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Diary

Received the following Letters

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Senior Member at the Presidency and the Gentlemen

in Council — Fort St George Madras &c &c

From the Commander in Chief approving the Board's Determination respecting the Bengal Detachment by joining the Cavery in pursuit of the Enemy and to support the Carnatic army

Honble Sir & Gentlemen,

I had the honor of your's of the second — enclosing the Letter by Express from Bengal, Yesterd... with re... ard to Colonel Cockerell's Detachment, your determi... tion with regard to which I think has been extreme... judicious.

As I have great reason to believe the Enemy ... gone towards Colonel Maxwell's Army I am taking ... ny measure to follow him without delay — We begin ... ssing the Cavery at this place this day — having no ... qual to coming up with him, and having no doubt ... t Colonel Maxwell's Army if they do not beat h... will at least find him employment like wise at mes.

I have the Honor to be,

with great Respect, esteem, & truth,

&c &c

Camp at Erode

8th November 1790

Signed Wm Medows

Govr and Commander in Chief

To

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To John Shore Esqr
Secretary
Fort St George

Sir,

From the Resident at Poonah with Enclosure from Captain Little advising of the surrender of Harpenelly to the Peshwa – and of Deputies having been sent to treat with the Bhaw for the Delivery of Chittledroog & Sedasere

Let me request you to submit the Enclosed Copies of my last advices from Captain Little to the Perusal of the Board.

Beside Harpinelly which is the Capital of a very considerable District 16 Cos South of the Tumbadra I am officially acquainted, from the Durbar with the Capture of Moondgoda and a Hundred & Capitals of Districts and that Pursaram Bhaw has established his Tannas in about 10 of the Places. The Bhaw's Force I am assured stands on the Durbar Books at 22000 Horse exclusive of Foot and that tho' all may not have joined yet as the Rains are over that Number will be very soon completed.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c &c
Signed Malet

Poona
29th October 1790

Extract of a Letter from Captain John Little commanding the Bombay Detachment acting with the Maratta Army to the Resident at Poona Dated 26th October – Received the 28th Following –

I had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 10th Instant and was happy to hear of Colonel Floyd's Success – yesterday

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13th of Marponelly having surrendered by agreement to the Peshwa — In the Fort they have found 16 Guns The villages which held out in Shanoor have also surrendered —

Deputies have been sent to the Bhaow from Chitteldroog and Bednore, in order to treat with him for these places, and Burma Bapoo with a Consider: able Detachment of Horse is ordered to advance as far as the latter Place —

I am informed by Ballajee Punt that the Nanna has wrote the Bhaw they have come to a Resolution not to apply for any further Reinforcement or for Artillery from Bombay but to raise and send more Infantry and their own and also to send their own Guns from Poona for the Reduction of Darwar —

I have made frequent applications to Ballajee Punt for accounts of the Country which the Circar has taken Possession of, & he has often Promised to make one out, but has not yet furnished me with it — I shall continue to press him on this point and shall at the same time endeavour to Procure the best information from other Hands, which I will transmit to you as soon as possible —

The Bhao was so obliging as to inform me of the Dawks having been established from hence to Poona and at the same time to make me

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me a reinforcement of 2000 Cavalry will be knowis proceed in 4 or 5 Days to join him and by a private channel I am informed, that such a Body has received orders to proceed at the period specified. I do not expect that the Nizam's Troops intended to form the Army to act under Mohaubut Jung after the reduction of Kopul will arrive in any considerable numbers till the Expiration of the Dewalee about Six Days hence; my represen: tations of the necessity of this Army being speedily for: med are in the meantime incessant and I hope will ere long be assisted by the answer of the Poonah Durbar to the reference which has been made regarding the direction by which it will be adviseable for it to proceed into the Enemy's Country.

As sud ale Kohan with the activity for which he is celebrated, carried the Fort of Bangyan: pilly soon after he appeared before it and is proceeding in the reduction of the remaining part of the District the Possession of which the Minister has informed me will be of essential use in enabling him to cooperate with Hafiz Tendir din who has advanced himself to the edges of the Ditch of Cummum.

I have the Honor to be, with great respect and Truth, &c. &c.

(Signed) John Kennaway

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm Stewart Asstant

Paangul
1st November 1790

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13th when the Cloth was dispatched, with particular Instructions to the Bullock masters to lodge it in Vellore, provided the Centre Army had passed that place, more than one Day's march; - on the deficiency of Gunny Bags, we must remark that as Gunny Bags have been issued for the Tents in question in the same proportion as have been allowed for many years past, we have great reason to believe that most of those said to be lost have been thrown aside or appropriated, to private use, by the Followers which is their constant practice, unless they are very narrowly watched, It is likewise observable, that a private Tent, with all its appendages, weighs 170 Lt, which exceeds, by 50 Lt, what a Bullock is required to carry - if therefor, an additional Bullock is not allowed, to carry the Pins and Mallets of each tent, we apprehend that, the Tents themselves will not only be damaged, but it will also become impossible for a Carriage Bullock to travel, under the encreased weight of a Gunny Bag, particularly when wet.

The Sum of F. 2. 40 C. is allowed for wounded Sepoys who are put under the Care of the Surgeon, in the Field Hospital, But as Mr. Surgeon Fahagan is not in Charge of a field Hospital, and the Sepoys sent into Vellore are not said to be wounded, we are of Opinion that he should not be permitted to draw any

allowance,

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13th That in order to render our Report thereon as complete as possible, We judged it necessary as the Commissary General of Stores had hitherto superintended the manufacture of Gun Powder, to acquire such information as he might possess, regarding the Encrease of it's price, and no reply having yet been received, We trust will sufficiently account for our silence — We have, however, again addressed him on the subject, and shall, in the mean time proceed to make the Comparison required of the Prices of other articles furnished, by the Military Storekeeper. —

We beg leave to transmit a return of such Stores as have been received upon the Indent on Fort William, stating also the Articles wanting to complete it — We think it necessary to remark that, out of 450,000 Field Muskets Flints indented for, only 99,000 of those received are fit for field Service, as appears by the accompanying Report. —

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

Fort St George
11th November 1790

Signed J. Kapper
" Patrick Ross
" George Hall

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13 due time and when necessary

Sam Sr &c

12r November 1790

/Signd/ A Paupia Brammy

Veshavanada Samboo of Madras Diamond Merchant maketh Oath and saith that he well knows that Avadanum Paupiah Brammy did occasionally use to discount by means of Ram Row different accepted Bills drawn in favor of his Highness the Nabob upon Cavelram Bavaney Shanker Goolabdoss and Shamdoss and he has had frequent Opportunities of seeing such Bills - That among them he well knows that he has seen and read, and examined, Two Bills accepted by Cavelram and drawn upon him by Antangee Travady of Trichinopoly One of them for the Sum of Fifty Seven Thousand Porto Novo Pagodas and another for the Sum of Fifty thousand, Porto Novo Pagodas - That he particularly remembers to have seen these Bills many different times before the Eleventh of June one thousand Seven hundred and Ninety as also on that day which he more clearly recollects because there was a Dispute between Paupiah and Cavelram on that Day respecting the adjustment of their accounts which was however settled on the next Day and a Bond

given

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15 settled, and given up because, at the time the
Bills were settled, a Note of such Settlement in
the Guzerat Language, with pale coloured Ink
was made thereon and the writing in Persian is
manifestly written over such Guzerat writing so as
plainly to prove it was written after and upon it. —

Signed in Gujeratta Language

Fort S^t George
11^th November 1790
Sworn to before me
Signed John Hodgleston
Justice of the Peace

Fort S^t George Twelfth November 1790 — I
hereby Certify that the annext is a True Copy of an
affidavit this day Exhibited before me. —

Signed P Walker
Notary Public

Pondiah Ramnad of Madras Diamond Merchant
maketh oath and saith that he well knows that
Swadanum Paupiah Brammy has from time to time
discounted by means of Ram Row Different accepted
Bills drawn in favor of His Highness the Nabob upon
Cavalram Bavany Shankur and Shamuldoss
which the said Swadanum Paupiah Brammy
used frequently to shew to this Deponent in order that
he might explain them as such Bills were
usually

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting Governor in Council &c &c &c.

Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Parpiah requesting that the Bills now in the Possession of Cavelram may be immediately secured for the Purpose of detecting the Forgery. —

In the representation I addressed this Morning to your Honor in Council, I omitted to mention that the two Bills are now in the Possession of Cavelram which I request your Honor will send for and secure immediately, as there is very reason to believe that having heard of the affidavits some persuasion will be used to prevail on Cavelram to remove himself to Trichinopoly or some other Place which I hope your Honor will prevent, and secure him in Madras, the Forgery being committed while the Bills was in his possession It is therefore my earnest request that the Bills may be secured, and I beg leave to inform your Honor in Council that at the request of Ram Row Cavelram caused an alteration, to be made in the Ledger of his Books in respect to these Bills which can also be proved if the Books are produced —

I have the Honor to be with Respect,
&c &c.
Signed Caupiea Bauning

Fort St George
12th November 1790

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in the B. Nos 63. 64. 65. 66 67. 68.

From

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From the Military Paymaster General —

From the Military Paymaster Genral

recommending that orders be issued to the Southern Collectors to advance Money to the Paymasters at Madura, Palamcotah, and Trichinopoly —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in 46 B. Nos 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. —

To the Commandant at Arnee, his application for Sepoys to supply the Deficiency of that Garrison occasioned by the removal of the Troops, cannot at present be complied with. —

To the Commandant at Arnee

To Major Burrowes - enclosing Extract of a Letter from the Adjutant General of the Army and directing him in consequence of his health, will permit to repair to his Duty with his Regiment in the Field —

To Major Burrowes

To the Military Board - to report upon a Letter received by the Commandant at Tiagar. —

To the Military Board

To the Military Paymaster General, —

To the Military Paymasters Genral

enclosing the Form of a Bill for expenditure and account of Intelligence - Copy to be transmitted to all Paymasters directing them not to discharge any Bill except it is made out agreeably thereto. —

To

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13th and Sibbendies —

Received Letter from the Rajah Sitteramrauze as entered in C.C. N° 2745) congratulating the Acting President on his arrival and referring him for particulars of his situation to Mungopuntty Nair, and to his Vackeel Bugjee Rauze —

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah Sitteram Rauze.

Sent the following Letter —

14th

To John Hudleston Esqr.

President &c. Member of the

Board of Assumed Revenue

Gentlemen.

I am directed by Government to inform you that, at the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief, they have resolved to raise such a Number of Additional Revenue Battalion as may appear necessary for assisting the Collections in the Assumed Countries — For this purpose, they desire you will inform them what Number of Troops is absolutely requisite for Revenue Service in every District —

To the Board of Assumed Revenue — to report the Number of Troops absolutely necessary for Revenue Service in every district — enclosing a detail of the Force of each Revenue Battalion

As

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14th the Letters express only Memorandums written upon the Bills, Government have not thought it necessary to take any Steps at present with regard to the Bills or to the person herebarer.—

I am &c. &c.

(signed) John Charnier Secy

Fort St. George
14th Novemr. 1790.—

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

My Lord,

The Military Board at this Presidency having reported to us, that the Sulphur lately sent from Bengal is nearly expended, and that there is none in the Market for Sale, We beg leave to request of your Lordship in Council to give the necessary Order for our being furnished with 100 Candies by the first Opportunity.—

To Bengal applg. for a Supply of 100 Candies of Sulphur enclosing the Paper from the Military Board respecting the Articles wanting to complete the Ind. lately made on that Presidency.—

We have the honor to transmit a Return of such Stores as have been received from

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11th upon them, and recommended that we should refer the matter to the decision of your Lordship in Council. —

We have now the honor in consequence to lay the Subject before you, and to request your determination thereon — We enclose for this purpose Copies of the Paper presented to the Commander in Chief with his Opinion thereon as expressed in a Letter from the Adjutant General of the Army. —

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

Fort St. George
14th Novemr 1790

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

To Mr. George Powney
Resident at Travancore

Sir,

To the Resident at Travancore enclosing extract of a Letter from the Governor General respecting the intended treaty with the Rajah of Cochin — Instructions for his Guidance —

You were informed in a Letter from hence under date the 13th September last, that the Board entirely approved your proposed Treaty with the Rajah of Cochin, and that it would be recommended to the Bengal Government for

final

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15th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mis. Nos 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83.

To Mr. Secretary Hay - requesting to be informed what Sum is to be fixed for the Gratuity due to the Field Officers of the Coast Establishment for the year commencing the 1st May 1789. —

To Mr. Secretary Hay.

To the Hospital Board - enclosing an Extract of a Letter from the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar - and directing them to supply, without loss of Time, the vacancy occasioned by the absence of the Assistant Surgeon at Innecondah. —

To the Hospital Board.

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockell - recommending that a proper Person be sent to Vellore to provide for the Sick Sepoys and Lascars of the Bengal Detachment now in that Hospital

To Lieutenant colonel Cockell

To the Town Major - directing him to furnish a Naigue's Guard to escort Banna Chitty to Vellore. —

To the Town Major

To the Military Board - application has been made to Bengal for a supply of

To the Military Board.

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16th of his having sent the Brannan Jaggernadiah to the Presidency under a Naiques Guard. —

At a Consultation Present
Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President
Tuesday the 16th November 1790 John Hudleston Esqr.
The Honble Major General Wm Medows
Absent upon Service. —

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved. —

Agreeably to a Resolution at the last Meeting the following Advertisement respecting Paymaster is ordered for Publication in the Madras Courier. —

Fort St. George 16th Nov. 1790

Advertisement respecting the Securities required from all Paymasters. —

Government adverting to the present situation of the Service, and to the great misconduct which has long prevailed in the Departments of public Disbursement, have judged it expedient to apprize Paymaster and all others, who have, or may have, the Disbursement of the Public Money that

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	Pags
From the Paymaster to the Grand Army	30,000
— the Paymaster to the Center Army	20,000
— the Military Paymaster Genl. at the Presidency	15,000
— the Paymr. & Storekeeper of Trichinopoly	10,000
Tanjore	10000
Vellore	5000
Madura	5000
Palamcotah	5000
Guntoor	5000
Travancore	5000
Chengleput & Permacoil	5000
Ongole	5000
Ellore	5000
Chicacole	5000
Arka	3000
Nagore	3000
Paymaster of Sepoys at Madras	5000
Paymr. in the Garrison of Mandspr.	5000
Dr. — Vizagapatam	3000
Dr. — Ganjam	3000

Agreeably to this regulation, the several Paymasters and Storekeepers mentioned in the above List, are hereby directed, to give in, or send to the Military Secretary, on, or before the 1st January 1791 ensuing, their Bonds, for the Sums respectively annexed to their Employs, according to a Form, which

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likewise of the Letter which attended my transmission of it to the Governor General —

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

(Signed) John Kennaway

Paanguel
30th October 1790

John Kennaway Esqr.
Resident at the Nizam's Court

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under date the 4th. Instant, and have pleasure in finding your Ideas so correspondent with mine in respect to the necessity of a respectable Body of Horse to act with us — Had we even the half of the promised Number, of good Cavalry, I have every reason to imagine them fully adequate with the Detachment to the service intended provided all the contracting parties adhere to the Treaty —

The small Body of Horse now here, is, as I before observed, very indifferent, and their Infantry such as I have no Opinion of —

We

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for the Abstracts &c. as requested in your Letter, I have received from him the enclosed — It is with regret that I observe the great difference between these Accounts and the Estimates transmitted from the Right Honble the Governor General, but not seeing any ground whereon I can reasonably found an Objection, I forward them, I have to add that any further charge incurred in the Repair of the Tents at present in use with the Detachment, will be only throwing away the Company's Money — They were far from being in a good state when received at Ellore, and have since been so much injured in the Jungles & Country thro' which our Route lay, and by the heavy squalls which are so frequent during the Monsoon, that an entire new Set, will be requisite, which will be another heavy expence attending the Detachment —

I have also the honor to transmit for the information of the Governor General, Copy of a Letter addressed to me by the Officer of the

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for the Month of August with enclosures Specifying particulars, the Payments for that Month not being yet made I cannot deliver it in to you as a Correct Statement of the months Disbursements there being several Incidental Charges under the Head of Charges General that cannot be accurately ascertained untill presented, when the Payments are made a Correct Abstract of my Disbursements shall be forwarded as soon as possible to the Resident at the Nizams Court for his information —

Jam. Vo. — No.

Camp Bunoor
9th September 1790

(Signed) Robt. Malcolm
Paym. & Commissy of Grain and Provisions

A true Copy
Signed Wm. Stewart Asst.

Probable Disbursements of Major Montgomerys Detachment for the Month of August 1790.

Augt 1790 Pay and Batta to Major Montgomery &c. &c. as p Account Particulars — 558. 5. 72

Carried Over — 558. 5. 72

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Particulars of the Pay and Batta of the European Officers Native Troops, Artificers and Civil Lascars of the Detachment

1	Major				180.10.40	
1	Quarter Master				118.26.16	
1	Paymaster and Storekeeper				155.27.48	
2	Surgeons assistant				103.26.48	558.5.72
	Artillery					
1	Captain				102.13.38	
2	Lieutenants			64.15.25 ea	122.30.50	
1	Quarter Master				15.-.-	
1	Adjutant				18.31.40	
1	Conductor				30.33.48	
		Full Pay	Batta	Total each		
3	Serjeants	2.7.24.	2.20.50	9.11.50	29.40.70	
4	Corporals	2.6.10.40	2.20.50	3.31.10	34.40.40	
6	Gunners	2.5.-.-	2.20.50	4.20.50	44.39.60	
35	Matrosses	2.3.31.40	2.20.50	6.10.10	218.12.30	
1	Drummer 1 Fifer	2.3.31.40	2.20.50	6.10.10	12.20.20	639.16.76
	Artill.y Lascars					
3	Syrangs	2.7.10.-	2.9.-	9.19.-	28.15.-	
6	Gun Tindals	2.2.31.75	1.20.-	4.9.75	26.17.50	
6	Second Dr	2.2.10.5	1.20.-	3.30.5	22.12.30	
3	Ouchalls	2.2.-.-	1.4.40	3.4.40		
167	Lascars	2.2.-.-	1.4.40	3.4.40	518.37.40	604.12.-
	78th Battn of N.t Infantry					
1	Captain				93.30.36	
4	Lieutenants	2.64.23.64 ea			258.11.16	
3	Ensigns	2.47.28.28 Dr			143.1.4	
1	Adjutant				33.13.24	
		Full Pay	Batta	Total ea		
4	Serjeants	2.7.10.40	2.20.50	9.31.10	38.40.40	
10	Subidars	2.13.-	4.18.-	17.18.-	174.12.-	
10	Jemidars	2.7.-	2.9.-	9.9.-	92.6.-	
40	Havildars	2.3.-.-	1.-.50	4.-.50	160.25.-	
40	Naiques	2.2.14.-	1.-.50	3.14.50	133.39.-	
				Carried Over	1178.10.40	1801.3.48

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Brought Over ---- 3356.32.64 5074.28.32

		Full Pay	Batta	Total each		
1	Head Conicopoly	2.6.--	4.--	10.--	10.--	
1	Second do	2.4.--	2.--	6.--	6.--	
						3372.32.64

Artificers

1	Mastry	2.5.21.	2.31.40	8.10.40	8.10.40	
4	Armourers	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	17.30.--	
1	Carpenter	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	4.13.--	
1	Smith	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	4.13.--	
1	Hammerman	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	3.13.40	
1	Bellows Boy	2.--36.	--18.	1.12.4	1.12.--	
1	Chichlidar	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	3.13.40	
1	Chuchler	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	3.13.40	
						46.3.--

Civil Lascars

4	Syrangs	2.7.10.	2.9.--	9.19.4	37.34.--	
2	Tindals	2.2.21.	1.20.--	3.41.4	31.34.--	
161	Lascars	2.2.--	1.4.40	3.4.40	500.10.40	
						569.36.40

Artillery Artificers

1	Mastry	2.5.21.	2.31.40	8.10.40	8.10.40	
6	Carpenters	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	26.24.--	
1	Mastry	2.5.21.	2.31.40	8.10.40	8.10.40	
6	Smiths	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	26.24.--	
7	Hammermen	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	23.10.40	
7	Bellows Boys	2.--36.	--18.	1.12.4	9.--.--	
1	Mastry	2.5.21.	2.31.40	8.10.40	8.10.40	
4	Armourers	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	17.30.--	
4	Chuchlidars	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	13.12.--	
3	Chuchlers	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	9.40.40	
						161.4.4

Artificers under the D. M. of the Artillery

		Full Pay	Batta	Total each		
1	Mastry	2.5.21.	2.31.40	8.10.40	8.--.--	
1	Carpenter	2.2.40.	1.20.	4.13.4	4.13.--	
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1	Bellows Boy	2.--36.	--18.	1.12.4	1.12.--	
1	Chuchlidar	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	3.13.40	
1	Chuchler	2.2.9.	1.4.40	3.13.40	3.13.40	
						32.38.--
						9251.12.72

E. E. P. (Signed) R. Malcolm
Payor.

A true Copy
(signed) Wm. Stewart Asst.

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Charges Extraordinary in the Grain Department —

1 Grain Serjeants Pay and Batta	7. 4. 0.	
1 Writer	10. . .	
3 Conicoplies	12. . .	
6 Peons	16. 6. 40	
4 Measuring Men	10. 38. 40	
		57. 6. .
		3684. 19. 40
Probable Stoppages from the Troops and Public Followers		1600. . .
Total Current Pags.		2084. 19. 40

E. E.

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Stewart Asst.

(Signed) A. Malcolm
Commissary of Grain & Provisions

The Honorable Company — D.

To the undermentioned Stores for the use of the Detachment Commanded by Major Hugh Montgomery in the Month of August 1790 —

To 134 Gunny Bags for Ammunition and Stores a. 48. 18 P.o	5. 7. 12.
98 Pieces of 14 Punj.m Tent Cloth white a. 3. P.o pun 294.	

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26 Taylor for 29 days furnished to the
D. W. of the Detachment at Ti Tanamu
½ day each — Tanamu 3016 ..... } 7[illegible]

9 Cruchlers for 27 days d. d. 3 fd. ea. ½ day ..... 17. [illegible]

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A true Copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
Storekeeper

A true Copy (Signed) J. Pry Stewart Asst

Particulars of Hospital Charges included under the Head of Charges General —

Augt 1790

Surgeon Assistant Kennady.	
Medical Servants	10.. ..
Bazar Medicines	15.. ..
1 Maistry and Six Medical Coolies ..	14.. ..
4 Medical Coolies for the Artillery ..	8.. ..
Bazar Medicine for Capt. Tutts Company ..... }	12.. ..
3 Attendants upon Sick Europeans ..	6.. ..
1 Servant for the Apothecary ...	5.. ..
Surgeon Assistant Robert Tittle 29th Battalion —	
Medical Servants	10.. ..
Bazar Medicine	15.. ..
1 Maistry 6 Coolies	14.. .. .. 109..

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Particulars of Working and Laboratory &
Money to the Europeans and Gun Lascars
of the Artillery for 22 days in the Month
of August 1790 —

To 1 Serjeant a. 6 Fanams p. day		132..
To 2 Corporals 6 — d.	d.	264..
To 4 Gunners a. 4 — d.	d.	352..
To 18 Matrosses a. 4 d.	d.	1584..
		2372..
To First Tindals a. 2 f. Fan. p. day for 30 days		720..
To 48 Gun Lascars a. 2 f. p. day	d.	3648..
	Fanams	6740
	S. Pag.	1147.18.40
	Total Star Pagodas	571.27.64

A true Copy
(Signd) Wm Stewart Asst

Major Hugh Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge
the receipt of your favor of yr 13th and 17th Instant —

In my Letter of the 12th Instant,
I contented myself with expressing my concern at
the very high amount of your Estimate of the Expences
of

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1st Lord Cornwallis's Stipulation with the Nizam for two Battalions 1728 Firelocks, and a Detachment of 71 Artillery men with their Establishment —

Pagodas 9851.37.72
or Rupees 34482. 14. 7

2d Your rough Abstract of the 24th June

Pagodas 11074. 30. 48
or Rupees 38761. 9. —

3d Your Statement of the 28th June in Explanation of the foregoing, the Establishment of the two Battalions only 1520 Firelocks, but including an Excess on Lord Cornwallis's of 1 Major, 15 Artillery Men with their Establishment and 447 Contractors Bullocks

Pagodas 11573. 40. 76
or Rupees 40510. 1. 3

4th Your Probable Disbursements for August — Pagodas 13732. 14. 6

to which is to be added the expence of 795 Contractor Bullocks 1600. —

and the charge of the Reinforcement on its way from Ellore of 2 Lieutenants, 2 Ensigns, 6 Serjeants and 156 Sepoys in order to complete the Battalions to the Stipulated Establishment — 700. 17. 46

making the amount Pagodas — 16032. 31. 52
or Rupees — 56114. 10. —

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into effect, may be evaded. A Copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Governor General, to the Board of Fort St. George, and to General Medows for their Information along with your answer when it arrives, which I hope will be of such a nature as to render the otherwise indispensible interference of their Authority for the purpose of applying some effectual Remedy to those encreasing charges unnecessary.

I shall now proceed to make such observations on your different Estimates as have occurred to me, first premising I have been a good deal perplexed by the loose manner in which they have been drawn up, particularly that for August, in which two or three Accounts of particulars are referred to in the general Abstract, without their having been sent, and Sums mentioned in other Papers without any Sums being affixed to them.

