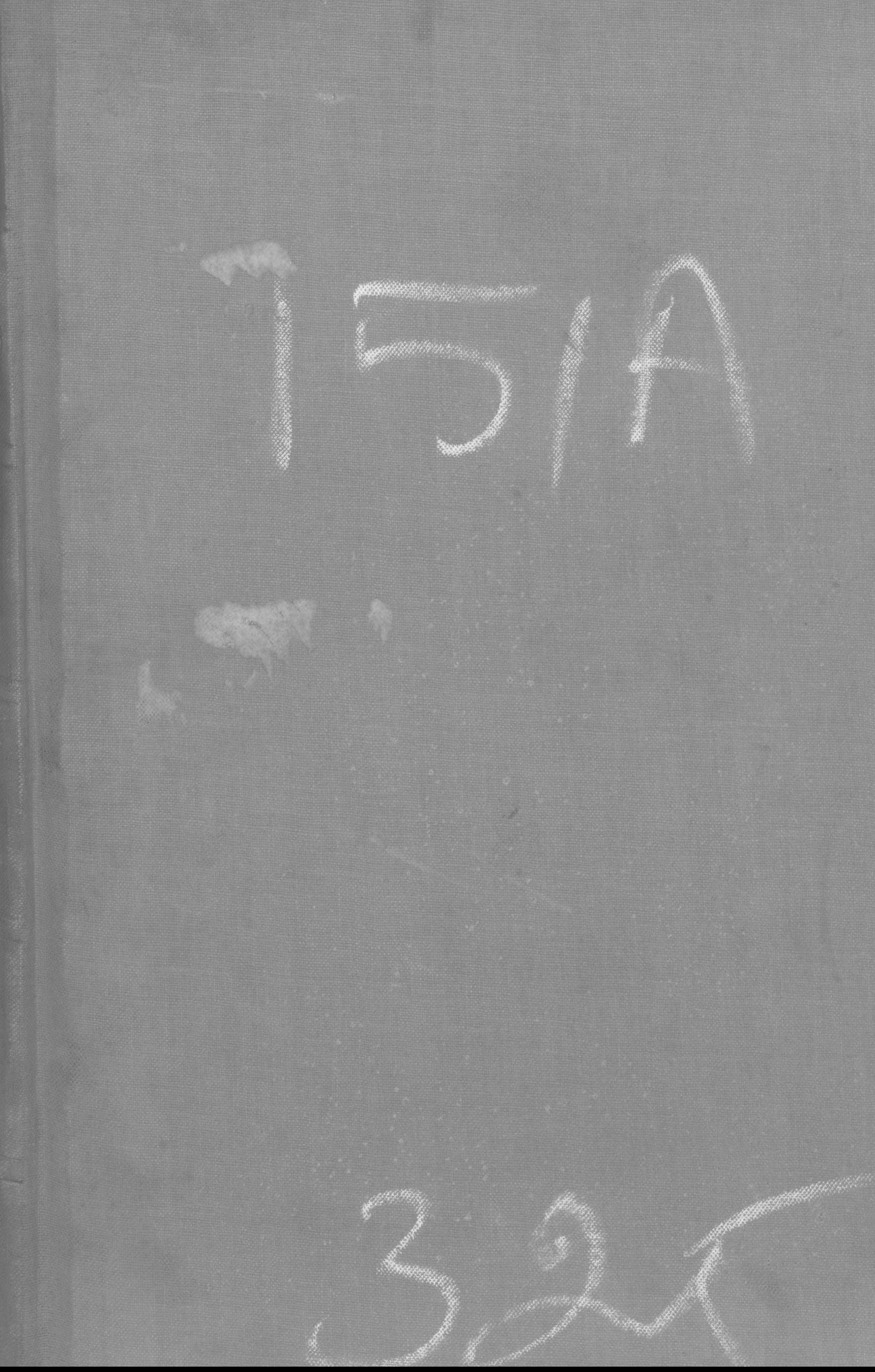

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# Diary

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. in No.s 151. 152. 153. 154.

To the Resident at Hydrabad

To the Resident at Hydrabad — enclosing Copies of the 3rd and 4th Articles of the Regulations for the Grain Department in the field — and informing him that the Request made to him by Captain Andrew Read in his Letter of the 5th Instant cannot be complied with.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provision

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — directing him to provide ten Thousand Carriage Bullocks with Pack Saddles in the Southern Countries on the Company's Account.

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship True Briton

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship True Briton — enclosing a List of 9 Men ordered to embark on board his Ship as Charter Party Passengers for England

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To the Board of afsumed Revenue — informing them that the Extract of the Regulations for the Collectors which accompanied their Letter of the 25th Instant has been published in General orders — and desiring them to lay before the Board an Account shewing the Amount of the Collections made by the Company from the Nabobs Jaghire Districts from the time of the late afsumption to the Date of their Delivery to his Highness's Managers.

To the Board of afsumed Revenue

27 Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M: B: Nos 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160.

From the Chief of Pulicat

From the Chief of Pulicat acknowledging the Receipt of the Sum of Pagodas 35. 13. 12 which accompanied the late President's letter to them of the 16th Instant.

From Lieutenant Bulman

From Lieutenant Bulman advising of his arrival at Vellore with the Money Lumbrills placed under his Charge

From the Commandant at Chandernagherry

From the Commandant at Chandernagherry stating that 2185 Bullocks have already been dispatched to Arnbour for the

27. the use of the army and that he is in daily ex-
pectation of receiving a further Supply —
representing that a disorder in his Eyes had
prevented his proceeding to Calastry.

From the Paymaster to the —
Detachment serving with the Nizam's army
enclosing Copies of three Bills presented to —
him for Secret Service — and requesting to be
furnished with a form in which these Bills
are, by the Regulations of the Service, to be
drawn out.

From the Paymaster to the Detachment serving with the Nizam's army.

From the Collector in the
Northern and Center Division of the
Masulipatam Havelly advising of his having
engaged two Hundred Men to serve as —
Bullock Drivers with the army.

From the Collector in the Northern and Center Divisions of the Masulipatam Havelly.

From the Company's Chief
Pion — representing that he is much —
distressed in consequence of the Company's
having made him no Compensation for
the Ground belonging to him in the —
Black Town which was taken for the
accommodation of the former Inhabitants
of Hog Hill.

From the Company's Chief Pion

Sent the following Letters

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To Colonel James Capper
Mr. Benjamin Roebuck
Mr. George Moubray
&
Mr. Joseph Garrow

Committee for enquiring into the Charges & preferred against the administration of Mr. John Hollond

To the Committee for enquiring into the Charges preferred against the administration of Mr. John Hollond — informing them that the Board have been pleased to dissolve their Committee

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to inform you that as the objects of your Investigation have been completed, he has been pleased to dissolve & your Committee, agreeably to the request contained in your Letter of the 9th Instant.

Fort St George
27th July 1791.

I am &a. &a.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secretary

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General &a. &a. &a.

To Lord Cornwallis — report regarding the 10000 Bullocks ordered to be collected in the Southern Countries

My Lord,

We have had the honor to receive your Lordship's Letter of the 20th Instant.

We have given directions for the

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the Provision of two thousand Carriage &
Bullocks with Pack Saddles from the Southern
Countries on the Company's Account, and
we are in hopes they will be in readiness
to proceed to their place of distination by
the latter end of the Month of September.

We have the honor to be
with great Respect & Esteem
Hon: Hon:
Signed Chas Oakeley
Wm Council

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Dispatched the undermen=
=tioned Letters as entered in M: B: Nos 161.
162. 162. 164.

To the Military Storekeeper
informing him that an advance of three
Thousand Pagodas for Mendoza will be
made to him for the Provision of Lents &
until he has completed the Number ordered
to be furnished.

To the Military Storekeeper

Compt Robt Brooke - Tullock
Lieut Chase
E Holland
Captain Kefselback
Mr Lautour
Lieut Norris
& Mr Procter.

Compt Robert Brooke
John Tullock
Lieut Chase
Thomas Chase
E Holland attorney to Mr E. Holland
Captain Kefselback
Mr Lautour
Lieutenant Norris
Mr Procter attorney to Mr
Cleaver

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Para. 1 Expressing the Dissatisfaction of the Board at their Inattention to the Orders of Government published in the Madras Courier of the 25th May last which directed that all Ditches adjacent to the Public Roads in the Environs of Madras should be filled up on or before the 1st Instant — and directing that immediate attention may be paid thereto.

To the Military Board —

To the Military Board

informing them of the Orders sent to the Persons abovementioned and of the Resolution of the Board not to pass any order for the Payment of Mr. Wolff's Bill for Repairs until he has conformed to the orders of Government — That Bills of the Contractors for Bricks and Chunam will be credited charged — The Repairs stated by them in their Letter of the 23rd Instant, as necessary to the Powder Magazines near the Burying Ground, to be executed, provided the Estimate do not exceed the Estimate

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&c.

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27 To the Military Board —

To the Military Board

desiring them to bring the Subject of the Claims made by the former Inhabitants of Hog Hill under their Consideration as soon as possible. —

28 Recd Letters from the Nabob dated in C: C: Nos 179. 180 / the former advising of his having taken the necessary Measures for providing Supplies of Grain &c. in the Chittoor District for the use of the Maratta Banjarras — the latter enclosing Copy of a Letter from his Agents to him at Chittoor on the Subject of collecting Supplies for the use of the Army. —

Substance of two Letters from the Nabob

Recd the following Letters. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt

President in Council

Fort St George

From the Resident at Poona — proceeding out an Error committed in the Course engaged in the Drafting of the Articles of the Treaties concluded of the Treaties with the Nizam and Marattas. —

Honble Sir,

I was made exceedingly happy on the 9th Instant by the Receipt of Mr Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 21st Ultimo giving Cover to the New and important Resolutions of the House

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Houses of Commons on the present War in India on which I beg leave to Congratulate you and every Loyal friend to the Honor and Interests of our Country.

Permit me to suggest the Propriety of your Causing the Material Error of Dates to be rectified that has crept into the last of the Resolutions of the House of Commons and been circulated through your Coercion viz.t Instead of the Treaties "entered into with the Nizam on the 1.st of June 1790 "and with the Marattas on the 7.th of July "1790" It should be with the marattas 1.st June 1790 and with the Nizam 4.th Ditto the 4.th of July 1790.

Poona
12.th July 1791.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
Obed.t Humble Servant
(Signed) C.P. Malet

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

From the Commander at Poliquelchery intelligence respecting the Strength of the Detachment of the 1st Enemy Cipahis Combatted

Honble Sir,

Lieutenant Chalmers commanding the post of Coimbatore has just informed me that the Enemy encamped before that place Yesterday

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yesterday morning, their force he says consists of 1000 horse four Battalions of Sepoys and 6 Guns, but he don't mention their Calibers. he has orders from me to defend it to the last and without heavy Guns, I don't think they can take it.

They crossed the Bowanny in basket boats. about 18 Garce of Rice has been removed from hence to Coimbetore.

Palghautcherry 17th July 1791.

I have the honor to be
Wa. Wa.
(Signed) J. Cappage
Major Commanding

To the Hon^ble Major General Medows
President and Governor in Council
Fort St George

Hon^ble Sir,

From the Military Storekeeper - repeating his application for an immediate and further advance of Cash on account of the Camp Equipage - ordered to be made up

I have been just honored by the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter under date 27th instant - and am exceedingly concerned that it should reduce me to the necessity of again troubling you on the Subject of advances - I have already stated that my arrangements for the Provision of the Camp Equipage now ordered were made previous to my Receipt of that order

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Sir I beg leave further to state that as being impressed with an Idea that the utmost Dispatch in the Execution of this part of my Duty, was necessary, - I made Agreements with my Agents at Madapollam and Vellow Accordingly and have employed all the Taylors I could procure at this place, so that I have little doubt of my not Completing the whole Indent by the End of August or at furthest by the 15th September.

Thus Situated I take the Liberty of mentioning to you the Necessity of an immediate and further advance of Pagodas 12,100, and trust you will do me the Justice to believe that I would not repeat a Requisition of this Sort, unless compelled thereto by the nature of the Engagements I have / with a view of Convenience to the Public Service / entered into.

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29th June 1791.

I have the honor to be
with great Respect
Sir &c. &c.
/Signed/ Sir Archd Vorcher
Mst Storekeeper

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To
W.m Collins Jackson Esq.r
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the Board, copy of a Letter under date the 27.th Ultimo with its Enclosures, which I have received from the Paymaster of the Ellore Detachment, & to lie.

&c. &c.

Signed John Kennaway

From the Resident at Hyderabad— with Enclosures respecting Charges demanded by the Regulations and the Batta Charged on Rupees in the Nizam's Camp

Camp near Nalgonda 16.th July 1791

P.S.

I have also the honor to enclose Triplicate of my address to Lord Cornwallis of the 13.th Instant, which I request may be forwarded by a different Conveyance from the Duplicate I had yesterday the Honor to enclose to your address by way of Tranquebar.

To John Kennaway Esq.r
Resident at the Court of his Highness
the Nizam

Sir,

I have the honor to reply to your Letter of the 12.th Instant by informing you that the Contractors Agent has since expressed himself satisfied with the Liquidation of only one of the three Bills which were

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Captain Kennaway has requested you to procure for me; and the authentically ascertaining of this point seems likely at the same time to forward the Establishment of an object with Captain Kennaway of very material Consequence to the Detachment.

