

To Colonel Kelly.

To Mr. William Hawkins - appointing him Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the Center Army.

To Mr. W. Hawkins.

To the Hospital Board - advising them of the appointment of Mr. Ferguson as Surgeon Major to the Center Army.

To the Hospital Board.

To the Military Board - with Extract of a Letter from Colonel Kelly - to comply with such Parts of his Indents as may remain to be supplied.

To the Military Board.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - informing him that the Grain at Poonamalee is to be lodged in such Barracks, without the Fort, as are under cover of the Guns.

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by His Highness the Nabob, I am directed by the Board to forward the accompanying Letter from His Highness the Nabob, in which the name of Mr John Holland the late Governor is particularly implicated.

Fort St George
7th September 1790.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(signed) John Chamier Secy.

To George Andrew Ram
&
Ernst William Fallofield
} Esqrs.

Gentlemen,

To Messrs Ram & Fallofield directing them to proceed according to the Instructions already transmitted them.

The Board have received your Letters of the 31st August and 2d Instant - they disapprove of References & desire you will proceed according to the Documents transmitted to you on the 13th ultimo - informing the Rajah in reply to his Letter that any Objections to accounts and Statements will be hereafter received and attended to, as before expressed. I am, &c. &c.

Fort St George
7th September 1790.

(signed) John Chamier Secy.

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

To the Board of Revenue the Nabob has been applied to respecting the Public accounts of the Treasurer Poly &c. Butrows - on the subject of employing Military Sepoys - regarding the District of Satavar

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters Dated the 2d & 5th Instant.

They have desired the acting President

to

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Fort St George, September 1790

8th Sent the following Letters

To Captain Douglas

Commanding the Honorable Company's Ship Queen;

Captain Douglas Commander of the Queen with Instructions touching the Recruits stored for Bengal Sepoys on board. Recruits for Masulipatam to be there landing from Bengal Establishment Ships and some Artillery Men to Bengal

Sir,

You are hereby ordered to land the Recruits on board your Ship, who are destined for the Company's Service at the Bengal Presidency.

You are to receive on board the Recruits sent to you by the Town Major, and convey them to Masulipatam; whereafter landing them, you will take on board a Detachment of Sepoys, which you will convey to Calcutta. The accompanying Copy of sailing Orders will point out to you what will be expected from you with regard to the Detachment of Sepoys - you are strictly to follow the Instructions therein contained.

You will receive from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam some Stores which are to be Conveyed to Bengal, and you will sail from Masulipatam, as soon as the Sepoys & Stores are embarked.

Dated in Fort St George, the 7 September 1790.

By Order / Signed / John Shawier Secy.

To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K. G.

Governor General in Council at Fort William

To Bengal, stating the number of Recruits landed from the Hannah Hastings and Queen, advising of the Instructions given to Captain Douglas and of inclosing Statements which have been landed from the Hannah Hastings

My Lord, agreeably to the Instructions Contained in Mr Secretary Hay's Letter of the 30 April respecting the

8 rested it upon the Detention of the Detachment - I was given to understand however that the Deficiency in their Numbers would be no Obstacle to their entering upon Action as soon as they received authentic Information of General Medows's Army having commenced Hostilities, as in that Case the requisite Force would soon be collected - But notwithstanding the long Interval which has elapsed since this event, they have still continued inactive, adopting the reciprocal Pretext of the Nizam's Army being in an equal State of Backwardness with their's - From such Conduct as well as from Tippoo's vacillating being still permitted to reside at Poonah, where he has several Advocates in Power, and from what I can learn has employed his Treasures in encreasing their Numbers, I am led to conclude that their Operations will depend upon whatever Success may attend our Arms to the Southward, and, that nothing less than a signal advantage being obtained there, will prompt them to act with Vigour. I shall in future, feel myself equally happy in having such particulars of your movements as you can with Convenience or may judge of Importance to communicate, as I shall always be to afford you such Information. — I have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Little

Camp at Mulwaree
7th August 1790.

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John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 5th Instant, and shall pay the most exact Observance to the Instructions contained therein.—

I have now to acquaint you for the Information of the Board, that Mahaubut Jung has signified to me his Intention of beginning his March on the 28th Instant towards Kanneghery a Fort belonging to the Enemy, about 40 Cofs to the westward of this place.—

I am sorry to add that the extreme Dilatoriness displayed by the Nizam has enabled the Enemy to reinforce their Troops in the Doaub, which is intended to be the Scene of action on this side.—

I have the Honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from Captain Little Commanding the Bombay Detachment, by which the Board will perceive the great Similarity of our Situations.—

From Major Montgomery to the Nizam's army enclosing Copy of a Letter from Captain Little.

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

Compt. Rachor
24th August 1790.

Signd F.K. Montgomery

Major Montgomery
Commanding the Madras Detachment acting with the Nizam's Army.

Sir,

your Favor of the 27th ultimo I had the honor of receiving yesterday, and should be happy did it lay in my Power to communicate in reply more satisfactory

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&c, &c

Signed F.H. Montgomery

Camp near Rachor
24th August 1790.

From Major Montgomery to Nizam's army enclosing Copy of a Letter from Capt. Little.

Major Montgomery

Commanding the Madras Detachment acting with the Nizam's Army.

Sir,

your Favor of the 2d Ultimo I had the Honor of receiving yesterday, and should be happy did it lay in my Power to communicate in reply more satisfactory

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Diary

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Calastry

Received Letters from the Rajah of Calastry and from Bommauze as entered in Country Correspondence Nos 174 175 176 the former stating his Inability to send Troops to Colonel Kelly unless an immediate advance of Cash be made the Latter complaining of the oppressive weights of his Peshcush - sends Provisions to Colonel Kelly - and requests that Batta may be allowed to his People who take the Field States the Sums he will pay into the Company's Treasury at Stated Periods. —

Substance of Letters Letters from Bommauze. —

Sent Letters to the Rajahs of Calastry and Venkatagherry and to Bommauze (vide C. C. N° 177) directing them to state what numbers of People they can send to act with Colonel Kelly. —

Substance of a Letter to the Rajahs of Calastry & Venkatagherry & Bommauze

Sent Letter to the Nabob (as entered in C. C. N° 178) requesting him to send Orders to his Sons to deliver up to Mr Andrews the Public accounts of the Tschinopoly &c Districts advising of the appointments of Messrs Landon and Floyer requesting him to deliver an account of his Receipts since the 29th December last. —

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

Received the following Letters

From the Secretary to Government to the Chief requesting Lieutenant Young's application for Batta Money from England - enclosing Colonel Pitt's Indent for the Recruits Army

John Chamier Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir, The General has directed me to acquaint you for the Information of Council, that he does not see any Objection to bringing on Mr Williams's Trial

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Bengal Recruits to be landed from the Warren Hastings & Queen.

The Honorable Company's Ship Warren Hastings and Queen having anchored in these Roads, the Bengal Recruits, agreeably to Instructions from Bengal under Date the 30th of April last, have been landed - from the former Seventy Seven, and from the latter One Hundred and twenty three -

The Queen to proceed to Masulipatam

Resolved that the Commander of the Queen be ordered to Masulipatam to take on Board for Bengal the Detachment of Sepoys lately landed at that Factory from Fort Marlbro, together with some Stores -

The acting President lays before the Board the following Memorandum for a General Order -

Memorandum.

Captain J. Richardson arrived on the Queen to Rank between Captains Dalrymple and Read 14th Nov. 1783. D. S. George. J. A. Brokegan. J. De Meyrac. C. Farran and J. Paynter. Cadets admitted as Ensigns of Infantry.

Captain John Richardson, being arrived from Europe on the Queen with the permission of the Court of Directors, is readmitted upon the Establishment - Date of Rank 2d November 1783 between Captains Dalrymple and Alexander Read -

The following Gentlemen having been appointed Cadets by the Court of Directors are admitted as Ensigns of Infantry on this Establishment, Date of Rank to be settled hereafter

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They also on a false Principle state the times of Payment from the Delivery of Bills instead of from the time of the Receipt of the Money, This may likewise be observed in their Statement of Soucar Bills for 54000 Pagodas, these were no better than Teeps upon various Inhabetants the Payments daily made were not all received till the last days of May; of course the last Payments amounting to 1650. 28. 70. could not be brought to account till June at which time the whole amount of these Teeps came to no more than 52337. 36. 70. The original Sums stated in these Teeps amounted to no more than 129851. 8 3/4 Chuckrums

Another Gross mistake appears in their Statement of the Payment of 24,000 Pagodas said to be paid in April which should be 22232. 40. 50. which is insidiously said to be paid to my Dubash, who is in their account called Shevaow - The Intent of which at this present time is manifest.

The Charge for Rice sent to Trichinopoly for the use of the Camp appears inadmissible, The Quantity received according to the Receipt of Mr Mainwaring for the Paymaster amounted to 4 Garce 26 Measals which at the highest calculation could not amount to more than 385 Pagodas - The Money paid to the Bullock People was I am well informed was no more than 600 Pagodas tho' stated by his Excellency's Servants at 800 I request the Opinion of the Board on the Propriety of either of these Charges, the 300 Bullocks were sent on

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To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency!

We have had the honor to receive your Excellency's Letter of the 31st August, with the account accompanying it. — Having waited Eight days for your Excellency's answer with respect to the Payment of two Lacks of Pagodas and finding Security for the arrears which the Honorable Board appears to consider as due from your Excellency to the Honorable Company, we proceed to make a Third Proposal to your Excellency Namely - that your Excellency will be pleased to give sufficient & explicit Orders to your Amildars, Pattakadars, and Inferior Officers to obey such Orders as they may receive from Us for and in behalf of the Honorable Company - and likewise that your Excellency will be pleased to grant Free access to our Servants to examine such accounts in the Duftar as may be necessary for the Carrying on the Collections.