In this Estimate, Batta is charged for the Paymaster, as such, and also as Storekeeper tho' it is contrary to the Rules in

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Bengal, and I believe equally so on the Madras Establishment for One Person to draw two Battas, he likewise charges 141 Pagodas for Servants &c. Wages in the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions, without giving any particular Account of them, but as that Sum agrees within 2 Pagodas of a charge in the Disbursements for July which included Pay and Batta to the Commissary, there is Room to suppose from no encrease having since taken place in that Department, that he draws Batta for each of his three several Appointments of Paymaster, Commissary and Storekeeper. — The hire charged for the Bullocks and Drivers, is far beyond the common and known Rate of this Country, which is 4 Rupees p Bullock with the Pay of a Driver allowing One Driver to every 4 or 5 Bullocks included, and tho the nature of the Service you are upon may have occasioned and justified an encrease, yet I cannot conceive it will do so to the extent you have admitted of.

That my endeavours to procure you Bullocks for hire

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been discharged on the 13th July, the day on which you arrived at Pachore, from the following Extract of your Letter of the 1st Instant to the Board of Madrass. — "On my arrival however at Paychore, "where I expected to halt sometime, and where I found "that Rice was to be procured, tho' at a Rate exceeding the Company's price, I directed the Paymaster "to issue 10 of the 20 days Grain he had collected "in consequence of my Order, and to discharge half "the Bullocks employed in carrying it, that no "greater expence might be incurred to the Company "that was absolutely necessary".

To avoid the heavy expence which is to be apprehended from the Commissary of Provisions and his Department and for which no charge has been made in the expences of the Detachment serving with the Mahratta whose Bazars, from their predatory mode of conducting a War, cannot be better supplied than Mohabut Jung's, and who are acting in a part of the Country where Provisions cannot be more plentiful than

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hire were unsuccessful which you adduce in support of the necessity of high rates, being allowed was not owing to the Rate of Pay being deemed insufficient, but to other causes, and this among them, the great demand there was for them in the Nizam's Camp. By this Estimate, Rice is allowed to be issued and carried at the Public Expence, tho' not in an Enemy's Country, to private followers, an indulgence which is not allowed to the Officers in the Grand Army. This by the Estimate half the Grain Bullocks must have been engaged when the Muster of the Detachment was taken by Lieutenant Binny attended by the Nizam's Officer on the 17th and 18th August, none of them or of the people attached to the Grain Department were produced or mentioned. In the Disbursements of the Paymaster for July I observe that the Number of Bullocks employed in carrying 20 days Grain and the Establishment of Servants with them have been paid for the whole of that month, whereas it was reasonable to expect that half of them had

been

where you are, I would recommend, as provisions will always be procurable, tho' perhaps at enhanced prices, in the Bazar of Mohaubut Jung's Camp for the Subsistence of his Troops, for which, ill and at very low rates as they are paid, no Grain is carried at the public expence, that the difference between the Company's rate of 12 Seers p Rupee and the rate of the Bazar be given to the Sepoys and publick followers in money at the current price of each Day, in the manner which was practised in the Detachment while you remained with the Nizam's Camp when Rice was dearer than the Company's Rate; and that the Commissary's Charges and Establishment be entirely discontinued, which may be done with greater safety, as I am informed Provisions will ere this have become more plentiful in consequence of additional Grain Bullocks having been lately ordered from hence to attend Mohaubut Jung's Camp, and the troubles occasioned by the late contest between the Nizam's Troops and the Deodroog Zemindar: which interrupted

interrupted the usual Supply, having now ceased;
and I would also recommend that Mohaubut
Jung should be applied to, to be responsible for a
regular Supply of the same allowance of Grain
which he permitted to be brought to your Camp
on your first arrival at Rachore, duty free. This
mode, I conceive, should have been attempted, which
I do not understand has been the case, before you
thought of subjecting the Company to the heavy
expence of the Commissary's Charges, in having
done which all the Advantages which you taught
me to expect would be secured to you by your
Bazar being left to your own management, and
its duties taken off, appear to have been forgotten,
or to have been of no avail. — On the apprehension
of any Scarcity the Troops, publick and private &c
followers, can I should conceive be directed to furnish
themselves with provisions for a given time, a mode
which was invariably adopted during the last War,
and has been so, also, in the present, had it been
resorted to, instead of carrying 20 Days provisions &c
for fighting Men, and publick and private followers

the

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be necessary to defray bringing the expence of Rice to a level with what the Company allow Viz. 12 Seers for a Rupee —

In the Estimate for August, Mr. Malcolm is allowed to make a charge for Pagodas 1356. f. 40 for Stores, this Captain Tuttle in each of the 3 preceeding months incurred a far less expence on the same Account, which you declare in your Letter to me of the 5th Instant you thought rather high, but allowed it on his having declared on his honor that the whole had been expended for the Detachment and that you had no solid Grounds to rise your Objections with an Officer of his standing and Character, Captain Tuttle's charge, however having been disallowed by the Military Board, both his and Mr. Malcolm's of course fall to the Ground —

To in my Letter of the 29th ult: I requested to be furnished with the Accounts and Vouchers as early in the beginning of each month as possible, and that you are directed to

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the publick charge might have been reduced to 10 Days Carriage of Provisions for the fighting men and if absolutely necessary of publick Followers. Any Advantage or Convenience to be derived from carrying Provisions does not appear to be at all adequate to its expence, and indeed, unless you had Magazines established from whence Rice could be regularly drawn at a cheap rate, to be altogether doubtful, since it must now be purchased at a very little difference from what it is sold at in the Bazar, the Rates of which will necessarily be governed by those which prevail in the vicinity of the Camp from whence your purchases must be made. — To elucidate which I will suppose the rate of the Bazar to be 4 Seers ℔ Rupee, and the adjacent Country 8 Seers ℔ Rupee and would ask if the difference of 4 Seers is sufficient to justify the expence of the Commissarys Establishment, and whether there would not be a saving by paying the difference in money in addition to what will

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Supply me with such Papers by the Governor & General Commands of the 20th July, you have forwarded to me on the 9th of September nothing more than a Probable Abstract of the Disbursements for August, accompanied by a Letter to you from the Paymaster declaring that the Payments for that month not having been made, and there being charges which cannot be accurately ascertained till presented, it is not delivered as a correct Statement — The time of Payment if you allow of such a Delay, will be very irregular and uncertain, and as I conceive it an easy matter for the Paymaster to collect and ascertain the exact amount of all demands for the past month soon after its expiration, I beg leave to refer you to my former request with a wish that you will conform to it. — The Meaning of the Paragraph of my Letter of 7th, concerning which you express yourself doubtful, was that the issuing pay to the Fighting men, and to the publick

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Jung is dragging about with him, is very doubtful, if not a real incumbrance and should I hope any representation to him from you on the Subject would be duly attended to. —

I have the honor to &c.
&c. — — &c.

(Signed) J. Kennaway

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Steuart Asst.

Paangul
25th September
1790

John Kennaway Esqr.
Resident at the Nizams Court. —

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 25th Ultimo, in which it is painful to my feelings to observe a seeming wish to paint my endeavors for the good of the public Service in an unfavorable light, however in the fullest confidence of a fair construction being put upon my intentions, I shall proceed without further comment to state my reasons for acting as I have done, in my answer to the

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On receipt of the Military Board's report, I did myself the honor of addressing Government, thro' Mr. Secretary Charnier, very fully on the Subject of it, and the some charge may continue to be inserted for which I have requested Government to decide, yet none will be paid until such decision is made. — I have made no other demand upon Pae Anoop Ram than for 34,000 Rupees monthly, which when received, has been delivered over to the Paymaster whose Accounts must explain the nature and cause of the excess on Mr. Garrow's Estimate. —

When the Probable Account of Mr. Malcolm for August, was first shewn to me, finding it contained some Articles which I had not authorized I directed they might be altered and the Account again brought for my inspection. It was so, but just as the Dawk was about to be dispatched, and being pressed for time, and trusting to Mr. Malcolm's accuracy I allowed it to

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consist not of a Major and 15 Artillery men only, as stated by you; but of a Major, Brigade Major, Paymaster and Storekeeper and, including non Commissioned, near double that Number of Artillery men — that the whole were ordered hither by Government and consequently must be provided for in the Abstract, — as must the other incidental charges, for which, as I have before observed, no allowance is made in the Estimate.

— To your remark on the last Estimate "that "there are 16 Havildars and 16 Naiks Supernume- "rary to the Stipulated Establishment" — I must add that there are also 4 Subidars and 4 Jemidars who stand precisely upon the same ground, and that in the next Abstract there will be another difference occasioned by 4 Gentlemen with the Detachment having been promoted under the Order of Earl Cornwallis to the Rank of Lieutenants. — In regard to the Article of Charges General I have called on the Paymaster to explain it, and transmit herewith his

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shall be enquired into and rectified, and for any further answer on this head, beg leave to refer to the Paymaster's Letter enclosed per No 1.

In reply to your remark on the expence incurred by hiring Bullocks I must refer you, / premising however that I adduced your inability to supply us not so much as an argument for the enhanced price as for the difficulty of procuring them, / to the following Paragraph of my Letter from Bimnon; "With "respect to Carriage Cattle, I must observe that "altho' a few Bullocks might be hired by indi- "viduals, for common purposes, yet when a "Number adequate to our wants are required, "there is necessarily a great advance of price, "the Owner rising in their terms in proportion "to the Number and urgency of the demand, as "well as to the nature of the Service — I beg "leave to call to your recollection that I applied "to you, while encamped with the Nizam, to

procure

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number of Bullocks, and to be responsible for their appearance and execution of the necessary duties, at the rate you mention, I shall with infinite Satisfaction concur in a Measure, which promises so considerable a saving to the Company. —

You next comment upon the carrying Rice for Private followers at the publick expence, this not in an Enemy's Country, as an Indulgence which is not allowed to the Officers in the Grand Army. — To this I must reply with my hopes that the peculiar hardships sustained by the Detachment, as detailed in the Officers Letter of the 31st ult. of which I forwarded you a Copy for the Information of the Governor General, but which you have not done me the favor to notice, will justify me in granting them an indulgence which was absolutely necessary, in a Country the disaffection of whose inhabitants gave it a just title to be called an Enemys; since it was scarcely possible for the people either of my own or Mohaubut Jungs encampment to quit their lines singly or in small parties with danger to one of our followers, among the rest One of my own

Servants

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either by the Muster Master, or any other person that they had not been produced. I have called upon the Paymaster for his reasons for this Article, and for the subsequent One respecting the charge of Bullocks for the whole Month of July after I had ordered the half of them to be discharged upon both which my Superiors will decide. —

I come now to a point upon &c. which as you seem to differ in opinion from me, I feel it incumbent on me to state at length the reasons which have influenced my Opinion, and which I have indeed already stated in my Letter to the Commander in Chief, and Mr. Secretary Charnier, an Extract from which I forwarded to you on the 31st August, and now enclose a Copy of, for the Information of the Right &. Honble the Governor General / N.2 /. You will &. perceive, Sir, that I allude to the measure of carrying Grain for the Detachment. It is needless to observe that with the Coast Troops, Rice is a principal and indeed an indispensible Article of Sustenance. During the time we remained near the Nizam, you must &. remember, Sir, the frequent Complaints amongst our

People

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thought it absolutely necessary to forbid. —

After we left the Nizam the complaints encreased with this difference that before they had been principally directed to the dearness of Grain, but now the scarcity of it occasioned a General murmur. On enquiring into the cause and probable remedies of that scarcity, I found that the Country in which we then were produced little and that into which we were entering, less Rice: the food and consequently cultivation of the Inhabitants being Jumaloo to which our people were unaccustomed; I found also that the Bazar people of the Country were not to be depended on, and those I had brought with me from Ellore / from their want of local knowledge and connection / were totally useless — Under these circumstances, with a Detachment of Young and Northern Troops under my charge, and well acquainted with the noted aversion / imbibed from their earliest Infancy and sanctioned by the

prejudice

with having thus far stated the impracticability of the measure recommended by you and the advantage resulting from that I have adopted; yet justice to myself demands that I should shew that even was there a regulated price in the Nabobs Bazar a supply of Grain adequate to our wants could not be procured there.- Your Statement seems founded upon an idea that Grain is at all times procurable from thence- I conceive myself therefore bound to correct those representations by which you may have been misled, by stating that it was in consequence of the advice of Conhah Jung himself that I had again recourse to the measure of carrying Grain on my leaving Rachore: that the Troops of Mahaubut Jung have even applied to me, and offered very high prices for Grain from our Store and that Mahaubut Jung himself in answer to an application from me to know if he could spare us a regular supply, caused me to be informed that his Bazar were very precariously supplied, and in so small quantities as to be barely sufficient for

those

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of warfare has been called, it cannot merit that epithet more than the One adopted by Mohaubut Jung's people, who plunder indiscriminately friends and foes. —

Of the Additional Grain Bullocks you mention, Mohaubut Jung declares, he knows nothing, nor has it appeared that the Suppression of the troubles at Deodug has had any favorable effect on our Supply, which is still procured, as mentioned in the Paymaster's Letter by means of his Agent at Rachore, under the Nizam's Dustuck and secured by our own Guards. as for making purchases of Grain in the vicinity of our encampment, it is impossible, whatever is to be found there, becomes the prey of the irregular Horse, who / as I have before said, have no other means of subsistence, as no Merchant, who has a grain of sense in addition to his other grain, will bring it for Sale to a Camp of this kind, as he must be conscious it would be taken from him before he came within 6 miles of the Bazar. —

I come now, Sir, to the paragraph in which you say that all the advantages I taught you

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fluctuation of prices, the capricious and uncertain mode of supplying us, and the numerous inconveniencies attendant on having a Number of people intermixed with the Troops, but not amenable to my authority. — These, Sir, were the reasons which made me anxious to have the Bazar under my Own & controul and the prevention of these evils was the principal advantage I proposed from it. — At present I have only 1 in common with every Sirdar here, and by permission from Mohaubut Jung without any solicitation whatever on my part / a few people who attend us with Curry Stuff and the other little requisites in this Country, who do it voluntarily, being induced principally by the free circulation of Money among our Troops, who are regularly paid. —

That the fighting men and followers may be directed to supply themselves with provisions for a given time cannot be doubted; the only difficulty lies in their being able to comply with such direction the Nabobs Bazar having been before stated not to afford an adequate

supply

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does not hold, between the Charges of Captain Tutt and Mr. Malcolm, I must inform you that the Account for August has been encreased by a circumstance not applicable to every month, a General repair of Tents which from the great damage done them by the Monsoon was deemed necessary and authorized in consequence by a Committee of Inspection, which sat upon them in conformity to the Coast regulations, and that a similar Committee have examined into the quantity and quality of the Stores purchased for that purpose with their prices &c. & have approved Mr. Malcolm's charge on that head.

It may perhaps be objected that this charge of Tents repairs has been twice incurred on the present Service, but it however be remembered that the first repair was occasioned by the damage sustained in passing the near 200 Cos of continued Jungle, without the Security of Gunny Bags, of which a Sufficient number could not be furnished at Ellore, since which by One of the heaviest Monsoons in my

memory

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Battalions and a quantity of Ammunition — which I took by way of precaution, and the latter, besides its delay, inconvenience and uncertainty, must have caused a considerable addition of expence to the Company, as will, I doubt not, clearly appear to Government when they consider the distance upwards of 500 miles for which they must be carried at the Company's charges, besides the first purchase of the [illegible] Thus circumstanced recourse has been had to the only alternative allowed by the Military Board, that of purchase on the Spot and as by a Committee of Officers it has been found that the rates of purchase have been generally as low, and in some instances lower than those allowed by the Company's regulations, and which would have been charged at Masulipatam, I must be allowed to think that a considerable saving has been made to Government in the Article of Carriage, which at this distance would have nearly if not more than doubled the Original

charge

Officer, that the Commanding Officer upon his
as a proof of which he is allowed and instructed
to report and give his opinion upon the inciden-
tal Charges of that Officer, such being the case,
it will not be wondered at that few Military
Gentlemen on the Establishment have directed
their attention to Accounts, which they had uni-
formly conceived the Province of the Civil Ser-
vants and that they have been dissident in
the exercise of a controul which they knew not
how far they were authorized to use. My own
instructions which first defined the nature of
my controul over the Paymaster, did not arrive
until the 25th of August, and the rules therein
shall in future, so far as I am able, be strictly
adhered to. —

I perfectly coincide with your
ideas as to the Cavalry, and shall therefore for
the present make no demand for an additional
to the small party who now march with us.

It was not so much to Mohaw
=but Jungi bringing on a train of Artillery if
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with patience every hardship — I have exerted
myself to overcome every obstacle, and tho' often
thrown into situations of a nature peculiarly
painful, I have submitted to them without a
murmur, in the hope that my forbearance,
however severe a task upon myself would forward
the wishes of my employer and the service
upon which I was sent, I am happy in being
enabled to say that it has done so, and that the
conduct of the Detachment has been so regula-
ted, as to dispel every unfavorable sentiment enter-
tained by these people, and to inspire them with
a confidence and Esteem, from which I am led to
hope that not only the present but future views
of Government may derive advantage — In any
other situation I should have suffered the facts
to speak for themselves, and submitted in silence
the merits or demerits of my conduct to the
judgement of my Superiors; but in the present
case, called upon to answer charges evidently im-
plying a failure in my duty, I trust I shall

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much concern to find that any further mistakes should have occurred in my probable Accounts for August, which I had the honor to deliver to you for the Information of the Resident at the Nizams Court — The Article of my Batta is of such a nature, that in the actual Disbursements it never could have taken place, but through the hurry of preparing that Account to be dispatched as soon as wanted, was inserted by my Servant with other Articles ordered to be discontinued, which escaped my notice at that time, but my actual Disbursements for August / issued agreeable to your Orders on the 13th September / Copy of which I now enclose, will I hope fully evince that it was unintended. —

My charges for Bullocks in the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions, has in no instance exceeded the Company's Contract Price — The Difficulties I have had in Furnishing the Number requisite for

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Expence to Government - You must well remember Sir, my remonstrating against that Step, those that I had Hired being for the month, and at a distance from Camp collecting Grain and whom I considered myself in honor bound to pay when they returned, according to my agreement - This my Situation I must beg the favor of you to represent to Government in the Strongest Manner - far as I was from wishing to incur any unnecessary Expence to Government that could possibly be avoided, I considered this as indispensible, had I endeavored to hire Bullocks by the Day or the Week, which I confess never occured to me, I do not believe I should have succeded, but considering myself bound to do the best for my Employer, I discharged the Bullocks at the end of the month as they came in, retaining only half as ordered, but finding them inadequate to supplying the Quantity requisite, having to bring the Rice from a great Distance, I applied

to

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was expended, has been brought from a very considerable distance - Aware of this I left an Agent at Rachore to collect and forward it from whence it could be found and have had the most of my Supplies brought in by that Route - I have sometimes been reduced, since we entered the Enemys Country, to three days Rice for the Fighting men, yet my Exertions have never been wanting, and that Successfully, to supply any difficiency, tho' very often by paying the most exorbitant prices, collecting a few Seers from One place, and a few from another, as in my power to purchase which I have averaged in my charge - I must also beg leave to recall to your recollection a Circumstance which I lately reported to you, that of my Servants being obliged to leave at Burmon One hundred and fifty Bullock Loads of Rice, the Owner of the Cattle refusing to proceed any further, having heard a Report that some of Purah Jahs Servants had been Seized by the Enemys Garrison of Mitchinhar, and which Grain still remains at Burmon,

the

that he was a good deal a Stranger to the mode of mustering on the Coast, but as far as he could judge it would be unnecessary, adding as his reason for so judging, that if I could send them out of Camp without a public Order, my Returns of them must be merely a detail of where they were sent, without shewing any public authority for having detached them. —

The principal Charge in my Department as Storekeeper was occasioned by the Indent given in by the Quarter Master of the Detachment, countersigned by you, for the Repair of Tents, the other by Indents from the Heads of Departments and Corps countersigned also; The Quality and Quantity of the purchases, with their Prices, have been approved, and the necessity stated for them by a Committee. —

In a P.S. to my probable Accounts for August I inserted the amount monthly of the Contractors charge for Public Cattle, knowing that such charge must be made

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have inspected them and made his Report.—

As to the Article of Charges General mentioned in my probable Accounts of August, it has a reference only to such casual charges / if any / as might occur between the transmitting the probable Accounts and the Period when payment is ordered.—

Allow me, Sir, to request that you will point out to Captain Kennaway, for the Information of Government what you think necessary respecting those Charges made in my different Departments.— I feel concern that Government should in any instance be put to extraordinary Expence, but incontrovertible truths must speak for themselves— I trust to your justice to point out my situation to the Resident in its proper light, and to point out Facts which every person in your Detachment must know respecting the Scarcity of Grain in the Countries we have come through, from which he will be able to draw a conclusion of the Difficulties I have had to surmount, I feel myself deeply concerned

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I had the honor to apprize you of my having ordered the Paymaster to lay in on the most oeconomical Plan a small Supply of Grain for the Troops and to carry it with him on the March, to which I was induced by the Difficulty, I had all along found in procuring it, and the high and fluctuating Price it bore in his Highness's Camp both which Evils must necessarily be encreased in this particular Country where Rice is very scarce the Inhabitants living entirely on Jowaul. I had also an additional and very strong Inducement in the improbability there was that the Detachment would be able to procure their necessary Supplies from the People with whom we are to cooperate, who appear to be very improvident, and to depend for their own Subsistence merely on the precarious and uncertain Provision they pick up daily by means of their Horse.

On my arrival however at

Pachore

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a Sufficiency for themselves and have been necessi-
tated to apply to us for the deficiency offering a
advanced Price — but our Stock being so small,
and the arrival of fresh Supplies uncertain, I co-
judged it inconsistent with the welfare of the
Detachment to part with it. —

I beg leave to assure the Board
that nothing but the clearest conviction of the ne-
=sity of the Measure and that conviction, non
confirmed in the strongest Manner by experienc
would have influenced me to adopt a Plan w
must necessarily cause an augmentation in the
expences of the Detachment — I have however be
particularly careful that our Supplies be purcha
at the best advantage, and that the Distributio
of them is confined to the Troops and Public
Followers only, for which a Deduction of One Fan
P Seer is made regularly from their Pay and
placed to the Company's Credit. —

A true Extract
(Signed) Alex.r Orr
acting Aid de Camp

a true Copy
Signed Wm. Stewart Assist.
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Competent and Regular Supply from thence and the consequent propriety or impropriety of that mode of Victualling Our people. —

3. — To State whether (in Our present Situation and the nature of the Troops we are cooperating with being considered with both which points you are perfectly acquainted) you consider it a preferable mode to direct the Troops &c. &c. to furnish themselves with provision for a given time and whether in your Ideas the Troops would in consequence of such directions be able to procure the Subsistance required. —

The Committee have very Maturely considered the first point laid before them on necessity of the measure of carrying Rice for the Fighting Men Public and private Followers; They beg leave to observe that in consequence of the Scarcity and dearness of Rice, that the Commanding Officers of Corps applied to the Commanding Officer to allow a Magazine of Rice to be provided by the Grain Keeper to be served out to the Men of their Corps at the Company's Price which he thought proper to comply with on the 17th of July 1790 - and

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permit Our Sepoys to go to so great a distance from Our Lines in search of a precarious Supply of provisions in the Nabobs Bazzar and they are of Opinion that a Competent and regular Supply could never be depended upon from those Bazzars. —

In reply to the last question the Committee are of Opinion that the Supplys in the Nabobs Bazzar of Rice are so precarious and Scarce that the Troops would not be able to procure the requisite Supplies were they directed to do so. —

Signed { R. Tutt. Capt.n & President
Andrew Read. Captain
J. Calrymple, Captain

A true Copy
(Signed) David Blair
Brigade Major

M.r Robert Malcolm
Paymaster to the Ellore Detachm.t —

Sir,

I enclose for your perusal a Letter received from the Resident at the Nizam's Court — You will observe Sir, by the Strong and pointed Manner in which the Letter is dictated,

that

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furnished with the necessary Pay Rolls and Acct.
of each Month on the 2d of the following Month

I have the honor to be.
&c. ——— &c.

(Signed) H. Montgomery
Major Commanding

Camp near
Gongavooty
7th October 1790

A true Copy
(Signed) Alexr. Orr
Asst. Adjt. Genl. Camp.