I represented to Captain Kenna=way that I had not that influence lodged in my hands which would enable me to afford information on this subject sufficiently & specific or authentic to be of use, and that I would therefore with his leave apply & myself to you - The influence I alluded to related to the right of applying to such & authority in the Nabobs Camp (from which I believe the true test should be drawn) that might produce an order for the principal Shroff to furnish a true and attested & account of the different kinds of Rupees current and the specific value of each & Captain Kennaway having again urged me on this subject, in a letter I had & lately the honor of receiving from him I beg leave further to inform you that is my intention to reply to him &

by

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28 by forwarding Copy of this address to you
for his perusal, which whilst it may
prove the means of explaining to Captain
Kennaway what I alluded to when I meant
simply to express myself incompetent to
the task of affording him the information
he was pleased to require of me, will make
him satisfied to find the enquiry placed in
hands so much better calculated to attain
the purpose in question, than could p
possibly have been effected by any means
in my power. —

I am &c &c
(Signed) Wm Brown
Payr

Gonjeeo Feb 21st June 1791.

a true Copy
(Signed) Wm Brown
Payr

True Copy
(Signed) Graeme Mercer
a.d.j.a pais.

William Brown Esqr.
Paymaster &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to ac
acknowledge the receipt of your favor
of

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your due, when I had the honor of addressing your last on the Subject: this coinciding with your wishes I have accordingly discharged the Amount.

I beg leave to inform you that I have received orders from Government to call on the Commanding Officer for the refund of the Bills I represented, on account of Lnegg, Sub Conductor and Thomas Jones employed as Artificer, Copies of which were at the same time referred for your Informa= =tion, whereon you did me the honor to say that the decision of Government should be waited for, and serve as my Guide in respecting them. a Bill which was at the same time represented, on account of Staff allowance for the Company of Artillery in Camp has also been decided upon, and ordered to be discontinued in future, of which I have made the Com= =manding Officer acquainted.

I take the liberty of replying to the latter part of your Letter of the 12th Instant by enclosing No 1 Copy of my Letter to Mr Binny, in full explanation of the sentiments I wished to have conveyed

to

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to you, when I did myself the Honor to ad-
dress you on the subject in my Letter of
the 3d Instant and am happy at the same
time to be able to render the Communic-
-ation on this occasion the more Complete
by forwarding [No 2] Copy of Mr. Benny's
answer to me. — I have the Honor to be,
with respect.
&c. &c.
[Signed] W.m Brown
pay.r

Camp Ganjicotah
27th June 1791

True Copy
[Signed] Granville Wheeler
Asst. a.d.c.

To Lieutenant Benny
Persian Interpreter

Sir,

I beg leave to enclose you an Ex-
-tract of a Letter from Captain Kennaway
with the Persian Document of which he
makes mention, and can only observe that
I must acknowledge my omission in not
having earlier applied to you on the subject
of the different values of Rupees current in
Camp, since it is a circumstance that may
certainly be supposed to regard the Merchts. &
certainly less surprised to regard the Merchts. &

Captain

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of the 25. Instant covering Extract of a Letter from Captain Kennaway in answer, beg leave to acquaint you that I cannot devise any mode by which the information which Captain Kennaway requires respecting the Batta charged on Rupees of particular descriptions in the Countries Southward of the Kistna than which the Detachment has passed, can be procured indeed from what I can understand believe that there is no fixed Standard Value for the Rupee in which the Troops have generally been paid since our arrival at Ramchore.—

Having formerly been desired by Captain Read to endeavor to have the Batta on Rupees properly ascertained, and to apply to the Nabob Durah Jah for that purpose— I did so, and the Nabob gave a Directions in my presence that the necessary Documents should be furnished by the Shroffs, but they refused to comply with requisition From other enquiries which I made when at Cuddapah, understood that the Batta had varied from four to a

Fourteen

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fourteen per Cent, yet could get no proper person
to certify in writing what it then was or
before had been. When at Copoot I was once
desired by Captain Read to ask Roy Knoop
how much Batta the Rupees then bore; which
he was next day to pay 34,000 for the use of
the Detachment, he did not hesitate to say 3½
or 4 per Cent, but refused to give any attestation
of it under his hand. —

From my former enquiries
and thence what little I know of the Subject
believe it impossible to obtain the information
Captain Kennaway desires; had there been
any regular and fixed Batta established even
if by Custom only, no difficulty would have
occurred in procuring Certificates of it —
but fluctuating as I believe it has been
and not improbable from the rascality of
the Shroffs themselves, cannot, as I have
said before, devise any mode by which it is to be
authenticated, otherwise than by keeping an
account daily of the Exchange in Camp — by
which presume any material difference might
be easily known. —

I am

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I am extremely concerned to disappoint an expectation formed by Captain Kennaway, and you of my being able to procure the information wanted on this subject, but when it was refused to Darah Jah the Nizam's Nephew and then Commander in Chief of the Army, I know not what influence will be sufficient to obtain it.—

Shutter Ghun Dass Roshin Roy Mushriff held the same offices the former from his Highness the Nizam, the latter from the Nabob Darah Jah.—

Camp Gunjycottah
24th June 1791.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) A Benny Lt.
P.J.

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Brown
pay.

True Copy
(Signed) Grame Mercer
actg assist

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in MB No. 165. 166. 167. 168 169.—

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To Lieutenant Agnew of his Majesty's Navy.

To Lieutenant Agnew desiring he will report whether the whole Number of Officers mentioned in the Return transmitted to him on the 24th Instant can be accomodated with a Passage to Europe on the Victuallers.—

To the Commandant at Pondegut.—

To the Commandant at Pondegut informing him that he has the Permission of the Board to make a reasonable Charge for Hircarrahs during the Countenance of the Enemy in the conquered Districts.—

To the Collector at Madura &c.

To the Collector at Madura &c. enclosing Copy of a Letter addressed to him to the 20th of August last respecting Grain in Store at Madura claimed by individuals to which no Answer has been received.—

To the Board of Trade & Revenue.—

To the Board of Trade & Revenue enclosing a List of the Mahtadees employed by the Nabob in the Examination of the Cutcherry Accounts of the Country.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Boddam.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Boddam with a List of Men ordered to embark on board his Ship as Charter Party Passengers for England.—

Received

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Received the undermentioned

Letters as entered in Mlb. Nos. 170. 171 172.—

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions recommending that a three Months Supply of Ghee Salt and Firewood be laid up immediately at Pallygautcherry.

From Mr. Lautour.

From Mr. Lautour will comply immediately with the orders of Government in regard to filling up the Ditch around his Garden.—

From Mr. Tolloh.

From Mr. J. Tolloh to the purport abovementioned.—

At a Consultation

Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

acting President

Friday 29th July 1791.

William Petrie and John Huddleston Esqrs

The Honorable Major General Medows absent upon Service.—

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

Read the following Letter from Major General Musgrave.—

J. C.

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To the Honble the Governor in Council

&c &c &c

Honble Sir,

I have been honored with Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the 24th Instant & enclosing copies of intelligence from Coimbatore and desiring my opinion on the measures to be adopted for the better security of the Garrison of that Country.—

From Major General Musgrave's opinion on the subject of reinforcing the Garrison at the Coimbatore country recommends that a Surgeon be ordered from the Presidency to take charge of the Hospital of Poonamalee.

From the Statement of the enemy's force contained in Captain Parr's letter, I do not conceive that any danger is to be apprehended for the safety of our Garrisons in that Quarter—excepting at Coimbatore, which at no time could be deemed tenable against an Enemy's force & every other Garrison I consider as secure, & therefore any reinforcement that might be sent to protect Coimbetore, would, in my opinion, run a risk of being intercepted and in the present situation of affairs, & most probably, arrive too late.—

The order of the Board for the recall of Cornet Montgomery shall be

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be immediately obeyed.—

With respect to Stationing the Cavalry I would recommend to the Board that it be left to Col: Floyd to station them agreeable to the Instructions that he may have received from Earl Cornwallis or in those places where he himself thinks they will be best disposed of for the advantage of forage, and the convenience of Situation.—

As there is at present only a Surgeon's Mate of the 76th Regiment doing duty at Poonamalee who is much wanted in Camp, I take the liberty of recommending to the Board that a Surgeon from the Presidency be ordered there to take upon him the charge of the Hospital at that place.—

I have the honor to be with respect.—

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Dft. Dft.

(Signed) Thos. Musgrave

Minute thereon.

Ordered that the Hospital Board be directed to recommend a proper Person to take charge

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charge of the Hospital at Pondamallee.—

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore (as entered in P. CC. No. 181).—

Translation of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjour to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Governor &c. &c.

Dated 25th July 1791.—

From the Rajah of Tanjore requesting that the private gardens which have been taken possession of by the Collectors may be immediately restored.—

In the preceding year when my whole country was assumed, the Collectors also superceded any authority in my own P. gardens, which are in different parts of the country out side of the fort. as I thought P. that your Excellency upon hearing this would send orders to the Collectors for the restoration of my gardens, I have waited a whole year without troubling you with so trifling a matter, The only means I had of accomplishing this point was through Mr. Swartz; and I accordingly applied to him to have the gardens given up. In answer he sent me a letter, which has given me the greatest P. surprize, and has compelled me to address myself immediately to your Excellency P. Whilst the Nabob's gardens, wherever they

are

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are continue in his possession without
interruption, there can be no reason for
assuming the gardens made by my ancestor
and that of Dr Tabeb on the outside of the
fort. Is it necessary that because my
country has been assumed that my private
guidens should also be taken possession
of. as I have been deprived of my very
gardens, my honour has received great
injury; and the Company cannot derive any
great advantage from them. formerly
the produce did not defray the expences
If therefore your Excellency will do me
the favour to send a positive order to the
Collectors for continuing the garden on
the outside of the fort, Dr Tabeb's garden
with the lands dependent, and the garden
in the country in my possession without
interruption, my mind will be happy. -

Besides this I am in hopes
that your Excellency will speedily send
orders to the Collectors for my having authority
in the fort and collecting the customs of
Tanjour, according to the request I made

on

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in my letter of 21st Instant they may be
placed in my hands without detriment to
the Company, and the amount deducted from
my Proportion. Believe me always your
sincere Friend, To a Friendship should I
write more.—

a true translation

(Signed) J. Webbe
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To Maharaj Rajahsree Anver Sheem Maharaj
Saheb.—

Mr. Swartz best compliments
yesterday Mr. Ram write me a letter, in
which he requested me to make (some) matters
known to your Excellency — These are, that
the gardens had been taken possession
from in consequence of orders from the Gentlemen
at Madras. Therefore as Mr. Ram and Mr
Mr. Fallowfield have said the men
who are in the garden must do the business
accordingly if your Excellency will send to
me and to the above Gentlemen saying of
that you wish for the fruits out of the
garden, they will that instant give orders

to

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to the gardener to deliver the Fruits It is not proper that, I should write any thing without Mr. Ram's knowledge these words I have made known to your Excellency according to the above Gentleman's writing. I am your Excellency's good Friend.—

a true translation

(Signed) J Webbe.
M.S.

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing be sent to the Board of Assumed Revenue, and that they be desired to ascertain from the Collectors what private Gardens the Rajah alludes to in his Letter, and to give orders for the Restoration of such as are not connected with the public Revenue.—

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore entered in C C. N° 1821.—

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to the Honble Sir C Oakeley Bart Governor &c &c
Dated 21st July 1791.—

In the treaty, which was concluded between the Nabob and the Company it is stipulated that in the event of the

Carnatic

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From the Rajah of Tanjore requesting that the same attention which is shewn to the Nabob in regard to Jaghire may be extended to his Excellency declines giving his consent to the Detention of his Country for a second year.

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Carnatic being assumed certain Jaghires should be given up for the maintenance and protection of his relations and family in consequence of this Arcot, the Nabobs own City, has been restored to him, and his honour and dignity have not been impaired. Though in the treaty between me and the Company no provision of the above nature is inserted yet, as your Excellency is famed for goodness truth, and equity, - I am sanguine that you will preserve my honour also by extending to me from motives of favour the same indulgence, which you have shewn the Nabob from motives of justice. -

I cannot consent to your Excellency's resolution of detaining my country for the ensuing year under the Company's management. If my city and government are placed this year, as they were last, in the hands of others, it will be impossible for me to go forth; I therefore request of you that from your great favour towards me your Excellency will be pleased to restore it to me and preserve my honor from diminution. I am willing that my

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proportion should be debited for the sums which are to be collected from the customs of the city. Believe me always your sincere friend. To a friend why should I write more.

A true translation

(Signed) J Webbe
M. S.

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from the Rajah of Tanjore.

As the Tanjore Country was assumed for the purpose of the War, under the Sanction and Authority of the Governor General in Council, it is not in the power of the Board, if they were so inclined, to relinquish the management of the revenues of that Country — the arrangements that have been made for the ensuing year are conformable to those of the preceding one and cannot be departed from — the Board did hope that while the Company were, so chearfully contributing the whole of their Resources to the Public exigency, his Excellency would have observed with Pleasure the exertions that were making to bring the War to an honorable and speedy Conclusion and not, at a moment like the present, have complained of measures that have

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been adopted upon the most mature reflection and with the Concurrence of the Company's controlling power in India —

With respect to what has fallen from His Excellency has said about Jaghires, and the favor shewn to the Nabob by restoring part thereof to him, the Board do not perceive any kind of similarity between that indulgence and the favor requested by the Rajah — indeed they are at a loss to understand clearly what is meant by the request, or how far it extends. —

agreed that a Copy of the Rajah's Letter be sent to the Reverend Mr. Swartz, and that he be desired, if the Rajah should speak on the subject of it, to communicate the above as the Sentiments of the Board —

Read the following Letter from His Highness the Nabob / as entered also in C C N° 103 / —

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From the Nabob Wallajaw to Sir C. Oakeley Bart.

