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HJ

Port George 24th December 1790

The Laws by which all suits ought to be determined, must of course be the established Laws of the Country on its Ancient Customs which have obtained the sanction of a Law. To introduce European Laws would be productive of the greatest Confusion and Inconvenience and cause a general Mearning throughout the Country.

The Laws of such a Plan will under any regulations depend on great Measures on the Choice of Copyright, disinterested Judges, if such Persons should fortunately be met with who are at the same time qualified for their Office, the Welfare of the Country would be laid on a firm Foundation

One Person I am acquainted with of uncorrupted Morals and disinterested Principles. He is a Christian, and has been Employed as a Judge at Tranquebar these 25 years. It is true he is in the Service of the British Government, but the Governor of Tranquebar would willingly permit him to assist at least for some time in the Establishment and necessary regulating of a Court.

Sept George W. December 5/90

Board. For this man's integrity & skill he
responsible, he was sent to England by
the Danish Government, and at that
time many people chose him for an
arbitrator in their discord, and
willingly submitted to his decision. His
being a Christian would be no objection
to his being employed, as there are men
examined willing to acknowledge him
as capable and good men.

Some practitioners to inform
in the Board at day's committee to
waiting by the service of the
Board. The Board being at present
under the company by whom the
of those employed in the Board will be
the price, the above person will receive
considerable attention.

I conclude - it has been a long time

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my passionate wish to see justice impartially
administered in this country, happy would
it make me to see that with accomplished
the present period appears favorable for its
introduction. I am well convinced the Honble
Board will give their concurrence and as
support to so very necessary and useful an

undertaking

I am respectfully

Yrs. S^r.

1 Signed / C. L. Leary.

Agreed that copy of the above be
sent to the Board of approved Revenue

Read the following letter from

Major M^r - Warrington - recd Dec 24th

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President of Council

Sir

Being informed of the promotion of Mr Jackson
to the station of Military Secretary and of the
consequent appointment of Mr George Barry as

his

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To the Honble. Major General M^r Meadows

From M^r B. M^r M^r
in - to the same
regarding the
going from
Honble Sir

Governor We in Council
of Fort St George

The office of Deputy Military
Secretary being vacant by the promotion
of Mr Jackson to the Secretaryship, I am
taking the liberty to solicit the appointment,
in consequence of my being the oldest resident
in either of the public offices, and many &
years senior in the Service to any other
- than at the Presidency.

I have the honor to do with

much respect.

St George
22 Dec 1790.

Y^r. S^r.

Yours
/ Signed / W^m W^m W^m

To the Honble. Major General Meadows

From M^r B. M^r M^r
in - to the same
regarding the
going from
Honble Sir

Governor in Council
of Fort St George

We understand that the vacancy
occurred

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Captain Paul
 Joseph Brown
 Worcester
 Massachusetts
 is interested
 with the
 Worcester
 Mass.

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Al! I have the honor to be

1 Sigmond & Co. New York

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Fort St George 21st December

Fort St George
Pondicherry

which I have made out to amount to
and cash of your agency

returned

28th Dec.
29th Dec.
30th Dec.

Mount St George

by Captain A. D. de la Roche with 2000
brought to account and the 2000 of your
"of your return"

Fort George

Chas. D. de la Roche
" Mount St George

2 Mr. C. F. George December 29th
 Diary.

Received Letter from the
 Rajah of Tanjore / as entered in C. C. No 281 /
 requesting that the acting President will not
 require the attendance of his Lordship's Messengers
 at the Presidency unless it be absolutely
 necessary - Chennai. Moodley who is at
 Trichinopoly and his Lordship's Messenger
 Sambagee will attend when called upon. -

Received the following
 Letters. -

The Hon^{ble} Sir Charles Parkerley Bart
 President & Governor in Council
 Hon^{ble} Sir,

With unexpressed Concern
 I have to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter from
 Mr. Secy Chamber dated 10th ultimo conveying
 the Resolution of the Hon^{ble} Board to suspend
 me from the Service of the Hon^{ble} Company
 till the Pleasure of the Court of Directors be
 known, in consequence of not having replied
 to his Letter of the 10th November as complied
 with the Acquisition of Government Shares
 contained. -

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What, however, it is

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referred to the latter standard, has
 shown how, former Decisions of
 of reference to the latter standard, the
 has been a mistake, as, if it is with
 be singular, how to the South by a
 of the former and latter, have
 been as a whole, in fact, that the
 requisite for necessary legislation, as
 from the Decisions that the
 of offering any satisfactory explanation to
 Government.

Had that the, that the, that
 not have been a mistake. However, it is
 the Decisions of Government, that with
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 Government, such as the, that the,
 due consideration of the circumstances
 authority under which the, that the,
 pleased to accept for the, that the,
 been in some instances singular, it will
 be forgotten that the object was to

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might have been frustrated and the most serious consequences entailed, I am still actuated by the same Principle, Intention and Endeavour, tho' I most sorely private Distresses have hitherto impeded my Executions, and I will yet hope that the Hon^{ble} Board will relieve me by accepting such Sums or Securities as may be in my Power to procure and which, Hon^{ble} Sir, shall be in a short Time communicated to you, -

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

Yrs. &c. R. S. Willis

December 16th 1790.

To the Hon^{ble} Sir Charles Berkeley Bart. Seniors
Member at the Presidency, and the Gentlemen
in Council at Fort St. George, Madras &c. &c.
Honorable Sir and Gentlemen

I had the honor of yours of the fourteenth yesterday, inclosing a copy of the powers given to Earl Cornwallis by the Governor General in Council, and the copy of a letter from Major Montgomery, who I hope will not be obliged to quit the field. If he should be command with naturally devoted upon the

next

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25th Fort St. George December 1790

The Officers appointed to the Command of the six new raised Revenue Battalions, request to know if these Troops are to be clothed in the same manner as those of the same description before belonging to the Establishment, and I have also to request the sanction of Government to clothe the Revenue Battalions in green for the present year, the Import Warehouse-keeper having informed me that there is scarcely scarlet cloth sufficient in the Companys stores to complete the clothing of the regular Troops.

Colonel Wargendheim having applied to the Military Agency for seven hundred and fifty Hats on paying for them at the Companys Price, I take the liberty to solicit your permission to deliver to him the number he wants, as the Hats have suffered very much from having been three years in the Country, and there will still be a sufficient quantity left for the Companys European Troops for the ensuing Year, in the course of which a fresh supply may be expected from England.

Fort St. George

20 Decr 1790.

I have the Honor to be

Dear Sir

Signed/ Wm Badger

for the Military Agency

To

Fort St. George December 1790

23rd

"Redoubled their fire of guns, Rockets and small
Arms. Now he ordered the 95th with the 6th B. & M.
to attack on their Right the Artillery playing
upon their center and the fort, whilst their left
was attacked by the 7th B. & M. which operations were
"Carried on with such Valour and Conduct as to
"Secure success. Mahatab Bawn fled across the
"River with the Horse and most of his Infantry
"whilst Hupsein Ally Bawn being hardly pressed
"and his Retreat cut off by the Highlanders made
"for the Fort but the 7th B. & M. overtaking him in
"the Court way cut off four Hundred of them
"from entering it with their all over Troops poured
"in a heavy fire of guns and Musketry on all
"sides of the Fort. Hupsein and his Men called
"loudly for bow which was granted them one
"for principal Barber with more than 500 men were
"found dead in the Ditch and their wounded &
"Numerous. Hupsein ally Bawn and 6 Barbans and
"upwards of 900 men taken their whole loss of
"Killed and wounded. Computed about 1000 - over
"Loss 5 Privates Killed and 40 Wounded, no officer
"Killed, the Wounded are Captain Sauman & Lt. F
"Powell. Captain Blenckford Engineers & Lt.
"Stewart 9th B. Having eagerly pursued the Bothers
"Enemy

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Mentioned the Resolution taken by Mookut-
 ching to attack the lower Fort of Kopal, not having
 his Resources competent to the Reduction of
 the upper ones. In pursuance of this Resolution
 a Battery was erected for one Piece which they
 call an 18 Pounder, sent hither by the Nizam,
 one of 16, and one of 14 M Calibre drawn from
 Rachore, a Mortar very badly supplied with
 Shells, and another without any. The Guns also
 were very ill provided, not having more than
 400 Pounds of Ammunition for each.

After many Delays, partly
 owing to the superstitious Ideas prevalent
 among these People in regard to lucky and
 unlucky Days, and partly to their being so
 employed in making up the small number
 of shot mentioned above, the Battery opened
 on the Morning of the 22^d. Utterly - Its Fire
 however was not of sufficient Continuance
 to produce any Effect - The smaller of the Guns
 in it gave way after the first discharge, the
 18 Pounder stood only two or three Fires, and
 then burst at the Muzzle - There remained
 one Piece and the Commanding Officer of

Artillery

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For J^r George 28th December

The business in the country, will be productive of the most beneficial effect. - upon this subject we request your determination. We also take the liberty of requesting your decision upon the enclosed Extracts of Letters from Messrs. Brown and Telford. -

In consequence of the acting President's having communicated to the Agents of the Factory, the just and humane decision of the Company in his favor, his Excellency has been petitioned, in which they prayed that English should assist the Company's interests, be granted to their agents as guards against future violence, or increase of the established Privileges. We therefore take the liberty of recommending that the company's agents should be clothed with the Company's authority and signed by the President. -

We have the honor to be

Y^r S^r

For J^r George
24th December 1790.

Signed J^r Huddleston

Attest Under

David Huddleston

Joseph Maxwell

Geo. Moulton

Edw.

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Extract of a letter from Mr. James Landon

Dated 14th December 1790.

They leave to observe that the Wall of this Fort, has not been repaired since it was breached in two Places by Hyderally last year at which time, the gate way was also destroyed, and that it is at present considered in as a defenceless state, the Commanding Officer has orders to withdraw the Garrison, and retreat on the approach of an Enemy in force.

The Advantage of maintaining this Post for the protection of the Country People, and their battle, for an extent of near thirty Miles round, as well, as for the security of the Company's property, and the Collection in this Division

is so great that, I recommend it earnestly to your attention, and advise repairs to the Wall and Gate are absolutely necessary, to enable the Fort to resist the attempts of a small force, would be effected, I conceive for about four or five hundred Pagodas, I hope you will be pleased to allow that sum to be expended on them.

There are no other Guns mounted here than two brass 3 1/2th for firing of signals, but I think

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Letter to George W. December 28th.

There are two small iron boxes belonging to the
Mabot, one of which has a broken carriage, the
could be repaired, and a country carriage
for the other for about fifty dollars, which I
would render to the Messrs. Morris, and
hope to show your former favor for this purpose.
Lieutenant Mr. Kerns has
understand me asked for a
wishes this Post be maintained, the great
part of the Counter Insurance of the West
Province, will be deposited on the first
of our return of the money.

Abstract

(Signed) J. M. W.

Extract of a letter from Mr. J. A. Dorn and
Jallofield - Dated 11th December 18th.

Having obtained from your
for entering 500 additional arms and
and considering that there cannot well be
expected under 20 Gold far and each
month, for the time they are employed
and that a difference in pay between the

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and our Collecting Pons, who have been armed in the same manner with the approbation of the Honble Board, will be the subject of much discontent, we request permission to allow these latter the same pay of 20 Gold Fanams for 12 twelve months, to the year instead of 10 10 months which latter was the rate of payment adopted by the Rajah, and which has been stated accordingly in our estimate of the Charges of Collection lately forwarded.

The additional Expense will be 3132 $\frac{1}{2}$ Star Pagodas 17th Annam, which we hope you will not deem a sufficient specification to this indulgence.

A true extract

(signed) J Webb Secy

Extract of a Letter from Messrs Pam and Tallofield - Dated 16th Decemb^r 1790.

With respect to the Vending of

Arack in Bottiques by retail, we think it our Duty to Submit it to your Consideration whether it may remain under the Commanding Officer, or whether we should receive the profits

and

For Jo George 28th December 1796

of the remainder, would pay it from time to time, & the Governor of Tanganyika sent a Gentleman in his Majesty's service to Madras with his power to settle it, who drew out an account from the 2^d of August 1734, by which the N. B. drew £100 to the Danish Company for the sum of 81,912 s. 4 p. which he presented to pay, & as no payment was heard of for some time after the same Gentleman returned in the year 1741 to Madras to bring it to a conclusion, a sum was made out by the N. B. in favour of the Danish Company for the amount of 81,912 s. 4 p. to be paid in 4 years out of the Revenue of the Madras and Chennais Kovil at 21 m. 4 p. 4 d. Annually, but from the year 1786 to my arrival in India 1788 we pay'd no more than 4518 s. 4 p. which I found to be owing to our understanding the Measure of N. B. Ann. —

When the Command of this Majesty's Militia was delivered over to me, this claim on the N. B. of 4 p. 4 d. was also delivered my charge — I address'd this Majesty's subject after the death of his son the Annor, and after some more the negotiation received a most

Danish

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Sankah on the same Districts dated the 7th of September 1789 for the Amount of 75,425, which was made & payable in 4 years out of the Revenues, at 18,000. A Pag^a 10 Annam. The payment commenced this year, when I agreed to take Paddy for the stipulated Sum at a fixed price. Part of the Quantity was received, some of which was exported, and some disposed of to the Inhabitants. But when the English Company took Possession of the Country my claim on the Districts was not only rejected but I was refused every assistance in obtaining the Money from the Inhabitants, & which they owed for the Paddy they had bought out of their own accord and signed their Bonds for this last & extraordinary extraordinary, as there was no other Jurisdiction in the Country; but the Company's Servant, who declined to give his aid. The Sum which is now due with the Inhabitants amounts to 6000. A Pag^a And as I have no probability in obtaining it, I shall request the favor of your assistance in forwarding the necessary orders to the Collector to see justice done to this Demand.

With respect to the Sankah,
by

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To Mr St George 28th December

by which Mr. Nichol has assigned or paid the payment of his Debt to the Danish Company to be realised out of the Revenues of the District before mentioned. Whether myself your Government will find it no more than just and equitable that it continues in force gives it's support to the Execution, as the Debt originated from a legal Transaction executed by the Knowledge and assent of the Government of Madras.

If you should think of any other mode of paying this Demand, which might be more convenient to the English Company than that of giving up the Revenues of the District, I shall be happy to adopt it, when I find the Danish Company assured from loss.

I have the Honor to remain with the most perfect Esteem.

Yr Danish Servant Dec^r 29th 1790.

Res. Sir

Signed / P. Parker

I recd that General Anker be informed that the Board cannot assent to the Danish becoming responsible for the Disputes arising there.

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of the sum due to the Danish Government from his Highness the Marb. nor can they give their sanction to any alienation of the Revenue in consequence of the numerous Tankahs which his Highness has given upon several of the Districts of the Carnatic.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Harris, Secretary to Major General Meadows.

For Chamberlains?

Secretary to the Military Department

Camp 17th Dec^r 1790.

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to forward to you in order to their being laid before Council, three Memorials to him and which are enclosed under the Number 12 & 3.

N^o 1. From Major General Musgrave.

The General thinks the case a singular one, and that every attention is justly due to the General that can be shown with

Propriety.

N^o 2. From the Captain of Guides - Lieutenant

Beetson and Allen The General from his

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from his good opinion of those officers, & recommends to being complied with if the practice of the service can be brought in support of the Request, but not otherwise.

N^o 3. From Lieutenant Clarke in command of the 1st of Grenadiers. The General thinks it a

reasonable Request as the Duty cannot be properly executed but on Monday, - I have the Honor to be

Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

Signed Geo. Clarke

Secretary

The Hon^{ble} Major General Mordaunt

Governor & Commander in Chief

in Council W^m W^m W^m

Hon^{ble} Sir

It is with reluctance I again

attempt to trouble you, on a subject the most disagreeable to me, but the necessity is not to say the truth of my situation, I stand with almost my arms crossed, requesting to know on what allowance I am to be placed as a Major General serving with this Army.

In the British Army all General Officers are paid according to their rank when on duty.

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They are employed, in India I am told it is otherwise, and that the allowances depends upon the pleasure of the Government to which they belong, which I conclude is the case, for I have the mortification to find two young Lieutenant Colonels, one from the Bengal, and the other from the Bombay Establishment both serving under your Command, not only with additional pay to their rank, but with Table A allowance and other docters far exceeding my most sanguine expectations, yet have I been debarred of one, and got no increase of the other, therefore I shall submit it to your consideration how far it is reasonable for those junior Officers to be on the receipt of such handsome incomes, while I remain with one as far inferior, and by no means adequate to the Expense I am obliged to sustain. —

I have the honor to be

Camp near Trichinopoly

Res. Sir

15th December 1790.

Signed/ Tho^s Munro

Camp. Munropetata

16 Decr 1790

To the Honble. Major General Meadows

Governor Commander in Chief W. S. S.

Honble Sir,

We beg leave to lay before you,

a copy

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a copy of a Government Order, dated the 10th February 1797. E. O. The Honble the President and Council having been pleased to resolve, that a copy of Orders shall be formed on the following establishment, the following Officers are appointed to that copy. -

Captain John Pringle, with the nominal rank of Major, to be at the head of the Department.