Major Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment.—

Sir,

I have already acknowledged the receipt of your Letter and enclosures of the 10th Instant which other Business has prevented me from replying to sooner and indeed any particular answer does not appear to be necessary. The readiness you have shewn in attending to such part of my Letter of the 25th Ultimo as you deemed to contain a just representation of Circumstances is of itself a proof of your desire that Oeconomy and regularity should prevail in the Accounts of your Detachment a desire by which I trust

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the Nizam are ultimately to be charged with the Amount as form a hope of seeing that Amount reduced within such moderate bounds as might engage his Highness to provide for it without reluctance in Addition to the Sum which by the Letter of the Treaty he is bound to pay. But I am sorry to acquaint your Lordship that as I see little probability of these expences being much reduced on One hand, the peculiarly narrow Spirit of this Durbar in pecuniary concerns leaves me little Room to hope that it will readily agree to pay any encrease beyond the Stipulated Sum on the other. To the representation which I made to the Minister on the Subject he answered that as the Amount chargeable to the Nizam was clearly specified on what grounds could any thing more be demanded, in reply to which I referred him to the words of the Agreement preceding the specification alluded to which are that His Highness was to be charged no more than the exact Sum which it costs the Company to maintain

occurred in the mode of doing it particularly as it was evident that the amount at which the expences of the Detachment had been calculated arose from the defective Statements from another Presidency and on your Lordships part had been therefore unavoidable.- As reason and Argument however are likely to make little impression on the Nizam or his Minister when weighed against an expence which they think they have such a plausible pretext for avoiding. I shall be glad before I proceed further to receive your Lordships instructions and would submit to your consideration whether, as it might be inconvenient for us at this juncture to use such Arguments as would probably ensure that compliance which the justice of the case demands, of which the following might be one that if his Highness does not chuse to pay the full amount of the expences of the Detachment agreeable to the clear and evident Meaning of the Treaty it will be but just in him to relinquish his right to its services the Enemy had not

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Incidents in the course of our March, and by a Correspondence with the Resident at the Nizam's Court, which he informs me will be forwarded to the Board. —

I have now to inform the Board that in consequence of the Surrender of Kanneghery on the 29th. Ultimo, Baker Jung, the Enemy's Commandant in these Districts, retired across the Tongbudry with such Expedition, that we found it impossible to come up with him, altho' we made a long forced March for the purpose. —

Mohaubut Jung has now advanced to Copul, for the Seige of which we are making every Preparation our Resources will allow — The Place is One of the strongest I have seen in India situated on an Hill and consisting of three Forts, One above the Other, with a fortified Pettah — The Works are of solid Masonry, and a good Ditch round the whole — The Batteries are numerous, and full of Embrasures and it is said to be well manned and stocked with Provisions — At a very small distance stands a small Hill Fort called Bahauder Bunder which, as it might otherwise

obliged to comply, that the Service might suffer no obstruction. —

Frequent applications have been made by Mohaubut Jung to the Nizam, for a Reinforcement of Cavalry, and for Battering Guns none have yet been sent — But the Resident gives me hopes that the request will soon be complied with. —

In the Mean time, not wishing to afford an Opening for any Imputation of Backwardness to the Company's Troops, I have applied myself earnestly to compensate (as far as possible) for their deficiencies, and to make the necessary Preparations for reducing the Place — in which I have been well seconded by the unremitting Assiduity of Our Own People, who are now, with great labor, drawing some Guns up the steep and difficult Hills in its Neighbourhood, which afford a Command of it, and from which the Enemy may be so much annoyed as to render their Situation very unpleasant, and possibly induce them to surrender the Place — On this rest our Expectations of Success, as the Guns here are of too small a

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has met with the Sanction of the Board) will clearly appear from the Proceedings of a Committee of experienced Officers, whose Report, grounded on Facts of which (being on the Spot) they had a perfect knowledge, will undoubtedly outweigh Arguments built upon Suppositions, and unsupported by Proof.

My last advices from the Mahratta Army, which is still before Darwar, mention that they also are defective in Battering Cannon, tho' otherwise much superior to us in Equipment and Number, they having between 12 and 13,000, whereas the Force here, taken at the utmost does not amount to 5000 Men, exclusive of the Detachment.—

I have the pleasure to enclose Copy of a Letter just received from Captain Little Commanding the Detachment from Bombay on the Mahratta Army, with the agreeable Intelligence that Bednore and Chittel-drog have offered to treat. My Hircurrahs had before informed me of it, but I was dubious what Credit to affix to their Intelligence until confirmed by Captain Littles Letter.—

I have the honor to be
&c. — — — &c.
(Signed) H. Montgomery

Camp before Copul 27th October 1790.—

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Ordered to lie on the Table,
until the Report of the Military Board is
received, upon the Accounts transmitted by Captain
Kennaway. —

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Read the following Letter
from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, Commanding
the Center Army. —

To John Charnier Esqr.
Secretary in the Military Department. —

Sir,

I had the honor to address you on
the 5th Instant from this place enclosing Intelli-
gence I had that day received regarding the motions
of Tippoo's Army, which I have now reason to
believe, will not at present march in force towards
us. In consequence of the Orders of the Honble
Board of the 13th Ultimo directing me "to enter the
"Baramaul and proceed to Cavaripatam in compliance
"with the desire of the Commander in Chief" I
arrived here on the 3d Instant, and have been
ever since in hourly expectation of Orders from the
General, or from the Honble Board for our further
motions

From Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell. Detaches an Escort to Amboor to procure Grain - repeats the necessity of being furnished with Battering Guns - and a Supply of Draught and Carriage Cattle

founded on absolute necessity, and I trust that the Battering Guns, which alone can enable this Army to act with Effect in this Country are already on their Road to Amboor.— When I am joined by them, I shall hope to be able to procure a Sufficiency of Provisions from the Enemy's Garrisons One of which must be taken to serve as a deposit for the Provisions we must collect or bring forward to enable us to advance; without these Guns, I must be obliged to draw my Supplies entirely from the Carnatic.

I requested in my last, that the Contractor for Bullocks might be directed to send up a Supply of Draft and Carriage Cattle to Amboor, to be forwarded to the Army— The Sickness which has of late infected the Cattle has considerably reduced their Numbers, and it will be necessary that a considerable Number should be sent with all expedition— and if Drivers can be procured, a Recruit of them is much wanted, to replace those who have deserted from the Service.—

Camp at Caveripatam November 8th. 1790.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Hamilton Maxwell
D. Col.

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and Chank Fisheries at Tinnevelly - recommending that the Fort of Arcot be delivered up to the Nabobs People - and Order wanting from the Nabob for the removal of his Troops stationed in Bomrauze's Pollam - the Right of Precedence in Seating the Nazarah in Camp decided in favor of the Rajah of Vencatagherry.

The receipt of your Orders communicated in Mr. Secretary Charnier's Letter of the 5th Instant. As you have been pleased, to approve Our Recommendation relative to the Chittoor Poligar, we take the liberty of recommending that the President should intimate, in a Letter to Abdal Wahab Khan, the necessity of such a measure, and that the fixed Sum of 10,000 Star Pagodas, at which the Peishcush has been valued, should be offered to him, in lieu of his own Collections. We have ventured to delay issuing any Orders to Mr. Kindersley, until we should be favored with your further instructions upon the Subject —

We have called upon the Canongo and questioned him, relative to the Superiority of Rank, claimed by the Rajahs of Vencatagherry and Calastry: and we have the honor of informing you, that he has decidedly adjudged the precedence to the Vencatagherry Rajah —

Desirous as we are, to comply with your Orders relative to the pecuniary supplies for Mr. Cockburn, We yet feel Ourselves

embarrassed

Article bound himself "not to enter into any
"Political Regulations or controversies with any
"State or power, without the consent or Approv-
"bation of the President and Council of Fort St.
"George". — Mr. Secretary Chamier has informed
us in answer, that no Communication was
received from the Nabob on the Subject. We
therefore request you will be pleased to in-
struct us, in what light we are to look upon
the Treaty in question, — whether we are to con-
sider it as binding on the Company, or to adopt
the determination of His Highness, as expressed
in his Letter of the 28th October, where he in-
forms the Governor" that the Dutch having in
many respects, regarding the Pearl Fisheries &
violated the antient Customs, he had refused &
to give Orders for the Continuance of their &
Trade, in the Tinnivelly &c. Provincies. —

Our President having laid &
before us His Highness Firmaun Ul Omrahs
note to Sir Charles Oakeley of the 6th Instant,
we called upon Mr. Hindersley for an explan-
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regarding the Chittoor Poligars as suggested — That the Nabob's Troops in Bommauzes Pollam must be dispersed by the Exertions of the Collector, who may endeavour to engage Such as are fit for the Service of the Company; — and — that Mr. Kindersley will be instructed to — deliver up the Fort of Arcot to the Nabob's People. —

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be informed that the Right of Precedence has been adjudged by the Canongol of the Carnatic in favor of the Rajah of Vencatagherry, who is in consequence to seat his Nacana in Camp before the Rajah of Calastry. —

Do.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Mackerras, Commanding at Trinomallee. —

John Chamier Esqre.
Secretary to the Military Department

From Lieutenant Mr. Mackerras - requesting instructions on the subject of giving Cowle and of the Distribution of the Cattle taken from Chokpa Naig - recommending that the Arrears due to the Peons &c. composing his Detachment be discharged - and that a monthly allowance be fixed for Mahomet Murad. —

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 3d. and 5th. Instant, and in

reply

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he himself, had seen them posting Sepoys over the houses of the Dewan and Peishcar, in order to extort more Money. — We therefore take the liberty of repeating our Request that the Nabob, should in the most serious manner, be required to remove his Troops.

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

(Signed)
J. Hudleston
E. Saunders
M. Tuder
Davd. Hallibuston
H. Maxwell
Geo: Mowbray

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Agreed to inform the Board of Assigned Revenue, that, with respect to the Treaty between the Nabob and the Dutch for the Pearl and Chank Fisheries the best Arrangement must be made in conformity to existing Engagements — That Abdul Wahab Cawn has been written to regarding

regarding the Chittoor Poligars as suggested — That the Nabobs Troops in Bommauzes Pollam must be dispersed by the Exertions of the Collector, who may endeavour to engage Such as are fit for the Service of the Company; — And — that Mr. Rumbersley will be instructed to — deliver up the Fort of Arcot to the Nabob's People. —

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be informed that the Right of Precedence has been adjudged by the Cannongol. of the Carnatic in favor of the Rajah of Vincatagherry, who is in consequence to beat his Nacara in Camp before the Rajah of Calastry. —

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John Chanier Esqre.

Secretary to the Military Department

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From Lieutenant Mr. Kerras - requesting instructions on the subject of giving Cowle and of the Distribution of the Cattle taken from Cholapa Naig - recommending that the Arrears due to the Peons &c. composing his Detachment be discharged - and that a monthly allowance be fixed for Mahomet Murad. —

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which positively forbid all predatory incursions into the Enemy's Country, together with several complaints from the Inhabitants of the District Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell has given Cowle to, that their Cattle &c. had been Plundered from them by a Person named Chokepa Naig at the head of a Number of Armed Peons, who was bringing them into the Carnatic, I sent Partys and interrupted them, who have brought in of Cows, Bullocks and Calves 2117, Buffaloes Young and Old 252, Sheep 1313, Horses Tattoes 17, with several Cooly Load of Plunder, I wrote Colonel Maxwell on the Subject, requesting his Orders as to what I am to do with it, but as answers from them are uncertain I beg to submit the matter to the Board, and as I suppose they will desire the Plunder taken from the Inhabitants of the Cowle Country to be restored them, in that case it will be fortunate if they will desire the Collector of this District to distribute them to their Owners, as I find it will be impossible for me to do it so as to give Satisfaction to them—

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immediately give them that relief they so much stand in need off.— a small sum will do, there being only two Companys.—

The Detachment is not yet joined by any of the Irregular Horse ordered by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, it is also incomplete in the Four hundred Polygars who complain much of their different Maitres not sending their Batta regular, they are from Calastry, Vencatighery and Burmauze, it would be lucky if their different Vackeels at the Presidency were spoke to on this Subject, as the People are distressed and say their Master pay no attention to their representations, it might have a good effect.—

In the Plan for protecting the Western Frontier, two Polygars under Mr. Floyers were directed to send a Number of Peons to watch the Attore Pass and that of Vetavallum, under Mr. Landon to send 200 Men to watch that of Changamah, as yet the latter has only sent about One hundred Men and pleads his inability to support them, for less to compleat his quota,

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allowed to Mahomed Murad, while employed in the present Service — That the Acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly be directed to pay the above Sum, and take immediate Steps for liquidating the Arrear due to the Detachment Commanded by Lieutenant Mackerras. —

Read the following Letter from Ganjam. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President &c. Council
at
Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We duly received Mr. Secretary Charnier's Letter of the 8th Instant. —

From Ganjam — advising of the Return of the Detachment lately sent to quell the Disturbances in the Vizianagram and Peddapoorry — requesting to know which of them is to defray the charges incurred thereby. —

Herewith we have the honor to transmit to you, a Copy of the Record of our Proceedings in this Department for the month of September. —

Our Letter of the 11th July informed you, that we had been under the necessity of detaching a considerable Force

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withdrawing the Company's Troops may, by relieving the apprehensions of those Zemindars, induce them to discharge a part of their Peons, and, that thereby they may be better enabled to pay their Kists to the Company.

We request to know if we are to debit either, and which, of these Zemindars with the Charges of this Detachment.

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

Ganjam
30th October 1790

(Signed) { Hy Crawford
R. D. Munro.

The Board are of Opinion that the two Zemindars of Vizianagur and Pettapaghurry should be charged with the Expences of the Detachment in proportion to the Revenues of each, unless there be cause of which the Board are ignorant, that may make it just to charge One more than the Other; and in that case, the Arrangement of the Matter must be left to the Discretion of the Chief and Council.

Minute thereon

The Board are well pleased to hear

&c.

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with your attention; and that altho your Honble Board may not wish to renew my Contract for a term of Years, that you will be so kind as prolong the time of the present Contract so as to give me an opportunity of recovering the outstanding Balances now due to me, and to dispose of the materials on hand — As this will depend in a great measure on the length of the War, many of the Contractors for Wood &c. who are indebted to me, having gone with their Bullocks and Carts to the Army, I trust the Honble Board will be pleased to allow me a Couple of Years, or at least eighteen Months for that purpose, should it be in my power to attain the object of recovering my Balances in a shorter time, I shall most certainly comply with the wishes of the Board in relinquishing the Contract, previous to the expiration of the two Years; and shall consider myself particularly obliged by their attention to my situation. —

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

Joseph Garrow
Contractor for Bricks & Chunam
For

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Highness at the Conclusion of the War - that the People about his Person are not more than are requisite to his Dignity - and that he will pay off the Old Arrears due to his Troops by Assessments upon the Country as soon as Peace is restored. - The latter, enclosing Orders to His Highness's Servants at Nellore, to supply the Commanding Officer, upon his Receipt, with such a Number of Fire Arms as he may stand in need of.

Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in MB. Nos. 85. 86. 87. 88.)

From the Commandant at Nellore.

From the Commanding Officer at Nellore - stating that a Jemidar in the Nabobs Service has offered to raise fifty Troopers for the Company, provided Government will appoint him a Jemidar of Cavalry. -

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Lieutenant Boisdaune that the Board decline in the first Instance the Offer of the Nabobs Jemidar, but recommend he should be told that upon application to the Officer Commanding Regiments of Cavalry, whose particular Province it is to

recruit

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relinquish the House to Mr. Andrews.—

From Lieutenant Forsyth.—

From Lieutenant Forsyth of the 72d Regiment, requesting the usual Allowance of Passage Money granted to King's Officers returning to Europe.—

The Secretary informs the Board that the Honble Court of Directors in their Letter under date the 2d December 1789, have directed, "that no Passage Money shall be in future allowed to King's Officers on any Account, except on the Regiments to which they belong being disbanded and ordered to Europe".—

Minute thereon.—

Agreed that the above be communicated to Lieutenant Forsyth.—

Ed. Cha. Carpenter " Chas Oakeley
" Wm Hodges

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with the eagerness for which that Corps is remarkable — pursued them imprudently through a narrow Pass, on the other side of which 3000 Horse commanded by Gaddy Khan regularly drawn up immediately attacked them. Having under these disadvantages made good their Retreat does great credit to the Regiment but I am sorry to add their loss was considerable. Lt Tonnoblanque, Cornet Hoare & D'Morgan and fifty Men and Horse are missing. Cornt De Morgan is said to be killed the other Officers wounded and taken.

A large Body of the Enemy appearing yesterday evidently with an intention to attack our outposts I moved across the River with two Brigades, but the Enemy not chusing to advance and our Camp being standing we returned to our Lines. Great Numbers of Horse were all round us, and I have received information that Tippoo was in the Field. I enclose for the inspection of Government the best account I have been able to procure by Harcarahs, a Serjeant of Cavalry and other Prisoners who made their escape, and I believe it to be nearly just.

I shall endeavour to convey to General Medows information of the Enemy's situation which may be of material consequence to his operations to the Southward, and I shall take

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
President & Governor &c in Council
Fort St. George

From Paupiah requesting that the Bills on Cavalram alluded to in his last letter may be secured immediately.—

Honble Sir and Sirs

In the last Letter which I took the liberty of addressing to your Honors from my miserable Imprisonment I pointed out to you / and supported it by two very full affidavits / a most flagrant Forgery that had been committed upon Two of the Vouchers produced by His Highness the Nabob in support of a considerable part of his Charge — These Honble Sir I presume I need not remind you were two Bills drawn on and Accepted by Cavalram one for 57000 Porto Novo Pagodas & the other for 50000 Porto Novo Pagodas and my Charge was that some Persian Words intimating that they had paid to me on Account of the Company had been falsely written upon them over his Highness's Signatures after they had been given up to Cavalram and had been long out of my possession with all due humility I also insisted that this Striking Breach of all Truth would manifestly appear by the bare Inspection of the Bills themselves which bore their own Internal Evidence and I humbly implored your Honors if not

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all submission I must suppose that you are satisfied with the Proofs I have already adduced & think no further Enquiry to be necessary for I can never imagine that on any other ground you will reject a request in itself so reasonable and so likely to throw light upon the subject of your Enquiries.

With all deference & Respect I must humbly beg leave to subscribe Myself

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Hble & Hble

(signed) A Pauffia Brauning

Sent the following Letters

To John Huddleston Esqre

President & Members of the

Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Board of Assumed Revenue - each of the Nabobs troops formerly stationed in Bowraupa Pollam as are fit for the Company's Service to be engaged by the Collectors - the Fort of Arcot to be delivered up to the Nabobs Agent - enclosing Extract of a letter from Lieutenant Mackerras.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 12th Instant - the Acting President has written to Abdal Wahab Khan agreeable to your Recommendation.

With respect to the treaty between the Nabob and the Dutch for the Pearl and Chank Fisheries, Government desire you will arrange the Matter on the best Manner possible agreeably to existing Engagements.

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The receipt of your Letter Dated 30th Ultimo and to inform you, that they Conceive the two Zemindars of Vezianagur and Pretapaghery should be charged with the Expences of the Detachment in proportion to the Revenues of each, unless there should be some Cause of which the Board are ignorant that may make it just to charge one more than the other — this is left to your Discretion to arrange —

The Board hear with satisfaction of the Return of the Troops to Barampoor, and hope that the Tranquility of the Ganjam District is perfectly restored, and will be maintained by your prudent and vigorous Administration —

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Ab.s Nos 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94 95 96. 97. 98. 99. —

To the Acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly

To the Acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly to take the necessary Steps for Supplying Lieut McKenzie's Detachment with Money. —

To Lieut McKenzie at Trincomale

To Lieutenant McKenzie to communicate with Mr Landon on the Subjects of giving Cooly running and distributing Cattle &c

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To the Military Board

To the Military Board to report without loss of time upon the Papers received from Captain Kennaway respecting the Monthly Charges of Major Montgomerys Detachment.—

To the Commandant at Nellore

To the Commandant at Nellore the offer made by the Jemadar as stated in his Letter of the 9th Instant to be tendered to the Officers commanding Regiments of Native Cavalry the Revenue Troops required for the Nellore District to be put upon the same footing as other Revenue Battalions on the Establishment—enclosing an Order from the Nabob to Murfauzal Cawn and Hafiz Abdel Hakeem.

To Lieut Colonel Maxwell

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell advising of the receipt of his Letter of the 8th Instant and informing him that in consequence of a Dispute between the Rajahs of Vencatagherry & Calastry respecting the Right of precedence it has been determined that the former is to lead his Nayara first in Camp.—

To Lieut Bulman

To Lieut Bulman to escort the Guns and Stores under his Charge to Vellore & then to put himself under the orders of Colonel Bruce.—

To the Commandant at Vellore

To Colonel Bruce at Vellore informing him of the above mentioned Instructions given to Lieut Bulman—and directing him to apprize

Lieut

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From the Subsecretary at Bengal

From the Subsecretary at Bengal enclosing an Invoice of Ordnance Stores shipped on board the Victoria Captain Bagshaw for Madras.

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From the Deputy Garrison Storekeeper

From the Deputy Garrison Storekeeper requesting that a General order may be published for the 24th & 30th Battalions of Sepoys, that Invalids Pensioners Garrison and Engineer Lascars at the Presidency, to receive rix, in lieu of half Pay at 70 Pags ℔ Garce, Exchange at 45 Fanams ℔ Pagoda.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob, as entered in C.C. N°251, informing his Highness that the Fort of Arnd. will be delivered up to his Servants, and requesting that Strict orders be issued to his People who may reside there, not to interfere with the Renters Authority.

Substance of a Letter from Abdul Wahaab Cawn

Recieved Letter from Abdul Wahaab Cawn as entered in C.C. N°252 stating that as all business relating to the Chittor Polygars rests with the Nabob as Prince of the Carnatic he cannot enter into any Negociation respecting them without the Authority of the Nabob, his Master.

Sent the following Letter to Major General Meadows.

To the Hon^ble Major General William Meadows
Governor & Commander in chief

For Major Genl. Meadows with copy of the last Letter from Lieut Colo. Maxwell.

Hon^ble Sir,

We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from

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the Polegars with Lieut McKenzie's Detachment the Monthly sum of 100 ℳ Rupees while employed on that Service.—

For Wm S. Johnston at Trichinopoly

To Mr Samuel Johnston — enclosing a Copy of a Letter from Mr R Andrews — the house at present occupied by him to be delivered up to Mr Andrews as soon as the Business of the Committee is settled —

To the Commissary Genl of Grain and Provisions —

To Mr T. Cockburn — to report upon an Extract of a Letter from Lieut Colo Maxwell —

To the Resident at Cuddalore

To the Resident at Cuddalore — enclosing an Extract of a General order by the Commander in Chief and directing him in consequence thereof to receive Captain Kennedy in the Garrison of Cuddalore.

At a Consultation Present

Friday 19th November 1790

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President

John Hudleston Esqre

The Honble Major General William Medows
Absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved —

The Acting President lay before the Board the following Letters from Bengal received by the Juno Pilot Boat which anchored in the Roads this Morning

To

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going with Safety to the Commandel Coast.

We have the Honor to be

&c &c &c

(signed) Cornwallis

" Chas Stuart

" Peter Speke

" Wm. Cowper

Fort William
8th November 1790

The Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

Honble Sir

From Bengal with a copy of the governor-generals Instructions to Capt. Hyd deserving that he may have access to all Plans &c which he may require.—

We have already informed you in our Letter of the 8th instant, a Duplicate of which will be sent inclosed, of Lord Cornwallis's intention to proceed to the Coast in order to take upon himself the conduct of the War, and We are now to acquaint you that his Lordship has been pleased to deputate Captain Hyd, who will have the honor of delivering this Letter to precede him and make the enquiries that are stated in his instructions, a Copy of which We shall transmit herewith. The Suno Pilot Schooner takes him to Madras and is to be returned to this Presidency without delay.—

We request that you will assist the Enquiries of Captain Hyd as much as possible, and give him access to such plans and

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them are so situated, as to render them Naturally strong and defensible.—

You are likewise to endeavour to make yourself fully acquainted, for my Information when I arrive at Madras, with the State of Country, and Roads, as well as with the Distance and Means of communication between what may then be the respective Situations of the Center and Southern Armies, so as to enable me to determine how far it may be eligible or practicable to strengthen either of them, by Reinforcements of Cavalry, Artillery, or Infantry, to be drawn from the other.

You will receive herewith, a Letter addressed to the Madras Government from the Governor General in Council and another from me to the Chief Engineer at Fort St. George explaining the objects of your deputation and desiring them to assist your inquiries, as well as to give you Access to such Plans and descriptions of the Country in the Possession of Government or of the Chief Engineer as may lead to any useful Information. Letters will also be written by me to General Stuart and to the Commanding Officer of the Center Army Requesting of them to direct the Quarter Master General his Deputies, as well as the Captains of the guides who may be serving with their respective

Armies

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The Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

From Bengal with a copy of the Governor Generals Instructions to Lieut Robinson - Desiring that the heads of Departments be ordered to afford him the fullest information on the Points which he may require.

Honble Sir,

We have already informed you in our Letter of the 8th instant, of Lord Cornwallis's intention to proceed to the Coast in order to take upon himself the conduct of the War, and We are now to acquaint you that his Lordship has been pleased to depute Lieut George Abercrombie Robinson, who will have the honor of delivering this Letter to precede him, and make the enquiries that are stated in his instructions a Copy of which We shall transmit herewith.

We request that you will assist the enquiries of Lieut Robinson as much as possible by giving instructions to the Heads of the different Departments under your Government to afford him the fullest & most complete information as well upon those points which are particularly detailed in his instructions, as upon any other that may occur to himself as connected in any respect with the General purposes of forwarding the preparations for Lord Cornwallis's taking the Field as soon as may be practicable after his Lordship's arrival at Fort St George.

We have the honor to be
Hon'ble Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servants

Fort William
10th November 1790

(signed) Cornwallis
" Chas Stuart
" Peter Speke
" Wm Cowper
Lieut

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to the Northward or Southward from whence the wants of either Army can be supplied.—

To endeavour to learn what Quantity of Grain is collected in the Magazines at Arnot Arnee, Vellore, or any other Places from whence the Center Army must draw their Provisions and to what Amount such Magazines might in a short Time be encreased.—

To enquire as to the probable Number of Serviceable Draft and Carriage Cattle that might be procured from the Country about Cuddalore, Nellore &c from the Guntoor Circar, and from Masulipatam and whether it would be most advisable and expeditious to procure them by the present Contract, or by Agency.—

Whether it is thought possible by any Exertions to put the present Center Army with the Addition of 2 or 3 Battalions from Bengal into a State of Activity, without withdrawing some Bullocks from the Southern Army.—

To endeavour to learn the condition in General of the Cattle both with the Southern & Center Armies, and.—

Whether by the Influence of the Collectors it would be possible to procure and load for one Trip only a sufficient Number of Bullocks from the Tanjore and Trichinopoly Countries to form a Magazine of

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The Secretary also lays before the Board the following Letter to him from Mr Secretary Hay — received 9th Inst.

John Cranmer Esqre
Secretary
at Fort St George

From Mr Secretary Hay with a Memorandum of Information required by the Governor General from the Officer Commanding the Center army.

