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That the Monthly allowances to the Mother the widows adopted Son, and Relations of the late Rajah be paid to them by the Collectors and the amount deducted from the Lack of Pagodas allowed to the Rajah in addition to his one fifth of the Revenue —

That the Jaghire of Nana Saib be assumed and that an allowance, be made him out of the Collections to be deducted from the Rajah's additional Lack as above ordered. The Quantum to be fixed after the Collectors shall have given their Opinion on the subject —

That the Batta of Seapoys employed in the Collections be not charged to the Rajah —

That the incidental Expences (No 15) be charged in the Monthly accounts of the Collectors for the present —

The following are the observations of Government upon the Letter from the Collectors.

That the Fines upon the Circar Officers and Battacadars may be continued and regulated at the direction of the Collectors.

That, if the Rajah received 30000 Pags. before the assumption of the Country, it may be supposed that he disbursed the monthly allowance to the —

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Pagodas, and other Charitable Institutions if that has been done, the Balance that will remain at the end of the year, after paying the two Months allowance then due, should be carried to the general account of the Collections for the Company.—

That it may be left to the Collectors to settle with the Rajah respecting his Receipts from the Country by anticipation or otherwise, in such manner as they may think most equitable.—

That with regard to Mauveeum, the Collectors may be directed to settle it themselves in such manner as they may judge most proper.—

The Collectors Report and Copy of the Board's Resolutions to be sent to the Board of assumed Revenue.

Agreed that a Letter to the foregoing Effect be drafted to the Board of assumed Revenue, to accompany the Collectors Report.—

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Hydrabad.—

From Captain Kennaway enclosing Copies of Papers received from Major Montgomery respecting the authority vested in the Paymaster to his Detachment.

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

Sir,

Fort St George

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 28th Ultimo. By the Copy of my Letter to the Governor General of the

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30th ultimo you will understand the difficulty which opposes my obtaining the payment of the Expences of the Detachment serving with the Nizam beyond the amount stipulated by Treaty, but the Governor General having authorized me to draw on Bengal for any excess on the proper vouchers for it being forwarded to me of which Major Montgomery was duly apprized. I am rather at a loss to account for the Paymaster's having resorted to the mode for obtaining a supply of Cash which you mention.

I enclose for the information of the Board an Extract of a Letter I have received from Major Montgomery with the Papers referred to in it and should think it of consequence to a due oconomy being made to prevail in the Expences of the Detachment that the Major should clearly understand from the Board that the Check and controul of such expences rests with him

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

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Extract of a letter from Major Montgomery to Captain Kennaway
Dated Camp before Copul 3d November 1790.

In addition to what I have said on the subject of the Paymaster's Department, in mine of

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the 10th Ultimo I now enclose for his Lordships information Copies of the instructions given to Mr. Malcolm by the Chief and Council of Masulipatam and of their letter to me of the same date, which clearly evince the truth of my assertion respecting the Paymaster's being considered as a check upon the Commanding Officer.—

A true Extract

(Signed) Wm. Stewart Asst.

To Major Hugh Montgomery.

Commanding the Detachment on its march into the Nizams Country

Sir,

We have received your letters of the 2d and 3d Instant and given directions for an union flag being sent to you.—

Since of our letter of the 26th Ultimo we have been informed by Government that they judge it necessary that a Company's Civil Servant accompany your Detachment, as Paymaster and Storekeeper, and have directed us to appoint one; in consequence of which we have appointed Mr. Robert Malcolm to those trusts and directed him to proceed with all convenient speed to join your Detachment. Upon his arrival you will therefore deliver over to him the money dispatched to you on the 26th Ultimo and put him in charge of whatever else

belongs

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belongs to his Detachment.

Masulipatam
13th May 1790

We are &c &c

A. Sadleir
(Signed) W. A. Dobbyn
Sam.l Statham

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Stewart
Assistant at Hydrabad

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

From Captain Kennaway with Copy of his Letter to the Commander in Chief respecting the Nizam's application for a further reinforcement of Coast Troops requesting to know if Government would wish to engage 3 or 4000 of the Nizam's Horses the Nizam's troops &c obtain a victory over the enemy near Cummum

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Board a Copy of my letter of this date to General Medows and beg to receive their Commands whether if I can prevail on the Nizam to detach a body of 3 or 4000 of his Cavalry for the purpose of acting with the Center Army they could take upon themselves the charge of it's being supplied with rice and forwarding the advances which would be made to me here for it's expences as well as by what mode such advances should be forwarded by me to the Presidency likewise if they approve of the measure and can take upon themselves the Charge abovementioned by what route it would be adviseable that such a party should be directed to join Colonel Maxwell's army.

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

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The Honorable Major General Medows

Governor and Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Camp

Honorable Sir,

Nothing sufficiently interesting has occurred since my last of the 1st. Instant to trouble you with. The Nizam is very earnest to receive an additional aid of our Troops from the Coast in number some what similar to that which General Abercromby has agreed to furnish the Peishwah with from Bombay, concerning which I addressed the Madras Board the 7th. Instant and expect to do so more fully soon his Highness not appearing disposed to quit the pursuit. as it would probably join Major Montgomery's Detachment stimulate his His Highness's exertions and I hope if granted at all be at his expence. I think it will be for our advantage to send it if possible. Mohaubut Jung is still before Kopul with I am afraid but little prospect of reducing it from his deficiency of the requisites necessary for a Siege: part of the reinforcement of Cavalry ordered to join him has marched and the remainder is appointed to move tomorrow. Hafiz Ferid udien has regained possession of his Batteries before Cummum from which he was

obliged

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obliged to retreat on the arrival of a reinforcement from Tippoo which having taken out every thing valuable that the Fort contained, returned to the place from whence they came. Cutbu din Khan has marched from Gooty and having been joined by Bubber Jung his party is considerable in itself and attended with a Train of eight or ten pieces of Artillery: his object by the latest accounts appears to be assud ali Khan at Bangyarpilly who has been ordered to act on the defensive till he can be joined by a reinforcement from hence which the Nizam appears anxious to send off soon. The Minister acknowledged to me that he thought he was in danger. My constant endeavors are employed in endeavoring to quicken the Nizams Motions the backwardness of our allies whether owing to duplicity or indolence is equally felt by. Their character partakes so much of the latter quality that I am willing enough to acquit them of the former and trust even if Mr. Malet and my endeavors fail that your success and the progress of the Center Army will ere long rouse them from their lethargy

I have the honor to be with great respect and truth.

&c &c

(Signed) J. Kennaway

A true copy

(Signed) Wm. Stewart Asst

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P.S. A Salute has just been fired by the Nizam for the Success of Asad ali Khan the 9th Instant in an action with Kutbudin Khan in which the former appears to have conducted himself in a very masterly manner and to have got the better of his antagonist and a great superiority of force by an ambuscade by which Kutbudin was completely surprised. For further particulars I refer to the enclosed Translate of part of Asad ali Khan's original letter which has been sent to me by the Nizam's own express.

Translate of a letter from Asad ali Khan to the Nizam dated the 5th of Rabyulawul or 9th November 1790

On the 6th November I made known to your Highness that Kutbudin Khan with 7000 Infantry and 2000 Horse was encamped at Oak and that I would in a day or two advance to the field to perform the duties of Servitude.

On the 9th Instant the above Chief advanced in line of Battle one Cos in front of Oak of which my advanced Guards having brought me intelligence I immediately marched with my Troops and fell upon the Enemy's Infantry at the

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head of my Cavalry by the good fortune of your Highness I broke their line and sent seven hundred of the enemys horse and foot to hell; at this time your Slave received four wounds of which one was by an arrow in the breast, two by Bayonets under the navel and one by an Iran spear in the side even with the navel; - my horse Hunse Radje proving ungrateful see being killed I fell to the ground, my Troops slackened on observing my misfortune and the enemy glad of the opportunity it occasioned fled on all sides. The son of Cullu udin Khan was killed and the Father would have been taken had I not been wounded: of my Troops seven have been killed and seventy wounded, one hundred horses have been killed and three hundred wounded. By the blessing of God and the fortune of your Highness the victory declared in your favor, the field of Battle remained to me with the capture of 3 Guns, 3 Camel load of Rockets, one Camel Drum, 2 Balankeens, several Umbrellas, and Chaunies and 500 firelocks - my people have suffered and on account of my wounds I am unable to act: Meer Golam ali Khan and Meer ali Reza Khan are present but as they have had little practice in matters of this kind

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I humbly petition that Rao Rumbah who is a Chief of weight and Bravery may be deputed with Infantry and 2000 Horse to this quarter to settle the Government in a proper manner. To brave Troops, a brave Commander is necessary, I hope speedy attention will be paid to this application. If your slave had not been wounded he would have addressed you in a different manner, my Nephew Futty Ali Khan is missing, I am hopeful your Highness will grant 100 horses for the dismounted Soldiers that they may continue to expose their lives in your Service and if you desire it I will pay for them —

A true Translate

(Signed) Wm. Stewart
Assist

To lie on the table until the arrival of Lord Cornwallis.

Ordered that the foregoing do lie on the Table until the arrival of Lord Cornwallis at this Presidency —

The Secretary lays before the Board the following Letter from Mr. Edward John Holland —

John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary

From Mr. E. J. Holland with Copy of the Letter addressed to the late Government by Mr. G. Anderson requesting Permission to withdraw all the Letters he had before written them —

Dear Sir,

Hearing that some observations have been lately made regarding some Letters sent to the Board by

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by Mr. George Anderson, I beg leave to send you the Copy of a Letter from that Gentleman, desiring to withdraw all his Letters.

Madras
21. November 1790

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Edwd. Jno. Holland

To the Honorable John Holland Esqr.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

Upon seriously reconsidering my Letters to your Honorable Board, since the 27th. of August last. I am convinced upon further enquiry that I have been deceived regarding the Circumstances therein mentioned and request the Indulgence of your returning them to me, that they may not be entered in the records.

Madras
7th. December 1789

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

(Signed) George Anderson

Agreed that Copies of the foregoing be sent to the Committee employed in the investigation of the Nabob's Charges against Baupiah, and that it be mentioned to them, that the Original of the Letter from Mr. Anderson transmitted by Mr. Holland is not upon the Records.

Minute thereon

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Read the following Letter from Mr. Attorney General, Sullivan.

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary

From the Company's Attorney General - stating the steps that should in his opinion, be taken against Paupiah in the present state of the investigation —

Sir,

I am to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, informing me of the desire of the Honble Board that I would persuse the several depositions which you then sent me and report my Opinion whether, in consequence of what is contained in them, any and what further steps should be taken with respect to Paupiah in the present stage of the business, I have accordingly perused these several depositions, and I request you will please to acquaint the Honble Board, that in consequence of what is said in those of Mr. Roebuck, Mr. Stuart Hall, and Mr. Balfour, it would seem proper to examine — Messrs Binney, Ruddiman, La Tour De Fries, De Souza, Daly and Colt all these Gentlemen are I believe on the Spot except Mr. Colt, who may be examined in Camp before a Committee appointed for that purpose, and his deposition sworn to before General Medows, two other persons are mentioned as material Witnesses Viz. Mr. George Anderson and Mr. Job Bulman, but the —

Depositions

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Depositions of these Gentlemen cannot be had here as they are both said to be in Europe.

Having had no Communication of the Measures hitherto taken with regard to Paupiah, except what I can collect from the Depositions now before me, it is wholy out of my power to say whether with respect to him any further or other measures should be taken in the present stage of the business, than the examination of the several persons I have mentioned.

Fort St George
22d November 1790.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Benjn Sulivan

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the above be sent to the Committee sitting upon the Charges against Paupiah.

Read the following Letter from the acting Resident at Nagore.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President and Governor in Council
Fort St George

From the acting Resident at Nagore - has been obliged to withdraw all the Stores from Negapatam in consequence of the depredations committed in the Neighbourhood by the Enemy's horse - has engaged 80 Poligars to assist in the Defence of the Town of Nagore.

Honorable Sir,

I am concerned but think it my Duty to inform your Honor &c that from repeated alarms since three Days past of the Enemy's plundering horse being in this Neighbourhood, most of the Inhabitants

of

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of this Town have with their Families sought for Protection at Karekal and Tranquebar, altho hitherto there are no certain accounts of any Party of the Enemy having appeared on this Side of Tanjore. These alarms may I fear have a bad Influence as to collecting in the Company's Revenue from the Inhabitants having already drove into Places of Security, a great part of their Bullocks.

We have put this Town into as good a Posture of Defence as possible, by barricading the Streets and throwing up Intrenchments, which with four Small Guns 2½ and 3 Pounders, and about 150 Sepoys we have Confidence will keep the Town free from Pillage, should the Enemy attempt it —

To add to our small Force I have — engaged 80 Polygars to defend the different Passes into the Town, they are armed with Pikes and Firelocks their Pay is settled at 4½ Pagodas Monthly, and I hope this Step which I have taken with the advice of the Commanding Officer will meet your Honor & Co's Approbation —

Our Means of Defence being so small we have been under the necessity of totally abandoning Negapatam, after having withdrawn all the public Stores from thence; and I have done all in my Power

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to persuade the few Dutch Inhabitants there to retire to Tranquebar and Jaffnapatnam, which they are about doing at last, but which they ought to have done on the first alarm.

Nagore
18th November 1790.

I have the honor to be
with greatest respect &c &c
(Signed) W. Michell

Minute thereon

The Board approve Mr. Michell's Conduct the Poligars whom he has entertained, must however be discharged the Moment their services can be dispensed with.

Read the following Letters from Major General Medows.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

From Major General Medows approving the Reference made to Bengal respecting a second member of Council. the instructions issued to the Collectors for supplying the Grand Army with Money. and the appointment of Ensigns to supply vacancies.

Honorable Sir and Gentlemen,

I had the honour of your's of the third yesterday, and think your reference to Bengal with regard to taking in another member of Council extremely judicious: as also your instructions to the different Collectors with respect to furnishing such money as they conveniently can to this Army; to whom I had wrote upon the same interesting subject: and

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will put them in the way of doing it as often as circumstances and situations will admit —

With respect to the Gentlemen admitted as Ensigns during the war, — great as my respect for every order of the Honorable Court of Directors, and strong and repeated as their orders are upon this subject they do not seem to have provided for war; when the urgency of affairs and the great number of vacancies — I think, justified the measure; which, however, I will never recommend but from the most absolute necessity — And have the Honor to be, with the highest respect Esteem & truth

&c &c

Camp at Trichinopoly (N.E. of the Cavery) 10th of November 1790

(Signed) Wm. Medows Governor and Commander in Chief

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart Senior Member at the Presidency and the Gentlemen in Council at Fort St. George, Madras. &c &c

From Major General Medows — the Enemy — a retreat up the Oodeadurgum Pass — states his proposed Plan of proceeding to the head of the Gudjelatty by the Coveriporam Pass — and of waiting there till the Battering train — arrive from Bombay — advises of the junction of the Center army —

Honorable Sir and Gentlemen,

Having marched seven days successively after having crossed the Cavery, I take the first Opportunity of a halt to acquaint you with our present Situation — we are now within fifteen miles of Colonel Maxwell, to whom I have this morning sent five

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Squadrons of Dragoons and orders to join us here, which I conclude he will do to day or tomorrow; the enemy looked at him a few days ago, but not liking, I believe his judicious position, nor our being so near, declined an engagement— we saw the enemy ourselves the day before yesterday — about twenty miles off on his return from Colonel Maxwell, — pitching his tents, just as we were come to our ground after a long fatiguing march through the Pass of Sapoor; but no sooner had we fired three guns as a signal to Colonel Maxwell, than he immediately struck his tents again, and proceeded up the Ghauts by the Codeadurgum Pass my Point was to join Colonel Maxwell, and I had other reasons for not following him the Junction of the two armies, and making them but one, will be the consider-able saving of a double Staff, and we shall now have army sufficient (which we certainly had not before) to secure our Convoys, and keep open our Communication with Colonel Hartley and Coimbetoor, — My intention therefore, at present, is, to proceed up the Coveripanam Pass and march to the head of the Pudjelatky where I hope by means of our Convoys to be able to maintain — ourselves 'till our battering train are joined from — Bombay will enable us to proceed to the siege of — Seringapatam; But I think once up the Ghauts, the

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enemy must make overtures. If we followed Tippoo we must besiege Oussoor and Bangalore, for neither of which our 7 Brass 18 Pounders are sufficient, besides I look upon Bangalore, seringapatam taken as "Cæsars arm when "Cæsar's head is off".

Sincerely wishing you may approve my schemes and Conduct, which however erroneous they may be, are zealous Honest, and correct and wishing of all things on earth to execute them with vigour, and bring a successful War to an honourable Peace.

Camp near Caveripatam the 17. of November 1790.

I have the honor to be
with the highest respect and esteem
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Medows Governor
and Commander in Chief.

P.S. Since writing the above Colonel Maxwell has joined — (Signed) Wm. Medows.

Minute thereon

Agreed that Copy of the last Letter of the 17th Instant be transmitted to Bengal and Bombay, and that Extracts be immediately made for the Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad.

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Ordered that Letters be prepared to accompany the above Communications.

Read the following Letters from the Board of Assumed Revenue.

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To the Honorable Major General Medows.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From the Board of assumed Revenue recommending that the Balance due to the Nabob's Troops formerly stationed in Bomrauze's Pollam be discharged by the Company, to prevent their committing further Depredations.

Honorable Sir,

In reply to Mr. Secretary Chamiers letter of the 13th Instant, we have the honor to inform you, that as Bomrauze is placed immediately under the Board of assumed Revenue, no Collector can interfere, in the affairs of his Pollam.

We are sorry to inform you that the Nabob's Sepoys, which have for some time ravaged those Districts, are not yet dispersed; and as it would seem, that they are indifferent to the Orders of his Highness, and as there is no Military force at hand, which might enforce their Obedience, we are apprehensive that they may be induced to carry their depredations much beyond the Sums actually due to them. They have already collected 1600 Pds and claim the further sum of 2000 Pds the Security for Bomrauze's Peishcush, has assurances that they would cease from all molestation upon receiving this balance we therefore take the liberty of recommending that the above Sum be disbursed on this account, and the whole Amount be deducted from the next Payment to be

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made to his Highness the Nabob we are the more encouraged to this recommendation, because these Troops were entertained contrary to the Treaty concluded by Sir Archibald Campbell in 1787, and because it would be as unjust to deprive them of wages already earned, as it would be to demand the full amount of the Peishcash from Bomrauze, after having suffered these Sepoys to over run his Country.

How far this Precedent may encourage others of the Nabob's Troops to mutiny is a Circumstance which demands the attention of Government, but we confess that we see no other means of removing the evil of which we complain, and upon which we have too often troubled the Honble Board.

Fort St. George
20th November 1790

We have the honor to be &c &c

(Sym.d) J. Hudleston
Edwd. Saunders
Mr. Tudor
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell

To the Honorable Major General Medows
Governor in Council

Honble Sir, Fort St. George

We have the honor of acknowledging the

From the Board of Assessed Revenue stating the number of Sibbendies absolutely necessary for the Collection of the several Districts calling the Board's attention to the situation of Captains Gowney, Everett & Dighton.

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The receipt of your Orders, communicated in Mr. Secretary Chamiers Letter of the 13th. Instant — In answer We have the honor to inform you, that in consequence of orders, from Government under date the 18th. September, We called upon the several Collectors, to state the number of Sibbendy Sepoys, which would in their Opinion be "absolutely necessary" to the Collection of the Revenues under their respective Charges — In compliance with this requisition the following Statement, has been declared by them to be indispensably requisite —

For Tinnevelly	1500
Madura	500
Nellore	500
Ongole & Palnaud	500
Trichinopoly	270
Centr division of Arcot	397
northern — of Ditto	300
Southern — of Ditto	200

As we concurred in the Opinion of the Collectors, We recommended the above Establishment to the favorable Consideration of the Honble Governor in Council, who has been pleased to approve and confirm them — When we consider the situation of the Carnatic now destitute of all regular force and when recurr to our original instructions, to the Collectors, We confess that we have no expectation of a reduction in this number being

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practicable, but if the Honble Board, shall think that a further statement is necessary, We shall lose no time, in issuing orders for the purpose.

We think it necessary to observe that Colonel Martinz already stands appointed to the same station in the Company's Service, which he held during the late assignment: and as the appointment of invalid Officers to the Battalions at Tinnevelly, may interfere with Captains Powney, Everett, and Dighton. We take the liberty of recalling to your attention, that in consequence of Mr. Torin's recommendation, these Gentlemen (to whose exertions he acknowledges himself indebted for the Tranquility of his District) have already been appointed, to the Command of the provincial Corps at Tinnevelly.

Fort St. George
20th November 1790.

We have the honor to be &c &c.

(Signed) J. Hudleston
Edwd. Saunders
Mr. Tuder
David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell

Bomrauze's Security called into Council. instructions given to him in consequence of the Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue

Bomrauze's Security mentioned in the foregoing Letter from the Board of Revenue, being sent for, is informed by the acting President, that he must make Offers of the Company's Service, to the Nabob's Sepoys committing depredations in the Country of Bomrauze, and prevail

prevail, upon them if possible, to come for the above purpose to Madras — he is also to inform them, that, if they continue these acts of Violence, they will be severely punished —

As the Board of Revenue have no expectation of it's being practicable to make any material reduction in the Force necessary for the protection of the Revenue, it is Agreed that General Medows's Recommendation in the adjutant General's Letter of the 5th Instant be carried into Execution, and that the necessary General Order be framed for the raising six Battalions of Revenue Troops.

The establishment of the six Battalions of Revenue Troops fixed agreeably to the adjutant General's Letter of the 5th Instant

The Establishment of the six Battalions is as follows. —

	European Invalids		Natives						
			Invalids already on Pay						
	Commissioned Officers	Non-commissioned Officers	Subsidiars	Sumeiders	Havaldars	Naiques	Sepoys	Private Sibbendees to be ordered	Total
1 Company to consist of	-	-	1	1	5	3	16	104	130
1 Battalion	1	3	5	5	25	15	80	520	650
6 Battalions	6	18	30	30	150	90	480	3120	3900

N.B. a vacheel to be allowed to each Company.

A Letter to be drafted to the Commander in Chief respecting the situation of Captains Pomney, Everett and Dighton —

Agreed that the above be notified to the Board of assumed Revenue and that a Letter be drafted to General Medows on the subject — recommending that if the two Revenue Battalions ordered for the Tinnevelly District, are to replace the three Provincial Corps now doing duty there

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some provision may be made for Captains Powney Everett and Dighton & the commissioned and non commissioned Officers under them by whose Conduct the quiet assumption of the Tinnevelly District was principally if not entirely effected - and requesting to be favored with his Recommendation of Officers for the Command of the Revenue Battalions ordered to be raised.

Read the following Letter from Mr Cockburn.

To John Chamier Esqr

Secretary to the Military Department

From the agent for the Bullock Contractors - requesting to be furnished with an advance of Cash on account of the very large Balance due to his Constituents

Sir,

On the 28th September last I was under the necessity of representing the distress I suffered from the delay in transmitting the Contractors Bills from Camp, and the Honorable Board was pleased to advance on account of the Bills for July and August 50000 Pagodas - upon the last Bill transmitted from Camp, Viz: for July, there still remains a Balance due of Pagodas 12,061. 40. 48 but the Bills for August, September and October, are yet wanting from the Grand

Army

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Army, and for September and October from the Center Army; I am therefore again under the necessity of requesting the assistance of Government to enable me to go on.

The Balance of the Bill for July ——————— Pagodas 12061. 40. 48

a Payment requested in part of Grand Army Bills for September and October } 50,000 . .

1 part of the Center Army Bills for September and October — — — } 20,000 . .

Pagodas —— 82061. 40. 48.

Only one third of the Bill for Draft and Carriage Bullocks with the Center Army is ordered to be paid in Camp, and as that Sum is totally inadequate to the necessary Current Disbursements, especially at a time when every exertion of money is necessary to make up losses of Cattle on the Spot, I trust Government will assist me with a large proportion of the above Sum in Cash that I may take advantage of the present Escort going to Camp, as well as to satisfy many pressing —

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demands upon me;— I have found it impossible to realize the Paper already granted, except in small Sums, particularly that on Bengal.— I offer to sell the Bills at 5 p.c. discount, but there are no Purchasers, nor can I get Money for Bills at the Exchange of 410 Arcot Rupees p.c. Pagodas which produces nearly an equal loss, the Company's Bills being drawn at 393 Arcot Rupees p.c. Pagodas, and exchange accepted by the Contractors, under Circumstances well known to Government.—

Fort St. George
19th. November 1790.

I am &c.

(Signed) Tho.s Cockburn
for the Contractors

The Board are extremely desirous of giving every possible assistance to the Bullock Contractors, but find it impracticable to grant it to the extent requested by Mr. Cockburn.

Agreed

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Pag. An advance of 20000 to be made to Mr. Cockburn in Rupees at 360 Vt. % Pagodas.

Agreed that the acting President be requested to arrange the matter, and that an advance of 20,000 Pagodas, be now made to Him in Rupees at the rate of 360 Vt. % Pagodas.

From the acting Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops.

From Mr. Hugh Boyd.

Read Letters (entered in the Miscellany Book No. 136. 137) from Mr. Joseph Garrow, and Mr. Hugh Boyd, notifying that Mr. Burke, has sent a Deputation to Mr. Boyd to act under him as Deputy Paymaster to the Kings Troops in India and requesting a General Order may be issued, announcing the appointment.

Minute on the two abovementioned Letters.

Ordered accordingly.

Substance of a Letter from Ramakistnapah Puntaloo.

Read a Letter entered in C. C. No. 2591 from Ramakistnapah Puntaloo, proposing plans of conquest of the Cumbum and Cuddapa Countries and asking the assistance of the Company's Troops.

Minute thereon

Agreed that a Dustuck be granted, but that Ramakistnapah be informed that Government cannot afford Troops for the assistance of his Plans.

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The acting President reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant G. Blacker of the Invalids.

The acting President reports to the Board, the Death of Lieutenant George Blacker of the Invalids at Beswoara on the 12th Instant.

Exd. Chas. Carpenter

" Chas. Oakeley

" J Hudleston

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Diary

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. No. 138. 139. 140. 141

From the Commandant at Nellore

From the Commandant at Nellore – stating the Number of Sibbendies he has raised and that he has appointed some Commissioned and non commissioned Officers to drill them &c.