We beg to observe that your Excellency's Free Consent to this Proposal will be highly acceptable to the Honorable Board, and cannot in any respect operate as a bar to your Excellency's Claim to the Tafsildar proposal, should the Honorable Board acquiesce in your Excellency's Statement of the account Current between your Excellency & the Honble Company. — We have the honor to be, with Respect &c.

Tanjore
2 Septembr 1790.

(Signed) E. Ram
E. W. Fallofield

The Rists for Pagodas 480000 Calculated in proportion
to the Rists of Sunn Sachs Pagodas agreable to
Sir Archibald Campbell's Treaty

1789			
Nov.	November	20,571-31.33	
	December	41,143 18.66.	
1790	January	41143. 18.66.	
	February	68570.31.30.	1,71,429 12.35
	March	68570.31.30.	
	April	68570.31.30	
	May	41143.18.66.	
	June	41,143.18.66.	
	July	34,284 37 65.	
	August	27,429 12 54	
	September	27,428 12.54.	
		4,80000..	

The Different Sums paid to the Honorable Company
towards the Discharge of the Rists from December 1789
to February 1790 being 2 Months Viz.t

1789			
December	18	By Cash Paid to Mr. Ram Resident	10,000..
	28	By a Bill delivered at the Presidency	10,000 ..
1790			
Janry	21	By Cash paid to Mr. Ram Resident	10,000 ..
February	4	By Do Do Do	9000 ..
	6	By a Bill forwarded to the Presidency	3,092..
		Deduct for agreement executed by my Vackeel on account of Banca &c.a	1,524..
			19,571 ..
March	8	By a Bill forwarded to the Presidency	38000..
	12	By Cash paid in ready Money by my Vackeel Nagoba	572 ..
	16	By Cash paid to Mr. Ram Resident	11,000 ..
		By Paddy delivered to Mr. Ram being Estimated for	11,000 ..
	30	By Loucars Bills delivered to Mr. Ram,	54,000 ..
			173,143 ..

Carried Forward

Bengal Consultations 1790

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We again take the liberty to assure your Excellency that our Instructions afford us no Latitude to make any reduction in the Sum required of two Lacks of Pagodas to be paid at present and Security for the remainder with respect to the account enclosed in your Excellency's Letter we can only observe that it has been before the Honorable Board since the 13th April last, as will appear by a reference to Letters both to your Excellency and the Resident. We therefore humbly beg to be favored with an explicit answer in regard to the payment of the two Lacks of Pagodas beforementioned and Security for the remainder.

The whole of our Correspondence with your Excellency has been regularly transmitted to Government and we shall forward to them your Excellency's last Letter with the Enclosure.

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

Signd George Andrew Ram
E. W. Tallofield

Tanjore
31st August 1790

John Charnier Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir,

Trans. Mess. Ram and Tallofield with Copy of a Letter from the Rajah &c. their Remarks thereon and Copy of their Reply.

We have the Honor to enclose you Translate of a Letter which we received yesterday from the Rajah together with Copy of an account which accompanied it, with Mr. Rams Remarks on the said account.

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The Different Sums paid to the Honorable Company towards the Discharge of the Bills from December 1789 February 1790 being four Months Viz.t

1789				
December 18th	By Cash paid to Mr. Ram Resident	}	10,000	
28th	By a Bill delivered at the Presidency		10,000	
1790				
Janry 28th	By Cash paid to Mr. Ram Resident	}	10,000	
Febry 4th	By Do. Do. Do.		9000	
6th	By a Bill forwarded to the Presidency	}	31,092	
	Deduct for agreement executed by my Vackeel on account of Tarcah Rs 11,521.		19,571	
March 5th	By a Bill forwarded to the Presidency	}	38,000	
12th	By Cash paid in ready Money by my Vackeel Nagoba	}	572	
16th	By Cash paid to Mr. Ram Resident	}	11,000	
	By Paddy delivered to Mr. Ram being estimated for	}	11,000	
30th	By Tarcah's Bills delivered to Mr. Ram	}	54,000	
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to be decided and Disputed that which seems proper to you and in consequence write to Madras expecting an answer, How can you to whom full Power has been given by the Honorable Governor & Council, say that you cannot wait, 'till an answer arriveth from Madras.

I have not disputed the decision of the Matter, but rather have consented to the Second Proposal, which was mentioned, in your Letter, Dated August 24th 1790, and have accordingly written to you August 26th 1790, I have Consented to send Orders to my Amildars - That which I requested of you in this Business, was, that, as I was willing to send Orders to my Amildars the very Moment when the answer arrived from Madras, you might have Patience till that answer arrived at last a decision must come from Madras what damage will it be to the Company if you wait till that time, it is there at present a Crop ready and a Collection of the Revenue There is no reason to fear that I should collect much Money within 8 Days - I beg therefore to be so kind as to wait till an Answer comes to the Letter which I have written to the Honorable Governor and Council as soon as that answer comes from the Governor & Council the Orders shall be sent without any Impediment But if you refuse me that kindness & insist upon my Sending the Orders immediately I am ready to send them as You force me.

You have written that I had not made known to You the Contents of the Letter, which I have written to the Honorable Governor & Council August 26th as it seemed, to me that you could not make a decision of that which was written in the Letter, for that reason I did not make it known to you - As You have written that I had not acquainted you with the

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which you have sent to me, you have written in the 2d Paragraph, that I should send Orders to my Amildars to admit Company's People to examine all the accounts and to divide the nett Revenue. ——

Though this is grievous to me, and contrary to my wish and prayer, however that it might publicly be known that I was a sincere and constant friend to the Honorable Company, I have consented to the second Proposal which you had written, which consent I have signified in my letter of the 26th August. ——

Nevertheless you have in your Letter of the 28th august desired to know what means I had used to pay off the arrears, and, that before you knew that points you could not give a reply to my having consented to admit Company's people to be with my Amildars to examine the accounts of the Income, and to divide the nett Income the meaning of this I do not understand well, you had written that Company's people should be employed I consented, on account of your writing to it. This being done I am astonished, when I look upon your answer.

The Honorable Governor and Council have mentioned in their letter of the 13th of august that I was greatly in arrears, and that, I should pay at least 2 Lacks of Pagodas and for the rest give sufficient Security, to this I have replied in my letter to you

Dated

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appointed to the Charge of the Districts of Setture, —
provided Mr Lindersley wishes it but that until he
has notified such wish, the Districts must remain under
his Charge; —

Read the following Letter from Messrs Ram
and Tallofield, —

John Chanier Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir,

From Messrs Ram and Tallofield with Copies of further Correspondence with the Rajah's Vakeel respecting the Balance to be claimed & the mode of debiting the Rajah's Circars from the Time the 1/3 of his Revenues are taken, —

We have the honor to Enclose Translate of a Letter addressed to us by the Rajah Dated the 29th Instant and received yesterday, together with Translate of a Letter from the Rajah to the acting President forwarded by us on the 28th Instant, and Copy of an account, as also Copy of the Answer we returned to His Excellency to the aforementioned Letter, —

Althó from the tenor of our Instructions we are led to be of Opinion that it was the Intention of the Honorable Board that the management of the Tanjore Country should be assumed by Proclamation without further reference to the Presidency after allowing a reasonable time for the Rajah to accede to or refuse the third Proposition — and althó the accounts now Enclosed which has been before the Board since the beginning of april last would in all probability make no alteration in their Intentions; yet from a want of authentic — Documents from the Presidency in the Office of the

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

Gentlemen,

I have now received accounts of twenty six of the Aumils I sent to the several Districts having established the Company's authority at their respective Stations - The Person sent by me to Sattavaddo near Poolicat, having alone set out from hence, (by accident) without a Guard, wrote me that he had not been suffered to take Possession of the Districts I immediately applied to Colonel Kelly, who tho' very ready, if still required by me, to furnish Assistance, objected to the great distance - and as the Aumil can be sooner assisted from the Presidency I request that an Jemidar's Guard or at least a Havildar's be Dispatched as soon as possible from Madras or Tripassore to assist Gistnarow, the Company's Manager who will be found still at Sattavaddo.

It would appear that Faults has been found with some of the Nabob's Managers for too ready a Submission to the Company's Orders, as at Tiruvatore in particular, attempts have been made to resume their authority with a view to check this Disposition in the bud, I applied to Colonel Kelly for a force sufficient to put me in compleat possession of the Circar Authority there, and to send Seneveas Row, the Offending Party, a Prisoner to Vellore, both which points were immediately and effectually accomplished by

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are of no material consequence therefore, I propose an alteration to this effect in the Letter to be written to Mr. Andrews and that an extract of his Letter of 29th be laid before Government — / Signd/ J Turing.