Lieutenant Watson, and A. M. to be Deputes, with the nominal rank of Captain. Major Pringle and his Deputes to have the pay of their respective nominal ranks and surgeons allowances and Batta, when employed in the field or on service. -

Signed J. L. Munnis Secy

We beg leave to state the originality and peculiar hardship of our situation, that we are the only Officers in India, or perhaps in any other service, whose extra appointments deprive them of the substance of their Army rank, which surely the above quoted order does not explain, and to remark that Captain Pringle, when Captain of Grenada, did always

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receive his subsistence together with the same as our present allowances.

We have therefore to request, you will be pleased to take this matter into consideration, and we trust, that seeing the justice of our claim to the said subsistence, you will be pleased to allow us, to draw for it hence forward, as well as the arrears due to us from the date of our appointment.

We have the honor to be

Dear Sir

(Signed) A. Beaton

Capt. of Guides

(Signed) A. Allen

Capt. of Guides

To His Excellency. Major General Meadows

Governor & Commander in Chief S. S.

Sir

The Commissary General having objected to the article of Horse allowance in my Bills, and not having it in my power to reply to his objections by a reference to any written authority, I feel myself under the necessity of addressing you, Sir, on this occasion, and however trifling

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My Dear George 28th December 1790

Respecting the subject, I trust I shall stand excused if I shall appear that my claim to that allowance is not ill founded.

As the allowance of any situation are nowhere selected, either in the orders of Government or the Book of Regulations. I can only rest my claim on the necessity there is for such an allowance. If this necessity should appear sufficiently strong to establish my claim to it, I hope I shall at least be justified in making this application, as I am apart on the authority of the late, as well as the present Quarter Master General, under whose Orders I have previously acted, that the Duty of a Soldier's Officer cannot be satisfactorily executed without a Horse.

I beg leave most respectfully to submit this to your consideration, and that the authority of these Officers will be sufficient to convince that a Necessity on which I ground my claim.

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect.

Yrs &c

Temple at Brammerham

Dec: 26th 1790.

(Signed) M. Dore Hunt

Commanding the 4th Division in the East

Wiltshire

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Post to H. George 28th December 1890

W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary, Military Department

Sir,

From the Secretary to Major-General Meade, with a letter from Lieut. Col. Maxwell respecting his allowances while commanding the Central Army and an application from the officers of the Central Army respecting their Batta. -

The Commander in Chief has directed me to enclose you two Memorials in order to their being laid before the Council. -

N^o 1. A Memorial from Lieut. Col. Maxwell, which the General requests the Council will take into consideration and favor him as soon as convenient with their opinion, as to the allowances which should be made to Lieut. Col. Maxwell while in command of the Western Army. -

N^o 2. A Memorial to Lieut. Col. Maxwell while in the command of the Western Army, the subject of which was laid before Council in a Memorial in July last to which no official answer having been notified, the Commander in Chief now requests again to call the consideration of the Council to the subject from being of opinion himself that some compensation should be granted to the Memorialist. -

I have the honor to be,
S^{rs} V^{rs}
(signed) Geo. Harris
Major

Camp 22nd Dec^r 1890.

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Major General Mordaunt

Commander in Chief &c &c &c

Sir

The Allowances given to an Officer in Command of an Army, not being specified in the Regulations for the Payment of His Majesty and the Noble Company's Forces serving in the East of Bengal &c, I take the Liberty of addressing you, to request that you will determine what I am to receive for the period of time during which I had the honor to command the Western Army. —

No specific Allowances are fixed by the Regulations, it may not be improper to observe that Sir John Cockburn with commands the Bengal Troops, serving under my Command received from that Presidency double the Allowance of forty Rupees per day for the Expenses of his Staff, an Allowance which the Supreme Government thought it necessary to make, to enable him to support the Expenses which his Staff were subjected to in war — These Expenses are unavoidably very large to every Officer in a considerable Command, and I submit to your Determination what Allowance should be made to

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to me on that account.

I have the Honor to enclose a Letter from the Officers commanding Troops which were Canton'd at Welajabad, and in orders for Field Service, and have the Honor to be.

Camp near Munsurpett

St. L. A.

20th Dec^r 1791.

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell

St. Col.

To St. Col. Maxwell

St. L. A.

Sir,

Understanding that our former application thro' you to the Commander in Chief relative to the Batta for the Officers of the Corps under our command & respectably had been & honor'd with His Excellency's approbation and that the same had been submitted to the Government of Madras, but finding that no steps have been taken in consequence and the necessities of several Officers not only thro' the causes represented in our former letter has & also thro' Troops since sustained on service are become extremely urgent. we again beg leave to lay the subject before you with our most request

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request that you will please to take the earliest opportunity of submitting the same to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, in humble confidence that he will extend such relief as may enable those gentlemen to keep the Field with some tolerable degree of comfort.

We have the honor to be

Dear Sir

Wilmot Camp

Dec: 14th 1790.

Major J. C. Goudie Major

M. Major E. J.

P. Campbell Capt

Comd'g 97th Regt

Bot' & Thence Capt

Command'g 96th Regt

Major J. J. Capt

Comd'g the 97th Regt

Geo. Stewart Capt

Comd'g 97th Regt

John Jordan Lieut

Comd'g E. Art

Resolved that copies of the letter

to Major General Innes and Lieutenant

Colonel Maxwell be laid before the Governor

General

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Minuten the
two foregoing
Letters -

General and that his Lordship be informed,
that however well disposed the Board are to
meet the wishes of so respectable an officer
as Major General Musgrave, yet upon the
present Occasion they do not see how they can
satisfy him, without rendering themselves
liable to censure from the Hon^{ble} Court of
Directors, whose Orders upon the Subject, contained
in a Letter of a very late Date are directly in
Point against the admission of the General's
Claim - That if his Lordship however upon
weighing the matter shall be of opinion that
the situation of Major General Musgrave would
justify a Deviation from the Company's Orders,
the Board will not hesitate, under the sanction
of his Lordship's Authority, to acquiesce in any
measure, which he may think proper to propose.

That with regard to Lieutenant
Colonel Maxwell's application, it be submitted
to the Judgment of the Governor General whether
any and what extra allowance should be made
to that officer during the Time he hold the Commnd
- and of the Land Army - observing only, that the
Board do not find any extra allowance was given
to Colonel Kelly, who was precisely in the same
situation

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Director with him at Commanding that any
and some of Superior Rank to Lieutenant & Mr
Maxwell.

Agreed that the Application of
the Officers of the Border Army for Batta of the
Captains of Guards for their subsistence of Army
Rank and of the Officers in the Command of the
Corps for Horse Allowance, be referred to the
Military Board.

Read the following Letter from
Lieutenant Colonel Lockhart.

To John Chambers Esq:
Secretary to the Gov^t of Fort St George
Sir,

From Lieutenant
Colonel Lockhart
requesting the
produce of the
Office and from
his Detachment
to the Presidency
for Recouping.

Having received from Mr. Hunt Master an
Account proceeds of Silver Office transmitted by Army
Government for Recouping, account of the Bengal
Detachment, I have called upon the Paymaster of
Detachment to form a statement with the Hunt of
Fort St George, and show damages of the horse to be
it to Government. As the Balance is a part of the
necessary subsistence for the Detachment of the Detachment
Pay for November & December, I request the Month
Board will authorize the Paymaster of the Grand
Army to deliver the Balance of that Detachment
Eight thousand five hundred & eighty two Rs 1000
to Mr. John Hunt Paymaster of the Gov^t of Bengal, India.
I am Sir with Respect
Yours
Signed Geo Lockhart
Lieut Colonel
Bengal Detachment

Done
December 20th 1790.

Amount received on Receipts of Cheques
submitted to the Government of Madras Rs 2000

2/6082 " "

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I am 19th December 1790

St James's Park
London
18th Dec 1841

St. Andrew 26082 " "

Dyksh received from the
 Government of Hong Kong
 50000 - Star Pagodas Exchange
 @ 375 10% Star Pagodas = 187500
 Dyksh received from the Government of Hong Kong 20582

Particulars referred to
Copy of Receipt from the Bank to the
Treasury at Fort George -
Account of Supplies Received from Mr. John Smith
Paymaster to the Bengal Detachment under
Command of Lieut Colonel Lockhart.
Do. Do. - - - - - 79999. - - -
Do. Do. - - - - - 12975 68426 1/2.
Do. Do. - - - - - 2228393 1/2.

atwobdy J. S.
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agreed to inform Lieutenant Colonel Lockwell that the Paymaster to the Southern Army will receive instructions from the Military Paymaster General to pay to the Colonel's Order the sum of twenty eight thousand, five hundred and eighty two and sixpence and that as soon as the whole of the Papers in the Treasury are sold, further Orders will be given for the Payment of the Balance.

Read the following Letter from His Highness the Arch Bishop which are entered also in B.L. No 203.234/-

Translation

From the Arch Bishop of Mainz to Sir Charles Ogle
Dated 12th Dublin May 1790
19th December 1790.

Received 19th December 1790.

From the Arch Bishop requesting that all Companies should be directed to receive Grain from the Biver may be called upon to give Receipts for it. A Receipt mentioning all from the Collector at Elmstedt for money lent for the public Service.

In my Letter of the 11th Dublin or 19th November last I informed my friend that several of the Company's Commissions and Payments had not granted Receipts for Grain delivered by the Journals of the Biver at the desire of this Government and requesting that my friend would direct them to give Receipts for

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For the same - As it is now necessary they should be produced to the Gentlemen who are examining my accounts - I hope my friend will send me Letters for each of the Gentlemen named in the enclosed List that they may be forwarded to the Bircar's Servants and the Receipts obtained without farther delay.

Besides the above, the Commissioning Officers and Paymasters took possession of all the Grain in some of the Districts and the Collectors afterwards seized all the Money and Grain that was ready. The Receipts for these must likewise come, and I request you will please to send Orders on the Subject. The Caddy and Money due from the Ryotts for the last year or 1799 Chasully is the Bircar's Property.

Raval Nam the Gomastah of P Whoddyie Soucar paid forty three thousand Pagodas to the Paymasters at Trichinopoly in part of a bill for fifty thousand from Trimmally which was given to the Company and procured Receipts for the same. There remained a balance of seven thousand. Mr. Fox the Collector at Trimmally seized

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owed about four thousand Shillings from Jaffer
Law and. Notby the Master of St James's, which
belonged to the said Jaffer and was lodged in the
Treasury at that place. Mr Jaffer must grant his
Receipt for this Money at the current exchange. Mr
Law had given a Receipt for the balance of the said
with upon Jaffer's Receipt. The Master of St James's
but Mr Jaffer stopped it. I request therefore you will
be pleased to write Mr Jaffer to receive the said
balance from Jaffer's Receipt and pay his
Receipt or deliver the Receipt up to Jaffer Law
who will receive the Money from him and pay it to
Mr Jaffer and take his Receipt.

What can I say more.

Attest translation

Signed Joseph Jaffer
On 31

List of the Company's Agents who received from the
Lords Jaffer and have not given Receipts for the same
Mr Jaffer Jaffer at Amoy
Mr Jaffer do at Malacca & Amoy
Mr Jaffer now at St James's by concerning the
Jaffer received at Jaffer
Mr Jaffer at Malacca.

Mr

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Mr. Lammuck, Johnston at Trichinopoly
Colonel Bridges formerly at Palamcottah now
at Trichinopoly

M^r John Palamcottah

M^r Young for Bangalore & Semeracottah

Translation

From the Nattob Malarajaw to Sir C. B. Berkeley &c

Dated 18th Nalbhosamny 1203 Agra
or 25th December 1790

Received 25th December 1790

I have received a Letter from
my Son Mufsaamul Mulk at Trichinopoly,
of which I send you a copy, from the substance
of the Contents I am apprehensive the Army &
may be distressed - I also remind you to pay
attention to the Provisions laid up in that Fort,
that being the most material object -
I quarterly to your desire sent
you on the 19th of last month a List of my
Amildars and Servants who are indebted to my
Lircar with Orders for them to repay to my
Treasure - But to my great surprise instead
of those People being sent to me, M^r Andrews &
has

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has required that the 30th years of all those who were
baptized and are in arrears should be sent to
him. I request my friend will enquire with attention
into the measures which are pursued by Mr. Ashbury
and others in my behalf.

What can I say more
about translation

Signed J. Garrow
Prs.

Translation of a Letter addressed to his Highness the Duke
by Messrs Samuel Muelk & Alexander dated at P
Fredericshof the 8th October 1790. Copy
concerning to the 15th December 1790.

Having in the last year 1789 &
chiefly with great pains and labor given out
and satisfied in to the Highness and advanced
them feed and money I had excited myself in
the business of the translation so strenuously
that there was not a spare of ground left barren
throughout the whole Province of Fredericshof,
and with the blessing of God and your Highness
good fortune the outcome of the bounty and
the receipt of money would have been greater
than the year before last - for the meantime

M^{rs}

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Mr Andrews arrived and appointed Chinnamudley
Dutak a Inhabitant of Tanjore his Pashcar-
this Man expressed the Ryotts so much that he
did not leave them again of Paddy of their share-
neither did he aord for the Grain into the Fort, but
in the hopes of raising the price he kept about
two hundred Thousand Bullocks in different parts
of the Districts. Notwithstanding this, he apprehended
the Ryotts for a Money, on which account many
of them were obliged to abandon the Country - He
also doubted the Duties of the Rayer, on which
account the Merchants &c. totally stopped from
coming into the Fort, and the importation of
grain and other articles of Provisions from the
neighbouring parts entirely ceased, and every
thing became so exorbitantly dear in the City
that the People were almost dying with Hunger.
In this situation the Chief of Mysore suddenly
came with a large Army, and the Mysoreans, &
Colleries &c. carried off as much of the aforesaid
Paddy as they could and burnt, and destroyed the
rest - the Dumbah Paddy they gave to their
Horses, set fire to the Houses of the Ryotts, &
carried off their Cattle, and laid waste the Province

To Mr J^r George 28th December 1794

in such a manner that it was difficult to know either goods or services - As the Report of the British Horse all the Regts came into the fort for shelter, where they could secure procure a single meal only - In this distressed situation, General Medows arrived with the Army at Baltimore depending upon Treachery only, and the Capt of the Army are we & destroyed for want of provisions and provisions as I cannot sufficiently express - and the Bengal troops who came into the fort, brought up all the grain and other small grain, Peasants, & Brigsalls, Jagun, & servants and Plantations they could find at twice the value and set them free, and the fatigue of marching has made them covetous that they have left no weakness or any sabbles in the Regt - There is not a grain of Rice to be seen, and every thing is scarce twice the price it did be fore, and cannot be procured at that rate but with the utmost difficulty - General Medows demanded grain and Money of Mr Andrews and his Peasants for the use of the Army - As the grain of the Province fell into the hands of the Enemy & through the neglect of the Agents, and the &

Marchant

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Merchants ceased to bring in Articles of Provision on account of the exorbitant duties, and the Sellers of the ground abandoned the District on account of the oppression exercised over the Ryotts and with holding of their share, - from this ignorance and confusion in affairs, neither the grain &c was brought into the Fort nor other Articles of Provisions collected - and now that the General requires Money and Grain, Mr. Andrews &c. &c. pretend that I obstructed their Management that I prevented the Ryotts from recognizing them, and that therefore their Authority was not yet established - In this manner they invent excuses in every business and seek an Asylum for themselves under my name - Colonel Harris accordingly sent me word to send Bazaars of Rice &c. from the Fort to Camp and cause those Articles to be sold - I enclosed is copy of a Letter that I wrote to the Colonel on this subject from which you &c. might be well understand more fully - at the commencement of Mr. Andrews's Management I advised him to employ such People as were acquainted with the business of the Province,

For

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For if he employed strangers their ignorance & would be the cause of great loss in the affair of the Country, and the Company would not receive the whole produce, nor would the Officers get credit in it according to the necessity for some Yeomanry. But the whole is owing to the place was entrusted to the aforesaid Debat, who being conversant with the Country had exercised a free reign over the Ojotts and been guilty of Corruption, wherefore the Ojotts and Inhabitants of the District have fled them desolate, and the Importation of Articles of Provision into the Fort has ceased on account of the heavy Duties which are exacted from the Importers, and now that the Lord themselves are fit to manage, they throw the blame upon me. -

Yesterday Mr Andrews sent me a message, desiring I should send the Ojotts of Alliance to him - I am't him word in answer, that those Ojotts during the last war had joined the Enemy and raised Disturbances and that it being now time of war they were imprisoned here by your Highness's order in consequence

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consequence of their disposition to rebel, - that - however they should be sent if General Meadows required it - immediately write a Letter to Col^o Harris of which a copy comes enclosed and I shall transmit to the Presance the Colonel's answer as soon as I receive it. -

This day being Wednesday the 8th Dubbefoamy, the English Army marched from Cullymoor to Munsoorpoot where it is now encamped - The Cavalry are encamped near Cotator, and two Brigades from Carore near Caccantope. -

I have written this for your Highness's Information. -

Translation

Copy of a Letter from Mufsaamil Mulk & Bahadur to Colonel Harris Dated 5th Dubbefoamy 1205 Hegiry or 12th December 1790.