From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division. –

From the Officer Commanding the Northern Division – requesting permission for Lieutenant Batchelor of the 17th Native Battalion to proceed to the Presidency, for a short time, on his private Business. –

From Lieutenant McKerras. –

From Lieutenant McKerras at Trinomalee – advising of the Junction of the Grand and Western armies on the 18 Instant

From the Comptroller General of Army accounts. –

From the Comptroller General of Army accounts – reporting on Colonel De Wangenhaus application – respecting the Cloathing allowances due to the Hanoverians sent into the Garrison of Arnee. –

24th Sent the following Letters

To

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To Ernest William Tallofield Esqr

at Tanjore

To Mr E. W. Tallofield — directing him to report the Character and dispositions of the Witnesses adduced by Mr Ram & the Rajah on the Charge of reputing Presents

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to remark upon your Report on the Charges against Mr Ram of the 16 September last that you have not given any [illegible] upon the Evidence, altho your Situation, with the assistance you might have obtained from the Reverend Mr Swartz, afforded you the best means of ascertaining the Character and Disposition of the Witnesses who came before you — such opinion, in the idea of the Board is peculiarly requisite in the Charge relating to Presents because it involved many Considerations [illegible] might have influenced the Rajah and his ministers to the Prejudice of Mr Ram's Character. —

You are in Consequence desired [illegible] give your Opinion with regard to the [illegible] Character of the Sirkeel, and other Witnesses produced by the Rajah in support of the Charge of Presents, as well as those Witn[illegible]

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24th on the part of Mr. Ram – on receipt of which opinion a final Determination will pass upon the several objects of your Report. —

I am

&c &c

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(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

To George Andrew Ram
and E. W. Fallofield } Esq^rs
Collectors in the
Tanjore Country

Gentlemen,

To the Collectors in the Tanjore Country – their Letter dated 15 Instant & its enclosures referred to the Board of Assumed Revenue – copy of the Letter to that Board enclosed. —

Having laid before the Board your Letter dated the 15th Instant with its several Enclosures, I am directed by them to inform you that as it principally Contained details relating to the Revenue in the Tanjore Country it has been referred to the Board of Assumed Revenue with sundry observations and Resolutions formed by Government. –

A Copy of the letter to the Board of Revenue is enclosed – further Directions will

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24th will be sent to you by them upon the Points on which Government have not passed final Resolutions.

I am &c &c

Fort St George (signed) John Chamier

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To the Hon'ble Major General Abercromby Governor in Council at Bombay

Hon'ble Sir,

To Major General Abercromby advising of the Junction of the grand and Western armies and of Lord Cornwallis's Intention of coming round to the Coast — copy of the Generals Letter stating his intended Plan of operations

We have the honor to announce to you that the Center Army under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell formed a Junction with the Grand Army on the 17th Instant near Coveripatnam & that Tippoo retired up the Ghauts —

By the accompanying copy of a Letter received from General Medows you will be informed of his intended operations, to which, We doubt not, you will give every possible assistance. —

We

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24th We have to add that the Governor General of Bengal is expected at this Presidency early in next month with large Reinforcements, & that We have been informed by the Superior Government that his Lordship is to conduct the War in Person.

We have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c Council

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To Colonel Capper
Messrs Hoar
Roebuck
Moubray
& Garrow

Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah Braminy Dubash to the late Governor Mr John Holland

Gentlemen,

Mr. Attorney General Sullivan having been desired to Report whither any, & what further Steps should be taken with respect to Paupiah in consequence of the Depositions sent in by your Committee, replied in a Letter of which a Copy is enclosed

To the Committee for investigating the charges against Paupiah with the Copy of Mr. Attorney General Sullivan's Letter and of one from Mr. Holland enclosing Copy of the Letter said to have been addressed the late Government by Mr. George Anderson

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24th enclosed for your Information.—

I also enclose Copy of a Letter addressed to the military Secretary by Mr. Edward Holton giving Cover to the Copy of a Letter stated to be addressed to the late Government by Mr. George Anderson, the original of which never appeared upon their Records.—

I am
&c &c

(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

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To John Hudleston Esqr
President &c Members of the
Board of assumed Revenue

Gentlemen

To the Board of assumed Revenue — with the Letter and its enclosures from the Tanjore Collectors — stating the Board's Resolutions on some Points referred to their Decision.—

I am directed by Government to enclose a Letter addressed to them by the Collectors at Tanjore which containing principally details relating to the Revenues of that Country has not been entered upon the Records of Government — they have however thought it necessary to pass Resolutions upon some Points referred to their decision and to make observations upon

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24th upon others which may assist you in the reply to be given to the Collectors.—

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 & no deduction made from the one fifth of the Revenue and the additional Lack of Pagodas allotted to the Rajah

That the Collection of the Sunceems 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 the monthly allowances to the mother the Widows adopted Son, and Relations of the late Rajah be paid to them by the Collectors and the amount deducted from the Lack of Pagodas allowed to the Rajah in addition to his one fifth of the Revenue.—

That

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24th That the Jaghire of Nana Saib be assumed and that an allowance, be made him out of the Collections to be deducted from the Rajah's additional Lack as above ordered - The Quantum to be fixed after the Collectors shall have given there Opinion on the Subject. -

That the Batta to Seapoys employed in the Collections be not charged to the Rajah

That the insidental Expences [illegible] be charged in the monthly accounts of the Collectors, for the present. -

The following are the observations of Government upon the Letter from the Collectors. -

That the Fines upon the Circar Officers and Puttacadars may be continued and regulated at the direction of the Collectors

That, if the Rajah received 30.00 Pagodas before the assumption of the Go[illegible] it may be supposed that he disbursed the monthly allowance to the Pagodas, and other Charitable Institutions - if the

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24th has been done, the Balance that will remain at the end of the year, after paying the ten months allowance then due, should be carried to the General account of the Collections for the Company

That, it may rest with the Collectors to settle with the Rajah respecting his Receipts from the Country by anticipation or otherwise, in such manner as they may think most equitable. –

That – with regard to Warricum, the Collectors may be directed to settle it themselves in such manner as they may judge most proper. –

In addition to the foregoing I am directed to notify to you that a Letter will be addressed to the Rajah of Tanjore on the subject of the Resolutions of Government. –

I have the honor to be

&c &c

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(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M B Nos 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148,

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Mr Secretary Hay – enclosing Copy of General Midows's Letter which advises of the Junction of

of the two armies and states his intended Plan of operations

To the Residents at Poonah & Hydrabad

To the Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad with extract of the letter from General Medows above alluded to. –

To the Resident at Poonah

To the Resident at Poonah – stating that the Vackeel from the Maratta States was received with the usual Honors and proceeded on the 1st Instant to join the army

To the acting Resident at Nagore

To the acting Resident at Nagore – approving the Proceedings reported in his Letter of the 18th Instant the Poligars to be discharged the moment their Services can be dispensed with. –

To the Commandant at Palamcotah. –

To the Commandant at Palamcotah the order issued relating to the raising two Revenue Battalions at Palamcotah not to be put into execution until he receives further orders from the Board or from the Commander in Chief

To the Commandant at Vellore –

To the Commandant at Vellore – the Iron 18 Pounders with their Stores to be detained at Vellore until further orders. –

To Col. De Wangenheim

To Colonel De Wangenheim – communicating the Boards decision upon his application respecting

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24th the allowance for Cloathing due to the Detachment of Hanoverians sent into the Garrison of arnee

25th Sent the following Letters

To John Hudleston Esqr.

President &c^a. Members of the

Board of assumed Revenue.

Gentlemen,

To the Board of assumed Revenue - stating the Board's Resolution of raising Six Revenue Battalions - their strength and Distribution - instructions given to Bonrauzle's Security respecting the Nabob's Sepoys in that Pollam

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 20th Instant & to inform you that after taking into consideration the additional Force necessary for the protection of the Revenue they have resolved that six Revenue Battalions of 650 each shall be raised, & Stationed as follows.

N^os	By whom to be formed	Station
One Battalion -	9th } Captain Leighton	- Tinnevelly
one D^o	10 }	
one D^o	11 - Lieut Colonel Bridges	- Trichinopoly & Madura
one D^o	12th Colonel Bruce	- Southern & Center Division of Arcot Province
One D^o	13th Lieut Boisdaune	- Nellore & northern Division of Arcot Province
One D^o	14th Captain Dunwoody	- Angole & Palnaud

The Establishment of the six Battalions, is as follows. —

	Europeans Invalids			Invalids already in Pay						
	Commissioned Officers	Non Commissioned Officers	Subedars	Jemadars	Havildars	Naigues	Sepoys	Private Sibbendies to be raised	Total
1 Company to consist of	"	"	1	1	5	3	16	104	130
1 Battalion	1	3	5	5	25	15	80	520	650
6 Battalions	6	18	30	30	150	90	480	3120	3900

N.B. a Packet to be allowed to each Company

Govern.

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25th Government have noticed the observations you have made respecting the Officers of the Nabob's Service now serving the Company, and hope with the concurrence of General Medows that measures may be adopted for their relief:-

With regard to the Nabob's Sepoys who are reported to have Committed Ravages in Mr Mauzie's Pollam Jam directed to inform you that Mr Mauzie's Security has been called before the Council and instructed to inform the Sepoys that if they will come to Madras, they may be entertained in the Company's Service, but, if they continue this exactions in the [illegible] they will be severely punished. This it is hoped, [illegible] Encouragement which is now held out to the Nabob's Sepoys in general to enlist with the Company - may [illegible] the desire effect, but, if not, the Board will, however inconvenient at this Juncture, send a Force to [illegible] the Revenue from Plunder.-

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

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To the Honorable Major General Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief

Honorable Sir,

To Major General Medows — with Copy of the General order respecting the additional Revenue Battalions recommending the Situation of Captains Powney Everett and Dighton to his favorable consideration

We have now the honor to reply to that part of the adjutant General's Letter to the Secretary under date the 5th Instant which relates to the additional Revenue Battalions judged necessary to be raised, on account of the Increase of Revenue under the management of the Hon'ble Company.

By the accompanying Copy of the General Order you will perceive that the mode you recommended has been adopted, altho' as far as relates to the three Provincial Corps in the Tinnevelly District, commanded by Captains Powney Everett & Dighton We feel an Embarrassment which We trust you will be able to relieve — We are of opinion that, as the quiet assumption of the Tinnevelly District, was, in great measure, if not entirely, owing to the Conduct of those Officers, and the Commissioned and non Commissioned Native Officers acting under them, there would be a great impropriety in leaving them without a Provision which will be the case of the two

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25th Revenue Battalions ordered for the Tinnevelly District are to replace the three Provincial Corps now doing duty there. -

For these Reasons We have directed Captain Leighton to postpone Carrying the General [illegible] execution as far as relates to the Provincial Corps at Tinnevelly until he receives your Commands or further Orders from us on the subject. - We request of you to take the matter into consideration, and to adopt such mode as may provide for the Officers before mentioned, and for the Native Officers who manifested so commendable an attention to Company's Interest at an important moment.

We shall hope to be favored with your Recommendation of Officers for the Command of the Revenue Battalions ordered to be raised

We have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Charles Oakeley

&c Council

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To the Honble Major Gen Wm Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief

Honble Sir,

We have been honored with the receipt of your Letters dated the 10th and 17th Instant and in [illegible]

To Major General Medows - advising of the Receipt of his Letters of the 10th and 17th Instant orders issued in consequence respecting the laying up Rice at Amboor and forwarding the Four iron 18 Pounders

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to that part of the former which relates to the appointing Officers to act during the War, or until the Companys pleasure be known, beg leave to inform you that We do not intend to appoint any excepting such as may be specially recommended by you.

We received with much satisfaction the Account of the junction of the two Armies, and the Communication of your intended operations.

We have ordered a large Quantity of Rice to be Stored at Amboor, which We hope may be useful to you. Four Iron Eighteen Pounders completely equipped are on the Road to the above Garrison, but as from the Direction you have now taken it seems probable they will not be called for soon, We propose therefore sending them for the present no further than Vellore where they will be safer than at Amboor.

We have the honor to forward a Letter addressed to you as Commander in Chief which was opened here by Mistake.

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

Sent Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore (as entered in C.C. No 260) stating the Boards Determination that the Jaghire

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25th Jaghires which have fallen to his Excellency should be considered as part of the Circar Lands and that the full Quota of the Collections there from should be paid him on his delivering up the Luncurus to the Company advising of the allowances intended to be made to the Widows Adopted Son &c Relations of the late Rajah and the Manner in which the amount is to be accounted for

At a Consultation Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President

Friday the 26th November 1790.

John Hudleston Esqr

The Honble Major General William Medows

Absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

Read the following letter and Report from the Military Board with Appendix No 123

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President in Council

From the Military Board with their Report on the charges of the Detachment under Major Montgomery serving with Nizam

Sir,

Enclosed we have the honor to transmit our Report on the Monthly charges of the Detachment

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with His Highness the Nizam agreeably to your commands
of the 16th Instant.

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We are very respectfully
Sir &c &c
J. Kepper
signed { Patrick Ross

Report of the Military Board on the Monthly
Charges of the Detachment Serving with the Nizam

As the Expences of the Detachment
under Major Montgomery are in part to be defrayed by
the Nizam, and as Government seem desirous to have
them very minutely examined, the Military Board
have resolved to make a seperate Report upon them
in which they will point out every Deviation from
the established Regulations of this Coast, and care-
fully consider the reasons assigned for such deviation
both by the Commanding Officer and Paymaster
of the Detachment.

When the Estimate of the Expences
of this Detachment was originally required the
Military Board have reason to believe nothing more
was mentioned than the Strength of the Two Battalions
of Sepoys and the number of Guns, but no notice was
taken of the Commanding Officer or the Paymaster or
other Staff Officers, nor was the nature of the Services
specified

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Specified, so that it was impossible to make any
calculation of the probable incidental Expences, which
must entirely depend upon the Country and the Service
in which they were employed: In an open cultivated
and well inhabited Country, Grain may be bought
at a reasonable rate, the Roads would be almost bare
the Carriages be very little broken, the Materials for
repairing them be very easily obtained, and the Wages
of Artificers and Followers be very moderate, but in
a Country of an opposite description, the reverse
must be very considerable and the incidental Expences
be in proportion to the Causes of the Waste and the
difficulty of carrying or purchasing Provisions and
the Board think it necessary to prefare their Report by
these Remarks, as well to Account for the difference
of the former Estimates and the present Expences
as to shew the impossibility of any person judging
at a distance, of the Charges of that or of any other
Detachment which can only be conducted by the
Commanding Officer who alone can judge of the
wants of each different Department, and of the
probable means of supplying them. But from the
many Charges in the Accounts now before the Board
which are not authorized either by the established
Regulations or general usage of the Service—

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In the Examination of these Accounts the Military Board also find great difficulty from the want of the Muster Rolls and likewise from the Paymaster not having transmitted the Vouchers. In the Correspondence between the Resident and the Commanding Officer it appears that a Muster Master has been appointed, but he has not forwarded the Muster Rolls to the Presidency, and the Paymaster has detained the Vouchers from an Apprehension of their being lost on the Road; without the former it is impossible to ascertain the strength of the Corps, the number of followers and Draft and Carriage Cattle and, without the latter, it is equally impossible to know whether the Charges have been authorized by Government or even in any degree sanctioned by the orders of the Commanding Officer: with such Documents however as are now before them the Board will proceed to the Examination of the Accounts.

Current Monthly Allowances

Provided the pay Rolls and Muster Rolls agree there now can be many material Errors in the Current Monthly allowances for the pay and Batta of every Officer both in Garrison and in the field are very clearly ascertained in the printed

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printed Book of Regulations, under this head the Board see little to object to, but the pay masters demand of Batta in three different capacities which is contrary to the 3d Article of the Regulations respecting General allowances, and which he himself acknowledges to be an Error. Pay and other Allowances have also been drawn for an Aide de camp, a Quarter Master to the Detachment, a Quarter Master of Artillery and a Storekeeper, as Staff, but it is not known to the Board, whether these Appointments have been regularly authorized. If not all their pay and Allowances as Staff Officers must of course be refunded and discontinued, unless they are now Sanctioned by Government, as we likewise some trifling Arithmetical Errors in the Monthly pay of different persons must be corrected as Specified in the Appendix No 1.

Expences of the Commanding Officer —

Of the propriety of his Expences, the Board do not wish to take upon themselves to judge they hope Government will see the impropriety of the Matter being referred to their consideration and discussion who alone can judge what Expences he should incur in supporting the Rank he is known to hold and expected to maintain, whilst acting with the Army of the Nizam. The principal of these are an

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Allowance for Keeping a Table, Canats or Walls to surround his Tent. Choubdars and Hircarahs: to attend on his person to carry Messages between him and the Nizams Officers and to procure Intelligence - the Canats and attendants Major Montgomery says in his Letter to Mr Secretary Chamier were recommended to him by the Nizam himself, as a indispensably necessary for a Person in his Situation.

Grain.

The price of Grain is one of those Charges which cannot be precisely fixed by any person but the Commanding Officer on the Spot. In the Correspondence between him and the Resident, it Appears that Rice was absolutely required for the Troops, that the Officers of the Nizam either would not or could not procure it, and that it was brought from a distance by the Servants of the Paymaster, but on referring to his Journal Parcels of the probable Expence of Grain and provisions for August the Board find the price for 14 Garce 200 Marcals, charged 2485 Pag.s 30 Fan.s the said to be 17 Pc. 18 Fanams a Garce, which is evidently a mistake, but if it is meant that 14 Garce and a half cost 2,485 Pag.s 30 fanams, in that case it makes the Garce 171 Pagodas 18 fanams, which is more than double the price it is ever sold for at Madras, except in a famine. -

Notwithstanding

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Victualling

In this same Journal Parcels sheep are charged at 30 fanams each, whereas at Madras they are from three to four Pr. Pagoda Bullocks in the Victualling Department are also charged at four Pagodas each. The price must in some degree depend upon the Size and weight of the Animal, but in general it is fair to estimate them at three and three and a half. In the Accounts of June there Appears to be fifty four Non Commissioned and privates with the Artillery besides Serjeants of the Sepoy Corps, making altogether about Sixty Europeans twenty Bullocks and a hundred Sheep will generally Suffice to Victual Sixty men for one Month. In this Journal Parcels also, the Paymaster charges Dry Batta in lieu of Arrack for Sixty One Men, but Dry Batta is also given in lieu of provisions, as well as Arrack, and therefore this charge is Incorrect. In the same paper also Appears a charge of 148 Pagodas for Servants Wages in the Department of the Commissary of Grain and provisions, besides which there is a Subsequent Charge for Servants Wages of 57 Pagodas and 6 fanams under the head of Extraordinaries in the provision Department the first of these is not only too general but likewise altogether too high for the Servants of that Department with so small a Detachment and the

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Admission of these must preclude the possibility of the Subsequent Charge in which the persons required are particularly Specified. By this List it appears that the Servants required and their Wages charged at an unusual high rate the whole amounts only to 50 Pagodas. as the Board must object to a Grain Serjeant who is unknown in that Department and his pay is stated at Seven Pagodas and forty fanams pr Month, either then there must be some unaccountable mistake in the general charge of 191 Pagodas for Servants Wages in this Department, or the Commissary must in this Charge have included his own pay and Batta besides making a double Charge for Servants. It is probable the Paymaster may mean to charge 141 Pagodas generally for the Servants of the Grain and 57 for those of the Victualling Department but the Board consider those Specified in the latter as sufficient for both. —

Bullocks.

With respect to the Draft and Carriage Cattle in this or in any other Department the Board are of Opinion as before observed, that the Agents should be obliged to furnish them at the Contract price The number required must depend upon the nature and Exigency of the Service of which the Commanding Officer only can be a competent Judge

and

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and his written Order must be a voucher for the charge

Ordnance and Stores

By the Returns it appears there are Six 6 Pro and 9 Tumbrils with this Detachment the Board therefore do not see for what reason 1 Mastry and 24 Mamotuy Coolies are charged. The Regulations admit only of 1 Cooly to each Gun, and No Mastry; Camaty Men are unknown in our Service, Camaty being only another word for Mamoty Men. It is possible they are meant as a Kind of Pioneers but no order Appears for their being Entertained, therefore the pay of all above the number of Twelve Mamoty Men and the Batta of both Mamoty and Camaty men, as well as the pay of the latter, are entirely Inadmissible Working Money in May for a Serjeant and Sowal natives charged at 152 Pagodas 12 fanams is no less exceptionable; Working Money is never granted but at a Siege when the Bill Specifies the Work done, the number of men employed and by whose Order: For Laborotary Work 147 Pos - 18 Ps - 40 C is charged, but there is no Report of the Work done or by whose Order, but this Surpasses the Monthly Charge of pequet Money paid in the Laborotary at Madras, where Stores are made up for the whole Coast. —

Medical Department.

The Charges for Bazar, Medicaments and Servants

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Servants are agreeable to the Regulations but the number of Doolies, Dooly Bearers and Mastries names, what is allowed to other Troops, but it must be remembered that this Detachment must carry their Sick with them, that they have no Carts for that purpose, nor any means of sending the worst cases to an Hospital for these reasons it may be perhaps necessary to grant them an extraordinary number and the Board think it may be fixed at Ten for the whole Detachment with 6 Bearers to each Dooly and 2 Mastries to Superintend the whole Tents. –

Tents

The Repair of Tents to this Detachment is one of the heaviest Charges and at the same time the most difficult to be Checked. It appears by Major Montonney's letter the forms laid down by the — Regulations have been duely observed, tho' the report has not forwarded to the Presidency. It is therefore to be hoped that no overcharge has been made on this Account at the same time the Board think it incumbent upon them to remark that weather must have been very unfavorable as mentioned in Major Montgomery's letter and likewise considerable damage must have been done to them by the negligence of the Lascars and Bullock Drivers who had charge of them, who must have

suffered

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suffered them unnecessarily to be torn by the bushes, otherwise they could not have required so much Repair, with respect to the prices of the Materials purchased for mending them, the Board find them much dearer than is charged for the same Articles at Madras. The Pay of Taylors and Chucklears is totally inadmissible, the Lascars belonging to the Service being always employed upon that Work and there being an Allowance of Chucklers to each Corps.—

After having reported upon every different branch of Disbursement, and made such observations upon each of them as they trust will enable Government to decide upon what is to be rejected and what admitted, the Board wish to make out such an Estimate of the future Expence of this Detachment as will serve as a Check upon former Expences, and likewise as a guide to the Commanding Officer and the Paymaster for their future Disbursements. But in order to render this Estimate complete and unexceptionable in all its parts, the Board must beg leave to Submit the following points to the consideration of Government

What Allowances are to be granted to the Officer Commanding this Detachment?

What Staff Officers are to be allowed?

Whether

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Whether Mamoty or Camaty Men or Pioneers are to be allowed beyond the Number fixed by the Regulations?

Whether Rice is always to be carried with this Detachment or they are to depend upon accidental supplies?

These preparatory points settled, the Board will endeavor to draw out an Estimate of the Monthly Expenses of this Detachment in which proper Allowances should be made for the peculiar Service in which they are employed these were not attended to in the former Estimates which were entirely unknown to the Military Board.

J. Capper
(signed) Patrick Ross

Appendix No. 1.

Account of pay Drawn for Major Montgomerys Detachment is Excess of Allowances as pr. Book Regulations

	Pay drawn	pr. Printed Regulations	Excess	
Pay	Pays 7 6	Pays 7 6	Pays 7 6	
Serjeant Major 29th Batt	10 . .	9 . .	1 . .	
Batta				
Europeans in General	2 20 50	2 13 70	6 60	
Havildars Naiques	1 . 50	39 70	2 60	At the Acct. be at 42
Sepoys and	1 . 50	39 70	1 60	do. do. at 41
1 Head Conceaply	10 . .	6 . .	4 . .	
1 Second do.	6 . .	4 . .	2 . .	

(signed) Danl. Inco
Secy. M. Bd.

Artificers

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Artificers with the Ordnance of Major Montgomery's Detachment. Account for August 1790

Artillery Artificers for 6 Pounders	Returned	allowed by the Regulations	Excess	Remarks
Mastry Carpenter	1	"	1	1 Mastry requisite of more than two Guns
Carpenters	6	3	3	
Mastry Smith	1	"	1	Do Do
Smiths	6	3	3	
Hammermen	7	3	4	
Bellow Boys	7	3	4	
Mastry Armourer	1	"	1	
Armourers	4	"	4	One Armourer allowed January
Chicledars	4	"	4	One Chicledar Do Do
Chucklars	3	"	3	One Chuckler Do Do

(signed) Dan. Ince
Secy M. B.

Appendix No 2

Extract of a letter from Major Montgomery to Mr Secretary Chamier dated 13th September 1790

Amongst a Number of little additions to my Expenditure, which (not wishing to swell this Letter to an unreasonable Compass) I forbear to enumerate, but which are required in Conformity to the established Customs here, and (tho' seperately inconsiderable) yet when taken together are a very burdensome

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burdensome Tax upon my present Allowances, I beg leave to mention one, of the necessity of which I was informed by the Nizam himself which was, the placing Kannauts or high Walls round my Tent a thing invariably practised by Persons of any Note here; and without which, as these People observe no Line of March and respect nothing which is not distinguished by such an Enclosure, I would be liable to have them ride thro' my Tent every Day — I have in consequence been obliged to provide a Set of them with two Camels for their Carriage (being too bulky to load on Bullocks) for neither of which Articles I have made a Charge on the Company — tho' I am induced to hope that the Board taking into Consideration these and the other unavoidable disbursements incedental to my Station, will be pleased to grant me such additional Allowance as they may deem adequate to the proper Support of it. —

A true Extract

(signed) Danl. Ince

Secry MBd

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Appendix No. 3

August 1790 Probable

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

Purchase of Rice 14 Garce 200 Mercalls @ 17 Pag.s 13 fan.s p Garce		2435. 30. –
Purchase of Salt 150 Seers @ 20 Per Pag.s		7. 21. –
Purchase of Sheep 100 @ 30 p.s each		71. 3. –
Purchase of Bullocks 20 @ 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 do. do.	at 1.° 21.ta	37. 21. –
10 drivers for the above at 2 each per day		13. 12. –
311 Bullocks for 25 days in August		388. 31. 40
6 Mastries at 3 f.s per day for 25 day		10. 30. –
105 Drivers for 25 days at 2 f.s per day		123. 3. –
622 Bullocks for 5 days		155. 21. –
12 Mastries for 5 day at 3 f.s per day		4. 12. –
207 Drivers for 5 days at 2 f.s 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 Boys	1. 12. –	14. 6. –

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Charges Extraordinary in the Grain Department

1 Grain Serjeants Pay and Batta	7.40 - "	
1 Writer	10 - " - "	
3 Conceoplies	12 - " - "	
6 Peons	16 - 5 - 40	
4 Measuring Men	10 - 38 - 40	57 - 6 - "
		3,684 - 29 - 40
Probable Stoppages from the Troops and Public Followers		1600 - " - "
	Total Current Pays	2084 - 19 - 40

E. E.
(Signed) R Malcolm
Commissary of Grain & Provisions

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Stewart Assist

A true Copy
(signed) Danl Ince Secry M Bd

The Board take into consideration and pass Resolutions upon the several Items referred to in the foregoing Report. -

The Board are concerned to observe by the Report now before them that so much Inattention has prevailed with regard to the Disbursements of Major Montgomery's Detachment - The printed Regulations for the guidance of the Paymaster have been deviated from in a variety of Instances and in that part of the Service not provided for by the Regulations

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Regulations the Commanding Officer who is to judge of and regulate the Contingency seems to have been equally inattentive. It is the Duty of a Major Montgomery to conduct the Service he is employed on with the same regard to Economy as if the expence of it were entirely defrayed by the Company, as the part which [illegible] devolves upon him with relation to the extraordinary [illegible] and incidental Charges is much more essential than that of the Paymaster who has the plainest [illegible] rules that can be laid down for his government — The Board are now proceed to pass their Orders on the Report. —

With regard to the transmission of Muster Rolls and Vouchers the Board are of Opinion that there should be regularly sent at the end of every Month, and as there may be some risk in forwarding them to the Presidency it is Resolved that the Paymaster be directed to send them with his Accounts to Captain Kennaway the Resident at the Nizam's Court for his Inspection and as the Expences of the Detachment are to be paid by the Nizam, and obtained by means of the Residents Application and authority it is further Agreed that all the Accounts relating to it be controuled by him, and the Commanding Officer and Paymaster directed to conform to his Instructions on this Subject —

Current

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Current Monthly Allowances

the Paymaster's charge of Batta
in three different capacities betrays such a total
want of Attention to the Regulations or so total
a disregard of them, that the Board think it nearly
sufficient of itself to disqualify him for his Office.
But there are other charges equally objectionable, and
must be refunded. The Government have allowed
no Staff with the Detachment, and except a Brigade
Major which may be permitted in consideration of
this particular Service, no other extra allowance
must be paid but upon a reception first made
to Captain Runaway, who will report it to the Nizam
if reasonable, and obtain his Concurrence.