Sir,

In the Letters that will be delivered to Board at Madras by Captain Kyd and Lieutenant Robinson Copies of their Instructions are enclosed. I have now Orders to transmit to you the enclosed — "Memorandum of the Points on which it is requisite "of the Commanding Officer of the Center Army to "furnish the best Information procurable, and to transmit "it to Lord Cornwallis at Madras as early as possible "in December". You are desired to lay this Memorandum before the Board at Fort St George, and to request their Instructions for forwarding it to the Commanding Officer of the Center Army that his Answer may be — received in Cypher if he has the Company's Cypher or otherwise to insure Secrecy by the time required by Lord Cornwallis

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(signed) C. Hay Secry to the Govt

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11th November 1790

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What is the Average Quantity of Grain which Carriage Bullocks are found Competent to carry Both these last questions applying only to the cases of reasonable marches.

A distinct Statement of the Number of Guns with a proper Complement of Ammunition Tumbrils &c with which the Draft Bullocks then attached to the Center Army could make reasonable marches.

The Commanding Officer to be requested to send as near an Estimate as can be made of the Quantity of Grain required for the daily consumption of the Center Army, including as well the Troops in the Garrisons immediately under his Authority as those in the Field and all Necessary Followers also.

The Proportion nearly which the Followers of the Army bear to the fighting men including under the latter description Gun Lascars.

It will be desirable also for Lord Cornwallis to know from the Commanding Officer whether it is intended to form new Magazines.

In what manner the magazines are proposed to be filled.

What Quantity is proposed to be allotted

to

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In respect to the supplies of Grain and Provisions for the Troops it is desirable that Lord Cornwallis should know, whether the supplies depend exclusively on the Provisions made by the Company for the Carriage of Grain or whether Grain Merchants follow the Camp at any time with supplies and to what extent resources of that nature may be reckoned upon while the army is beyond or below the Ghauts.

Whether People of the above description are likely to bring in Grain to replenish our Magazines in Proportion as supplies are drawn from them, for the Army as it advances or whether cattle must be left for that Purpose.

(Signed) Cornwallis

The Acting President proposes that Captain Kyd and Lieutenant Robinson be requested to attend the Board.

The abovementioned Gentlemen attending accordingly, are informed by the Acting President that the necessary Orders will be issued to all the Heads of Departments to furnish them with every information they may require for the

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To the Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

From Bengal with copy of the Governor Generals letter to the Nabob respecting the impropriety of his Style of address to the Government of Madras.—

Honble Sir,

We have to acknowledge our Receipt of your Letter dated the 1st Instant. to which we shall soon reply by acquainting you with our Sentiments on the Mode recommended by Mr. Popham for the Proceeding against Paupiah in consequence of the Accusations preferred by His Highness the Nabob.

So just have we considered your Remarks on the very improper Style, in which His Highness has been pleased to express himself in his Letters relative to the Members of your Board that the Governor General has thought it proper to offer his Advice upon this Subject to His Highness in the inclosed Letter, which we request may be delivered. A Translation of it is also forwarded.—

We have the Honor to
&c &c &c
signed Cornwallis
" Chas Stuart
" Peter Speke

Fort William
to
27 October 1790

To the Nawaub of Arcot

Written 28th October 1790

A few Days ago I did myself the pleasure of writing

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By a letter just received from that Presidency, inclosing an Extract of one from your Highness dated 29th September 1790 / 20 Mohurrem / I learn you express yourself surprized that they have transmitted the false representations of Paupiah, without forwarding your Son's declaration - A moments consideration will convince the Impropriety of such a Remark, and consequently the Injustice of it - The Letter from this Government to that at Madras, of which you were furnished with an Extract in order to enable that Presidency to reply to it, was dated 28th August / 16th Zulhuje / and written in reply to a Letter from them under date 7th August / 26th Zekaida / accompanying the Proceedings relative to Paupiah. Your Highness's Letter with your Son's declaration, which is the Letter in question, was dated 15th August / or 3d Zulhuje / How was it possible that the declaration, inclosed in a Letter dated 15th August / 3d Zulhuje / could be transmitted to me in one date / August / 26th Zekaida / This is one Instance where a slight consideration will point out the Injustice of your Highness's animadversion on the actual Government of Madras and it was necessary there are Many more circumstances which could be enumerated, evincing not only want of cordiality on your Highnes towards that Presidency, but also

unjustifiable

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has been made to the Measure which my letter dated
11th September will have explained as necessary and
incumbent on me to adopt; to their advice also must
I impute the displeasure your Highness entertains
and the Suspicions nourished in your breast unjustly
against the present Government of Madras, and to
the result of their suggestions, founded on Motives
of private Interest so prejudicial to your Highness's
Welfare but which with concern, I see you listen to
and follow, must hereafter be ascribed all the bad
consequence that may ensue and have a regard for your
Welfare, as a Friend of the Company and embarked in
the same Cause with them, which will not permit me
to allow your Prosperity to be thwarted by Men who
never can have the power, nor will they ever be in-
clined, to retrieve your affairs even when they have
reaped all the Benefits that they may expect to result to
themselves from the Advice they give your Highness I
embrace therefore the earliest Opportunity to warn
your Highness of the impending Danger in following
their advice and to guard them against persevering in
giving it; as the consequences to your Highness cannot
fail of being destructive of your Highness and of the
Prosperity of your Government and family and to
them, of incurring the Displeasure of the Company
which

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To the Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

from Bengal stating the Grounds on which their instructions respecting Paupiah have been issued and their sentiments of the Measures that should be adopted against Mr E. J. Holland in consequence of the Nabobs Letter of the 27th September -

We have received your Letter dated the 1st Instant, and have perused with great Attention the Extracts which you transmitted of your Minutes of Consultations regarding the Charge exhibited by the Nabob against Paupiah Dubash to your late President Mr John Holland, which has been extended to Mr John Holland himself, as well as to his Brother Mr Edward John Holland late a Member of your Board, with the Letter assigned to you by Mr Stephens the Company's Solicitor which you enclosed, and in reference to the further Instructions which our Duty requires from us on this important Subject, we think that it may be satisfactory to you and proper and expedient in every respect, on Account of the Violent protests of Paupiah himself against our Orders, and of the Language which Mr Edward John Holland has ventured to make use of in his Letter that he assigned to your Board, to take this Opportunity to give you an explanation of the Grounds on which our Orders respecting Paupiah have been issued, and from which we trust it will appear that far from having Acted in regard to him with Cruelty, Oppression or injustice, he has been treated with every degree of

Lenity

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prosecute him Criminally for the Embezzlement of Public Money, or for a Corrupt and fraudulent combination with others to assist them in abusing the Power that they possessed in Virtue of their Offices. And it was no less Necessary, for the Reasons abovementioned, that his Property should be secured until the Result of the Investigation could be known, as he might otherwise have had it in his Power to have secretly assigned it away, or to have disposed of it in such a Manner as to have put it out of the reach of any execution which the Law might ultimately award against his Effects.

At the same time, we conceive that it will be admitted by every unprejudiced Person that the Steps that were originally taken by you with regard to Paupiah, or those that We afterwards directed you to adopt, in consequence of his Highness's Representations were as lenient as could be justified by the Nature of the Charges. And this will be the more apparent when it is adverted to that, if the Proceedings against him in consequence of the Nabob's Charges, had, in the first instance, commenced in a Court of Law, he must have been Arrested by a common Bailiff, and have given Bail for the full Amount of the Sums of which he was charged with having detained from the

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guilt respectively may be so far descriminated by the researches of the Committee as to enable your Government to proceed upon sure Grounds, and to take those steps which may promise to be most effectual for recovering to the Nabob or to the Company the Money that may have been fraudulently and surreptitiously obtained from either of them, and for bringing the offending Parties otherwise to condign Punishment.

The public charge which the Nabob in his letter addressed to you, dated the 27th Ultimo has brought against Mr Edward John Holland, for having been equally implicated with his Brother and Assistant in detaining the Money which was destined for the Company's Treasury, has attracted our serious Attention, and we conceive that it will be incumbent upon you to take as early Measures as circumstances may render Adviseable to secure both his Person and his Property, in such a manner as to render him Amenable to the consequence of any Civil or Criminal prosecution which it may eventually become Necessary to institute against him.

If it has not yet appeared in the Proceedings of the Committee that evidence could be brought of Mr E. J. Holland having been guilty of Appropriating to his own use any Sums of Money belonging

be justified by the result of the Investigation.

It will also, in the event of those prosecutions being instituted, become your Duty to take effectual measures to secure both the Person and property of Mr Edward Holland, or to bind him in sufficient bail to attend their issue, and to submit to the Decree that may be awarded against him. And the Sentiments which we have given, in his case, will be equally Applicable for your Guidance in conducting your future proceedings against Paupiah according to the Nature of the transactions in which he shall appear to the Committee to have been actually concerned. But, although we have considered it as our Duty to deliver our Opinion freely on a Subject which the interest of the Company and the Honor of the Nation call upon us to investigate in the most efficacious Manner, We particularly recommend to you to communicate all the proceedings that may be had upon it, either by yourselves or by the Committee of the Company's Law Officers at your Presidency, and to be directed entirely by their Advice in all the Steps which it may be thought Necessary to take in it before the Courts of Law: And it will also be proper in you to endeavour to ascertain whether there is any Property now in India belonging to Mr

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he charges them with having diverted to their own use actually paid to them for the use of the Company and thereby enable the Company to recover it from them he cannot in our opinion have any just claim to receive Credit for it.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c &c
Cornwallis
(signed) Peter Speke

Fort William
30th October 1790.

Read the following Letters from the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah

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

From the Committee for investigating the Charge against Paupiah &c. forwarding copies of Depositions attested upon Oath recommending that Paupiah be called upon to produce some original Books

Honble Sir,

In conformity to the orders of your Honble Board signified in Mr Chamiers letter of the 28th Ultimo We have had the Informations of such persons as have been already examined before us drawn out and attested upon Oath each Native according to the custom of his respective Cast and have the Honor to forward copies of them agreeable to the accompanying list No 1 to No 22 inclusive, We have also enclosed copies of such Papers as have been produced by those

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observe that an inspection of such Books containing as we have reason to suppose the transactions of the day as they happened, might tend to throw much light upon the subjects of our investigation.

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
12th November 1790

&c &c &c

(signed) I. Casper
" Geo. Hoar
" Benjn Roebuck
" Geo. Moubray
" Joseph Garrow

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

From the Committee for investigating the charges against Tanjore recommending that the Rajah of Tanjore be called upon for information respecting sums of money paid to Messrs Hollonds on account of the Company for which no credit is given in the Books.

Honble Sir

We have received Mr. Secretary Chamier's of the 5th Instant inclosing copies of letters from Bengal from the Secret Committee to Sir Charles Oakeley and the public notice of this Government of the 5 Instant to which every attention shall be paid.

Having received information that Sums of Money were paid by the Rajah of Tanjore to Messrs Hollonds which do not appear to have been Credited in his Account with the Honble Company

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will probably afford the best Justification in her Power.

The Board take into consideration the two foregoing Letters and the Depositions accompanying them.

With regard to the Application which the Committee have recommended to be made to the Rajah of Tanjore — it is agreed to inform them that urgent Solicitations have been made to His Excellency which have not as yet been attended with the desired Success.

As it may perhaps be necessary to transmit the Original Depositions to Europe by the first Opportunity, it is agreed to desire the Committee to cause Notarial Copies of the Depositions to be taken as soon as possible.

Resolved that Copies of the Depositions be immediately transmitted to Bengal and that the Attorney General be consulted with regard to the Steps necessary to be immediately taken.

Resolutions in consequence

All the Depositions contain Matter of strong Criminations against Mr John Holland, Mr Edward John Holland and the Dubash Paupiah, yet the Board much doubt the Effect of any Proceedings in this Country against Mr Edward John Holland — certain it is from whatever Cause the Company have hitherto failed in every Attempt to obtain Redress by legal Process in this Country

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charge of the Detachment you were pleased to put under my orders about 2 Oclock in the afternoon of the day.

On informing my self of the particular State of the Party, and giving such directions as I thought necessary on the occasion. I went to see if any of the Mutineers remained about the Chepauk Garden. Finding they were gone from thence, I sent in disguise were sent to mix with them, and discover their Intentions. I then waited on the Nabob Omdut-ull Omrah Bahauder then in the Pettah Garden to desire he would let him know I was sent with a Detachment for his Highness's Protection which was halted at the Company's Gardens until I could learn the means he wished me to pursue for the most effectually affording it. He thanked Government for their attention and told me the discontented People were quiet for the present on promise of receiving some Money, and that he wished the Detachment might remain where it was until Matters were finally adjusted between them.

I then stated to his Highness the little dependance there was to be placed by his Father on People so disposed, and offered if he would discharge them, to receive them into the Companys Service where they

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the Company's Service and wished the Detachment might return to the Fort — I expressed my Apprehension of Matters not being yet settled so completely as the Gentlemen imagined, and stated my Information of the Mutineers being in possession of three Guns and Coasted Arms It was combated for sometime I persisted, saying my Intelligence was the latest the which Conductor Mc Cormick said he would accompany to the place, that I might be satisfied — We found found a Number of them sitting in a Circle I imagined reviewing &c, their Arms lying by them which they took up when they rose on seeing us the Gentlemen asked the Officers if the People were not disarmed? they answered yes' where are the Guns? of them here, one of them carried back to the Factory — He wished to appear satisfied with the Answers: but under such Circumstances I did not think it advisable to remove the Detachment, who before lay by our Arms during the night.

Early in the Morning of the 19th I visited the Stations where the Sepoys Guns were usually kept and found them in their usual Order. I next looked into the compound in the Gunners House where the Mutineers had been confined in the Evening found them dispersed and

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communicate to the Sirdars his Permission for such Sepoys as chose to enter into the Service of the Company

Colonel Campbell being sent for — acquainted the Old Nabob he that Morning had asked his People if they chose to serve the Company when they to a Man declared, they did not wish to quit His Highness's Service, if he would but pay them —

The Young Nabob when he left his Father immediately assembled his Principal Officers and acquainted them with His Highness orders which he desired they would communicate to their People and the Sepoy's determination in consequence, the next Morning — afterwards accompanied him to the Plaines where the Guns and Arms were lodged within the Garden —

This Material point for His Highness's Safety being effected I reported it to the President and returned the Troops into Garrison in the Evening —

Buddarow Selim Caun and two principal Commandants were with me by 11 O'Clock this Forenoon. They said their People being afraid of something unpleasant happening to them, they had not been yet able to get them together. That as they were

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a strong desire to please Government, but I do not flatter myself with many Recruits until they have again experienced the want of pay.—

I hope the length of Detail in this Letter will be excused as from the connection of the Circumstances I could not otherwise shew the motives that influenced my Conduct.—

I have the Honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Patrick Ross

Lieut. Colo.

Fort St George
15th November 1790

Minute thereon

The Board approve the Conduct of Lieutenant Colonel Ross in the Exertion of the Power entrusted to him.—

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from the Resident at Hydrabad.—

John Cramer Esqre

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department

Fort St George

From Capt. Kennaway inclosing Extract of his Letter to the Governor General in consequence of the repeated & urgent applications from the Nizam for two additional Battalions of Sepoys.—

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose for the information of the Board an extract of a Letter which I have this day written to the Governor General and beg you will state to them that my principal reason for desiring to

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that I understand there are two very good Battalions (the 17th and 27th) at present in the Masulipatam District — The distance of the Southern Army and the delay which might occur from the accidents of the Road in my addressing General Meadows will prevent my writing him on the subject of this Letter or the Extract enclosed in it which can be remedied by the Board if they think it is necessary —

The Garrison of Cummum having been reinforced from Gunjycotta the Nizams Troops have been obliged to retreat from it and I have been just informed that a Party of Tippoos Forces amounting to about 3000 Men under Rustum Dil Khan have proceeded from Gooty towards the Fort of Sidhaut which is situated near Cuspa

Paungul
the 7th November 1790

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
Signed John Kennaway

P.S.

I have just received a Message from the Minister that induces me to think that my arguments of mine will induce the Nizam to desist from his application —

signed J. K.

Extract

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Application that however if his Highness insisted on
it's being made a written application to your Lordship
the subject was not necessary as a letter to me desiring
me to use my endeavours and defining the conditions
on which the aid was desired would be sufficient
to call forth my exertions in effectual as they would
probably be. Should the Nizam repeat his application
I shall apply to the Madras Board, and in the mean
time shall forward this paragraph of my letter for
their information. I shall be very glad if the force
at present in the Circars will admit of the Corps
required or any part of it being granted. It would be
employed with the Army intended to act under
Mohabut Jung and joined to Major Montgomery's
Detachment would tend to render that Army yet
more formidable than I am afraid it well otherwise
be: if sent from Ellore or the Masulipatam district
its place might I conceive be supplied by any
Corps stationed in the Chicacole or Ganjam districts
whose place if necessary might again be taken
by a couple of Battalions from Bengal.

A true Extract
Signed Wm. Stewart
Asst.

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season to suppose they did.—

Previous to any Rumour of the War I had formed my resolution of returning to England in consequence of my bad state of Health, and was to have Embarked in the Month of July last by way of China. But when the war broke out and the Army was ordered to Assemble notwithstanding my very impaired Constitution. I preferred my Duty in the Service to every consideration of Health, and took the Field with my Regiment.— Fatigue and exposure to the Sun however affected me so severely, that no longer able to remain, I was under the Necessity of availing myself of the interval which offered after Tippoo had evacuated the Coimbatore Country and retired beyond the Gaunts, to proceed to the Coast, where should I not recruit my Health in the cold season, I had determined on proceeding to England the beginning of the Year.—

When down here in the hope of knowing the war took an unexpected turn and rendered my State of inactivity still more irksome and unpleasant the Ideas which then occurred to me, I communicated to Doctor Duffin under whose Professional care I was, & as he thought I might be equal to Infantry Duty, provided I otherwise avoided the Sun as much as possible. I followed the dictates of a Mind Devoted to the Service, and made that proposal to the General which

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per Man an Alteration occurs in this Year 1790. on
Account of the 8th Sergeants 4 Corporals and 59 Privates
of the Hanoverian Regiments sent on the 16th of May
to Arnee for the Purpose of doing Garrison Duty there
- This Detachment must receive the allow the Allowance
of 7 Fanams per Month as Pensioners until the 15th
of May inclusive. but after that Date, and from the
16th of May ought to be allowed according to the Orders
and Regulations of Payment the Stoppages of
European Invalides. — I therefore request that you
will be pleased of ordering the above Money to be paid
to the Pay Masters of the Several Regiments or that this
Detachment may be furnished with Clothing as soon
as possible from the Honorable Company. —

I request at the same time to be informed
whether the allowance of two Pagodas, payable on the
1st of December is to commence from the Date or
from the 1st of January. —

Madras
17th of November 1790

I have the Honor to remain with Respect
&c &c
(signed) F Wangenheim
Colonel

Steuart Thereon

Ordered to be reported upon by the Commissary
and Comptroller General of Army Accounts. —

From the Officer
commanding in the
Guntoor Circar.

Read two Letters from Major Thynne
(as entered in MB No 114. 115) stating that the —
Disturbance

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and Sir Archibald Campbell pledged themselves to place him in Possession of his Country in any future War with the Chief of Mysore - calls upon the Governor to fulfill the Promise by sending him to the Center Army, and offers to aid the War by bringing into the Field ten thousand Men. -

As the Governor General is shortly expected and will take the Field it is agreed that the Consideration of Hunnamant Row's Request be deferred until his Lordship's Arrival who will take such Steps as to him may appear expedient. -

Minute thereon

Ed. Cha. Carpenter
" Cha. Oakeley
" Hudleston

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a communication with the Center army.—

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We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Sgnd) Chas. Oakeley 4th Council

To the Right Honorable Charles Earl Cornwallis &c.
Governor General in Council
at
Fort William

To Bengal forwarding Copies of the Depositions received from the Committee for investigating the charges against Paupiah the Boards opinion of the measures to be adopted against Mr. John and Mr. Edwd. John Holland.—

My Lord,

We have been honored with the receipt of your Lordships Letters under date the 27th and 30th ultimo on the subject of the Proceedings against Paupiah and are very sensible of your resolution to instruct and support us fully on every point relating to this Enquiry.—

We have now the Honor to inclose Copies of sundry Depositions sent up from the Committee of Enquiry containing matter of strong crimination against Messrs. Hollonds and the Dubash Paupiah, on which we mean to consult the Company's Attorney General, with regard to the Steps necessary to be immediately taken, but permit us to observe to your Lordship that we much doubt the effect of any Proceeding in this Country against Mr. Edward Holland certain it is, from whatever cause, the Company have hitherto

(Sgnd) failed

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To Colonel Capper
Messrs. Hoar
Roebuck
Moubray
and Garrow

} Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah Braminy

To the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah to call upon Paupiah to deliver up such original Books as they may require, notorial Copies of the Depositions to be drawn out enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bengal

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 12th and 17th Instant and to desire you will lose no time in examining Paupiah upon his Defence he must then be required to produce his Books and accounts, and informed that such act will probably afford the best justification in his Power

With respect to the Information you are desirous of obtaining from the Rajah of Tanjore I am directed to inform you that the strongest applications have have been made which have not as yet been attended with the desired Success

You will be pleased to cause notorial Copies of the Depositions to be taken as soon as possible in order that if judged necessary the Originals may be sent to Europe by the first opportunity

I enclose for your Information Copy of a

Letter

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19th

To Colonel Capper
Messrs. Hoar
Roebuck
Moubray
and Garrow

} Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah Brahmin.

To the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah to call upon Paupiah to deliver up such original Books as they may require notorial Copies of the Depositions to be drawn out enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bengal

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 12th and 17th Instant and to desire you will lose no time in examining Paupiah upon his Defence he must then be required to produce his Books and accounts, and informed that such act will probably afford the best justification in his Power

With respect to the Information you are desirous of obtaining from the Rajah of Tanjore I am directed to inform you that the strongest applications have have been made which have not as yet been attended with the desired Success.

You will be pleased to cause Notarial Copies of the Depositions to be taken as soon as possible in order that, if judged necessary the Originals may be sent to Europe by the first opportunity

I enclose for your Information Copy of a

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To the Honorable Major General Medows

Governor and Commander in Chief

Honorable Sir,

To Major General Medows advising of Lord Cornwallis's Intention of taking the Conduct of the War - and of the commission intrusted by his Lordship to Captain Hyde and Lieutenant Robinson - enclosing Copy of Major Burrowes's Letter of Resignation —

We have the honor to inform you that Captain Hyde, and Lieutenant Robinson arrived this day on a Pilot Sloop from Calcutta, and brought dispatches to this Presidency from the Government General.

In the dispatches it is announced that Lord Cornwallis has offered to take the Conduct of the War in Person, and that the Supreme Council have readily accepted his Lordship's offer, believing that the measure will greatly contribute to secure the confidence of the native Powers —

Lord Cornwallis is accordingly to embark for the Coast in the first week of next month, and to be followed with considerable Reinforcements —

We have directed the different Heads of Departments to furnish Captain Hyde and Lieutenant Robinson with every Information necessary in order to comply with Lord Cornwallis's Instructions upon a Variety of Points into which they are ordered to make Enquiries —

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To Ganjam enclosing an Invoice of Military Stores consigned to that Factory—

To Ganjam.

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly—informing him that Mr Robert Woolf has been appointed to the temporary Charge of the Paymaster's Employ at Trichinopoly—

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly.

To the Officer Commanding the Northern Division—to order immediately the march of two Companies of Europeans under Charge of a proper Officer from Ellore to Innacondah to assist Major Wynch in quelling the Disturbances in the Guntoor Circar—orders have been given to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to furnish two Companies of Sepoys for the same Service—

To the Officer Commanding in the Northern Division—

To Masulipatam—directing them to furnish two Company's of Sepays for the Service abovementioned and advising of the Instructions sent to Colonel Brathwaite.

To Masulipatam—

To the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar—expressing the Board's Disapprobation of his having sent out an Havildars Guard to quell the Disturbances directing him to proceed himself on that Service—advising of the orders sent to Masulipatam the committee at Guntoor to be assisted as far as may lay in his Power—

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To the Company's Attorney General enclosing the

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20th Instant two Companies of Sepoys to Guntoor.—

From the Officer Commanding at Ongole advising of the surrender of the Fort of Cummum to the Nizam's Troops on the 16th Instant.—

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar—advising of the Disturbances committed in Vicinity of the Nacnicull Pass and of the Steps he taken in consequence has permitted Lieutenant Forbes to proceed to Ongole for the Recovery of his Health—enclosing Copy of his last Letter to the Committee at Guntoor.—

From D.° enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Officer Commanding at Ongole in consequence of his application for a reinforcement of troops in the Guntoor Circar.—

From the Hospital Board—have ordered Mr. Morton Assistant Surgeon to proceed immediately to Innicondah to take Charge of the 12th Battalion of native Infantry during the absence of Mr. Norman.—

Received Letter from the Nabob as entered in C. C. N.° 255 enclosing a List of Persons indebted to the Circar who have been ordered to repair with their accounts to the Presidency and an account of Paddy supplied to the different forts of the Carnatick and delivered to the Company's Paymasters in the Phasley year 1199.—

From the Officer Commanding at Ongole.

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar.

From D.°

From the Hospital Board.

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob.

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Received the following Letters.

To John Chamier Esqr

Secretary

Fort St. George

From the Resident at Poonah requesting to be kept informed of the substance of Conferences held with this Government by the Mahratta Vackeel. a skirmish between a party of Marattas and Captain Littles Detachment and Sippoy's troops near Darwar much slaughter among the latter and three of their Guns taken.

Sir,

It has been signified to me by Bebiro Punt the Brother of Buchajee Ragnath deputed by this Government to reside with Genral Medows that Hee Buchajee Ragonath has reached Madras and had audiences of the acting Governor and the Nabob.

I beg leave through you to request that the Board will keep me particularly informed of every Transaction of that Minister during his Residence at your Presidency as the knowledge thereof will be essentially necessary to me here.