Mr. Balfour

As the original Instructions of Government directed, that the Collectors should have recourse to coercive Means if other measures failed, in establishing the Company's authority, — Mr. Balfour is of opinion that there is no matter before the Board to justify a Deviation from the Orders sent by Government for the Guidance of the Collectors. —

Mr. Moubray

The Nabobs Sons at Trichinopoly having resisted the Company's authority by an armed Force, I think it highly necessary to support the Collector in carrying his instructions into immediate execution, and therefore I adhere to the resolution of the Board at our last meeting, & to the letter to Mr. Andrews in consequence, no new circumstances having since occurred, nor any fresh arguments adduced by Mr. Turing, to justify a deviation from the Resolution which was at first adopted by Government as a General rule Viz.t that if mild means should not prove effectual the Collectors should have recourse to Coercion. —

4 Sept.r 1790.

Mr. Maxwell thinks that he cannot consistently alter the Opinion which he gave at the Board

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mode, however ludicrous, I conceive preferable to the pursuance of any harsh measures towards the Palace, as present indeed the accounts are of no material consequence as the people of the Nabob will hardly have left any Balances of Cash outstanding in the Country and they have been particularly active in disposing of all the Grain in the Country so that I have but little hopes of procuring any considerable quantity until the next Crops come in.—

Resolved that Mr Andrews be informed, that if mild measures shall be found insufficient to the establishment of his authority, he must according to his instructions have immediate recourse to coercive means.—

Resolved also that Mr Andrews be directed to inform the Nabob's Sons that he has received orders to this effect.—

Mr Secretary Webbe,

Sir, Upon further reflection on the letter received yesterday from Mr Robt Andrews Dated 29th August & the Resolution passed thereon by the Board, I think the matter of so much consequence that I am to request the subject may be reconsidered before the proposed answer to Mr Andrews shall be Dispatched. I shall be glad to meet the Members tomorrow Morning at 9 o'Clock if they can conveniently attend.

I am, Sir, your most obedient humble Servt

Thursday Noon
2d September 1790.

Signd John Turing

Extract

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Middle Division by Mr Sandon

Tondavanum
Permacoil
Arpoot
Monore Macarunum
Waldavore
Nova Mahal
Arnoot
Bootmmangalum
Sommasaundy
Palicherry
Pennatoor
Trinomalle
Audoor Mangalum
Changama
Gingie
Chillapiet
Bondamalle
Velaporam
Vedoor Veeravandy
Trumnatore
Arcot arlawady
Yarnapatore
Trivady

South Division by Mr Floyer

Volgendapour
Rungungut
Mangalore
Tellodady
Tiagur
Mullapungalum
Palluckerry
Chuckrumpollam
Suncarapore
Pandlum
Tricalore
Gramatalook
Tirupalapundell
Tirunamanellore
Sermpatnam
Tirrivenanellore
Chellumbrum
Berwanghurry
Mumargoody
Vencatampetta
Tortanaghery
Porto novo or Tirrungapetta
Calamcotah
Cotumbala
Virdachellum
Gopusapouram
Immunty
Cavanore
Yalliasanasore

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for an honorary Guard to their Persons in the Fort,
Jam, &c. &c.

R.d Andrews Collector.

Trichinopoly
27th August 1790.

Extract from the Consultation of the Board of Revenue
Dated 1st September 1790.

Mr. Turing moves that the above letter be laid before Government, and that it be recommended to them to take such measures, as may appear to them most expedient. — A true Extract

Signd J Webbe Secy.

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

Hon.ble Sir,

From the Board of Revenue; have divided the Districts of Arcot &c. into three Proportions Enclosing the Division.

Having in conformity to your instructions communicated to us in Mr. Secretary Charrier's letter Dated 21st August, Divided the Arcot &c. Districts into three proportions We have the Honor of enclosing the Division for your information.

As the District of Setwar valued with the customs of Poolical at 12,000 Pagodas p.r annum, is so far removed from the residence of Mr. Kindersley, & is immediately adjoins to that part of the Jaghire under Charge of Mr. Clerk, We take the Liberty of recommending that it be placed under that Gentleman. We have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

Signd John Turing
Mr. Tudor
George Moubray
David Haliburton
Wm Dalzell
Hugh Maxwell

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(signed) John Turing
Mr. Tudor
George Maubray David Haliburton
Wm Dalzell Hugh Maxwell.

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Mr Gillespie appointed Surgeon to the 2d Battalion of European Infantry. — from Ellore it is agreed to acquiesce in the recommendation of the Hospital Board for Mr Gillespie to be Surgeon to the 2d Battalion of European Infantry. —

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 enclosing Letter from the Collector in the Trichinopoly District recommending that orders be sent to dismiss the Nabobs Troops and to reenlist others and Copy of Mr Turings Minute thereon. We have the honor of inclosing for your information Copy of a Letter, which we have received from the collector at Trichinopoly, as it appears from Mr Andrews representation, that he meets with many difficulties in establishing the Company's authority in the different Districts from the opposition of an armed force, We take the liberty of recommending that immediate orders should be Dispatched to the Commanding Officer to dismiss those Troops of the Nabob, and that he should be empowered to enlist such number, as may be absolutely necessary, and willing to entertain in the Company's Service.

As it will be attended with very beneficial consequences, and will prevent much delay in establishing the Company's authority; We further beg leave to recommend that similar orders should be sent to the Commanding Officers in all the Districts, where the collectors are stationed

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occupied, with the addition of the Poligars for guarding the Passes &c. as mentioned in the former part of my Letter, will be fully adequate to that Service, — and in order to shew to the Honorable Board the foundation upon which I build this Opinion, I beg leave to lay before them the Plan of Operations which, in the first instance, I intend to pursue, when ordered to proceed into the Enemy's Country.

The first Step I mean to take, is, to attack and surround every party of the Enemy's Troops that may remain in the Valley of Vaniambady, by entering it from Amboor and from Changamah at the same time — The Valley being cleared of the Enemy, I purpose possessing myself of all the Posts of consequence from amboor to Athoor — The Passes of Athoor and Chingamah once in our possession, I shall have them strongly defended, as well as Vaniambady, by Sepoys and Polygars under the Command of active Officers — These, with other posts occupied in like manner in the Valley, at Cuddapah nattum, and up the Balaghaut as far as Dumalcherry, will I flatter myself secure to the Carnatic a State of perfect tranquility. —

The Honorable Board will perceive, from the above, how necessary the Polygars will be, (in saving the Sepoys) for the defence of the different posts I shall have to occupy, and will not I trust, therefore, impute to me a want of economy in my estimate of the number

of

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Camp at Coimbetour the 1st of September 1790.

I will soon appoint to the Revenue Battalion, nothing has occurred since I wrote last.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm Medows
Govr & Commander in Chief.

Minute thereon

Resolved, that a Copy of the 1st Paragraph of the foregoing Letter be transmitted to Colonel Kelly, with Instructions to accommodate his movements agreeably thereto.—

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly

To John Cramer Esqr
Secretary in the Military Department

From Colonel Kelly - states the number of Polygars he will require - the measures he proposes taking for the Security of the Carnatic - sends 4500 Bullocks to the Presidency.

Sir,

I am honored with the Letter from Government under Date the 1st Instant.—

With respect to the number of Polygars to be employed with the Army, and in the Ceded Division, I am of Opinion that, about 5000 will be necessary; which, I recommend, to be thus furnished; from the Vencatagherry and Calastry Rajahs 2000 each, and from Bommaige 1000 - of this number I should wish to take, with the Army about 3000 - the remainder, assisted with regular Troops where necessary, to be stationed at the Passes, and such other places as I shall think best situated for the purpose of guarding the Borders, and of preventing the incursions of the enemy's irregular Horse.—

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5th from Cuddalore.

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Warren Hastings - directing him to land the Recruits intended for the Company's Service at Bengal & such as he may have for his Majesty's 76th Regiment.

To the Commander of the Company's Ships Warren Hastings.

6th Received Letter from the Nabob (as entered in C.C. N° 173) inclosing a Letter for the Governor General.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob.

Received Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board (as entered in M.B. N° 28) recommending that an order be sent to the Commander of the Warren Hastings to land here, eight Casks of Flints intended for Bengal.

From the Secretary to the Military Board.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. N° 29-30.)

To Mr. Secretary Hay - inclosing a Letter from the Nabob, to Lord Cornwallis.

To Mr. Secretary Hay.

To the Commander of the Warren Hastings - directing him to land here, as many Casks of the Flints intended for Bengal as can be got at.

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Warren Hastings.

At a Consultation Present

Morgan Williams Esq^r^
Acting President

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esq^rs^

The Honble Major General William Medows absent upon Service.

Tuesday the 7th September 1790.

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved.

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief.

To

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4th to draw his Pay and allowances till that Period & then to embark on a Foreign Ship for Europe, with the usual allowance of Passage Money.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Bridges — has received Orders from the Commander in Chief to relieve Trichinopoly by the 20th September to take Command of that Garrison &c. &c. and to leave Captain Leighton in the Command of Palamcotah till further Orders.—

From Lieut.t Colonel Bridges Comm.g at Palamcotah,

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in the B. N.os 20. 21. 22. 23. 24.—

To Mr. John Wynch — appointing him Paymaster at Wallaxyanbad &c. and to the Centes army.—

To Mr John Wynch

To Mr G. P. Hoysard at Negapatam — Medicines &c. for the General Hospital at Trichinopoly are shipped on the Snow Prince William Henry Captain Sheldrake for Negapatam.—

To Mr G. P. Hoysard at Negapatam.

To the Military Board — to report upon Papers received from Masulipatam respecting Stores &c.—

To the Military Board.