The Board can admit of no allowance
being drawn by the Commanding Officer for the
expence of his Table. The Batta is meant as an
adequate Consideration for every Extra Charge, and
it is not expected that he should keep a Table for
his Officers who draw Batta also to enable them
to bear this expence. whatever attendants, or other
marks of distinction which the Nizam may
think it necessary or proper to allow to Major
Montgomery will have the Board's application,
but it must be the voluntary act of his Highness

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and admitted upon no other footing.—

Grain and Victualling

The expences of these Articles seems highly unreasonable.— The Board cannot judge of it's necessity and as this is a contingency which depends altogether upon the Commanding Officer, they must rely in great measure upon his prudence and circumspection. If Grain can be had in the Camp Bazar, it should have been purchased by the Troops and the Company relieved of this Heavy Expence. With regard to the allowance of dry Batta and the Charge for Servants in the Department of the Commissary of Grain.— The Board approve the Remarks of the Military Board, and agree that nothing be permitted which is not consistent with their Opinion upon this head.—

Bullocks

The Military Boards observation approved.

Ordnance and Stores

The same with respect to this Article and the Pay and Batta to Mamoty & Comaty Men must, wherever charged be refunded.—

Medical Department

The Number of Doolies and bearers for

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for the Sick to be fitted agreeably to the Military Board's Opinion.

The Expence of repairing Tents forms a very heavy Article, and the Board trust that particular attention will be paid by the Commanding Officer to the Care of the Tents in future. The Pay of Taylors and Chucklers must be refunded for the reason assigned by the Military Board.

The Board have now passed their Orders and Opinions upon every part of the Report except with regard to the Question whether Rice is always to be carried with the Detachments, or to be purchased occasionally as the Service may require. This Question they are incompetent to answer, and the Supply of Rice seems to depend so much on contingency that it may be difficult to form an estimate of this expence with any tolerable accuracy. In respect however to the Service in general, the Board are of Opinion that such an Estimate as the Military Board propose to form from the best Materials within their reach may be useful to Captain Kennaway in judging of the Accounts transmitted to him, and it is agreed to desire they will lay it before us as soon as possible. Resolved in the mean time that a Copy of the Military Board's

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Board's Report and of these Minutes be transmitted to Captain Kennaway with a printed Book of the Military Regulations, and that a Copy be sent to Major Montgomery for his direction and for the guidance of the Paymaster — Resolved also that the Paymaster Resolved also that the Paymaster be directed to refund every Charge which appears by the Military Board's Remarks to be unauthorized in the Regulations.

With respect to Mr Malcolm who acts as Paymaster and Commissary to the Detachment the Board cannot pass over his conduct without expressions of the strongest disapprobation and censure, but as the Irregularities he has committed may have proceeded in great measure from Inattention and want of experience in the Duties of his Employ, they are willing to hope he will profit by these Remarks and avoid any further consequences of their Displeasure.—

The Substance of the foregoing Resolutions to be communicated to Captain Kennaway & Major Montgomery & the Military Board

Agreed that Letters be immediately drafted to Captain Kennaway and Major Montgomery Conformably to the foregoing Regulations and that an Extract of the Minutes as above be sent to the Military Board.—

Read the following Letter from Captain Kennaway.— John

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John Chamier Esqre

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for the information of the Board a copy of my letter of this date to General Medows by which they will perceive that the no further application respecting an additional aid of our Troops has been made to me by the Nizam I do not conceive it is given up or if it was that it would be agreeable in me to withhold the Offer of it, if it can possibly be granted. a point concerning which I shall anxiously expect the Boards Commands

I have the honor to enclose an estimate which I have received from Major Montgomery of the expences of his Detachment for the Month of October to the very high amount of which, particularly to the charge for the Grain Department, I beg leave to call the Boards most serious attention. The this paper was forwarded to me so late as the 8th of the following Month it is only called an Estimate and is very different from the detailed monthly Abstracts specifying as well the precise number of the persons belonging to the different Establishments actually effective and who by the Madras regulations

From Captain Rennaway with Copy of his Letter to the Commander in Chief respecting the Cavalry that might be procured from the Nizam and his Highness's application for a reinforcement and Coast Troops Papers relating to the Monthly expences of Major Montgomery's Detachment. the high prices charged by the Paymaster for Rice issued to the Troops. 1

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regulations are entitled to pay and other allowances and stating clearly and separately under its own name each article of Contingent expence that has been necessarily incurred on of Officers and Soldiers" with which the Governor General under date 20th July directed me to acquaint Major Montgomery it was necessary I should be furnished previous to my advancing Money for the use of the Detachment the true manner in which the charge of Pagodas 5269. 39. 65 is made for Grain purchased without mentioning the date when it was made or what is remaining of it does not require being dwelt upon. There is no charge in this Estimate for Pay to the Commissary of Provisions or the large establishment of People in his Department nor for the expence of the Carriage Bullocks employed in transporting Grain all of which were formerly included which induces me to hope they will not be permitted to appear again. I do not understand what quantity a Garce or mercall consists of compared with a Maund or Seer which is our measure in Bengal but by a price Current I lately received from my own Writers stationed with Mohamdut Jung translate of which is enclosed rice sold in his Camp Bazar from the 1st October till the 6th of the same month at seven Seers the rupee which being the case there

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the Duties are very heavy, it might be cheaper in the Detachment Bazar in which the Duties have been remitted, and in the neighbouring villages the price must be much more moderate. I would therefore submit to the Board the idea mentioned to Major Montgomery in my letter of the 25th September, Copy of which was forwarded the 30th October whether the Company might not be relieved from this heavy article of expence / rice being already cheaper than it was when the Board approved of its being incurred and will continue to be more so as the rivers fall / by orders being sent to Major Montgomery or his Pay Master to make up the difference between the Bazar rate and and the rate allowed by the Company to the Sepoys in Money, and to purchase no more so long as rice is to be found in the Camp Bazar on the Company's Account.—

The Money which Major Montgomery mentions to have been paid by a Bill on Fort St. George to the Contractors at his own request is I conceive the same as that taken notice of by you in your letter of the 28 Ultimo as granted on account of there not being sufficient Cash in the Tumbril to discharge it in Camp While the Expences of the Detachment continue so enormous by high it will be

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be in vain for me to use the argument proposed in my letter to the Governor General of the 30th October or any other with a prospect of inducing the Nizam to agree to it. a Copy of this letter will be forwarded for the information of the Governor General in Council to Mr Secretary Hay to whom I request any resolution the Board may come to in consequence of the first or latter part of it may be communicated.

Paangul
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I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(signed) John Kennaway

P.S. Any additional force which we may be able to afford the Nizam might be assembled at Ellore and join him at this place or at Angole or the Guntoor Sircar and enter the Cummum District where there are not any Troops of the Enemy whose opposition need be apprehended and join those of his Highness's that are employed in besieging Cummum.

(signed) J. K

The Hon'ble Major General Medows
Governor and Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Hon'ble Sir

In a letter which I wrote to Mr Secretary Chamier under date the 11th Instant I requested to be informed whether it would prevail on the Nizam to detach a body of three or four thousand Horse at his Expence for the purpose of acting with

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with the Centre Army, the Board could take upon themselves
the charge of its being supplied with provisions and of for-
warding the advances necessary for its support which would
be made to me here, and also requesting to know in case
they approved of the measure, what route they would recom-
mend for its junction with Colonel Maxwell's Army. As
I have reason to think the Nizam might be prevailed
on to grant such an Aid the advantages of which are
too obvious to require being enlarged on if the above
points can be properly adjusted I shall be anxious to
receive their answer, and should think the Nyam's conduct
in case the negociation of this succour should terminate
to the satisfaction of Government will intitle him to a
similar return in respect to any additional aid of troops
which it may be practicable to afford him with. Nothing
further has been said on the subject since my last
possibly on account of my having acquainted his Highness
that independent of the difficulty there would be in -
complying with his wishes arising from the exertions
which had been made in assembling the two Armies we
have at present in the field the heavy expences of the war
would preclude a possibility of his proposal being agreed
to, unless he could agree to take upon himself the entire
expence which would attend it. I am not however conceive the
idea is given up or if it was that such an assistance ought
not to be offered, if it can be possibly done without inconvenience
to

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to ourselves. A point on which I hope the Board may be able to decide without reference or delay.

The check given to the Detachment under Kulb u din added to the dissatisfaction which before prevailed amongst the Troops of which it was composed has I understand occasioned almost the entire dispersion of that body. Kulb u din with the few that remained has lodged himself in Gutee. Part of the reinforcement which had marched from hence to join Mohaubut Jung was ordered by an express on account of the danger. Assud Ali Khan was supposed to be on to turn off and join the latter, and other Troops have marched to his assistance so that he will very soon have about him a respectable Army. Row Rumba will March tomorrow for Mohaubut Jungs Camp and it is intended after the reduction of Kopul that the whole shall assemble under the latters command when the mode in which it will be employed that is whether in reducing the Forts of Guty, Belharee, Gunjy Cotta and other holds situated on the enemy's Frontier or pushing more boldly into the heart of his Country will I imagine depend a good deal on your Motions. An earnestness prevails at present in the Nizam's exertions which in some degree makes up for the delays I have complained to you of so frequently.

I have the honor to be with great respect and truth

Paangul
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(signed) Wm J. Kennaway

A true copy
(signed) Wm Stewart
Assist.

Estimate

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Estimate of the Expences of Major Montgomery's Detachment for the Month of October 1790

1 Major	Pay for November	56. 10. 40.	
	Batta for October	124. " "	180. 10. 40.
1 2d Master	Pay for November	37. 21. "	
	Batta for October	49. 25. 16.	
	Horse Allowance	6. " "	
	Candles and Stationary Allowance	6. " "	
	3 Coolies do	6. " "	
	Pay as Lieut for November	18. 31. 40.	
	Sepoy Allowance for October	5. " "	
	Gratuity for do	7. 31. 40.	136. 25. 16.
1 Pay Master	Pay for November	37. 21. "	
	Batta for October	49. 25. 16.	
	1 Conceeply and writer	25. 30. "	
	2 Peons	3. 6. "	
	1 Shroff	2. 8. 32	
	Pay as Store Keeper	37. 21. "	155. 27. 48.

Artillery

1 Captain	41. 4. 2	11. 26. 20	49. 25. 16	102. 13. 38	each	102. 13. 38	
2 Lieutenants a	20. 13. 1	7. 31. 40	33. 2. 64	61. 14. 25	do	122. 28. 50	
1 Conductor	15. " "	" " "	24. 33. 48	39. 33. 48	do	39. 33. 48	
3 Serjeants a	7. 21. "	" " "	2. 20. 50	9. 41. 50	do	29. 40. 70	
4 Corporals a	6. 10. 40	" " "	2. 20. 50	8. 31. 10	do	34. 40. 40	
6 Gunners a	5. " "	" " "	2. 20. 50	7. 21. 50	do	44. 39. 60	
32 Matrosses a	3. 31. 40	" " "	2. 20. 50	6. 10. 10	do	199. 30. "	
1 Drummer, 1 Fifer a	3. 31. 40	" " "	2. 20. 50	6. 10. 10	do	12. 20. 20	

Allowance to 1 Serjeant Major 1 2d Mr Serjt 1 Drill Serjeant and 1 Drill Corporal 15. " " 604. 37. 6.

Allowance to 2 Camp Colourmen " " " 5. 38. "

1 Private of the Infantry	3. 5. 20	2. 20. 50	5. 25. 70	each	5. 25. 70	
1 Pensioned Private	2. 26. 50	2. 20. 50	5. 4. 70	do	5. 4. 70	10. 30. 60

Artillery Lascars

3 Syrangs a	7. 10.	2. 9. "	9. 19. "	do	28. 15. "		
6 First Tindal	2. 31. 75	1. 20. "	4. 9. 75	do	25. 17. 50		
6 Second do a	2. 10. 5	1. 20. "	3. 30. 5	do	22. 12. 30		
3 Peekalls a	2. " "	1. 4. 40	3. 4. 40	do	9. 13. 40		
167 Lascars a	2. " "	1. 4. 40	3. 4. 40	do	518. 37. 40		
1 Conceeply a	6. " "	4. " "	10. " "	do	10. " "	614. 12. "	

28th M Battalion

	Pay	Gratuity	Batta	Sepoy Allow	Total to each		
1 Captain	37. 21. "	11. 26. 20	49. 25. 16	"	98. 30. 36	ea	98. 30. 36
7 Lieutenants a	18. 31. 40	7. 31. 40	33. 2. 64	5	64. 23. 64	do	451. 40. 48

Carried over

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28th M Battalion Brought Over

1 Surgeon Assistant	15	3. 36. 60	24. 33. 48	43. 28. 28	ea	43. 28. 28	
1 Serjeant Major	10. 10. 40		2. 20. 50	12. 31. 10	do	12. 31. 10	
1 Quarter Master Serjeant	9. 10. 40		2. 20. 50	11. 31. 10	do	11. 31. 10	
1 Drill Serjeant	9. 10. 40		2. 20. 50	11. 31. 10	do	11. 31. 10	
5 Serjeants a	7. 10. 40		2. 20. 50	9. 31. 10	do	48. 29. 50	
10 Drummers, 2 Fifers } a	3		2. 20. 50	5. 20. 50	do	65. 37. 40	
10 Subadars a	13		4. 18	17. 18	do	174. 12	
10 Jemadars a	7		2. 9	9. 9	do	92. 6	
40 Havildars a	3		1. 50	4. 50	do	160. 25	
40 Naiques a	2. 14		1. 50	3. 14. 50	do	133. 39	
10 Peekalls a	1. 29. 40		1. 50	2. 30. 10	do	27. 7. 20	
707 Sepoys a	1. 29. 40		1. 50	2. 30. 10	do	1921. 4. 30	
45 Recruit Boys a				33	do	35. 15	
1 Assistant Commissary	4		2	6	do	6	5295. 32. 42

Artificers

1 Mastry	5. 21		2. 31. 40	8. 10. 30	do	8. 10. 40	
3 Armours a	2. 40		1. 20	4. 18	do	13. 12	
1 Carpenter a	2. 40		1. 20	4. 18	do	4. 18	
1 Smith a	2. 40		1. 20	4. 18	do	4. 18	
1 Hammerman	2. 9		1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do	3. 13. 40	
1 Bellows Boy	36		18	1. 12	do	1. 12	
1 Chuckledar	2. 9		1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do	3. 13. 40	
1 Chuckler	2. 9		1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do	3. 13. 40	41. 27

29th M Battalion

	Pay	Gratuity	Batta	Sepoy Allow	Total to each		
1 Captain	37. 21	11. 26. 20	49. 25. 16		29. 30. 36	ea	98. 30. 36
5 Lieutenants a	18. 31. 40	7. 31. 40	33. 2. 64	5	64. 23. 64	do	322. 35
1 Ensign	15	3. 36. 60	24. 33. 48	4	47. 28. 28	do	47. 28. 28
1 Serjeant Major	10. 10. 40		2. 20. 50		12. 31. 10	do	12. 31. 10
1 Qr Master Serjeant	9. 10. 40		2. 20. 50		11. 31. 10	do	11. 31. 10
1 Drill Serjeant	9. 10. 40		2. 20. 50		11. 31. 10	do	11. 31. 10
3 Serjeants	7. 10. 40		2. 20. 50		9. 31. 10	do	29. 9. 30
10 Drummers, 2 Fifers }	3		2. 20. 50		5. 20. 50	do	65. 37. 40
10 Subadars a	13		4. 18		17. 18	do	174. 12
10 Jemidars a	7		2. 9		9. 9	do	92. 6
40 Havildars a	3		1. 50		4. 50	do	160. 25
40 Naiques a	2. 14		1. 50		3. 14. 50	do	133. 39
10 Peekalls a	1. 29. 40		1. 50		2. 30. 10	do	27. 7. 20
1 Black Doctor	1. 29. 40		1. 50		2. 30. 10	do	2. 30. 10
723 Sepoys a	1. 29. 40		1. 50		2. 30. 10	do	1964. 24. 30

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30 Lascarin Boys					
1 Head Conserfty	6. -	4. -	10. -	do 10. -	
1 Serang do	4. -	2. -	6. -	do 6. -	33 11. 11. 64
Artificers					
1 Master	5. 21. -	2. 31. 40.	8. 10. 40	do 8. 10. 40	
4 Carpenters @	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 17. 32. -	
1 Carpenter	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 4. 18. -	
1 Smith	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 4. 18. -	
1 Hammerman	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. 40	
1 Bellows Boy	- 36. -	- 18. -	1. 12. -	do 1. 12. -	
1 Chunkdar	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. 40	
1 Chunkar	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. 40	46 3. -
Artillery Artificers					
1 Master Carpenter	5. 21. -	2. 31. 40.	8. 10. 40	do 8. 10. 40	
6 Carpenters @	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 26. 24. -	
1 M. Smith	5. 21. -	2. 31. 40	8. 10. 40	do 8. 10. 40	
6 Smith @	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 26. 24. -	
3 Hammerman @	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 23. 10. 40	
3 Bellows Boys @	- 36. -	- 18. -	1. 12. -	do 9. - -	
1 M. Armourer	5. 21. -	2. 31. 40	8. 10. 40	do 8. 10. 40	
4 Armourers @	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 17. 32. -	
3 Chunkdars @	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 9. 40. 40	
4 Chunkars @	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 13. 12. -	151. 4. 40.
Dr Master of the Artillery Artificers					
1 M. Carpenter	5. 21. -	3. 13. 40.	8. 10. 40	do 8. 10. 40	
1 Carpenter	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 4. 18. -	
1 Armourer	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 4. 18. -	
1 Smith	2. 40. -	1. 20. -	4. 18. -	do 4. 18. -	
1 Hammerman	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. -	
1 Bellows Boy	- 36. -	- 18. -	1. 12. -	do 1. 12. -	
1 Chunkdar	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. 40.	
1 Chunkar	2. 9. -	1. 4. 40.	3. 13. 40	do 3. 13. 40	32. 33. -
Civil Lascars					
4 Syrangs @	7. 10. -	2. - 9. -	9. 10. -	do 37. 34. -	
8 Tindals @	2. 21. -	1. 20. -	3. 41. -	do 34. 34. -	
161 Lascars @	2. -	1. - 4. 40	3. 4. 40	do 502. 10. 40	
1 Conserfty					8. - - 577. 36. 40
2 Dooly Masters @	2. 21	1. 20. -	3. 41.		7. 40. -
56 Dooly Boys @	2. -	1. - 50.	3. - 50.		168. 35. -
					176. 33. -

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Brought Over				176.33 .	
1 Mamety Mastry	3. 12. 48	1. 20. .	4. 32. 48 @ 4. 32. 48		
24 Mamety Men	@ 1. 35. 40	1. . 50	2. 36. 10 @ 68. 27. .	73. 17. 48	
2 Camauty Mastries	3. 12. 48	1. 20. .	4. 32. 48 do 4. 32. 48		
30 Camauties	@ 1. 35. 40	1. . 50	2. 36. 10 do 85. 33. 60	95. 14. 76	345. 23. 44
Allowance to 1 Black Adjutant of the 28th M Battalion					5. . .
Do to 1 Black Adjutant of the 29th Do					5. . .
Do to Drill Havildars and Naigues of the 28th M Battn					2. 21. .
Do to Do Do of the 29th Do					2. 21. .
1 Adjutant of the 28th M Battalion his Pay				18. 31. 40	
Candles and Stationary Allo				2. 21. .	
Horse Allowance				6. . .	
Coolies				4. . .	31. 10. 40
1 Adjutant of the 29th Do his Pay and Allowances as do do					31. 10. 40
1 Dr Master Serjeant of the Detachment his Allowance					4. . .
1 Sub Conductor					12. 23. .
Artillery Europeans and Staff					
11 Puckalls Bullocks	3. 8. 32	1. 20	4. 28. 32 @	51. 18. 32	
28th M Battalion					
10 Puckalls Bullocks	@ 3. 8. 32	1. 20	4. 28. 32 @	46. 32. .	
29th M Battalion					
10 Puckalls Bullocks	@ 3. 8. 32	1. 20	4. 28. 32 do	46. 32. .	
Artillery Lascars					
3 Puckalls Bullocks	@ 3. 8. 32	1. 20	4. 28. 32 do	14. 1. 16	158. 41. 48
Surgeons Hospital Allowance and Charges &c for Octobe					
Allowance for Medical Servants				10. . .	
Do for Bazar Medicins wine &c for the use of the European Serjeants belonging to the 28 M Battn				15. . .	
Do for Bazar Medicins Wine &c for the use of the Artillery of Captain Tutts Company				12. . .	
4 Coolies Employed in the Carriage of Medicins Medical Stores &c belonging to Captain Tutts Company of Artillery				8. . .	
Attendants upon the Sick in the Regimental Hospital of Captain Tutts Company of Artillery				6. . .	
1 Servant for the Apothicary duty with the Artillery				5. . .	
1 M. and 6 Coolies for the Carriage of the Medicins Medical Stores and Surjecal Instruments belonging to the 28th M Battalion				14. . .	
1 M and 6 Coolies for the Carriage of the Medical Stores and Surjecal instruments belonging to the 29th M Battalion				14. . .	
Allowance for Supplying Bazar Medicins wine &c for the use of the European Serjeants belonging to the 29th M Battalion				15. . .	
Do for Medical Servant for the 29th M Battalion				10. . .	109. . .

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Working Money paid to the undermentioned Men

28th M. Battalion

2 Serjeants Employed in dragging the Guns and Tumbrils 4 days in September at 11 Tas pr day each			7	
			88	
2 Subadars	do	@ 11 do	88	
2 Jemadars	do	@ 5½ do	44	
8 Haveldars	do	@ 4 do	128	
8 Naigues	do	@ 4 do	128	
2 Drummers	do	@ 5½ do	44	
2 Puckalls	do	@ 3 do	24	
144 Sepoys	do	@ 3 do	1728	2272
1 Subadar Employed in erecting Batteries 1 day in October			11	
1 Jemedar	do	do	5.40	
3 Haveldar	do	do @ 4 Tas pr day	12	
3 Naigues	do	do 4 do	12	
2 Puckalls	do	do 3 do	6	
55 Sepoys	do	do 3 do	165	211.40
				2483.40 @
		42 Tas pr Pagoda		59.5.40

29th M. Battalion

2 Serjeants Employed in Dragging the Guns and Tumbrils 4 day in September @ 11 Tanames pr day each			88	
2 Subadars	do	@ 11 do	88	
2 Jemedars	do	do 5.40 do	44	
8 Haveldars	do	do 4 do	128	
8 Naigues	do	do 4 do	128	
2 Drummers	do	do 5.40 do	44	
2 Fifers	do	do 5.40 do	44	
2 Puckalls	do	do 3 do	24	
144 Sepoys	do	do 3 do	1728	2316
2 Jemedars Employed in erecting Batteries 1 day in October at 5.40 pr day each			11	
3 Haveldar	do	do @ 4 do	12	
3 Naigues	do	do @ 4 do	12	
2 Puckalls	do	do @ 3 do	6	
55 Sepoys	do	do @ 3 do	165	
1 Carpenter	do	do	4	210
				2526
		42 Tas pr Pagodas		60.6.–

1 Sepoy of the 29th Battalion his Pay and Batta for August September and October — 8.5.–

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6 Sepoys of the 29th M Battalion their Pay and Batta for October at 2. 30. 10. ea						8. 5. "
Extra Subsistance to Six Sepoys						16. 12. 60
6 Sepoys Recruits a 7 Pagoda ea						4. 14. "
Allowance to 1 Drum Major and 1 Fife Major of the 28th M Battalion						3. " "
do to 1 do & 1 do of the 29th do						1. 10. 40
						1. 35. 40 — 34. 35. 60

Sepoys Draft from Ellore

	Pay for Nov	Batta for Sept	Batta for Sept	Sepoy Allow		
2 Lieutenants a	18. 31. 40	7. 31. 40	65. 2. 64	5. " "	96. 23. 64	193. 5. 48
2 Ensigns a	15. " "	3. 36. 60	48. 33. 48	4. " "	71. 22. 28	143. 4. 56
1 Lieutenant Sepoy Allowance for September						5. " "
2 Serjeants a	7. 10. 40		6. 41. 50		14. 10. 10 ea	28. " " — 369. 30. 44

17 M Battalion

	Pay for Oct	Batta for Sept			
80 Sepoys		1. 41. 70	1. 41. 70	do	159. 32. "
9 do a	1. 29. 40	2. 35. 50 & 26 days	4. 23. 10	do	40. 40. 10
1 Jemidar a	7. " "	4. 39. "	11. 39. "	do	11. 39. "
2 Havildars a	3. " "	2. 10. 70	5. 10. 70	do	10. 21. 60
2 Naigues a	2. 14. "	2. 10. 70	4. 24. 70	do	9. 7. 60
1 Drummer a	3. " "	5. 22. 70	8. 22. 70	do	8. 22. 70
1 Pickall a	1. 29. "	2. 10. 70	3. 40. 30	do	3. 40. 30
21 Sepoys a	1. 29. "	2. 10. 70	3. 40. 30	do	83. 7. 70 — 328. 1. 60

26th M Battalion

1 Subadar	13. " "	8. 30. "	21. 30. "	ea	21. 30. "
1 Jemidar	7. " "	4. 15. "	11. 15. "	do	11. 15. "
2 Havildars	3. " "	1. 41. 70	4. 41. 70	do	9. 41. 60
2 Naigues	2. 14. "	1. 41. 70	4. 13. 70	do	8. 27. 60
68 Sepoys a	1. 29. 40	1. 41. 70	3. 29. 30	do	251. 23. 40
9 do	1. 29. 40	2. 35. 50 & 26 days	4. 23. 10	do	40. 40. 10 — 344. 10. 10

Lascars belonging to Ellore

6 Lascars a	4. " "	2. 25. "	6. 15. "		38. 6. "
1 do	2. " "	1. 39. from 9th Sept to 31st Oct	3. 39. "		3. 39. " — 712. 3

Commanding Officers Bills

1 Hircarah Jemidar	10.	
1 Do Naick	5.	
30 Hircarahs	90.	
2 Chubdars	8.	
2 Peons	6.	119.
1 Linguist		10.
1 Persian Writer		15.
Secret Intelligence		190
10 Bamboo Coolies		23. 31. 12
2 Black Writer		10.
Elephant feeding charges		31.
3 Flagemen		3. 41. 32.