On the 31st Ultimo, a Body of about 2000 of the Enemy with 4 Guns moved out of the Town of Darwar toward the Post Established by Pursaram Bhao for cannonading that Place but were driven back with considerable Lgs of men and 3 of their Guns by a Part of Captain Littles Detachment and a Detachment of Marratta Foot by whom and by a Body of Marratta Hd. Horse

they

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Memorandum of the Points on which it is requested of General Medows to furnish the best Information procurable, and to transmit it to Lord Cornwallis at Madras as early as possible in December —

The state, as to actual strength and situation of the several Corps composing the Southern army, and mentioning their Condition in respect to Health and fitness for Service —

The number of Pieces of Ordnance of different Kinds that are with the Southern Army, and how they are disposed of —

The number of Draft and Carriage Cattle, including those employed in the transportation of Grain with the Southern army specifying the number fit and unfit for Service and the manner in which they are employed or intended to be employed —

The number of Bullocks, including spare, which it is found necessary to allot for the Draft of each different description of Ordnance for a Battalion and for any other kind of Carriage which is in use with the Army —

What is the average Quantity of Grain which Carriage Bullocks are found competent to carry both these last Questions applying only

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In what Manner the Magazines are proposed to be filled.—

By what Time it is supposed they may be filled, and how the Magazines and Conveys are likely to be well secured and protected.—

Lord Cornwallis would wish also to receive the best possible account that can be obtained of the nature of the Passes and that the Grounds should be stated on which it is supposed they can be forced or defended.—

To be informed likewise of the face of the Country, and the nature of it, whether enclosed or open, and if enclosed what Kind of Enclosures—The state of the Roads between Coimbetore and the Ghaut as far as they have been traversed, and the Effects which the Carnatic Monsoon has had upon them and if this has been considerable when the Obstruction to the army moving from that cause, is likely to be removed.—

The General is particularly anxious to state to Lord Cornwallis the Difficulties he expects to encounter any other cause whatever in advancing into the Enemy's Country, and the probable Period when he thinks it may be practicable to move forward.

In respect to the Supplies of Grain &c

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25th Ende- in case it should be thought necessary to reinforce either Army from the other, the General is requested to give his sentiments in what manner it will be most eligible to form the Junction.

/Signd/ Cornwallis

22d. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nº 133. 134. 135./

To the Board of Assumed Revenue enclosing Copy of the last Letter received from his Highness the Nabob respecting the Persons indebted to the Circar.

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell directing him to receive in Camp Lieutenant Graham assistant under Captain Read in the Intelligence Department.

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell

To the Commandant at Chingleput directing him to deliver up to Lieutenant Bulman the four Iron 18 Pounders with their Stores, which he has been ordered to escort to Vellore.

To the Commandant at Chingleput

At a Consultation Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Acting President
John Hudleston Esqr
The Honorable Major General William Medows.
Absent upon Service

Tuesday the 23d November 1790.

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

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Opinion with regard to the Character of the Sirkel, and other Witnesses produced by the Rajah in support of this Charge, as well as those on the part of Mr Ram, on receipt of which the Board will pass their final Determination on the whole Proceedings at Tanjore

A Report from the Collectors dated the 15th ultimo entered on the Proceedings of the Board of Assumed Revenues respecting the Management of the Tanjore Revenues now read.

Read a Report from Messrs Ram and Fallofield, Collectors at Tanjore as entered on the Proceedings of the Board of Assumed Revenues upon which it is judged necessary to pass the following Resolutions and to make some Remarks as hereunder expressed.

The Board's Resolution thereon.

The Resolutions of Government are as follows.

That the Jaghires which have fallen into the Rajah's Hands should be considered as part of the Circar Lands, to be managed by the Collectors as the quota of the Revenue allotted to the Rajah is sufficient for his personal Expences.

That the Collection of the Sunneums be relinquished, and that the Rajah do receive the full Quota of his one fifth from the Collectors.

That the Interest due on the Loan from the Danes be collected out of the assigned Villages not to be deducted from the Rajah's allowances as the Loan had the Sanction of Government.

That

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The Board having attentively perused in Circulation the Report of Mr Falloſield under date the 16th September last upon the Charges exhibited by the Rajah of Tanjore against Mr Ram, as also Mr Rams separate Letter of the 9th September resolve that the Report, appendix, and Mr Rams Letter abovementioned with all the voluminous Papers appertaining thereto be bound up and kept a part in a separate Book, copy of which must be prepared for transmiſsion to the Court of Directors

The Board's opinion upon Mr Falloſields Report upon the Charges exhibited by the Rajah against Mr Ram

The Board remark upon Mr Falloſields Report that he has not given any Opinion upon the Evidence altho his situation with the aſsistance he might have obtained from the Reverend Mr Swartz afforded him the best means of ascertaining the Character and Disposition of the Witnesses who came before him.

As such Opinion appears peculiarly requisite in the Charge relating to Presents, because it invalved many Considerations which might have influenced the Rajah and his Ministers to the Prejudice of Mr Rams Character, it is agreed, that a Letter be written to Mr Falloſield, desiring his

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25th and Provisions for the Troops it is desirable that Lord Cornwallis should know whether the Supplies depend exclusively on the Provision made by the Company for the Carriage of Grain, or whether Grain Merchants follow the Camp, at any Times with Supplies and what Extent resources of that nature may be reckoned upon when the army is below the Ghauts. whether People of the above Description, are likely to bring in Grain to replenish our Magazines, in Proportion as Supplies are drawn from them, for the army as it advances, or whether Cattle must be left for that Purpose

General Medows may probably be able to Judge from local Observation, and Lord Cornwallis would wish, in that case, to know the General's Opinion whether by the influence of the Collectors it would not be possible to press and load, for one trip only, a sufficient number of Bullocks from the Sanjore and Trichinopoly Countries to form a Magazine of 40 Days Provisions at the foot of the Ghauts for the Southern army. Lord Cornwallis wishes also to receive the General's Opinion whether considerable Supplies of Provisions might not be conveyed up the Cavery to

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only to the Cases of reasonable Marches —

A distant Statement of the number of Guns with a proper Complement of Ammunition Tumbrils &c. with which the Draft Bullocks then attached to the Southern Army could make reasonable Marches — whether the General expects a Battering train from Bombay, if he does — At what Place he proposes it should be landed and what measures have been taken, or are proposed to be taken to have it brought to the Army —

The General to be requested to send as near an Estimate as can be made of the Quantity of Grain required for the daily Consumption of the Southern Army including as well the Troops in the Garrisons as those in the Field, and all necessary followers. also —

The Proportion nearly which the Followers of the Army bear to the fighting Men including under the latter description the Gun Lascars.

It will be desirable also for Lord — Cornwallis to know, from the General, where it is intended to form the Magazines? —

What Quantity is proposed to be collected at each Magazine? —

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21st they were pursued with considerable Execution to the Town wall. — The Loss of our Detachment on this occasion was Ten killed and fifty nine Wounded amongst the first are Two Subadars amongst the latter Lieutenants Wynne and Maxwell One Subadar and one Jummadar —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Sign'd/ C. W. Malet

Poona
8 November 1790.

To the Honorable Major General Medows
Governor &c.
Fort St. George

From the Governor General — enclosing a Memorandum of the Points of Information required of Major General Medows —

Honorable Sir,

I have enclosed a Copy of my instructions to Captain Kyd, Surveyor General on this establishment, and Lieutenant Robinson one of my Aids de Camp, and I request that you will be pleased to direct the principal Officers of the several Departments under your Orders to give the fullest information in their power to those Gentlemen on the different articles which I have specified —

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
/Sign'd/ Cornwallis

Fort William
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Memorandum

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Sent the following Letter to Major General Medows.

To the Honorable Major General Medows.

To Major General Medows with Copies of a Dispatch recd from Bengal per Sloop June

Governor and Commander in Chief.

Honorable Sir,

I am directed by Government to forward Copies of a Dispatch received from the Governor General of Bengal.

I have the honor to be

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20th November 1790.

Sir &c.

Signed John Shannier
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Received Letters as entered in C.C.

Nos. 256. 257 / 258.

Substance of Letters from

Bombauze

From Bombauze (vide No. 256) congratulating the acting President on his arrival, and requesting his acceptance of a Nuzzer of one and twenty Pagodas.

Venkata Narsum Rauze Naib to Bombauze

From Venkata Narsum Rauze, Naib to Bombauze (vide No. 257) congratulating the acting President on his arrival and requesting his acceptance of a Nuzzer of Eleven Pagodas.

and

The Nizam's Vackeel

From the Nizam's Vackeel - vide No. 258 / requesting to know by what route he should proceed to join Major General Medows; whether by the way of

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20th the Depositions received from the Committee for investi-
-gating the Charges against Paupiah - and requiring
his Opinion of the further steps that should be taken
respecting Paupiah in the present stage of the Enquiry

To the Officer Commanding at Carnoor -
To the Officer Commanding at Carnoor. informing him of the line of conduct he should pursue
relative to the distribution of Provisions to the Collectors
Servants in case that Fort should be besieged by the Enemy -

To the Collector in the Carnoor &c Districts
To the Collector in the Carnoor &c. Districts. informing him of the abovementioned Instructions -
issued to Captain Carr -

Received the undermentioned Letters / as
entered in B. N.s 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132 /

From the Officer Commanding at -
From the Officer Commanding at Chingleput Chingleput advising of the arrival of the Detachment
under Lieutenant Bulman - states that he has not
received any orders to deliver to him the 4 Iron 18 Pounders
with their Stores &c. -

From Captain Read - requesting to be
From Captain Read at Amboor - furnished with a Letter to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell,
to receive in Camp from Lieutenant Graham lately
one of his Assistants in the Intelligence Department -

From the Officer Commanding at
From the Officer Commanding at Pongole - Pongole - advising of his having detached on the 16.th
/ Instant

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We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from Major Burrowes — We have accepted his Resignation, and made the Promotion recommended by you, in favor of Captain Bater —

We have the honor to be
&c &c

Fort St George
19th November 1790.

(Signed) Chas Oakeley &c Council

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob —

Sent Letter to the Nabob as entered in C.C. N° 254 requesting His Highness will order a Reply to be given without loss of time to the several references made to his Highness respecting Claims on the unconsolidated Debt and particularly to one preferred by Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham —

From the Collector in the Carnr &c Districts

Received Letter from the Collector in the Carnor &c Districts (as entered in M B. N° 116) enclosing Copies of his applications to Captain Barr to distribute Provisions to his Servants and of the answers thereto — advising of his Intention of proceeding to Trichinopoly —

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters (as entered in M. Bs N° 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124 125) —

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army accounts —

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of army accounts to report upon a Letter from Colonel De Wangenheim respecting the allowance for cloathing due to the Detachment of Hanoverians sent

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Letter received from Bengal which contains the further Sentiments and Instructions of the Governor General in Council respecting the Objects under the Investigation of your Committee—

I am &c &c

Fort St George
19th November 1790.

Signed John Shannier Secy

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell
Commanding the Center Army

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell inclosing the Memorandum of the points of Information required of him by Lord Cornwallis the reply to be transmitted without loss of Time—

Sir

I am directed to notify to you that Earl Cornwallis is shortly expected at Madras, and that he has sent Captain Hyd and Lieutenant Robinson for the purpose of obtaining Information upon many subjects to be ready for his Lordship on his arrival at this Presidency—

You will be pleased to lose no time in answering fully to the points contained in the accompanying, transmitting your Letter to me, in duplicate and in Cypher in order that the same may be in readiness for Lord Cornwallis as above expressed—

I am &c &c

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19th November 1790.

Signed John Shannier
Secy

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19th failed in every attempt of this kind here and as the present Charges are of a very serious nature – as Mr John Holland is now in England and must there answer to them, and as the two Brothers are implicated in the same offences, tho' the elder from his situation in a superior degree. We submit it to your Lordships Judgement whether a Proceeding against them both instituted before the new Tribunal established by the act of the 24th Chap. 25th of His present Majesty would not be more solemn and efficacious than any Prosecution that can be had in this Country, and whether under the peculiar Circumstances of the case it might not be advisable to take Bail from Mr Edward Holland to appear before such Tribunal or otherwise compel him to embark for Europe by the first ship. We beg leave on this occasion to add that Mr Anderson a very material witness in regard to the Durbar Transactions of Mr Hollands Government is now in England.

We shall not fail to continue the prosecution of the Enquiry with the greatest attention and shall transmit Copies of all Papers to the Court of Directors by the earliest opportunity.

We have the Honor to be &c &c

(Sgnd) Chas Oakeley &c &c Council

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9th November 1791.

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Diary

Sent the following Letter

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

To Bengal advising of the receipt of their Letter per Trans. Captain Kyd and Lieutenant Robinson will be furnished with every information they may require.

My Lord,

We have been honored with the receipt of your Commands under date the 8th and 10th Instant and our Secretary has laid before us the Letter to him from Mr. Secretary Hay of the 11th Instant.

We immediately issued the necessary Orders to all the Heads of Departments to furnish Captain Kyd, and Lieutenant Robinson with every Information they may require for the accomplishment of your Lordship's Instructions, and we have acquainted the abovementioned Gentlemen with the Orders we have given.

We shall endeavour by every Effort in our Power to second the great Exertions making and to be made by your Government for the carrying on the War.

We have no advices from the Grand Army of a later date than the 6th, but we entertain the most sanguine hopes that General Medows has opened

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Disturbances occasioned chiefly by the disaffected Cummums still continue in the Guntoor Circar — that an Havildars Guard had been attacked by the Rioters — and that an additional force of five Companies of Sepoys will be required at Guntoor to prevent the Circar from being laid waste.

Agreed to inform Major Wynch that the Board disapprove his having sent out an Havildars Guard to suppress the Riots, as it is improper that Military Force should be employed on such occasions but under the Conduct of an European Officer — and that he be directed to take the most active Measures for quelling all Disturbances in the Circar by proceeding himself on this Service and giving the most effectual support to the Committee at Guntoor. —

Resolved that the Chief and Council at Masulipotam be directed to depute Major Wynch with two Companies of Sepoys, and with the Necessary supply of Stores — and that similar Orders be sent to Colonel Brathwaite to detach from Ellore two Companies of Europeans under a Charge of a proper Officer with Instructions to proceed to Ingeconah —

Substance of a letter from Hunmanant Row Gorepussa.

Read a Letter from Hunmanant Row Gorepussa, Brother to the late Morari Row (as entered in C. C. No 252) states that Lord Macartney and

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attended with severe pains in his Head on the least exposure to the Sun - the Sea Line, gentle exercise and a Regimen having in some measure recruited Him, and being anxious to return to his duty in the Field. I thought it necessary to apprize Him, that his Constitution was unequal to the Fatigues of the Cavalry, but that with the strict attention he might be able to do his duty in the Infantry, where he was less liable to violent exertions

(signed) Willm Dunlop
Head Surgeon

Madras
18th November 1796

Agreed that Major Burrowes's Resignation of the Service be accepted, and that Captain Sater be promoted to the Rank of Major, and appointed to the Command of the 2d Regiment of Native Cavalry

Major Burrowes permitted to resign the Service. - Captn Sater promoted to the Rank of Major & appointed to the command of the 2d Regt Nat. Cavalry vice Burrowes

Agreed that Copy of Major Burrowes's Letter be transmitted to the Commander in Chief

Copy of Major Burrowes's Letter to be transmitted to the Commander in Chief

Read the following Letter from Colonel De Wangenheim

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart -
Governor &c &c &c

From Colonel De Wangenheim - requesting the allowance for Cloathing due to the Detachment sent to Arnee last May

Sir,

In the Yearly Allowances for Clothing for the Pensioners which are to be paid by the Honble Company on the 1st of December at the rate of 2 Pagodas per

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Assistance and support in his power Thus had Captain Pater both the Authority and the means in his own hands restricted in no shape whatever, nor did I in any way interfere between him and my Daroga, consequently if there were deficiencies or Neglects, he ought to have known how to remedy them instead of Reporting them. And what appears a little extraordinary is, that — notwithstanding Captain Paters Reports to the General, he never once signified to me the least impropriety or Neglect in the Daroga. But Captain Pater has gone farther as is stated in the Adjutant Generals letter, he has informed the General that many applications were made to me without success this I deny in the most positive manner, and I report it to be an Unfounded, Unjust and illiberal information — Captain Pater made no Application whatever to me since my Absence from the Regiment except in one Instance, by Letter of the 22d September, when he acquainted me with the entire Loss of every — Article of the Property of the Contract which was taken by the Enemy in the affair of the 13th and 14th of that Month, and advised me of his having — drawn on me for four Hundred Pagodas on — Account of the deficiencies - his Bill was duly — honord, as would any other Bills on the like — Occasion

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which His Excellency Judged proper to reject.—

That I am at present unable to answer the requisition of doing Duty with my Regiment, appears from the accompanying Certificate of Doctor Duffin, & indeed I am myself too Sensible of it, I have therefore now left me only the power of declaring my readiness to resign, and accordingly beg leave to inclose my Commission requesting that the Honble Board will be pleased to accept it.—

But I trust and hope I may be here allowed the opportunity of vindicating my Character from the discredit which it is supposed to by the Reports of Lieut Colonel Floyd and Captain Pater to the Commander in Chief as is set forth in the following Passage of the Acquitant Generals letter.—"The General directs me to request that you will "lay before the Board his recommendation that if Major "Burrowes does not immediately repair to his Duty with "his Regiment in the field, he shall be placed on the "Invalid list as a Major of Cavalry, and that Captain "Pater the Senior Officer in Succession to the Rank and "Regiment thereby vacant shall be promoted to the "Rank of Major and be appointed to Command the "2d Regiment of Native Cavalry, which from the Reports "made by Lieut Colo Floyd Commanding the Cavalry "Brigade in the field, and of Captain Pater who has "been in the temporary Command of the Corps during the

Absence

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As Lord Cornwallis is shortly expected at Madras, it is agreed to defer the Consideration of the Nizam's Application for two additional Battalions of Sepoys, until his Lordship's Arrival.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Major Burrowes.—

John Cramer Esqre
Secretary

Sir,

From Major Borrowes stating that his ill state of health alone induced him to apply to change from the Cavalry to the Infantry line, which being refused him, he requests Permission to resign the Service.

I had the Honor to receive on the 15th your letter of the 12th Instant Inclosing me Extract of a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army, and informing me that the Honble Board had entirely concurred with the Commander in Chief in the Opinion and recommendation therein expressed, and directing me if my Health should permit to repair immediately to my Duty with my Regiment in the Field.

In Answer to which I have to request that you will please to inform the Honble Board, that when I had the Honor of addressing His Excellency the Commander in Chief with an offer of my Services in the Infantry I was actuated by no other Motives, than those expressed in my Letter, and I have to lament that my intentions did not meet with a more favorable Construction, than from the Adjutant Generals Letter on that Subject I have

reason

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Extract of a letter from Captain Kennaway to the Governor General dated Paangul 7th November 1790—

The Minister sent me a draft of a letter yesterday which he said the Nizam had commanded to be written to your Lordship the preceding evening containing an application for two Battalions of Sepoys with their Artillery and four or five Battering Guns to be furnished on the same terms as the force which is about to be sent to the Paishwah from Bombay. I returned the draft of the letter which contained in addition to the above a very ostentatious and unfounded display of the exertions his Highness's Troops have made against the Enemy and informed the Minister that the number of Troops unemployed on the Bombay Establishment admitted of such an aid being sent without inconveniences to our affairs, and that the grant of its assistance was for the present confined to the Siege of Darwar. that it was evident from the exertions which had been made and the armies which had been formed from the Madras Establishment how difficult if not impossible it would be to grant the Nizam a similar assistance from thence and that I could not encourage him by the most distant hopes to persist in the applic.n

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his Highness the Nizams application for the —
additional aid of our troops mentioned in it originating
in the doubts I entertain of how far it may be —
possible for it to be complied with after the exertions
which have been made in setting out two such
Armies as those under General Medows and Lieut.
Colonel Maxwell strengthened by information I
have received from the General that his recom-
mendation to the Board for the two Grenadiers —
Company of the Ellore Regiment's being sent to
Major Montgomery could not be complied with.
I shall be very glad to receive any encouragement
to agree to the Nizam's requisitions which if —
repeated ensible how heavy the charges of the —
War must already be to us, I shall endeavor to
render such as shall save the Company from any
considerable expence on its account during the time
it may be absent from our Territories it will
doubtless occur to the Board, when they reflect on
the indolence and supineness of our Allies, and the
backwardness which they have hitherto shewn in
engaging actively in the War, how much their
exertions may be stimulated by proper Detachments
of our troops being employed with them which it is
not necessary to enlarge on further than to observe
that

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were now able to assure them no Harm was meant and being more particularly informed of the intention of the Governor and Council respecting them, they would take the earliest opportunity of acquainting the Sepoys with the offer made them on the part of the Company, and would wait on me again. — That with respect to themselves, they and their Family's had been in the Service of the Nabob and his Family from the earliest times, that they must therefore remain to share his good or bad Fortune with him. — I told them it was not the intention of Government to retain a single Man who was Material to the Honor and Dignity of the Nabob to retain in his Service. The desire of every Member of it was, to relieve him effectually from such Inconveniences as he had lately experienced, and from the expence of Maintaining a number of Troops who under the present Circumstances they must be sensible he could not pay. The precise offer I made them, and which I had frequent occasion to repeat whilst they were with me was that those who chose to entertain should be immediately received on Company's Allowances and have the payment of their Arrears provided for after the War. —

The whole of their Conduct marked strong

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and every thing quiet. I then went and proposed Amdut Ul Omrah to appoint an earlier hour than 11 O'clock for the Nabob to signify his Approbation for the unnecessary troops entering into the Company's — Service and suggested the propriety of lodging the Guns and Arms that were in the hands of the — Mutineers within Chepauck Garden, which he — promised to recommend to his Father.—

On mentioning this circumstance to the President to whom every Material occurrence was reported as it arose, he desired it might be effected before the Detachment was withdrawn, — which being communicated to Amdut Ul Omrah, directions were given for their being immediately transported thither.—

As moving the Guns and Arms into Chepauck Gardens where I was to see them deposited required time, an early hour than Eleven for the attendance of the Nabobs Principal Officers at the Durbar, could not well be expected. I therefore — waited untill that time. When I went there, the Old Nabob again expressed, in very handsome Terms of acknowledgement, the Sense he entertained of the attention of Government on the occasion, and, whilst I was present, directed his Son to — commu[illegible]te

they would find immediately relief and might have their Arrears settled at an after period. He promised — this should be done on my seeing his Father in the Evening, who had retired to rest since the alarm, and who he was then unwilling to disturb. On which I returned to the Detachment, where I had not long been before some of the People sent for Intelligence, came back, and informed me a thousand of the Mutineers with three Guns and Arms loaded were assembled in the compound behind the late Ameer Ull Omrahs House in Triplicane, who said they were determined on giving trouble untill they received their Pay. They expressed themselves much dissatisfied with the Nabob saying, they would enter into the Company's Service were to be sent to Bencoolen I returned the People to them with Offers on the part of the Company, who in a few hours came back without the Success I expected, the Nabob having, in the mean time, given the old Sepoys four and the Recruits two Months Pay, with promise of more and a present of two Pagodas each man. —

Agreeably to appointment I went in the Evening to the Durbar, when the old Nabob — expressed his obligation for the attention shewn him by Government and said every thing was settled with his People, who should be permitted to enter into the

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Country - and as the present Charges are of a very serious Nature - As Mr John Holland is now in England - and as the two Brothers are implicated in the same Offence, tho the Elder from his - Situation in a Superior Degree - It is resolved to submit it to the Judgment of the Governor General in Council whether a Proceeding against the two Brothers instituted before the new Tribunal - established by the Act of the 24 Chapter 25th of His present Majesty would not be more solemn and efficacious than any Prosecution that can be had in this Country, and whether under the peculiar Circumstances of the Case it might not be adviseable to take Bail from Mr Edward - John Holland to appear before such Tribunal or otherwise compel him to embark for Europe by the first Ships -

Read the following Letter from Lieut Colonel Ross -

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President in Council

Fort St George

From Lieut Colo Ross - stating the measures he took to arrest the Rajahs Troops and the offers he made them to enlist in the Company's Service -

Honble Sir

I have the Honor to acquaint you that agreeably to your Commands of the 13th Instant I took - charge

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Company and that such Sums were received by them for Corrupt purposes, We beg leave to request that your Honble Board will be pleased to apply to the Rajah, to point out such Sums of money as he may at any time during the Administration of Mr. Holland has paid either to them or on account of the Company, particularly specifying the time when, and the persons who were the channel of payment of such Sums as do not appear at his Credit in the Company's Account.

We have the Honor to be
Hon. Sir &c.

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Signed J. Capper
" Geo. Hoar
" Benjn Roebuck
" Geo. Moubray
" Joseph Garrow

The Depositions to be kept apart for the present

Ordered that the Depositions be for the present kept apart.