To the Board of Revenue — Mr. Jarvoise has been appointed Persian Translator to their Board.—

To the Board of Revenue

To Colonel Kelly — the Board do not think proper to appoint a Second aid de Camp — advising of Mr. Wynch's appointment — enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Board of Revenue.—

To Colonel Kelly

Sent the following Letter to Masulipatam

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4th John Thompson, Genral Hospital, Madras
Whitelaw Anslie Ganjam
William Pearson, not arrived
William Norman, 12th Battalion, Native Infantry Guntoor
John St Hathway Medical Storekeeper Trichinopoly
Andrew Conton, 24th Battalion, N.I. Madras
George Wilson 20th Do - Do Do
Andrew Kennedy 28th Do - Do Do Ganjam
Samuel Barber 22d Do - Do Do
John Bingham, Medical Storekeeper to the Army
William Todd, - 11th Battalion, Native, Infantry
Thomas Thackeray 13th Do - Do - Do
Henry Morris - 2d Regiment Cavalry
Robert Little - 29th Battalion, Native, Infantry
Thomas Phippard 8th Do Do - Do
Andrew Mackenzie, 17th Do Do - Do
Thomas Pollard - 15th Do Do Do
Alexander Alexander 23d Do Do Do
Valentine Conolly Secretary to the Hospital Board
James Johnstone, 7th Battalion, Native, Infantry
Francis Duncan, 18th Do Do Do
Archibald Spiers 14th Do - Do - Do
George Anderson, 3d Do - Do - Do
Thomas Spalding 1st Regiment Native, Cavalry
James Steele - 6th Battalion, Native, Infantry
Robert Gallaway General Hospital, Madras
John King - Condapilly
John Mac Arthur - 5th Regiment Native, Cavalry
David Haliburton, Vizagapatam
John Goldie - 2d Battalion, Native Infantry James

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List of Medical Gentlemen Madras Establishment
1st September 1790

Hospital Board

James Anderson M. D. Physician General & President
Colley S. Lucas Surgeon General with the Army
William Raine Acting Chief Surgeon
William Duffin Head Surgeon M. Hospital
Valentine Conolly Secretary

Head Surgeons

Teresa Gahagan Head Surgeon Vellore Hospital
George Binny Ditto Masulipatam Do
Nicol Mein Ditto Trichinopoly Do

Surgeons

William Gordon to the Town Jails
Finlay Ferguson 2d Regiment European Ellore
Thomas Howel home on Leave
William Roxborough Samulcotah
Robert Rolls Cuddalore
John Briggs Home on Leave
Jeremiah Adderton 1st Battalion Artillery Camp
Job Bulman Home on Leave
James Richardson Ganjam
Alexander Watson Calamcotah
Joshua Gillespie
Adam Blackaden 3d Regiment Europeans
Anthony Simoens Invalided Cuddalore
William Ruddiman Apothecary
George Ogelvy Madura

Alexander

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Diary

4th Received the following Letter

To John Chamier Esqr

Secretary Fort St George

Sir,

From the Resident at Poona stating that no Hostilities have been hitherto committed by the Mahrattas against the Common Enemy.

I have to request you will make my acknowledgments to the Board for the Communication of General Medows's having reached and taken Possession of Coimbatore the 22d Ultimo - which reached me this Morning in your Favor of the 20th Ultimo - I beg likewise, through your Channel, to acquaint the Honorable Board that no Hostilities have yet been committed by the Forces of this State against the Common Enemy. -

I have the Honor to be &c &c

Poona, 17th August 1790.

Sign'd C. W. Malet.

John Chamier Esqr

Military Secretary

From the Secretary to the Commander in Chief with a Copy of the General's Letter to the Nabob

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to enclose you for the information of Council, a Copy of the General's Letter to His Highness the Nabob, in answer to one from him, representing the Steps His Highness had taken, of writing to the Governor General, and the Orders he had given, his Several Amuldars in respect of their

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to observe that he has shewn a prompt execution of all business entrusted to him. —

A true Extract

Signed J Webbe Secy

Minute thereon

The acting President informs the Board that he was desired by Mr Farrow to acquaint the Government that he (Mr Farrow) will act as Translator to the Board of Revenue, without claiming any additional allowance, —

Government do not think it necessary for the present to create any new appointment of Translator to the Board of Revenue. —

Read the following Letter from Colonel Kelly —

To John Chamier Esqr

Secretary in the Military Department

From Colonel Kelly requesting that Lieutenant Conyngham be permitted to hold his present appointment of second aid de camp.

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Letter from Government under date the 24th Instant & in conformity thereto have arranged the Staff for this Army. — As I had however in my original arrangement appointed Lieutenant Conyngham to act as my second Aide de Camp, the Board will confer a singular mark of favor upon me in allowing him to remain in that Situation. — I have the Honor to be

Head Quarters Center Army Camp near Arnee 30 August 1790

&c &c &c

Signed R. Kelly.

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should be recommended to your attention. We beg leave to observe, that the circumstance of the present Persian Translator is not similar to the former; because, Mr. Haliburton was a Member of the Committee of assigned Revenue. It is our Opinion, that many conveniences may be derived from combining the two Offices of Translator & Secretary, and We think that Mr. Webbe's knowledge of the Language was the principal reason which weighed with the Honble Board in advancing him to his present appointment. Much delay may also be avoided by Mr. Webbe's presence at this Board; whilst Mr. Garrow, who holds several other employments, may not have leisure to attend them. We farther beg leave to observe, that all the Servants employed by the Board of Revenue should be under their immediate Controul.

Mr. Turing having thought proper to record his Sentiments upon this occasion, we have the honor of enclosing a Copy of his Minute.

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

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2.d September 1790.

/Signed/ John Turing
W.m Tudor
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
George Moubray
Wm Balfour

To

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To His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore

May it please your Excellency

We have this Day received the Letter which you have been pleased to address to us under date the 26 August enclosing a Letter from your Excellency to the Honorable Board which we shall carefully forward this Evening.

your Excellency has been pleased to Signify your consent to admit such Persons as we may employ as Tassealdars into your several Cutcharies on the part of the Honorable Company, But on this subject we find ourselves unable to make any definitive reply unless your Excellency shall be pleased to make known to us the Steps which your Excellency may have Taken towards the Discharge of your arrears, or the payment of the two Lacks of Pagodas specified in the Letter from the Board.

your Excellency not having been pleased to intimate to us the subject of your Letter to Government we beg leave to acquaint you that our Instructions will not admit of our waiting the return of an answer from Madras, as has been already signified to your Excellency in the Letter from the Honorable President of the 13th August, which we had the honor to send you by the hands of the Reverend Mr Swartz.

We have the honor to be with Respect,

Sr. Sr. Signed George Andrew Ram,
Ernst William Fallofield

Tanjore
28 August 1790.

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Minute thereon.

The acting President reports to the Board that His Highness the Nabob has promised to send such of his People as the Committee may require to support the Charges adduced against Paupiah Brahmany.

Read the following Letter and Enclosures from Messrs Ram and Fallofield.

John Chanier Esqr.

Military Secretary.

From Messrs Ram and Fallofield, with Copy of a Letter to them from the Rajah, and of their Reply.

Sir,

We have the Honor to transmit you the Translation of a Letter addressed us by the Rajah which we received this Morning together with Copy of our answer accompanying His Excellency's Letter to us was one for the Honorable Board, which waits on you inclosed.

We have the Honor to be, &c &c

Tanjore 28 August 1790.

Signed G. A. Ram
E. W. Fallofield.

To George Andrew Ram
& Ernst William Fallofield } Esqrs

Amer Sing Maha Rajah presents his Salam.

The Letter which you have sent August 23 I have received, that night and understood the Contents of it.

You have mentioned in that letter that

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Mr Hollonds, as a Person whose Representations were to find credit with his Highness as coming direct from Government and that of Course the Money paid to Paupiah must be considered as paid to Mr John Hollond himself, the Treasurer of the Company and requesting that the Board will make an immediate Demand of the Surrender of the Note, Bonds, &c granted to Paupiah, and for which no value was received —

Minute thereon. The Board cannot pass any Resolution upon the above Letter from his Highness the Nabob, until the Proceedings of the Committee are laid before them —

Read the following Letter from Messrs Maxwell, Maubray, & Garrow —

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

From Messrs Maxwell, Maubray & Garrow stating that the Nabobs People have not attended to a Summons from the Committee.

Honble Sir

We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Orders of the 17th Instant appointing us a Committee to examine into a charge brought by the Nabob against Paupiah, Dubash to Mr John Hollond for with holding a large Sum of Money which agreeably to the Nabobs declaration was paid by his Highness on account of the Honorable Company.

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To Major General Medows - with Copy of a Letter addressed by the Governor General in Council to the Government of Bombay. —

To Major Genl Medows.

To Mr Secretary Hay - with Copy of the Bullock Contract of this Presidency, and an Extract of the printed Regulations to which it has reference. —

To Mr Secretary Hay.

To the Board of Revenue - stating that the Chief and Council at Masulipatam will be instructed to furnish Messrs Cochrane Scott and Jones with such Military and Pecuniary aids as can be spared from the Masulipatam District. —

To the Board of Revenue.

To Masulipatam - with Instructions to the foregoing Effect. —

To Masulipatam.

To the Military Board - approving the arrangements for the Centre army, contained in their Letter of the 30th Ultimo. —

To the Military Board.

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.C.B. Nos 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. —

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal - enclosing a Bill of Lading of Fifty Thousand Musket Flints shipped on Board the Brig Calcutta Captain Greenway. —

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From Masulipatam with Bill of Lading of Stores shipped on the Snow Bellona for Madras. —

From Masulipatam.

From Do - with several Enclosures relating to the present State of the Stores at that Factory - and those wanting for the Defence of Masulipatam and its Dependencies

From Do

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protection of the Carnatick.

You will immediately send to Madras such of the Bullocks of the army as can be spared, besides those that were attached to the Artillery and Stores of the Bengal Detachment furnished by the Coast Contractors, which by the late Order of the Supreme Government are to be considered as discharged from the 31st ultimo, in order that they may make a trip with the additional Stores and Grain required for your army and thus advance them to Arnee, and be ready to move from thence so soon as the Extra Bullocks ordered for that Purpose are provided. To enable you to make the Supply as large as possible, the Board submit to your Consideration the propriety of placing such Stores as you may not have immediate use for, in the Fort of Arnee until the Bullocks return.