By my Dubash you sent me word to send - Give in Bazaras &c. to the Army I soon the Fort that those articles may be sold in Camp, I therefore write you, that if I had proposed Authority in such Business I should have

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have made such provision for the necessities of the Army as it might have been distributed for any thing - Now Mr Andrews has fallen & power in all affairs and for your information I shall state to you the manner in which I managed - From the time of General Hornes who sent a forrth the Army in their path until the arrival of General Murgess at Freichingody and from that time until General Nelson joined the Army some Months ago, I took great pains and furnished the Army with all necessaries from this same country all the wants are necessarily well acquainted with my labours and exertions and until the Army marched I supplied all the Pay for stores and for the use of the Army and for the use of the People of the Army, I took off the Parties of the Lagers of Freichingody which are on an average 1 Lach and twenty five thousands Rupees, and thereby out a side my own views of loss or gain - By this step of remitting the Duties of the Lagers & gain was brought in from all quarters to the Army and likewise into the Fort, whereby the People of the Army

and

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and of the City where not in anywise distressed
But now on account of the exorbitant &
exaction of Duties at the Layer beyond what
has been customary, the Merchants being in
very few Articles of Provisions &c. and the
Byots are much distressed and dejected
at not receiving their proper share - Besides
all this, two Lack Bullams of Paddy which
had been moved down and heaped up in the
District a twelve months before was plundered
by the Enemy & Calcutta owing to neglect - and
when the Enemy was encamped at Ramnagar,
there being but few Troops in the Fort, daily sent
a Body of Gentlemen &c. to the Commanding Officer
whom I had raised under promise of paying them
Batta for the Company's service and the defence
of the Fort - and tho' I made frequent application
to Mr. Andrews for Paddy on account of the Batta
of these People, I could not obtain any - as this
Body had entertained in consequence of my &
Promise and merely to serve the Company, I was
under the necessity by any means to pay them
Money when the report of the approach of our
Army prevailed, the Enemy's Army decamped
from

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from Devon after which I went for this duty
of Gentleman W. P. to my own House and having
disposed of my family jewels, & paid them according
to the Accounts of the time they had forced and
discharged them - this is the case with respect
to me as I have stated above - However I am ready
with all my family to render every assistance
in my power to the Army and I share myself
that the English should who are famed for
justice and good faith, will consider the friendship
of fifty years standing between the Company
and his Majesty the King, and his attention
to the welfare of our Affairs -
What shall I say more than
to express my anxiety to see you -

Translation

Copy of a Letter from Mr. Fox to Mr. Pitt
to Colonel Manners Dated 6th of November 1790
or 13th December 1790.

The Oligarchs of all nations during
the last War joined with the King of Mysore
and committed great disturbances, wherefore it
the conclusion of the War they were surprised
by

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by the Carrier and now that War is again commenced, his Highness to the Nabob whom God preserve / sent the said Collagers to Trichinopoly and ordered them to be kept in close confinement so that they might not be able to join the Enemy and become troublesome To Daye Mr Andrews has required me to send those Collagers to him - their Case is as I have written - yet notwithstanding, if you desire it, I will send the Collagers, because it is the Nabob's orders that I should do every thing that General Meadows & Bakhader shall desire of me. -

What shall I say more?

The Board find upon Inquiry from the Comptrolary General of Grain and Provisions, that Receipts have not been given by the Company's storekeepers for the whole of the Grain delivered by the servants of the Carrier at the different Places mentioned in the List transmitted by his Highness, and that the Cause proceeds principally from his Highness's servants starting various objections respecting the Price - agreed that his Highness be informed of the foregoing, and desired to send a statement of

Minution the former letter from the Nabob.

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of all the Grain delivered at each Garrison for which Receipts have not been granted, specifying the Quantity of Rice, after which, the Subject will be investigated, and the necessary Orders given to the Company's Stockkeepers.

As great inconvenience and Expence must result from the Calling any of the Messengers officers and servants to the Presidency at this juncture, the Board hope upon representing the Case to his Highness that he will be satisfied with their remaining in their present Abode, where their services may be useful in the current Business of the Collection, which one of the Joint Comptrolers.

Read a Letter from the Colony Agents as contained in L. N^o 2835/ regarding that his Highness desiring with the Army he permits to draw their allowance of Rations in Cash.

Agreed that Major General Pender be informed that several Applications have been made to the Board from Company and from the Agents of Balasore and Madras respecting the Payment of Rations to their Officers and that it be recommended to the

General

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General if he have no longer occasion for their services, that the Watta be paid them from the Money I am built, and that they be then dismissed. -

Read the following Letter from
Mr. J. D. Boyd. -

To the Honble, Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I have the honor to represent to you that I am empowered by virtue of a Commission under the seal of His Highness the Rajah to purchase one thousand stands of old arms for His Highness's use, - and as I understand the Honble Company have arms of that description to dispose of, - I have to request your permission for the above purpose, and that orders may be given to the proper Intendant of the Arsenal accordingly. - His Highness the Rajah being the immediate Friend & ally of the Honble Company. -

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I have the honor to be
Sir Sir.

27th Decr. 1790.

Signed Jas. P. Boyd

Agad

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My dear Sir,

I am very glad to hear that the Amos be found from the Company's stores, provided they are paid for according to their value - and that the Military Board do report upon the subject. -

I read the following Letter and Enclosures from the Military Board. -

To Sir Charles Cockerley Baronet

Acting President in Council
Sir,

I am the Military Board report on the increase of the price of gun powder and other articles of military stores - of some of the items on a recommendation of the Chief Engineer that gun powder be provided by contract - not recommending that application be made to the King's Government for supply of them and to answer also that Mr Nelson Lord Protector of the Ordnance at home could not say that the the store deposit at William's name - not from their stations and Mr Donald and Mr Anderson appointed in their names. -

For our delay in reporting upon the cause of the increased price of gun powder, and being unwilling to postpone it longer, in expectation of an answer from Lieutenant Colonel's Moorhouse, we shall now submit to you a Letter from Mr Benjamin Moorhouse, who long acted as Deputy to Mr Paine, the late Military Storekeeper, and contains the only information we have been able to procure, respecting the present charge for gun powder, - our reference to the books of the different Military Storekeepers, it appears they have been invariably charged 15^d per cwt for each cwt of the powder. -

With respect to the increase

in

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in Price of any other Articles in the Indent for 1st October, We beg leave to remark that, any deviation as to Price in making up a New article of Store, it has been the established Usage, when its Muster is presented by the Military Storekeeper that he, at the same time, reports the Price, which, does not appear to have been ever admitted, without the approbation of Government previously obtained - and as the Report of the Military Storekeeper corresponds in every respect with our own Examination of the Records of the late Committee of Stores, We beg leave to enclose a copy of it, for your more particular Information. -

at a subsequent meeting, 1st Lieutenant Colonel M^{rs}, recorded a Minute on the latter part of the above Paragraph, a copy of which we herewith enclose, remarking at the same time that we did not think it necessary to extend our Examinations beyond a period of 15 years, while your Directions confined us to a Report, whether any and what Increase had been charged in the price of Gun powder or any other Article of Military Stores, within that period. -

With

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With Respect to Colonel Dap's
Proposal for a new Contract for Gun Powder,
as we do not deem the present as a proper time
for making the alterations he suggests, and do
not wish to anticipate your orders, we beg to
leave to refer the matter to your Consideration
and Decision.

The Auxiliary Storekeepers
informed us that his Stock of Powder will be
nearly expended at the end of February,
and it appearing that his Stores cannot be
supplied from the Civil Storehouse, We recommended
that an Application be made to Surgeon for the
several sorts and quantity of Powder in the
enclosed List and likewise for four or five hundred
Bolls of Canvas, which cannot be procured here
with much expence for the Service of the
Green and Ordnance Department, under this
Provision.

We deemed it necessary on the
30th of September to represent to you the misconduct
of Mr Gibson, the Conductor of Stores at Am-
stead, and recommended the Appointment of
Mr Donald in his Room, - and as the Monthly

Returns

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Returns last received from thence bear no official signature, We are induced to repeat that recommendation, more particularly as we understand that the stores in that Garrison have long continued under the charge of the late Storekeeper's Concisely.

The Storekeeper at Vellore having represented to us the very frequent Intoxications of Sergeant McKean, Store-Sergeant at that Garrison We take leave to recommend his Removal and the appointment of John Sandon, Gunner, in his Room.

We have examined the Books of the Animal and Laboratory which we find to be regularly brought up to the end of the preceding month.

We have the honor to.

21st December 1790.

Res. Sec.

(Signed) J. Capper

Patrick Rofs
George Hall

To Colonel Capper.

Mr. Members of the Military Board
Gentlemen

I have been honored with

Yours

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your Secretary's Letter of the 12th instant requesting that I will give you what information I may be able to give relative to the Price of Powder being increased from 38th to 43. 1. 28. per Cask.

At the request of Mr. Pitt's Military Secretary I attended at the Powder Mills a considerable time before I was appointed this Duty as well as after.

The utmost attention was paid to every part of the process relative to the Manufacture of the Gun Powder yet we found it impossible to make Powder which was proof upon the system which had been always adopted at Madras, and I am, convinced that there never was manufacturing at the Mills in the British Town a single Pound of Gun Powder which was proof and that some simpler means must have been taken by mixing Saltpetre Powder with it or otherwise to have got it finished, a Quantity of Experiments were made at every considerable expense to find out what process would produce Gun Powder, and at that a Note was put upon which increased the expense of

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the Manufacture, and by which the Powder was rendered Superior either to Bengal or Europe Powder in the Course of adopting the new system. The Stockholders suffered a considerable loss by the blowing up of the Mills which stopped the Works from February to June 1788. The manufacture was again at this time renewed, and after the proofs had clearly shown the Superiority of the Madras Powder both to Bengal and Europe, I understood that by a verbal Order of Sir Archibald Campbell, communicated to Colonel Moorhouse, and by him to the Committee of Fort St. George, the Powder was allowed to be charged at the same Price which had been always allowed for Powder Manufactured at Vellore and was not an increase of Price of a half penny a pound. They observe that tho' the Powder manufactured here is Superior to the Bengal Powder and tho' the most expensive Article in the manufacture Salt Petre, is brought from Bengal to this Place, yet the Price given here is considerably less than what the supreme Government in India give the Powder at, which is sent to Madras. Had not this improvement taken place in the Manufacture I should imagine it would have

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2nd St. George St.
December 31/90

have been thought expedient to have adopted the
Mills at this place and have supplied them &
Providence from Weymouth, which considering the ex-
pense of freight ^{from} given for ^{any} other, would have
been a very heavy expense.

Art de George
November 1790.

Have the honor to be
Sir Sir

Richard Allen
First Vice in Price charged
since 1775.

End of the advanced series

Dr. J. C. Smith

Leather Buckets 20 " " 40 " "

Green Pines. - July 28 " 40 1 28 21 32

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Don't be afraid of the future!

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and with little or no improvement which I thought I would mention them formerly.

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On Account of the Living made payable to
Margaret Sumner.

For the scope / signed for J. and
J. P. December 1890
Military Academy

Abstract of copy

Depend on it
I will

Publication

Letter to George 28th December 1790

Lieutenant Colonel Rofs Minute - 19th Dec^r 1790.

Lieutenant Colonel Rofs on perusing, in Circulation, the Report of the Proceedings of last Meeting, deemed it necessary to refer to the Proceedings of the Committee of Affairs on the 30th March 1791 wherein he finds the following Report from the Military Storekeepers -

The Military Storekeeper acquaints the Committee that the present Contract for Gun Powder, is made by the Committee of Works, that the Contractor, who finds the Arsenal is allowed $11\frac{1}{2}$ Pagodas for making 540 M. -

500 of Salt Petre

is delivered from the Com^{rs} frame Cost

which Pagodas 18. - -

80 of Brimstone is also delivered them

which at 18 Pagodas W^t. Candy is 2. 14. - is

that 540 M of Powder and when proved is to P

throw @ 10 Inch shell cost the Company 23.32 -

with 2⁰⁰ of Powder 9.30 Yards -

From which it appears that Gun

Powder then cost much less than 38 Pagodas, and

as the advance from that price to 38, and from

38 to 43. s. 28. cannot be satisfactorily accounted

for, he proposes that a Contract be advertised which

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which should specify the State when at the Company will supply the salt store and sulphur, or that hereafter be granted the Contractor to provide himself with these Articles.

That previous to entering into any agreement, they should be informed of the Monthly Expenses incurred to the Company by the Manufacture of Gun powder, exclusive of the price paid for it to the Contractor, of the Quantity now made Monthly, as well as of the probable means of increasing the supply. and in order to draw a proper line in all matters of Contract between the Contractors and those acting for the Company that the Military Storekeeper and the Company General of Stores be desired, to lay before this Board the Number of Monthly Artificers employed in their Department at the Company's Expense.

(Signed) J^o Ogle

Attest Copy

J^o Bot. & Clerk

(Signed) David Bruce

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List

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List of Iron wanted by the Military Stockholders at

Fort St George

Flat Bars

3 Inch Broad and $1\frac{1}{4}$ Inch Thick	Bands
4 Do Do 1 Do Do	20
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do R $3\frac{1}{4}$ Do Do	20
3 Do Do R $1\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do	20
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do R $1\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do	20
2 Do Do R $1\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do	100
	200

Square Bars

1 Inch Square	20
$1\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do	20
$1\frac{3}{4}$ Do Do	20
2 Do Do	20
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Do Do	20
	100
	200

Bolt

$\frac{1}{2}$ Inch	20
$\frac{3}{4}$ Do	10
1 Do	10
$1\frac{1}{2}$ Do	10
2 Do	10
	60

Red Iron of Sorts

Total Bands 400

Fort St George

18th December 1790

at true Copy / Signed / Fort St George
 Signed / Dant. Ince
 Secretary

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Acting abundantly
Minute - econom-
-izing some are
-expensive for the
safety of others
required in the
Department of the
Military Academy.

The Abolition as there is
 great reason to suppose
 that the efforts of our friends
 will be successful in the first
 place; Governor and most
 of our friends are ignorant of
 the quantities of iron ore,
 iron and steel amount
 many very much exceed
 his magnificent prospects.

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It should have an adequate salary annexed to it, but large or exorbitant Profit cannot be permitted and especially at a time when the Embarrassments of the Company are almost too heavy to be borne and when their Servants in general are bound by the strictest ties of duty to make every practicable saving in their Expences.

With this view only, and not from any wish to trench upon just or reasonable emoluments, they leave to propose that the several Articles of Stores which are not usually made up in the Arsenal such as Gunpowder, Gun bammings, Tent's Cooperage, Platforms Carts, and Bags &c. be provided by separate Contracts

That the Military Board be desired to communicate their Ideas with respect to the Places where they can be best provided at the least expence and under the most regular Checks, and to furnish us with such other observations as they may think calculated to assist us in our final determination on the subject.

For

Sept 25th 1864 28th December 1864

In respect to Comptrol-
 as the circumstances of the war may
 make any sudden change in the mode
 of supplying it inadvisable, the
 Military Board will of course postpone
 the time when the Contract for it
 may commence without inconvenience
 but I think the whole of the proposed
 articles should be advertised for without
 loss of time - and until the contract for a
 Comptrol is commenced, that the military Board
 should consider of, and determine whether the
 price to the Comptrol can not be reduced -
 As to the forster's Comptrol -
 with of the Stockkeeper form of the Comptrol
 on comparing the duties of this office with
 those of other Employment in the Service
 that a salary of 300 Dollars per annum
 will be an adequate compensation for
 his trouble. -

Signed Wm. A. D. Kelly

Mr

Lord St George 28th December 1890

Mr Hudson delivers in the following Memo-

Mr Hudson's Memo for consultation the 28th December

Mr Hudson desires to express not only his perfect concurrence in all that the Acting President has recommended in the Memo but also his sincere pleasure in the opportunity afforded him of giving his support to an arrangement which goes directly and substantially to that reform in the public expenditure so strongly enjoined by our employers and which the present situation of their affairs so seriously demands.

The Hon^{ble} Court will have the satisfaction to know that the Acting President has seized the earliest occasion to lay a solid foundation for such reform, and judiciously chosen for that purpose the department which of all others is equipped to afford the most ample field for it. It appears that the Prices of many of

the principal Articles in the Military Stores have for a series of years been gradually increased without any proof of a proportionate increase in the price of the Materials, and in several instances without the Authority or sanction of Government. In particular the Article of Gunpowder is supplied by Colonel Poplar Monteau since the year 1871 has increased from £28.32 to £31.28 per barrel. The late Deputy Military Storekeeper in his letter to the Military Board explaining reasons for the

Mr Hudson's Memo
concerning the
military expenditure
to the Acting President
on 28th Dec 1890
During the same day
the Acting President
has signed the Memo
on 28th Dec 1890

Fort St George 28th December 1790

Mr Hurdston delivers in the following Memoir

Mr Hurdston's Memoir for consultation the 28th December

Mr Hurdston desires to express not only his perfect concurrence in all that the Acting President has recommended in the Memoir now read, but the sincere pleasure he felt in the opportunity afforded him of giving his support to an argument which goes directly and substantially to that Reform in the public Expenditure so strongly enjoined by our Employers and such, the present situation of their affairs so seriously demands.