Copy of the Letter from Bengal dated the 30th Ult. to be sent to the Committee

Resolved that the Committee be furnished with a Copy of the Bengal Letter dated the 30th Ultimo, and desired to lose no time in examining Paupiah upon his Defence, requiring from him at the same time to produce his Books and Accounts, and stating to him that such Act will

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those Persons in the course of their examinations, and which form an Appendix to our Proceedings

We have the honor to inform you, that we have gone through the examinations of the greatest part of the Witnesses produced by his Highness the Nabob, and such as we have thought to call upon ourselves, to corroborate and support the evidence given by those of his Highness. That unless any new matter should arise, we are in hopes shortly to close the first part of our investigation, after which we shall loose no time in calling upon the Persons accused for their explanations and defence and we shall with as little delay as possible transmit the whole of our Proceedings to Government with our Report and Opinion thereon, agreeably to the original Instructions we received.—

We deem it proper to solicit the attention of your Honble Board to a circumstance which appears in the Information of Ramaswamy Brother to Paupiah, where he has declared that the Ledger of the joint concerns of his Brother, and himself is kept in the English language, and to the Information of Ram Chunder the Shroff of Paupiah, whose business it was to keep a Book of Receipts and Disbursements, which Paupiah will not admit of his producing to the Committee, and we beg to obser-

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N. 12

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Mr John Holland, and to consult your Law Officers whether a Bill should not also be filed against him, and Measures betaken to Attach that Property, until the Suit can be brought to a Decision. —

We look upon the Letter which Mr Popham, the Company's Solicitor addressed to you upon this Subject to have proceeded from a most commendable Zeal for the interests of the Company and if sufficient grounds for them appear from the Proceedings of the Committee of Investigation, or shall be discovered in the progress of their inquiry, prosecutions of the Nature that he recommends must, as we have already said, be instituted immediately in the Courts of Law, without waiting for the final Report of the Committee.

We apprehend however that the Company may carry on those prosecutions against Paupiah and the two Messrs Holland, or either of them, without giving Credit to the Nabob for the Sums which he charges them with having detained from the Company's Treasury, and Appropriated to their own use, until the Amount of those Sums shall be proved by the Evidence furnished by his Highness and until that Amount shall have been recovered by a decree against them for unless the Nabob can shew by such proof as will satisfy a Court of Justice that the Money which he

belonging to the Nabob or to the Company, or of — aiding and abetting his Brother and Paupiah in such Criminal Acts, it could answer no Purpose to file a Bill in Equity against him, because he could demur to the discovery, on the Ground of its relating to facts, which, if confessed, would subject him to a Criminal prosecution and conviction. — It is therefore of great Moment that the Committee should proceed with as much dispatch as possible, in the investigation of the Charges that have been preferred by the Nabob. And, if it shall appear from their proceeding that Mr Edward I Holland has been concerned in adverting to his own private use any Sum of Money which has been intended by his Highness to be paid into the Company's Treasury, or obtained any sum from the Nabob as a present under the Colour ~~the Colour~~ of a Loan, or under any other unlawful pretext whatever, We recommend that a Bill in Equity may be filed upon those Grounds, according to the real truth of the transactions, against Mr Edward I Holland in Order to oblige him to restore the Money that he may have received in the above Manner, either to the Nabob or to the Company's Treasury, as may be judged most equitable. And at the same time that a Criminal prosecution may be instituted against him upon the Grounds that may

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the Company's Treasury, or have been committed to the common Jail of Madras. He must also have been Arrested on the Criminal Charge, and in like Manner committed to Jail until he should have given Bail for his Appearance to take his Trial at the General Quarter Sessions at your Presidency, on such Indictment as should be laid against him; and which if he had been the sole offender, it would have been your duty to have preferred without delay.

Insensible, however, as Paupiah seems to be of the Liberality and Moderation, with which he has been treated, we wish you to continue to give him the fairest opportunities to produce whatever he may chuse to offer in proof of innocence or in extenuation of Guilt; and as the Nabobs Representations describe him not as the Sole offender, but rather as an Instrument in the hands of others whose high Station rendered the Acts with which they have been charged infinitely more Criminal in them than in Paupiah, We think it necessary, in Justice to him as well as to the public, that the Circumstances of his Highness's very Weighty charges should now be fully investigated by the Committee acting as a Court of Enquiry, in order that the real Offenders or the extent of their

guilt

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[illegible]uity which was compatible with a regard to an [illegible]norable discharge of our publick Duty or of Yours.—

The Nabob of Arcots representation

[illegible] the 5 of August last having stated that sums of [illegible] to a very great Amount which were destined for the [illegible] Company's treasury had been detained by Paupiah, the [illegible] Dubash of Mr John Holland, you were impressed with a proper sense of the necessity of securing Paupiahs Person until you could receive Instructions from us, and We not only confirmed what you had done, but we judged it indespensibly incumbent upon us to direct that further steps should be taken to secure both the Person and Property of Paupiah, pending the investigation of the charges which his Highness had preferred.

Our objects in giving those Orders must have been no less obvious than they were important By securing Paupiahs Person our Intention was not only to insure his Attendance to the Committee during the progress of the investigation, but also to prevent him from eluding the purposes of Justice by flight in the event of its appearing, by the result of that investigation, that there were good Grounds to sue him at law for sums of Public Money that had been detained by him for his own use, or to

prosecute

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which, when exercised, will convince them that in pursuing their own Interests at the Expence of your Highness's welfare, they have brought, not only loss on your Highness, but Adversity on themselves—

Your Highness may rest assured that I am your Friend, and will watch with Care over your Interests, which are so blended with those of the Company intrusted to my Management that they naturally must have formed a Principal part of my Consideration in the Measures I have adopted, and will also in those that Times of Peace and Prosperity may allow to be pursued. Trusting therefore to the Conviction I flatter myself will be imprinted on your Mind, of the Sincerity of my Advice, I shall not imagine it impossible that any necessity will hence forward exist for assuming myself to you in a Stile hurtful to my private Feelings, but incumbent on my public Duty.

Knowing me to be your Friend, write me frequent Letters of your Health.

A true Copy

(signed) J. F Cherry

P. Sr.

To

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unjustifiable disrespect and diffidence of the Conduct of the Gentlemen now in that Government whatever good cause your Highness may have had to mistrust and to remonstrate against that of those formerly in Power at Madras your Highness must be sensible that while the Government of Fort St. George act in conformity to the Orders issued from hence, I should be wanting in my Duty in respect to them were I to permit such Instances of disrespect and Injustice towards those Gentlemen to pass unnoticed, and irrespect to myself, in as much as disrespect towards them, while acting under Orders from hence, is equally so to the Government I preside at. I will not for a moment suppose that this line of Conduct is the result of your Highness's own Judgement, but I must lament that self interested people about your Highness's Person should have that Ascendancy over your own Experience and understanding, as to prevail on you to pursue a Conduct so diametrically opposite to your Dignity in the Eyes of other Princes in the Deccan, to your Reputation as a wise and experienced Prince and to your Prosperity and Happiness as an Ally of the Company, engaged with them in the pursuit of a war that has the Protection of your own Dominions as well as the Company's Possessions for its most material Object. To these People I attribute the Opposition that has

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writing to your Highness acknowledging the receipt of all such Letters with their respective Enclosures as had reached me, and which I have every reason to believe were all that time could have permitted to arrive when I last addressed you, and have since received one dated 22 Novemr.

I have thought it particularly necessary to enumerate the Dates of such Letters from your Highness as have come to hand, from the frequent Apprehensions your Highness entertains that the Gentlemen now composing the Government of Madras do not forward the Letters delivered to them for that purpose, according to my earnest request that you will correspond with me thro them

It gives me great Concern that your Highness should entertain Ideas so injurious to the Credit, and so adverse to the respect due to the present Government of that Presidency, but howmuch so ever I am hurt at this disposition in your Highness, with respect to the due transmission of your Letters addressed to me, I am much more so at the general Tenor of your Highness's Conduct towards the Gentlemen now composing that Government I cannot consider your Conduct towards them disrespectful and not suiting the Character of a Friend and ally of the Company and the British nation; A recent Instance has impressed me so strongly with this Opinion that I am compelled to point it out to your Highness.

By

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the Accomplishment of the Governor Generals —
Instructions —

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Military Board — the Military Paymaster General
— the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions —
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General of Stores be directed to give every Information
to Captain Hyd and Lieutenant Robinson. —

Resolved that the Officer Commanding
the Center Army be desired to lose no time in replying
fully to the Points required by the Governor General —

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do in Chief of the Substance of the Dispatches from —
Bengal —

Ordered that the Officer Commanding
do the Luna Pilot Sloop be directed to return imme-
diately to Bengal —

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endeavour by every Effort in their Power to second
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To
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To

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By what time it is supposed they may be filled

And how the Magazines and Convoys are likely to be well secured and protected.—

Lord Cornwallis would wish also to receive the best possible account that can be obtained of the Passes adjoining to the Center Army.

And that the Grounds should be stated on which it is supposed that the communication with, and possession of any of them in the rear of the Army, if it has advanced beyond them, can be secured, or if the Army is within the Carnatic that the mode should be explained in which it is proposed to force any of them, if defended.—

To be informed likewise of the face of the Country adjoining to the Center Army, whether inclosed, or open, or if inclosed, what kind of inclosures. The state of the Roads and the effect the monsoon has had upon those within the Ghauts, and if this has been considerable, when such obstruction to the — Movement of troops is likely to be removed.

The Commanding Officer is particularly requested to state to Lord Cornwallis the difficulties he expects to encounter from any other cause whatsoever in advancing into the Enemy's Country.—

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Memorandum of the Points on which it is requested of the Commanding Officer of the Center Army to furnish the best Information procurable and to transmit to Lord Cornwallis at Madras as early as possible in December.

The state, as to the actual strength and situation of the several Corps composing the Center Army, and mentioning their condition in respect to Health and fitness for Service.

The number of pieces of Ordnance of different kinds that are with the Center Army and how they are disposed of.

The Number of Draft and Carriage Cattle including those employed in the Transportation of Grain, with the Center Army specifying the Number fit and unfit for service and the Manner in which they are employed or intended to be employed.

The Number of Bullocks including spare which it is found necessary to allot for the Draft of each different description of Ordnance for a Sumbrick and for any other kind of Carriage which is now in use with the Army.

That

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of 40 Days Provisions at the foot of the Ghauts for the Southern Army, and whether the same could not be done from various parts of the Carnatic or Circars for the Center Army -

Whether considerable Supplies of Provisions might not be conveyed by Boats up the Cavery to Erode.

To inquire into the Regulations — respecting the Hospitals on the Coast and to inform yourself particularly about the Stock of entrenching Tools with each Army. —

You will receive herewith a Letter addressed to the Madras Government from the Governor General in Council, informing them of the Objects of your Deputation, and desiring them to assist your Enquiries by giving Instructions to the Heads of the different — Departments under Government to afford you the fullest and most compleat Information, as well upon those Points which are herein particularly detailed as upon any others which may occur to yourself, as connected in any respect with the General Purpose of forwarding the Preparations for my taking the Field as soon as may be practicable after my Arrival —

I am,
Sir
Your
most obedient
humble Servant
/signed/ Cornwallis

Fort William
9th November 1790

A true Copy
C Hay Secy to Govt

The —

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Lieutenant J. A. Robinson

Sir

The Juno Pilot Vessel having been prepared for Sea with Instructions to proceed to Madras you are directed to embark on board her and to wait at that Place my arrival.

The General Outlines of the objects on which you are deputed from hence being pointed out to you I shall rely upon the Efficacy of your zealous endeavours (aided by the Assistance of the Madras Government and the ready communications of the Heads of Departments) to obtain the fullest Information respecting them they will be chiefly as follows.

To enquire into the State of pecuniary Matters, and what Funds can be procured to put both the Southern and Center Armies in Motion in the beginning of January, and to obtain the most accurate Estimates procurable of the Sum that will be required Monthly, to pay both the above Armies as they stand at present constituted.

To obtain the fullest Information of the state of Ordnance and Military Stores, Camp Equipage &c at Madras as well as at all the Garrisons to

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Armies, to send the best Information they Possess upon the above Points to you at Madras, and I shall also instruct Captain Read: who is stationed at Amboore and employed by Government to obtain Information, to collect the best Accounts he can of all the Passes into the Mysore Country, and to communicate the result to you.

I am Disposed to hope that much useful Information may be obtained from these Sources either to confirm or to invalidate what you may be able to acquire otherwise, and I am perfectly satisfied that your best Exertions will not be wanting to obtain such useful knowledge of the Countries, which may either lead to, or eventually become the Seat of War as may contribute very much to secure success to our operations in the future prosecution of it.

I am
&c &c
(signed) Cornwallis

Fort William
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A true Copy
(signed) C. Hay
Secy to Govt

The

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and Descriptions of the Country, in the possession of your Government or that of the Chief Engineer, as may lead to any useful information.

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

Fort William
18th November 1790

signed Cornwallis
" Chas Stuart
" Peter Speke
" Wm Cowper

To Captain A Kyd

Sir.

The Jane Pilot Vessel having been prepared for Sea with Instructions to proceed to Madras You are directed to embark on board her, and to wait at that place my arrival.

The Chief objects on which you are deputed there, are to learn, as correctly as you can, by every inquiry which is likely to be the source of good information, what is the nature and face of the Country which lies between the Passes leading into the Mysore Country, and the Center & Southern Armies, to obtain the most Accurate information, if possible, of the Number and precise situation of the Passes into Tippoo's Country, which of them are calculated for the Passage of Artillery, and which of them

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To the Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir.

From Bengal assuring of Lord Cornwallis's Intentions of embarking for the Coast in the first week of December to take the conduct of the War in person —

The consideration of the present — Circumstances of the War in which the Company is engaged against Tippoo Sultaun, and of the Cause we have to apprehend that the Marattas and the Nizam will be Discouraged if, from the Want of Provisions our Army should not be able to invade the Mysore Country at the Time when we have given them Reason to — expect that we should be prepared for such an Undertaking, has impressed us with the Necessity of making the greatest Exertions in our Power at this critical Juncture to push the War with Vigour and to encourage our Allies. —

We have therefore mostly readily accepted the Governor Generals Offer to take the Conduct of the War in Person, as we think that this Measure will greatly contribute to secure the Confidence of the Native Powers. —

His Lordship will embark in the first Week of next Month — and We propose that he shall be followed by considerable Reinforcement from this Presidency as soon as the Season will admit of the Transport Vessells going

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This day received from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell — We trust you will have had it in your power to send him Instructions which may enable him to cooperate with the Army under your Command. —

We have the Honor to be
&c &c
(signed) Charles Oakeley
&c Council

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Nos Nos 106. 107. 108 109. 110. 111. 112. 113

To Mr Secretary Kay

To Mr Secretary Kay — inclosing for the information of the Governor General in Council copy of the last letter from Lieut Col Maxwell. —

To Lieut Forsyth

To Lieut Forsyth the allowance of Passage Money has been forbidden by the Court of Directors —

To the Military Board

To the Military Board advising of the Permission granted to the Brick & Chunam Contractor to hold his present Contract for 18 Months. —

To the Collector in the Trichinopoly District —

To the Collector in the Trichinopoly District the house occupied by Mr Johnston will be restored to the Collector, as soon as the present Enquiry is over. —

To the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly —

To the acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly directing him to pay to Mahomed Murad Commanding the

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16th Lieut Bulman if he could receive any Intelligence of the Enemy's horse having entered the Carnatic before his Arrival at Vellore.

17th Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mts Nos 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105.

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions.

reporting on the Extract of Lieut Colonel Maxwells Letter of the 8th Instant respecting the laying up a Store of Grain at Amboor the Expediting the movement of the four Iron 18 Pounders and providing an additional Supply of Draught and Carriage Bullocks—

From the Commandant at Cungole

From the Commandant at Cungole

advising that the Nizams Troops have been considerably reinforced and that in consequence of every thing valuable having been taken out of the Fort of Cummum by Sippoys People he expects the Garrison will soon Surrender.

From Do

From Do stating that in consequence of a very urgent application made to him by the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar for two Companies of Sepoys he has ventured to detach immediately the flank Companies of the 8th Battalion of Native Infantry.

From the Military Paymaster General

From the Military Paymaster General stating that he has issued the necessary orders to all the Paymasters relative to Hunt Service Money.

From

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The Acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly will provide for the Payment of the Arrears due to the Detachment under his Command - one hundred Rupees per Month to be allowed Mohomed Murad while employed on the present Service.

To the Contractor for Bricks & Chunam

To the Contractor for Bricks & Chunam permitting an Extension of his present Contract for 18 Months on condition that the Bottoms of Kilns be given to the repair of the public Roads -

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Mr Secretary Hay - inclosing a Copy of the last Letter received from the Commander in Chief -

To the Paymaster at Madura

To the Paymaster at Madura - the Garrison of Dindegull to be on the same footing as other Garrisons South of the Coleroon - to draw upon the Military Paymaster General for Pag. 4000, if the Sum necessary for indispensible Payments cannot be furnished by Mr Macleod or Mr Torin - to consult with Colonel Wasting respecting Payments in the Marawars and the Arrears due to the Troops.

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General - acquiescing in the recommendation contained in his Letter of the 4th Instant - inclosing for his Information and Guidance Copies of Letters from, and to the Paymaster at Madura.

To

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not from Justice to me at least from Justice to the Publick and to prevent such dreadful proceedings in future that you would be pleased to order the Bills to be brought before you as well as the holder thereof and make such Enquiry as might be necessary into the Truth of what I asserted — With the utmost pain I have since learnt that your Honble Board has determined to take no steps whatever to investigate this Matter for what Reason I am totally at a loss to — Comprehend for if the Matter upon Enquiry should turn out to be otherwise than I have stated — nothing could surely make more strongly against me, if true, nothing more strong against my — opponents and as Truth no doubt Honble Sirs is the sole object of your Enquiry I again humbly on my knees intreat that you will be pleased while the Bills are still forthcoming and before the wicked Doers of such a flagrant falsehood shall have found means to suppress all traces of their wicked practices that you will be pleased to send for the Bills & the Holder thereof and order the Bills to be — lodged in some place of Security where they may be sure to remain unaltered and ready to be — produced whenever it may become necessary — If this is denied me what am I to think with all

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take every opportunity to give the Honble Board —
Intelligence of the proceedings of this Army

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

(signed) Hamilton Maxwell
Lt Col Comm.

Camp near
Severepatam
November 1790.

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Intelligence

3000 Horse commanded by Gally Khan arrived at Darampoory some days since 12000 Horse under the Said Zada Tippoo Son a Young Man of about 12 Years of age with 20 Guns 8 some Infantry arrived at Darampoory on the 9th Instant Tippoo — came Yesterday with 4000 Regular Horse, 2000 of them Cheelahs the rest Mana Babooa (a Mahratta) Rajaba — He arrived about 9 O'Clock with these — troops at the place where his Forces were drawn up looking at our Line — The People in his Army said they had 20 Guns at Darampoory — 20 were seen by the Hircarahs in the Field — Mostly small Field Guns — they saw three Cashoons of Sepoys and were told there were Six — the Guns were with them. a Heavy fall of Rain coming on about 3 O'Clock when our Detachment returned to Camp Tippoo at the same time retired to his Camp at Coliput leaving a Piquet of 3000 Horse at the Pass where his troops had been drawn up —

To

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Diary

Substance of a Letter from Bomrauze

Recd Letter from Bomrauze as entered in C.C. No 250) requesting that Government will give an Indemnification to Venaick Moodely for the Payment of a Sum for Pags 15000 which he borrowed of him to discharge a part of his Annual Peishcush.

Recd the following Letters

To John Chanier Esqre

Secretary in the Military Department

From Lieut Colo Kennett the first Division of the Army attacked by a large Body of the Enemy's Horse as mentioned

Sir,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 8th Instant informing me that the 18 Pos would be forwarded to Ambour and inclosing me an Extract of Genral Medows's Letter expressing his Intentions and his wishes regarding the situation of this Army, which I am happy to find is conformable to his Plan.

A few days since a Body of the Enemy's Irregular Horse drove off some Cattle from the front of the Camp where they were grasing — the Party was pursued by the Picquet of the Cavalry who came up with them at a Considerable distance from Camp, Killed several men and took 5 Horses. On the 11th Instant another Party attempted to drive off the Cattle — the Regt of Cavalry with

received for their own Regiments, it is probable his Offer will be attended to. —

From the Paymaster at Madura —

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States that he cannot procure Money sufficient to pay the Troops at Madura, Pendigul, and in the Maravars, and recommends that Permission be granted to draw upon the Military Paymaster General — Desires to know if the Troops at Pendigul are to be considered on Field allowance. —

Agreed to inform Mr. Vaughan that the Garrison of Pendigul is to be on the same Footing as other Garrisons South of the Coleroon. —

Minute thereon

With regard to Payments in the Maravars, Mr. Vaughan must consult with Colonel Martin, and enquire from him whether it is absolutely necessary at this Juncture to clear off all Arrears, after which he will frame his Indents according to the Colonel's Recommendations. —

Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be directed to accept Mr. Vaughan's Bills to the amount of 4000 Pagodas. —

Do.

From the Collector in the Trichinopoly District

From the Collector in the Trichinopoly District, stating that the House, which he has been directed to relinquish to Mr. Johnston, is the Company's Property. —

Minute thereon

Resolved that as soon as the Enquiry committed to Messrs. Andrews and Wolf shall be over, Mr. Johnston be directed to relinquish

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For the reasons assigned by Mr Garrow, it is resolved to extend his Contract to a Period of 18 Months, on the Condition, &c. however, that the Bottoms of Tiles be given to the Repair of the Public Roads, as recommended by the Military Board. —

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As Government conceive that a Monopoly in the Provision of Bricks and Chunam is very oppressive to Individuals, it is agreed, that after the expiration of 18 Months, the Provision of Bricks and Chunam shall be indiscriminately allowed to all Persons who chuse to engage in it. —

Do

Ordered that the above be communicated to the Contractor and to the Military Board. —

Read two Letters from His Highness the Nabob (as entered in C. C. Nos 248 249.). The former stating that such of his Sepoys as are willing to take Service with the Company, will be permitted to do so, upon the express Condition of their being returned to His Highness

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hear of the Return of the Troops to Barampour — they hope that the Tranquility of the Ganjam District is perfectly restored, and will be maintained in future —

Read the following Letter from the Contractor for Bricks and Chunam —

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President in Council
Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

The Military Board having communicated to me the determination of your Honble Board, not to renew my Contract with the Company for Bricks and Chunam I take the liberty to address you, to request that your Honble Board will be pleased to take my Letter of the 9th ultimo to the Military Board again into your Consideration, The situation, to which I shall be reduced owing entirely to my having made every preparation in my power to fulfill my engagements with the Company in the full supply of Materials contracted for, which on their part, were found not requisite, I trust will meet with

From the Contractor for Bricks and Chunam requesting that his present Contract may be continued for 18 months to enable him to collect the Balances due, and dispose of the materials now on hand —

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with a Brigade of Guns to the Vicinity of the Zemindaries of Vizianagur and Pettapagherry to overawe those Zemindars from predatory Warfare, to protect the Inhabitants, and to secure the Company's Collections.—

We have now the honor to acquaint you, that we have recalled this Detachment to Barampour, excepting a small party of Sepoys, which we have directed to be continued there, to preserve the tranquility which has for some time past obtained in that Neighbourhood, and which while the Crops are on the Ground—we hope those Zemindars will recognize to be—their mutual Interest to corroborate: Our principal Incitements to this measure were a—Reduction of our Expences, and a necessary attention to the Health of the Troops, who began to be sickly; and we the less apprehend any bad consequences from it, for that Barampour being within One March, Our Troops will still be at hand to correct any disturbance that may revive.—

We hope also, that the with-

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and I fear those intended for the Attore Pass are equally incompleat, nor will, I apprehend, any thing but the interference of the Collectors compel them to it. —

Colonel Maxwell informed me he had wrote to Government respecting a monthly allowance for Mahomed Murad who is with this Detachment and desired me to request of you to know what has been done in his favour. —

I have the honor to be
&c. ——— &c.

James McKerras
Lt. Commanding

Camp at Trinomalee 11th Novemr 1790

Agreed that Lieutenant Mackerras be directed to communicate with the Collector upon the Subjects of giving Cowle, receiving and distributing Cattle &c. — And that the Board of Assumed Revenue be desired to furnish Mr Landon with such Instructions as they may judge requisite

Minute thereon

Resolved, that the Sum of One Hundred Arcot Rupees pr Mensem be allowed

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— he from his Annuldars &c. will be able to investigate their claims, as for me it is impossible.

Many of the Inhabitants of Tripatour District are here waiting for their Cattle &c. which from it having received Credit I have taken upon me to assure them would be the case — a proportion of the Cattle &c. has been taken from the Enemy's District, into whom many of the Carnatick Cattle had been drove by the Inhabitants to save them from being Plundered in case of an incursion from the Enemy's Horse, from which I beg the Board will desire Mr. Landon the Collector, to take them from me and distribute them as they may be pleased to direct — As it is a task I am inadequate to. —

I also beg you will communicate to the Board that the Sepoys of this Detachment were the 1st Instant two months in Arrear of Pay, from which, together with their being Strangers here, they are at present in a State of Starvation to alleviate which I have done every thing in my power, but any assistance in that way is only temporary. I therefore trust they will

immediately

the present Frontier, and which a considerable Number of Troops would be necessitated to do, on the Enemy's appearance in Force — Should Government be pleased to approve of what I have taken the liberty to mention, much will depend on the abilities of the Person appointed Amuldar, as it would be fortunate if to his knowledge in the management of a Country, he united some of that of a Soldier, together with some local Information — Most of these qualities are to be found in a Man now here, whom Mr. Kindersley appointed Amular of this District, and Mr. Landon afterwards removed, not as the latter informed me "for any complaint" — he further says "I understand he is a good Partisan and a Military Genius" — his name is Purseram Pillay, who from being a Native of the Country close to the Enemy's knows a good deal of it — as to his integrity I know nothing either for or against him, but suppose from his getting the Amuil of this place Mr. Kindersley thought he merited it. —

In consequence of my Instructions, which

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regarding the Chittoor Poligars as suggested — That the Nabobs Troops in Bommauzes Pollam must be dispersed by the Exertions of the Collector, who may endeavour to engage Such as are fit for the Service of the Company; — and — that Mr. Henderley will be instructed to — deliver up the Fort of Arcot to the Nabobs People. —

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be informed that the Right of Prudence has been adjudged by the Canongal of the Carnatic in favor of the Rajah of Venatagherry; who is in consequence to Seat his Nacana in Camp before the Rajah of Calastry. —

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Mackenras, Commanding at Trinomallee. —

John Chanier Esqr.
Secretary to the Military Department.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 3d. and 5th. Instant, and in reply

From Lieutenant Mr. Kenras regarding some Questions on the Subject of giving Leave and of the Distribution of the Cattle taken from Cheloor Naig — recommending that the Arrears due to the Peons &c. composing his Detachment be discharged — and that a monthly Allowance be fixed for Mahomed Murad. —

explanation. — The Collector informed us, &c.
that, as there were Accounts, and Grain in
the Fort, it had been judged expedient that
the Company should be in possession of the
place; and that the resistance of the Nabob's
Servants, had rendered at least the shew of
force necessary. We have great satisfaction
however in adding, that Mr. Kindersley thinks
the Fort of Arcot, may be given up without
any detriment to the Revenue, — provided the
Nabob be cautioned to direct his people there,
to be very circumspect in their Conduct, and in
no shape to interfere with the Renters author=
ity. —

We are concerned that we
should be again obliged to trouble you upon
the Subject of the Nabob's Troops in Bom=
rauze's Pollam. We have received another &c.
Petition from Vinaigurn (Security for the
first Kist of Bomrauze's Peishcush,) who repre=
sents that the Sepoys in question, have already
received 1000 Pr. from the Collections; and that
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embarrassed by Letters from the Collector of Tinnevelly, Madura, and Trichinopoly: they have informed us, that General Medows has found it necessary, to issue Orders directing them to hold all the Revenues of their Respective districts, for the exclusive use of his Army — with respect to the Northern and Western Divisions. — We have called upon Mr. Cockburn to furnish us with Specific Indents, for the Sums wanted at the different Stations. No time shall be lost in issuing the necessary Orders, as soon as his answer shall be received.