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1st September 1790.

Sam. Fr. Sr. Signd John Charnier
Secy.

To the Honble Major General Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief

To Major General Medows approving his recommendation respecting Mr. Macleod's appointment - refusing Mr Brooke's Request to desire from a short time his Departure to the Coimbatoors Country.

Honble Sir,

We have been favored with yours of the 22d Instant and have received a Report from Lieutenant Colonel Stuart of the Surrender of Dindigul to the Detachment under his Command.

Agreeably to your Recommendation, We have given directions for Mr. Macleod's being invested with the Charge of the Collections in the Province of

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3d Statement of Field Artillery for the western Army, with the proper Establishments of Europeans and Lascars, of which We fully approve, We beg leave to Enclose Copy of it for your Consideration.

We have taken the necessary Measures for raising the Pioneers and Lascars for the Guns agreably to your directions. We have the Honor &c &c &c

Fort St George 14th September 1790.

Signed J Kapper
Patrick Ross
George Hall.

Statement of Field Artillery for the Western Army

September 1st 1790

Ordnance	Guns	Pounders			Howitzers Inches	Total	European Artillery	Lascars
	18	12	6	3	5½			
Recommended by the Military Board	4	8	20	2	2	36	310	654
Present with the western Army	2	8	20	2	"	32	372	580
Deficient and Ordered to be Sent	2	"	"	"	2	4	"	"
The Number of Ordnance will therefore be	4	8	20	2	2	36	"	"

Draught Cattle, for the 4 Field Guns to be added

				Draught Bullocks
to the Field Train of	For	2 Eighteen Pounders	at 30 each	60
		5 Tumbrils with ammunition for Do	at 10 each	50
	For	2 5½ Inch Howitzers	at 12 each	24
		1 Spare for Do		12
		5 Ammunition Tumbrils for Do	at 10 each	50
		Spare Bullocks One to every Six		33
			Total Draught Bullocks	229

A true Copy
Signed Dan Ince Secy.

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Extract from the Minutes of a Military Board
31st August 1790.

Colonel Capper Submits for the Information of the Board, the following Extract from a Letter addressed to him by the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

Agreeably to your request I send you a Statement of the Grain in the following Garrisons.—

Paddy at Vellore, Garce		890
at Arnee		472
at Amboor		139

"I have sent Directions to Vellore and Arnee to cleat out Rice with all Expedition,—I would recommend "orders to be sent to the Collectors to get the Paddy in the "Country cleat out into Rice at each village, to throw "into Arnee, Vellore, and Amboor, and I believe, 20,000 "Cullums, about 200 Garce of Paddy, or 100 of Rice, additional "can with ease be laid up at Amboor alone—besides a "Considerable quantity at Vellore and Arnee, so that if "the 40 Days Rice is taken from Madras, which I would "also recommend, Bengal Rice being fittest for long "Carriage, our Supplies on the Frontiers will be ample— "business another Crop will be ready in November, "from which 500, or 600 Garce may be secured if the "Country remains in Peace I would also recommend "(in order that the Rice may be advanced,) that the "Bullocks of the Army shall be sent to Madras as

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or rather the remembrance of their former Severity, will tend very much to intimidate the Cumums, and other Inhabitants, and, consequently to counteract our measures and if any of them were to proceed so far as to raise a disturbance in the Country, which they have frequently done before, we have it not in our power to suppress it - There is but one Company of Sepoys Stationed at this place, which cannot, we think, be considered a Sufficient force to check the numerous armed Peons of the Zemindars, if they were all assembled; and even that Company is under orders to move from hence, if ever any Enemy's Troops enter the Circar - The People of this District can Scarcely have any knowledge of Civil authority having till very lately been ruled almost entirely by Military compulsion, and we shall be in great danger of loosing the Confidence of the Inhabitants, if they once discover that we cannot enforce what we promise - If this matter should appear to you in the same light it does to us we in that case request an application may be made to Government to order a reinforcement of Troops to this Station, which, We think ought to consist at least of three Companies and a Brigade of Guns - with directions to the Officer Commanding to comply with such Requisitions as we may have occasion to make to him for Military

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John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department Fort St George.

From Captain Kennaway with a Receipt from Major Montgomery for 42,500 Hydrabad Rupees.

Sir,

I have the Honor to enclose, for the information of the Honorable Board, a Receipt from Major Montgomery for 42,500 Hydrabad Rupees procured by me for the use of his Detachment for a Bill on the Collector of Moorshedabad, at the rate of 100 Hydrabad Rupees for 108 Moorshedabad Rupees, and have likewise to acquaint you that Major Montgomery in a letter to me under Date the 3d Instant acknowledged the receipt from Rae Anoop Ram, the Nigam's Paymaster to the Troops detached, under Mohaubut Jung of a second Month's Pay, on account of what his Highness engaged with the Company to pay for the Detachment, amounting to 34,000 Rupees. I have the Honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient Humble Servant

Signed John Kennaway.

Paungul
19th August 1790.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St George.

From the Board of Revenue with Extract of a Letter from the Committee for investigating the accounts of the Guntoor Circar representing the inadequacy of the Force stationed there, and the necessity for Supplies of Cash from Masulipatam.

Honble Sir,

The Committee Deputed to investigate the accounts of the Guntoor Circar having represented

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31 should be clearly ascertained, before you engage in an undertaking that would add so largely to our Disbursements —

At all Events we can see no Objection, to your sending as the Governor General proposes two or three Native Battalions to Tellicherry with some additional European Troops, if the Sickness which we hear has prevailed in Lieutenant Colonel Hartley's Detachment should render it necessary — and as the Season advances you may continue to reinforce, that Southern Corps, as either you or General Medows may judge expedient for promoting the General Plan of Operations —

If new Circumstances should occur, and that from your Troops not being wanted to the Southward it should be judged proper to assemble a Considerable Corps in the Months of December or January, or the Northern Part of the Coast, there will be no Difficulty and very little loss of time in recalling the Force from Tellicherry —

It is also to be adverted to that if General Medows should find it practicable to enter the Mysore Dominions either from Coimbatore or from the Carnatic during the Months of October, November or December, and Tippoo should avail himself of that Opportunity to turn his Principal Force against the

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Diary

31st Received the following Letters

John Chanier Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St George.

From Bengal with Copy of a Letter written to the Government of Bombay, regarding the Plan for future Operations on the Malabar Coast.

Sir,

I am directed, by the Governor General in Council, to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter which has been written, to the Governor in Council at Bombay, that you may lay the same before the Governor in Council of Your Presidency.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, &c.
E. Hay Secy to the Govt.

Fort William
13th August 1790.

To the Honorable Colonel Abercromby
Governor in Council
Bombay.

Honble Sir,

We have been honored, with your Letter Dated, the 16th of July.

The Governor General laid, before us an Extract of a Letter which he had written, to your President, containing his Lordships Ideas, as far as he was enabled to form a Judgement from the information, he possessed, of the probable means of employing the Troops of your establishment to the greatest advantage after the breaking up of the Monsoon, but at the same

time

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Moment be lost in transmitting his Indents to the Presidency and submitting such arrangements as he may wish to Suggest for the Protection of the Carnatic.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.

Morgan Williams Esqr.

Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board reporting that the Tents for the Southern Indents are now ready.

The Acting Commissary General of Stores has reported to us that the following Tents, due on the Southern Indent, are now ready, We beg leave to request your permission to Engage a Vessel for their transportation, as the Tents are represented to be much wanted.

Tents private	87
Do Sipoy	61
Do Bell	133
Do necessary	11

The whole, amounting to 132 Tents.

The Books of the Arsenal & Laboratory having been examined, are found to be correct & regularly brought up to the End of the preceding Month.

We have the Honor to be,

Fort St George
27th August 1790.

Sir,
Your most obt Servts
Signd J Capper
George Hall

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But, as that Plan is for the present laid aside, it now becomes my Duty to acquaint your Excellency, as well as the Honorable Board, what the Objects are which I think attainable, with the force and Field Train only, which I recommended to be added to my present Army. —

It appears to me, Sir, that the Centre Army could take possession of every Fort on the common level, between the Ghauts and Ossoor, and reduce the greater part of the Bangalore Province and the Bara Mahal, to the Company's subjection. — The accomplishment of this object will no doubt be much assisted by the disaffected Tributaries in that quarter who, by all accounts, are ripe for revolt, and who, from the appearance and operations of our Army, would be encouraged therein, and gladly embrace our cause. —

Should Success attend us in the above designs the Army might threaten and invest Bangalore itself, & by cutting off its' Supplies, and particularly its' water, which I believe is practicable, perhaps oblige it to surrender without a Siege; or, at all events, reduce it to such a State, as to render the Seige of it practicable with a less battering train than has lately been recommended. —

I do not conceive that any Detachment from Tippoo's Army can prevent us from effecting these objects, but should he come himself for that purpose, though he might probably check our designs on Bangalore, in

particular

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appear in Court, and he acquainted me that the Person, whose life was in danger had prospect of recovery as far as the Surgeon could then judge of the Fractures he had Sustained. — Sam, &c, &c,

Camp near Arnee, August 28 1790.

In.o Cockerell
Lieut.t Col.o Comm.g Bengal Det.o

Minute thereon,

Agreed that the two men, whose Depositions were taken by Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell, be ordered to the Presidency, provided they can identify the Persons committed for the Assault and Robbery, for without such Identification, it does not appear that any Evidence can be adduced to bring the Prisoners to Trial. —

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from Colonel Kelly. —

To John Chanier Esq.r

Secretary in the Military Department

From Colonel Kelly with Copy of his Letter to the Commander in Chief respecting a reduced Plan of Operations for the Army under his Command.