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Commanding Officer's bills continued

Subsistance to Back Prisoners	10.		
6 Tippall Peons	9. 16. 16.		
Presents 4 Mohaibut Jungs Servants	20.	M.P. 441. 42. 44. or C.Pag.s	486. 4. 60
Grain and Provisions			
Rice Purchased			
Garces M.Surs			
21 - 31 11 of Rice at 250 Pag.s p. Garce	5269. 39. 65		
248 Sheep purchased at 18 Fas. p. each	106. 12. "		
50 Marcalls of Salt @ 36 f.s p. Marcall	42. 36. "		
Contractors for Draught and Carriage and Cattle to the Army their Bills for April, May, June & July	3783. 21. 32	9,202. 25. 17.	
Stoppages			
From the fighting men	1290. 38. 35.		
From the Public Followers	262. 32. "		
From the Private Ds	738. 4. "	2,291. 32. 35.	6910. 34. 62
		Current Pagodas	18,404. 24. 64

Camp Copoulle
7th November 1790

E. E.
(signed) Robt Malcolm
Pay Master

N.B. the Pay of the Assistant Surgeon of the 28 Battalion should be charged as a Lieutenant agreeable to late Government Orders difference 15. 23. 64

A true Copy
(signed) Wm Stewart Assist.t
at Hyderabad

Translate

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Translate of Price Current in Mohaubut Jung's Camp from the 1 October till the 6 of the same month received from Mulhar Pundit Captain Kennaway's News Writers in that Chiefs Camp.—

Course rice	7	Seer	per Rupee
Very fine do	5	do	do
Ghee	1½	do	do
Oil	1¾	do	do
Coolty	7	do	do
Gram	6	do	do
Dall-Toor	5¾	do	do
Dall-Mony	5½	do	do
Salt	4	do	do
Mash	5½	do	do
Jowhir	6½	do	do
Bajirah	6¾	do	do
Wheat	4½	do	do
Sugar fine	1	do	do
Do Course	1½	do	do
Goor	4	do	do

A true Translate

(signed) Wm. Stewart

Assist.

Extract

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Extract of a letter from Major Montgomery to Captain Kennaway
dated Camp before Kopul 8th November 1790.—

I now transmit the Pay Masters Abstract for November from which however a considerable — deduction is to be made for the Bullock Contractors Bills for April, May, June, and July which tho' — inserted in the Abstract, have not been paid from the Money received from the Nizam, but by the — Pay Masters Bill on Fort St George at the Contractors own request.

The preparing the inclosed Abstract has occasioned the alteration of the one you returned me which will however be finished and sent back to you by the next Tappal.—

A true Extract
(signed) Wm. Stuart Agent

Translate of an Extract of a Paper of Intelligence from Poonah from the 17th Suffir till the 24th of the same Month or from the 27th October to the 3d November 1790

In the afternoon of the 19th Suffir or 29th October Balajee Pundit and Hurry Punt attended the Peishwahs Durbar and after transacting in the course of

of an hour the current business retired with the Peishwah to a private apartment to which the Superintendent of the Camp Equipage was summoned and received orders to have his Department in reading the Superintendents of the Elephants and Camels were also directed to recal the Cattle from Foraging quarters and the Cavalry Agents to Assemble the Pahgaw at Poonah — the Durbar closed in the Evening and the Chiefs retired to their respective Houses —

In the afternoon of the 22d Suffer or 1st November Balajee Pundit, Hurry Punt Turkiah and Behro Punt Meidly held a private consultation and Luchman Rao Rausta arriving to negotiate in favor of the evil Minded Tippoo was admitted to it. he shewed to Balajee Pundit some letters which he had received from the said Tippoo requesting his (Rausta) interference to prevail on the Poonah Ministers to alter their late plans and Counsels, to break with the English, to drop their Warlike preparations and neither to assist the English or him, and agreeing on condition of their compliance to pay without wasteen whatever by way of present to the Peishwah and Nuzzer to the Nizam may be determined on Rausta accordingly treated on this subject and whatever

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whatever may be the event I will hereafter represent — Rausta, after some conversation with Balajee Pundit — retired and the other Chiefs remained at the Consultation till Evening. —

A true Translation
(signed) Wm Stewart Assist:

Minute thereon

The Board have already resolved that the Propositions transmitted by Captain Kennaway respecting an additional Force to be sent to the Nizam be referred to the consideration of the Governor General, who is shortly expected at this Presidency —

Do

Resolved that an Extract of that part of Captain Kennaway's Letter which relates to the Monthly Accounts of Major Montgomery's Detachment be sent to the Military Board, and that they be requested to report thereon. —

Do

Resolved that the attention of the Military Board be particularly called to the enormous charges in Mr Malcolm's Accounts under the Article of Grain purchased for the use of the Detachment under the Command of Major Montgomery. —

Read the following Letter from — Bengal

The

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The Honble the Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Hon'ble Sirs,

From Bengal acquiescing in the Request made by His Highness the Nabob respecting the appointment of Persons for ascertaining the Balance and home his Highness & the Company their instructions in consequence —

We have received your Letter dated the 6th Instn, and have only occasion to reply to that Part of it in which you acquaint us that the Nabob had announced to you that he had appointed Mr Brooy and Rannow to ascertain from the Company's Books what just balance is due by his Highness to the — Company, and had also added a request that you would nominate two Persons on the part of the Company for the same purpose.

We have the greatest confidence in the correctness of the statements of the Nabobs Accounts which have been already made, under the inspection of your Board, by your Accountant General, and we therefore do not imagine that the Balance would be materially affected by any further investigation. But, as we think it desirable that his Highness should if possible have no ostensible ground for complaint or dissatisfaction at the manner in which his Account has been made up with the Company, we — recommend that he may be indulged in his — present request, and that you may appoint one or two capable Company's Servants to meet the two

Persons

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Persons, who have been Nominated by him, in order to
give them, under your Guidance and with the Assistance
of Directions, from your Accountant General the —
fullest explanation of the Justice of every Item either
of charge against him, or of Credit which has been
stated by the Authority of your Board in his Highness's
public Account with the Company. —

We have the Honor to be

Fort William
5th November 1790

&c &c &c
Cornwallis
[signed] Peter Speke

Minute thereon

Agreed in Conformity to the above that the
Accountant General be directed to instruct his Deputy and
one of his Assistants to remove the Nabob's Agents and
to enter into an investigation of the Nabob's Account
with the Company in the manner prescribed. —

Agreed also that a Letter be drafted
to His Highness the Nabob communicating to him
the above Resolution. —

Do

Read the following Letter from Colonel
De Waugenheim —

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

from Colonel de Waugenheim requesting instructions relative to the reinlisting the Hanoverians whose terms of engagement expires on the 1st December

Sir,

As the time again approaches; when a
new reinlistment of our Soldiers must take place in
order

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order to enable the Regiments of furnishing the Men for Garrison Duty on and after the 1st of December and having received no Instructions from the Honble Company respecting the new Agreement, I request that you will be pleased to give the necessary Orders to the Pay Office, to advance to each of the Regiments now, the Sum of 500 Star Pagodas; for the purpose of continuing the Engagement of the Men for six Months.—

At the same time I take the Liberty once more to represent how much more profitable it would be if the new Agreement with the two Regiments could be entered into, immediately, on Account of the far greater Number of Men who would then reinlist,—because the more considerable the offered Bounty the more successfully will be the Reinlistment—

I have the Honor to remain with Respect &c &c

Madras
24th November 1790

signed Wangenheim
Colonel

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Hanoverians whose time expires on the 7th of next Month be reinlisted for a further term of three Months and that the necessary Advance of 500 Pagodas be made for the purpose.—

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board —

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President in Council

Sir

We have been honored with Mr Secretary Chamier's letters of the 12th, 15 and 17th Instant

The Repairs recommended by Captain Flint to the Works of Tiagar were considered by us in June last, when we also represented to you the necessity of their being immediately Undertaken, and as no new Matter appears in the letter now referred to us, We think it only necessary to repeat that recommendation, and that an Issue of 341 Pagodas the Amount of the Estimate, be ordered to Lieutenant Humming, who has long been stationed at Tiagar for the purpose in question.

With respect to laying up a Store of Provisions in Tiagar, We beg leave to refer to our report of the 5th March, in which our deliberations on the Subject were fully stated In general the Pettah of Tiagar is sufficiently furnished with the Articles applied for if however, the Usual supply is, from any unforeseen circumstances, now Wanting. We are of Opinion that the Commissary General

From the Military Board recommending the Execution of the Repairs wanting to the Fort of Tiagar — the laying up three Months Store of Provisions in that Garrison — the purchase of 20,000 Field Flints & that the ordnance and Stores in the Garrison of Trepassore be withdrawn to the Presidency excepting such as may be required for the Troops stationed there —

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General of Grain and Provisions should be directed to make an Estimate of the Expence of providing a sufficiency of these Articles for a Garrison Store of three Months. This We think, as great a supply as may be immediately required, and to purchase more Articles of a perishable Nature would be only subjecting the Company to a very heavy and Unnecessary Expence.

The Lascars mentioned by Captain Flint were originally sent to assist in the Engineers Department at Tiagar, but as they were consequently attached to that Garrison and have been apparently unemployed, for upwards of a Twelvemonth, We are at a loss to understand the Necessity of employing Sepoys under such circumstances. If Captain Flint entertained any doubt of the propriety of Ordering them to work, an earlier Application for Information would have obviated the Inconvenience complained of.

In our report of the Instant We informed you of our Disappointment in the Number of Field Flints received from Bengal, 20,000 has since been tendered to Us for sale which appear of a good quality, altho' their price exceeds by 33 Fanams that charged in the Military Store=Keeper's Books, but as there are only 97,000 now remaining in Store, We submit whether the

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purchase may not be made —

We take leave to remark on the Authority you have been pleased to give us for regulating the Carriage of Tent Appendages that however disposed we might be to an Augmentation of Bullocks, in Order to secure the Tents from damage, Yet considering the present Situation of the Center Army, and of the public Service in General, We can not take upon ourselves the immediate Adoption of such a Measure. —

Captain Hall has represented to Us that the greatest part of the Stores at Trepassore are unserviceable and that they chiefly consist of Ordnance Stores — And as there are no Guns in that Garrison, We recommend their being withdrawn to this Presidency, excepting such Articles as may be required for the Troops stationed there. —

We have examined the Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory which are regularly brought up to the End of last Month —

We have the Honor to be
&c &c &c
J. Capper
(signed) Patrick Ross

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Government

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Minute thereon

Government approve and confirm the several Parts of the foregoing and it is Agreed that the necessary Orders be issued in Consequence.—

Two letters from Captain Read at Amboor.

The Acting President lays before the Board two letters from Captain Read as entered in Miscellany Book No. 149 150. Containing Accounts of Acts of Violence and Rapacity being committed by Appoojee Row Renter of Tripatore and detailing some Offers of Polygars to possess themselves of some Posts in the Enemys Country on Account of the Company.—

Minute on the two Letters above mentioned

As there exists no doubt of the truth of the charges against Appoojee Row it is Agreed that Captain Read be instructed to have his Person seized and sent to Madras.— Agreed also that the Board of Revenue be desired to direct Mr Kindersley, whose Charge is Contiguous to the Countries which have taken Covile, to send a proper Person to collect the Revenue in the District of Tripatore, and to cause the Property which has been plundered to be restored

The Acting President lays before the Board several Cowlenamas of which the following is a Translation.—

Copy.

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Copy of Coule Nama granted to.

Town of a Coule Namah proposed to be granted to eight Poligars in the Baramaul country

Rugho Nykul Nyr Polligar of Gutt and Goomnyr pollam
Cuddry Putty Nyr of Soonogoonta
Mullup Nyr of Doodypilly
Vangtup Nyr of Goonlapilly
Mallap Nyr of Cokoontee
Jippapa Nyr of Mudelimooruz
Ballaur Nyr of Pilpollom
Mallap Nyr of Soampilly

By Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

"The Governor of Chanapatam to —— polligar of —

"I hereby grant you Coule, and promise in "the event of conquering the enemy's Country, that is to say, "Mysore, to restore you to your inheritance, on the usual "condition of tinwie; that without delay, you Assemble "your people, Join the English army, put yourself under "the general who commands it, and exert yourself to the "utmost in your power in collecting cattle and provision "for, the Army, in taking possession of your own lands, "in conciliating the inhabitants to the English Govern-"ment, and, that you act in all other matters matters "agreeably to the orders you may receive from the "said General, and that after the war, you regularly "pay your stipulated paishkeesh, from time, to time to the

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the Company. — I give you this writing with the said that it may hereafter be considered of the same effect as a Sanned. — The 15th of Rubby Ul Ouvul A. H. 1205. — the 23d November A.D. 1790

Agreed that the Acting President be requested to sign them, and direct them to be forwarded to Captain Read, for delivery to the Parties concerned.

Minute thereon

Resolved that Captain Read be desired to Communicate to the Commander in Chief, all Plans of ~~conquest~~ in the Enemy's Country and to request his Orders thereon.

Do

Exd Chas. Carpenter " Chas. Oakeley
" J Hudleston

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Substance of a Letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob as entered in 66. N° 261 / advising of the Concurrence of the Bengal Government in his Highness's wish that Messrs Binny and Ramsay should be allowed on the Part of his Highness to examine the Books of the Company regarding the Balance due to them from this Highness two of the Assistants under the accountant General will be ready to attend them on the Part of the Company.—

Substance of a Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah

Received Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah / as entered in 66 N° 262 / annexing Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell wherein he requires the Board's sanction to enable him to pay Batta to his People — requesting that the necessary orders may be immediately issued — and again adverting to his Right of Precedency in beating the Navarah in Camp.—

Sent the following Letters &

to Major — Montgomery and Captain Runnaway.

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To 26th Major Montgomery

Commanding the Detachment

Serving with the Nizam's Army

Sir,

To Major Montgomery Captain Kennaway's remarks upon the Expences of his Detachment to be strictly attended to by himself and the Paymaster of economy particularly recommended the Nizam to answer all demands for Cash — copies of the Military Board's Report upon the expences of his Detachment and of the Board's Resolutions thereon enclosed the Sepoys to furnish their own Rice — the price Current of the Nizam's Bazar to be regularly transmitted. —

The Board have received your several Letters, the last dated the 27th Ultimo and have been furnished by Captain Kennaway with the Copies of the Correspondence which has passed between you and him — They think it necessary without loss of time to express their disapprobation of any idea, that Captain Kennaway's Remarks and Strictures upon the Expences of the Detachment under your Command should not be attended to in the fullest Manner by Mr. Malcolm and yourself. —

The Situation of Captain Kennaway as Resident at the Nizams Court, employed in an important and confidential Trust, requires the greatest attention from you who are upon a Service for the expence of which the Nizam is to provide it is expected therefore that you Correspond Constantly with him aswell as with Government and the Commander in Chief, and that you

consider

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consider him as the Source from whence you
are to derive Supplies of Money for the Payment of
the Troops under your Command - and as such
Supplies, if required to the excessive Amount which
has lately appeared, will be with great difficulty
obtained from the Rajam, it behoves you to
inspect all Charges in the most scrupulous manner,
and not to countenance any which may be thought
objectionable -

Every contingent expence not
provided for by the Regulations, can only be authorized
and contrould by the Commanding Officer, who will
be held responsible for the Propriety of all such
charges and must report them regularly with his
reasons of allowing them. This remark applies to
what you wrote to the Resident at Hydrabad
under date the 3d. November 1790 -

The Military Board having
reported to Government upon the Accounts and
Papers transmitted by Captain Ronnaway
on the 30th. Ultimo, and those Report having been
taken into consideration, a Copy of it with the
minute of Government is now transmitted
for your Information and Guidance as well as

that

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that of the Paymaster to whom you will communicate

You will be pleased to intimate to Mr. Malcolm that he is not to repeat his Drafts upon the Presidency — all applications for pecuniary Wants are to be made to the Resident at Hydrabad who will attend to them —

The enormous charges for the Purchase of Grain having particularly attracted the attention of Government it is resolved that the sepoys shall purchase their own rice, and be p the difference between the Buzar Price of Rice and the Price allowed by the Company if the former be highest and the Board desire you will direct the Paymaster to transmit a price current of the Nizams Buzar properly attested from the Sum you joined his troops and to dispatch the same in future monthly with his accounts —

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) John Chamier

Fort St. George

26th Novr. 1790.

To Captain Kennaway

Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 26th and 30th Ultimo — 1st 7th and 11th Instant with the

To Captain Kennaway the consideration of the Nizams application for troops defrayed till the arrival of the Governor General enclosing copy of the Reports of the Military Board upon Major Montgomery's account Bond of the Letter written to that officer in consequence forwarding a set of Printed Regulations —

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Enclosures. Those addressed to Major General Medows were forwarded them. —

The Governor General of Bengal being expected at this Presidency early in next Month, the Board have judged proper to defer, until his Lordship's arrival, the consideration of your Letters of the 7th and 11th Instant relating to the sending an additional Force to serve with the Nizam's Army, and to the preserving a Body of His Highness's Cavalry to serve with the Carnatic Army. —

Government having directed the Military Board at the Presidency to report upon the accounts and Papers transmitted with your Letter of the 30th ultimo they have complied with such Directions, and their Report being received a Copy of it is now enclosed with an Extract from the Minutes of Council, and a Copy of the Letter written to Major Brontgomery — in consequence. —

Government are perfectly disposed to support your Lordship's intentions for checking the excessive Expences of the Detachment serving with the Nizam's Army

and

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and they have given directions that the accounts be sent to you for that purpose and your remarks upon them attended to.—

Your Letter of the 18th is received and will very soon be replied to.—

I enclose by Order a Set of the Printed Regulations at this Presidency and have the honor to be.—

Fort St. George
26th November 1790.—

&c. &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. No. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160.—

To the Accountant General.—

To the Accountant General to attend his Deputy and one of his Assistants to be ready to receive Messrs. Benny and Ram Row in his office whenever they may appear for the purpose of investigating the Nabob's account with the Company.—

To the Deputy Garrison & Storekeeper.—

To the Deputy Garrison or Storekeeper directing him to issue Rice from the Stores agreeably to the General Order of the 18th Instant.—

To

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To the Collectors at Tanjore

To the Collectors at Tanjore — enclosing a Letter from the acting President to the Rajah and Copy for their Information directing that the original be delivered by the Reverend Mr Swartz

To the Commandant at Tiagar

To the Commandant at Tiagar — enclosing Copy of the Military Board's Report & respecting repairs to that Fort — Lieutenant Hennay to proceed to the Execution of them the Expence not to exceed the Estimate —

To the Commandant at Ambour

To the Commandant at Ambour — directing him to send a Detachment to Trichatore and seize the person of Sprague Row who is to be sent a Prisoner to the Presidency — a person will be appointed by the Board of Revenue to take of the Management of the District of Trichatore — enclosing the Cowlenamas to be given to the Polygars in the Baramaul —

To the Board of Inland Revenue

To the Board of Inland Revenue — advising of the orders abovementioned for the Seizure of the Person of Sprague Row late Manager of Trichatore — Mr Kindersley to be instructed to appoint a Successor — enclosing a Petition of two Persons who have been plundered by Sprague orders to be given for the Restoration of the Property if it can be effected —

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To the Military Board.—

To the Military Board approving their recommendations respecting, repairs to the Fort of Tiagar, the Purchase of Flints, and the withdrawing the ordnance Stores from Tripassore forwarding Extract of the Minutes of the Board upon their Report on the accounts of Major Montgomery's Detachment and the Papers last received from Captain Kennaway, upon which their further report is required the Estimate for the Monthly expences of that Detachment as proposed in their Letter of the 21st Instant to be drawn out and laid before the Board without loss of Time.—

To Captain R. Walls of the Invalids.—

To Captain R. Walls of the Invalids the Letters relating to his Situation in the Army to be addressed to the Commander in Chief agreeably to the Custom of the Service.—

To Mr. Secretary Hay.—

To Mr. Secretary Hay enclosing Copy of the Military Board's report on the accounts of Major Montgomery's Detachment, and an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation containing the Board's Resolutions thereon.—

To the officer Commanding the Northern Division.—

To the officer Commanding the Northern Division Lieutenant Batchelor permitted

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27th permitted to proceed to the Presidency agreeably to his recommendation under Date the 18th Instant.—

28th Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in MB. Nos 161 162. 163 164.—

From Lieutenant McKerras at Irenomalee.— From Lieutenant McKerras in vendication of his Conduct in seizing the Cattle from the Peons of Chokapa Naig requests the Board's will send him instructions relative to the Mode of distributing them to their proper owners.—

From the Resident at Cuddalore.— From the Resident at Cuddalore will pay strict attention to orders of the Board & respecting the expenditure of Gun Powder.—

From Mr. Robert Dashwood.— From Mr. Robert Dashwood requesting the interference of Government to procure the Payment of Bond on the Nabob Omdet ul Omrah given in Favor of Mr. Kay formerly Paymaster at Trichinopoly offering to lend the amount (Vezt. Pagt. 77 148) to the Company if recovered.—

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar.— From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar in vendication of his Conduct in sending an Havildar's Guard to protect the Inhabitants in the vicinity of the Chentapully Zemindar enclosing a Return of the troops & composing the Garrison of Innacondah will

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shew the Impossibility of his employing with the Requisitions of the Committee for Military aid.—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. No. 165 166.—

To Colonel De Wangenhum.—

To Colonel De Wangenhum an advance of Pag.s 500 will be made for the reinlistment of the Men for three Months whose term will expire on the 7th December next the subject of the future Disposal of his Majestys Electoral Troops has been referred to Lord Cornwallis.—

To the Deputy Paymaster Genl. to the Kings Troops.

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops directing him to advance (Pag.s 500) for the reinlistment of the Hanoverians as abovementioned.—

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Received the following Letters.—

John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary at

Fort St. George.

From the Secretary at Bengal enclosing or general & [illegible] Letter to the Nabob forwarding his Highness's Will.

Sir,

I have orders to request that the enclosed Letter from the Governor General to the Nabob of Arcot may be delivered to his Highness, A Copy of it is also transmitted for the information of the Governor

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29th in Council.—

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) E. Hay

Secy to the Governor

Fort William

8th November 1790.

To the Nawaub of Arcot

Written 8th November 1790.

Sometime ago I had the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your Highness's Letter relative to the will which your Highness had thought proper to deposit with the Government of Bengal, and then lamented the necessity I was under of informing you that the Searches I had directed to be made for it were fruitless. at all times happy in any Opportunity to Comply with your Highness's requests, I did not satisfy myself with the searches that had been made when my Letter above mentioned was written. I have & repeatedly renewed my Enquiries for it, and & having been successful, I have now the Happiness to forward it to your Highness, and request the favor of you to acknowledge the receipt of it, and inform me of your Health.—

A true Copy

(Signed) G. F. Cherry

Pr. Sr.

To

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Resident at Poonah the Peishwa has applied to the Government of Bombay for a reinforcement of Infantry &c. states the force of the Mahratta army under Pursaram Bhaw at 20,000 Men. —

I had the honour to write you the 8th Instant and have now to request you will be pleased to acquaint the Board, that this State has in consequence of my offer made an application to me for a Reinforcement of Infantry from the Bombay Presidency to join Pursaram Bhaow and aid Him in the Seige of Darwar for the Commencement of Which 4 pieces of Battering Cannon & One Mortar are to move hence in a Day or Two. I have much Satisfaction in acquainting you that my last advices from the Bombay Detachment mention the Marratta Army with Pursaram as consisting of about 20000 Men and about 10000 Detach'd, much the greatest Part of which is Cavalry — This Force joind by the Reinforcement from Bombay of Which a large Body will be Europeans will compose a most formidable Army and must I should imagine soon Engage a large Share of Tippo's attention my Endeavors are incessantly Employed, at this Court to procure

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29th the Increase of its Force Including the Artillery of Captain Littles Detachment and the Guns lately taken from the Enemy there are already 18 pieces of Cannon and one Howitz in the Army which with those under Dispatch from hence will form a very respectable Train. —

Iam &c. &c.

Poona 12th Novr. 5790. (Signed) C W Malet

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

Enclosed I do myself the honor to lay before you, a Copy of the Letter, I received from Baron Alvensleben His Majesty's Electoral Minister in London, respecting the further Stay of the two Hanoverian Regiments in the East Indies; and remain with great Respect. —

From Colonel De Wangenheim with Copy of the Letter he has received from the Electoral & Minister in London respecting the further Stay of the Hanoverian Regiment in this Country.

Madras &c. &c.

28th November 5790. (Signed) Wangenhams

Colonel

To Colonel de Wangenheim

Commanding His Majesty's Hanoverian Regt. in the East Indies

Sir,

Although in the last order from

this

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29th Reinlistment of the Men.—

Jam &c. &c.

London 7th June 1790.

(Signed) Alvensleben

At a Consultation Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Actinting President

John Hudleston Esqr.

Tuesday the 30th November 1790

The Honorable Major General Medows absent upon Service.—

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

The Acting President delivers in the following Minute.—

The acting President's Minute proposing that the Rajah of Travancore be called upon for the immediate aid of another Lack of Pagodas and that a reference be made to the Government General respecting further Claims to be made up this Excellency.