The Hon^{ble} Court will have the Satisfaction to know that the Acting President has seized the earliest occasion to lay a solid foundation for such reform, and judiciously chosen for that purpose the deplorable which of all others is supposed to afford the most ample field for it. It appears that the Prices of many of the principal Articles in the Military Storehouse have for a series of years been gradually increased without any proof of a proportionate increase in the price of the Materials, and in several Instances without the Authority or sanction of Government. In particular the Article of Gunpowder is appraised by Colonel Roger Mordaunt as since the year 1771 has increased from £28.32 to £31.28 p lb only. The late Deputy Military Purveyor in his letter to the Military Board assigning reasons for

Mr Hurdston's Memoir
concerning in the
last Memoir, proposed
in the Acting President's
Memoir - has been
sending the Memoir
to the Adjutant General
for his opinion, the Price
of Gunpowder

Fort Stevens 25th December 1910

The last invoice, which was from 1883 to 1893. 1. 1883 to Landry says considerable stop on the expense which the Military Storekeeper in for Sal Petre, and that the if the price of that article had been raised to twice, with the same or even with the proportion, the Government would have been compelled, but it is plain, both from the report of the Military Board & from Colonel Poppe's Memoirs that the Military Storekeeper had been at no greater expense for Sal Petre, since he had been allowed for the Gunpowder 1883. 1. 1883, than he was, when allowed only 28. 30. 32. 30 & only, the price charged to him having been under 150 pence a day - with regard to the difference in the quality of the Gunpowder, Colonel Poppe states from the proceedings of the Committee of 1893 20th March 1911, that the Gunpowder contracted for at that price at 28. 30. was, when given, to them as 10 pence a ball with 26 of powder; 930 yards. The Military Board in their present report offer nothing on this point, but I am much helped in thinking with Colonel Poppe that the powder from 28. 30 to 38. and from 38 to 43. 1. 1883, cannot be taken as factory accounts for, and that before the board had taken place the Military Board should ascertain the expense the Company are made as for Gunpowder & all other 80's as well as that of the, exclusive of the price allowed the Contractor, and if, as I observe, the same price

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now employed in manufacturing the Powder would readily consent to be employed under any new Contractor, I do not see why the attraction should not take place immediately and the Company relieved from part of the heavy expense incurred in this Article, but if there are any Substantial reasons for delaying it, I would recommend that the Military Board be desired to state them, & in all events if it should be judged advisable to defer entering on a new Contract, I would recommend that the Storekeeper who is now to receive 300 Lys^d p^r Month in lieu of Enquiries, be directed to make up the Gunpowder under his inspection & that he give in his Account upon Oath declaring that he has charged no more than the expenses actually disbursed.

Signed / J. P. Custerton

Resolved that the Measures recommended by the Acting President, regarding the future Provision of such Stores as have been hitherto furnished by the Military Storekeeper, be adopted

Resolved that the necessary orders be given to the Military Board as proposed by the Acting President that they be also informed that as Mr Lind has been removed from his Station of Military

Resolutions in consequence of the two foregoing Minutes

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1 Signed J. P. Henderson

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consequence of the
two foregoing Minutes

Fort Monroe 28th December 1890.

Military Comptroller, Government, wishes to know their opinion as to the prices at which he should be directed to deliver over to the Corps & that of the quantity to them whether the 2nd of January may not be fixed upon for the formal commencement of the new system.

The Board concurs with the Comptroller; and wishes he had suggested, regarding the Provision of Green Groceries, & the immediate Provision of the Expense incurred in that article by the Corps. He has recommended, in case the Military Board should judge it advisable to defer entering into new Contracts, to agree that any application be made to the Corps for four hundred pounds of Green and four hundred pounds of Beans, and recommended by the Military Board.

The Acting Assistant Comptroller has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of Beans for the use of the Corps.

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Genl. H. H. H. H.
permitted to make
up 8000 Rs. as
allowance for the
Bengal Boundary.

As the Board understood that there is
a great want of Cavalry Accommodations, it is agreed that
Genl. H. H. H. be permitted to make up at Vellore
8000 Rs. as allowance for the Cavalry at that Garrison
be ordered to advance the sum of two hundred and
twenty five Pagodas on this Account.

Read the following letter & Enclosures
from Mr. H. H. H. and Mr. H. H. H.

To John Chamber Esq.

Military Secretary

Sir

From Mr. H. H. H. and
Mr. H. H. H. with their
Report on the
Bengal Boundary
and the
Bengal Boundary
and the
Bengal Boundary

Accompanying and have the honor to
send you our Report on the enclosures from 10/10/90/
on the different points referred to us by Government
under date 26th October 1890. which we request you
will lay before the Honble Board.

Trichonopoly
19 Dec 1890

We have the honor to be

Sd/- H. H. H.

Signed / R. H. H.

" Robert H. H.

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Report of the Committee appointed at Trichonopoly by
Government order under date 26th October 1890.

The Committee having already had the
honor of making their report to Government in the
charges of Mr. H. H. H. Dubash against Mr. H. H. H.

Proceed

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appears that had not Mr. Johnston acted on behalf of the Company as their Agent in his official character of Touchet, his mortgage Bond would not have enabled him to get possession of the Grain, the Nabob meaning to defer the discharge of it - they conceive it probable that on commencing the delivery of the Grain, Mr. Johnston and his Dubash might consider it their property in discharge of the Mortgage, it even appears that Larnach the Nabob's renter had begun the delivery of about 2000 Bushels understood by him to be on account of Mr. Johnston, but he asserts, & we find the contrary accounts confirm it, that the Grain delivered subsequently was considered by him the property of the Company and delivered by order from the Nabob, for the Company's accounts - other Amuldar examined by us also asserts, that at the time of delivering the Grain to the stores it was understood by them to be the property of the Company for the Company's accounts or not.

The supposed consideration of the Grain being delivered on his Account and knowing the Nabob was so far indebted to him, which we see no reason to deny, might, we think lead Mr. Johnston to assert his right.

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the extraordinary deficiency should be attributed, Mr Johnston must therefore be accountable for the amount - unless Government may be pleased to admit that it might wholly or in part, as asserted by Mr Johnston, have arisen from the Measures used by his people being afterwards found too small and which were as already stated, altered to bring them to the proper Standard - Mr Garrison not having informed us how much the Measures were deficient in size before the alteration, they are unable to ascertain to what Amount this might cause a deficiency in the grain on the same amount - of the same cause Mr Johnston reports the deficiency on the Rice may have arisen, & with this addition that by order from Camp all the Rice was lifted in order to be in readiness for the Corps - for these reasons & as the Committee at Madras report that Rice at present is is subject to more early decay & wastage they find it totally out of their power to ascertain to what amount the deficiency should be allowed.

3. On the Charges amounting to 7522.24.16 which Mr Johnston is called upon to refund, referred to in the 53rd paragraph of the report from the Committee at Madras - Mr Johnston delivered to the Committee

First Charge 28th December 1790

a paper by Mr. Smith he calls an explanation for the charges and observing that he expects to receive and settle the amounts to Madras for several of the charges they are of opinion the foregoing General rule should be used in execution of these matters to guide him. They are sensible and whether the reason appears by Mr. Johnston for others satisfactory. Some charges for which the rule is new and new to Madras they made enquiry into and in the month of January, March April May 1790. The sum of 2691.5.10 for outfits employed, 1790.22. 00 March 8/1791. 20 in April for Hancock & Paddy health for their use, on the receipt of your charge. Being called upon for the customary receipt, and certificate from the Committee of House, Mr. Johnston can only refer them to the proceedings of that Committee, which is a letter from the Committee of House at Madras dated 5th September 1790, directing him to pay same. 8th They are of opinion this was an authority to him to provide sufficient means there to provide only the regulations, which does not appear to attend to that mode, and the only remedy was now provided to justify the charges, is a

End of

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Certificate from a Member of the Committee of Stors
/ the Inspector / that your bargages were actually
repaired on the authority of the proceedings above
referred to, and also attested by the inspector of
various Stors made and repaired from the Month
of July to May following, both the Certificate &
list appear to have been drawn up since the
return of Mr. Johnston to Fritchington, and not
delivered at the time the work was executed. It is
impossible for the Committee to judge how far the
Stors charged might be adequate to the repairs &
that were made, they find it has since been found
expedient to keep a number of artificers employed in the
Garrison in repairing No. of Stors required for the army,
and altho' they conceive it possible the Stors charged,
may have been paid, by Mr. Johnston, they cannot
take upon themselves to say they ought to be admitted
to payment if it thinks proper to allow them, will
determine what degree of censure Mr. Johnston is
liable to for the irregularity.

On inquiry into the sums stated
to be overcharged for fresh allowances and Fines, they find
it has not been usual for Vouchers to be produced
for these articles; in the case of an extra charge
a Voucher ought to have accompanied it but it
appears

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apresent his most sincere compliments. They can only take upon themselves to say they think an addition might have been requested from the number of Officers &c. that were in Garrison's at Harpers at that time, & since when they are a considerable reduction had taken place, they are obliged to refer to the Comptroller General for so far the number charged for is admissible. With respects to the sum charged for troops for the two companies detached, we should be glad to see the receipt of the commanding officer going with the Comptroller General for the particular and the price; - they are only obliged that the average price of the whole of that place is generally 4 for a Regiment of 4000 men for the 6 months.

For the sum of 112 Regiments of Infantry the provision of a Commissioned, they find a difficulty from the Military Secretary at the Treasury & authorizing the provision of the Regiments this sum we think admissible.

For the sum of 52 Regiments of Infantry & the provision of the Military Secretary, for the provision of 16 Regiments to the same sum, and for the other provisions of the same sum.

Fort George 28 December 1870

Fixed by the General Orders - the Committee submits this to the Comptroller General.

For the overcharge of 96 Cagudas in the necessary for Dooley's Carvers, Mr. Johnston produced an indent signed by Captain White and countersigned by Colonel Nixon for 4.80 Dooley's Carvers and 11. Mustard, if not examined by the Comptroller General, the rates are not agreeable to the regulations as reported to be by Mr. Johnston the difference must be covered by the brought to the credit of the Company.

For 16 Cagudas in March for Wax cloth - his car producers no voucher is indent, but reports that Captain Will, the commissary of stores was in the practice of ordering the Stockkeeper's Servants to furnish the articles and promising the vouchers hereafter. The Committee are of opinion that this is inadmissible, or at least till a voucher can be procured.

For 19 P. in May for cloth for Major Maule Engineer, and 87.36 for straw for the Artillery park, he produced no voucher from the Assistant Stockkeeper for 120 Caskets of cloth and 500 Bundles of straw - The Committee submit to the Comptroller General how far the Assistant Stockkeeper, or the Servants indents for these articles which do not appear considerable may be admitted.

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seen it inadvisable, - they find that secondary repairs and alterations were made to the house some years ago by Mr Palk but not charged by him to the Company - Mr Johnston has since made some alterations to the office and having reimbursed Mr. Palk for his part of the expense he conceived the Company would admit of the whole charge being brought to this Account -

For 68 ^{rs} Expd at July for Gunny bags - Mr Johnston produced an indent from Captain White for 160 Bags and if the authority for Captain White's making an indent for the Shingunga Detachment be allowed, the Committee conceive this charge may be admitted -

For 85 ^{rs} 2 in July 57. 33 in August
" 100. 9. 60 in September 135. 21 in October 27. 32. 40
in November 20. 9 and 14. 50 in December 62. 40
31 in January 109. 39 in March 191. 25 in May,

For making and repairing Tent 82. 80 - in support of these charges Mr Johnston produced a return signed by Mr Campbell Inspector of Stores and refers to the proceedings of 5 September 1789, but has no other vouchers, and altho the Inspectors

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might be admitted, but it is impossible for them to say to what extent and they are under the necessity of submitting it to the opinion of the Comptroller General - the following seems one of this nature, & sundry indent of the store-keeper are produced in support of them 15th 24, 28 in October Rs. 33, 20 P^{rs}, 29 1/2 and 1/2 in November 17, 25, 10 in December 65, 33, 10 P^{rs} 5 24, 32, 10 & 47, 33 in January Rs. 88 25 1/2 3 in February Rs. 49, 20 & 88, 6 in March 63, 26 in April to 3. 24. & 22 P^{rs} in May

For 218 Eggs as in October for Dooley boys and Bamboe Cooks, Mr. Johnston produced indent from different Corps for 58 Dooley & Masters 300 Dooley boys and 124 Bamboe Cooks, signed by the Surgeons and quarter Masters and countersigned by the commanding officer - whether they are charged at the rates authorized by Government, the Committee submit to the Comptroller General.

For 157 1/2, 26, 39 in October for 2 Stoppages for Cloathing - Mr. Johnston produces 2 ducats agreed. Master of Artificers for a variety of small sums, signed by the former paymaster, the Agent for Cloathing, the commanding Officer and the Commissary General, - these certificates are submitted to the inspection of the Comptroller General.

For

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For 345. 36. 10 and 11 November, the Committee find that standing expenses amounted to the 2^d of December but as no orders or vouchers are produced they cannot take upon themselves to say the Charge ought to be admitted

For 345th November the Committee produced and subscribed by Captain White for Landing small articles deposited on the Station of the detachment from the Georgia that the Committee submit to the Charge =

= better General.

For 347th Feb 10 and 11 January for public service money to Captain White, Mr Johnston produced a receipt and an account from a Captain White stating his reasons for making the Charge when on command the Measures concerning - submitted to the Committee General.

For 191. 38. 40 and 11 January for Country School and 4th and 9th 21 for David Todd & Co. 8th and 21st March 1796. 23. 6 and April 14. 3. 20. 10 and May for Do. the Committee find use of a Committee with that

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those for artificers already unmarshalled by them and the charges ordered to be refunded, and the same decision will affect both - they are unaccompanied with indent or vouchers and Mr Lobsonston refers to the proceedings of the Committee of Stores of 5th September 1789. For the orders for repairs of Gun Carriages and to the inspectors certificated for the Carriages having been repaired, without which in specifying the workman'ship or the quantity of Materials expended: The sum of 1460 Regodas viz. May for tank Wood purchased is likewise grounded by Mr Lobsonston on the above - mentioned proceedings of 5th September 1789 - and January 1790. he produced a list for secondary prices of 5th September signed by the Inspector of Stores, acknowledging their being into the stores for repairing Gun Carriages &c. - Mr Lobsonston says the number of 100 cubic feet, and at the rates for which do not appear is orbitant / at which he values it, amount to the above sum including carriage from Tranquebar - The committee cannot ascertain how

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how much timber might have been required
whether the price, nor the expense of conveying,
nor does Mr Johnston produce a voucher or
receipt for the money he paid, they are
therefore under the necessity of submitting the
to the opinion of the Comptroller General.

13th For 679. 218 8332. 21 in February
for Porty Bays and Cambs Colts Mr
Johnston produced some indents signed by
Commanding Officers of Bays and which he
completed with on the General order of 3rd &
January 1790 - The Comptroller General
will be able to decide on what was to refer to
the accounts of Mr. Bell by whom Mr Johnston
says these people were continued to be paid.

14th For 186. 16. 64 for Landward
for the Hospital - Mr Johnston produced
the indent of the request to Sir George, and if they
were allowed to make indent the Committee

think this charge may be admitted.

15th For 467. 6. 48. in February and
168. 36. 64 in March for Antiford, the Com
-mitted think cannot be admitted, till a

voucher

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Voucher or indent is produced as provided by

Mr. Johnston

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For 4/3. 29/10 in Librarian for repairs of tents the Committee find on the proceedings referred to by Mr. Johnston under date the 21st January sundry repairs of tents are recommended and Mr. Johnston produced a certificate of Mr. Campbell the conductor of stores of sundry repairs having been executed, - the Committee cannot look on this as a sufficient voucher but consider it in the same light as the 6 charges already remarked on for Artificers and Materials for Gun Carriages -

For 1890 Regt was in force & same in April for repairing Tents &c. sent on from the Army, that cannot be admitted till Mr. Johnston produces the vouchers which he promises to procure from Camp.

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For 147. 25 in April and 95.32 in May for Brass Bopper &c. purchased, these articles might be required for the Artificers, the Committee altho they think the charge too high cannot judge what quantity might have been necessary and beg leave to refer it to the Comptroller General - no Voucher is produced but the inspectors report

Dr. George W. D. December 1990

report of Henry's report having been received

19 For \$11.36 in spirit for money
and making money bags - as the General was
purchased, and appeared might be necessary
for day low Mr. in preparing them - but the
Committee think this charge too high.

20 For 1050 in spirit for
Dorcas - Mr. Houston's report to a General order
of 15th of money 1790 - for all facilities in paper to be
in making from which he received himself
authorized to have them prepared, he delivered
a receipt of the other Legation for 86 Dorcas
received into the Store, the money being 64 the
money were delivered to different corps or vessels
which are either misplaced or want with the amounts
to Madras, he is not sure which, - the Committee
think that to the Congress the General
For 1600 in spirit in money for
Hospital debts, as the other debts may be seen
delivered to the Store and appear in the account,
as Mr. Houston's report they were made by
direction of Colonel Macgregor, the Committee
are of opinion the charge ought to be admitted
the

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See the order of Colonel Musgrave is produced & the Comptroller General will then be able to judge whether the order was a sufficient authority for Mr Johnston.

22 For Mr. 13 Pagodas in May for grain and Pukers. these kind of charges the Committee find it has not been usual to produce vouchers for, as grain was laying up in the Godowns and expense might be necessary but they think it ought not to exceed half this sum.

23 The remaining seven not mentioned upon by the Committee, they consider the Comptroller General more competent to decide on from the Vouchers referred to, the explanation given by Mr Johnston, & from his official & knowledge and experience.