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 25th Instant and am sorry to observe that Government have resolved to forego the Plan of setting out this Army for the Seige of Bangalore. — —

I have the Honor to transmit a Copy of my Letter to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, which will shew to the Honorable Board the Plan, that in my opinion, ought to be now adopted. —

I trust that the Honorable Board will

approve

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When I inquired, how those Evidences came to be in the Dubashes house, I was told, that Mr Ram had asked those Evidences, and that you had sent them to him.

I therefore ask a Copy of the answer which Mr Ram shall give to my Evidences, likewise a Copy of the Evidences which the witnesses for him shall give.

If it seems necessary to you to write to Madras for leave to give me such Copy, you may write & ask leave.

But at present I need those Copies that I

August 25th 1790 may give an answer to that which he has written.

What shall I write more to a Friend

The Board have already instructed Mr Fallofield, to send to the Presidency all the Papers as soon as Mr Rams Defence is delivered in — agreed that this Injunction be repeated to Mr Fallofield, in answer to the foregoing Letter.

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

To John Chanier Esqr

Secretary to the Government Fort St George.

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell stating the evidence he is enabled to bring forward respecting the assault and Robbery committed by some Europeans of his Detachment.

Sir,

In reply to the commands of the Board of the 24th Instant I have the honor to acquaint them, that I have not any Evidences in the Bengal Detachment who are capable of substantiating the Guilt of the European Prisoners, whom I sent in confinement to the Presidency by Lieutenant Wolfond of the 2d Carnatic Battalion of Infantry.

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Read the following Letter from the Persian Translator.

To the Honble Morgan Williams Esqr
Acting President Fort St George

From the Persian Translator requesting to be employed in all business in the Revenue Department as was the case during the last assignment of the Nabob's Country.

Honble Sir,

The business of the Board of Revenue having been considerably encreased, in consequence of Government having taken the management of the Carnatic into their own hands they will consequently have more frequent occasion to correspond with the different Rajahs and others in the Persian language — I have hitherto had the honor of translating such letters as have passed and am at all times ready to attend to whatever business they may find it necessary to transact in that language, and presume to hope that your Honorable Board will give directions that I be employed in all the business of the Revenue, as well as the Government, as was the case during the assignment of the Nabob's Country in the time of my Predecessor in the Translator's Office. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c
(signed) Joseph Farrow Cmr Jr

Fort St George
28th August 1790.

Minute thereon.

The Board Resolve that Mr Farrow shall execute the Business of the Persian Translator in the Revenue Department as practised under the former assignment by Mr David Haliburton.

Read

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Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board,

Hospital Board,
30th August 1790

From the Hospital Board respecting the Quantity of Europe Medicines to be sent to Vellore — Mr Gillespie recommended to attend the Sicks of the Centre Army at Arnee — reporting on the application from the Field Apothecary.

As the General Hospital at Vellore must Supply Medicines for all Stations to the westward of Conjeveram where the Army Commanded by Colonel Kelly is now Stationed, and few Troops remain to the Northward of the Pistnee The Hospital Board recommend that in the distribution of the Supply of Medicines from Europe a Sixth part be sent to Vellore, and only a twelveth to Masulipatam, the other Stations to have the same proportion, as recommended in May 1786.

approved

The Hospital Board understanding that the Sicks of the Centre army are sent into the Garrison of Arnee, recommend that Mr Gillespie, Surgeon, lately returned from Europe, be nominated to the care of them, the worst cases to be forwarded to the General Hospital, of Vellore.

as Mr Gillespie is likely to be sent to Ellore, in consequence of a former Recommendation, the present one may be postponed.

Read a Letter from Mr Secretary Chamier, enclosing Extract of a Letter from

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which if you think proper to forward, to me I will convey it to Buchaba whom I dare say it will overtake, before his Entrance of your Territories, —

I have the Honor to be, with perfect Respect,

Poona 30th July 1790

B. & Co
Signed C. W. Malet.

A true Copy
Signed J. W. Lankheet assistant at Poona

Translate of the Letter furnished the Resident by the Durbar written by the Peshwa, To General Medows, by Buchaja Ragoonath; Received by the Resident the 28 July, —

It has been resolved that the Circar the Nabob and the Company should attack Tippoo; agreable to which you at the head of your army have Commenced your Operations as it is proper that a trusty Person from the Circar should be with you, Buchaja Ragonath, is — Dispatched, for that Purpose who will reside with you to whom as agreable to the Stipulations of Treaty you will make your Communications always write me of your health, — True Translate

Signed C. W. Malet —

True Copy of the Translate W. Lankheet asst. at Poona

Poona Resident's Passport to Buchaja Ragonath, the Mahratta Vackeel appointed to reside with General Medows.

Buchaja Ragonath being Deputed by the Peshwa

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but requested, if practicable, that he might be permitted to defer his Departure for a short time in order to settle his private affairs. —

Minute thereon.

Agreed that Mr Porcher's Request be referred to General Medows, and that he be desired to state whether the Presence of a Civil Servant is absolutely necessary in order that Mr Porcher may be required to proceed immediately, and in the Event of his being unable that some other Servant may be appointed. —

Agreed that the necessary Communication be made to the Board of Revenue, of the Generals Recommendation respecting the Province of Dindigul. —

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Poona,

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary
Fort St George

From the Resident at Poonah stating that Buchajee Ragonath the Mahratta Vackeel will stop at Madras for a few Days in his way to join the Poona Army, and recommending him to the attention of the Board. —

Sir,

Yesterday I delivered to Buchajee Ragonath, the Vackeel appointed by this State to reside with General Medows in the army acting against Tippoo, a Passport and Letter of Introduction to that Gentleman, but having been informed by the Durbar that he will visit Madras before he proceeds to the Army and application being made for an Introductory Letter to the acting Governor I have under this address enclosed Duplicate of the Letter

which

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At a Consultation

Present

Morgan Williams Esqr

Acting President

John Turing & Edward Saunders Esqrs

Tuesday 31st August 1790.

The Honble Major General William Medows absent upon Service —

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved,

Read the following Letter from the Commander in Chief

To the Honorable Morgan Williams Esqr

Senior Member at the Presidency, and the Gentlemen in Council — Fort St George Madras &c &c

From Major General Medows recommending that Dindigull (when taken) be annexed to Mr Macleod's District and that Mr Pouchet be appointed Collector in the Coimbatore Country.

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the Honor of yours of the thirteenth yesterday, inclosing a Duplicate of yours of the tenth, & a Copy of the Papers received from Captain Kennaway — I hope the Papers you sent to Bengal relative to Colonel Brathwaite will strike the Governor General as they do us; and that Major Montgomery's Detachment will get right by degrees. —

If the most strenuous exertions can enable Colonel Kelly's Army and mine to shark the Monsoon and pursue vigorous Operations in the Mysore Country I have little doubts of Success. —

Colonel

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General Medows has informed us of his having Sent Orders to Lieutenant Colonel Hartley to advance with the Detachment, and with the two Battalions of Sepoys in the Travancore Country to the attack of Palicaudicherry as soon as the weather admits. —

We have no doubt but that a regular Communication of their respective Plans takes place between General Medows and Colonel Abercromby, and We have therefore transmitted, without Remark to the General such Dispatches as We have received from your Government, judging that he will take his measures accordingly. —

The Resident at Travancore has reported to us the Death of the Rajah of Cochin, and that negociations are going on with his Successor. —

We have the Honor to be
Sir &c &c

Fort St George
30th August 1790.

[Signed] Morgan Williams
&c Council.

To Edward Hay Esqr
Secretary to the Government
at Fort William.

To Bengal advising the Surrender of Dindigul.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to desire you will inform the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council that Dindigul surrendered on the 22 Instant

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To the Military Board, - approving the several Recommendations contained in their Letter of the 24th Inst.

To the Military Board

- The Hospital Board, will be directed, to report on the application, of the Field, apothecary - The Contractors Bill for work done, at Poonamalee to be discharged, Lieutenant Norris be paid, Pagodas 300 when the Draw bridge, at Arnee is finished, - the Storekeeper at Tanjore permitted, to repair the Gun Carriages at that Garison, - enclosing copy of a Letter from Bengal, with a Contract for the Provision, of Bullocks for the Bengal Detachment, to report upon an application, from Lieutenant Ferguson,

To Mr. Samuel Johnston - The Order repeated, for him to remain at the Presidency till his accounts are delivered in properly certified, and until they are regularly audited and reported upon.

To Mr. Samuel Johnston

To the Hospital Board, - to report upon an application, from the Field, apothecary respecting the Establishment of Servants necessary to be annexed to his Department.

To the Hospital Board.

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of army accounts - stating that nothing has been before the Board to render it necessary to rescind any Resolutions upon his audit of Mr Willis's accounts - Captain Agnew's Claim to be referred to the Court of Directors - enclosing copy of a Letter from Bengal,

with

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196.