I think it necessary at this juncture to call the attention of the Board to the circumstances of Travancore — the Raja is at present under no Engagement with the Company except for the pay of two Battalions of Sepoys which were stationed in his country at his own request but these Battalions being now in Service in the field no demand has been made for their expences since they left him — His Excellency was indeed required on the Commencement of the War to advance a Lack of Pagodas for

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for the public service and this sum which he has lately completed, is the whole amount of the assistance drawn from him at a crisis so important to the general Interest and to his own particular safety.—

The Company's claim upon Travancore is stronger than upon any other of their allies as it was expressly in defence of the Rajas Rights that the war originated — while therefore it is thought reasonable to appropriate so large a share of the Revenues of the Nabob and the Raja of Tanjore to the present exigencies I am of opinion that Travancore should contribute at least a similar proportion, to be reckoned from the time that Hostilities were declared.—

If the Board concur in this sentiment it will be proper to refer the subject to the Governor General in Council. In the mean time I would propose that the Resident at Travancore be instructed to apply to the Raja for immediate aid of another Lack of Pagodas and that a letter be written to His Excellency on the occasion.—

Mr. Hudleston concurs in the opinions and recommendations of the acting President.

Mr. Hudleston concurs in the opinions and Recommendations of the acting President, as expressed in the foregoing Minute.—

Resolved

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Resolutions in consequence of the foregoing & Minute of the acting President.—

Resolved, that a Letter be written to the Rajah of Travancore, stating the Necessity of his coming forward at this critical Juncture in support of a War, which had for its immediate Object, the Preservation of his Rights and Honor, against the ambitious Designs of the Chief of Mysore — and requesting he will remit immediately another Lack of Pagodas to assist in providing for the many heavy Demands upon their Government.—

Resolved that the Resident be instructed to enforce in the strongest Manner, the Demand now made upon the Rajah — and to learn if without Loss of Time and transmit to the Presidency the most exact Information respecting the Amount of the Travancore Revenue in every Branch. taking care at the same Time not to give Umbrage to the Rajah in acquiring this Information. —

Agreed that a Copy of the acting Presidents Minute be transmitted to Bengal, and that the Governor General in Council be requested to give his Opinion as to the Proportion of the Travancore Revenues which the Rajah should be called upon, to appropriate, as his Contribution to the Expences of the War. —

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue.

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

Honble Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Orders, transmitted to us in Mr. Secretary Chamiers letter, of the 21st Instant from the list & enclosed, in his Highness the Nabob's letter, we have reason to believe that several persons mentioned therein are Renters under the Company, or otherwise employed in the Collection of the Revenues. If being Renters, they should be sent to the Darbar, a stop must of course be put to all Collections in the Districts, rented by them; and to remove the other description of people, might materially distress the Collectors, by withdrawing from the different districts, those People, who are most Capable of giving information, regarding the Revenue, under this impression we have transmitted to the several Divisions, the Persian letters enclosed by Mr. Secretary Chamier, and have directed the Collectors, to send down such only of the people required, whose absence will not be

From the Board of Assumed Revenue, reporting on the Nabob's Request that the Accomildars &c. indebted to the Circar may be sent to the Presidency respecting some Grain in the Tinnevelly District taken possession of by the Collector on account of the Company and since claimed by Mr. Buchanan as mortgaged to him Herasut Khan claims a Right to the Jaghire and Kettadary of Tautgur the Nizams people raise Chokies on the Banks of the Kistna to the detriment of the Revenues the Board's orders & required respecting the Renting of the Diamond Mines in the Palnaud District.

Prejudicial

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Prejudicial to the Revenues — The Nabob may possibly object, that the whole account demanded of him by Government cannot be completed unless all the Revenue Servants, mentioned in his list be Ordered to attend him, — but we take the liberty of remarking that, if his Highness be really inclined to furnish the Account he can have no reasonable Objection, to its being taken on the Spot in case of his compliance directions may be sent to the Collectors, to receive the requisete accounts from his Amildars which indeed might long since have been accomplished, if they had not persevered according to the Nabobs Orders, in withholding all accounts of last year. —

In our original instructions to the different Collectors, we directed them to take possession of all Grain, which might be found in the respective districts, at the time of their arrival in consequence, when Mr. Torin reached Tinnevelly he secured for the Company all Grain as well, belonging to the Circar, as to individuals at this time Mr. Buchanan laid claim to a considerable quantity of Mortgaged

Grain

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Grain, as well as to the balance of Cash, in the Khazana, as stated by him, amounting to 4650 Chuckrums, as the balance of Cash did not prove equal to Mr. Buchanan's demand, and as it was included by the Cutcherry Servants in the accounts of the Current year signed by the Renters Sumprety. — We thought proper to reject Mr. Buchanan's claim, but directed Mr. Torin, to sell the Mortgage grain and to keep a separate accoun of the sales untill the whole matter could be brought before the Board. —

Mr. Torin has at length reported the Result of a long, and tedious investigation, and it appears that some mortgages were actually granted upon the Crop of Fusly 1199 previous to the assumption of the Nabobs Country at the beginning of Fusly 1200. It is therefore our Opinion that, whatever money has been collected by Mr. Torin, on account of the Mortgaged property should be paid, and that the remaining Security of unsold Grain should be restored, to the respective Owners upon substentiating their Claims. as this is a matter of property, entirely distinct from the administration of the Revenues, we beg leave to submit it to the Decision of the Honble Board. — We have

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have received a Petition from Herasat Khan, of which we take the liberty of inclosing a Copy. Though upon the principle laid down in our minute, Confirmed by the Hon'ble Board, we are not authorised to restore this Jaguer, so long assumed by the Nabob, yet we think the Case of the Petitioner peculiarly deserving the Company's indulgence, It may be necessary to Observe that, we believe the Circumstances set forth in his Arzee are strictly true.—

We have received a letter from the Collector of Ongole, and Palnaud, who represents that the Customs levied at the Bank of the Kistna, which form a considerable branch of Revenue, had lately suffered a great diminution. He attributes the cause to Madarauze Kistnamah, Renter of Customs in the Nizam's Country, who has erected Chokies to the number of 150. near the north bank of the River, which were never there before. We are apprehensive that these Chokies may be the means of devesting the route of the Lombardies and other Merchants, who used to pass through the Palnaud in great numbers. and therefore take the liberty of recommending that application should be made to the Nizam, for the removal of those

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newly established Mr. Erskine also represents that there is a vein of Ground in that District extending many Miles, in which are Diamond mines. the Diamond Merchants have been for many years under the necessity of going to the neighbouring Countries, and they complain that their Cowles, have always been broken, the Season is near at hand, and they are very solicitous to be allowed to Open them, offering at the same time to pay half a rupee a month for each Coly employed and they assure the Collector 5000 will be collected in a short time — As we know not how far such a measure may interfere with existing engagements with the Nizam, We have postponed giving the Collector any instructions upon this Subject, untill we shall be honored with your Commands —

We have the honor to be

Sea. Sea.

(Signed) J. Hudleston
" Edwd. Saunders
" Mw. Tuder
" David Haleburton
" Hugh Maxwell
" Geo. Moubray

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The Arzee of Herassul Cawn

The Kelladary and Jaghyre of Saulgur were conferred on my honored Ancestors by former Emperors of this Country and were held in my Family for four Successive generations. The Nabob Wallajah despossessed us of this Jaghyre and allotted for my maintenance & the Magan of Camnoor which I continued to enjoy for sometime till he was pleased to take this also from me, Now that the Country is fallen into the hands of the English, who are famous for their Justice through the whole world, I am hopeful that they will in consideration of my destresses give up to me the Magan of Camnoor as also the gardens laid out and planted by my Ancestors, that the produce from these may enable me and my Cheldren to live which will redound to the praise and good fame of the English. —

A true Copy

(Signed) J Webbe

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Resolved

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Resolved in consequence of the

Minute thereon

Inconvenience and Expence which must result from the calling to the Presidency the Persons employed by the Nabob that the measure be dispensed with, at least for the present, and that the Board of Reserved Revenue be informed of this Resolution, and directed to send the necessary Orders to the Collectors.—

With Regard to the Mortgaged Property in the Tinnivelly Country claimed by Mr Buchanan, the Board have to observe that as Transactions of this Kind have been repeatedly prohibited by the Company they cannot recognize the present Claim.—

Besides as the Nabob, some time previous to the Resumption of the Management of his Revenues, made over to Government all the Grain in the Country, and particularly expressed that the Mortgagees were to look to his Highness for Relief, no Claim can be admitted on the Company's Part by any Person holding Mortgages in any of the Districts of the Carnatic.—

Vide Nabobs Letter 19th. October 1790.

As the Board of Reserved Revenue

have

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have stated their Belief that the Circumstances set forth in the Arzee of Herasat Khan are strictly true — It is agreed to inform them, that they are to make such Arrangements as may appear & reasonable and just, observing only, that the Gardens at Saulgur are to continue in the Possession of His Highness the Nabob. —

Resolved, that the Resident

do at the Soubah's Court be requested to make application to his Highness the Nizam for the removal of the Chokies on the North Bank of the River Kistna, erected by the Renter of Customs in his Highness's Country, to the Detriment of the Company's Revenue. —

The Board are unacquainted with any existing Engagements with his Highness the Nizam, respecting Diamond Mines in the

do District of Palnaud — agreed therefore, that the mines be opened upon the proffered Terms, if better cannot be obtained, and that Mr. Erskine be directed by the Board of Revenue, to encourage all offers that may produce Revenue to the & Company. —

Read the following Letter & from Messrs. Andrew and Woolf at Trichinopoly.

To

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To John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary at

Fort St. George

From Messrs. Andrews and Woolf reporting on the charge made against Mr. Garrow by Mr. Johnstons Dubash of false measurement of the Grain.—

Sir,

Herewith We have the honor to forward to you our Report on the charge against Mr. Garrow by Mr. Johnstons Dubash, and request you will lay the same before the Honble Governor in Council, We shall proceed to the other parts of Investigation with as little delay as possible.—

We have the honor to be

Sea. Sea.

(Signed) R. Andrews

Robert Woolf

Trichinopoly

22d Novemr. 1790.

Report of the Committee on the charges of Mr. Johnstons Dubash against Mr. Garrow referred to them by Government under Date 26th October 1790.—

Mr. Johnston being called upon respecting the several points which by the instructions of Government were to come first under investigation and not being yet prepared to answer them — The Committee

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proceeded to make enquiry on the Charges alledged against Mr. Garrow by Mr. Johnston on the information of his Dubash.—

It was first judged necessary to ascertain by what Measure Mr. Johnston had actually received the Grain in store, and it clearly appears that his assertion with respect to the use of the Madras Measure was entirely erroneous, the greater part of the Paddy lodged in the Granaries having been delivered to Mr. Johnston by the Measure of the Districts from whence the Grain was brought, that is the Trichinopoly Measure.—

This fact established, Mr. Garrow was desired to produce the Measures he had made use of in the measurement of the Grain, twelve Measures which under a Guard were brought to us from the Granary Mr. Garrow offered to make Oath were the identical Measures made use of by him in the receipt of Grain from Mr. Johnston, that an alteration had taken place he admitted, in consequence of his having sent to the Nabobs Cumildar for two of the Circar Measures, which on being compared with those of the Granary, the latter in Size were found

deficient

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deficient, the Mode adopted by Mr. Garrow to adjust the Mercals of the Granery as set forth

N.1. in his Letter to us of the 10th Instant appears upon the evidence of Servanah Moodelier the Nabob's Aumildar to have been fair and equitable, and on a particular examination of the Mercals being made before us they were found not to exceed the proper Standard, that is twelve of them being no more than equal to five Madras Mercals by which the Grainkeepers Accounts have been kept.—

From the circumstances and the evidence that appears on the face of our proceedings we are led to think no deficiency could have arisen from the use of the Mercals by which Mr. Garrow measured the Grain, and that the alteration complained of, took place only from the Mercals found in the Granery by him being under the size of the established Trichinopoly Mercal.—

It does not appear to the Committee that Mr. Garrow could have any other motive for laying aside the Madras Mercal than the Complaints which were made by the

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measures, who must have been unused to them, nor could there be any reasonable objection on Mr. Johnstone's part to the use of the Trichinopoly Mercals by which the Grain had been delivered to him.—

Trichinopoly
22d. Novemr 1790.

/Signed/ R. Andrews
Robert Woolf

To Messrs Robert Andrews and Robert Woolf

Gentlemen,

It having been the pleasure of Government to appoint you a Committee to Scrutinize my Conduct on Complaints preferred against me by the Dubash of Mr. Johnston — of course you are furnished with a Copy of the Charges and as the Board have directed me to give you every information in my power I shall briefly state a few Circumstances previous to your Enquiry — The Complaints against me State. —

That I did not measure the Grain in Store by the Madras Mercals, by which measure there would not have been the least deficiency. —

But that I substituted the Trichinopoly Mercals altered and encreased in Size. —

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I began the Measurement of Rice on the 12th July last and it was Compleated on the 29th of the Same month.—

The Measurement of Paddy & Commenced the 31st July and was closed the 25th September last.—

You will please to observe that the Complaint against me in the Extracts of the 1st and 3d September which I imagine you have Copys of States the abuse so farback as the Second day after the Measurement began which must have been the 15th July last and that the first time a Complaint was made to Government was on the 16th September enclosing these two Extracts from Kistna Row when all the Rice and nearly the whole of the Paddy was measured you will observe that on the Rice which was first Measured by these Mercals there appeared a loss of above 9 10 Cent and yet no Complaint of the Mercals that 30000 Cullums of Paddy or 378 Madras Garce were measured & afterwards in One Godown as his own Extract of 8th September Shews and only 1 3/4 Garce short but when for reasons he best knew, and which were not within my Enquiry he came to deliver the Paddy in the last Granary he complains when

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he knew it was too late to alter them, of these Measures it is clear from his own Statement that the Same Measures which had been so correctly just in the former Instance could not err in the latter, but I took originally the following precautions to prevent Complaint or Cavil of any Kind.—

I advised an equal Number of Measurers on the part of Mr. Johnston and the Company who were all Inhabitants of this place, totaly Strangers to myself, tho' not so to Kistna Row.—

That the Accounts be made up daily and Compared by the Conicoplies on each part and settled every Evening but I used no Compulsion whatever.

The Mercalls never to be Removed from the Granary, but to be Kept there under the Sepoy Guard— The Keys in charge of both Parties delivered by them to another Sepoy Guard at the Paymasters Office every Evening— I mention these leading Circumstances which if on Enquiry you find as I represent, you will see that the detection of altered or False Measures, or the putting a Stop to the Measurement altogether, was at all times in the power of Mr. Johnstons Servant from the Commencement to the Conclusion.—

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You Gentlemen on the Spot will form your Judgement not from Representation but from Representation but from established Facts And I would hope that what Mr. Johnston Advances, & that the Grain was Received by the Madras Mercals &c. is the effect of Ignorance — I really cannot & Comment upon so Extravagant an assertion — Nor can your Enquiry on this Head take up a moment. —

I aver to you, that the Paddy delivered into Store by the Circar and afterwards Redelivered to the Inhabitants of Trichinopoly and Returned by them and measured into Store in Rice was so done with the Identical Mercalls and the Same & measures who delivered it over to me on the part of the Company — but if Ocular Documents are necessary to prove this to Persons at a distance & I enclose you an attested Copy of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions Receipt for 157 Garse — the greatest part of which was Received by these & Trichinopoly Mercals when the Army was on the Plain — The present Collector has known long in what manner Paddy has ever been & delivered into the Companys Stores — my Receipts are in his possession. —

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The Point ascertained, the Forces of
the Storekeepers Servants reasoning will strike you
as it did me, that it was fair to deliver by the Measures
by which it had been Received — And could I have
supposed it possible that such Complaint could have
been seriously made when I received the Enclosures
from the Board first, I could have added further, that
the mode of Measuring Grain by these two differing
Measures, altho' varies, which on Enquiry you will
find to be so, and that the Mode I pursued, prescribed
any Shadow of Complaint which as Certainly would
have happened had I used the Madras Measure. —

But amid the Complicated, and
Invidious Scene of Investigation for which I was
sent down from Madras and have been some Months
Employed, it was only within the reach of Resting
Now to find out such a Cause of Complaint — The
Man who actually delivered me at the Granary,
two days after my Arrival Eight of the twelve P
Measures that were used, but I was too much on my
Guard against a Person whose Influence here
was almost unbounded and who could not but
be considered in some respect interested in the
Business, to proceed but with great caution. —

I first

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I first directed the Mercalls I received from him Eight in Number and four Additional ones to be sent to the Amildar and Renter Saravanah Modaly to be proved Correctly by him, this was done with great accuracy, a proof as is usual was made of them with Horse Gram — And I declare & Solemnly that from the Moment they were taken from his Charge to the Granaries and put into use they were never Removed again but kept always under the Guard appointed for the purpose. —

You will call Gentlemen on Saravanah Modaly to ascertain the truth of what I say as this is the Grand Object of your Enquiry, and of this loose attack upon my Character, I knew Saravanah Modaly only in his Character of Renter I have not seen him for some Months, nor have I had any Intercourse with him whatever — The Same Mercals are Still in the Granarys, used daily and Indiscriminately for the purpose of Receiving Paddy and Rice on account of the Company. —

The Storekeeper at Tanjore, as the Storekeeper of Trichenopoly, Receives Paddy by the Mercals of that Country about 1/3 Smaller than that of this Place, Consequently when

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by his own Measure he has Assertained the Quantity he has Received from the Country, it is calculated by him into Madras Garse and he Redelivers it for the use of the Army by the Madras Mercals I enclose two Original Statements of Accounts directed to me when he sent Grain to Trichinopoly Signed by Mr. Strange — the Rice at Trichinopoly is Returned to me by the Same Trichinopoly Mercal I deliver it out in Paddy, and Remeasured to the Army now they are at a Distance, by the Madras Mercal as it is the only Mercal they have in Camp,

I shall be ready to attend you in any part of your Enquiry if you find it necessary and my Situation, Circumstanced as I now am, being extremly Unpleasant your early Report to the Board so far as I am Interested in the Subject will Remove a very Severe and undeserved Odium which I now labour under both at this Place and with the Army — I wish also that this letter or a Correct Copy of it may be transmitted at the Same time to the Presidency

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Edwd. Garrow

Trichinopoly
8th. Novemr. 1790.

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The Board are perfectly satisfied from the above Report that Mr Edward Garrow has been no ways reprehensible in the Charge preferred against him by Mr Johnstone Dated of false Measurement of the Grain — Resolved therefore, that he be fully relieved from the Imputation thrown out against him —

The Board highly approve Mr Garrows Exertions while acting Paymaster and Storekeeper at Trichinopoly

The Board further considering that Mr Garrow's Conduct has not only been blameless in the above Instance, but highly meritorious in the great Exertions made by him while acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly for the carrying on the Service at a most critical Juncture, now resolve, to exhibit a marked Proof of their approbation by conferring upon the Offices of Paymaster and Storekeeper at Trichinopoly, to which he is accordingly appointed. —

and appoint him to those offices as a Signal Mark of their approbation

Resolved that Mr Wolff be directed immediately to deliver over Charge of the Paymaster's Employ to Mr Garrow —

Mr Wolff to deliver over charge of the Employ. —

Agreed that Mr Garrow be instructed to allot a proper Portion of the Paymaster's House to the Accommodation of Messrs Wolff and Andrews while employed in the Investigation

of

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of the remaining objects of the Inquiry.—

Read the following Letter from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To John Chamier Esqr.

Secretary to the

Military Department

Sir,

I enclose for the information of Government Copy of a Letter from the Storekeeper at Tanjore stating the bad quality of the Rice lately sent from the Tanjore Stores for the use of the Army and requesting Orders on the Subject.—

The Paddy from which the Rice complained of was last out, appears to have been laid into Store in the Months of March, April, May, June, and July 1788 and the only reason which can be assigned for so early a decay is the very imperfect State of the Granaries at Tanjore—a Survey was made in the month of August 1789, and I recommended the repairs to be made in my Letter to the Honble Board under date 20th August 1789 and again on the 13th January last—laying before Government at the same time a very particular report from the Storekeeper which mentioned that the floors of the Granaries were below the Level of the

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions stating the bad condition of the Rice in Store at Tanjore recommending that a Committee be appointed to examine it and that the Granaries at that Garrison be immediately repaired.—

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surrounding Grounds and I was given to understand that Orders were sent for repairing them.

I beg leave to recommend that a Committee be appointed to Examine the State of the Rice complained of as well as the quantity of Paddy of the year 1788 remaining in Store and if neither are fit to be served to the Troops, that the Storekeeper be directed to dispose of it to the best advantage.

In the want of new Orders being prepared to dispose of the above Grain I submit to the Consideration of the Honble Board the propriety of directing the Storekeeper to supply the Collectors to lay into Store an equal quantity of new Paddy.

I am &c &c

(Signed) Tho. Cockburn
Commissy Gl of Grain
and Provisions.

Madras
29th Nov. 1790.

Thomas Cockburn Esqr.
Comy General of Grain

Fort St. George

Sir,

By a Letter of Yesterday received from the

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The Commissary of Grain in Camp I am informed, that great Complaints have been made of the bad quality of the Rice sent from this Garrison; and directing me, by order of the Commander in Chief, not to send any hence forth, but of the best quality, I have of Course informed Mr. Comm.y Kingsbe, that my Issues in time to come shall be from that Parcell last laid into Store.—

Of the old Rice which was ready to be sent to Camp, I have now on hand, 3957 Bull.s do 8.— as it will daily decrease in quality, I beg to receive your Orders in what manner you wish it to be disposed of.—

I have the honour to be

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Jam.s Strange

Grain Keeper

Tanjore
20th. November 1790.

A true Copy

(Signed) Tho. Cockburn

C.J.G.G.P.

Minute thereon.

As it does not appear that the Repairs judged requisite to the Granaries at Tanjore have been executed it is agreed to instruct the Military Board to take immediate Steps for their being repaired, agreeably to Estimates transmitted from Tanjore in January last.—

The Board approve Mr. Cockburn's Recommendations

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Recommendations respecting the Grain in Store & at Tanjore.—

Read the following Letter from the Collector in the Tinnevelly Country.—

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary to the Military
and Secret Department

From the Collector in the Tinnevelly Country advising of Captn. Tourin's arrival at Anjengo with 60 Horses & recommending that application be made to the Nabob for an order for delivering to the Company's agent such of his Highness horses in the Tinnevelly District as may suit the Company's Cavalry.—

Sir,

You will be pleased to inform Government of Captain Torin's arrival at Anjengo with 60 Horses for the Use of the Army — as this Supply will fall short of the number required by the Cavalry in Camp and as the Nabob has a Troop here, out of which 40 Horses may be taken I have intimated the Circumstance to Government that application may be made if they think proper, to the Nabob, for an Order to his Phousder, to allow Captain Torin the choice of the Troop on & granting a Receipt for as many as he finds Serviceable. The opportunity is a good one to send them to the Army and they are of no use in Tinnevelly the Nabob's People declare they are no longer able to & support the Expence of feeding them — and they are likely soon to be totally neglected.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Benj Torin
Collector of Tinnevelly

Tinnevelly
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Minute thereon.

The Acting President is requested to apply to his Highness the Nabob for an Order to his & Highness

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Highness's Phouzdar in the Tinnevelly District to allow Captain Torin the Choice of the Horses belonging to the Nabob's Troops of Cavalry on giving a receipt for the Number taken for the Company's Service.—

Agreed also that his Highness be requested to give Orders for the Delivery to the Commanding Officer of the Elephants and Horses at Trichinopoly, or in any other Garrisons in the Carnatic.—

Read the undermentioned Letters (entered in M.B. No. 167. 168)

From the Commandant at Tanjore.—

From the Commandant at Tanjore— Stating that the North and East Gates of the Fort are so much damaged by the Decay of the Timber Work, that he has taken upon himself to give Orders for their being repaired— and that several Repairs are absolutely requisite to the Fortifications and Public Buildings.—

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Military Board be directed to report their opinion upon the abovementioned Letter,

From the Commandant at Vellore.

From the Commandant at Vellore— Stating that there are forty recovered Horses at Vellore belonging to the 1st Regiment of Cavalry, under charge of Cornet Keppin— and recommending that Troopers be raised to mount them.—

Minute thereon.

Agreed that forty of the dismounted Troopers lately entertained at the Presidency be ordered immediately to Vellore for the above Purpose.—

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The Acting President recommends that, in Consequence of Mr. Cockburn's Letter in last Consultation, a further Advance be made to him, as agent for the Contractors for Bullocks, in the following Manner.—

A further advance of Pagr. 62,061 to be made to the agent for the Bullock Contractors.—

Bills on Ganjam for Pagodas	6000
On Vizagapatam	8000
On Masulipatam	6000
On Bengal at the rate of 393 A.R. for 0/0 Pagr.	42,061.
	Pagr. 62,061.

Ordered accordingly.

The Acting President reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant Colonel Mordaunt.—

The Acting President informs the Board, that it has been reported to him, that Lieutenant Colonel John Mordaunt, late of the Madras Establishment, died at Cawnpore on the 26th of October last.—

Ex. Chas. Carpenter " Chas. Oakeley
" J. Hudleston

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Diary

Sent Letters to the Nabob and the Rajah of Travancore as entered in CC Nos 263. 264. to the former requesting His Highness to send an order to his Shanadar in the Tinnivelly District, to deliver to the Person who may be deputed for that purpose; such of his Highness's Horses as may be judged fit for the Cavalry - likewise that he will order the Elephants and horses he may have at Trichinopoly or any other Garrisons in the Carnatic to be delivered up to the officers Commanding - to the latter requesting his Excellency to remit immediately another Lack of Pagodas to assist in providing for the heavy expences of the War, which originated in the preservation of his Excellency's Rights and Honor. -

Substance of Letters to the Nabob and the Rajah of Travancore. -

Received the following Letters.

John Chamier Esq.

Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department

Fort St. George

From the President at Hyderabad dating that the Board have mistaken the meaning of the Governor Generals Letter respecting Colonel Cockerells Detachment -

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 6th Instant, forwarding among other enclosures a copy of the Board's letter to the Governor General of the 3. Instant by which I am

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30 am sorry to perceive they have mistaken his Lordship's intention respecting Colonel Cockerell's Detachment. Under date 15th Ultimo I had the honor to inform you that I should not encourage any application from his Highness the Nizam for this Corps and that none of course would be made, which I lose no time in repeating apprehensive from the conclusion of the last Paragraph but one of the Board's aforementioned letter to Bengal, that they may slacken the operation of the Center Army in consequence of the Governor General's letter of the 19th Ultimo till they could hear from General Medows in answer to the reference made to him. –

Paungul
17th November 1790

I have the honor to be
Sir &c
Signed, John Kennaway

John Chamier Esqr.

From the Resident at Hyderabad – with original and Copy of his last letter to the Commander in Chief which advises of the fall of Cummum – and of the supplies of ammunition sent to Kopul – copy of his Correspondence with Major Montgomery advising of the same. –

Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department

Fort St. George –

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Board Extract of a Letter which I have received from Major Montgomery and of my reply, also Copy of my letter of this date to General Medows, the original, which

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30 which is likewise inclosed, I request may be transmit=
=ted to him without delay.