5 On the same charged by Mr Johnston for Gunns being 2,000 Gunny pieces or Bengal Gunny bags at 3^{rs} 14 p^{rs} 100 and on 10,000 South Sea pieces at 2 p^{rs} 60 Pagoda or 50 p^{rs} 100

The Committee called upon Mr Johnston to account for the deficiency in the Number of bags, who reports that 2000 Bengal bullock bags making 5000 single bags, 82000.

South Sea

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Forth and Coys were expended in bringing from
100000 Cotton from the Society and that
from the nature of their service no Warbur-
ton had proceeded. They are of opinion the
Company might have been wholly ex-
posed the Southward being more than
and durable could only have received partial
by way, although the whole when the
consequence of being not furnished, might,
even if they were damaged to have been
delivered into the store and reduced on the
return, the return they conceive if possible
could have been expended of the Southward being
paid is 75/ for 500 pounds for the remainder of the
deficiency which Mrs. Johnston is said to
have been expended, he agreed to account with
the Company & declared that the nature of
his rendering the charge would be that he
=ing advanced money to purchase them, &
that till Mr. Hannet arrived at Southampton
he considered the Company liable for the money
with respect to the price at which the
Wags are charged, the Committee learn
the average price at that price was 3 1/2 pence
for

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For the Agents for Lewis & Son Gummy paid, but not being able to learn that any Bengal Gummy were then in the market except those brought from Tranquebar and purchased by Mr. Johnston they are unable to ascertain what might have been the price, they find that a parcel was now offered for sale here at 11. Pegoda's for 100 for single bags, and they have no reason to think he was necessitated to pay a higher price at a time when there was not so great a demand for them as at present, they are therefore of opinion Mr. Johnston has to refund on this Account as follows.

Stated deficiency on the store returned, of
Lewis & Son Gummy Paid 3213

Deduct the number which might probably
be expended in the carriage of Grain 500

at Pegoda, the price charged by him

The number of Bengal Bags received into

the Bengal Gummy Bags 15850

paid by Mr. Johnston to be expended in

the carriage of Grain 4000

Deficiency to be accounted for by

him being erroneously stated in the

return as 4150 Bengal bullock

bags and at 23. 14 P^{cs}, but should

have been for single bags 2050

at 16. 28. 20 P^{cs} the price

charged by Mr. Johnston

2050

The

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The difference between the price charged by him
for original bags and the present average
price being 16.14. 10 or 20,000 bags is 16.14
2269.2. and between the price of each then &
present price and the present average price
being on 10,000 price at 22¢ 16.14 as 4
charged by Mr. Johnston . . . 835000.

at 33 1/4 the average price . . . 2666.28.

Our (Original) 2333.14

4. On the 10th of the year produced by Mr. Johnston for
28094.36.34 for temporary allowance had
Batter for which the above Bill on the Military
Department General.

Mr. Johnston delivered to the Com =

= mitted office & bills to the amount of 28078.30

25 for pack of which he had exchanged certificate

to the amount of 16899-27 which he also allowed
to each according to the order of Government

of 16.15. 10 for the discharge of temporary
allowance from 16.15. 10 to 31.16.14

1900. They find on examining the vouchers
paid dated 28 December to that period to the
amount of 1907.14.39. which must be added to

found

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From the above in Mr Johnston's accounts, and as the Committee find a sum has been lodged in the hands of Paymasters to issue certificates in exchange for Officers temporary allowance & bts, they recommended that security be required from Mr Johnston that no certificates granted by him shall be now outstanding, of the above mentioned sum of £2878. 30. 25 and so which might hereafter be made a demand on the Honble Company.

7 On the Charge against Mr Johnston by Mr Gamgee for double Cooly of Paddy beat into 2 Pies.

The Committee find it has never been usual at this place to give more than one Frachinopoly Miscal for beating one collection of Paddy into Rice, and they conceive no necessity could have existed for giving two Miscals, the utmost they supposed possible could have been paid by him is an additional 1/2th of a Miscal for the carriage of the Grain to the Villages and which might have been justifiably

seen

Supt H George 28th December 1900

From the surveying of the occasion and the
 pressing demands for breeding ground to the
 Camp, but they cannot think it profitable
 that more than one half of the birds could
 have been kept in the Village, the other
 half must have been kept within the 1st
 when no allowance was necessary for
 carrying the grain. — The relative in-
 proportion of the country and the
 Murrelets the Committee consider to have
 been already ascertained by them and as
 stated on their report dated 20th Novem-
 ber on the charge required Mr Garvie
 by Mr Johnston's Quabsh, — that is,
 twelve bushels of Murrelets are equal
 to five bushels of Murrelets.

Respectfully
 Yours
 28th December 1900

Spencer R. Anderson
 Robert May

Attchd

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Port of Liverpool 28 December 1890

Abstract of Notes Accompanying the Grain and such by different
 Auctioneers to Peter Salazar and or Double Grainery on account
 of the Port of Liverpool.

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 of the
 Locumina' or
 1890

From what District

Quantity of
Grain

Clear in no Case in no

Land, Gody	19912 3 2
Sturranham	9912 11 "
Connaught	148 "
Loimorboil	130 9 "
Sungapussam	226 11 "
Annala	167 "
Portor	97 1 "
	<u>20574 11 2</u>

Grain sent the property of
 different Mortgagees.

Chungulungah	2537 3 "
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Mr. J. Johnston's Krishna Rao	1598 6 "
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Loobanayak & Pottichayak	235 6 "
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Rajagavaram's Sona	78 "
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Dammadara's Dof	355 1 "
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Ennamully's Carn's Tunka	74 10 "
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Motamony's Tunka	2930 1 "
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Mr. J. The Grain of Loobanayak	8109 2 "
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Loobanayak & Ennamully's Grain

is said to have been redelivered

to the Mortgagees for reasons

unknown	310 4 "
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	<u>7798 10 "</u>
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Total Cull	28273 9 2
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 Mr Johnston's Explanation of the charges
 reported to be paid by the Comptroller General —

Page 2. C.

1. 10 " " Our charge on the pay of 15 Pensioned Libedans
 the Pay & Charge has been allowed for 16 years past
 and no order has appeared to the contrary nor was
 the payment made there by Mr. Palk at the same
 Rule objected to
2. 10 " " Lascaux Bonapartois
 One Bonapartois was allowed for each company and
 has always been admitted. Mr. Palk paid it and
3. 21 " " Mr. Garrison does the same
 has always been allowed to a Pensioned Lascaux
 for Puchalis and Totist
4. 30 " " It was impossible to furnish the Officer & in Mr
 Garrison & in the Libedans at Marmore and
 several prisoners without the number of Mr
 Puchalis and Totist and were now with the Garrison
 = 500 is so considerable 16 Puchalis accounted
 and 32 Totist
5. 4 " " To the Assistant Quarter
 was and according to the letter of 18 April 1889 & passed
 22 32 Muston's from the difference of charges in respect to
 which the payment is directed to the Garrison
7. 10 22 32 Has always been allowed and besides the expenses
 of the office are more than double, the same
 charge is still continued.
8. 12 " " Lamp and Bonapartois ordered out for the use of the
 Stores Palk and Pattinson. According to Boston
 and this answer was thought sufficient to be di.
 my letter of 9 April 1889

June

Fort George 28th Decem 1790

June

My answer in. They apply to the 6 first articles

1. They apply to the 6 first articles
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6. They apply to the 6 first articles
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July

already answered in. They

August

The 3 first articles already answered in. They
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 8. They apply to the 6 first articles

September

The 3 first articles already answered in. They
 1. They apply to the 6 first articles
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5. 215 " Paid by order of the Commencing Officer for people employed as pitching tents to receive the Regiment while the Barracks were clearing - Voucher sent to Madras

October

The 5th last article already answered as also the 7th & 8th
6. 4 64 Butter is allowed to Puckalee and was paid upon indent sent to Madras

November

6 last Articles already answered

7. 35 30 " Extra Articles for smelting Lead in the quies, Largetto
We for the use of a room of the Troops in the plain, see the Inspector's report No. 1

December

Already answered

January

8. 3 36 60 Paid because the Ensign drew a constant duty and therefore drawn Lieutenant Gratuity & no order to the contrary the Voucher at Madras

21 " Already answered

12 " " Comptroler to Lascar's already answered and the charge still continued

9 96 When the army was foraging in the plain a number of sick officers were in Garrison which occasioned an increase in this charge

10 38 31 100 Paid allowed by Captain's appraisement the Voucher at Madras

11 18 28 " Colonel Nixon must find the same & the charge is still drawn

12 4 " " 543 Already answered

13 11 2 60 The Puckalee was paid better from the time they were ready to take the field, agreeable to General order

Vouchers sent to Madras

The

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January 1790

- 15 . . . 10 23 16 The Regiment draw this for Fuel to Burny the
Boats and the same charge is allowed out the
Army Vouchers at Madras
- 16 . . . 1 21 " } Paid Regt and Company signed the Officer Com-
manding Voucher with my name at Madras
- 2 8 32 Ditto . . . Do . . . Do
- 1 11 " Ditto . . . Do . . . Do
- 13 . . . oil already consumed
- 17 . . . 2 21 " Company for burning oil Boats
- 11 12 " All Regt and Company signed the Commanding
Officer for burning oil the Boats
- 18 . . . 362 111 " All the Officers and Company signed the Commanding
Officer for burning oil the Boats
- 19 . . . 110 10 20 Voucher for the use of the Army at the Madras
Certificate No 18 10 10 to 8

February

- 19 . . . { 3 19 32 } Paid for Fuel to Burny the Boats at Madras
- 20 . . . 110 10 20 Voucher for the use of the Army at the Madras
Certificate No 18 10 10 to 8
- 21 . . . 15 21 " For Major's Voucher at Madras
- 22 . . . 16 . . . Paid Regt and Company signed the Officer Com-
manding Voucher with my name at Madras
- 23 . . . 4 18 " Already consumed
- 24 . . . 96 . . . Voucher for Fuel to Burny the Boats at Madras
- 25 . . . 37 25 16 for Company of Regt and Company signed the Officer Com-
manding Voucher with my name at Madras
- 18 19 32 . . . Do . . . Do
- 20 . . . 2 20 . . . Voucher for Fuel to Burny the Boats at Madras

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26 1793. 3 40 } The Lascars were upon command at different times and
 were in arrears but when they went to board were
 paid, the particular was sent to Madras

4 5 60 Already answered - Voucher at Madras
 27 9 The commissary of stores draws for candles & must be paid
 if not allowed - Voucher at Madras

11 28 already answered
 28 644 36 40 An order of the Military Board was given in September
 last for repairing all gun carriages and the artificers
 were intended for that service, & refers to a preceding
 letter of Mr. Chas. that the carriages should be
 immediately repaired, & to the certificates of the
 Inspectors of stores that they were repaired, not
 & no 4 to 8.

March

4 Already answered Voucher at Madras
 29 47 Madras Lib. will grow by Government certificate is in
 his hand
 30 11 21 The 5 next articles already answered
 The Coolies already answered - No 4

{ 152. 28 40 of this 31, 280. 40 was furnished to the commissary of
 Grain and Provisions
 116 Engrs was Map & bath for covering ammunition

Barrels

4 1 40 Better is allowed to the gunners who in the country

7 21 Madras Coolies already answered

10 already answered

3 21 The Coolies were employed and paid

31 285 9 } Already answered - see Inspectors Report No 14 to 8
 32 128 22 }

April

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April

7 articles already announced.

119 28. - - - - - How's good news not before us in the 34th Washington
but our's is sent to the printer and will be
received & given, by the common & my office.

May

Report to the Committee & Certificate

The 6th May 1 article already announced

9 22. - - - - - The 22nd is now at the 22nd Regiment &
knowing of the 22nd & 22nd & 22nd

19. - - - - - Both articles to the 19th & 19th for the 19th of the 19th
Dignatour & 19th & 19th

17 36. - - - - - 36th Dec 22nd is now at the 36th & 36th in 1791
The 36th is now at the 36th & 36th

611 22. - - - - - 22nd is now at the 22nd

20. - - - - - 20th is now at the 20th & 20th
to keep the accounts of the 20th & 20th
and very, 20th & 20th.

Triching 23rd November 1791

Signed, Samuel Johnston

Mr

Sept George 28th Decem ber 1790

Mr Johnston's Answer to the Debtful Charges &
 owed upon by the Comptroller General from May 1789
 to 31st May 1790

Byones &c.

May 1789.

36 18 ... Wood that is brought in constantly is for the use of the
 Carpenter's yard, and serves for the repair of Gun
 Carriages to number namely 4000, 4000, 4000, 4000, 4000, 4000,
 and 4000, and variety of articles. The Carriages
 of it comes very heavy, as it is brought from 20 or
 30 Miles. The Comptroller has hitherto thought
 this Explanation sufficient, and that the charge
 was indispensable. Therefore when it occurs in
 future I beg to refer to what I have now offered.

June.

132 21 ... This Charge is for Wood already answered

1723 22 18 The 4 Mch. Articles, now furnished for Colonel's,
 The 4 Mch. Detachment, against the charge as
 appear by the particular and Voucher signed
 by the Colonel and now at Madras with my
 accounts & to which I beg particularly to be
 referred.

July

7 6 ... Drum Head furnished to the stores & entered upon the Books
 68 ... This Charge for 160 Gunny Bags delivered for the use
 of the Gunny charge Detachment see & explain
 what is said in A. 12.

55 15 ... This Charge is for Wood already answered

85 2 ... For repairing Tents &c. for the Inspector's Office &c.

For

Port Charges as Decm Dec 1990

9. 28 48 For 20 Mains paid by River & Commencing Office, as the
Charge is high long it has been created without
as above.

49 33 60. For 20 Mains paid by River & Commencing Office, as the
Charge is high long it has been created without
as above.

August

9. 28 48 For 20 Mains paid by River & Commencing Office, as the
Charge is high long it has been created without
as above.

September

1029 9 18 For 20 Mains paid by River & Commencing Office, as the
Charge is high long it has been created without
as above.

October

1507 } Paid Captain's Comm. & Captain's Subst. by order of Comm.
1508 } and the same paid to the
151. 34 28 For 20 Mains paid by River & Commencing Office, as the
Charge is high long it has been created without
as above.

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218 For Drury Boys and Bombardier's attached to the 72nd.
Regiment see Voucher No 10 & 11.

47 40 26 39 & Coaching for 1785 paid by order of Government see the
Voucher

113 24 64 This is supported by the L. O. of 4th April 1789 see Vouchers
from No 2 to 9. The original are with stores returns
at Madras

50 Mad already answered

135 21 " Repairing Tent see Inspectors Certificate No 1.

11 18 " For the use of stores as per Books

14 1 16 By order of commanding Officer see the Engineer's
Voucher sent to Madras

57 18 " } In support of these charges they refer to Vouchers
46 36 " } No 1 & 2 last Month

November

34 5 36 40 This Repair is now executed agreeable to the Regulations
being hurried on account of the approaching
Monsoon and the good will cover indispensably
necessary at the Hospital & proper to the Committee
at Trichinopoly that they were expected

22 32 40 See Inspectors Certificate No 1.

11 18 " Delivered to the Stores see the Books

4 23 20 } See Vouchers No 1 to 4 original sent to Madras
3 29 40 } with the Store returns
2 " " }

31 5 " See Captain's Letter to Madras No 2.

47 21 " Mad already answered

December

417 25 40 For particulars see the Store Lijants Voucher No 1

These

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86 21 611 These articles were deposited separately to the S. O. of 14th April 1789

67 6 " Wood already answered

414 40 " Extra Antislavery Copy taken in the Store for Making a Target about 1790 & 2000 words in all the words are deposited in the S. O. of 14th April 1789

26 9 " See Antislavery Certificate No. 1.

8 12 " Mr. Antislavery Certificate is not raised upon the S. O. by order of Horn's Officer.

January 179015 " " County of Antislavery Certificate which was forwarded to the S. O. of 14th April 178920 19 " } These items were paid for in the S. O. of 14th April 1789
35 " " } upon the S. O. of 14th April 1789 to Government of the
officer who the article to the S. O. of 14th April 1789

397 1 140 See Captain's Certificate No. 3

248 11 16 } See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789255 38 72 See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789605 33 110 See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789524 32 110 } See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789
117 33 " } with the S. O. of 14th April 1789

101 18 " Wood already answered

621 31 " See Certificate of the S. O. of 14th April 1789
1790 & the S. O. of 14th April 178942 1 140 See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789
128 18 " See Certificate at the S. O. of 14th April 1789

See

Fort George 28th December 1790

- 88 6 " Geo. Mackenzies for 11 to 11.
 246 21 " agreeable to the Proceedings of the Committee of 3^d of Jan^r 1790
 109 39 " Do Do Do 20th of January 1790 Do Do
 128 24 " M^{rs} D. Mackenzies announced

April

109 21 16 one Engineer's Number. No 39 & 10 one each of the same
 Reprint now ordered to be printed by the
 Commanding Officer

306 " " } These Articles were furnished to Major Darnley
 404 " " }
 570 15 " }

As the work is from the Army, the Officer
 has the honor to send for them to have to
 request the Major's name to be sent to
 me to be sent for the proper Officer
 each however appears to be the same
 149 25 " One copy and one copy of the same in the
 Commanding Officer's Certificate
 No 18. No 4 to 8.

63 26 " for Difference between 11 to 10 Vouchers.