As Mr. Torin in a Letter of the 7th October, requested to be furnished with Our Orders respecting the Pearl and Chank Fisheries, and with a Copy of the treaty between the Nabob and the Dutch, — We desired to be informed whether His Highness, had informed Government of his having concluded the said Treaty, which we find took place upwards of a year subsequent to the Treaty concluded by Sir Archibald Campbell, with the Nabob, who by the

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The Acting President reports to the Board that the Bullocks &c. for the four Iron Eighteen Pounders are provided — and recommends, that they be escorted to Chingleput, &c. where the Guns are, by two Companies of Sepoys under the Command of Lieutenant Bulman of the 24th Battalion Native Infantry and from thence to Vellore, at which place Colonel Brunton can give the necessary Orders for their moving on to Arnbore, if there be no Danger. —

The Acting President proposes a Plan for sending the four Iron 18 Pounders to the Carnatic Army. —

Approved and Ordered Accordingly.

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Agreed that an Extract of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's Letter respecting Grain and Bullocks be sent to Mr. Cockburn, and that he be instructed to report thereon. —

Extract of Colonel Maxwell's Letter respecting Grain and Bullocks to be sent to Mr. Cockburn.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Accounts Revenue. —

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

Honble Sir,

From the Board of Accounts Revenue recommending that 10000 Pagodas be offered to Abdul Wahab Cawn in lieu of Chittoor Interest respecting money to be furnished by the Collectors to the Bullock Contractors Agents — requesting instructions regarding the Pearl and

We have the honor of acknowledg the

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motions — I have received none of any kind from the Commander in Chief, and as I wish to act in every respect conformably to the intentions of the Honble Board, I request to know from them what I am to remain in the Baramaul till I receive Orders from General Medows, or to act agreably to my own discretion. The very great difficulty in procuring Provisions has obliged me to detach a large Escort with Bullocks to bring forward Grain from Amboor, and till Vitmagerry is in our possession no supplies of consequence can be expected from any other Quarter — The Army has hitherto been subsisted with considerable difficulty by Grain found, and brought into Camp in small Quantities, but as 2000 of the Enemy's Irregular Horse are now near us, they will prevent our being able to send out small parties in search of these Supplies, and I fear we must very soon break in on the public Depôt. I have so often stated to the Honble Board the necessity for preparing Provisions at Amboor, that I will not again repeat a request which they must be fully convinced is

founded

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N.B. Since writing the above the Enemy have made a Sortie in great Numbers upon a Body of Mohaubut Jungs People posted in the Pettah, but were beat back into the Fort after a smart Skirmish.—

To Major Montgomery
Commanding the Madras Detachment
Acting with the Nizam's Army.

Sir,

I embrace the Opportunity &c. which the Return of M.r Malcolm's People &c. presents, of informing you that the Fort and District of Harponilly has been delivered up by Agreement to the Paishwa, and that those places which held out in Shahnoor have also surrendered.— Deputies from Chittledroog and Bednore have been sent to the Bhow in order to treat with him for these Places, and a considerable Detachment of Horse has been ordered to advance as far as the latter— I have the honor to be. &c.a —&c.a

Camp near Darwar October 28.-1790.—

(Signed) John Little

Ordered

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Calibre to breach the strong Works opposed to them— What will be the Event I cannot pretend to determine till our Batteries open, which will be in two or three Days.—

In a firm Reliance upon the Candor and Judgment of my Superiors I shall make no other Observation on my Correspondence with the Resident at the Nizam's Court, which he informs me is to be laid before them, than that it trespasses too much upon my other Duties as an Officer in the Field, and labouring under the peculiar Difficulties I do, to carry on a Correspondence of such length, exclusive of the necessary Communications to my immediate Superiors— I beg leave therefore to express my wish that Government will be pleased to direct to what Quarter I am to consider myself responsible, which will relieve me from avarious and perplexed Correspondence, and enable me to devote my Time with less Interruption to the Military Duties of my Station— I must add however that I hope the necessity of the Measure I have adopted (which I am happy to find by your Letter of the 19th Ultimo, has

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otherwise obstruct our Attacks upon Copul, it has been thought advisable to Blockade so far as our small Force will allow.

I am free to confess that tho' I have all along represented what appeared to me the great deficiency in Mohaubut Jungs Equipment I had no conception that it was so miserably defective as I have found it, since Preparations were begun for the Attack of this place— He has only one Piece of Ordnance above, and two equal to, a Six Pounder— He has a very scanty Proportion of Ammunition for the few Guns here, and is totally destitute both of Artificer and Intrenching Tools— nor has he any resource under all these deficiencies but the Detachmt. to which applications are made in every Case of necessity, and which he candidly acknowledges to be his sole Support— As our Stores are calculated only for the Expenditure of the two Battalions, the Board will judge how far they are adequate to the Additional Calls made upon them for the Repair of Arms and Supply of deficiencies among the Nabobs People, with which I am

obliged

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=rable opportunity shall occur for its adjustment.

I have the honor to be
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30th October 1790

(Signed) J. Kennaway

A true Copy
(Signed) Willm Stewart Asst.

Resolved that the foregoing
Papers be referred to the Military Board for
their Examination and Report; and that the
Remarks of Captain Kennaway upon the Pay=
masters Accounts, be particularly recommended
to their attention. —

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter
from Major Montgomery. —

John Cranmer Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir,

From Major Montgomery - stating the Preparations he is making for reducing the Fort of Tripatore - requesting his Correspondence with Captain Kennaway relative to the Expences of the Establishment. - and enclosing Copy of a Letter to him from Captain Little. —

I should have done myself
the honor of addressing you for the information
of the Board long ere this, had not my Time
been so much engrossed by a variety of unpleasant

Incidents

maintain the Force in question when employed on Service in the Field, and of course established that the full amount of it was to be paid. I requested him to reflect on the different instances of the liberality of your Lordship's Conduct towards his Highness 1st in having agreed to charge no more than the exact Amount the Force would cost the Company; 2nd in having fixed the Article of the Treaty of 1768 from the ambiguity in which it was involved which left it in the option of our Government to grant the Force or not as it should see fit, and 3dly to satisfy his Highness that no improper charge was meant to be preferred, in your having consented that the Detachment should occasionally be mustered before One of his Officers, circumstances I added a due consideration of which, would I was persuaded suggest to him the return that was due for what your Lordship had done, - and convince him how unbecoming it would be in his Highness to take advantage of any Mistake which had

occured

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we are equally actuated, this it became an unpleasant part of my duty, in order that I might be able to present a proper and Correct Account to the Nizam to expatiate at some length on such particular charges in the Paymaster's probable Disbursement for August which agreeably to your desire I now return as required explanation. —

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

Paarngul
27th October 1790

(Signed) John Kennaway

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart Asst.

The Right Noble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General &c.ª &c.ª &c.ª

My Lord.

I have forwarded to Mr. —
Secretary May for your Lordship's information Copy of a Correspondence which I have lately had with Major Montgomery on the encreased expences of his Detachment against which I thought it encumbent on me to remonstrate as well from a principle of duty whether the Company or

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that full and clear answers are expected — I therefore recommend those which concern your Department to your most serious consideration. I also direct that you do not include in your Account of Disbursements for August, nor of that of any future month, any charge for Purchase of Stores untill it has received the sanction of the proper Officer appointed by Government to inspect into such charge nor any Charge whatever in your Department of Commissary excepting for the purchase of Grain for the Fighting Men Public and Private Followers and Provisions for the Europeans untill your Accounts for that Department shall have been audited by the regulating Officer of that Department to whom you are to apply, and when so audited to acquaint me therewith — Copies of such Accounts so transmitted by you are to be prepared and delivered into me by the 5th of every month for the Information of the President at the Nizams Court, in order to enable you to comply with this last, I shall direct your being

furnished

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on an application made to him Signed by all the Officers in the Detachment he thought proper to allow Rice to be issued by the Grain Keeper to the private Followers on the 9th of September 1790 the necessity of which Measure had appeared to them in the fullest and clearest point of View on Acct. of great Scarcity of Rice in the Nabob's Bazar & and the excessive high price the little there was to be had bore there. —

These Circumstances evinces the necessity there was for the Measures adopted and they are of Opinion that it was absolutely & necessary for the good of the Service as they are fully convinced the Service could not have been carried on with such Evident advantage had not the above Measures been adopted. —

The Committee from every information they have been able to obtain to effect which they have taken every precaution, are of Opinion in Respect to the 2d. point that it would be highly detrimental to the Service — Encamped as we are at a distance in Front of the Army to

permit

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Proceedings of a Committee held by Order Major Montgomery Commanding a Detachment of the Honorable Companys Troops Serving with His Highness the Nizam, To Investigate into such points as the Commanding Officer has to lay before them. Camp at Gonganoottie October 5th 1790

Captain Robert Tod — President
Captain Read — } — Members
Captain Calrymple }

Major Montgomery lays before them the following points and requests their Opinion and sentiments upon them. —

Viz.t 1st — On the Necessity of the Measure of carrying Rice for the Fighting Men Public and private Followers of the Detachment and on its utility in forwarding the present Service. —

2nd — To Investigate and to State your Sentiments whether from the best information you can procure you apprehend it would be more advantageous or adviseable for the good of the Service to Suffer the Troops &c.a to Supply themselves at the Nabobs Bazzar and likewise to examine into and report the probability or improbability of drawing a Compe-

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Rachore, where I expected to halt some time, and where I found that Rice was to be procured tho' at a Rate exceeding the Company's Price, I directed the Paymaster to issue ten of the twenty Days Grain he had collected in consequence of my Order, and to discharge half the Bullocks employing in carrying it, that no greater Expence might be incurred to the Company than was absolutely necessary on marching from Rachore I judged it expedient to Order the Paymaster to encrease his Supply of Grain again to twenty days having been apprized of the Difficulty I should find in subsisting the Troops on the March, and I cannot but esteem it particularly fortunate that I did so, as even in the small Space of three Days the Necessity of my precaution has been fully justified by experience and proved to have been even greater than I could have imagined – The Troops of Mohabut Jung, so far from procuring Subsistence for the Detachment have not been able to collect

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concerned and therefore must be earnest in the &c.
request. —

I shall now conclude, that I shall be happy, if in my power, to rectify any mistake that may have happened thro me, or to adopt any Plan in future you may point out, to save Expence, and it gives me real pleasure to &c. acquaint you, that the Expence in that necessary Article of Rice must soon be lessened, from the Country we are now in, from what I can learn producing that Grain. —

I am with due Respect. —
&c. . . . . &c.

Gungavooty
8th October 1790

(Signed) Robt Malcolm
Paymr to the Ellore Detachmt
serving with His Highness
the Nizam. —

A true Copy
(signed) Alexr Orr.
actg Aid de Camp.

A true Copy
(signed) Wm Stewart Agent.

Extract of a Letter from Major Montgomery Commanding the Ellore Detachment to John Chamier Esqr Military Secretary at Fort St. George — Dated 1st September 1790, which is now sent to Captain Kennaway for the Information of the Right Honorable the Governor General.

In my Letter of the 16th July

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made, and from a wish that no Article of Expence might remain unknown to Captain Kennaway; I before mentioned that the Cattle of my Department were charged at the Contract Price, and, as their Contract precludes any other Person from supplying public Cattle, I have delivered over to their Agent such as I had hired, and charged them with those I had purchased, with permission of the Acting Contractor Mr. Thomas Cockburn —

As to my Servants in the Commissary's Department, I must beg leave to assure you that not One is charged for that is not absolutely necessary, and allowed by the Regulations — and in my Accounts for August you will observe that I have omitted the charge for Stores until audited, as also all the charges in the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions, but the purchase of Rice for the Fighting men and Public with private Followers, agreeable to your Order, until the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions at Fort St. George shall

have

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the same objection yet remaining to their coming on, and which may perhaps never reach me, in that event, I have the strongest reliance in Government not allowing me to be a loser, when doing my best for the public Service. —

My Cattle not being mustered is most undoubtedly my fault, at least not having given in a Return of them at the time, but I did not consider them as falling under the description of Public Cattle attached to the Encampment, otherwise I should not have neglected it, I considered them as being entirely under my Own direction, and that I could send them when and where I pleased for Grain for the benefit of the Detachment and the Interest of the Service — I remember to have asked Lieutenant Binny Muster Master when the Muster was ordered, whether he conceived the Bullocks of my Department came under his Inspection or not, acquainting him at the same time they were mostly in the Country; his Answer / to the best of my recollection / was,

that

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to you officially for One hundred and two of the Bullocks belonging to your Camp Equipage to assist me, as well as Guards to protect them / altho' you furnished me with His Highness's Mustuch to bring it into Camp Duty free / the Disturbances at Peeduru, rendering such precaution necessary.

On the 25th. of August twenty Days Provisions were again ordered by you to be held in readiness for the Detachment and I trust you will do me the justice to say that you never had the smallest reason to complain of me in that or any other Duty since joining, I however think it my duty to lay before you a few particulars, for the Information of Government, respecting this Department and the difficulties I have had to encounter; you well know that, in Rachore, and the Countries we have since passed through, no Rice is produced, and that of course what has been issued to the Troops, after the Supply I provided on the 25th. of August was

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for carrying that Supply of Provisions ordered by you for the Troops, rendered it absolutely necessary for me to purchase many, a Sufficient Number not being to be provided for Hire, those that I was obliged to purchase were brought from different parts of the Country from considerable distances & as may easily be presumed, at a great Expence, all in the neighbourhood of his Highness the Nizam's Camp being Seized for the use of the Sircar — In my difficulties in that Department you will readily remember that my applications to you were frequent, to request the Resident's Assistance, when you informed me that his endeavors had been used but without effect — Thus Situated I was left to procure them by purchase or Hire, in small numbers, and at the prices demanded that I might be enabled to comply with your Orders.

On your arrival at Cachore you directed me to discharge half the Bullocks and Drivers in my Department to save an

Expence

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stand excused in this mention of my humble &
Efforts, and in shewing, that, If I have erred,
I have erred thro' Zeal for the Publick Service.

I have the honor to be
&c.——— &c.

(Signed) H. Montgomery

Camp near
Kamek-gherry
10th October 1790.

P.S. Since writing the above, Mobaubut Jung has &
acquainted me that a Number of Grain Bullocks
have been sent from Paangal, for the Supply of
his Encampment. —

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Stewart Asst.

Major Hugh Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

I have the honor to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your Letter of yesterday &
with its Enclosure — In answer to the particulars
contained therein respecting my Department,
I beg leave to inform you that it gives me &
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the small Number of Guns he has can deserve that name / that I objected as to their insufficiency for the purpose of Battery, and their bad appointment of Ammunition notwithstanding the Number of useless Carriages which accompany them. but I am not sanguine enough to expect that any representation from me would have much weight with him on this Subject — I have now, Sir, so far as my abilities will allow answered every Paragraph of your Letter, in doing which I have often been necessitated to refer to what I have at former times written you on the different subjects as they arose — I have only to add that I hope my Superiors will, on taking this Letter into consideration, at the same time be pleased to consider the critical Situation in which I was for a long time placed, without a Single line of Instructions for my guidance — Under these Circumstances my endeavors have invariably, and I trust I may say successfully been directed to what appeared to me their Interest. — I have corresponded with

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charge of purchase. —

In reply to your request to &c. have the Abstracts regularly transmitted in future, I take Leave to my self that it has not hitherto been done, which proceeded from my confidence in the Paymaster, by my every endeavor shall in future be used to render the Abstracts conformable to the ideas of the Right Honble the Governor General and to superintend the regular monthly transmission of them, as well as to observe your explanation of the &c. doubtful passage in yours of the 7th ult. and I herewith transmit Copy of a Letter [No. 4] from me to the Paymaster, the contents of which it is my determination to enforce. —

I cannot conclude the Subject of Abstracts without observing that this part of my duty is rather new to me, the prevalent &c. Policy of the Madras Government having ever been to consider the Paymaster rather as a check upon the expence of the Commanding

Officer

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memory, they have again been very much shattered, and even after this repair so rotten are the old materials, that they can scarcely be rendered serviceable, and will in a very short time require to be replaced by a new Set, a Circumstance that cannot excite a Surprise when it is recollected that they were far from New when they left Ellore — that even when new, those in use upon the Coast are of a very slimsy texture, and are allowed by the Military Board to last only Six Months, if under a Monsoon, as has been the case with us — I cannot say that these charges appear to me to have been disallowed by the Military Boards Report, which merely States that the Articles charged for should have been indented for by the Commissary and supplied from the Stores of the Detachment, or indented for to the nearest Garrison, the former of which could not be done from the smallness of our Force, and uncertainty of our destination, which did not authorize our indenting for any thing, except the Stores of the

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Supply, and the predatory mode of obtaining it — besides its uncertainty being attended with such disorder and risque as would endure no Officer to allow of it, who had the good of the Service at heart —

To the reasons before alledged in reply to this paragraph of your Letter, I shall subjoin that the propriety of carrying Grain for the Detachment, together with the modes recommended by you, have been submitted to a Committee of the Officers Commanding Corps in Camp, Gentlemen of approved Character, of long standing in the Service, and who being on the Spot, are well qualified to decide on them, and that those Gentlemen have in the most pointed terms stated their ideas of the utility of the Measure / adopted by me originally on their own representation, and the inexpediency and insufficiency of the other modes as will more fully appear by their report enclosed / No. 3 / —

To obviate the Comparison you seem to intend, but which in the present instance does

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you to expect from my Bazar being left to my own
Management appear to have been forgotten or to be of
no avail. It probably did not occur to you, Sir, that
from the first delivery of Rice from Our Store the
Bazar fell to the ground; besides which, the Gover-
nor Generals Letter of the [illegible] July, to which Letter
I have informed you I should pay implicit attention,
forbad my insisting upon it. My reasons for request-
-ing it originally will appear from my Letter of the
24th June which states the Bazar then with us /
under the Nizam's people / as a perfect Sink of ini-
quity: to describe in adequate colours the disorders
practised in it, is not in my power; One instance
however was, that the Europeans / to whose regular
conduct it was both my Order and my wish to
pay every attention / were kept in a state of inces-
sant ebriety, equally subversive of discipline and dis-
graceful to their character in the eyes of the Natives,
and to which, so situated, I had it not in my power
to apply an effectual remedy; add to this the

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prejudice of Ages / which they have to confine the Nestna, I deemed it absolutely necessary not only to take care that the Detachment should not Suffer, but that no cause of complaint should occur, which by strengthening their natural prejudices might encrease that Proneness to Desertion which it was my duty as well as inclination to overcome. All the above considerations influenced me to the measure you now object to; and I have the Satisfaction of knowing that every end proposed has been answered by it, The Sepoys, confident of Supplies have come on with alacrity — Desertions have been rare, and the Service impeded by no delays on our part, has been pushed forward almost beyond my hopes, which latter I may be allowed to ascribe to the presence and Cooperation of the Detachment, without which Mohaubut Jung could never have made any progress in the Enemy's Country, but must have remained at Radore inactive. —

Altho' I might content myself

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people of the high price of Grain, and the resolution I adopted in consequence, which you recommend in lieu of the present mode, to give to the Sepoys the differences between the current prices in the Bazar attached to us by the Nizam, and the rate allowed by the Company; but from the frequent fluctuations of the general Bazar price, and the no less frequent variations from it among individuals, such a variety of demands were made in consequence, that it was found totally impracticable to adjust the difference payable, even for One day: — the idea was of course abandoned, and the Sepoys remain without reimbursement to this hour; but even could that mode have been adopted in our then Bazar, which, tho under the controul of the Nizam, was within our own lines, it can by no means apply to the present case in which our people would be obliged to run down to the Nabobs Bazar at a considerable distance from their own encampment and to intermix with his Troops and Followers, a circumstance which from the dissentions it gave birth to on our first junction with his Highness, I had

thought

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Servants were cut off in this manner, and among those of a Mahratta Army, instances of the like nature are still frequent I might add here, Sir, that under a native power / and that Power a Mahommedan / the situation of the poor Gentoo and Malabar people, who compose our followers, is widely different from what it is in the Grand Army, where, acting with their own people and under laws and Customs to which they are familiarized they follow with confidence and security; while here in a continued scene of Anarchy and confusion and where not only their little property but even their lives are continually put to the hazard among a lawless rabble, not acknowledging the same or rather acknowledging no Government, we have need of every indulgence, in addition to very high rates of Pay to ensure their attendance and prevent their following that example which you well know, Sir, so many of them have already set, and by their desertion reduced us to great distress — In respect to the Bullocks and people of the Grain Department not having been mustered, my Order for the Muster extended generally to all Public Bullocks and followers, nor was I informed, either

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"procure Bullocks in your endeavors / tho' exerted with
"a Zeal and alacrity which you have at all times
"shewn for the Service of the Detachment / were not
"attended with their usual Success". On these grounds
it was that / as the Contractor's Conscioufly was then
incompetent to Safisfy them / I directed Mr Malcolm
to procure the Number requisite which he did by
purchase on his own Account and resigne, and having
since been appointed by the Contractor to act for them,
has transferred them to the Contractor and charged
them in his Accounts at the Contract Hire, to
which every power of objection on my part has been
done away by the express words of the Military
Board which follow. "But with respect to Bullocks
"for transporting Grain and Provisions we conceive they
"should be furnished by the Contractors at the Contract
"price". On this head therefore the expence incurred
is that allowed by Government, and Sanctioned by the
Report of the Military Board; but still should it
meet the approbation of my Superiors and should
you conceive yourself able to Furnish the requisite
Number

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his answer for your information. —

I have also directed him to explain the Charges in his Account, as you say that some of them appear to be unnecessary and others to require explanation; and shall only add in answer to this paragraph, that having the honor of the Service in general, and of this Detachment in particular as much at heart as you can possibly have, I shall continue to take care that no Charge receives my Sanction unless from a full conviction of its utility; but I most earnestly request of my Superiors, that if any charges should be made and paid, which have not my Signature, they may be deemed unauthorized by me, and the responsibility for them rest with the person praying them. —

I have before said that the drawing two Battas for the appointments of Paymaster and Storekeeper, with the inaccurate Statement of the Commissary's Department

shall

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be sent off without further Examination - - altho' however I did not before deem it necessary to read it, yet, as your Letter points to charges, which tho' overlooked from the causes above assigned / never had my Sanction, particularly the drawing two & Battas by the same person, and the want of exactness in the Commissary's Department, I request they may now be returned to me, that the Over charge may be rectified and the several items distinctly and clearly explained agreeable to the Orders of the Right Honble the Governor Genl. which I recommended to the Paymaster for his guidance, and find with concern, by the vague & incorrect manner in which you state his abstracts to have been drawn up, that they have not been so properly attended to as they ought. —

On the Comparative Statement of Mr. Garrow's Estimate with the One forwarded by me on the 21st. and explained on the 28th. June, I must remark that the excess of Establishment —

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different Paragraphs of your Letter —

You first in general terms lament the high expence of the Detachment as expressed in the Estimate transmitted to you on the 9th September, and what the Governor Generals surprise must be on that Account. It will be a matter of infinite concern to me, if Earl Cornwallis, after perusing my reasons for incurring such expence, which reasons shall be given in their proper places in answer to each particular paragraph of your Letter, should deem any expence unnecessarily incurred, or any charge too high, which depend upon my endeavor to moderate or to suppress. — I have repeatedly expressed to you my concern for the amount of Our expenditure when compared with Mr Garrows Estimate; but every Article that has received my Sanction appeared to me absolutely necessary, altho not mentioned in the Estimate, which has made no allowance for many incidental Charges indispensibly connected with the nature of this Service —

On

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be necessary to defray bringing the expence of Rice to a level with what the Company allow 12 Seers for a Rupee.

In the Estimate for August, Mr. Malcolm is allowed to make a charge for Pagodas 1356.5.40 for Horses, this Captain Tullo each of the 3 preceeding Months incurred a far less expence on the same Account, which you declare in your Letter to me of the 5th Instant you thought rather high, but allowed it on his having declared on his honor that the whole had been expended for the Detachment and that you had no solid Grounds to rise your Objections with an Officer of his standing and Character, Captain Tullo's charge, however having been disallowed by the Military Board, both his and Mr. Malcolm's of course fall to the Ground.