Dated 24th Zeeaydah 1205 or 26th July 1791

Received 26th July 1791.

From the Nabob stating that the Privelege of selling Toddy has been attached to his Highness's Family during the Administration of thirty Governors.—

I have received your letter of the 20th Zeeaydah or 22d July 1791 respecting the Farmer of Toddy in the Circar Gardens the complaint preferred by the Farmer who holds a Cowle under the Company for the sale of Toddy in the vicinity of Madras, and likewise that I should issue my orders to all my Servants not to dispose of Toddy on the outside of my Gardens; I have understood its Contents.—

For a long series of years, during the administration of thirty different Governors it has ever been the constant practice for the Farmer of the Circar Gardens to sell Toddy in the Fairs from my Friends without scruple for the sake of a few Fanams of Revenue upon Toddy over those a custom which has been continued during the time of thirty Governors, especially when it concerns an ally of the English nation such as I have been for these fifty one years; but will be as kind as

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to direct the Servants of their friend to be released and pass an order for the continuation of the usual custom.—

What can I write more?

A true translation

(Signed) Joseph Garrow

Pr. Fr.

Ordered to lie on the Table.—

E lie on the Table

Read the following Letter from the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir,

From the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts opinion on the application of Colonel Dellargenheim for Arrears due to three Adjutants of His Majesty's Electoral Regiments.—

I have been honored with your Commands of the 24th Instant, inclosing an application from Colonel Wangenheim for Arrears due to three Adjutants of His Majesty's Electoral Regiments.—

In November 1788 an application somewhat similar was made in favor of Captain Hounstedt, Lieutenant Schlegel, and Lieutenant Caston who complained that the Quarter Masters who act also as pay Masters

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of the Hanoverian Regiments, had not paid them their Staff Pay from the time they left England to the time of their arrival here; and since that period have only paid them as Ensigns, whereas by the Capitulation with the Company, they should always have received, the first adjutant, the pay of a Lieutenant, and the second adjutant that of an Ensign, whilst in this Country. The former claim was admitted as a particular indulgence at the recommendation of Sir Archibald Campbell, but expressly on condition that it should not be considered as a precedent. The Paper now enclosed by Colonel Wangenheim, does not contain any documents to authenticate the claims which have also apparently been allowed to lay dormant almost ten years; although Demands exceeding three Months are expressly prohibited by General Orders, unless the cause of the delay is satisfactorily explained these therefore do not appear to me admissible.

I am with great respect
(Signed) J. Casper
C.G. &c.

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Minute thereon.

The Board approve the opinion given by Colonel Capper upon the application of Colonel de Wangenheim for arrears due to three adjutants of his Majesty's Electoral Regiments — agreed in consequence that the necessary Communication be made to Colonel de Wangenheim —

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Duff —

From Lieutenant Duff stating the sum required for the use of his Detachment requesting that apart may be paid in Rupees.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22. Jam sorry I had not in my former letter from this place specified the sum wanted to pay the people with the Escort under my command

I have now the honor to acquaint you for the information of Government that I shall require two thousand five hundred rupees for that purpose —

I beg leave also to request the money received ..... I am to receive on account may be paid in rupees — as it will prevent any loss to the Honble Company in the exchange and many disputes in paying

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I am with great respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) J Capper
C.G. &c.

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Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Duff.—

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22. June sorry I had not in my former letter from this place specified the sum wanted to pay off the people with the Escort under my command

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I beg leave also to request the money received..... I am to receive on account may be paid in rupees — as it will prevent any loss to the Honble Company in the exchange and many disputes in paying of

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The people who do not wish to receive their arrears in Gold.—

Vellore 26th July 1791.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Wm Duff Lt

Command an Escort from Bengal.—

Minute thereon.

Agreed that the sum of two Thousand five hundred Rupees be advanced to Lieutenant Duff by the Paymaster at Vellore for the use of the Detachment under his charge.—

Death of Lieutenant Mc Neath Commanding the 2d Revenue Battalion.—

The acting President reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant Mc Neath commanding the 2d Revenue Battalion at Vellore on the morning of the 26th Instant.—

The Military Board to be instructed sent to Amboor such stores as may be ready by the Bullocks expected to arrive shortly at the Presidency.—

Agreed to inform the Military Board that the Bullocks lately collected in the Southern Countries are proceeding to the Presidency for the purpose of conveying to Amboor the Stores made up for the use of the army and that such articles therefore as may be ready, must be sent off without Delay.—

Read

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Read the following Letter

from the Resident at Hydrabad.—

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakely Bart.

acting President &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Hon^ble Sir

From the Resident at Hydrabad inclosing accounts of Equipments and Cloathing wanted for Captain Reads Detachment granting a Passport to Mehdey Ali Khan a Basket from Sipsoo for his safe return to his Master recommends that Captain Read be allowed the same Table Money as is granted to Captain Little recommendation respecting the future provision of Camp Equipage for Captain Reads Detachment &c. Information required respecting the Trade that might be carried on between the Company's and the Nizam's Dominions in the Sea Coast.—

I have the honor to enclose for your information a Copy of a Letter which I have received from Captain Read of the 13th Instant with Copies of mine to him of the 17th and 18th Instant

I have likewise the honor to enclose a Copy of a Passport I have granted to Mehdey Ali Khan a Basket from Sipsoo to the Nizam for his safe return to his Master from the Company's Districts by solicitude to get him off, and his assertion that it would be unsafe for him to return by the route he came on account of the dangers to which he alledges he would be exposed from the Troops of the allies, and the refractory Zemindars in that Quarter, have alone induced me to grant it, if a similar one from you will be necessary, and I would recommend that it be sent to him by two Hircarrahs on whom you can depend, with orders to conduct

him

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him each route as you may think most convenient to prevent his acquiring any improper information Two of my Hircarrahs will attend him to Vellore where, I have informed him, he is to wait till your orders arrive, and I have advised the Collector of that District accordingly.—

Para: 3d. Having ascertained from the Resident at Poonah that Captain Little the commanding Officer of the Detachment of C. Company's Troops serving with the Mahrattas is allowed to draw 450 Rupees pr. Month as Table money by the Bombay Government I think it but just to recommend to your Consideration the propriety of a similar allowance being granted to Captain Read, and from the attention he has paid to Oeconomy in the Expences of his Detachment, of its being allowed to him from the time he succeeded to the Command.—

Par: 4th. Understanding that the Officers of the Madras Establishment with the Grand Army have been directed to provide their own Tents and Carriage in future in consideration of allowances which have been established for this purpose and that the Tents at present in use be given up to them, I beg leave to submit

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to you whether this Regulation in all its parts &
being made to extend to Captain Reads Detachment
would not be attended with a saving of much
trouble and expence to Government, and be at least
as convenient to the officers as their present mode. as
the Detachment is shortly to proceed to the Grand
army, and a new set of Tents will be necessary to
be made up at the Company's Expence after the
as the Detachment is now in a part of the
Country where the officers can supply themselves
with Carriage at a reasonable rate, I beg leave
to recommend the point to your early consideration
that if you should approve of it the necessary
orders may be dispatched to Captain Read by
way of Nellore without delay. I think it proper
to add that the Bombay Detachment appears
to be on this footing and that the Commanding
officer of it by an account I have received of
his allowances from Sir Charles Warre Malet
Copy of which is enclosed, draws one hundred
Rupees Tent allowance beyond what he is
entitled to from his rank of Captain.—

I have often reminded the

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Nizam's minister of his promise of Pensions to

his

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in favor of the Merchants carrying on a traffic between the Company's and the Negrais Districts in Teak Timbers; but I do not imagine I shall be able to adjust the Business in a satisfactory manner, unless you can depute one of the dealers to come to Town to furnish the information I may require regarding their trade to what particular Districts the orders ought to be addressed and what should be the tenor of them.

I have the honor to be with due respect.—

Paingul
19th July 1791.

(Signed) John Kennaway
Lt. Col.

Sir John Kennaway Bart
Resident &c.
Sir,

As the accoutrements of my own Battalion and that of Captain Dalrymple are in every respect fit for service, and as it is probable the time may permit of Sepoys being sent to the Presidency for the number required, and at the same time as the annual

despatch

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supply of Cloathing for the different Corps &c have not been sent to Camp, I purpose, if &c permission can be obtained from his Highness to send an European officer with a small &c guard from the Detachment to take charge of these requisites at Madras and forward them to me with all possible Expedetion.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Andw. Read

Captn. Commg

Camp near Gunjycotah
13th July 1791.

True Copy
(Signed) Graeme Mercer
actg assist

Captain Read
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 12th and 13th Instant.—

Being in hourly expectation of receiving an order from the Nizam for your Detachment to proceed to Gurramcoonda as well to assist in the reduction of that place as in effecting the important point of opening the communication between that part of

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of the Country, and Bangalore and putting it on a secure Footing for Bunjarees &c. to proceed by it I have to request you will hold yourself in readiness to march as soon after your receipt of the Nizam's orders as possible. I have the pleasure to acquaint you that I think I shall have no difficulty in getting the Nizam to order Cattle to Bangalore for such Guns and Mortars as you may require and that I have reason to think Lord Cornwallis will have no objection to granting them. —

I request you will embrace every opportunity of writing to the Governor General, for which purpose I shall embrace the first opportunity of furnishing you with a Copy of his Letter, and of corresponding with Captain Alexander Read under whose controul the Polygars in the neighbourhood of Gurramcondah who have taken Covrle from the Company have been placed, concerning the motions of your Detachment and the situation of the Country where you are particularly with respect to its resources in the Article of Grain

I have

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Sheep, draft Carriage, and slaughter Cattle, &
Bunjarees &c. and that you will state to his
Lordship such inducements as you may think
will encourage the Bunjarees to follow our
army.—

His Highness the Nizam has
no objection to your adopting such measures
as may appear necessary to you for sending for
the accoutrements and Cloathing of your
Detachment mentioned in your Letter
of the 13th.

Meer Alum has taken Leave
of the Nizam and the Minister, and will
proceed from hence for Gunjycotah to morrow
or the day after I request the two Companies
ordered to be in readiness may be directed to
proceed with him, and that the Officer may be
instructed to attend to his requisitions I would
recommend that this Detachment be paid
up to the Day on which they leave you and
that three or four months pay in advance
be delivered in charge to the Officer commanding
as a reserve in case of need for the it is my
intention to settle if possible that its

arrears

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current pay shall be advanced by Meer allum yet it will not be safe to trust entirely to a resource so liable to disappointment. I have already desired that the Companies may be completed to their full Complement which I now beg leave to repeat and have the honor to be.—

Paangul
17th July 1791.

&c. &c.

(Signed) J Kennaway

True Copy

(Signed) Grome Mercer
actg assist

Captain Read

Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Letter from the Nizam directing you to proceed and cooperate with Hafez Ferid-deen in the siege of Gurramcoonda, likewise a Copy of the Company's Cypher No 11 of which I recommend that great care may be taken and that you make its preservation from falling into improper hands on all occasions a particular object of your attention.—

Rajah

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Rajah Teige Wunt in his last Letters to the Minister having advised that the Governor General had expressed his readiness to supply the Rajah with such Guns and Mortars as may be found requisite for the siege from Bangalore, provided his Highness would send Cattle for them, Hafez Ferid will be immediately directed to hold the necessary number in readiness to proceed with their Allowance who set forward this morning on his route to Gurramcoonda. as it will be difficult however to know how many Bullocks will be wanted till you have reconnoitred the place, and it is ascertained whether Teige Wunts information to the Minister is correct I would recommend your proposing to Hafez for the present to send no more than are necessary for four 18 or 24 pounders and 2 Mortars with their shot Shells &c. & and that you give his Lordship speedy and regular information of every thing that passes between you and him upon this subject, together with any particulars that you may think it necessary for his Lordships

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Lordship to be acquainted with concerning
the strength of the place and the force
it is garrisoned by.—

A Considerable Charge having
been occasioned on the Company's account for
working money to the Depoys agreable to the
regulations of Government, during the siege
of Kopul, I think it necessary to inform Y
you, that no such Expence is engaged for
in the agreement with the Nizam, and that
whatever number of men you may find it
necessary to employ in this way must be
with the approbation of the Nizam's Y
Commander, at the expence of his Highness
and defrayed at the end of each days work by
the Commander for the time being with
whom you are employed, as unless a regular
mode of this sort is established arrears will
indensibly accumulate, which you will Y
find it extremely difficult to recover.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) J Kennaway

Paangul
18th July 1791.

True Copy
(Signed) Gyrome Mercer
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Extract of a Letter from the Resident at Poonah to Captain Kennaway under date the 10th June 1791.

"Enclosed is a Statement of Captain Little's Extra allowances extracted from the accounts in my possession.—

Extra allowances to Captain John Little as Commander of the Bombay Detachment acting with the Mahratta Army.—

| | |
|---|---|
| Account received the 22d June 1790 from the Bombay Board viz.: | Account received the 11th Sept. 1790 from the Paymaster to the Detachment viz.t |
| Extra pay & allowances Rupees 465. | Table Money . . Rupees 450. |
| Extra Tent Carriage . . 50. | additional Tent Carriage . . 50 |
| Total Rs. 515. | Total Rs. 500 |

True Extract
Signed W Lenkheet
P. Assistant at Poonah

True Copy
Signed Gyrome Mercer
acty assist.