128 24 " M^{rs} D. Mackenzies

456 23 16 Points &c. used for Green & orange and for the same
 Certificate. No 4 to 8

34 36 " Paid for the same for the same for the same for the same
 1080 " " 130 Darnley's name for the same for the same for the same
 for the same for the same for the same for the same

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90 Bounty was paid upon Regular Certificates sent to

Madras with the Accounts

282 11 As the Lucas are employed under the Paymaster
no other Voucher than his can be produced &
but the Arrival of letters (as per Returns) from
Nagapatam will prove that they were on
Service

281 15 20 See Engineers Vouchers No 48 and 49 at Madras
with the Accounts

1600 Hospital Tent was made for Doctor Lucas by
Colonel & Musgraves orders - at first they
were made 5 1/2 Yards inside and 7 1/2 Yards
Upper fly - they were then enlarged to 7 1/2
inside and 9 Yards upper fly which reduced
the number to 16 finished instead of 20 &
charged agreeably to the original Quinims,
and delivered to Stores see Storekeepers 47

Receipt No 10 & Returns sent to Madras

1960 Lark Wood purchased by order of Military Board
at Madras used for repairing Gun Carriages
for particulars see the Inspector's Report No 11.

95 32 " Cloth Store No 1 See Vouchers No 1 to 5

Ropes

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- 8 9 --- Regd Vouchers in the Sugar and delivered to
the Store
- 175 --- 32 Baskets from Regentam in the
Certificate of the Inspector of Store No 13 and
Returned with the same
- 115 21 --- Mtd already announced
- 119 13 --- Touring Vouchers 8th Inspector for Making Ready
to deliver the Grain in the Ready Food
from being damaged
- 103 24 --- Brought Vouchers 8th Inspector No 2 & 3
- 22 --- See Vouchers No 7
- 191 25 --- For Regent of Store no Inspector Regent No 1
- 143 22 40 Touring Vouchers 8th Inspector & 4
Certificates No 4 to 8

I am answer to the Governor's Charge
I have to say that I never heard to be brought
depriving the Public Service would require
them, and advanced advance to present 30000
Guinea Bags - I refer to the other Return for
what appears upon the Books, and have
further to observe that 4000 Bags or there
abouts were delivered to the Blacklock Dept
to being in Grain upon Blacklock Bandy and
Fodder

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Cookies which were received back consummable 2. 50
Bengal Rupees on the one Guyony Bagp and the 50
pence of them at that time was 16. 28 & 100 so
that there appears remaining to be delivered as
20/50 Bengal Rupees and of Country 12/53 for
which my Dubash who undertook to procure
them says he will be accountable.

Trichinopoly December 3. 1790
Signed / Samuel Johnston

The Board having attentively
perused and considered the Report of Mr. Johnston
and Woolf on the Subject of the Grievances charged
to the Company by Mr. Johnston, and reported
by his Highness the Madab to have been delivered
into them at Trichinopoly, and on the merits of
Mr. Johnston's Accounts which were referred to them
for investigation together with what he had
argued in explanation of the different charges
find abundant Reason to confirm the opinion
and censure already passed upon his conduct.

In regard to the Grievances clearly
appears that Mr. Johnston after having in violation
of

The Board take into
consideration the foregoing
Report on Mr.
Johnston's Accounts

Resolutions and
Consequences

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opinion, and for the Settlement of Mr. Johnston's Account with the Company, and the ascertaining the Balance for which he is to be called upon. For their Guidance in forming the Assent it is agreed to augment those that the Presidently concurs in opinion see the Mr. W. Andrews and Woolf, that the grain in question was the property of the Mabel, and that Mr. Johnston must be answerable for the same Amount that his Highness is credited for. It is also resolved to communicate to the Committee the following Remarks in some of the Principal Charges.

Or the numerous Charges for repairing Sails - it will be necessary for the Committee to refer to Mr. Bell's Bill, now in the Opinion of Colonel Kaye, that it may be ascertained whether any of Mr. Johnston's Charges for repairs of Sails refer to those Orders upon Mr. Bell makes very considerable Charges on the same Account, and excuses himself for it on the ground of their having been no Purchases for him to apply to - & whether Mr. Johnston could have had any other Sails to repair at Trichinopoly than those of the army which Mr. Bell charges for.

There are many other very exceptional Charges which the Committee will of course remark upon - such as for Doolie, Doolie Boys, and Coolies - also the Sails paid to by the said white for Public Serviced Mares, and the Charges on account of the Paymaster's House &c.

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For the cargo 28th December 1790

On the 6th August for Jimmy Dags and Jimmy
Cand the Board are of opinion that Mr. A. B. is not to be
be allowed more than what is stated by Mr. A. B. and
and Mr. A. B. the Board is of opinion that they are much
more in demand than at the time when Mr. A. B. is
purchased them.

" Chas. B. Kelly

" Mr. A. B.

For the cargo 28th December 1790

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Diary

Received the following Letters

To. Mr. Secretary Jackson

Sir,

From the Secretary to
the Board of Revenue
requesting to know if
any of the Grain in the
Pagoda of Conjeveram
is to be distributed to
the People in the event
of their becoming
clamorous.

I am directed by the President and
Members of the Board of Revenue to desire you will
be pleased to lay before Government the enclosed copy
of a Letter from the Collector in the Southern &
Division of the paghore, and to request their Orders
in consequence; Whether in the event supposed by
Mr. Balfour - Viz. that the People should become
clamorous for want of Grain he may be authorized to
dispose of any part of the Grain deposited in the
Pagoda at Conjeveram.

Fort St. George

27. December 1790.

I am,

Yr. ^a Yc. ^a

Signed / Wm. Harrington

Secretary

Pl. Mr. Balfour's Statement of Grain deposited in
the Pagoda at Conjeveram is as follows - Viz.

In the Thousand Pillar Choultry } Bull. m. m.
of Great Conjeveram Pagoda - } Paidy 19, 193: 11. 1
Rice. 152: 11. 2

From 23. 2. 2

To

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Fort St George, December 1790.

To John Huelston Esq^r

President &c. Members of the

Board of Revenue

Fort St George

Gentlemen

About one O'Clock this Morning

being waked from sleep by a violent noise at the
gate & get up to enquire into the cause and walking
to the gateway found the streets crowded by the re-
sidents of different Villages who were pressing
forward in the greatest consternation towards the
Pagoda - upon questioning some of the People it
could scarce get any answer until the arrival of
some Gentlemen who informed me the Stone was
close to the Door - Although I by no means believe
this Assertion I thought it expedient to send a
Messenger to Lieutenant Rivall, whose company
of dragoons are encamped within a few yards of the
Pagoda Gate and requested if possible send a guard
of fifteen Men to remain at my House until
Day break - that Gentlemen instantly complied
and about five in the Morning I had collected a
body sufficient to carry the butchery around

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8 my own Baggage into the Thousand Pillar Choultry which was effected by eight O'Clock. —

The Inhabitants although not so terribly alarmed as they were this morning are far from being composed and Lieutenant Riddle had in the course of the Day ordered his Men twice under Arms. For my own part I do not believe the Horse are so near the Town as the Inhabitants would wish me to believe but at all events they cannot be very distant and the People are so terrified that I shall find it absolutely impossible to force them into the Villages where the Grain is cut & ready to be brought into the Pagoda had not this unfortunate inception of the Enemy's Horse taken place. —

With regard to the probable Receipts of Cash Grain &c. for the Months of December, January & February I shall transmit it by tomorrow's Post but have at the same time to observe it is by no means to be trusted to or looked upon as certain receipts more especially since this alarm of Horse. —

By the most moderate computation there cannot be less than Fifteen Thousand People who have taken refuge under the Walls of

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which Major Stanbury of the 11th Hanoverian Regiment
ought to have been included.

The Commander in Chief desires
me to request that you will be pleased to lay these Papers
before the Board.

I have the Honor to be,

Yc.^a Yc.^a

(Signed) Alex.^r Durnan

Dep.^y Adj.^t General

Substance of Letter
to the Madras and
Rajah of Tanjore

Sent Letter to the Madras &
Rajah of Tanjore - as entered in C.L. N^o. 286. 287
288. to the former requesting his Highness to furnish
a Statement of all the Grain that has been delivered
at the several Garrisons in the Carnatic - and to send
in such of the Storekeepers Receipts as he may have
in his Possession - also to furnish the Persons so
indicted to the Council to answer in their present
Situations - stating that all Articles coming from
the Country belonging to His Highness will pass
Duty free, provided that they are accompanied by a
Dusshuk bearing His Highness's Chop - to the
latter again requesting His Excellency will order
His Fort and Garrison to proceed to the Presidency.

Received

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Received the undermentioned Letters
as entered in M^{ss}. Nos 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172.
173. 174. 175. 176

From the Secretary
at Bombay

From the Secretary at Bombay -
enclosing a Letter for Lord Cornwallis.

From Major Banks
of the Engineers

From Major Banks - with a Certificate
of his M^{ty}. State of Health - requesting permission to
proceed to Europe and return from the service on Lord
Clerk's Bounty.

From the Com-
mandant at
Chandernagore

From the Commandant at Chandernagore -
-giving an account of the ships belonging to the
-states the instructions which were given them by
the Sultan -

From the Com-
mandant at
Daggar

From the Commandant at Daggar -
-giving an account of the ships belonging to the
-states the instructions which were given them by
the Sultan -

From the Lieutenant
at Daggar

From the Lieutenant at Daggar -
-giving an account of the ships belonging to the
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the Sultan -

From

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Fort St. George, December 1797.

From Mr. J. Clerk. 28

From Mr. John Clerk enclosing
the Affidavit required by the Board respecting the
attainment of his Appointment of Collector in
the Faghire.

NB

A Letter was written in conse-
quence to Mr. Clerk approving his Affidavit for
the former vide Letter to M^{rs}.^{rs} Gail Mitchell
& Garrison - vide MB. 8th 117)

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Sent the following Letter
To the Right Honorable Charles Earl Cornwallis Esq.
Governor General &c. &c. &c.
My Lord.

My Lord Cornwallis -
requesting to be for-
warded with his Lordships
Division upon the
actions occurred from
Major General Mas-
grave and Lieutenant
Colonel Maxwell - stat-
ing the Board's senti-
ment thereon -

We beg leave to lay before your
Lordship Copies of Letters transmitted to us
by Major General Meadows, & addressed to him
by Major General Masgrave & by Lieutenant
Colonel Maxwell -

However well disposed we are
to meet the wishes of so respectable an Officer as
Major General Masgrave, yet, upon the present
Occasion, we do not see how we can satisfy him,
without rendering ourselves liable to censure from
the Honble Court of Directors, whose Orders upon
the

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The duplicate, as your Lordship will observe by the enclosed list of a Letter of a very late Date, are directed in Point against the Attribution of the General's Claims. — If, however, upon weighing the Matter, your Lordship shall be of Opinion that the Attribution of Major General Mordaunt would justify a Donation from the Company's Orders, we shall not hesitate, under the sanction of your Lordship's Authority, to acquiesce in any Measure which you may think proper to propose.

With regard to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwells application, we submit to your Lordship's Judgment, whether any and what extra Allowance should be made to him during the time he held the command of the Centur Company — observing only, that we do not find any extra Allowance was given to Colonel Kelly, who, was precisely in the same situation with him as commanding that Army and was of superior rank to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.

Fort St. George
29th December 1790.

We have the Honor etc,
Yours &c &c
Signed/ Charles Carterley
Sec^y Council

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[#] 29th

To the Honorable. Major General. Medows

Governor Ge.^a Ge.^a

Honorable Sir,

To Major General
Medows - Government
saying that the Battal due
to the troops belonging
to the Brigade be discharged
- & paid the Money due =
= & that they be
discharged. —

We have had the Honor to receive
your Letters of the 21st 23rd & 24th Instant.

We beg leave to inform you, that
we have had several applications from Bombaugh, &
and from the Rajahs of Calastry and Venkatagerry,
requesting that the Allowances settled by the Board
for their respective Troops, serving with our Army,
might be paid in Cash. — Upon a Reference to the
Records, we find that these Troops were ordered to join
the British Army, with an Assurance from the Board
that they should be allowed Batta, while serving in
the Enemy's Country — If you have no longer any
Occasion for their Services, we submit to your Consideration
whether it would not be proper to pay
them the Batta from the Money Fundrell, and
then to discharge them. —

Fort St George

[#] 28th December 1790.

We have the Honor to be

Ge.^a Ge.^a

Charles Oakeley

(Signed)

Ge.^a Council

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To Colonel Lapher Comptroller General of Army Accounts

Mr Benjamin Rockwell Military Paymaster General

&

Mr Thomas Lockburn Comptroller General of

Grain & Provisions

Gentlemen,

The Committee for
investigating Mr
Johnston's Account
with the Report of the
Committee of the Senate
thereon is now at the
Washington. The
Committee of the Board
thereon, sending them
to make their final
Report.

The Committee appointed by Government

at your Recommendation, to investigate at Washington
certain Charges in Mr Samuel Johnston's Account, which
could not be ascertained at the Presidency, have made
their Report, and directed to transmit it to you, and to
desire you will again take the subject into considera-
tion and report finally upon the Accounts, stating the
Balance due from Mr Johnston to the Company &
the following Remarks have
occurred to the Board, upon the Report received from
Washington.

Article 1st
On the propriety
of the payment
claimed by the
husband of
Mr Johnston

As the fact is fully ascertained
that the grain delivered into Washington
belonged to the Service, it will not be ne-
cessary to go into further investigation you
are therefore to debit Mr Johnston for
the amount

Mr

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Article 2.
On the Cause
of the Deficiency
in the Grain
after a long
period in the
Company's
store,

M^r Johnston's Explanation
The Cause of the Deficiency in the mea-
surement of the Grain, appears to the Board
so very unsatisfactory, that he must be held
accountable for the Amount,

Article 3.
On the Charges
amounting to
Rs 22,24,16
which M^r Johnston is
called upon to
refund ordered
to in the 53^d
Case of the
Report from
the Committee
at Madras

The Committee at Seringapatam
by in entering at all on the subject of the
Charges ordered to be refunded, misapprehend-
ed their Instructions. The whole of their
Report therefore on the 3^d Article appears
perfectly unnecessary, as the Object of their
Appointment was the Investigation of those
Charges only, which you had considered doubtful, &
and in consequence recommended for Enquiry on the

Spot - It may not be improper, however, to notice,
that M^r Johnston refers to Vouchers sent with his
accounts to Madras, in support and Explanation of
those very Charges, which you had decided against
and called upon him to refund, for want of Vouchers,

With Respect to the other
Parts of the Report, the Board desire your particu-
lar attention to the numerous Charges for repairing
Cents, and they wish you at the same time to refer
to M^r Bull's Bills now in the Possession of

Colonel

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Extant papers that it may be ascertained whether any of Mr. Johnston's charges for repairs of Stents refer to those Stents where Mr. Bell makes very considerable charges on the same account, and excuses himself for it on the ground of their having been no Storekeeper for him to apply to; and whether Mr. Johnston could have had any other Stents to repair at Smithsborough than those of the Army which Mr. Bell charges for.

There are also other Charges which appear to the Board very extraordinary such as for Doctor Dooly's Drugs & Cordis also the Drums paid to Captain White for Public Service Army and the Charge on Account of the Paymaster's House on the charges for Gunny Bags and Gunny Sees Government are of Opinion Mr. Johnston cannot be allowed more than what are stated by Mr. Bell. Answers & suggest to be the current Prices, now that they are much more in demand than at the time when Mr. Johnston purchased them.

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Done
Signed M. D. Jackson

Secretary
JH

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To His Excellency Major General. Anker
Governor &c. at

Tranquebar

Sir,

I am the acting Presi-
dent to the Government
Tranquebar. stating
that the Board can-
not interfere in any
Transactions between
the Danish Company
& the Nizam.

I have had the Honor to receive your
Letter of the 18th Instant, & beg leave to offer my
best Acknowledgments for the very polite manner
in which your Excellency has been pleased to convey
your sentiments of me. — you may be assured of
sending me upon all occasions disposed to co-operate
with you in every Means for cultivating the
Harmony & Good Understanding as happily subsist-
ing between our respective Courts, & for promoting
the mutual Welfare of their Subjects.

I am sorry to inform you & I
Excellency that the Board deem it improper
to interfere in the Transaction between the
Danish East India Company and his Highness
the Nizam. — The Resources of this Government
aided by the Revenues of the Carnatic & Tanjore
are all employed in the vigorous Prosecution
of a War into which we have been plunged
by

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29th by the ambitious Designs of a Dangerous Neighbour-
Land war therefore that your Excellency will agree
with me that at such a moment, any Dissension of
the Revenue from the exchequer I suppose to which
it is appropriated, could not be justified upon any
Principle of Political Argument.

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29th December 1790

Yours^{re} E. Cartley

To the Honble. Major General Walker

Governor &c. &c.

at
Tranquebar
Honorable Sir;

To the Governor at
Tranquebar in acknow-
-wing the sentiment
expressed by the acting
President in the fore-
going letter. —

We have the Honour
to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter to Sir
Charles Cartley under Date the 18th instant,

It is with great concern that
we feel ourselves under the necessity of argu-
ing you, that we cannot consistently with
our Duty become responsible for the Legislation
of the same due to your Government by Sir
Charles the Master, nor can we put out of our

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29th furnished by the Military Storekeepers.