From the Commandt at Trichinopoly

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly the Fort adjutant applies for Quarters to carry on the Business of the Post office in consequence of the Collectors having made a Cutcherry of the apartments lately appropriated for Courts Martial and the Post office.—

From Captain Pearson

From Captain Pearson respecting Claims for Cloathing due to some native Invalids now incorporated in the 1st Revenue Battalion. Enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Military Board on a former application to them on the Subject.—

From the Military Paymaster Genl

From the Military Paymaster General with an Estimate of the Balance supposed to be in Mr Colls Hands.—

From Colonel Kelly

From Colonel Kelly has furnished the necessary Escort to the Bengal Boucar for the Conveyance of Money to Madras

From Ganjam

From Ganjam with Invoice and Bill of Lading of 32 Chests of arms shipped on Board the Snow Experiment for the Presidency.—

From the Commandant at Nellore

From the Commandant at Nellore advising of the arrival of a Company of Sepoys from Ongole.—

From Do

From Do stating that the Phougdar has given positive Orders to the Nabob's Sibbendies & Sepoys not to entertain in the Company's Service.—

From

28 as my Open Enemy thinks to gain his Intentions by
as they have given him authority, he might complain
of my not having regarded the prescribed terms & so
Lessen my dignity - That he may not have it in his
power to do so, I give this short answer to the Governor &
Councils Letter - The Governor and Council have written
that I should pay the arrears due to the Company
and that I should at least pay 2 Lacks in ready
Money and for the rest give good Security - I am surprized
at this, Having paid off the February Kist the Sum
to be paid in March was 68,570 Pagodas - 31 Jan.y 38 Cash
of which Sum I have already paid a great deal —
From this April, we are to take 1 Lack of the Revenue
according to the Order of the Court of Directors, and of the
remainder of the Revenue, we are to give 4/5ths to the
Company - all this the Governor & Council have written
to us - I am ready to devide the Revenue in such a
manner - This being the case, how does any arrears
appear due to be paid, I am ready to pay it this Moment,
I beg therefore, to decide that business of arrears without
Delay — It has been written, that I should deliver
the Management of my Country to the Company
during this War - as this demand appears to me to be
unjust, I shall by no means consent to it, you need
not think that I refuse to give up the Management

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Diary

Received the following Letters

John Channier Esqr

Military Secretary &c. &c. &c.

From Lieutenant Colonel Stuart advising of the Surrender of Dindigull.

Sir

Be pleased to Inform the Honorable Board that the Garrison of Dindigull Surrendered this forenoon to a Detachment of the army under my Command.

I am, &c. &c.

Signed P. Stuart

Lieut. Col. 72 Regt.

Camp near Dindigul
22d August 1790.

John Channier Esqr

Military Secretary

From Messrs. Ram and Tallofield, with Copy of a Letter received from the Rajah, in which his Excellency states his Reasons for refusing to deliver up his Country to the Company's Management.

Sir

We have the Honor to enclose you a Letter received from His Excellency the Rajah late last night - the Draft of our Letter which we had the honor to forward you by last nights Tappy with some trifling alterations has been delivered to His Excellency to Day. -

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

Signed G. A. Ram

E. W. Tallofield

Tanjore
24th August 1790.

To George Andrew Ram Esqr

&

Ernst William Tallofield Esqr

Honorable Maha Rajah presents his Salam

The letter which you, August 21st have sent to me I have received, together with the Order

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of the Bombay Detachment acting with the army of this State under Pursaram Bhaau that the greatest Part of the Maratta artillery had crossed the Kistna, and that the remainder with the whole of the Army was to follow as soon as possible.

By a Letter Dated 28th June, received last night from the Chief of Tellicherry I learn that every thing was quiet and expected to remain so during the rains at that Settlement. That the neighbouring Nair Chiefs were to a man friendly, but that the Government of Cannanore was hostile. That there were 3000 of Tippoo's Troops in that District & 6000 more on their March to join them.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient,
humble Servant,
Sign'd W. Medley.

Poona
7th August 1790.

P. S.
Tippoo's agents received their Dismission from this Durbar the 4th Inst.

From the Chief Engineer.

Read the undermentioned Letter from the Chief Engineer as entered, in Mem. B. N° 188) enclosing Major Bank's's Plan & Estimate for building Store Rooms &c. at Innacondah. the Expences of which will amount to the Sum of Pagodas 2030.

To lie on the Table.

Ordered to lie on the Table.

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agreed, to inform Colonel Kapper that nothing, as yet, has been produced to render it necessary to rescind any of the Resolutions whereby his audit upon Mr Willis's accounts was confirmed.

Minute on the former Letter.

With regard to Captain Agnew's Claim, the Board are of opinion that it should be referred to Europe - agreed therefore that the Papers be returned in order that Captain Agnew may address the Honorable Court on the Subject.

D° to the Latter

Read the following Letter from the Chief Engineer.

To Morgan Williams Esqr
acting President of Fort St George.

Hond.e Sir,

From the Chief Engineer Pointing out a Place in the Black Town for the accommodation of the Families of the Bengal Sepoys - but recommending that they be ordered to occupy a Part of St Thome.

The only Situation in the Black Town proper for the accommodation of the Families of the Natives of the Bengal Troops, is that on the north Face reserved for Military purposes But as it may be necessary to move them from thence in case of any thing serious being apprehended against the Black Town, so as to render it expedient to have another Battalion within the Walls; I should hope, was the Post at St Thome, established they would be contented with a Situation there.

I remain most respectfully &c &c

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26th August 1790.

Patrick Ross
Lieut.t Colonel & Chief Engr

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Followers allowed (by audit) to Mr Willis, as Paymaster to the Guntoor Detachment.

	Syrangs	Tindals	Lascars	Mussolgies	Coolies	Buckhalies	Dinkies
15th Hanoverian Regiment	1	3	90	4	72	24	56
Artillery	"	1	22	1	6	6	8
Cavalry	"	1	16	1	6	drawn by Corps	2
4 Battalions native Infantry	4	4	120	4	56	drawn by Corps	6
Commanding Offices Staff &c &c	"	1	32	1	12	22	4
							3 Emergencies
	5	10	180	11	152	52	75

Corps Composing the Detachment

1¼ Company of Artillery — about 75 Strong
15th Hanoverian Regiment — — 650 —
A Detachment of Cavalry part of 3 Troops
4 Battalions native Infantry and some Pioneers.

In the Month of September & October the Detachment having been during the former & to the 20th of the latter on Field allowance, namely Coolies were allowed, whose Pay for Month, amounted to Pagodas 93¾ and likewise in consequence of various movements of Corps they were admitted, in March & April their Pay in each of these Months amounted to Pagodas 102. 25. — (Signed) Happer Esq.

To

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and april 1789.

Whilst I must consider it, as a fundamental unalterable principle, that the Paymaster, to whose care the Money is entrusted is to be Responsible for the regular Disbursement of it, and that he, and not the person who receives it is to be answerable for the Refund of every Irregular Charge, yet there are particular cases, in which Government have granted Indulgences where precedent can be pleaded & the Service has evidently Benefited. If I may be allowed to offer my opinion to Government, for their final decision upon Mr Willis's accounts, I should say, that the Commissary of Stores might be a necessary Officer; but some of his allowances and contingent Bills, are open to objection. The Brigade Major, and Quarter Master of Brigade, are sometimes allowed to considerable Detachments, but that a Baggage Master is totally Inadmissible having hitherto never been allowed, excepting to the Grand Army.

With respect to the Artificers and Followers, I have admitted, in my audit even more than are now allowed to a proportional part of the Grand Army. It remains with your Honorable Board to determine whether or not Mr Sadleir should have objected to the number entertained, by the Paymaster, and whether his acquiescence in the Muster taken by his order on the 6th of December should be the Standard of my audit with respect to Artificers & Followers.

Enclosed

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but if the Honorable Board has reason to think otherwise, I trust they will condescend to make me acquainted with the nature of the Complaint, and grant me Permission to return to Trichinopoly to refer to my Book and Papers and Servant, which will enable me to explain any apparent Errors in my accounts the acting Paymaster may think in justice it is his duty to report, and to answer to the Satisfaction of Government, any groundless Charges my Enemies may fabricate against me during my absence.

In the meantime in obedience to your Commands I have sent in the accounts you require, but beg leave to remark they are unexamined by me, nor can I venture to deliver them as correct for I now part with them in the same state I received them from my Servant in a Box unopened by me.

If it is the pleasure of Government that I should not be allowed to officiate at Trichinopoly, until their doubts are cleared up, I flatter myself they will not deny me the advantage of being on the Spot to furnish Mr. Garrow with such information as he may require, as well to prove, that every branch of my Department has been properly Conducted for the Public Service, as to preserve my own Reputation, and fortune from impending Ruin which must be the necessary consequence of my being detained any

longer

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Ordered that the Contractors Bill for work done at Poondamallee be discharged, and that Lieutenant Norris be paid the Sum of 300 Pagodas as soon as the Draw Bridge at Arnee is finished and reported upon. —

With respect to Payment for the Battery erected by Major Wynch at Innicondah, as it was undertaken without the authority of Government, it will remain to be considered hereafter. —

Agreed that the Storekeeper at Tanjore be permitted to repair the Gun Carriages at that Presidency. —

Read the following Letter & Enclosure from the Military Paymaster General

John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Military Paymaster General with Copy of a Letter from the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly respecting Mr. Johnston's accounts. —

I have the Honor to enclose you Copy of a Letter I have received from the acting Paymaster of Trichinopoly, and have to request you will be pleased to represent to the Honorable Board that it is indispensably necessary Mr. Johnston should be ordered to deliver in his accounts and Vouchers which are now in his Possession at Madras in order that his Balance may be ascertained, & the accounts of my Office be no longer kept behind. —

I have the honor to be &c &c.

Pay Office
Fort St George
24th August 1790.