Agreed that Lord Cornwallis be requested to inform the Board of this Route by

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by which it would be most advisable
for Tippoo's Vackeel to proceed to the
Mysore Country, in order to prevent his
acquiring any improper information on
the Road.—

Situation the foregoing Letter from her Solicitor Hennaway.—

As it hath not been the
Practice of the service on this Establishment
to make any allowance for a Table to
Officers in Command of Detachments, it
could not, it's apprehended, be admitted
in the Instance of the Officer Commanding
the Detachment serving with the Nizams
Army, without making it a Precedent
for others, which would consequently entail
upon the Company a very heavy expence
If it were not for this reason, the
Board would have been well pleased upon
the

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the Strength of the Resident's Recommendation,

to have given the allowance to Captain R

Read. –

The Board cannot at present

come to any determination upon Sir John H

Kennaway's Suggestion respecting the R

future Provision of Camp Equipage for

Captain Read's Detachment, not having R

received any particular information of the

late arrangement established by Lord R

Cornwallis, whether it be his Lordship's

Intention that it should be confined R

to the Grand Army, or be considered as a

regulation extending to the whole R

Establishment. –

Ordered that a Copy R

of the last Paragraph of Sir John R

Kennaway's

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Kennaway's Letter be sent to the Public Department.—

Eno. F. A. Savage

" Chas. Oakeley

" Wm. Petrie

" Huddleston

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# Diary

Sent the following Letter to Bengal —

## To the Honorable Charles Stuart

and to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council,

at

## Fort William.

Gentlemen,

We have the Honor to enclose for your Information Copy of a Letter received yesterday from Lord Cornwallis —

We have the Honor to be —

&c: &c:

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28th July 1791 —

/Signed/ Chas. Oakeley
Ch: Council —

To Bengal with a Copy of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis —

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Received Letter from the Calastry Rajah /as entered in C. C. № 184/ stating that in consequence of the request made by the Nawab Soobah and the apprehensions he expressed for his personal safety in the event of his being sent to Vemiatagherry he has thought it advisable to send him to Captain Macpherson at Chundernagherry — enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Nabob in which he is instructed to detain both his Son Tummanair, and Soobah at Calastry —

Substance of a Letter from the Calastry Rajah —

Received

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. No. 173. 174. 175. —

From Mr. Thomas Chase — stating that the Ditch round his Garden which the Honorable Board have directed him to fill up was made by the Company's Superintendant and that if — they think it Necessary to fill it up he will immediately obey their Commands. —

From Mr. Thomas Chase

From Mr. Sewell — stating that the Ditch on the Upper part of his Garden was made by the Company's Lascars, and that the other Ditch was deeg for the Express purpose of draining the Road during the Monsoon. —

From Mr. Sewell

From the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Carnatic — requesting that he may be reimbursed the Expence of Victualling the Recruits in the Roads for three Days. —

From the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Carnatic —

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Sent the following Letters —

To Commodore Cornwallis with Extract of a Letter from Major General Abercromby respecting American Vessels loading in the Different Ports of Europe with Military Stores for Tippoo Sultaun —

To the Honble Commodore Cornwallis
Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships & Vessels
in the
East Indies

Sir,

We have the Honor to enclose for your Information, Extract of a Letter from Major & General

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31st General Abercromby to Earl Cornwallis with Copy of the Letter from Lord Grenville mentioned therein —

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Cornwallis
&c. Council

Fort St. George
30th July 1791 —

To the Reverend. Mr. Swartz
at
Tanjore

Sir,

To the Reverend. Mr. Swartz.
Sentiments of the Board
to be Communicated to the
Rajah on the Subject of his
request that the Management
of this Country should be relinquished
and that the Assignments granted
to the Nabob in respect to
Jaghires should be extended
by the Company

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to enclose Copy of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore —

As the Tanjore Country was assumed for the Purposes of the War, under the Sanction and Authority of the Governor General in Council, it is not in the Power of the Board if they were so inclined to relinquish the Management of the Revenues of that Country — The Arrangements that have been made for the ensuing year, are conformable to those of the preceding one and cannot be departed from — The Board did hope that while the Company were so cheerfully contributing

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the whole of their Resources to the public Exigency, his Excellency would have observed with Pleasure the Exertions that were making to bring the War to an Honorable and speedy Conclusion, and not, at a moment like the present have complained of Measures that have been adopted upon the most mature Reflection and with the Concurrence of the Company's controlling Power in India —

With respect to what is said about Jaghires, and the favors shewn to the Nabob by restoring Arcot to him, the Board do not perceive any kind of similarity between that Indulgence, and the favor Requested by the Rajah indeed they are at a loss to understand clearly what is meant by the Request or how far it extends

If his Excellency should speak to you on the Subject of his Letter, the Board desire you will Communicate the above as their Sentiments on it —

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W.C. Jackson
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To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis

K.G. Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

We have the Honor to acquaint

To Lord Cornwallis &
respecting the Route by
which Mekaey Alikhan
should proceed to the
Mysore Country.

your Lordship that we have been informed by Sir John Kennaway that he has granted a Pass-port to Mekaey Alikhan a Vakeel from Seifpoo to the Nizam for his safe Return to his Master thro' the Company's Districts - The Vakeel is now at Nellore, where he will remain until he hear from your Lordship of the Route by which it would be most advisable for him to proceed to the Mysore Country, in order to prevent his acquiring any improper Information on the Road

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

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

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To the Honble Charles Stuart
&c to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council
at Fort William

To Bengal with Extract of
a Letter from Lord Cornwallis
advising of the Surrender of
Ryacottah -

Gentlemen,

We have the honor to enclose for
your

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for your information, Extract of a Letter just received from the Governor General—

Fort St. George
31st July 1791—

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
for Council—

Received the following Letters—

W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary—

From Captain Andrews Reed crossed the Pannar River on his Route towards Gurrum Condah—two Companies of Sepoys left at Inwail Muroay, to attend Men attach to the Grand Army—

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council, that I yesterday Received Orders from his Highness the Nizam to proceed to Gurrum Condah, and in concert with H. Hafiz Sheed u-deen to Blockade the Place—

I crossed the Pannar yesterday, and tomorrow Morning proceed on my March—On my Arrival at Gurrum Condah I shall do myself the honor of Acquainting Government with my Situation, appearance of the Place &c.

I am instructed by the Resident to correspond with the Right Honorable the Governor General, and to give his Lordship every information in my power from this Quarter—I am also desired

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31st. to correspond with Captain Alexr. Read, and to give him — any information I may be able respecting supplies of Draught, Carriage, & Slaughter Bullocks, sheep Benjarries &c.—

Two Compleat, and effective Companies are left at this Place under Command of Lieutenant Mr. Greger, and Oates, as an Escort to attend Meer Alum Bahauder to our Army at Bangalore — Meer Alum left Paangull on the 18th Instant.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Andw. Read
Captn. Commdg.—

Camp at Jumal Murrag
7 Miles East of Gunzy Cottah
24th July 1791—

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
&c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that a Detachment of two Battalions under Captn. Rattry, arrived here this Morning with the Carriage Cattle of the Army, and a few Arrack Bandy's — One of the Battalions Captn. Campbells' is ordered by Lord Cornwallis to be left in this Garrison, and Vankattagerry, Six Companies here, and 4 at Vankattagerry, Captain Campbell returns to Camp — and Captain Oram with his

From the Commandant at Amboor advising of the Distination of two Battalions arrived at that place under Command of Captain Rattray — reports prevail that Ryacottah has surrendered to our Army

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his Battalion, now at Tripatore, is to join
Captain Rattray on his march, The Route of the
Detachment is to return is by Tripatore, Kistnagurry,
and go up the Pollicole Pass, when his Lordship
has ordered a Detachment to cause them. — I have
proposed to Lord Cornwallis to advance a Company
from this Garrison, to keep possession of Tripatore
which if we should get Kistnagurry, will secure
the Communication of this side —

I am with respect —
&c: &c
/Signed/ J: Cuppage
Lt. Comdt. Ambore —

Ambore
28. July 1791 —

We have that the Fort at Raycotta, is given up
to the Army —

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
&c: &c: &c:
Honorable Sir,

From the Commandant at
Ambore advising of the Surrender
of Raycottah Fort with one
Lack of Rupees and a Quantity of Dollars found there
Copy to Lieutenant Balmain —
Supplies of Money and Provisions
Subsistent to Camp under Charge
of Captain Rattray —

I have the Honor to inform you that
Raycotta was given up to a Detachment of the
Army, on the 22d. The loss before the place, a
Ensign Cree, of the Engineers, one European
and a few Sepoys —

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Bulman arrived with the Treasure from Madras yesterday evening, I have required of him, to take Charge of a Tumbril of the Treasure, delivered to me by Captain Rattray with directions to forward it to Madras the first safe opportunity —

Captain Rattray I hope will be able to leave Ceicon the 1st with all the Treasure near 5000 Bags of Rice, and 100 Casks of Arrack Twelve Cask of the Treasure goes on the Elephants —

I am with respect
Your &c.
/Signd/ J. Cuppage
Lt Comdt Amboor

Amboor
29 July 1791 —

William C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have received your letter under the date the 18th July Captain Bowser when making a Complaint should recollect his Conduct, and the reason that prevented my having a person Constantly at Dendigul on making my first payment to that Garrison

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From the Paymaster at Madura
Stating that the General Tenor
of Captain Bowser's Conduct
prevented his keeping a Person
at Dendigul to make the payments
to the Troops —

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Garison. I left in Charge of my Servant several hundred Pagodas for the occasional payments of the Garrison, but my Servant was happy to obtain a Receipt from that Gentleman as he did not with a continuance of the treatment he met with and it was with very great Difficulty I could after obtain an Account of the Money; another cause of my not having a person on being myself on the Spot at the time Payment came due is the not being able to get Possession of the Place in the Fort Government has been pleased to allot me for an occasional Dwelling Office; and Store houses. Captain Bowsen finding his Assertion so fully credited on a former occasion when I was prepare to support by European Evidence, what I had advanced, that he wrote me I might take possession of the Place in the Lower Fort, as ordered by Government but he still retains for Horse stables and private Store rooms for his own use those part which he found convenient on my attempting to take Charge here fore I to give them up

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up.— Should Government continue those indulgence to Captain Bowser I trust they will allow me the usual sum for house rent and an Office to Civilians at the Presidency, it would have been a constant cause of contention and dispute with the Servant of Captain Bowser and mine had I kept any # person were both might have contended for the right of possession Captain Bowsers by Armed force and from the Orders of Government only —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) H. Vaughan
Paymaster

Madura
27th July 1791

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as # entered in M: B: No. 176.. 177.. 178.. 179.. 180.. 181.. 182 183.. 184.. 185.. 186.. 187.. 188.. 189..—

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Carnatic — informing him that his Charge for Victualling the Recruits in the Roads is inadmissible —

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Carnatic —

To ditto — with a List of Men to be embarked on Board his Ship as Charter Party Passengers # for England. —

To Do. —

To the Commander of the Honorable Companys Ship Cornwallis permitting him to receive Lieut Tailour as Passenger on board his Ship the Company being at no Expence thereby —

To the Commander of the Honorable Companys Ship Cornwallis. —

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To the Paymaster at Vellore directing him

To the Paymaster at Vellore — to advance the Sum of 2500 Rupees to Lieutenant Duff —

To Lieutenant Duff informing him of the

To Lieutenant Duff. Orders given to the Paymaster at Vellore for advancing him the Sum of 2500 Rupees —

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions desiring him to submit to the Inspection of the

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions Military Board a Muster of the Canvas Bags lately made up by him —

To Ditto directing him to give such Instruction

To D.o to the Store Keeper at Dendigul, as he may think necessary, in regard to the Supply of perishable Articles for that Garrison. —

To the Military Board directing them to send

To the Military Board — to Amboor such Articles of Military Stores as may be ready, by the Bullocks expected from the Southward, and informing them that Mr Cockburn has been instructed to submit to their Inspection a Muster of the Canvas bags lately made up by Order of Government. —

To the Hospital Board To the Hospital Board desiring they will recommend a proper Person to take Charge of the Hospital at

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at Poonamalee.—

To the Resident at Hydrabad informing him, that the Governor General has been requested to state the Route by which he wishes Methody Ali Khan should return to his Master, that the Regulations of the Service will not admit of Captain Andrew Read's drawing any Allowance on Account of Table Money and that the Board cannot at present decide upon his Recommendation respecting the future provision of Camp Equipage for Captain Read's Detachment.—

To the Resident at Hydrabad—

To Colonel De Wangenheim informing him that his application for Arrears of Batta due to three Adjutants of His Majesty's Electoral Regiments cannot be allowed unless he can bring forward Documents to authenticate the Claims, and give a Satisfactory Explanation of the Cause of the Delay in presenting the Bills.—

To Colonel De Wangen-heim—

To the Military Storekeeper informing him that no further advance can be made on Account of the Provision of Tents than those of which he has already been advised.—

To the Military Storekeeper

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To the Paymaster to the Detachment serving with the Nizam's Army - enclosing Copy of the Form in which all Bills on Account of Secret Service must be drawn out. -

To the Paymaster to the Detachment serving with the Nizams Army -

To the Board of Assumed Revenue enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore - and desiring that if any Gardens have been taken Possession of, not connected with the public Revenue they may be restored agreeably to His Excellency's Desire -

To the Board of Assumed Revenue -

1st Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. for the Month of August -

Nos 1. 2, 3, 4, 5. -

From Lieutenant Bulman - advising of his having proceeded to Amboor at the Requisition of Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage and of having taken Charge of a Money Tumbril for Camp with Orders to escort it to the Presidency. -

To Lieutenant Bulman

From Mr Robert Wolf - expressing his Concern that Government should have considered him inattentive to their Orders - Intends without Loss of Time to secure the Road adjacent to his Garden, so that no danger may arise to Passengers. -

To Mr Robert Wolf

From

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From Lieutenant Den Taaff

From Lieutenant Den Taaff - requesting that he may be permitted to accompany the Troops &c arrived from the Island of St. Helena in the event of their being called to the Field. —

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal stating that Lieutenant Shipton has been appointed to take Charge of all the Bullocks intended to be sent to the Coast, from the Time of their being landed at Madras, until Orders shall be received for their being despatched to the Grand Army. —

From Mr. Daniel Murray

From Mr. Daniel Murray proposing to sell to the Honorable Company a House and Ground at Pondamallee at the Price at which it may be estimated by the Company's Engineer. —

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as &c entered in M: B: No. 6. 7.