Government are of Opinion that the several Articles of stores which are not usually made up in the arsenal such as Gunpowder, Gun Corinings, Shot, ^{of} Coshage, Platform Earth, Sand Bags &c^{rs} may be provided by separate Contracts. They desire therefore that you will state your Stores with respect to the Places where the Stores can be thus provided at the least Expence & under the most regular Checks, - furnishing the Board at the same time with such other Informations as you may think best calculated to assist them in their final Determination on the Subject.

As respect to Gunpowder, as the Circumstances of the War may make any sudden change in the mode of supplying it undesirable, you will of course point out the time when the Contract first may commence without inconvenience the Board think however, that the whole of the proposed Articles should be advertised for without Lots of Stone - and they desire, that until the Contract for Gunpowder shall commence, you will consider of & determine whether the Price to the Company cannot be raised.

As Mr. Long has been informed from his Station of Military Storekeepers the Board wish -

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29. I wish to have your Opinion as to the Period at which he should be directed to deliver over charge of the Employ-

- The Board suggest to your Consideration whether the 31st of January may not be fixed upon for the Commencement of the new system -

An application will be made to Bengal for the Canvas & Iron recommended by you.

The Board approve the Removal of M'Gilton from Encindah, and Legiant then from Vellore, they approve also of the appointment of M. Du-mald in the room of the former, and of John Landon in the room of the latter. The necessary Orders will be issued in consequence.

Fort St. George
29. December 1790.

I am

Yc^a Yc^a

Signed/ W. C. Jackson

Secretary

To the Honble Charles Stuart

& to the Members of the Supreme Council

at

Fort William

Gentlemen,

To Bengal. undint
ing. And supply
of Canvas.

Our Military Board having informed
us that neither Iron nor Canvas can be furnished.

Yours

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29. From the Company's stores at this Presidency, & that the
Service is in great want of those Artillerymen's
request you will send to the Comd by the said Regiment
= by four hundred Candles of the former according to the
draft specified in the accompanying List & five hundred
Balls of the latter.

Fort St. George

We have the Honor to be

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8^o 8^o 8^o

Signed/ Charles Cokerley

8^o 8^o 8^o Comd

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockrell

Commanding the Bengal Detachment

Sir

To Lieutenant
Colonel Cockrell
= stating the above
= and which he
= will be remembered
= the amount of the
= above sum of
= the Presidency

Some directed by the Board is acknowledge
the Receipt of your Letter Dated the 28th Instant &
to inform you that Mr. Colt the Paymaster will
remove obstructions from the Military Paymaster's
General to pay to your Grace the sum of twenty eight
thousand five hundred & eighty two most Supers
and that as soon as the whole of the Disbursments
he will have further orders to pay you the balance
The particular Account of the state of the Disbursments
at the same time be transmitted to you

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Signed/ M. C. Jackson Secretary

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Dispatched the undermentioned

Letters as entered in M^{ts} N^{os} 177. 178. 179. 180.

181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192.

193. 194. 195. 196. 197. —

To the Collector in
the Trichinopoly
District. —

To the Collector in the Trichinopoly

District to take the necessary Measures, without delay,

for replacing the Quantity of Grain taken from the

Stores at Trichinopoly for the use of the Army —

Chinniah Moodely to be ordered to proceed imme-

-diately to the Presidency. —

To the Military Board to report

their opinion upon the following Papers: viz. — an

application from the Captains of Guides for the

Subsistence of their Army Rank — a memorial to

Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell from the Officers of

the Center Army, requesting Batta from the Line

they were ordered to prepare for service, until they

were put upon full allowances — from Lieutenant

Dowse commanding a Corps of Pioneers, claiming

More — allowance from the Commandant at

Chingleput respecting Repairs from the Nizam's

Agent applying for a thousand. Manas of old Arms —

— directing them to state whether the Repairs to

the Sepoy Barracks at Chinnachahally, and the
Hospital —

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29. Hospital at Perampalé are indispensably necessary -
Repairs to the Sloop of the Black French Mill
- and to the stables opposite the Company's Garrison -
- House to be executed agreeably to the Estimates enclosed
in their Letter of the 20th Instant, the Company's
Lascars to be employed in the former Work.

To the Agent for
Blacking. -

To the Agent for Blacking - stating
that the Board do not intend to furnish Blacking
for the six new raised Decade Battalions - should
De Mangerbarns Applications for Hats to be supplied
with, whom his paying for them at the
Company's Price. -

To the Board of
General Account

To the Board of General Account -
with copy of a Letter and its Inclosures -
- from the Nabob -

To Do

To Do, informing them that
all Articles coming from the Country belonging
to the Nabob or his Family which are accompanied
by a Quittance bearing his Highness's Chop are
to pass Duty free -

To Colonel Moxon

To Colonel Moxon - permitting
him to embark for Europe and the Prince William
Henry - the Board cannot take upon themselves to
give any instructions to the Commandant's officers
him -

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29. him on Board at Cuddalore.

To the Resident at
Cuddalore.

To the Resident at Cuddalore.
Two hundred & fifty Pagodas to be laid out in
repairing the Fortifications of that Place - which
with a subscription to be raised among the
inhabitants the Board hope will defray the
amount of such Repair as are indispensable to
its safety against any sudden attack of the
Enemy.

To the Commisary
and Comptroller
General of Army
Accounts.

To the Commisary & Comptroller
General of Army Accounts - to report upon an
Extract of a Letter from the Hospital Board
respecting Bugar Medicines.

To the Paymaster
at Vellore.

To the Paymaster at Vellore -
directing him to discharge a Bill for repairs
to be executed to the Works at Vence amounting
to Pagodas 200.

To the Commandant
at Vence.

To the Commandant at Vence -
informing him of the abovementioned order &
issued to the Paymaster at Vellore

To the Paymaster
at Vellore.

To the Paymaster at Vellore -
authorizing him to entertain the Drury Boys
as recommended in his Letter of the 21. Inst.
To

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To D^o the

29th

To D^o directing him to advance
Cornel Hupphen two hundred & twenty four Chagras
on account of 50 saddles to be made up by him
for the use of the Company's Cavalry - and to
furnish him with some 8 large from the
Company's Stores. —

To the Board of
Assumed Revenue

To the Board of Assumed Revenue
— with instructions for completing the store of
Saddles at Bangalore to 2000 pairs. —

To D^o the

To D^o — directing them to inform

M^r Landon the 450 Chagras will be allowed
for Requirs to the works at Sermaoort - the
five hundred additional Armed Poms lately
undertaken at Bangalore to be dispensed the
instant the Country shall be free from
predatory incursions - consenting to the attention
proposed in their Day - the allowance made
to have been made by the Chagras to the com-
mandant and adjutant of Bangalore in lieu of
the Thuckia tax to be discontinued. —

To M^r D. Cott.

To M^r D. Cott. directing

him to make oath to the truth of the declar-
ations contained in his Letter of the 23rd inst^o
before —

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24th before Major General Meadows a Copy of the Oath enclosed.

To the Resident
at Tanjore

To the Resident at Tanjore.
directing to take the Revenue Oath before
Major General Meadows which was omitted
to be administered to him on his appoint-
ment to the Residency of Tanjore. Likewise to
take the same opportunity of making Oath to
the Fourth of the Declaration contained in his
Letter of the 16th Instant, enclosing forms of
the two Oaths required.

To the Paymaster
to the Grand Army -
the Comptroller
General of Army
accounts & the
Military Paymas-
ter General -

To the Paymaster to the Grand Army
the Comptroller General of Army Accounts
& the Military Paymaster General -
informing them that M^r. Serquison's allowances
as Surgeon Major to the Center Army are to
cease from the Day on which the Comman-
der in Chief abolished the Staff of that Army.

To Major Short.

To Major Short enclosing a
Copy of the Application made to the Board
by Serquant Parochie & desiring him to state
the circumstances relating to claim made
upon him.

To

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To Captain Dead 29th
at Amherst

To Captain Dead - at Amherst

authorizing him to advance small sums of
Money to such Persons as may be distressed for
the means of supporting their families in the
consequence of their being prohibited from re-
siding in the Enemy's Country and to ex-
pense the Disputations with such of the Persons
as may render public Service. —

To the Collector in
the District of
Dutchess

To the Collector in the District of

Dutchess directing him to receive and pay such
bills & Provisions as may be brought to the
Quadrantary by the Persons of the Enemy's
Country. —

To the Commissary General of
Provisions - 30th

To the Commissary General of
Provisions with Copy of a Letter to
the Board of Ordnance respecting the Provisions
to be sent up at Amherst

Received the undermentioned

Letters as entered in M^{ss}. 8th 492 149.

To the Commissary
General of Provisions -
Dutchess

To the Commissary General of Provisions

your Supplies moved forward to the 18th of March
is joined by the Enemy to the S. E. of that place
lost a large sum of Ammunition & Provisions. —

30. observed moving towards Atter. —

from the Agents
for Capt. A. S. Lusk =
\$1000.00. —

At a Consultation. Present

Sir Charles Crokeley Bart.

Acting President.

John Hualleston Esq.

Friday the
31. December 1700.

The Hon^{ble}. Major General. Meadows
Absent upon Service—

Minutes of last Consultation &c.

read and approved

Read the following Letters

From the Military Board. -- 2 The Enclosures
signed in 1113 1708 & 201

To Sir Charles Cokerley Barnett.

Acting President in Council

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from the Military Board.
Report on the Expenses &
incurred by Lieutenant &
Major on his march to
the Detachment ^{among the}
with the Program. The paper
consequently occupies
the 17th of Volume 11.
Lieutenant Colonel Mott
has, in part on the
even and change of
Improvements
and from the Military
Board, has in the
Month of November.

We were duly honored with your
Commands of the 14th 17th and 20th Instant, and
beg leave to remark on the Account Expences of
Lieutenant Macgregor's March, to the Detach-
ment, serving with the Nizam, that his Charges
for Carley have been particularly for carrying arms-

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Arms of Desertion, are too generally stated, the number of Persons employed, and the rate of their pay being smothered to be obscured. This Remark applies equally to every other Class of Workmen, the Expenses for whom might have been avoided, & had the usual and necessary attention been paid by the Storekeepers a Manifestation in attaching a proper Complement of Labour and Entails to the Cumbria and stores before their Dispatch, & from thence - So this might also, are to be attributed the Charges for Gunny Bags and Cord Rope.

With respect to Drills and their Discharge, it does not appear for what purpose they were required, nor is the Price of each Drill specified - if they were deemed necessary. We conceive they should have been furnished at Manufacture or Store on regular standard in the usual manner.

W^m R^d

As the proposed Discharge to the Works of the Great and Little Forts of George are of considerable Magnitude, and may be

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tend to throw their Forts into still greater disorder, & whilst, executing. We beg leave to recommend that, & there only to the Drawbridge at the North Face and Stockade at the East Face, be undertaken at present

Stores

The Reply of Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse respecting the present increased Charge for Gunpowder having been received since our Report upon that Subject in our last Adadys. We have now the pleasure to transmit an Extract therefrom & for your farther Information. —

We also transmit Copy of a List of stores received from the Military Storekeeper, in the last month, which appearing, on Examination, to answer Muster, have accordingly been received on the Company's Books. —

Fort St. George

28th December 1790.

Y^e^r Y^e^r

S. Cappon

Signed / { Patrick Rofs
George Hall

Agreed that the Paymaster of the

Minutemen

Detachment Serving with the Vizam's Army
be

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be furnished with the Report of the military Board respecting Lieutenant M^r Morgan's Bill, & desired to be guided by it, at the same he settles the Account.

Also

Agreed that the repairs to the Works at Bangalore be executed agreeably to the Recommendation of the Military Board, And the following Letter from the Resident at Mysore -
John Lake Esq^r

Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department
Fort St. George.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter with their several Enclosures, of the 26th ultimo & I am glad to see you will assure the Board that my intention shall be exerted to fulfil the intention of the trust they have reposed in me respecting the Expenses of the Barr Detachment; which with the assistance of the printed Regulations and the Estimate proposed to be formed by the

from the Account of Hyderabad - will pay the attached a Muster for Economy in the expense of the Detachment's serving with the Mysore information regarding - take to the Colonel's credit by the Mysore's People in the country the伙食 - copy of the last address or word from Major Anderson -

and the Estimate proposed to be formed by the military

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Military Board, I hope may be gradually reduced within such bounds, as shall leave no greater Excess on the amount originally stipulated for, with his Highness the Nizam, than I shall be able, without much difficulty, to engage him to provide for. The President in Council having approved of the Military Board's proposal respecting the Estimate, I hope to be favoured with it as soon as possible.

In answer to your Letter of the 1st Instant I have to request that the Collector of Salnaud may be directed to furnish me with such information respecting the 4 Choices that have been established by the Nizam's Venter on the North bank of the Krishna, as may enable me to state the grace due to his Highness or his Minister in a clear & distinct manner; & I shall in the mean time endeavour to ascertain at what particular place the impediment complained of subsists. I would likewise submit to the Board's Consideration the superior ease with which any Complaint of this kind might be

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be adjusted by the Collectors being desirous to
correspond with me in the first instance.

I have the honor to enclose an
extract of a Letter I have received from Major
Montgomery, under date the 11th Instant, also
a Letter for General Mordaunt, which I request
may be forwarded to him.

Yours-quit

17th December 1790

Geo^r Geo^r

Signed/ John Armstrong

Extract of a Letter from Major Montgomery
to Captain Armstrong under date before stated
11th December 1790

I have on every Occasion
expressed my Desires to concur in any system
of Economy which appears compatible with the
good of the Public Service, and the satisfaction
of my superiors yet however willing I might
be to adopt your suggestions as to the making
up the debts and Mors of Bucklers, &c. I am the
Adjutant of the Military Board (particularly
said herein for my guidance) are in both these
instances expressed in such clear & obvious
manner

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Leave me no Power of dissenting from them without incurring the Censure of Government for a direct Disturbance of Orders and subjecting myself to the Imputation of having assumed to myself Powers with which they had not thought it proper to entrust me.

Did I concur myself sufficiently authorized I should not hesitate to adopt any measure of Economy which in my Opinion was conducive to the Company's Advantage but you must be sensible, Sir, how arduous and unceasing a Task it would be

for me without any proper Authority for the Purpose and even in pointed Opposition to my Orders to attempt an Innovation in Charges established by the Regulations and confirmed by the invariable Practice of the Government under which I serve.

I have not yet been able to ascertain the numbers of the Reinforcement brought by Row Rumbah. to Mohabut Jung's Camp where every thing remains, and is likely to remain till the heavy Guns now promised

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permitted shall arrive, in shape you.

Our latest Notices from Dartmouth
Baker's mention that the Garrison of
Dartmouth seem inclined to give up the Place
and have proposed Conditions for that purpose
to which the Board will not accede. They add
that the Mahomettas have detached another
Body of Troops more to the Southward.

True Extract

Signed Wm Stewart

Appt.

The Board have the most perfect
Confidence that Captain Kemmings's Conduct
will be exerted to fulfil the Instructions of the
Court referred in him respecting the Expenses
of the Detachment serving with the
Major's Army.

Agreed that the Board of War
be desired to instruct the Collector of Customs
furnish Captain Kemmings with the necessary
Information respecting the Baker's establishment
on the North Bank of the River, &c &c
Correspond in future with Captain Kemmings

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in the first instance upon every Subject connected with his Situation as Resident at the Lordship's Court.

Read the following Letters

from the Commandant Chief

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Camp near Trichinopoly
the 23^d of December 1790.

Honble Sir and Gentlemen,

I had the honour

From Major General
Received approving
the measures adopted
by the Board regarding
the removal of Major
Montgomery &c. and
the appointment
of Mr. Brown.

of yours of the fifteenth inclosing Earl & Cornwallis's, this morning.

I perfectly acquiesce with his Lordship and the Board in the propriety of recalling Major Montgomery, and the other Gentlemen; and in the Board's appointment of Mr. Brown.

I received - only yesterday - your letter of the nineteenth: of November relative to Lord Cornwallis's coming

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coming to the Coast. —

and have the Honor to be,

Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

Signed / W^m Madsen

Governor

To the Hon^{ble} Sir Charles Carteret Bart^{le}

Senior Member at the Presidency, and the

Gentlemen in Council at Fort St. George,

Madras. Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

Camp near Seringapatam

The 24th of December 1790

Hon^{ble} Sir and Gentlemen,

I had the Honor

To receive from Major General
Madsen - approving
the Commission of Major
Jackson & Perry in the
Military Department.

of your of the seventeenth this morning, at
your of the resignation of Mr. Secretary
Chambers; and your appointment of Mr. Jackson
to succeed him; — And of Mr. Perry.

Extremely very

for the resignation of so able and Active a
Secretary as Mr. Chambers; — and entirely appro-
ving of your appointment of Mr. Jackson & Mr. Perry.

I have the Honor to be,

Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

W^m Madsen Governor

Madras.

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Recd the following Letter from

Mess^{rs} Gregory & Snow.To Charles Rich^d White Esq^r

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort St. George

Sir

From Mess^{rs} Gregory
& Snow - on the 29th ult
for furnishing tents
to be delivered at Vizagapa-
-patam.

From information we have received that the Company's military stores are to be provided by contract We are induced to make the following proposal to Government which We request you will lay before the Honble Governor in Council when the subject is taken into consideration.