Paungul
20th November 1790

I have the Honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) John Kennaway

Extract of a Letter from Major Montgomery to John Kennaway Esqr. Dated 15th November 1790

The Deficiency of Mohaubut Jungs ammunition having caused our Fire to slaken for some days past, the Enemy (who before kept much under Cover) now shew themselves in great Numbers and have begun to fire from several Guns which had before been silenced by our Batteries.-

"My last Letter informed you that, instead of 2. 24 Pounders, only one 18 was on its way to us - it is now arrived in Camp and, upon Exa=mination will not carry an 18 Pound Ball, tho' from its weight and dimensions (10 feet in length and 6 in circumference near the Breech) it would have been extremely difficult, if not impracticable with the means we have here to get it upon the Hill - Mohaubut Jung

30 Jung therefore (who seems fully persuaded that the Nizam does not mean to send another Gun) has determined to attack the lower Fort, as his supplies are inadequate to the Reduction of the upper ones — The Batteries will be ready for that purpose tomorrow or the next day and if properly supplied with Ammunition (of which I own myself Doubtful, from the evasive answer given to all my enquiries on that head) will I hope be successful in making a breach, which I propose to storm as soon as practicable, as the lower Fort should it fall into our hands, will afford us the means of straitening the People in the upper ones very much, and of cutting off their Supplies, I am in hopes the Reduction of it (if effected) will greatly accelerate the fall of the Place. —

Mr. Secretary Chamier has communicated to me the Sanction of the Madras Government to the measure of supplying the Sepoys with Rice — I have also been directed by the Military Board to order the Commissary here to make up a new Set of Tents in the Room of those now in use with

supplying

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30 with the Detachment which have stood out the time allowed by the Company, and are now totally unfit for Service not having been informed whether this Article of Expence falls upon the Company or Nizam, I wish to be informed how the Sum requisite for it is to be drawn. –

A true Extract

Signed Wm. Stewart Assist.

Major Montgomery

Commanding the Alore Detachment

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th Instant, Tho' I acquainted you in a former letter that I had been told two twenty four Pounders would be sent to Mohaubut Jung yet the application I made to his Highness in conformity to your request was only for two 18 Pounders and as of those one of that or nearly of that Calibre has been sent from hence and a 16 Pounder from Rachore I hope with those and the 14 Pounder that was in Camp before, provided Mohaubut

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30 Mohaubut Jung has sufficient Ammunition, that a practicable breach may be soon effected both in the Lower and upper Fort, for the use of the 18 Pounder which I believe is attached to Raymonds Corps. 1500 shot I am assured left Seringul four days ago and I hope an ample supply will shortly be sent off for the others, as also some additional shells for the two Mortars as 3000 bullocks laden with Ammunition are daily expected from Hydrabad, Meer Abul Cossim informed me this morning that Mohaubut Jung could furnish 3000 shot and had offered you to do so without waiting for any fresh supply--

In reply to your question upon whom the expences of making the new Roads authorized by the Board will fall that is whether on the Nizam or the Company and how the sums requisite for it is to be drawn. I beg leave to refer you to the Extract of the Governor Generals letter to me of the 21st. July Copy of which was forwarded to you the 16th August agreeably to which on your furnishing me with the Vouchers therein described I shall advance

You

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30 You that or any other sum that may be absolutely necessary for the expences of your Detachment beyond the 34,000 Rupees the Nizam is bound to advance for it which I would recommend being reserved for the Pay of the Troops as the Bullock demands may I should think be liquidated by Bills on Bengal which I shall be ready to grant on your application and any other excess I shall as I have before said endeavor to advance to you from hence.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Fort of Cummum has surrendered, I hope Kopul will soon follow the example as much depends on its fall with respect to the future operations of the War. by the Nizam and the Army that is to be put under Mohaubut Jungs Command that its speedy reduction is of the last consequence.

I have the honor to be
(Signed) J. Kennaway

A true Copy

(Signed) Wm. Stewart Assist:

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The Honble Major General Medows

Governor

General and Commander in Chief

&c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 29th & 31st ultimo and 3d Instant. Nothing of moment as occurred here since my last except the surrender of Cummum the 16th Instant which may be ascribed to a reinforcement having arrived to the assistance of Hafiz Ferid ud din under Mahommed Aumeen Arab who is an excellent officer and has since been ordered to join the Force assembling at Bangyanpilly — If Kopul was reduced Dara Jah would immediately with a very respectable army be directed to advance further into the enemy's Country. My exertions are employed to get a sufficiency of ammunition sent to his Camp to enable him to effect a breach with — An 18 Pdr a 16 Pdr and a 14 Pdr all Iron which he has with him besides two Mortars, 1500 Shot for the 14 Pdr were I am assured sent off from hence 4 or 5 days ago

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30 Ags and 3000 Bullocks loaded with Ammunition are daily expected from Hydrabad, which will enable them to send fresh supplies for the others. I hope you will soon be able to ascend the Gauts, which if you are able to effect and the Center Army goes on as successfully as it has begun the very Sultan may be puzzled. - I wish any thing could have been attempted on the Malabar Coast which is his most vulnerable side. he has proposed to send a Vakeil to the Peishwah his proposal was communicated to the Nizam & his Highness's opinion asked about the answer. His Highness asked mine which was that the same reply should be returned as that which our Government had given to his application to you, Major Montgomerys Detachment is now a very respectable one. I do not trouble you about its high expences about which I confine myself to the Board: you have enough to think of without being troubled about it.

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I have the honor to be
Xtra Xtra
(Signed) J. Kennaway
A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart Assist.

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The Honble 30 Major General William Medows

Governor in Council

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From bombay - with a Statement of allowances paid at that Presidency to officers of his Majesty's Navy - and invoice of Military Stores sent to Tellicherry.

Honble Sir,

We have been honored with the Letter from your Board under date the 26th Ultimo and in Conformity to the Instructions of the Court of Directors we enclose a Statement of every allowance which has been made at this Presidency to the Officers of His Majesty's Navy from January 1774 to this Period which Account specifies also the precise Number of days for which they were individually paid.

The present Dispatch also gives cover to two Invoices of Military Stores sent to Tellicherry by the Company's ships Princess Royal and Worcester at the requisition of General Medows. Copies of which have been transmitted him.

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

Bombay Castle
11th November 1790

Robt. Abercromby
(Signed) D. Carnegie
Geo: Dick

Ordered

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Ordered that the List of Stores be sent to the Accountant General, and that he be directed to credit that Presidency for the amount by Suspence Account, and that the Account of advances made to the Officers of his Majestys Navy be sent the Military Pay-master General.—

Sent the following Letters.—

Minute thereon

To Mr. George Powney—

Resident

at Travancore

To the Resident at Travancore with original and Copy of the Letter to the Rajah and directions to be made to procure the immediate discharge of the Lack of Pagodas therein required from his Excellency—

Sir,

Inclose a Letter from the acting President to the Rajah of Travancore, which you will be pleased to deliver. a Copy is transmitted for your Information.—

You will be pleased in the strongest manner to inforce the Demand made upon the Rajah for a Lack of Pagodas representing to him the propriety, and necessity of an immediate compliance, and you will obtain without Loss of ~~time~~ the most exact information which may be in your power respecting the Amount of the Rajahs

Revenues

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30 Revenues in every Branch, and lay before Government as particular, and as detached an account of them as may be possible. –

In acquiring the Information above required, you will, of course, be carefull not to give Umbrage to the Rajah. –

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I am [illegible]
&c &c
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

To Mr. Edward Garron
at Trichinopoly

To Mr. Edward Garron – releiving him from the imputations made against him by Mr. Johnston's Dubash – approving his Zeal for the publick service – and appointing him to the offices of Paymaster and Store Keeper at Trichinopoly – instructions respecting the allotment of houses to the Committee –

Sir,

The Report of – Messrs. Andrews and Woolf being received upon the Charge exhibited against you by the Dubash of Mr. Johnston, late Paymaster at Trichinopoly, of having, in lieu of the Madras Mercal, substituted the Trichinopoly Mercall, altered and encreased in Size – for the measurement of Grain, and the Board being perfectly satisfied from the above Report, that your Conduct has been no ways reprehensible in this Instance, you are of course fully relieved from the imputation thrown out against you. –

Government

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Government further Considering that your Conduct has not only been blameless in the above Instance, but highly meritorious in the great Exertions you have made while acting Paymaster at Trichinopoly for the carrying on the Service at a most critical juncture resolve, to exhibit a marked proof of their approbation by conferring upon you the Offices of Paymaster and Storekeeper at Trichinopoly, to which you are accordingly now Appointed.—

You will receive Charge of the Paymasters Department from Mr. Woolf who is directed to remake it over to you.—

You are to occupy the Paymasters House, which is ordered to be given up to you, but it is the desire of Government, that you will allott a proper Portion of it to the Accommodation of Mr. Andrews and Mr. Woolf while employed in the investigation of the remaining Object of the Enquiry.—

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary
To

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To Messrs. Robert Andrews and Robert Woolf at Trichinopoly

To Messrs. Andrews and Woolf - stating the Board's Resolutions in consequence of their Report - Mr. Woolf to deliver over to Mr. Garrow charge of the employs of Paymaster and Storekeeper. -

Gentlemen,

Having laid your Letter of the 22d. Instant before Government I am directed by them to inform you that they consider Mr. Garrow fully relieved from the imputations which were thrown out upon his conduct by the Dubash of Mr. Johnston - they have in consequence appointed him Paymaster and Storekeeper at Trichinopoly and directed that he be put in possession of the House of which he is to allott a proper Portion for your accommodation, while employed in the Investigation of the remaining Objects of your Enquiry. -

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

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N.B. Mr. Woolf is immediately to deliver over Charge of the Paymaster's Employ to Mr. Garrow

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in MB. No. 169. 170. 171. 172.

From

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From Lieutenant McKerras at Trinomalle.—

From Lieutenant McKerras at Trinomalle — stating that one hundred and thirty of Bomrauzes Pions have deserted and returned to their Pollam to apply for the Batta due to them — Kistnamah Rauze is in the vicinity of Trinomalee with a Party of Poligars without employ — stating that the People are very regular & well disciplined — and recommending that they be taken into the Service of the Company if a further force is deemed necessary —

From Lieutenant McKerras —

From Do. receives information that the Kelladar of Kistnagerry intends sending plundering parties into the Tripatour and other Cowle Countries inclosing a return of the Detachment under his Command for the present Month

From the Resident at Poonah

From the Resident at Poonah — advising that the Battering Guns intended for the Siege of Darwar moved from Poonah on the 14th November —

From Masulipatam —

From Masulipatam — stating that in consequence of having detached two Companies of Sepoys to the Guntoor Circar they have been obliged to apply to Colonel Brathwaite to replace them — inclosing extract of a Letter from that Officer on the Subject —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos. 173. 174. 175. 176. —

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To the Commandant at Trichinopoly

To the Officer Commanding at Trichinopoly advising of Mr. Farrows appointment as Paymaster and Store Keeper at Trichinopoly - the Paymasters House to be delivered up to him. -

To the Military Board

To the Military Board - to report upon a Letter from the officer Comanding at Tanjore - and upon an Estimate for repairing the Granaries at that Place -

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - approving the recommendations contained in his letter of the 29th Instant - the necessary Steps will be taken in consequence. -

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To the Commandant at Vellore -

To the Commandant at Vellore - forty dismounted Troopers will be ordered immediately to Vellore for the Purpose of mounting the recovered Horses under the charge of Cornet Kippen. -

Sent the following Letter.

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

To Bengal - advising of the Claims made upon the Rajah of Travancore for one lack of Pagodas - requesting instructions as to the quantum and of the Rajahs Revenues to be demanded from him in support of the War -

My Lord,

We have the honor to lay before you Copy of a Minute delivered in by our acting President respecting the Claims of the Company upon the Rajah of Travancore, and to inform you that We have agreeably to

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1 to the recommendation therein contained, made application to the Rajah for a Lack of Pagodas.

We request to be favored with your Lordships Sentiments and Instructions respecting the proportion of the Rajah's Revenues, which he should be called upon to appropriate, as his contribution to the Expences of a War which has originated in the Defence of his rights.—

In order that every necessary information may be obtained on this Subject We have directed the Resident at Travancore to ascertain with all possible precision, without giving umbrage to the Rajah, what is the Amount of the Revenues of the Travancore Country, from a knowledge of which your Lordship in Council will be enabled to judge of the Quantum of the Assessment to be made upon them

We have the honor to be
&ca. &ca. &ca.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&ca. Council

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To Captain Kennaway

To the Resident at Hydrabad respecting the Impropriety of the Nizams People raising Chokies on the Banks of the Kistnah. –

Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

I am directed by Government to enclose an Extract of a letter to them from the Board of Revenue at this Presidency and to Request you will be pleased to make application to the Nizam for a removal of the interference attributed to His Highness's Officers on the Banks of the Kistna, to the detriment of the Company's Revenue

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I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

To John Hudleston Esqr.

To the Board of assumed Revenue – the Persons said by the Nabob to be indebted to the Circar not to be called to the Presidency – the Board's decision on Mr. Buchanan's Claim on mortgaged Grain – Herasah Khans Petition to be complied with – necessary orders have been issued respecting the chokies erected on the Banks of the Kistnah – instructions for renting out the diamond Mines in the Palnaud

President &ca. Members of the
Board of assumed Revenue

Gentlemen,

I am directed by Government to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 26th. Ultimo and to inform you that taking into Consideration the Inconvenience and Expence which

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Must result from the Calling to the Presidency the Persons mentioned by the Nabob, they have resolved that this measure to dispensed with at least for the present and desire in consequence that you will send the necessary Orders to the Collectors

With regard to the Mortgaged Prosperty in the Tinnivelly District Government observe that all transactions of this Kind having been prohibited by the Company, they Cannot recognise any Claims for Grain that have been posessed by such Means —

Some time previous to the assumption of the Management of his Revinues the Nabob made over to Government all the Grain in the Country, and particularly expressed that the Mortgagees must look to his Highness for Relief — the Nabob in a letter dated the 14th October 1790 uses the following Words — "Many People have Suncahs upon my Talookahs, and Mr. Johnston in like manner holdsome on the District of Trichinopoly In times of Peace Mr. Johnston's Suncah will be paid

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5. Paid in the same manner as those of other People

For the above Reasons Government cannot admit the Claims of Mr. James Buchanan, nor of any other Person holding mortgages on any of the Districts of the Nabob

With respect to the Petition of Hanaah Khan Government direct me to desire you will make such Arrangements as may appear reasonable and just observing only that the Gardens must not be given up to him.

An Application will immediately be made to the Nizam respecting the diminution of the Customs on the banks of the Kistnar &c. &c. Suitable to interference on the part of His Highness's Officers.

As to the Diamond mine in the Palnaud, Government recommend that Mr. Erskine be directed to encourage all offers that may produce Revenue to the Company in this line and be instructed to have the Mines opened upon the proffered

terms

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terms, if better cannot be obtained —

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I have the honor to be
Sir &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

2. December

Substance of Letter to the Rajahs of Calastry and Vinecatagherry —

Sent Letters to the Rajahs of Calastry and Vinecatagherry (as entered in 66 Nos 265. 266) that their People will be paid Batta regularly by the Company while serving in the Enemy's Country — the Right of Precidence in seating the Naccarah in Camp decided in favor of the Latter. —

Friday the 3 December 1790

At a Consultation
Present
Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
acting President
John Hudleston Esqr.
The Honorable Major General William Medows.
absent upon Service. —

Minutes of Last Consultation read and approved —

The Subject ~~must~~ brought forward by Sir Charles Oakeley on the 25th of October, and which has been kept apart requiring in the Opinion of the Board no longer

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Longer survey, the whole is now brought upon the Public Records

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Secret Department

At a Consultation

Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President

John Huddleston Esqr

The Acting President reads to the Board a Letter addressed to him by the Secret Committee

Secret

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor of

Fort St George

From the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors to Sir Charles Oakeley — instructions for ascertaining the truth of certain reports concerning the practising of Corruption in which prevailed during the Government of Mr Holland —

Various Reports having reached this Country concerning the general system of corruption which prevailed at Madras during the short Administration of Mr John Holland, and particularly, that Sums of Money were received by him, either directly or indirectly for the nomination to certain Posts of Trust and Emolument under that Government, and on various other accounts, We should not discharge our duty to the Company

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Company were we to remain silent on the rumours that have come to our ears. You were appointed to your present Station, in consequence of the high opinion that was formed, not only of your abilities but of your integrity, in which we have so firm a reliance, that we doubt not that you will execute the Commission we are about to give you, to the best of your judgment, and to the utmost of your power. We therefore direct, that you take the most effectual means to ascertain the Truth of the charges thus brought against Mr. Hollond, and, if true, that you endeavour to obtain such proof of the delinquency, as shall enable us to vindicate the national Character by punishing the offenders by a due course of Law.

You will observe, by the Public Advices from the Court of Directors to the Government of Madras, that great dissatisfaction has been expressed of the late Shwaguinga Expedition. Although the Papers before us on that subject, do not afford direct proof of the Expedition having been undertaken from corrupt motives, yet, from

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the perseipetancy of the measure, and from the futility of the reasoning upon which it was adopted, corruption on the transaction may very fairly be inferred. Indeed the rumour upon this head is so strong and pointed, that the very Sum has been mentioned which the Nabob paid to Mr Holland as the price of his acquiescence. You will therefore endeavour to ascertain, whether any and what Sum was received by Mr Holland, either directly or indirectly, from the Nabob, or his Agents, on this, or on any other occasion, and also whether any Money has been received from the Raja of Tanjore, or any other of the Natives of India, and on what Account. The means by which you are to obtain the information, and you must report to us Your proceedings herein, with all convenient dispatch, which report must be accompanied with such authentic documents and proofs as you shall be able to obtain. —

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your discretion

We are
Your loving Friends
(Signed) Step: Lushington
" W. Devaynes
" J. Manship

East India House
London
25th May 1790.

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Scotland. 3rd Session.

The Letting Roads at Leven in Fifeshire

Minutes.

Upon reading Petition from Landholders
Heritors and Feuers of Parish of Leven concerning Repairing
and Mending the Road betwixt the Town of Leven and
Cupar, which is already marked out and Ascertained
by Commissioners of Supply, Think it proper to
take the same effectually to Repaired and Amended
and Recommend upon the Heritors and Feuers
of the Parish of Leven to meet upon
the Ground
Upon the Petitioners undertaking to amend
and Repair the said Road in manner
foresaid

Act. Sess. 3. Geo. 3. cap. 39. for Repairing Highways

May detain General Medows for some time on the Coast, I consider the object as of too much Importance to be delayed till his Departure. In the absence of the General therefore I propose, that measures be immediately taken to forward the views of the Committee.

One very material Charge has it seems been lately exhibited by the Nabob, and referred to a Committee for examination. The direct object of it is Paupiah Mr. Hollond's Dubash, but as Mr. Hollond and his Brother Edward are implicated by Name, I am of opinion that the Nabob should be apprised of the intentions of the Secret Committee to prosecute a Strict Enquiry into the Conduct of the late Administration, and informed how necessary it is for his own Honor, and for the Purposes of strict Justice, that he should adduce the most satisfactory Proofs in support of his Charges.

With regard to the Motives imputed to Mr. Hollond for undertaking the Shevagunga Expedition, I submit, how far it is likely that the Nabob may be induced to give any Explanations at present. Perhaps it might be eligible not to touch upon this Point till his Highness shall have come more forward in

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in the accusations preferred by himself.

The Rajah of Tanjore being mentioned in the Secret Committees Instructions, I think that a Letter be addressed to his Excellency, informing him of the Suspicions entertained by the Court of Directors, and requesting him, as he values the favor of the Compa=ny, to declare whether he has paid any Sum or Sums of Money to Mr. Holland or his Agents, and upon what ac=count. Observing to him at the same time, that he must advance nothing but what he is capable of proving by the most clear and satisfactory Evidence. And, for the purpose of giving a fuller effect to these Sentiments, I propose, that the Rev.d Mr. Swartz be charged with the Delivery of the Letter, and requested to add such observations of his own, as he may think calculated to attain the object We have in view.

The Board will perceive that the secret Committee, among other transactions, speak of Money received for the nomination to certain Posts of Trust and Emolument in the Service. I believe the offices to which they principally allude, are those of Military Storekeeper, Resident at Tanjore, and Collector at Gun=toor; The Honble Court may never obtain Information upon

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upon this Subject, if we wait till it come voluntarily
before us, but Submit, whether the Holders of these Places
might not, under the strong ground of suspicion stated by
the Secret Committee, be required to declare upon their oath,
or their Honor, whether any Sums of Money were paid
directly or indirectly in consideration of the Employments
respectively conferred upon them — If no Money were
paid, there can be no motive for hesitating to declare it.
If Money were given, the negociation will probably be
objected to, and the Preference, in this case, tho it may
not afford a ground for Prosecution, will give rise to a
very proper consideration, and that is, whether Persons
under such Circumstances, should be allowed to con-
tinue in the offices they have obtained —

The steps taken by Lord Cornwallis
to promote an Enquiry, before my Arrival, have just
claim to the Acknowledgements of the Company, and
as I am desirous of acting in perfect Correspondence with
His Lordships Wishes I move, that a Copy of this Day's
Minutes be transmitted to Bengal without loss of
time — That the Sentiments of the Governor General in
Council be requested on the foregoing proposition respec-
ting the appointments conferred by Mr Holland — but —
That, for the purpose of hastening the Execution of the
Orders

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Orders before us, as far as depends on the Nabob and the Rajah of Tanjore; the proposed Letters be immediately drawn out and dispatched to them.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley

W. Hudleston delivers in the following Minute.

Mr. Hudleston approves the recommendations of the acting President

Mr. Hudleston begs leave to record his sense of the great Importance of the Communication, now made to the Board, together with his entire Concurrence in the Sentiments of the acting President, and in the Measures he has proposed as most advisable to be adopted, at present towards effectuating the Just Intentions of the Secret Committee, so fully manifested in their Letter

Copies of the Proceedings to be transmitted to Bengal

Agreed, that Copies of this Days proceedings be immediately transmitted to Bengal, and that Letters be prepared to the Nabob and to the Rajah of Tanjore, in conformity to the acting President's Recommendation.

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Agreeable to the above Resolutions the following Letters are now dispatched

Secret Department

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

Governor General in Council at

Fort William

My Lord;

To Bengal with Copy of the Proceedings in the Secret Department of the 25. October —

We have the honor to lay before Your Copy of our Minutes of this day, in consequence of a communication made to us by our acting President.

We have the honor to be

My Lord

Your Lordships most obedient humble Servants

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/Signed/ Charles Oakeley.
John Huddleston.

Secret Department

To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic

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To the Nabob requesting His Highness will address the most satisfactory Proofs in support of the Charges he has exhibited against Purnaiah —

May it please Your Highness.

The Honble Court of Directors having heard various Reports of corrupt and improper transactions carried on during the administration of Mr Holland, and being extremely anxious that they should be fully investigated for

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for the purposes of Justice certain instructions were delivered to me before my Departure from England, which I am now, with the full assistance and approbation of Government, desirous of carrying into execution.

I find, that before my arrival certain Complaints had been voluntarily preferred by your Highness against Paupiah Mr. Hollond's Dubash, and that both Mr Holland and his Brother are mentioned tho' indirectly -

The measures recommended to be taken in consequence by Lord Cornwallis cannot fail to impress your Highness with a just Sense of the Importance which he affixes to your Highness's accusation, and must convince you, at the same time how necessary it is for your Honor, that what you have advanced should be fully and clearly supported by Proof

The Payment of so large a sum as you have charged to have been received by Paupiah for the Company's accounts is an article of serious importance, as it affects your Balance with the Company. The claim you will have to Credit for all Sums which may be recovered in consequence of the present Enquiry, added to the Arguments, which may be drawn from the Company's Instructions, and their express Desire to maintain the national Honor on this occasion, will I am satisfied operate effectually upon your mind to the Discovery of Truth.

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley

Secret Department

To His Excellency The Rajah of Tanjore —

To the Rajah of Tanjore
calling upon him to
declare whether or no
he has paid any Money
to Mr. Hollond and
upon what account

I have the honor to announce to
your Excellency my arrival at Fort St. George, and that as
Senior Member of the Council I have taken Charge of the
Government during the absence of General Medows in the
field.

It is necessary to notify to your
Excellency that the Honble Court of Directors, previous to
my Departure from England had heard various Reports
of corrupt & improper transactions which had been
carried on during the administration which had been
carried on during the administration of Mr Hollond.
and that being extremely desirous that these transactions
should be fully investigated for the Purposes of Justice
they delivered to me certain Instructions which I
thus purpose, with the full assistance and approbation of
Government, carrying into Execution.

Being confident that your Excellency
will

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who are under such great Obligations to the Honble Company, will readily come forward in a Business which they have so much at heart, and which is the cause of Justice, I now request in their Name you will inform me, whether you ever paid to Mr. Holland or his agents directly or indirectly any Sum or Sums of Money, and upon what Account. but, while I am soliciting from your Excellency an explicit declaration on this subject, I must recommend that you will not advance any thing, which you may not have in your power to prove by the most clear and satisfactory Evidence.

This Letter will be delivered to you by the Rev.d Mr. Swartz, in whom I place the most perfect Confidence. I request your Excellency will open yourself fully to him, and listen to what he may say to you on my part.

May your Health & Prosperity increase daily

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/Signed/ Charles Oakeley
Secret Department

To the Reverend Mr. Swartz
at Tanjore

To the Rev.d Mr. Swartz
To with the foregoing
Letter for the Rajah of
Tanjore and Copy for
his information

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose a Letter addressed to the Rajah of Tanjore, which I beg the favor of you to deliver to His Excellency, a Copy of it is transmitted for your

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Your Information. —

The Letter will speak for itself, and I shall only in addition observe, that the national Honor is very much concerned in prosecuting the rumours and suspicions entertained of the corrupt Conduct of Mr. Holland, and I am too well acquainted with your Character to doubt that you will use your utmost Exertions with the Rajah to effect a Discovery of the Truth.

In the perfect Reliance that this service will be performed with your accustomed Zeal, and regard to Justice, I shall not prescribe any Arguments to be used, but leave the whole to your Judgment and Discretion. —

I am, with the greatest Regard,

Sir,

your most obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Charles Oakeley

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The following Letter was received from the Rajah of Tanjore

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. &ca. &ca.

dated 12 November 1790

From the Rajah of Tanjore declines answering the acting President's letter respecting Messrs. Hollands untill the Charges he has preferred against Mr. Ram shall be finally investigated. —

On the 1st Inst. Mr. Swartz attended me with the Letter, which your Excellency did me the favor of addressing to me on the 26th October. The contents, which

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I have considered with attention, have given me the greatest pleasure. Mr. Swartz further made me acquainted with your Sentiments: your Excellency wishes me to declare, whether Mr. Hollond or his agents received any Money from me, and you require me to prove it by evidence. When some time ago I preferred a complaint against the President, Mr. Ram, and had caused the witnesses to appear before Mr. Fallofield, the Government delayed to enquire into the Justice of my cause. In this situation it is not probable that I should wish to make another Complaint, but as your Excellency is famed for your Goodness Character and Equity, I have the most perfect confidence that you will enquire into the charges and examine the Depositions, which are on the Companys Records, and that you will satisfy my mind by passing decision according to Justice.