To in my Letter of the 2nd ult: I requested to be furnished with the Accounts and Vouchers as early in the Beginning of each month as possible, and that you are directed to

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interrupted the usual Supply, having now ceased, and I would also recommend that Mahaudut Jung should be applied to, to be responsible for a regular Supply of the same Allowance of Grain, which he permitted to be brought to your Camp on your first arrival at Rachore, duty free. This mode, I conceive, should have been attempted, which I do not understand has been the case, before you thought of subjecting the Company to the heavy expence of the Commissarys Charges, in having done which all the Advantages which you taught me to expect would be secured to you by your Bazar being left to your own management, and its duties taken off, appear to have been forgotten, or to have been of no avail. — On the apprehension of any Scarcity the Troops, publick and private Followers, can I should conceive be directed to furnish themselves with provisions for a given time, a mode which was invariably adopted during the last War, and has been so, also, in the present, had it been resorted to, instead of carrying 20 Days provisions for fighting Men, and publick and private Followers

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been discharged on the 13th July, the day on which you arrived at Pachore, from the following Extract of your Letter of the 1st Instant to the Board of Madrass.—"On my arrival however at Paychore, "where I expected to halt sometime, and where I found "that Rice was to be procured, tho' at a Rate exceed- "ding the Company's price, I directed the Paymaster "to issue 10 of the 20 days Grain he had collected "in consequence of my Order, and to discharge half "the Bullocks employed in carrying it, that no "greater expence might be incurred to the Company "that was absolutely necessary".

To avoid the heavy expence which is to be apprehended from the Commissary of Provisions and his Department and for which no charge has been made in the expences of the Detachment serving with the Mahratta whose Bazar, from their predatory mode of conducting a War, cannot be better supplied than Mohabet Jungi, and who are acting in a part of the Country where Provisions cannot be more plentiful than

where

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Bengal, and I believe equally so on the Madras Establishment for One Person to draw two Battas, he likewise charges 141 Pagodas for Servants &c. Wages in the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions, without giving any particular Account of them, but as that Sum agrees within 2 Pagodas of a charge in the Disbursements for July which included Pay and Batta to the Commissary, there is Room to suppose from no increase having since taken place in that Department, that he draws Batta for each of his three several Appointments of Paymaster, Commissary and Storekeeper. — The hire charged for the Bullocks and Drivers, is far beyond the common and known Rate of this Country, which is 4 Rupees p Bullock, with the Pay of a Driver allowing One Driver to every 4 or 5 Bullocks included, and tho the nature of the Service you are upon may have occasioned and justified an increase, yet I cannot conceive it will do so to the extent you have admitted of.

That my endeavour to procure you Bullocks for hire

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NB. In this last Estimate are included 16 Ravildars and 16 Naicks Superior to the Stipulated Establishment, General Medows having desired they may be continued, but on the other hand it is to be observed that the Off Reckonings, Purchase of Tents, Arms and Stores Furnished by the Company are not included, and that the Paymaster, in his Letter to you, which accompanied the above Estimate, remarks that there are several incidental Charges under the head of Charges General, that cannot be accurately ascertained or untill presented, by which an opening is left for a further addition to its already high Amount.

Many of the Charges in the Estimate for August indeed appear to me to be unnecessary and some to require explanation, and I trust what is due to the Service, and the particular and exclusive Responsibility of your Situation will induce you to exert yourself in putting a Stop to them, since the best regulations unless supported by the firmness and alacrity of the Officer whose Province it is to see they are carried into

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of the Detachment for the month of August, forwarded in your Letter of ye 19th September, which I have hitherto omitted to reply to particularly, in the hope that your receipt of the Military Board's Report might have induced you to desire the above Estimate to be returned, or that you would have transmitted another in its Room, the surprize which the Governor General will feel in observing its amount may be conceived from the manner in which he was struck by that of the 24th of June as expressed in the Extract of his Letter of the 20th July, forwarded to you the 14th August which, compared with the present may be deemed to have been extremely Moderate. To set in One point of view the rapid and great increase in the Expences of the Detachment since it entered the Nizam's Country, I shall here insert the different Estimates I have received from you, first stating the amount which the Governor General, from Documents furnished by the Presidency of Fort St. George, and signed by Mr. J. Garrow, Deputy Military Paymaster General, informed the Nizam he would be charged for it.

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Particulars of the Charges of Pooly Boys Mannoly and Commonly Coolies of the Detachment. —

6 Pooly Maistrys at 2 Pr Pr month			
46 Bearers at 2 Pagodas Pr month			
1 Maistry Mannoly Man Pr day	3. 12. 48		
24 — Dº — dº	2. 1. 35. 40	44. 12. —	
2 Maistry Commonly Men	3. 12. 48	6. 25. 16	
30 Commonly Men		63. 15. —	
Batta to the above Mannoally and Commonly Men. —			
Maistrys 2. 2 Fr Pr day Men at 1. 30.		65. 16. 40	162. 39. 24
			271. 39. 24

Particulars of Working Money to the 78th Battalion included in Charges General for August. —

			F.	
1 Serjeant at 11 Fr Pr day for 12 days in May			132.	.
2 Subidars 11 dº each dº	dº	dº	264.	.
2 Jemidars 2. 5. 40 dº	dº	dº	132.	.
8 Hovildars 2. 4 dº	dº	dº	384.	.
8 Naigues 4 dº	dº	dº	384.	.
2 Drummers 2. 5. 40		dº	132.	.
2 Puckallys 3 dº	dº	dº	72.	.
136 Sepoys 2. 3 dº	dº	dº	1296.	.
		Fanams	6396.	.
		Sr Pag	152.	12.

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39 Pieces of 14 Punjm Tent Cloth Blue @ 4. 7 P piece		92. . .
1 Roll of Country Canvas		11. . .
10 Maunds of Oakum @ 1. 33 P md.		17. 21. .
40 Pieces of Gunnys @ . 12 P piece		11. 18. .
6 Purchasing Handspikes @ 1. each		6. . .
3 Cwts of Iron		12. 10. 40
189 Half Hydes @ . 18 P Hyde		40. 12. .
15 Gallons of Gengelee Oil @ . 21 P Gallon		7. 21. .
6 Do. Cocoanut Oil @ 21 P Gallon		3. . .
4 Coil of Country Coir Rope @ 2. . ea.		8. . .
92 Maunds of Cotton Tent Rope @ 3. 21 P md.		322. . .
84 Skain of Country Twine @ . 8. 40		6. 21. .
134 Maunds of Cotton thread @ 3. 21 P md.		47. 12. .
1829 Yards of Cotton Tape @ 3. 21 P do.		63. 39. .
6 Single Yokes @ 1. . each		6. . .
20 Double do. @ . 15 do.		7. 6. .
162 Parrahs of Charcoal @ . 12 P parrah		45. 34. .
204 Small Bamboos @ . 2 each		9. 30. .
2 Field Officer Marquee Bamboos		3. . .
3 Teak Wood Toondoos @ 4. . each		12. . .
12 Sheets of Tin for Stopping Shot @ 2. . each		24. . .
3 Taylors for 10 days Journal to the 1st Mr. of the Detachment at 4 Fan. P day 120 P.		2. 32. .
1 Chuckler do. @ 3 do.	30	30. .

26 Taylors

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Journal Parcels of the Commissary of Grain and and Provisions for the Month of August —

Purchase of Rice 14 Grace 200 Marcalls at 17. 18 ℔ Grace	P. 2485.30.
Purchase of Salt 150 Seers a 20 ℔ ea	7. 21.
Purchase of Sheep 100 a 30 ℔ each	71. 3.
Purchase of Bullocks 20 a 4 each	80. . .
Dry Batta in lieu of Arrack for 61 Men	45. 21.
Servants Wages in the Commissary of Grain and Provisions Department	141. . .
7 Draft Bullocks for the Provisions 18 Carriage — d.o — d.o	P. ℔. a. 1. 21 a. 37. 21.
10 Drivers for the above a. 24 d. each ℔ day	13. 12.
311 Bullocks for 25 days in August	388. 31. 40
6 Mastries a. 3 fd. ℔ day for 26 days	10. 30.
105 Drivers for 25 days a. 2 fd. ℔ day	123. 3.
622 Bullocks for 5 days	155. 21.
12 Mastries for 5 days a. 3 fd. ℔ day	4. 12.
207 Drivers for 5 days a. 24 d. ℔ day	49. 12.
Charges extraordinary in the Provision Department —	
1 Carpenter Pay and Batta	4. 12. —
1 Black Smith	4. 12.
1 Hammerman	4. 12. —
1 Bellows Boy	1. 12. — 14. 6. —

Charges

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			Brought Over	1183.10.40	1801.34.68
10	Drummers	Full Day	Batta	Total each	
2	Fifers	2.3.—	7.20.50	5.20.50 ea.	65.37.40
10	Puckalls	2.1.29.40	1.—.50	2.30.10 d.	27.7.20
707	Sepoys	2.1.29.40	1.—.50	2.30.10 d.	1921.4.30
43	Recruits	2.—.33.—	—.—.—	—.33.—	33.33.—
					3231.8.50
	Artificers				
1	Mastry	2.5.21.—	7.31.40	8.10.40 ea.	8.10.40
3	Armourer	2.2.40	1.20.—	4.18.— d.	13.12.—
1	Carpenter	2.2.40	1.20.—	4.18.— d.	4.18.—
1	Smith	2.2.40	1.20.—	4.18.— d.	4.18.—
1	Hammerman	2.2.9.—	1.4.40	3.13.40 d.	3.13.40
1	Bellows Boy	2.—.36.—	—.18.—	1.12.— d.	1.12.—
1	Chichledar	2.2.9.—	1.4.40	3.13.40 d.	3.13.40
1	Chuckler	2.2.9.—	1.4.40	3.13.40 d.	3.13.40
					41.27.—
	29th M. Battery N. Infantry				
1	Captain				98.30.36
3	Lieutenants	2.64.25.64 ea.			193.29.32
1	Aid Delcamp				118.26.16
1	Adjutant				83.13.24
2	Ensigns	2.47.28.28 d.			95.14.56
		Full Day	Batta	Total each	
1	Serjeant Major	2.10.10.40	2.20.50	12.31.10 d.	12.31.10
1	V. M. Serjeant	2.9.10.40	2.20.50	11.31.10 d.	11.31.10
1	Drill Serjeant	2.9.10.40	2.20.50	11.31.10 d.	11.31.10
1	V. M. d. Bells Detachm.t	2.10.10.40	2.20.50	12.31.10 d.	12.31.10
2	Serjeants	2.7.10.40	2.20.50	9.31.10	19.20.20
10	Subedars	2.13.—	4.11.—	17.18.— d.	174.12.—
10	Jemidars	2.7.—	2.9.—	9.9.— d.	92.6.—
40	Havildars	2.3.—	1.—.50	4.—.50 d.	160.25.—
40	Naigues	2.2.14.—	1.—.50	3.14.50 d.	133.39.—
1	Doctor	2.1.29.40	1.—.50	2.30.10 d.	2.30.10
10	Drummers	2.3.—	7.20.50	5.20.50 d.	65.37.40
2	Fifers				
10	Puckalls	2.1.29.40	1.—.50	2.30.10 d.	27.7.20
787	Sepoys	2.1.29.40	1.—.50	2.30.10 d.	2002.26.10
50	Odds Recruits	2.—.33.—	—.—.—	—.33.—	39.12.—
				Carried Over	3356.32.64 6074.73.38

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Brought Over	358. 5. 72
Artillery Corps as pr	639. 16. 76
Ditto Artificers	183. 37. 40
Artillery Lascars	604. 12. .
28th Battalion of Native Infantry Pay and Batta	3731. 8. 50
Artificers of the 28th Battalion Pay and Batta	44. 27. .
29th Battalion of Native Infantry Pay and Batta	3372. 32. 64
Artificers of the 29th Battalion of Native Infantry Pay and Batta	46. 3. .
Civil Lascars Pay and Batta as pr Particulars	569. 36. 40
Charges General as pr particulars	2100. 24. 24
Charges Extraordinary as pr particulars	300. . .
Commissary of Grain and Provisions as pr Particulars	2084. 19. 40
Total Cur.t Pay.t	13732. 44. 6

E.E. Excepted

(Signed) R. Malcolm
Paym.r

N.B. In the Sum of Charges General are included the allowed Staff of the Detachment and Corps —

A true Copy Wm Stewart Asst.t
Particulars

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the Detachment, of which I have forwarded a Copy to the Commander in Chief on the Coast, and think it necessary His Lordship should also be acquainted with it. —

I have only to add that in compliance with the latter part of their request, and from a sense of the Expence and Inconvenience to which they are subjected, I shall Order Rice to be issued to a moderate proportion of their Followers on the same terms as to the Troops. —

I have the honor to be.
Do. Do.
(Signed) H. Montgomery

Camp Near
Binnan
1st September 1790

P.S. The Orders for Marching Tomorrow are countermanded

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart Aguit.

Major Hugh Montgomery
Commanding the Ellore Detachment
Serving with His Highness the Nizam

Sir,

Agreeable to your Letter of yesterday I now have the honor to enclose a probable Abstract of the Disbursements of my Employs for the

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— We March the day after tomorrow to a Village called Hootall where I understand a small party of Infantry is assembled — I shall be attentive in informing you of the Number and particulars of our Reinforcements when they arrive, which I hope will now be soon, as their principal object has been accomplished in the Reduction of Pooney the Possessor of which, after applying for Cowle to the Nizam and to Mehaubut Jung / to either of whom he declared his readiness to surrender the Fort, But not to the Tennindar who attacked it: and whom he considered as his inferior in Cast / not receiving their answer so soon as was expected, came to the desperate Resolution of blowing up himself, with his Children and the Females of his Family to the amount of 30 and upwards, which he effected four days since. —

I shall make the Offer you mention to Conhah Jung as from you, and shall observe your directions in the Management of that affair. —

Having called upon the Payms

for

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will notify to them, together with the Names of the Persons who are to become their Securities, in order, that, if approved by Government, Bonds may be tendered to them for execution, and it is further declared, that all Employs in the above List, the holders of which shall neglect to attend to this Order by the time prescribed, will be considered as vacant and filled up immediately.—

By Order of Government

Read the following Letter and Enclosures from Captain Kennaway.—

John Cranmer Esqr.
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department.

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the Board, Copy of a correspondence which I have lately had with Major Montgomery regarding the expences of his Detachment,

likewise

From Captain Kennaway enclosing Copies of his Correspondence with Major Montgomery on the encreased Expences of his Detachment — and Copy of a Letter to the Governor General on the same Subject —

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in future they are determined to make the just
distinction between Charges arising from the mere
misconception of Orders, and Charges which are
directly contrary to Orders or Seditious charges —
These they shall consider as Frauds and punish
them by Suspension from the Service, or by a
Prosecution at the Quarter Sessions according to
the 33d Section of the 13th Year of His present
Majesty George the 3d —

Government have further
resolved, for the purpose of enabling the Company
to obtain the most prompt reparation for any loss
or Injury which they may sustain by such
Attempts that the several Paymasters of the Army
and Garrisons shall give Bonds respectively in a
certain Amount for the Money lodged in their
hands, with a collateral Security, to answer whatever
Sum may be adjudged by Government due from
them, for any improper charges in their Accounts —

The Sums, for which such
Bonds and Securities will be taken are as follows.

From

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15th

100 Candies of Sulphur — the Musket Ammunition indented for by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to be forwarded immediately — Regulations respecting the Carriage of Tent Pins &c. to be adopted — their Report on Mr. Surgeon Gahagan's application confirmed — and their Recommendation respecting the two Invalid Syrangs of the Corps of Gun Lascars approved —

To Mr. Surgeon Gahagan —

To Mr. Surgeon Gahagan at Vellore

Report of the Military Board upon an application made by him — advising of the Instructions sent to Lieutenant Colonel Cockrell respecting the Sick of the Bengal Detachment in the Hospital of Vellore —

Received Letter from the Calastry Rajah as entered in C. C. No. 247) requesting to be furnished with an Order to Lieut. Colonel Maxwell to pay in Camp, the Batta to be allowed his Peons and Horse serving with the Centre Army —

Substance of a Letter from the Calastry Rajah

16th

Received Letter from the Commandant at Vellore (Vide Mis. No. 84) advising

From the Commandant at Vellore

of

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14th. Final Confirmation —

I am now directed to transmit for your Information, and Guidance, the accompanying Extract of a Letter from the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, in which his Lordships Opinion is given upon the subject — The Board hope that the Precautions stated in the Extract were attended to by you at the time the Sketch of the Treaty was drawn — If not, it must be new modelled in conformity thereto, after which the Treaty will be ratified by this Government, under the Sanction of the Supreme Council —

I am &c. &c.

Fort St. George
14th Novemr 1790

(signed) John Charnier Secy

Sent Letter to the Rajah —

Substance of a Letter to Sittoram Rauze

Sittoram Rauze (as entered in C.C. N° 246) stating that the Business he may have with Government, must be publickly communicated through the Channel of the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam — Dispatched

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Fort William, in which are also stated the Arti-
cles wanting to complete the Indent — Of the
Stores received, we have to remark, that out of
4,50,000 Field Musket Flints indented for, only
99,000 were found fit for Field Service as will
appear by the accompanying Report. —

We have the Honor to be
&c. — — — &c.

Fort St. George
14th Novemr 1790

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

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

My Lord,

We have received from General
Medows Copy of an address to him from Six
Cornets of Cavalry, relative to Rank and Promotion,
and Copy of an address from Six Lieutenants of In-
fantry on the same subject. —

To Bengal — refer-
ring to the decision
of the Governor Ge-
neral the address
from the six Cornets
of Cavalry and six
Lieutenants of Infan-
try respecting their
Rank and Emolu-
ments. —

In transmitting these Papers to
us General Medows communicated his own Remarks
upon

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As each Battalion which may be raised, will be Commanded by an European Invalid Officer, and will be completely equipped for Service, it is hoped that you will be able very much to reduce the Number which you have already recommended upon the idea that the People to be entertained could only be considered as irregulars.

I enclose a Detail of the Force of each Revenue Battalion — and have the honor to be &c. — &c.

Fort St. George
13th Novr 1790

(Signed) John Chamier Secy

To Colonel Capper
Messrs Hoar
Roebuck
Moubray
&
Garrow

Committee for Investigating the Charges against Paupiah Brahmin.

Gentlemen.

To the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah — enclosing Copies of Paupiahs two Letter respecting the Bills on Cavalram

I enclose for your Information Copies of two Letters addressed to Government by Paupiah.

As the Affidavits accompanying the

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To the Paymaster at Madura—

To the Paymaster at Madura

to consider himself as Paymaster at Pendegul and in the Maravarr—to take charge of the Stores belonging to the Company in those Places—and indent to Mr Macleod for such Sums of Money as are absolutely necessary for his Military Payments.—

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah—

the Paymaster at Palamcotah

the Conicoplies applied for in his Letter of the 6th Instant are to be employed for the present, but discharged the Moment their Services can be dispensed with.—

To the Commandant at Ongole—

To the Commandt at Ongole

to detach immediately from Ongole to the Guntoor Circar two Companies of Sepoys—the Officer commanding to put himself under the Orders of Major Wynch.—

To the Officer Commanding in

To the Officer commanding in the Guntoor Circar

the Guntoor Circar—advising of the above mentioned Orders to the Officer Commanding at Ongole.—

To Masulipatam, Vizagapatam,

To Masulipatam Vizagapatam and Ganjam

and Ganjam—with Extract of the General Order abolishing all Paymasterships of Revenue Troops—

and

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From Mr Edward Garrow at Trichinopoly advising of his having delivered over to Mr Woolf the Balance of Cash and Papers of the employ as Paymaster

From Mr E. Garrow at Trichinopoly

From Mr R. Woolf advising of his having received from Mr Garrow the Sum of four thousand Porto nova, and four thousand Star Pagodas. —

From Mr R. Woolf at Trichinopoly

From the Deputy accountant requesting to know what Sum should be issued for the Gratuity due to the Field Officers on the Coast Establishment for the year commencing 1st May 1789. —

From the Deputy accountant

From the Commandant at Madura enclosing Copy of an application made to him by the adjutant General to the Grand Army, to send to Dundigul Six Iron 18 Pounders with Shot &c. — and stating that there are in the Garrison of Madura only 5 of that Caliber, which he intends sending as soon as possible. —

From the Commandant at Madura

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar — enclosing Copies of two Letters addressed by him to Messrs Cochrane and Jones, which state that the District near Innicondah is in Arms supported by the Chintapully Rajah and the two Gundarous — recommending that two or three Companies may be ordered from Angole and to assist in quelling the Disturbances has permitted the assistant Surgeon at Innacondah to proceed to the Presidency for the Recovery of his Health. requests that another may be sent to supply the Deficiency. —

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar

From

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13 usually written in the Guzrat Language, which the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy did not understand - That, among others he perfectly recollects having seen two Bills accepted by Cavalram and drawn upon him by Autangye Travady of Trichinopoly one of them for the Sum of Fifty Seven thousand Porto Novo Pagodas and another for the Sum of Fifty Thousand Porto Novo Pagodas That he has seen the said two last mentioned Bills at several Different times previous to the Twelfth June One Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety and also particularly on that Day this Deponent being present at the time a Settlement took place between the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy and the said Cavelram, when the said Bills were delivered up by the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy to Veneram the Jomastah of the said Cavelram - This Deponent says that he is perfectly positive and Certain that on the said Twelfth Day of June One Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety or at any time when he saw them before, there was not any writing whatsoever at the head of them in the Persian Language except Beij which is Signature of the Nabob Signed in the Guzrat Language

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Sworn to Before me Signed John Herdleston Justice of the Peace

Fort St George 12th November 1788 - I hereby certify that the annext is a true Copy of an affidavit this Day Exhibited before me Signed P Walker Notary Public

To

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13 given for the Balance being three Thousand and one hundred Pagodas to which this Deponent was a witness - That at the time of the Settlement the Two Bills abovementioned were delivered up to Vaneram Gonastah of Cavalram and this Deponent is certain and positive & clear that at the time they were so delivered up there was not any writing whatever at the head of them in the Persian Language except Buz signature of Nabob That on the Fifth Day of November last having seen the said Bills again he observed some words in Persian Characters written at the head of them which he is certain were not there at the time the Bills were delivered up by Avadanum Paupiah Brahmin to Vaneram the Gonastah of Cavalram and in his presence and having been since informed that the Meaning thereof is that "the Bills were delivered to the "Avadanum Paupiah Brahmin Dubash to Governor "John Holland on account of the Company" he verily believes that such writing has been placed thereon with some bad Intention to injure the said Avadanum Paupiah Brahmin - This Deponent further says that upon an Inspection of the Bills themselves it plainly appears that the writing in Persian was subsequent to the time of the Bills being

Settled

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Acting Governor in Council Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Paupia Pramiah respecting two Bills on Cavelram said to have been delivered to him on the Company's account. affirming that the Indorsements on the Bills to that Effect, are forgeries. —

Understanding that two Bills were produced at the Committee on Cavelram in proof of His Highness the Nabob's Charge against me, and that there is wrote on them in Persian Letters words purporting that the said Bills were delivered to me on the Company's account — I take the Liberty to enclose two affidavits to prove that it is a Forgery written after the Bills were delivered up it is well known that Bills on the Company's account must be sent to the Secretary, and I am also ready to make Oath, that there was at no time any such persian writing on the Bills previous to their being delivered up — I therefore positively and solemnly assert that it is a Forgery and earnestly requests that the Bills may immediately be sent for by the Board, for inspection and to prevent their being changed and that they be secured till the circumstances are fully examined into that it may be ascertained, when and by whom this Forgery has been committed, to which His Highness the Nabob Bizeir affixed — I beg leave also to State that other sufficient Evidence can be produced to prove the Forgery in due

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13th an offer of Conveying thither all my Dispatches by it.

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

Camp near
Darwar
October 23d 1790

(signed) John Little

True Copy
(signed) J. W. Lankhut
Br Assistant as Secry

John Chamier Esq.
Secretary to the Govenor in Council
Military Department Fort St George

From the Resident at Hyderabad with original and Copy of his Letter to General Medows, which, states that the Nizam has ordered a reinforcement of Troops to join Mohaubut Jung - that, and all Than has carried the Fort of for Many gamptly - and Hafiz Feud is Dismissed to the Ditch of Cummum.

Sir, I have the Honor to forward for the information of the Board, Copy of my letter of this date to General Medows, the original, which is enclosed, Inquest may be transmitted to him without delay.

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

Caangul
1 November 1790

(signed) John Kennaway

The Honorable Major General Medows
Governor & Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c. Camp

Honble Sir, I have already acquainted you that the Nizam had ordered a Couple of battering Cannon & a Mortar to be sent to Mohaubut Jung to assist in the reduction of Kopul and have now the pleasure to inform you that the Ministers has assured me

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Yesterday arrived the Mercury that has been for some time past expected from Poona — The Bhow still continues to Cannonade Darwar —

Parties of Maratta Horse have gone as far as the Tungbudra, and are laying the Country there under Contribution, a Considerable body have also left Camp today and are gone with two Guns which they found in one of the villages already taken, to reduce those in Shahnoor which still hold out —

I have informed Major Montgomery of the Marattas being dissatisfied with the Proceedings of the Nizam's Army in entering and taking possession of their ancient Dependencies, and of their having made a representation on this subject to Poona, in hopes that it may be the means of preventing any misunderstanding taking Place —

A true Extract
Signed W Lankheet
P Assistant at Poona

To Charles Ware Malet Esq.

Sir,

At 8 o'Clock this morning I had the Honor to receive a Duplicate of your Letter of the 14th and of the 18th Instant by the Circar Dawk, and I have the pleasure to inform you that last night a Salute was fired in Camp in consequence of the Fort and District

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