Benj.n Roebuck
Military Paymaster General

Benj.n

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agreeably to the Orders of Government, and, Another for 4 Lascars, allowed them by Contract, We recommend that Orders may be given for them being Discharged —

Lieutenant Monro has laid before us an Estimate Expence, amounting to Star Pagodas 303 - 13. for building a Draw bridge over the Ditch of the Fort at Arnee, which appearing to us to be a necessary work and at the particular recommendation of the Commanding Officer of the Centre Army, We are induced to request it may be executed and an Order given to the Paymaster of that Garrison for defraying the Amount —

A Committee of Inspection at Innacondah having transmitted to us a Report on the State of the works and Buildings at that Garrison, in which mention was made of a Battery, erected by the Orders of Major Wynch - and having directed Major Banks to report upon it, We herewith — transmit an Extract from his Letter in consequence on this Subject we deem it our Duty to remark that Major Wynch committed an Irregularity, in the first instance, in undertaking any work without previously obtaining your approbation, especially at a time when it was under consideration, to withdraw the Stores from that Garrison nevertheless, in consequence of the report made to us by Major Banks and of Innacondah being a frontier Garrison, We submit to your favorable Consideration, the propriety of the bill for the work being discharged —

Stores

The Storekeeper at Tanjore has forwarded —

agreeably

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The Board agree to authorize Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell to conclude an Agreement with Mr. Biddulph's agent for any greater number of Bullocks that he may require, provided the agent is able and willing to furnish them on the Terms of this agreement.—

The Board, as well as Mr Biddulph, agree, that whatever are the Regulations or established Practice of the Madras Presidency respecting Cattle taken, or destroyed by the Enemy, or killed by forced Marches, shall extend also to the additional Cattle furnished under this agreement.—

A true Copy
[Signed] P Tombelle
Subsect.

Minute thereon

Resolved, that the Orders of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, respecting the Provision of Bullocks for the Bengal Detachment be strictly attended to—and that Copies of the Letter and Enclosure from Bengal &c furnished the Officer Commanding the Center Army the Comptroller General of Army accounts the agent for the Bullocks Contractors—and the Military Board.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board, with Enclosures entered in Mil. Pp. Nos 186-187.)

To

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The Contractor for providing and feeding Draught and Carriage Bullocks for the Bengal Army, having offered to supply able and sufficient Bullocks for the Service of the additional Artillery and Ordnance Departments of Lieutenant Colonel Cockrells Detachment, upon certain conditions which Government have approved, of the particulars as hereafter expressed, are to be formed into a written Agreement, to be annexed to the Bengal Contract, to the Terms of which it has reference.

The Contractor engages that the Complement of Cattle established for Lieutenant Colonel Cockrells Detachment, on its first formation, being 290 Draught and Carriages, shall be constantly kept up under the terms of the Bengal Contract.

The Contractor engages to furnish any additional Numbers of Draught or Carriage Bullocks, not exceeding 700, that Lieutenant Colonel Cockrell may require of him, or his Agent, during the present War with Tippoo Sultaun, at the Rate of ten Fanams and forty Cash, for each Bullock, p Month, less than the Rates fixed by the Madras Contract, reckoning 42 Fanams to the Pagoda.

The Contractor engages to supply the additional Cattle with the Proportions of Grain agreed upon under the Bengal Contract, that is to say, 3 Seer of Grain or Pulse p Day for each Bullock when marching, and 2 Seers p Day when in Cantonments, without any additional Charge for the Field allowance of Grain.

The

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I have refused it to the Lieutenant of my own Guard &c. —
His Highness's information, I can scarce credit, & think if it is true our Enemy must be undone. —
Nothing new since I wrote last. —
I have the Honor to be &c &c &c

Camp at Coimbetour 18th August 1790.

Signed Wm. Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Bengal,

To John Chamier Esqr
Secretary at Fort St George:

From the Secretary at Bengal with Copy of an agreement entered into with the Bengal Bullock Contractor for the Supply of Bullocks for Lieut. Colonel Cockerell's Detachment, over and above the original Establishment sent from thence, & Orders thereon —

Sir,

Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell having submitted for the Confirmation of the Governor General in Council, an agreement that he had entered into with the agent of the Bengal Contractor for the Supply of Draft and Carriage Cattle, over and above the Establishment sent from hence, under the Terms of the Madras Contract, & Communications having been since had with Mr Biddulph, the Bengal Contractor, on the Subject, in the Course of which he has acceded to Terms, which the Board consider to be attended with a more certain and definable advantage to the Company than even those concluded by Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell with the Contractors agent, I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of them, and to acquaint

you

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the power will be left us of coming forward on any future Emergency when deprived of the benefit of a Circulation of so large a portion of property.

We have the Honor to be, with the greatest Respect,

Sir, &c.

Fort St George
21 August 1790

(Signed)

Thos Cockburn
for Constituents
Negapah Chitty
J Tullok for his Constituents
H. Dupuy
Chocapah
Charles Binny
Peter Bodkin

Annah Sawmy
Roberts Clerk
attorney to Mr C. S. Cubbon
Taypah
Jn.o Mitford for his Constituents
Irenevasiah
T. M. Muniapah for my Father
Tirumanum Arnachellum
R. Gomond
Tolloydom for Sawmy ayah
Vencata Royloo for my
Brother Vencata Royloo
Dan.l Ince
M. Shunmogoroyam

Moonyapah

A true Copy

(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Dep.y Sec.y

Pelling & de Fries for
ourselves & Moses de Carbo and as
attorneys to B. W. Salmon
Pelling & de Fries & Co.
Fr.s Lautour
J. Daly
Roebuck & Abbott for our
Constituents
Chase Barry & Co.
for our Constituents
Balfour Spalding & Colt
for ourselves & our Constituents
Porcher Redhead & Co for
ourselves & our Constituents
David Haliburton
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To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor Genral in Council
Fort William;

My Lord,

We Inhabitants of Madras who for ourselves our Constituents, or as Creditors of those who are deeply interested, in a punctual payment of the Dividends on the Consolidated Debts of His Highness the Nabob of Arcot humbly beg leave to represent to your Lordship in Council that a large Sum of Money which was received into the Honorable Company's Treasury before the Commencement of War and, consequently prior to the Operation of your Orders for applying the Creditors property in that Event to the exigencies of the State, still remains unpaid, although sums to a large amount have been received into the Treasury here, on account of those Creditors.—

As the detention of so extensive a property is productive of serious inconvenience to our Funds, we take the Liberty humbly to Solicit your Lordship's Consideration of a Subject of great importance as materially affecting the Credit of the Major part of this Settlement and that you will be pleased to order the Balances now remaining due to the Creditors to be discharged.—

It is far from our wish by this application to breath in upon the resources of Government at this time

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incurred, on this account, be defrayed, by the Collectors, & that the best means in their Power be taken to preserve the Grain, agreeably to former Instructions.

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from the Nabob's Private Creditors.

To the Honble Major General William Medows
President in Council

From the Nabob's Private Creditors enclosing Letter for the Governor General, requesting the detention of their Dividends.

Honble Sir,

The Inconvenience which this Settlement sustains by the detention of the Dividends to the private Creditors of His Highness the Nabob in the Consolidated Debts has compelled us to address the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council on the Subject.

We beg leave to forward our address thro' the Channel of your Honorable Board and take the liberty of requesting you will make such mention of it to his Lordship as the just necessity of the Case may appear to you to deserve.

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

Fort St George
20th August 1790

(Signed)
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of the Grain laying exposed, in the Jaghire, in the best manner possible, and it is much to be regretted that the measures already adopted have proved so ineffectual towards promoting the desired Object.

The assistance to have been expected from the Spare Bullocks ordered by your Honorable Board to be furnished to the Collectors on their application to Colonel Kelly we apprehend they cannot now have the benefit of, the Army having some time ago moved from their former Station in the Jaghire.

With a view therefore to render every aid to the Collectors in procuring as many Bullocks as can be obtained at this time in the Country, the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions has been requested by this Board to make every enquiry his means will admit of, and to afford the Collectors every assistance in his Power.

We have at the same time particularly enjoined the Collectors to use their joint exertions, and we trust that they will together be enabled to transport all the Grain within small Distances from the Forts under protection of the Guns, or to places of Security, and such as they may find it impracticable to remove. We have directed, that they will lose no time in burying, and Securing it from both the Enemy, and the Monsoon in the best manner they can devise reporting to us

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with their wishes, we have now the honor to state a Second Proposal to your Excellency, namely - That your Excellency will be pleased to issue full and particular Orders to all and every of your Amildars, Pattakadars and other Officers to admit into and acknowledge in their Cutcharies the Tasildars whom we shall send on the Part of the Honorable Company to inspect all accounts of Receipts and Disbursements; in such manner that nothing relative to the Transactions of the Circar shall be concealed from them; and that they may have your Excellency's express permission to Examine all the accounts of the Revenue in the Dustrum or Office in the Palace where they are usually deposited - That your Excellency's Amildars, Puttakadars, and other Officers may be likewise Strictly ordered to pay into the Hands of our said Tasildars four fifths of all Receipts, after deducting the necessary Sibendy Expences.

Your Excellency will we flatter ourselves be sensible that in this proposal the Honorable Board have consulted your Dignity in the Eyes of your Subjects, and, we are, directed at the same time to make known their Sentiments to your Excellency respecting your arrears, which are, that Government expect your Excellency will make every Exertion possible towards discharging them, at least, two Lacks of Pagodas in ready Money, without

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Paper of Intelligence translated by Mr Swartz.

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The 6000 Pagodas which Chinnea Mudeli offered to the Rajah, were immediately given back to Chinnea Mudeli by the Rajah, as a Present.

This was transacted in the Month of Ramsan, and on the 15th Day of that month, a little above a Month ago.

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