I shall in the course of a short time reply to your Excellency's Letter of the 2d. October

I have sent my Vakeel Triumbuck Sombagee in order that he may always be ready at the presence. He will make your Excellency fully acquainted with the State of my affairs.

As I am placed under the cool shade of the Company, I rely in all respects upon the

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English with the most perfect Confidence. I therefore intreat your Excellency, turning your attention to this Hindoo Sumstaa, will preserve my honour and character, and that you will extend your favour and Kindness to me and my family in order that they may live in ease and happiness.

Believe me always your sincere friend. I pray for the increase of your Prosperity and the continuance of your Life. To a friend why should I write more.

A true translation
Signed J. Webbe
Mar. transl.

Military Department continued

Read the following Letter from Bengal

The Honble the Governor in Council
at
Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

Form Bengal - approving the Proceedings of the Board on the subject of the acting President's Instructions from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors.

We have received your Letter, dated the 25th. Ultimo, and We have read the interesting Proceedings of your Board, which are inclosed.

As you will soon have an opportunity of receiving the fullest communication of our Sentiments on the Subject of the letter addressed to Sir Charles Oakeley by

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by the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, from the Governor General in person, we shall not at present enter into any of the particulars of it, but content ourselves with expressing our General approbation of the Judicious Lead, with which you have proceeded to carry the Instructions of the Secret Committee into execution; and we entirely concur in Opinion with you on the propriety of your putting the Questions that your acting President proposed to the Military Storekeeper, the Resident at Tanjore, and the Collector of the Goomtoor Circar, or to any of the other Company's Servants whom you may have reasonable grounds to suspect of having obtained their offices by the Payment of Sums of money, or by corrupting, in any Manner, directly or indirectly, through Sanpiah or any other Person, the President, or any other Member of the late Government of Fort St. George.

We also consider the unfavorable conclusion that you are prepared to draw from a refusal in any Company's Servant to give explicit answer to the abovementioned Questions as frequently proper and justifiable, and we are not only clear in opinion that all Company's Servants, so refusing, should

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should be immediately removed from their Office, but also that nothing but alleviating circumstances of a very peculiar nature could render it advisable to continue any Company's Servant in Office, who should appear, even by his own candid confession, to have been concerned in corrupting the Members of Government.

We have the honor to be
Wm. &c. &c.
Cornwallis
(Signed) Chas. Stuart
Wm. Cowper

Fort William
13th November 1790

Minute thereon

The Board observe with great satisfaction that the Governor General in Council has approved their proceedings, and concurred entirely in the opinions they have recorded, Agreed therefore that the Questions proposed by the Acting President in his Minute of the 25th October be put to the Collection at Guntoor, the President at Tanjore, and the Military Storekeeper.

Collector
Resident

The following Letter being in Consequence drafted is approved, and Ordered to be sent

To

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To Mr. Robert Hughes

To the Collector at Cuntoor directing him to make declaration whether or no any sum of Money or other valuable Consideration was received by Mr. J. Hollond or his agents for the appointment conferred on him.

Sir,

The Court of Directors having received particular Information with regard to the corrupt conduct of Mr. Hollond's Government and in consequence directed a strict scrutiny to be made into several Charges among which is the sale of offices I am directed to inform you that the Board, with the Sanction of the Governor General in Council of Bengal, have come to the following resolution Viz.t

That every person holding an office suspected to have been obtained by the Payment of Money or other valuable Consideration, either to Mr. Hollond, or any Member of his Administration or to Paupia the Dubash of Mr. Hollond, shall be required to declare upon Oath whether his employment were so obtained or not, and though the Board are sensible of the objection that may be urged against such a call, on the supposition that the Charge be true, they think themselves intitled to put the Question to any Servant of the Company, leaving him to answer it or not at his discretion - If no money or other consideration were paid for his appointment the person to whom such question is put will

discretion

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will feel happy at the opportunity thus given him to do Justice to that administration and to his own Conduct.

The office of Collector at Guntoor is one of those appointments which has been particularly alluded to in the Reports that reached England, and I am directed therefore by the Board to call upon you to make the declaration abovementioned.

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I am
Sir
Yrs. Yrs.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary.

Letters the same as the following to be sent to Mr. F. Lind Military Bookkeeper and Mr. J. Ram Resident at Tanjore.

Ordered that a similar Letter be sent to Mr. Ram and to Mr. Lind.

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from Mr. Edward John Holland.

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting Governor in Council &ca &ca &ca

From Mr. E. J. Holland with Copy of a Paper under the hand & seal of the Nabob Omdat ul Amrah declaring that neither the late Governor or himself ever received from the Nabob or himself any Money Jewels &ca.

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

The advertizement in the Madras Courier in which my Name and that of the late Governor is mentioned has been to me the Subjects of great affliction and mortification and the Complaints of his Highness the Nabob have

also

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also given me infinite uneasiness and vexation; which I fear may have given rise to severe Remarks - The Publick Records will Testify that his Highness was kept constantly apprised of the Money received from him which was also infrequent Letters formally acknowledged by himself as well as by a formal account transmitted by him, and all Payments are made on the receipts of the Secretary. -

I have the Honour to inclose the Copy of an acquittal in the Persian Language by his Highness Nabob Omdutul omrah under his Chop or Seal being a proposal of his own and sent on the moment of the Governor's embarking for Europe as a Testimony of his Highness the Nabobs entire satisfaction, and a full discharge in regard to all transactions with the Durbar If such formal Testimonies and acquittals do not carry with them full conviction no Character can be safe. -

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I have the Honor to be
&c. &ca
Signed Edwd. Jo. Hollond

Copy under the Seal and Signature of the Nabob Omdat ul Omrah, Bahauder.

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Omrah -

Neither my self nor my Father have given any thing in Money

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Money, Jewells &ca. to Governor Holland or to his Brother.

Dated 25th. Jemandeelawat 1204 Hegra

The above date corresponds with the 11 February 1790

A true translation

(Signed) Joseph Garrow

Pca. Tr.

Minute thereon

Resolved, that a Copy of Mr. Holland's Letter, with the Enclosure be transmitted to the Nabob and that His Highness be requested to explain the Circumstances that gave rise to the Paper called by Mr. Holland an Acquittal.

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Resolved also, that the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah &ca. be furnished with a Copy, for their Information.

Read the following Letter from the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah &ca. &ca.

To the Honble the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From the Committee for investigating the charges against Paupiah recommending that application be made to Mr. Holland for all the original Letters from Mr. G. Anderson to the late Government which he may be in possession of and that Chinna Moodeliar and Sheverow the Rajah of Tanjore's Sirkell be ordered to the Presidency.

Honble Sir,

We have received Mr. Chamiers letter of the 24th. Instant with the inclosures, we observe that the Copy of the letter said to have been received from Mr. George Anderson requesting to withdraw other letters written by that Gentleman to Government appears to be only a copy, of a Copy transmitted by

Mr.

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Mr. Edward Holland to Mr. Chamier – as the original of that letter is no doubt in the possession of Mr. Holland it seems to be probable the letter addressed by Mr. Anderson to Government, containing new Charges against the Governor, at that time and which it appears was not returned to Mr. Anderson altho not entered in the Records may likewise be in Mr. Hollands possession – we therefore recommend on application being made to him for all such original letters, of that Gentleman as he may be in possession of –

We are sorry the applications of Government to the Rajah of Tanjore, have not been attended with the desired effect, it therefore becomes necessary we should endeavour to obtain information thro' other Channels, and having been advised that much important information is likely to be obtained from one Chinnah Moodeliar who has acted as Sowcar to the Rajah, and from Sheveram his Servant, we beg leave to recommend those persons being immediately applied for to the Rajah and ordered down to the Presidency without delay –

We have in a great degree anticipated the recommendation of Mr. Attorney General Sullivan on the examination of most of those Gentlemen he

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he has pointed out as necessary; and having obtained from Mr. Wm. Balfour the information likely to be given by his Partner Mr. Coll we do not at present see the necessity of a deputation to examine Mr. Coll in Camp. —

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

J Capper
Geo. Hoar
(Signed) Benjn. Roebuck
Geo. Moubray
Joseph Garrow

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The Honble the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

From the Committee for investigating the charges against Paupiah — enclosing Copy of their Proceedings in consequence of Paupiah's appearance before the Committee

Honble Sir,

In conformity to your Orders we have called upon Paupiah for his defence and explanations of the Charges brought against him by the Nabob, and beg leave to lay before your Honble Board a Copy of the proceedings on his appearing before us — we have waited for his answer which he informed us would be transmitted in writing, in substance, that he could not think of beginning a defence unless furnished

furnished with Copies of the proceedings against him and the proofs adduced by the Nabob in support of his Charges, but not hearing further from him on the Subject, we are unwilling any longer to delay this reference to your Honble Board, as we consider his silence a proof of this determination to abide by his former verbal declaration and therefore request to be honored with your Commands whether or not the request of Paupiah to be furnished with a Copy of the proceedings of the Committee previous to his entering on a defence, is to be complied with.—

Our proceedings enclosed, will shew your Honble Board the mode we have proposed to follow with Paupiah, when on his defence—from which we conceive he will obtain every necessary information to enable him to proceed with.—The reasons which have operated with us to refuse our consent to his having Copies of the proceedings, are, That as they contain matter relative to other persons who appear to have been concerned with Paupiah, they might in this stage of the enquiry be made a very improper use of with respect to them—That we conceive it would be highly improper

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to give him Copies, as when provided with them & in possession of every information, he may then as well as at present refuse to Come upon his defence and more particularly we felt the greatest impropriety in letting him have a Copy of any paper whatever, untill he shall have deposited his Books according to our requisition (with which he refuses his Consent) lest when in possession of this information he should avail himself of it, to alter them in such manner as may best serve to answer the purposes of himself and those who may have been Concerned with him.—

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
" J. Capper
" Geo Hoar
(Signed) " Benjn. Roebuck
" Geo. Moubray
" Joseph Garrow

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Friday 26th November 1790

The Committee assembled agreeable to the adjournment Pauppiah having in consequence of the Notice of the Committee to the Town Major appeared before them — He was informed by the President that the Nabob has brought forward a Charge against him for with holding the Sum

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Sum of Pags. 4,48,792 which had been paid to Mr. Holland on account of the Company thro his means - that the Committee are now ready to hear whatever he may have to urge on his Defence or in explanation of the payments charged by the Nabob - that the Committee understands he keeps Books of all transactions of his House in Gentoo and the Ledger in English that there is also a Book of receipts and disbursements kept by his Shroff Ram Chunder at the time, as he will probably have occasion to refer to them in the course of his Defence, the Committee desire he will bring all these Books with him, to be safely lodged in Colonel Cappers's House in the Fort, under Lock and Key, and whenever he leaves the Fort the they will be delivered to him and he will be at liberty to put his Seal on them - that Government consider his producing those Books for the inspection of the Committee as probably the best justification of his conduct he can bring forward and the Committee are ready to give him every assistance that he can with propriety expect in making his Defence. -

Paupiah begged leave to observe to the Committee that from his long confinement, his ideas were not so collected, as to enable him to give such distinct replies to the Committee as he could wish, on being first called before them, and therefore hoped for their indulgence - and

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on being assured of every indulgence, and assistance he could with propriety expect - he required of the Committee a Copy of the proceedings and the manner in which the Nabob had established his Charges he seemed to have no objection to lodge his Books in Colonel Capper's house after he had been furnished with a Copy - but not before, he began his defence - but wished for a little time to retire and recollect himself -

He was accordingly permitted to retire, and the Committee having maturely considered his request of being furnished with Copies - it was resolved - that no copies should be given, but the Charges under the various heads as divided by the Committee in their report - should be explained to him and the evidence given in support of each particularly read, and an opportunity given him of cross examining the different persons who have given evidence to each of them, to any points he may think necessary, and that he shall have permission to take notes of any part he may wish -

Resolved also that Pauppiah being informed of the above, and that unless his Books are lodged with the Committee, prior to his entering upon his defence, that no

no attention will be paid to any reference, or any proofs he may bring forward from the hereafter or to partial extracts taken from them—

Paupiah being called in, was informed of the above—he agrees to lodge his Books with the Committee as explained to him—but as he represents that he has always understood he was to be furnished with a Copy of the Proceedings—and as he is now informed that he is not to have such a Copy—he begs to have a day or two to consider whether under such circumstance, he can come upon a Defence at all before the Committee—

Resolved in consequence of his request that he be allowed until Monday morning to consider of this subject—

Adjourned to Monday 29 November 1790

Monday 29th. November 1790.

Paupiah having attended the Committee—informs them that it was his wish to have sent his answer in writing that when his Letter was nearly finished he received orders from the Town Major to come into the Fort immediately that when it is finished he will send it to the Town Major; the letter will fully explain his ideas on the

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the Subject - the tenor of it is, that he cannot without having a copy of the Proceedings, proceed upon his — Defence before the Committee —

Adjourned to Wednesday 1790

Wednesday 1st December 1790

The Committee having assembled for the purpose of receiving the final answer of Paupiah with respect to his commencing his Defence before them or agreeable to his declaration at the last Meeting - and not receiving such letter from him, consider his silence as a determination to abide by his verbal declaration, that he cannot come upon a Defence without being furnished with a Copy of the proceedings - the Committee Resolve to address Government on the Subject and send a Copy of what has passed requesting to be favored with their Commands whether or not Paupiah is to be furnished with a Copy -

A true Extract from the Proceedings

(Signed) Joseph Farrow

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Minute on the two foregoing Letters

Resolved, that Mr. Edward Johnston

be called upon to lay before the Board the original Letter

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Letter of Mr. George Anderson, of which a Copy was enclosed in his Letter of the 21st. Ultimo; and which, tho' addressed to the Governor in Council, is not to be found on the Public Records.—

That Mr. Edward John Hollond be also called upon to lay before the Board, the original Letter of Mr. George Anderson to the Honorable John Hollond Esquire Governor in Council, in which he exhibited Charges against that Governor, and which Letter is supposed, from the one already transmitted by Mr. Edward John Hollond to the Board, to be likewise in his Possession.—

Resolved that Messrs. Ram and Fallofield be instructed to direct Chinnia Moodelair to proceed immediately to Madras; and that if he do not set out in a reasonable time after receiving the Order, he be sent down under a Guard.—

Agreed, that his Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore be requested to Order his sirkeel Shevaron to proceed to Madras, for the Purpose of giving Evidence upon same Points, which relate to the Administration of Mr. John Hollond.

The Board approve the measures reported

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reported in the Letter from the Committee of the 1st Instant, and agree with them in Opinion, for the reasons they have given, that it would be improper to furnish Pauppiah with a Copy of the Proceedings, tho they are inclined to afford him Every just and necessary Means for entering on his Defence.—

Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob (entered also in C.C. N. 267)

Translation

From the Nabob Waulaujau to Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

Dated 22d Rubbillowell 1205 Hegera or
30th November 1790
Received 30th November 1790

From the Nabob—again requesting that in stead of paying his Highness the amount of his Family Jaghires is Money—a portion of Land equivalent to the value paid may be allotted to him.—

From the long acquaintance I have had with your Sentiments and the liberality which enriches your mind, I looked forward to your arrival in this Country as Governor with the greatfull hope that the difficulties I have laboured under would be obviated and that I should surmount the distress which surrounds one.

I have received your Letter of the 3. Instant in which you refer me to the Letter written

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to me by the late Morgan Williams Esquire during his Administration as containing your Sentiments relative to Jaghires. In the present critical Juncture when War rages in the Country and when consequently you must be deeply engaged in a variety of important Business, I will not trouble you, altho' my own Interest and indeed my own Honor is eminently concerned but will defer the Subject of both to future consideration in the interim I have to wish that instead of paying me any Balance in Money as you express your Intentions of doing in order to compleat the annual Sum of 2,13,000 Pagodas stipulated by Treaty as the Amount of Family Jaghires you will consider it as most eligible to grant me Districts to that Amount and I will then distribute it amongst my family.—

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Your are pleased to intimate that the List of Jaghires forwarded to me by the late Mr. Williams and enclosed in his address of the 12th. ultimo contains all the Districts that come under such description, allow me here to rectify an Error which Mr. Williams had fallen into, and in so doing to assure

assure you that there are many Districts which have been parcelled out into Jaghires from a considerable time not noticed in the List alluded to, amongst a Number of others are Tooveor Mahemundal Wanda-vash Tyaguer Satguer Moosarwak and andanellore yelpore &ca agreeable to the Inclosed List I shall only add at present, that you have thought proper to give to the Persons mentioned in the List of Jaghi-res the districts therein particularized and carry the same to my Account necessity arising from distress will oblige me to devide those Jaghires amon-gst many others of my family who look up to me for support

What can I say more?

A true translation

(Signed) Joseph Garron
P. Sr.

List of the Jaghires of the Family

Tiagad and Moonnoor
Wandervash and Veeranam
Mahemundel Gad and Mercannam
Cauderaabad otherwise called Moosarawauch

Talka

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Talka of Intiaved and the Bandar
Palia Ghaut
The City of Arcot and Wallajah Nager
Talka of Torioor —
Andaanellore, Elpoor, Condeampet,
Coos Coorchy. Calloy Nangoor and
Varahloor &ca —
The Villages of Gauzeel Maindeam
The Villages of Paudy & Cohamongalum
Talka of Saut Geed —

The Board are concerned to be under the Necessity of recording, that altho' extremely desirous of according to his Highness's wishes, they cannot with Propriety depart from the resolutions formed on the Points contained in the Nabobs Letter. —

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Read the following Letter from Mr. Secretary Hay. —

To John Chamier Esqr.
Secretary at
Fort St. George —

From Mr. Secretary Hay - enclosing a declaration laid before the Supreme Government by Pincata Ron relative to his Hereditary Right to the Jagheredarships of Arnee —

Sir,

I have Orders to transmit to you a Paper which has been delivered, on the part of

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of Vincata Row, to this Government, and to request that you will lay the same before the Governor in Council at Fort St. George.

I have the honor to be
&ca. &ca.
(Signed) E. Hay
Secretary to the Govt.

Fort William
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Translation from the Mahratta Language of a second Declaration by Vincata Row lawful Jaghiredhar of Arnee

That on the 23d. of Vyausee in the Malabar Year of Verodee, that is, in June Anno domini 1762, by giving Bribes with a view of frustrating the Measures then deciding on before His Highness the Nabob relative to the Right and Claim to the Jaghire of Arnee preferred by Yasodabany, Mother to the declarant Vincata Row a descendant in the first Line of his Ancestors, and consequently lawful Heir of the aforesaid Jaghire, Rama Roy, Vackeel to Gopoosabany, Widow of Terosmala Row (who was Dewan to the declarant Vincata Row's Father, and from whom he usurped the Government of the Jaghire (then illegally authorizing, did

write

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write three Letters to Jagtoovaroy, Dewan to the said Gopoosabany. An Extract of the Particulars stated in one of the said Letters is as follows, Viz.

Yasodabany having received permission to visit Begum Saib, laid her Case at large before her, and obtained her Promise to get the Jaghire restored to her Son Vencata Row, Yasadabany, being a Woman, conceived it would be more eligible that Tada Roy (who had formerly resided in Pendila's House as her Vaikeel) should visit Saheb Zadah, which he accordingly did through the Introduction of Abdul Rasied Khan's Uncle's Son, when, having presented a Nazar of twenty one Rupees, and a Recommendation from Begum Saib to Saheb Zadah in favour of Vencata Row the declarant, said that if the Jaghire was granted accordingly, a Pishcash of 20000 should be paid instead of 10000, besides a Nazar of 5,000 Rupees, and also a further Nazar to the Satisfaction of Begum Saib and Saheb Zadah. On being informed of this secret Transaction I (Rama Roy) communicated the same to

Rayaloo

Rayaloo Pendel, and Kishanajee who immediately asked Saheb Zadah concerning the Matter in question with which heemed much displeased, and gave no Reply. On this Sonboy, Bava, and myself went to Rayaloo Pandet's House, and desired him to resume his Endeavours, to which he replied that Begum Saib had told him that unless a Nazar of 10,000 Pagodas be immediately granted to Begum Saib and Saked Zadah for the Circars further Expence the Jaghire would be sequestered in ten or fifteen days. If you write your Permission this head I will offer the Nazar demanded, and obstruct the designs of the opposite Party."

An Extract of the said Rama Roy's second Letter written the 26th of the Month following, called Aunsey Viz.

Cazana Vencata Roy has demanded a considerable Nazar for his private Interest, to which I replied — That a great deal of Money had been expended in consequence of the Losses occasioned by our opposite Party in the Circars, and other Expences,

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Expences, - but that I would do all in my Power. -

A true Translation from the original Declaration in the Mahratta Language. -

(Signed) Chas. Loyd

I Peter Walker Notary Publick

Dwelling and Practising, at Fort Saint George and duly admitted sworn and Authorised do hereby Certify to those whom it may Concern that Charles Loyd of Madras Gentlemen the person whose name is Subs=cribed to the Writing hereunto Annext did this Day appear before me and Solemnly declare that the same was a true Translation from the Original Declaration in the Marhatta Language of Vincata Row the Person therein mentioned and that he the said Charles Loyd had Signed the same in Testimo=ny thereof In Witness whereof I have hereunto subscri=bed my Name and affixt my Seal at Fort Saint George this Twenteeth day of September One thousand Seven hundred and Ninety. -

(Signed) P. Walker (L.S.)
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Read

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Read the following Memorial of Vincat Row, Claimant for the Jaghiredarship of Arnee.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Fort St. George

Memorial of Vincata Row - setting forth his Hereditary right and Title to the Jaghiredarship of Arnee - and stating that Sunavasa Row the present possessor obtained the Jaghir by the Payment of a Bribe to Mr. John Holland of 600 00 Pags.

The Humble Memorial of Vincata Row Heir at Law and legitimate Descendant both by Blood and Adoption in the Eldest Line of the Original Jaghiredhar of Arnee.

Sheweth

That the Fort of Arnee having been an Appendage to the Kingdom of Tanjore the Killedars of Arnee were always nominated by the Kings or Rajahs of Tanjore.

That the Family of Vadajee Basherer having come from the Mharatta Country - some time towards the middle of the last Century the said Vadajee Basherer was appointed Killidar of Arnee by the then Rajah of Tanjore, and on the Death of Vadajee Basherer his Son Canary Row was appointed Killidar with the usual Pay and

Perquisites

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Perquisites of that Station, and continued in the Service of the King of Tanjore to his Death.

That his eldest Son Ramachendra Row having been appointed Shilledar of Nannar Goody in the District of Tanjore, his second Son Seneevasah Row succeeded to the appointment of his said Father Canary Row, as Shilledar of Arnee, and having distinguished himself in the Wars was made Jaghiredhar of Arnee and received the Rents thereof to his Death which happened about the Year 1710.

That the said Seneevasah Row was succeeded by his eldest Son Seneeta Row, your Memorialist's Cousin by Blood and Grand father by adoption. That after his Decease, about the Year of Christ 1763, his eldest Son Seneevasah Row succeeded his, and your Memorialist as Heir at Law in the Eldest Line of Consanguinity was adopted by the said Seneevasah Row.

That Treinabrow who acted as the Dewan of Seneevasah Row taking Advantage of the Troubles in the Country about 3 Years and 9 Months after Seneevasah Row succeeded as Jaghiredhar put him into Confinement, and usurped the Jaghiredarship and enjoyed the Rights Rents and Profits thereof to the

Death

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Death of Seenwasah Row which happened in the Year of Christ 1747 and even afterwards to the Wars of 1760 when the said Trimalrow was obliged to surrender to the superior Force of the Nabob of Arcot and was for the time dispossessed of the Forts of Arnee and Doby Guddy and all the Rights of the said Jaghiredhary but by the Treaty of Peace of 1762 between the Honble Company the Nabob of Arcot and the Rajah of Tanjore the said Trimalrow was repossessed in the Rights of the Jaghiredhary.

That Trimalrow not having any Children adopted Soubanah Row (Great Grandson of the said Ramachendra Row the Hilledar of Manargoody) who died in the life time of Trimalrow, leaving Issue, than two Years old, Seenwasah Row the present Possession of the Jaghire, altho in no wise related or either by Blood or adoption to the lawful Jaghiredhars of Arnee - That Trimalrow died when Seenwasha Row was only five Years old and Trimalrow's Widow managed the Jaghire from the time of Trimalrow's Death.

That after her Death the Nabob took Possession of the Revenues of the said Jaghiredhary until the Honble the Court of Directors at the Instance

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Instance of your Memorialist, who addressed Sir Archibald Campbell President in Council in 1787, ordered that an Enquiry should be made into the Title of your Memorialist to the Saghiredhary aforesaid

That in Conformity thereto Sir Archibald Campbell in Council directed the Board of Revenue to enquire into and report upon the Title of your Petitioner and two other Claimants the said Sinavasha Row and Ragoonadah Row the Grand Son of Ragoonadah Row the third Son of the Original Saghiredhar—

That the Board of Revenue ordered Madoon Row Conagoe of the Carnatic to take to his Assistance those whom he considered most conversant in the Laws of Succession by Blood and Adoption, and that they should give the Report as to the relative Title of your Memorialist and the said other two Persons to the said Saghiredhary—

That such Report was made accordingly and transmitted by the Board of Revenue to Sir Archibald Campbell in Council but no Determination had thereon during his Stay.

That

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That after his Departure John Holland Esqr. President in Council determined in favor of Sunwasah Row the Son of Soubanah Row who was adopted by the said Usurper Trimalrow, to the Prejudice of your Memorialist and contrary to the Report of the said Conagoe of the Carnatic and of the learned Men whom he had taken to his Assistance and had signed the Report with him and had the determined in favor of your Memorialist, as the Grandson by Adoption and Cousin by Blood of Vencata Row the second Jaghiredhar of Arnee.—

Your Memorialist sheweth that Copies of the Tables of Genealogy and of the Report of the said Cannagol attend this Memorial by which your Memorialist's Title as Grand Nephew to Sunwasah Row, the Original Jaghiredhar, and also the adopted Son of Sunwasah Row, the Grandson to the said Original Jaghiredhar, will appear to be clearly and fully explained.