To the Collector in the Southern Division of the Jaghire

To the Collector in the Southern Division of the Jaghire directing him to afford Assistance to Mr. Cockburn's People in procuring Forage for the Bullocks of the Army during their Stay in the Districts under his Management

To Captain Massey

To Captain Massey - directing him to detain the Slave Soobah at Chandernaghorry until further Orders —

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# At a Consultation

## Present

## William Petrie Esqr.

&

## John Hudleston Esqr.

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Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

absent, indisposed.—

The Honble Major Genl. Medows absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation Read and approved.—

Read the following Letter from Lord Cornwallis

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From Lord Cornwallis advice of the Surrender of Ryacotta — Major Gowdie's Brigade to march towards Vereabudderdurgum has directed the Care and Provisions for Sick of this Establishment to be placed in the hands of the Regimental Surgeons — Cloathing and Camp Equipage to be sent to Camp without Delay.—

The strong Hill fort of Ryacotta, The Garrison of which had been reinforced by the Killedar and two Companies of Sepoys who had retired from Ossure surrendered last night to Major Gowdie, and I have directed that Officer to proceed with his Brigade to the Attack of Vereabudderdurgum which is the strongest Fort in this Country next to Kistnegerry.—

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As we could not possibly have taken Ryacotta if the Garrison had been disposed to defend it, and as it held out a day or two longer than it would otherwise have done, in consequence of the Presence of the Killidar of Dufoor. I trust that I am not too sanguine in hoping that since there is no Killidar of Dufoore in Veria buddin durgum that place will not give us more trouble than Ryacotta.

The wretched State of the Sick in Camp and the useless Establishment of a Field Hospital which never has afforded nor ever can afford them the smallest assistance, has induced me to place the Men and Provisions for the Sick in the hands of the Regimental Surgeons according to the Practice of the Bengal Troops who have felt the most sensible advantages from it for these last two Months.—

I do not yet know whether the mode which I propose to adopt, will increase the actual expence, but if it should occasion a small addition to it, the Public Money cannot in my opinion be laid out to greater advantage than in preserving the

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the Health and saving the Lives of the Soldiers.

I am very impatient to get the Cloathing and Camp Equipage up to the Army I should be obliged to you if you would order as much of those Articles as possible to be sent to Amboor upon the flat form Carts that have been lately Constructed at Madras, and by any other means that may occur. The Officers who have engaged to, & provided by Government at a reasonable price and it will be for the advantage of the Troops that they should do so, as they will not be able to procure any others so expeditiously.

I am with great Esteem and regard.

Camp 7 Miles West of Ryacotta July 23d 1791

Yr. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

Ordered that a Letter of Congratulation be written to Lord Cornwallis on the acquisition of the Strong Hill Fort of Ryacottah,

The Arrangements which his Lordship has made for the better Accommodation of the Sick in the Field, will, the Board have no doubt, be attended with the most beneficial Effect, and they entirely concur in opinion with his Lordship

* Minutes on the foregoing Letter from Lord Cornwallis

that

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that the Public money cannot be laid out to greater &
Advantage than in the Preservation of the health of
the Soldiery

. As the Board conclude it is the intention of
his Lordship that all Appointments and expences
incidental to a field Hospital are immediately to
cease, it is resolved that orders to that effect be given
to the Hospital Board.—

. Agreed that a Copy of the latter &
Paragraph of Lord Cornwallis's Letter be sent
to the Military Board, and that they be &
directed in consequence to stop the Provision of
the Tents for the present.— the Board are
not sufficiently informed of his Lordship's
Arrangements regarding the future provision
and Carriage of Camp Equipage of the Army to
enable them to give any particular Instructions on
the Subject.—

With regard to the Cloathing which his
Lordship desires may be sent to Camp it is
Agreed to direct the Military Board to ascertain the
Quantity provided, & what may be due to the Troops and to report
accordingly

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Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

1 The Cavalry will have arrived at their Station before this Letter can reach you Therefore request you will direct that all the Horses of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry may be immediately delivered over to Colonel Floyd, who will distribute them in the manner that he shall think most conducive to the good of the Service and that you will embark the Officers and Soldiers of that Regiment for Bengal by the earliest and most Convenient opportunities

2 In the subsequent arrangements which are to take place in the Cavalry, I recommend in the first Instance that every Soldier of the 19th Dragoons and every Recruit that may come out for that Regiment who can ride, should be furnished with a Horse, and after that Regiment is completely mounted, it found possible to supply serviceable Horses for two Regiments of Native Cavalry at Seventy Men per Troop, to which Establishment I should wish the whole of the Native Cavalry to be immediately reduced / I must desire that the 3d Regiment, Major Stevenson's and the 5th Major Orr's, may be prepared for Service, and that Colonel Floyd be instructed to select

From Lt. Col. Cornwallis's Arrangement to be made on entering the Regiments of Cavalry to be prepared for Service. Also of the Officers and Men of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry to be mounted for Bengal. Public Notice to be given at the Presidency of the Arrangement made in Camp for forming the Proportion of Bullock Hackeries regularly every month.

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select from those Corps the men of diminutive Size and Young Boys, with which I am sorry to say our Native Cavalry greatly abounds, and to replace them by Serviceable and well trained Soldiers taken from the Regiments that are to remain in the Carnatic.—

If it should be found impracticable to supply more than one Regiment of Native Cavalry with Horses that would be really Serviceable, I should wish the preference to be given to Major Stephenson's.—

There will probably remain of the Horses not fit to take the Field at the times required, a sufficient number not bad enough to be cast to furnish from three to five Horses per troop for the Regiments that are to remain in the Carnatic; and I would not during the War allow more than five / for the purpose of teaching the Men beside, and Colonel Floyd should be ordered carefully to inspect the Men of those Regiments and direct the immediate Discharge of all such as may appear to him from their being under Size, or from other Causes to be unfit for Service.—

* As many of the Proprietors of Bullocks have absconded I wish that you would be so good as to make it publicly known at Madras by beat of Tom-Tom, and by any other effectual means that are at

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Arrangement is made in Camp to pay them regularly every month, and that on their joining the Army the Contractors will settle their Accounts of Arrears of Pay. The Contractors should likewise be strictly enjoined to make no Settlement with them, any where but in Camp and to obtain with the Army their Writers Counterpanes and every description of People that have been employed by them in transacting the Business of the Contract in the Field during the War, in order that the Accounts of the Masters and Proprietors of Bullocks may be finally settled, who must otherwise be obliged to leave the Army, and whose absence from it would materially affect the Public Service.

I am with great Esteem and Regard.

Camp 7 Miles West of Royacottah July 25th 1791

Yr. Mo.

[Signed] Cornwallis.

* Agreed to advise Major General Musgrave of his Lordship's Wishes in regard to the Cavalry and to desire he will take the necessary Steps for the execution of the measures recommended.—

* Minutes on the foregoing Letter from Lord Cornwallis

Agreed that the Officers and Men of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry be embarked for Bengal as Opportunities offer.—

Resolved

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Resolved that every means be taken to make the regulations respecting the Supracargoes of Bullocks publickly known at Madras, and that Instructions be immediately given to the Agent for the Contractors in regard to the Settlement of the Accounts of the Masters and Supracargoes of Bullocks.—

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President in Council

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I was yesterday favored with your Letter dated the 10th. instant, requesting to know my Opinion &c respecting the permission which you had received from the Supreme Council to retain the whole or a part of the recruits this year for Bengal.—

From Lord Cornwallis is of opinion that it is not necessary to detain at Madras any of the Recruits destined for Bengal.—

It does not appear to me that the Bengal recruits would be of any material use to us, as there are more Recruits coming out this Year for the Kings Regiments and the Company's Troops on your Establishment than will be wanted for the garrisons in the Carnatic, and experience has shewn that the

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recruits just landed from England are incapable of any Active Service in the Field.—

I therefore think that it would not be advisable to detain any of the Recruits, especially as the European Corps in Bengal are so very weak as to be almost in an unserviceable State.—

Camp 17 Miles West of Poyacotta July 26 1791.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Cornwallis.—

Minute thereon—

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to Bengal, and that the Supreme Council be informed that none of the Recruits intended for this Presidency will be detained at Madras.—

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President and Council
Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

From Lord Cornwallis—remarks on the Defects of the present Contract for the Bullocks and on the Declaration of the Agent for the Contractors that the Measures lately adopted by his Lordship and the Contractions of the Contract Encouragement to take out to Bullocks Drivers to endure them to serve with the Army.—

I have received your Letter dated the 15 and 16 Instants, with the Copies of Mr. Cockburn's letters inclosed in the latter.—

The Amount of the Money that you have ordered to be sent to Vellore in every Letter and will enable me to fulfil my engagements to our Allies.—

I shall

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I shall not intertain a detail of the defects in the general principles of the Bullock Contract, but only mention that one of the most striking is that it never has either in Peace or War, and in my Opinion it is impossible in War, been performed by the Contractors themselves, but by Mistries, who I have found have always been the proprietors of the Bullocks, and by that means without the consent or knowledge of the Government, and without being bound to a direct responsibility to the Public for the performance of their engagements, those Mastries are the real & Contractors, whilst the nominal Contractors in fact only Act in the Capacity of Agents.—

But in pointing out the defects of the System it is by no means my intention to cast any reflection upon the Characters of the Gentlemen who hold the Contract, and I think it but particular justice due to Mr Cockburn to declare that I entertain so high an Opinion of his Zeal and Ability, that if it was possible to execute the business of the Bullock Department by Contract, He would I believe be the person most likely to accomplish it.—

The late exertions that you have been forced to make to collect the Number of Bullocks that will be

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necessary on the present occasion, must be considered as evident proofs that the above remarks are well & founded; For I cannot admit that the Contractors have a Right to Claim a merit for the production of Cattle which have been procured by the direct influence of Government, and I do not think that Cattle thus obtained be allowed to become a Source of emolument to those Contractors. I am likewise convinced that under the Contract System, there would be no shame that such Responsibility would be imposed upon the real owners of the Cattle as would in any degree secure the public Service from the most mortifying and ruinous disappointments, But as I am persuaded that the Contractors have made great exertions, it is by no means my wish to distress them, and I therefore entirely approve of your not pressing for payment of the Bills & drawn upon them in favor of the Revenue Treasury, for Money advanced by Company's Collectors for the purchase of Cattle.

The two small but disadvantageous Contracts which I entered into the Agencies that I established in the beginning of June, and the purchases that I ordered to be made on Account of

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of the Public, Since that period, which answers Mr. H
Coetzburne in his Letter of the 12th. Instant calls H
Counteractions of the Contract, were not Acts of choice
but of absolute necessity —

At the time our distress for Cattle was so
pressing, that most of the Field Guns were drawn
and a considerable part of the Camp equipage was
carried by the Troops and a large proportion of
the Commissary's Stores was conveyed upon the
Heads of the Lascars —

The Sickness which the change of Season
added to this extraordinary Fatigue occasioned in
the Army, called for the Application of immediate
Remedies, for after one month no less than forty H
Lascars were sent to Hospital —

Those remedies could only be found by the
means that I adopted, for I am sorry to be obliged
to say that there was a greater inattention to the H
performance of the Contract on that Critical Occasion
than I had ever before observed, as to my Knowledge
Bullocks were obtained daily from the Maratta Camps
at reasonable rates, both on the public Account and
by Private Officers, whilst the Contractors Agent in
Camp

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Camp did not during that period of difficulty procure a Single bullock for the publick Service; To which I must add that the exertions which I was obliged to make in the manner that I have Stated, ought not to have been considered by the Contractors as a Counteraction of the Contract, because no infringement was made on the part of the publick in any of its conditions, and I then declared to one of the Contractors in Camp, and to the Agent for the Contractors, that they would do every thing in their power, both at that time and in future to provide the utmost possible Number of bullocks for the publick Service on the Terms of the Contract. —

* We have no reason to complain of the desertion of the Dooly bearers, & I believe they will go on very well upon the present footing; but the bullock drivers who are delayed much longer on march, & who must afterwards seek Forage for their Cattle as well as look out for provisions for themselves are no doubt in a very different predicament and on that Account I will as soon encourage them to engage with you agree to furnish them with

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two Seers of grain per week at a moderate price, from the time that the Army shall proceed again from — Bengalore to the enemy's Capital. —

It may at the same time be explained to them that there is very little probability that any of the followers of the Army will be again exposed to the same distress which they experienced on our last March to Seringapatam; as there is every reason to expect that they will constantly find a sufficient Supply, especially of the Coarser Grain, from the Marratta Bazar. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sir &c.
Signed Cornwallis.