We will engage to deliver at Vizagapata-
nam any number of tents required, to be inspected and approved by the Committee of stores at the following rates -
Officers Tents complete at 50 Star Pagodas each

Deploy D^o ----- @ 29 - - D^o

Private D^o ----- @ 21½ - - D^o

Necessary D^o ----- @ 10½ - - D^o

Bell D^o ----- @ 5½ - - D^o

and to receive payment by Bills in that Factory
for 2/3rd of the Amount, and Bills on Bengal at the

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The Exchange of Mr. Ansell's for the remainder

We beg leave to remark that the cloth of this District is the strongest and best for the purpose of cloths of any manufactured on the Coast; and the Artificers having had much practice in this branch of Business gives us the greatest confidence of executing our Engagement in the most satisfactory manner.

We are

Y^r Obed^t Serv^t

Signed / { W^m Loring
Ph^l D^r of
John Ansell

Ordered to be on the 27th

to be on the 27th

His Excellency
The Commander
19th December 1790

Recd the following Letter from
the President at Langain

To the Honble Sir Charles Cokerley Bart
President &c^a Council

at

Fort St George
Honble Sir and Sir

I have the honor

to transmit to you, a copy of the Record of the
Proceedings of the late Chief and Council in
this

from the President at
Langain - stating the
employment conducted by the
Government of Madras
and its officers in the
quitting persons from
an arrangement in the
District of Madras, and the
Military

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Military stores sold at
Public Auction - recommended
-ing that it should be
applied for the use of the
Department of Military
Stores at that Place, & that
a new bridge be built at
the South Gate, & that the
Barrack Bridge at the north
gate be completed. —

this Department for the Month of November.

The late, Chief and Council informed you under date the 4th of September, that some small Detachments had been made to the Lemendary of Sellanthah as well to secure the Government Collections, which were totally obstructed by the Brother of the late Rajah, who had usurped the Lemendary, as to apprehending his Person should a favourable Opportunity Offer.

The Arms which were accumulating, added to the Old Balances due from this Lemendary, and to a Consideration of the Minority of the Heri to the deceased Rajah, induced the Board of Revenue at a subsequent Period, to direct the Chief and Council to take an Assignment of 4 Villages for the better security of the Company's Revenue, which not being practicable until the Warper might be apprehended or Expelled from the Lemendary, occasioned the late Chief and Council to augment the Detachments already there to two complete Companies of Sepoys; which had the Effect intended, in the Expulsion of the Warper: and in the restoration of the young Rajah to his

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his rights; no other bad consequences ensuing, but the
loss of two small Villages, which the Red Captain
withdrew by the suggestion of the Commanders of Junks
and Boatswains, or from a motive of submission
their ship being a Prisoner at Saltwater, and for
to.

The late Chief and Council had some
time to spare to inform you, that and so
Ancient and which subsisted between the Mon-
-archs and Boatswains Commanders had some-
-times them to acts of Depredation and Hostility
-the one against the other; in which the latter was
generally the Aggressor; the distressed state of
the District at large for these last two years should
seem to have made them impatient of confinement
in such Exiles, and a severe drought having so
late superseded contests for Water has increased
the violence of Personal Animosity, the effects of
which are seen in the total Depopulation of the
Boatswain's Villages, and in the complete
Desertion of its Harbours, for the numerous
Commanders, much the more powerful, allowed
themselves to be provoked by new Aggression to
this.

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this most destructive Plague.

The two Countries being contiguous to each other, and Bouvausinghie being of small Extent, and at a great distance from the Factory, precluded the possibility of my interposition in sufficient time to obviate such baneful Consequences.

On the first intelligence however I ordered the Officer Commanding at Sellantrah, which was the Station in the nearest Vicinity to the scene of these Comotions, to make Detachments from his Party and if necessary to move himself, to a Position which might enable him to hold them both in Check, I addressed Letters to the Zemindars at the same time warning them of the Punishment which would await the repetition of such Arrogance, and inviting them to submit their differences to the cognizance of Government; but I am sorry to observe, that the Energies of the local Administration of Affairs in this District have been so much relaxed, that I have experienced in this, as on most Occasions, that my Authority has not yet acquired the Weight which is indispensable for

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To the full acquittal of the Duties expected to
form me. —

I have the honor to communicate
a List of Unserviceable Military Stores, which
on the Recommendation of the Committee of
Stores have above Advertised for sale by Public
Auction, and I request your Permission to write
off to Profit and Loss the difference which may
arise on the sales.

Your Orders through Mr Secretary
Chambers of 2nd May 1787 approved of and Estimated
(Pag. 56-7.) for the Location of a Field int
for the use of the Department of Military
Stores here, the Building was then Advertised
for Contract but no Proposals were received.

On the recommendation of the
Committee of Stores above now ordered it to
be erected on the Burn of the Doff, and to
appropriated to the Accommodation of the
Artificers of the Garrison and when your
are informed, that the Announcements of the
Work their forges in a Watched shed, in
which is also deposited a quantity of the
Companys

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Company's Dock, I doubt not that you will approve the measure.

The Committee of Works here have called my attention to the present state of the south Bridge of the Fort, which they observe either as to the consideration of the Convenience, or of the safety of the Garrison, appears to them to require immediate Renewal.

They suggest, that it has been long unsuitable for Carriages, or for loaded Foot Passengers, which has occasioned the Gate to be kept shut, and by necessity induced a very circuitous Communication with the sea side, and with the Company's Banksalls and stores which are there deposited - that still by the assistance of a few Panks it was occasionally made to conduce to the ease and safety of conveying the Gun Powder to that Face of the Fort, (as the most retired) to be dried, or to be submitted to other necessary Operations - But that even this temporary Convenience cannot now be drawn from the Bridge, which has fallen into the Basin, and furnishes but a precarious footing over the Ditch, for the Escape of the Prisoners of

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of the Deserters, or for the Night Approach of those who may harbour more dangerous designs. —

Being fully impressed with the Justness of this statement, and adhering to the oral Exigency of the Circumstances, I do not hesitate to submit to you the enclosed Transcript of an Estimate for a new Bridge, which was originally forwarded with a Letter from the late Chief and Council dated 6th October 1792, for

view then the Bridge was deemed impracticable) and which includes a description of Experience for the Construction of the above Bridge to the North Gate of the Fort & request your sanction for the Execution for those Works which may appear to you the more indispensable when you are referred to the Letter from the late ^{4th} Chief and Council dated 21st of November 1792, which attributed the escape of two Prisoners to the ruined state of this Bridge —

Yours
J. M. D. 1792

I have the Honor to be
with the greatest respect

Yours &c.

Yours
J. M. D. 1792

Yours

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Minute Honors
Agreed that Mr. Crawford be permitted
to write off to Credit & Lof the Defiance which may
accrue on the Sale of the unserviceable Military Stores.

Ditto
The Board approve the Order given
by the President for the Erection of a tiled Shed on
the Berms of the Fort for the Use of the Department
of Military Stores at Ganyam.

Ditto
The Proposal for building a New
Bridge before the South Gate & completing the Draw
Bridge at the North Gate cannot for the present be
attended to.

Read the following Letter from

Mr. Menadierley.

To W. E. Jackson Esq^r.

Military Secretary

Sir,

I have received your Letter of the 25th Inst^l.
conveying the Commands of Government to lay up
Grain, at Amboor; to which every attention shall
be paid.

From Mr. Menadierley.
recommending the
Erection of a tiled
Shed on the Berms
at Vellore.

Enclose Copy of a Letter addressed
to me by the Commanding Officer at Vellore, on
which I request the Boards Orders. I have to observe
on it, that the Comr has always allowed these to
remain.

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repairs to be made, & as the public Expense. Demands
the necessary repairs would not exceed 1000 Rupees.

Shew the honor to be

Wellsore - - -
29th December 1798

Ye^r Ye^r

Signed / Nathl^e E. Henderson

Collector

To. Nathl^e Henderson Esq^r

Sir

His Highness the Nizam gave orders to
the Munsifs of this place some months ago to put
the Petah wall in the best possible repairs, as it had
suffered extensively by the excessive heavy rains that
fell in the Monsoon of 1798, but in so slight and so

superficial a manner were the Orders executed, that
the late rains the not very heavy, entirely destroyed
what he had rebuilt. Ours in consequence to request
you will be so good as to apply to the Nizam's Court
for their permission to put the Wall in a proper state
of defence as it is now exposed in every state, and
more particularly as we are strengthened for Nizam's
troops to afford the munsifs of Quana necessary. The
Eastern Petah Gate wants also immediate repairs.

Shew the Honor to be.

Wellsore - - -
26th December 1798

Ye^r Ye^r

Signed / Tho. Price Agent

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Agreed that Mr. Kindersley be directed
to advance the sum of One thousand (1000) Rupees on
account of Repairs to the Wall of the Pettah at
Vellore.

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

To W^m C. Jackson Esq^r.

Military Secretary

Sir

In the present Situation of Affairs &
the most Active exertions will be required in the Store
Department at Amboor. They leave therefore to
recommend that Mr. Torriano whose general Residence
must be at Vellore may be allowed an Assistant &
while the Exigency of the Service requires it.

Coolies on any emergency cannot
be procured at Amboor and at present there are
only 6 Lascars in Garrison - in order to facilitate
the receipt and delivery of Grain Captain Acad
has proposed that 50 Additional Lascars should
be entertained, and when not necessarily employed
in the Grain Department they may assist in
repairing the Pettah Wall and building the
New Granary.

From the Commissary
General of Grain &
Provisions. recommend-
ing that a Person be
appointed to assist
the Commissary at Vellore,
and that 50 additional
Lascars be enter-
tained at Amboor.

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I request you will lay this letter
before Government and obtain their Orders. —

Maddam

Yours

31st December 1792

8th 8th 8th

signed / Tho^{rs} Lockhart

Esq^r Gen^l of Forces &

Provisions.

Private Return —

Received that Mr^s Luffpage / the
Adjutant of Captains Annes Battalion / be appointed
= 20 for the present to act as Mr^s Clements Assist-
ant in the Store Department at Amboyna,
with an Allowance of twenty five Pagodas &
Rs^{rs} Moneys. —

Received that fifty additional
Lascars be entertained in Order to facilitate the
Weight and Delivery of Grain at Amboyna; and to
assist in repairing the Dutch Wall & building
the new granary at that Place.

And the following Letter from
the Resident at Amboyna
John Hamner Esq^r
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

Fort George

I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of your Letter of the 28th ultimo. with the

Letter

from the Resident at
Amboyna is hereby
acknowledged in
transmitting the same
among the Military Stores
office.

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arrived there from a
Bombay - gives an ac-
count of the Action be-
tween Captain Popham's
Detachment and the
Army of the Enemy -
det. Popham a Ly. Com-
d. already communicated
- is by Mr. G. Hynd.

Letter for the Rajah of Travancore from the acting Presi-

-dent.

I request the favor of you to inform
the Honble Board that I shall do every thing in
my power to collect as accurate and Information as
I possibly can respecting the Rajah of Travancore's
Revenues in every Branch I am hopeful to be able
to accomplish it, but it will be attended with
some difficulty, as the Management of the Re-
venues of the Country is corrupted with the utmost
obscure. In acquiring it I shall be careful
not to give umbrage to the Rajah.

The Letter from the act-
ing President to the Rajah of Travancore, I
immediately forwarded to him on its receipt, &
with a Letter from myself on the occasion -

I intend in a few days to follow it in person,
at present I am detained here to despatch to the
Grand Army by order of the Commander in Chief
a large Quantity of Stores imported here by the
Moorish Indianman, transmitted to my Charge
by the Bombay Government. I

Shave the Satisfaction to
acquaint you for the Information of the Honble
Board.

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Now, that Colonel Mordaunt with his Majesty's
75th Regiment consisting of not more than 200 men
and two Battalions of Sepoys has defeated a
Body of the Enemy's Troops consisting of nine or
thousand disciplined Men and 4000 Muzdoolas —
the Action was fought near Calcutt — Captain
Maj Khan Bakhsh Khan's Commanders in the
East India Company, two Leaders and about nine
hundred Men were taken prisoners the day of
the Battle which was on the 11th of August —
and their loss was upwards of one thousand — but
was very small — no Officers killed but 4 wounded
— and the Prisoners killed and wounded amount
ed to between 400 & 500 —

On the 11th Colonel Mordaunt
pursued a Body of the Enemy who had fled, un-
der the Command of Mutahd Loon towards a
Grove. It was met by Sepoys near a
Baghawan — on his arrival there he found that
Mutahd Loon had gone off the night before
with two hundred Men and all the Ordnance
loaded on Elephants towards the Sanderson's
Pass — fifteen hundred who remained behind
and saved their Arms — Baghawan and a

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all the Defuls in the Murobot surrendered as did
six Thousand Inhabitants.

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18th December 1790

Shave the Honor to be

Yc.^a Gc.^a
Signed/ George Towney
Tons.^l Resident

Substance of a
Petition from
Minapah Office
Dubash.

Read a Petition from
Minapah Office Dubash, stating that he has
served the Honorable Company since the year
1753 - that he has been faithful & diligent &
during the Period of his long Servitude, and
requesting that he may be put upon the same
footing in regard to Allowances with the Du-
bask in the Civil Office.

Read the following Certificate
in Favor of Minapah, given by the
late Secretary.

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This is to Certify that Minapah, Dubash
in the Military Secretary's Office has served
faithfully diligently, & carefully during the
period of six years & a half, in which acted
as Secretary & Deputy Secretary, & that
his Tons have conducted themselves in
mentionably

Certificate in Favor
of Minapah Dubash
in the Military
Secretary's Office
given by Mr. Chamber

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Universally while Acting under me in the
Office

Agnd John Chamis

Agnd that Messrs. D. and
in the military Secretary's Office, be allowed
the sum of twenty five Pagodas per month
during his life.

The Acting President recommends
that Cornet Agis, who has been appointed
by the Dece of the Governor General to the
Command of a Det of Cavalry, be furnished
with the following Instructions.

To Cornet Agis
Sir

Instructions to Cor-
net Agis on subject
ing the manner in
which the party of
Country put under
his Command are
to be employed. —

The party you are appointed to Com-
mand is principally intended for the defence of the
Subsistence, and to facilitate the supplies of grain
more forwarding for the Garrison of the City & Ambon
for this purpose you will comply with such re-
quisitions as you may receive from Mr. Agis
along the Collector in those Districts you are the
chiefly employed and to keep a watch as possible
in such situations as will prevent your being
exposed to the attacks of superior numbers of regulars

Agnd that Messrs. D. and
in the military Secretary's Office, be allowed
the sum of twenty five Pagodas per month
during his life.

Agis

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For the time that you are employed on this Ser-

vice you will receive the usual Allowance of six pagodas per month for feeding each Horse & furnishing them with Horse keepers & Carriers & you are to take care that they are kept in good condition but not to make any Contingent Charge whatever.

You are not to compel the Inhabitants to furnish you with Provisions for the Men or Horses for the Horses but if disposed to sell it you must pay the current price of the District for each Article applying always to the head man of the Village to procure you what is necessary.

You are to correspond with Colonel Bruce Captain Head Captain Hunt & Captain Mackay affording them such authentic information as you may receive of the motions of the Enemy you are also to communicate the like information to the Collector by the most expeditious means without too much weakening your own party.

The Paymaster & Storekeeper at the Outposts will be directed to furnish you with your Monthly Pay & likewise with such Horses as may be necessary for the party of which you are to avoid any useless Expenditure.

You are on no account to enter the Enemy's Country without the Order of Government or the Commander in Chief communicated to you in writing.

In case of the death of any of your Horses you are to Report the same to the Governor in Council & if on account of sickness you are obliged to leave any of them they must be put under the care of proper persons but no Charge must be incurred on that account nor must any of the present Horses be lost or new ones be purchased without the permission of the Governor or the Commander in Chief.

The Native Officers now Commissioned Officers & private men although not immediately attached to any particular Corps are considered equally - Subject to Military Law & therefore if guilty of any Offence are to be confined until they may be tried by a Court Martial whenever proper persons can be assembled for that purpose.

Many circumstances may occur which cannot be provided for in these Instructions you are therefore in all such cases to act to the best of your judgement until you can conveniently consult with or receive the advice of some of the Officers Civil or Military mentioned in these Instructions. Should any impotence. Expence now you are immediately to Report the same to the acting President of the Military Board for

John

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whom also you are to support all your demands for stores,

done
S^r & S^r

Port J^d George
31st December 1798

Signed/ M^{rs} E. Jackson,

Secretary

The Board approve the proposed Instructions

to Comd^r A. Popham.

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to take measures for procuring, as soon as possible, five hundred also for the building, to be made up of Brickwork, Shingles, & Plasterwork & Stone, paying attention to the Locality of the materials to the Port. The said Brick & Stone to be made up by a Contract at the President's order of the Military Board.

The Acting President reports to the Board that the Governor General has agreed with the Commandant of the ship "Bountiful" of Port to convey to Bellisary the ships of the 73rd Regiment lately arrived from Bengal, for the arms of nine thousand five hundred payable by a bill upon Bengal.

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to give Orders to the Garrison at Bellisary to send on board the Company of Port a sufficient quantity of provisions for the use of the troops, returning the baggage from hence to Bellisary, to continue thirty Days.

" Chas^r Baskley.

" Secretary

Edw^d George Jackson

Instructions to the Governor
to the Military Board for
procuring and building
the five hundred shingles
for the Company. —

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