Your Memorialist sheweth that he hath traced back the Genealogical Table to the Grand father of the Original Jaghiredhar to show to your Honor in Council how the present Possessor the Son of Soubanah Row derives his Title and that from a View thereof

thereof as also from a Perusal of the said Report of the said Conagoe &ca. Marked **B** and **C** hereunto annexed your Memorialist's preferable Title may appear.—

Your Memorialist lastly sheweth that he should have rested his Claim to a Decision in his favor upon the Merits of the foregoing Statement, without entering into any collateral Circumstances not immediately affecting his Herediary Title, but as it might be supposed by your Honor in Council that no former Government could have given a Solemn Decision against your Memorialist without a sufficient Reason for so doing, and that your Honor in Council might under such Impression infer that your Memorialist's Title may not be fairly and fully explained and that there is some latent Defect which your Memorialist hath covered under some plausible Veil your Memorialist finds himself reduced from an honest Regard to his Rights to explain to your Honor in Council the leading Cause which induced the former Governor to determine in favor of the present Possessor.—

Your Memorialist sheweth that on the 26th of December 1788 Muckmaul Lollah introduced your Memorialist to Paupiah Braminy, Head Dubash to John Hollond Esqr. then second in Council and afterwards

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afterwards Governor of Fort St. George, who desired your Memorialist to give him Copies of all the Papers which he had laid before Sir Archibald Campbell and your Memorialist having given them Pauperiah ordered your Memorialist to lay a Petition before his Master who ordered your Memorialist to draw an authentic Table of Genealogy of his Family, on perusing which Mr Holland promised that attention should be shown to your Memorialist's Claim.

That on the 25th of January 1789 your Memorialist waited on Pauperiah at Mr Hollands House when after some Conversation he said What Present will you give my Master (Mr Holland) if you succeed in your Claim - your Memorialist answered if your Master will get my Business settled before the Departure of Governor Sir Archibald Campbell I will present him with 10000 Pagodas, and if your Master succeeds to the Government of Madras after the Departure of Sir Archibald Campbell I will give him a further Sum of 10,000 Pagodas but on this express Condition that my Business shall be finally settled That then Pauperiah went up Stairs to Mr Holland and returned soon to your Memorialist to inform him the Business should

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should be settled to the Satisfaction of your Memorialist, after which Paupiah took your Memorialist by the hand said "you have no Occasion to speak to Seenwasah Row "for you shall certainly have the Jaghird restored to you"

Your Memorialist further Sheweth that on the 20th. of February following Paupiah presented your Memorialist to Mr. Hollond (then Governor of Fort St. George) who received your Petitioner kindly and taking him by the hand said — "Paupiah Braming has infor=med me of every minute Circumstance of the Jaghired=hary relative to you; rest your self easy on that head, "for you shall certainly have the Jaghire restored to you "as your Claim is just"

That on the 27th. of May 1789 Paupiah again presented your Memorialist to Mr. Hollond, when after being seated together for some time and conversing on various Subjects Paupiah said "20000 Pagodas is not sufficient, Seenwasah Row has offered "a larger Sum" upon which your Memorialist observed "that Ragoonadah Row stood indebted to the Company "in the Sum of 20,000 Pagodas which Sum the Compa=ny will oblige me to pay when the Jaghird is resto=red to me which will be more than I shall be able

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"to perform" Mr. Hollon immediately replied "you need not give yourself any Concern about the 20,000 Pagodas Ragoonadah owes the Company as I will take Care to have it passed in account" and concluded by saying "If you will not give as much as Seenevasah Row has offered you shall not have the Jaghire" upon which your Memorialist took leave and soon afterwards Seenevasah Row was appointed, the said Paupiah having previous thereto procured by force or improper Influence the Signature of several Persons to a Certificate in favor of Streenevasah Rows Right, which fact may be proved if the said Certificate for their Signature

a few lines omitted

That your Memorialist was shortly after informed that Seenavasah Row had given 60,000 Ps. to Mr. Hollond, and in Order to raise the said Sum of Money Seenevasah Row was obliged to mortgage the Jaghire of Arnee to Chinna Moodeliar whose People are still in Possession of the same as only 35000 Pagodas have been paid in part of the Mortgage.

Your Memorialist sheweth that as Chinnah Moodeliar's People are still collecting the Revenues of the said Jaghire your Memorialist will

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Will be an additional Sufferer by any Delay in the Determination of his Rights, unless your Honor in Council will be pleased to order a Receiver to proceed immedeately and to collect the Revenues of the said Jaghire and to hold the same In Trust till the Right in Question be finally determined, And your Memorialist lastly shaveth that if such Receiver be directed to enquire by whom the Collections of the Jaghire have been received since the said Seenevasah Row was appointed Jaghiredhar, it will appear that they were received by the immidiate Agents of the said Chinnah, nor can the said

Chinnah

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Chennah pretend to found his Claim thereto on any former Loan made to Seenavasah Row or his Family or to Supply any present Expences of the said Seenavasah Row as Jagheridhar or otherwise to account for his Interference, except as being an Assistant in carrying on the corrupt Measures by which your Petitioner & hath been deprived as aforesaid of his Hereditary Rights.

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Translation from the Mahratta Language of a Certificate confirming the Right and Title of the Jaghire of Arnee in favour of Vencata Royer.

We who have hereunder Subscribed Our Names do hereby declare and Certify that the Original Founder of the Jaghier of Arnee was Vadajee Bascara Royer, whose only Son, Conary Royer had four Sons Namely, the Eldest Ramachendra Royer, the Second Seenavasa Royer the Third Cashava Royer, and fourth Jagganada Royer the Eldest Son Ramachendra Royer during the life time of his Father went into the Tanjore Country and after having held the Killadary of Munnarcovil for some Years departed this Life on the demise of the said Conary Royer the Succession devolved on his Second Son Seenevasa Royer, who by gaining the Good Will and Confidence of the Rajah of Tanjore obtained the Government of the Fort and Jaghire of Arnee Seenevasa Royer also had four Sons, Namely the Eldest Vencata Row the Second Teroomala Royer the Third Rayamado Royer and the fourth Ramachendra Royer - The said Seenavasa Royer died after having been in the Possession of the Jaghier

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for Several Years and was succeeded by his eldest Son Vincataroyer who held the Administration of the Jaghier Thirty Seven Years and ten Months after his Death the Succession devolved on his Son Seenavasa Royer, who after having governed for some years was Cruelly, Maliciously and unjustly thrown into Confinement by his Uncle Teroomala Royer who acted as his Dewan, and the said Seenavasa Royer remained in Confinement till his death the Rajah of Tanjore on hearing of Seenavasa Rowe's decease wrote to Teroomala Royer severely reprimanding him for his Cruel and unjustifiable Conduct in attempting to usurp the Property of the Deceased and his Heirs — We do hereby also further declare and Certify, that the said Seenavasa Royer did previous to his death lease positive Injunctions to his Wife, Named Asthaboy to adopt any one of his Cousins or next a kin as their lawfull Son and Heir — In Consequence of such Injunctions the said Asothaboy did adopt Vincata Royer the Grand Son of Cashwa Royer who was Third Son of Conary Royer as aforesaid them at the age of Seven years, and in the presence of all his Relations and others Confirmed such adoption Teroomala Royer on hearing this not only Caused all the Effects and property of the said Asothaboy to be plundered and taken away from her House, but Confined Her and all her Confidential Servants upon the

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Table of Genea

Conary-Ron

1st Son.- Ramachendra-Row, Died in the Life time of his Father, Killadar of Mannar Goody in the districts of Tanjore.-

His Son

1st Son Samah-Row.

2d Son Esavendah-Row. Died without Issue.-

His Son

Ramachendra-Row

His Son

1st Son Vencata-Row

2d Son Seenevasa-Row

3d Son Conary-Row

4th Son Soobanoo-Row who was adopted by Teroomalar Row who usurped the Government of the Jaghire from the lawfull Jaghiredar.-

Soobanoo-Row died in the life time of the said Teroomala-Row leaving Issue a Son Seenevasa-Row who was appointed by Mr. J. Holland late Governor to the Jaghire of Arnee, and now in possession of the same tho neither related by Blood or Adoption to the Lawfull Jaghiredars of Arnee

The three elder Sons were in the Service of the Rajah of Tanjore and are Since dead.-

Seenevasa-Row, first Jag

2d Son.-

His Sons

1st Son Vencata-Row was a Minor, when his Father died and his Uncle Casheva-Row governed for 3 Years - he then was invested in the Jaghire during the time of Sadootoola Cawn, Soobah of Arcot, and Governed it for 37 Years 10 Months and was Succeeded by.-

His Son

Seenevasa-Row my Father by adoption who governed the Jaghire after the demise of his Father for 3 Years and 9 Months when he was betrayed and Confined by Teroomala-Row, Not having Issue adopted Me.-

Vencata-Row ligitimate Grandson of Casheva-Row the Brother of Seenevasa-Row the Original Jaghiredar-

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2d Son Teroomala-Row, who acted as Duvan under Seenevasa-Row, my Father by Adoption for 3 Years and 9 Months in the management of the Jaghire when Trimal Row betrayed, and Confined him.- Usurped to himself the Government but during his Reign.- He used no other seal, but my said Father's Trimal-Row had no Issue, but adopted.-

Soobanoo Row 4th Son of Ramachendra Row who never had any Lawful connection with the Jaghiredary of Arnee and died whilst Trimal row governed the Jaghire and left.-

His Son

Seenevasa Row then 2 Years old and who is now in possession of the Jaghire, the without any claim thereto either by Blood or by adoption to any one having a Right to the Jaghiredary

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Conogoyee Madavo-Row having [illegible] Sorts of Saustrum Books, and after the Opinion-ment as Her as aforesaid.-

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...ogy of the Jaghiredars of Arnee

Vadazee Basherer
The Antient Killadar
of
Arnee from the
Maharatta
Country

His
Son
... Who was Killadar of the Fort of Arnee

His
Sons

...hiredar of Arnee

Cashiva Row Govern...
Vencata Ro...

3. Son
Ragoonada
never Governed
the
Jaghire

6th Son
Ramachandra
Row never
Governed the
Jaghire
and died without
Issue

1st Son
Gopaul Row
died without
Issue

2. Son
Vadazee Row
Dead

His
Son
Soobana
Row dead

His
Son
Bahah Row
living at Tanjore

3. Son
Mada Row
Dead

His
Son
Rajah Row
Dead

His
Son
Trimula Row
living at Tanjore

Mata Row
living at
Tanjore

His
Son
Conary Row
Never Governed the
Jaghire

His
Sons
Ragoonada Vencata
Row Alree Row

...Consequence of a Reference made to him by the Board of Revenue fully Examined
...of Several Hol...

d Son.
d the Jaghier for 3 Years for his Nephew
v who was a Minor and left Issue.

4th Son
Jagganada Row, dead never Governed the Jaghire

4th Son
Amanda Row Dead.

5th Son
Vettal Row Dead.

6th Son
Kistna Row died without Issue.

His Son
Conary Row died at Tanjore about 50 Years ago leaving Two Sons who after his death went to the Mahratta Country and have not since been heard of

His Son
Kistna Row leaving at Tanjore

His Son

dajee Row leaving at Tanjore.

Vencata Row the present claimant A.

Sacajee Row living at Chingee.

into the invariable Customs of the Indians as likewise all
that I have a preferable Right to the Succession of Govern-

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Bastions some time after this barbarous Transaction
Hes Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic took the Fort
and Saghire of Arnee and sent Tiroomala Royer and
other persons of his Family to Trichinopoly, and after
having Confined them for some time at Stone Bungam,
granted the Saghire only to Tiroomala Royer During
their Journey from thence to Arnee the said Asathaboy
effected her Escape to Tanjore when She lawfully and
Publicly adopted the said Vencata Royer, the Grandson
of Cashewa Royer who was Third Son of Conary Royer as
aforesaid — We lastly declare and Certify that the said
adoption is Conformable to and Authorized by our Law
Books, intitled, Dweema Saastrums that is to say, a
Widow, in failure of Male Issue and having permission
from her Husband previous to his Death has an un-
questionable Right to adopt any Person allied to her
in the Family to be her Son and Heir and by Virtue of
such adoption the said Vencata Royer became the Son
and Lawfull Heir of the eldest line of the Family, in
Consequence thereof and Agreeably to the Law instituted
by our Dweema Saastrums, which have ever been the un-
disputed Mode of deciding the Right and property between
one Cast, he has an Undoubted Right to the Saghier

of

of Arnee.—

Signed by the following Respectable and Principal Characters Conversant in the Law Books entitled, Durma Sanstrums, Vizt.

Bavoo Row Vital Row Vaikeel — Sarpeje Rajah Maharaj of Tanjore

Sabapatee Sinvas Achary, Residing at Arcot.—

Rungah Achary Gomastah of the above — Do.

Patinee Conary Achary residing at Arnee

Kishnaingar . . . . . at Coonnapaneum.—

Thoddaw Sinvas Achary . .
Mahabashee Rungah Achary
Vurda Achary . . . . . .
Apai Apannangar . . . . . .
Sinvas Achary . . . . . .
Ana Apaingar . . . . . .
} Residing in Theroomaley in the District of Poonamalee.—

Eddoomoode Teroomala Lachmel Comar Stree Ranganath

Thatha Achary residing at Conjeevaram.—

Vurra Achary . . . . . residing at Chaumantee.—

Egain Vurra Achary . . . Residing at Vellipuram.—

Chinna Tatah Achary
Nursoo Achary . . .
} Residing at Amanapankum

Machamoonee Ragomodor Auchary at Teroovaloor

Vurah Sawmy Bramine
Vathanla Achary . . . . .
Sinvas Achary . . . . . .
} Residing in the District of Teroovaloor

Misuur Appana Achary
Sunglee Ramah Achary
} at Arnee.—

Goonda

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Goonda Achary . . . . . at Conjevaram.
Subba Sasterie . . . . . at Ditto
Suncara Saustree . . . . . at Salungary
Madava row Ragoonada row Cango Dasmook Sooba Furcund.
Booniadmy Carnalie at Madras.
Soobarow Natavar . . . . . at Valoor
Gopaul Pondrung } . . . . . at Teroovaloor
Saumjee Pondrung }
Satoova Vetul . . . . . at Poloor
Coote Seenevasa Row . . . . . at Madras
Kistna row aununda Row Amucur } at Tanjore.
Vadajee Row Vetul Row Amucur }
Ramachendra Kistnajee . . . . . at Arnee.
Sacajee Row Vitul Row Amucur . . . at Madras
Teroomala Row Rajah Vow Amucur } at Poonamalie
Madava Row Rajah Vow Amucur }
Dadajee Vincata Row Mohorier Molath Carnatic at Triplicane
Runga Row at Chingleput.
Rajah Row at Poonamalie.
Toticaly Cashiva Moodeliar at Madras.
Cote Moocunda Naick . . . at Madras
Roy Hishing sing . . . . . at Madras
Vadara Vincatachellum . . . at Madras
Ramah . . . . . at Madras
Mauselamony Moodeliar . . at Madras
Pooroosholhama Seettaramier . . Madras
Soobba Sastry . . . . . Conjevaram

Conjeepooram

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Conjeepoream Shashadry Sastry	Madras
Pooramuck Vencatanarramah Sastry	Nellore
Alloor Nellacunta Sastry	Madras
Eootty Sastry	Conjeeveram
Goopurty Vencataramah Sastry	Boomnacocha
Thengoory Narsimma Sastry	Pondicherry
Hoothkerey Soobbramana Somayasaloo	Punjanathum
Thavala Gooroomoorty Sastry Cunje sthalavasee	Madras
Yenmendry Soobba Sastry	Cockavaik
Vencatagrecharry	Coombacomum
Hahobala Nulachakraverty	Trooveelloor
Punjancenthum Vencatasoora Sastry	Troopauty
Vencatarayava Sastry	Cunnalore
Moodomboo Annasawmy Ayengar	Aurumpankum
Malacherry Verdacharrys Son Narasummacharry	Malacherry
Casasura Covindyah	Conjeevaram
Penna Sevacamah Sastry	Colatoor
Veerdacharyaloo	Auroompankum
Seenevausa Charyaloo	Conjeevaram
Seeerama Sastryloo Seetarama Sastryloo Sadasiva Sastryloo	Bramna poodoor
Gungadra Sastryloo	Sutta
Vencoo Sastryloo	Mynapaudey
Soobba Sastryloo	Cardeunjee
	Comastro

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Comastre Sastryloo . . . . . Poodoor
Soobana Row Gopaul Row Amechur . . . . . Madras
Rungacharryloo . . . . . Conjevaram
Govenda Sastryloo . . . . . Maneymungalums

Minute thereon

Resolved, conformably to the Orders of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council of the 8th of September last, that all the Papers upon Record relating to the Claim of Vencat Row be transmitted to the Committee for investigating the Charges against Paupiah &c. and that their attention be particularly called to ascertain the Truth of the Declaration of Vencat Row, that Shreenevassa Row, the present Jaghiredar of Arnee, was put in Possession of the Jaghire in consequence of the Payment of a Bribe of Sixty thousand (60000) Pagodas to Mr. John Holland, by the Means of his Dubash Paupiah.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue.

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

From the Board of Assumed Revenue the Collector at Salwadoo applies for Sixty Sepoys the Collector at Nellore states that the Nabob's troops are there

Honble Sir

We have the honor of Submitting to your

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there are willing to serve the Company if they had His Highness authority to enlist — the Collector at Arcot requests instructions as to the mode of proceeding against Poligars who are guilty of Murder or other acts of Cruelty —

Your consideration, and decision, extracts from three letters, which we have received from the Collectors of Setwadoo, Nellour, and Arcot and take the liberty of requesting your instructions upon these subject

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

J. Hudleston
Edwd. Saunders
M. Tuder
(Signed) David Haliburton
Hugh Maxwell
Geo. Moubray

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Extract of a Letter from Mr. John Clerk
Dated 24th November 1790

As from the exigences of the service it may not be Convenient to Spare the Number of Sepoys, which appear to me, to be Necessary for the assistance of Dodaly Ram Reddy, in collecting the Revenues of Sathavadoo. I beg leave to

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Mention Sixty as the force, without which, I consider it to be impracticable for him to Transact the business of the Pulicat Zemeens, and at the same time protect the Country from depredation.

A true Extract

/Signed/ J. Webbee

Sec.y

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Rich.d Dighton

Dated 28th November 1790

In consequence of the inclosed Address from the Commanding Officer of this Fort, I judged it absolutely necessary to make the advance therein required, on Account of his Highness the Nabob, more especially, as I had an opportunity of seeing the distressed state of the Troops who appear to be willing to enter into the Company's Service provided they had His Highness the Nabob's permission

As I understand the Commanding Officer has represented the Matter to Government, I have nothing further to add except that these Troops

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Troops are not Necessary for the purposes of Collection and therefore the sooner they are removed by Order of his Highness the better, as possibly their remaining in this Garrison, unless under the immediate Orders of the Commandant, may be attended with bad Consequences, they are Troopers I understand who formerly composed the Body & Guard of His Highness the Ameer, and were sent up here on his Death, as part of the Parade for Mahamed Nazer Cawn —

A true Extract
Signed J Webbee
Secy

Extract of a Letter from Nath. E. Kindersley
Dated November 1790

I have in confinement, two persons who have proved to be guilty of Cutting out the Tongue of an unfortunate person, against whom they urge no other Cause of Resentment, than his having, as they ridiculously conceive attempted

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attempted to conjure them. Till I have some Instructions, how to proceed in cases of this kind, and in Murders, which among the Polygars are dreadfully frequent!, I propose employing them at hard labor on the Roads &c.

A true Extract
(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y

Minute thereon

The Board are of opinion that the application of the Collector of Tattevaidoo for Sixty Sepoys for the Collection of the Revenues of that District may be dispensed with, or at any rate the Number much reduced.—

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agreed that the Board of Assumed Revenue be desired to instruct Mr. Dighton to inform the Nabob's Troopers at Nellore, that his Highness has publickly permitted all his Troopers and Sepoys to engage in the Company's Service, and that if they will repair to the Presidency, they will immediately be entertained.—

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That upon the subject of Mr. Hindersley's Representation, it must be ascertained, whether

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whether there are any Courts of Justice in Arcot, or in any other Place in the Center Division, - if there are, the Offenders must be delivered up, and Punishments suitable to their offences recommended - If there are not, the Delinquents must be employed in Chains in the Manner proposed by Mr. Kindersley. -

Read the following Letter from the Collectors at Tanjore. -

John Chamier Esqr.

Military Secretary

From the Collectors in the Tanjore Country recommending that 500 additional armed Peons be entertained for the Protection of the Crops.

Sir,

We think it our Duty to inform the Honble Board that a large Party of the Enemy's horse appeared yesterday on the Northern Bank of the Coleroon to the Northward of this place where we understand they are at present. a few of them Crossed the River and came to Triviar in the Tanjore Country where they plundered many of the Inhabitants. From the present weak state of this Garrison we fear it will be impossible for

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the Commandant to spare any Sepoys for the defence of the Country in case a considerable body of the Enemy should Enter it, and we are induced by this Consideration to request the permission of the Honble Board that we may Entertain five hundred additional Armed Peons till the Crops are gathered in, the whole of this Expence will amount to about 1600 Pagodas, and we are humbly of Opinion that the stationing these Peons in two or more Bodies in different Parts of the Country aided by the Polygars and Colleries may prove a Considerable security against any small Parties of the Enemy and prevent the Inhabitants from deserting their Villages and Cutting the Grain as it becomes ripe.-

We have the honor to be
&ca &ca
(Signed) G Ram
" E. H. Fallofield

Tanjore
27th November 1790

Minute thereon

Agreed, for the Reasons stated by Messrs. Ram and Fallofield that 500 additional armed Peons be raised for the Protection of the Crops in the Tanjore Country.

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board, with Enclosures entered in M.B. No. 177. 178. 179.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President in Council.

From the Military Board - recommending - that a new Gateway be built to the Fort of Tripassore - and that the Contractors bills for July August and September be discharged - enclosing a present state of the ordnance and Military Stores received from Bengal since the 7th April - and a list of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the Month of October - unserviceable Tin Tubes written off the Books -

Sir,

The Officer Commanding Tripassore having represented to us the expediency of repairing various parts of its Fortifications Lieutenant Russell of the Engineers, was accordingly directed to survey the same, and to report particularly thereon, but as the present Situation of affairs may not admit of executing the Repairs he has reported as requisite, We shall only recommend that the Construction of a Gateway be undertaken, which appears to us as necessary to the Security of the Europeans Stationed in Tripassore, and of the Revenue Grain deposited therein - The Estimate of its Expences is Pag.s 247. 32. 25 -

The Contractor has presented to us his Bill for materials delivered in the Months of July, August and September last, to the Chief Engineer and to the Contractors for Repairs, amounting to 400. 33. 75. (Pr. Fr. Cr.) - which, having undergone the usual forms

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forms of Examination, we recommend may be discharged.

Stores

Herewith We have the honor to enclose a present State of the Ordnance and Military Stores received from Bengal per different Ships, since the 1st April also particular Report of the State of the Brass Ordnance received from thence on the Ship, Victoria, which We request may be transmitted for the Information of the Government General.

We also enclose Copy of a List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the last Month, which having been duly examined, have accordingly been received on the Company's Books; the Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory likewise appear on Examination to be regularly brought up to the End of the preceding Months.

It appearing that 3,399 Tin Tubes, which were received from Europe, and sent during last War with the Troops on the Expedition commanded by General Medows, are totally unserviceable, We have therefore, directed

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directed them to be written off the Books —

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

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30th November, 1790

A. Capper
(Signed) Patrick Ross
George Hall

Agreed that the Gateway at Tripassore be constructed, as recommended, the Expence not to exceed the Estimate of Pagodas 247. 32. 25. —

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Agreed that the Contractor's Bill amounting to Pagodas 400. 33. 75. be discharged by a Bill on Bengal, at the Exchange of 393 Arcot Rupees pr. ½ Star Pagodas —

Read the following Letter from Major Montgomery —

John Chamier Esqr.
Military Secretary
Sir

From Major Montgomery requesting the Board's Decision on some articles in his accounts referred them in

Since I last had the honor of addressing

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in his Letter of the 13th September states the great want of proper persons to procure authentic Intelligence.

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addressing you, little has occurred here for the Information of Government, except that notwithstanding Mohaubut Jung has used his utmost Efforts at the Nizam's Durbar to procure the Supplies requisite for the Reduction of this Place, those sent are so inadequate to the Service required, that his Success is still in doubt, tho every Exertion shall be made, and every Assistance given by the Detachment to compensate so far as may be forth Deficiencies of his Force.

As the Nizam is known to be able to afford more ample Supplies, his withholding them at this Juncture must proceed from some Motive on which it is not my Province to determine —

On the 13th. September last I had the honor

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Honor to address the Board in Explanation of an Abstract of Expence transmitted by the Resident at the Nizam's Court, and referred by them to the Military Board not having as yet been favor'd with the Decision of Government on some Articles, which the peculiarity of my Situation impelled me to request their Sanction to, I beg leave again to submit those Articles to the Consideration of the Board, I mean the Allowance of Table Money, and the Charge of Hircarrahs &c. &c. In respect to the former I request you will be pleased to make known to the Board in addition to what has been said in my Letter of the 13th September, that a similar allowance is made by the Bombay Government to the officer Commanding a their Detachment with the Mahrattas, whose Situation, in other respects the same with mine does not subject him to so heavy additional Expences, as the Habits and manner of the People with whom he is serving are by no means so expensive as those of

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this Government.

The Charge of Hircarrahs &c. I flatter myself will not be objected to when it is considered that, independent of their Avocations detailed in my Letter above cited, and of the keeping up a regular Correspondence with the Bombay Detachment, a Measure recommended by the Resident at the Nizam's Court as absolutely necessary, I have no other Sources of Intelligence than by my own People, those with whom I am acting being totally destitute of Information, as an Instance of which occured on the Evening of the 2d Instant when a Body of Mahrattas arrived on the other side the Tongbudry about 5 Cos from our Camp, apparently with an Intention of Crossing the River. This Information reached me early in the Evening, but it was not till Midnight that Mohaubut Jung heard of it, who immediately sent to me in the greatest Confusion to withdraw our People from the Batteries and abandon the Siege, as a considerable Force of the Enemy had crossed the River very near us. nor was it without Difficulty that his Apprehensions were removed.

I shall only beg leave to observe on this Head conceiving it my duty to promote the Service in this Quarter by every means in my Power, I have invariably

invariably directed my attention to surmount the difficulties which the defective State of Mohaubut Jung's Force is continually presenting and that in pursuing this Line of Conduct, I flatter myself I act up to the Intentions of my Superiors.

Camp before Kopul
15th November 1790

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

Minutes thereon

The Board have already determined upon the Points contained in the foregoing Letter.

Substance of a letter from the Paymaster at Vellore

Read Letter from Mr. Toriano Paymaster at Vellore (as entered in MB No. 180) states that he is ready on account of the Security required from him to deposit a Company's Bond for 2000 Pagodas, and offers Mr. Kindersley as Security for 3000 more.

Minute thereon

The Board approve and accept the Security offered by Mr. Toriano.

Ex.
Chas. Carpenter

Chas. Oakeley
Huddleston