Camp 7 Miles West of
Ryacotta. July 27. 1791. —

Agreed that that Part of the foregoing
Letter which relates to the Bullock Drivers be sent
to the Board of Revenue, and that they be desired to
direct the Collectors of the different Districts to make
known to the Bullock Drivers the encouragement
held out to them by his Lordship, upon their
joining the Army. —

Agreed that Mr. Cockburn be furnished
with such parts of the foregoing Letter as relate to
the Bullock Contract. —

Read

a Minute on the foregoing Letter from Lord Cornwallis

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Read the following Report of the Hospital Board.—

## Hospital Board
### 1st. August 1791.—

Report of the Hospital Board recommending that Mr. Berry be appointed Secretary to their Board, that Mr. Kennedy be stationed at Poonamallee and that orders be sent to the Commandant at Arnbore to forward the Medicines which have been obtained there to Bengalore.—

Mr. Berry having returned from Bengalore in consequence of General Orders in Camp to the Station of Secretary, The Hospital Board Recommend he be appointed

Approved—Mr. Berry's appointment has been notified in General Orders.—

At the same time they beg leave to testify their approbation of the Conduct of Mr. Conolly their late Secretary, who has Executed every part of his duty much to their Satisfaction.—

The Governor in Council observes with much Pleasure the favorable account of the Conduct of Mr. Conolly the late Secretary to the Hospital Board.—

Read a letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson, enclosing extract of a Letter from General Musgrave Recommending that a Surgeon be appointed to take Charge of the Hospital at Poonamallee.—

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As Mr. Kincaid has
approved Orders Accordingly suffered much from ill
Health and not probably
be able to return to field
Service for some time, the
Hospital Board Recommend
that he be Stationed at
Poonamallee —

Read a letter from the
Field apothecary, stating
that the Supply of Medicines
which was dispatched for
the Army in June last from
not having yet received and that
the Hospital in Bengalore
as well as the Corps in the
Field are in great want
of Medicines —

As they must have been
detained at Amboor — The Hospital
Board recommend that Govern=
=ment will be pleased to Repeat
their orders to the Commanding
Officer there, to forward them to
Bengalore without loss of time —

" James Anderson
Physician General
" Wm. Paine Actg. Chief
Surgeon
" Wm. Dreyfus
Head Surgeon

Read

The Board understand that the
Medicines were sent off to the
Army from Amboor on the 1st
Instant — A Repetition of their
Order to the Commanding Officer
at that Station appears therefore
unnecessary —

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Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

Acting President in Council.—

Sir

From the Military Board desiring to be informed of the Particular Sorts of Stone which Government wish them to send to Amboor by the Bullocks Coming from the Northward—

We lose no time in acknowledging the Receipt of your Letter of the 30th Ultimo, desiring us to dispatch without delay the Stones made up for the Use of the Army— But as We have not hitherto received any orders for preparing any particular Stones, or Indents from the Army, or indeed any Returns of the Stones at present with it, or in Bangalore, We beg leave to request you will favour us with such Information as you may think necessary for our Guidance on this Occasion—

We have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Thomas Musgrave
" James Capper
" George Maule
Bt. Tidd
" George Hall.—

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Agreed.

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Agreed to inform the Military Board that the

Minute thereon — Letter to them of the 30th Ultimo had particular Reference

to the Orders with which they were furnished on the 1st

1st of June and 10th & 12th Ultimo for providing Arrack

Carts — Gun Carriages — and Platform Carts, and

that as they were directed to have the latter made up

with all Expedition and sent off to Amboor, the Board

of course conceived it necessary to apprize them that

Bullocks were coming from the Southward, that they

might take the advantage of sending by them to

Amboor such of the Carts as were ready —

As the regular transmission of monthly Returns

Minute thereon — of Stores in Bengalore appear to be necessary towards

enabling the Military Board to determine with the

greater accuracy the quantity and descriptions of

Military Stores which may be occasionally required

from hence for the use of the Army, it is Agreed to

request of Lord Cornwallis to give the necessary

Orders to that Effect to the Commanding Officer at

Bengalore, by which also the Board will be enabled

to comply with the desire of the Supreme Council

for a Return of the Stores in that Fort —

Read the following Letter from the Board

of Assumed Revenue —

To

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To The Honorable. Major General. Medows
Governor in Council

Hon^ble Sir, Fort St. George

In Compliance with your commands of the 26th. Instant, We have the honor to state our Opinion upon the Payment of the Nabob's Mutsuddies

From the Board of Assumed Revenue opinion on the propriety of bringing to Account the Expence attending the appointment of the Nabob's Mutsuddies.—

In our former report upon this Subject, we exposed the want of utility in this Establishment, we are therefore decidedly of Opinion that the expence cannot be brought to Account as a charge of Collection. As however the Nabob for his private Satisfaction has insisted upon their Appointment. We are of Opinion that their pays should be debited to His Highness's proportion.— Instead of Assuming the Country entirely Government had only sent Shaikdars into the Country, their allowances must have been defrayed by the Company.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
31st. July 1791.—

Hon^ble Sir,

Your most Obedient humble Servants

(Signed) "Wm. Petrie
" David Haliburton
" Wm. Balfour

agreed

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Minute thereon —

Agreed to inform the Board of Revenue that it was not intended by the Letter to them of the 26th Ultimo to call for their opinion upon the mode of bringing to account the expence attendeing the appointment of the Nabobs Muteddies which had been previously decided on, but merely to have their Idea in regard to the Number which his Highness should be allowed to have in each District for the Examination of the Cutcherry Accounts, and whether there would be any necessary for the addition of Gomastahs —

Mr. Topping having been called upon to know in what forwardness the Gun Carriages lately Ordered were, transmitted the following Letter to the Secretary —

Mr. Secretary Jackson

Sir, Be pleased to acquaint the Board ....

Board that the iron work / the most laborious and ..... important part / of the Gun Carriages is in some forwardness; but that the Wood-Work is not yet begun upon, there being no Timber of sufficient goodness for it, at this time in Madras / as I myself have found upon an attentive Search / except some ..... valuable

From Mr. Topping stating that there is not any Timber at present at Madras fit for making up Gun Carriages except some in the possession of his Highness the Nabob Wishes to propose some Improvements in the new fixed Carriages now in use

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valuable Logs in possession of His Highness the Nabob. This Number however if His Highness could be prevailed upon to spare it, would enable us to get forward - and it might be replaced upon the Arrival of the Ships daily expected from Pegue. - Be pleased, Sir, to assure the Honorable Board that I wish much to state to Government and the Military Board some Circumstances that I conceive to be necessary for the prosecuting the Field Carriages of this Court - but that unless I have the Sanction of the Supreme Board for so doing, I fear such a representation on my part might be considered as premature. -

I am,
Sir, Your most Obedient & most humble Servt.
[Signed] Mich.l Topping

Madras
2d. August 1791 -

Minute on the foregoing Letter from Mr. Topping -

Agreed that a Letter be written to his Highness the Nabob, requesting he will aid the public Service at this juncture by lending or selling to the Company the Timber which Mr. Topping reports to be in his Highness's Possession, and fit for making up the Gun Carriages so much wanted for the Army -

Agreed

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Agreed to inform the W. Topping that it is of great importance to the Public Service that the Gun Carriages now in hand should be completed with all possible Expedition – That the Board will receive and pay attention to such Circumstances as he may lay before them tending to the improvement of the Field Carriages on this Coast, but that, in the meantime the Gun Carriages now making up must be constructed upon the Model & with which he has been furnished by the Military Board

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Bengal –

W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary at

Fort St. George

Sir, I have Orders to acquaint you, for the Information of the Government of Madras, that they may expect to receive, by the Ships Henry, now under Dispatch from hence, 8 Iron Guns (18 Pounders) with Field Carriages and some Tumbrils for the Use of the Army under Lord Cornwallis –

Care having been taken, in engaging the Tonnage for the Supplies going to the Coast, to make it a general Rule, applicable to all the Ships and Vessels to be freighted, that Government may Order Persons on

From the Secretary at Bengal
Eight 18 Pounders &c. shipped on the Henry stops Detachment at Madras in order to ascertain that the Tonnage of every Vessel freighted at that Presidency is wholly appropriated to the public service – complaining of Neglect on the part of the Officers at this Presidency in allowing supplies to remain exposed to the Weather –

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on board to see them loaded here, and unloaded at Madras for the Purpose of ascertaining that the Tonnage of each Ship or Vessel is wholly appropriated to the Public Service the Governor General in Council requests that the necessary Directions may be given at Fort St. George, relative to the unloading, and that the Master Attendant, or other proper Officer, may be instructed to report every instance in which a Departure from the Orders and expectations of this Government shall be discovered, so that Steps may be taken, either at Madras or in Bengal to make the Offenders answerable for Breach of Agreement - The Invoices &c.a of each Ships's Cargo will be sent to you in Course. -

The Governor General in Council has directed me to observe to you, that having reason to believe, with Respect to some of the Supplies sent from home last year, that they were allowed to remain exposed to the Weather on the Beach at Madras, and were otherwise neglected, he requests that particular Orders may be given that the Supplies of different Kinds now preparing, for the Army may be taken proper Care of on their Arrival at Madras, and he begs Leave to recommend to the Consideration of the Governor in Council whether it may not be advisable to appoint

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appoint some Person especially for this Purpose.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Edward Hay
Secretary to the Government

Fort William
13th July 1791.—

Agreed that the Master Attendant and Sea Customer be directed to pay particular Attention to the unloading of every Ship that may Arrive with Public Stores from Bengal, and to report every Instance in which a departure from the Orders and expectations of the Governor General in Council shall be discovered, so that immediate Steps may be taken to make the Offenders answerable for Breach of Engagement

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Commissary General of Stores the Garrison Storekeeper and the Acting Agent for Spirituous Liquors be directed to report if any Instance occurred of the nature stated in the foregoing Letter in regard to the Stores placed under their Charge and that they be particularly enjoined to take proper care of such as are expected from Bengal, immediately on their Arrival at Madras.—

Ditto—

Read the following Letter from Lieut Downie at Vellore

From Lieutenant Downie applying for an advance of Cash on account of the Subsistence of the Cattle of the Army.—

W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

Having received Instructions from the Commander in Chief to remain in this Neighbourhood with the Cattle at present under my Charge, I with the

Sir &c

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Sick Elephants and Draught Bullocks coming down from the Army, which I am appointed to Subsist, I have to request that an Order may be sent to the Paymaster, or some other Person at this Station, to supply me with Cash from time to time, for which receipts will be given as heretofore, and the Amount placed to my Personal Debit, till my Accounts meet with the Audit in Bengal.-

At present I shall require Six Thousand of Rupies Two thousand of which I wish to be paid in Pagodas for the Convenience of Disbursement

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.-
(Signed) G. Downie Lieutenant
in Charge of the Cattle of the
Army.-

Vellore
30. July 1791.-

P.S. An Answer is desired as soon as possible

Minute thereon.- Agreed that the Paymaster at Vellore be directed to make the necessary issues of Cash to Lieutenant Downie on account of the Establishment under his Charge, and to advance immediately the Sum of Six Thousand Rupees, agreably to Lieutenant Downie's Request

" Wm Petrie

" Wedderburn

Wgilvie &c

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# Diary

Received Letter from the Rajah of Calastry as entered in C. C. No. 185 stating that in consequence of the Request made by the Vencatagherry Rajahs Slave Soobah he has allowed him to proceed to Captain Macrey at Chandernagherry, there to await the further orders of Government.

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Calastry →

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Received the following Letters.—

## The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Senior Member in Council &c. &c.

From Mr Samuel Johnston stating that he cannot enter upon the Subject of the Balance said to be due from him without being furnished with the particular Items which compose the Totals —

Honorable Sir,

Fort St. George

I am this day honored with yours of the 24th Instant with its inclosures, One of which is a Journal Account-Current, making a Balance against me of Pagodas 19516.11.4 as I have no particulars of the Items which form the Totals, I cannot assent to or dispute from them, whenever I receive such particulars, I shall have the honor of answering you more fully.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

Signed Samuel Johnston

Tanjore
29th July 1791.

## William Collins Jackson Esqre

Military Secretary

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly advising of the Surrender of Coimbatore to a Detachment of the Enemys Army on the 26th ultimo —

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit, for the information of the Honorable Board an Extract of a Letter from Captain Parr Commanding at Carore. —

The Road I should suppose is completely blocked up as I have not heard from Palghautcherry since

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3.d since the 17.th

Trichinopoly
31.st July 1791.

I have the honor to be.
&c &c
Signd Tho.s Bridges

## Extract of a Letter from Captain Parr to Colonel Bridges dated Carore ½ past 12 O'Clock 30.th July

Sir, My two Sepoys are just returned from Coimbatore, they say that Lieutenant Chalmers surrendered to the Beg Dewan, Nabob, the 26.th Instant, and had permission to go to Palghautcherry, the Force that was Coimbatore was, 500 Horse, 3000 Foot, and 6 Guns, they are to wait for more Troops joining them, and then to attack Palghautcherry that all the Coimbatore District has taken Cowle from that Nabob as far as Congiam.

Signd Thomas Parr

## To the Honorable the Governor and Council of Fort S.t George

Please your Honors

From the Honorable Company's Agent at Deal respecting a Recruit sent on board the Phanix named Richard Blake.

Richard Blake a Recruit belonging to the Honorable East India Company was sent on Shore here from the Woodford Captain Lennox, on Suspicion of being a Deserter from his Majestys Marines.

The Commanding Officer of the Regiment in Garrison here, declining to take charge of him, I had him before the Mayor for examination when he positively denied his being a Deserter - These circumstances I communicated to the Committee of Shipping who by Letter of the 30.th Ult.o have directed, that if the said Richard

Blake

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3.d Blake should not be legally Claimed as a Deserter he
should be put on board the first outward bound Ship and
your Honors advised of these proceedings — As the said
Recruit has not been claimed I have embarked him on
board the Phanix Captain Gray which conveys this to
your Honors. —

I
Sam.l &c.a &c.a

Signed Jos. Holmes
for Alex.r Ingledew Company's Agent

Deal
1.st April 1795

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Governor in Council &c.a

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts enclosing Quarterly Report of Outstanding Balances and of sums brought to account by the different Paymasters

Honorable Sir

I have the Honor to enclose the Quarterly Report of Outstanding Balances and a Statement of Sums brought to Account by different Paymasters —

I am with great respect

Honorable Sir

Fort S.t George
3.d August 1795.

Your Obedient
humble Servant

Signed J. Capper
C.t G.e

Statement

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## Statement of Outstanding Balances

| | Pr. Pr. 6 |
|---|---|
| Due from the Shepperds as Pr. Garrison Storekeepers Books | 524. 10. — |
| Due by Do from Messrs. Corbet and Boyd | 1.388. 3. 56 |
| Due by Do from Caulatyapah modely | 208. 15. 25 |
| Due by the Military Paymaster Generals Books from Captain J. Campbell formerly Barrack Master | 2,460. 10. 56 |
| Due on account of the Guntoor Circar Expedition from the Paymaster and other Officers | 3405. 25. 46 |
| Due from Mr. S. Johnston for Tickenopoly Paymts | 75. 22. 24. 16 |
| Total Pagodas | 59.130. 2. 34 |

Controller Generals
Department
Fort S.t George
3.d August 1791.

(Signed) James Capper
C. G.

## Statement of Sums Refunded since the last Report to Government.

| | Pr. Pr. 6 |
|---|---|
| By the Paymaster at Vellore | 3. 8. 32 |
| Do Do at Travancore | 20. — — |
| Do Do at Ellore | 132. 2. 32. |
| Do Do at Vizagapatam | 18. 25. 48 |
| Do Do at Chicacole | 53. 24. — |
| Do Do at Aska | 147. — — |
| Do by the late Paymaster of Samulcotah | 1,131. 34. 30 |
| Total Pagodas | 1,116. 11. 62 |

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Department
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(Signed) J. Capper
C. G.

Dispatched

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3. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 8.9.10.11.12.13.14.15.16.17.—

To the Paymaster at Vellore directing him to advance Lieutenant Downie such Supplies of Money as he may want for the use of Detachment under his Command and to supply him immediately with the Value of two Thousand Rupees in Arcots and four Thousand in Star Pagodas.

To the Paymaster at Vellore.

To Lieutenant Downie informing him of the Instructions given to Mr. Toriano.

To Lieutenant Downie.

To Mr. Michael Topping directing him to complete with all possible Expedition the Gun Carriages now in hand and informing him that application will be made to the Nabob for the Timber which he has reported to be fit for the purpose.

To the Contractor for Gun Carriages.

To the Military Board informing him that the Board in their orders of the 30th Ultimo for sending Stores to Amboor by the Bullocks coming from the Southward alluded particularly to the Arrack Carts, Gun Carriages, and Platform Carts, which were directed to be made up, advising of the Application made to Lord Cornwallis respecting Returns of Stores in the Fort of Bangalore – enclosing Extract of a Letter from His Lordship desiring that they will stop the Provision of Tents for the present, and report the Quantity of Clothing already provided, and what is due

To the Military Board.

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3.d due to the Troops.—

To the Commander of the Honorable — Company's Ship Cornwallis enclosing a List of Men to be received on board his Ship as Charter Party Passengers for England.—

To the Commander of the Honorable — Company's Ship Cornwallis.—

To the Garrison Storekeeper and the Acting Agents for Spirituous Liquors desiring them to report whether any of the Stores imported from Bengal which were placed under their Charge were allowed to remain exposed to the weather on the Beach and directing the former to take particular Care of the Supplies belonging to his Department which are expected to arrive shortly from Bengal.

To the Garrison Storekeeper and the Acting Agents for Spirituous Liquors.—

To the Boards of Revenue enclosing an Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis and desiring them to instruct the Collectors in the different Districts to make known to the Bullock Drivers the Encouragement held out to them by His Lordship

To the Boards of Revenue.—

To the Agent for the Bullock Contractors enclosing Extracts of two Letters from Lord Cornwallis, and desiring his particular attention to that Part which relates to the Settlement of the Accounts of the Bullock Masters and Proprietors.—

To the Agent for the Bullock Contractors.—

To the Hospital Board informing them

To the Hospital Board.—

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2.d them that as Lord Cornwallis has judged it advisable to place the future Care and Provisions of the Sick in the Hands of the Regimental Surgeons all the appointments and Expences incidental to a Field Hospital are immediately to cease.—

To Major General Musgrave enclosing an Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis relative to the Arrangements for the Cavalry that is to be prepared for Service, and to the Embarkation of the Officers and Men of the Bengal Regiments of Cavalry requesting he will take the Measures in consequence, and informing him that M.r Kincaid has been appointed to the Charge of the Hospital at Pondamalee.—

To Major General Musgrave—

4.th Sent Letter to the Nabob as entered in C.C. N.o 186 requesting His Highness will lend to the Company some Timber now in his possession which is reported to be fit for making up Gun Carriages—

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob—

Sent the following Letters,

To the Honorable Charles Stuart

and to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council

at Fort William.

Gentlemen,

Upon the receipt of M.r Sub Secretary Tombelles' Letter of the 15.th June we wrote to the Governor General requesting his Lordships' opinion respecting the Permission

To Bengal with Copy of Lord Cornwallis' Letter in which he States that it will not be necessary to detain at Madras any of the Recruits of this Season destined for Bengal—

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4. Permission which you had given to us to retain the whole or a part of the recruits destined this year for Bengal —

Lord Cornwallis being of Opinion (as you will observe by the enclosed copy of his Letter on the Subject) that it would not be advisable to detain any of the recruits, we shall of course send the whole to your Presidency. —

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3d. August 1791

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) William Petrie
&c. Council

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K. G.
Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord

To Lord Cornwallis with Copy of Intelligence received from Trichinopoly

We have the honor to transmit for your Lordships Information Copy of a Letter and Enclosure from Colonel Bridges, commanding at Trichinopoly. —

We have the Honor to be
with great respect and Esteem. —

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My Lord,

Your Lordships most obedient
humble Servants —

(Signed) William Petrie
&c. Council

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To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

We have been honored by your Lordships Letters of the 23d. 25th. & 26th. ultimo.

To Lord Cornwallis. expressing the satisfaction of the Board at the Arrangement made for the better accommodation of the Sick in the Field - reply to his Communication respecting the Cavalry the Settlement of the accounts of the Masters and Proprietors of Bullocks and the Bengal Recruits requesting he will give the necessary orders for the regular transmission of Monthly Returns of the Horse in Bangalore.

We beg leave, My Lord, to congratulate You on the acquisition of the Strong Hill Fort of Nacottah, and we sincerely hope You will be equally successful in the attack of Veriabudderdinguem.

The arrangements which your Lordship has made for the better accommodation of the Sick in the Field will, we have no doubt, be attended with the most beneficial Effect - and we entirely agree with your Lordship in Opinion that the Public money cannot be laid out to greater advantage than in the preservation of the health of the Soldier.

As we conclude that it is your Lordships Intention that all appointments and Expences incidental to a Field Hospital shall immediately cease, we have given orders to that Effect, to the Hospital Board - Your Lordship will no doubt have given the necessary directions to the Pay master in Camp in Consequence of the new arrangement.

We have advised Major General Musgrave of your Lordships wishes in regard to the Cavalry

and

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4th and we shall embrace the first favorable opportunity of embarking for Bengal the officers and men of the Regiments belonging to that Presidency.—

We beg to assure your Lordship that every means shall be taken to make the Regulation respecting the Proprietors of Bullocks publickly known at this place, and that Instructions will be immediately given to the Agent for the Contractors in regard to the Settlement of the Accounts of the Maistries and Proprietors of Bullocks.—

We have informed the Supreme Council that you do not think it advisable that any of the Bengal Recruits coming out this Season should be detained at Madras.—

As the regular Transmission of monthly Returns of the Stores in Bangalore appears to be necessary towards enabling the Military Board to determine with greater accuracy the quantity and descriptions of Military Stores which may be occasionally required from hence for the use of the army, we shall be much obliged by your Lordship's giving the necessary orders to that Effect by which also we shall be enabled to comply with the desire of the Supreme Council for a return of the Stores at Bangalore.—

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) William Petrie

&c. Council

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To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor Genral &c &c &c

My Lord,

We beg leave to submit to your Lordship

To Lord Cornwallis referring Lieutenant Taaffe's application to join the Army

Copy of a Letter which we have received from Lieutenant Taaffe of the St. Helena Establishment, requesting permission to serve with the Detachment from that Island in case your Lordship should deem it necessary to call it to the Field.

We think it proper to inform your Lordship that the Governor and Council at St. Helena in their Letter to us requested that Lieutenant Taaffe might be returned to the Island by the first opportunity.

We have the Honor to be with great Respect and Esteem.

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&c &c &c

Signed William Petrie.
&c Counal

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in W.B. Nos 18.19.20.21.22.23.24.25

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal advising of the Reference made to Lord Cornwallis on the Subject of ordering the Swallow Packet to touch at Bengal for Dispatches.

From the Sub secretary at Bengal.

From the Collector in the Carnoor District stating that on the Enemys quitting the Districts under his Management he will use every exertion to collect Bullocks. Intelligence respecting the Strength

From the Collector in the Carnoor District

of

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4.th of the Detachment before Coimbatoor.—

From the Officer Commanding the 5.th Regiment of Native Cavalry requesting that Government will afford their Assistance in engaging the Number of Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters wanted for the Regiment under his Command.

From the Officer Commanding the 5.th Regiment of Native Cavalry.—

From The Commissary General of Grain and Provisions recommending that some damaged Gunpowder may be removed from a Godown in the Garrison of Tripassore and that the Place may be appropriated for the Reception of Grain

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

From The Officer Commanding the 6.th Battalion requesting that himself and the Sepoys of his Battalion may be allowed to draw their Pay from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly.—

From the Officer Commanding the 6.th Reserve Battalion.—

From The Attorneys of Ensign Granby Sloper applying for the allowance of Batta Money due to their Constituent who did not know of the Existence of such allowance at the Time of his Departure for Europe.—

From the Attorneys of Ensign Granby Sloper.—

From the Secretary at Bombay stating that the Dispatches which accompanied Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 24.th June will be detained until the Departure of the first Ship for Europe as the Queen is to be returned to Bengal.—

From the Secretary at Bombay.—

From The Paymaster at Vellore stating that Captain Rattray has taken Charge of Fourteen Lacks of Rupees for the use of the Army.—

From the Paymaster at Vellore.—

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4th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in MD. Nos. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34

To the Master Attendant and Sea Customer—

To the Master attendant and Sea Customer

directing them to pay particular Attention to the unloading of the Ships expected to arrive shortly from Bengal with Supplies on the Company's Account and to report to the Board any Instance in which the whole of the Tonnage of the Vessels freighted by the Governor General in Council shall not appear to have been appropriated to the Public Service.

To Major General Musgrave requesting he

To Major General Musgrave

will give orders that a certain Proportion of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry to be held in readiness to embark for Bengal on the Honorable Company's Ship Phœnix.

To the Commander of the Honorable—

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's Ship Phœnix

Company's Ship Phœnix desiring him to report the Number of Native Troops he can accommodate on board his Ship for Bengal and the Period he will require for making the necessary Preparations for their Reception,

To Mr. Thomas Cockburn informing him

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

that Lieutenant Shipton has been appointed to take charge of the Bullocks expected from Bengal on their arrival at Madras.

To the Military Board desiring them

To the Military Board

to call upon the Commissary General of Stores to state

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4.th State whether any articles of Stores in his Departments received from Bengal were allowed to remain exposed to the Weather on the Beach and to call his particular attention to the Supplies belonging to his Departments which are expected to arrive in the course of the ensuing Month.

To the Surveyor of the Roads enclosing

To the Surveyor of the Roads

Copies of Letters from Messrs. Woolf Chase and Swell and desiring that the Companys Lascars may be employed in removing the two projecting Walls near Mr. Woolfs Garden and in filling up such of the Ditches as shall appear to have been excavated for the purpose of repairing the Public Roads.

To the Paymaster at Madura &c. expressing

To the Paymaster at Madura &c.

the Displeasure of the Board at the disrespectful Language made use of in his Letter of the 27.th ultimo and at the want of accommodation which Sums still to subsist between him and Captain Bowser informing him that any future Representation in the part of either will give rise to an Enquiry which will terminate in the Removal of one or both from their Stations, and that orders will be given to Captain Bowser to deliver up the Buildings allotted for his use at Dindigul.

To the Commandant at Dindigul &c.

To the Commandant at Dindigul directing him to pay immediate attention to the orders conveyed to him under date the 17.th March last for delivering up to Mr. Vaughan the whole of the new

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4th Palace in the Lower Fort and informing him that any further Complaint on the part of himself or Mr. Vaughan will lead to an Enquiry that may probably terminate in the removal of one or both from their Stations —

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

desiring them to report the Number of Meitoeddies which the Nabob should be allowed to have in each District for the Examination of the Cutcherry Accounts and whether there be any Necessity for the Appointment of Gomastahs. —

5th Received the following Letters —

William Collins Jackson Esqr

Secretary

Sir

a Hircarrah is just returned from — 4 Coimbitore, who Inform me that the Party, consisting of 2000 Infantry, 1000 Match lock and Pike men, — 4 Seven Guns small 100 Looley Horse and about 30 Tents, with 150 Elephants. 150 Camels sick the — 4 Party commanded by Decan Saib, who was formerly Killadar of Sattimungalum — The greatest part of the Inhabitants have taken Flour, and that no cruelty whatever has been committed, but every article wanting purchased The reports prevailing in the Enemys Camp are that the Party will be joined by Kummer a Dean Kawa in order to proceed against Caroor, — 4

From the Commandant at Dindigul receives Intelligence that the Fort and Pettah of Coimbatore are in possession of the Enemy.

Dindegul

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5th Dindegul and other Place The Hircarrah who gave me the above Information has only been Six Days. in going and returning from Coimbetoor so that he had not sufficient time to inform himself of every Thing, he further says, that the Fort and Pettah are in possession of the Enemy - I have not heard from Major Cuppage since the 17th Instant.

I have the Honor to be,

&c &c &c

Signd Thomas Bowser

Capt. Commanding

Dindegull

27th July 1791.

R. P. M.

William Collins Jackson Esqre

Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Commandant at Dindegul advising of the Strength of the Detachment in the Coimbatore Country - receives further advice that the Garrison of Coimbatore have accepted of Terms from the Enemy. -

In my last I observed that the Hircarrah had scarcely time to make himself acquainted well every particular relative to the Enemy. This morning received accounts by another Hircarrah who left Coimbetoor the 22d Instant, that the Party now there Consists of 3000 Infantry 5000 matchlock men, 10 Guns Six small, Four large 600 Horse, 300 Camels, 250 Elephants that the Garrison of Coimbetore, had accepted of terms, but were Still in the Fort, waiting until an answer was received for Tippoo respecting their destination three Batteries had been erected on

the

5th the North Face, and that the Fort held out three Days, the reports are still Current in the Enemys Camp of the expected reinforcement Kummera Dean Rawn, and that many thousands of Bullocks are now employed in collecting Forage and conveying it — I thought the Puzelatty Pass as far as Andenelle, when I understand his army is at present — The greatest part of the Polygars, and other Head men in the Coimbetore District have taken Howle which in the Reason I have not heard from Major Cuppage Since the 1st Instant, on account of their having cut off the Communication by Pyng and Dodanaddelootah — I have the pleasure to add that every part of the Dindegull District is in perfect quiet —

I have the Honor to be
Sir &c.
Signed Thomas Bowen
Capt. Comm.t

Dindegull
30th July 1791.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Acting President &c.

Sir,

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly respecting the Bullocks collecting by the Enemy at Attoor for the purpose of getting supplies of Salt —

I am informed Tippoo has sent orders to his people at Attore to Collect 4000 Bullock Loads of Salt and to all his managers and Killedars — dependent on Sankaridroog to Seize whatever Grain can be found on account of the Circar and every Bullock

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5th Bullocks fit for carriage or draught - as the Salt must come from the Coast I have stationed people on several roads to prevent his getting supplied - The Bullocks employed in transporting Salt to the in land places were numerous I take the liberty of mentioning this as its probable many may now be collected for the use of the Army if required. -

I have the honor to be
Sir Sir Sir
Signed Wm. Flint
Capt. Comm.t

Tiagar
1st August 1791.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

All the entrenching tools and Iron Shot in the Forts dependant on Sankledroog are ordered to be sent to that place and be ready with what provisions can be collected to join Said Sale at Sattemungalum. -

From the Commandant at Tiagar respecting Military Stores Collecting by the Army at Sattemungalum.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Signed William Flint
Capt. Commanding

Tiagar
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At a Consultation

Present

William Petrie Esqre

and

John Huddleston Esqre

Friday
5th August 1791.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. absent, indisposed.

The Honorable Major General Medows
absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation read
and approved.

Mr. Petrie informs the Board that he has just heard from Major General Musgrave that the Men of Captain Frith's Regiment cannot be in readiness to embark for Bengal in less than four or five days — that the Governor General in Council had furnished the Men of the Corps, many of them Pintoos of a high Cast with Every indulgence and accommodation which their religious rites required — and that it was understood by the Regiment that the same attention would be paid to them by this Government on their return to Bengal — Mr. Petrie, in consequence, desired that General Musgrave would direct Captain Frith to state what would be wanted for the accommodation of the Troops and to lay it before Government —

Mr. Petrie informs the Board of the Circumstances which prevent the Embarkation of any Part of the Men of the Regiment of Bengal Cavalry on the Phoenix —

as

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The Phenix to proceed to Bengal without the Troops.—

As it appears from the above Information that the Troops cannot be ready to embark in less than four or five Days, it is resolved that orders be given to Captain Gray, from the other Department, directing him to proceed with the Phenix to Bengal, without waiting for the Troops.—

Read the following Letter from Lord Cornwallis.—

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I yesterday received a letter from the Board dated the 21st. Instant informing me of the enemy's irruption into the Coimbatore Country.

Lord Cornwallis is concerned to find that Lieutenant Chalmers should attempt to defend the Fort of Coimbatore relinquishes his Intention of attacking Periahudderdurgum owing to the Badness of the Roads a Detachment from Oussore surprizes a Body of the Enemy's Cavalry and takes forty Horses.—

I have looked forward to an event of this kind as almost certain, from the time that our Army retired from the Neighbourhood of Seringapatnam, but as I understood that Lieutenant Chalmers had orders to abandon Coimbatore whenever he had reason to believe that any heavy Guns would be brought against it, and as from General Medows's report I considered Caroor to be in no great danger from such a force as the enemy in his present Situation was likely to detach to so great a distance, I did not think that we should be exposed to any serious Loss or mortification in that quarter.—

You

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You will easily conceive therefore that I felt no small concern when I found that Lieutenant Chalmers had suffered himself to be invested in so wretched a post as Coimbatore, and with so feeble a garrison by a detachment which he knew to be provided with artillery.

I know of no possible succour that Mr. Chalmers can have received and conclude from what I have heard of Coimbatore that before this time He must have been obliged to Surrender.

The road leading to the place which I informed you that I had ordered Major Gowdie to attack, proved impassable for Guns, and as it would have taken many days and great labor to have rendered it practicable, and the Fort itself from its distance from the Pass appearing to be of no material consequence to our Communication, I did not think it worth while for the purpose of reducing it to remain in the very inconvenient Camp amongst the Hills which I had occupied near Ryacotta, where we had no forage and from whence we could not protect the open Country from the incursions of the enemy, or indeed secure our communication with Oussore.

Captain Welsh who commands in Oussore detached Lieutenant Rowle with three

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three Companies of Sepoys the night before last to endeavour to surprize the village of Tallee. in which there were 200 of the enemys Horse. The distance proved to be greater than it had been described, and as Lieutenant Prowle did not reach the village till day break, the Surprize was not complete. He took however fifty Horses

Camp 8 miles South of Oussore 30th July 1791.

I am with great esteem and regard

Sir Your &c.

Signed Cornwallis.

Read the following Letters from the Board of assumed Revenue.

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

Honorable Sir,

In compliance with your orders of the 22d Instant, We have the honor to inform You that we have issued the necessary orders to Mr Torin for payment of the money required by the Nabob which we have no doubt he will be able to comply with, as the revenue to be received of that District, until the end of August, will more than complete the payments ordered. We have at the same time directed Mr Andrews to

From the Board of assumed Revenue respecting the Amount due to the Nabob from the Sales of Grain in the Tinnivelly District and from the Collection of outstanding Balances stating the Places in which the Maratta Bengarries can be best supplied with Grain.

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to discontinue all payments on Accounts of His Highness proportion.—

We have the Honor to inform You, that after Mr. Torin took charge of the District of Tinnevelly he collected Sums from the Sales of grain of the produce of the preceding year, when the Country was under the Nabobs Authority, which grain, he informed us, had been Mortgaged to individuals— On the 31st May The Sale of this grain amounted to Star Pagodas 28.420.28.32. which with Pagodas 24,681.12.69 the Amounts collected from the outstanding balances of the preceding year due to the Circar, have been brought to account under Seperate heads of "Mortgaged property and Revenue for Fusly 1199" Those two Sums make together The Sum of Star Pagodas 53.102.5.11. but you have been pleased since to order from this Fund a payment of 3.428.24. to Mr. Buchanon, and another to Captain Event and Dighton 502.16.64. which reduce the Amounts of the Revenue collected for the Fusly 1199 to Star Pagodas 49.171.—.27— which is considered Seperate from the Revenue of Fusly 1200— from which the Nabob receives his ⅓: But we know not, how much more may be received by Mr. Torin on this Account— The Nabobs Servants not having furnished the Collectors with any Account of outstanding balances previous to the Assumption.—

In compliance with your Orders of the

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the 24th ultimo, we have issued orders for the encouragement of the Banjarees the places where in our opinion, they can best be supplied with grain are Trichinopoly, Tanjore Arcot, Vellore, Ongole, Arnee, Calastry and Vencatagherry.

We have the honor to be,

Sir
Your most
Obedient Servants

Fort St. George
5th August 1791.

Signed
William Petrie
David Haliburton
William Balfour

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Circumstances mentioned in the foregoing Letter be communicated to the Nabob, and that his Highness be informed at the same time, that he will receive Credit in his Accounts with the Company for the Sum collected at Tinnevelly for Fusly 1199 - but that the Board cannot consent that any part of it should be diverted from the purposes of the war. and that Mr. Binny therefore, must wait in common with others, until the return of Peace shall enable his Highness to discharge the Balance stated to be due to him.

From the Board of Revenue are of opinion that Public Cognizance should not be taken of the Complaints preferred by Roy Chuttur Sing.

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

Honble Sir,

Having considered with attention the

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The Petition of Roy Chutter Sing, transmitted to your Honorable Board by the Resident at Hydrabad, and referred to us in your Letter of the 22d July — & We take the liberty of Submitting some Circumstances which seem to Oppose a public investigation of the several matters Contained in it.

Chutter Sing acknowledges himself to have been the Vakeel or agent of the Rajah of — & Vencatghery, and we conceive his dismission from Office, and Subsequent Confinement, could not have been effected without the knowledge of the Rajah, who is Considered as possessing a Right of Controul over his own Servants.

We shall not take upon ourselves to give our opinion of the truth of the Allegations Con= =tained in Chutter Sings Petition, tho' the Circum= =stances of his Situation will admit of their being Considered as exaggerated We can only say that no Complaints of this nature have reached us from other Quarters But were we, in Consideration of the Injuries now set forth, to be Suffered by Chutter Sing resolved to enter into an investigation of them the difficulty would be how to discover the real truth, without at once setting aside the

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the Rajahs authority over him, by taking him into the Company's Protection.—

Were the Rajah called upon for an explanation of his conduct towards this man, his misconduct, while in Office, would without doubt be held out as the reason for his Confinement, and as those now in authority under the Rajah would not find it difficult to procure evidence on the Spot against him, such a String of Corroborative Circumstances, Real or fictitious, would be furnished, as to prove the propriety of what had been done towards him.— There appears to us therefore no other effectual means for his immediate Relief, than Government placing their authority between him and the Rajah, by peremptorily Ordering the latter to be Release him and send him hither, or in case of refusal to use forcible means for his Enlargement. But here a very material Objection Occurs, for tho' the Rajah may not have Capacity to direct his affairs with ability, he must be supposed to be Competent to the Government of his Country, while he regularly pays his Peishcush as he has done, and Conducts himself with fidelity to Government— We are therefore in doubt, whether on a Single Complaint of one of his Servants, it might be just or politick, to interfere in his affairs, especially as that interference would affect one of

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the tenderest points of his Consequence, the controul — over his own Servants. This priviledge was we believe, never invaded, even under the Nabobs' Governments, but by indirect means, if the Durbar at any time — exerted its influence in the appointments of his — Servants, it was only by Recommendation, for every — Change in the internal Management of the Rajah's has at least been Sanctioned with the appearance of his Consent. —

As it appears to us that the foregoing Circumstances require your further decision, we shall after Submitting the aforegoing Circumstances to Your Honorable Board, only add, that we wait for your further Orders with regard to the — Measures that are to be taken in Consequence. —

We have the Honor to be,

S.r S.r S.r

Fort S.t George
2.d August 1791

Signed { William Petrie
David Haliburton
William Balfour

Minute thereon — The Board approve the Opinions given in the foregoing Letter upon the Complaints of Ray Chuttersing, and it is resolved to Communicate the same to the Resident at Hydrabad, in reply to his Letter of the 23.d of June last. — Read

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Read the following Letter from the Resident at Travancore.—

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Fort St. George.

Honorable Sir,

I was duly honored with your Secretary's Letter of the 22d. Ultimo accompanied by one from You to the Rajah of Travancore, with a Copy of it for my Information—delays on the part of the Rajah prevented my replying to it before, as I wished to be enabled to afford You some satisfaction on the Subject of its contents, but which, I am concerned to say, is not yet in my power.—

From the Resident at Travancore stating the Demand which he has made upon the Rajah in consequence of the Board's orders, and the Difficulties which have been started by His Excellency to his Proposal—desires to know in what manner he is to dispose of any sums he may receive.—

Your Letter was delivered to the Rajah, and in addition to the forcible Arguments contained in it, for the performance of the Contribution demanded of him, I offered such as I thought, would have weight with him to effect a Speedy compliance with the Boards orders, but they have not yet brought him to any determination.—

Having no reason to alter my former Sentiments with Respect to the Rajahs resources, but continuing in the persuasion, that he possesses ample means to liquidate this present demand, if he chose to adopt them, I did not hesitate to propose

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propose the following Terms to him — that his Contribu=
tion towards the Expences of the War being rated at 10
Lacks of Rupees per Annum, which was considered to
commence on the 8.th January 1790. One Year and a
half having expired since that period, the amount
due to the 8.th of July / this present month / would be
15 Lacks of Rupees, but from which was to be deducted
f. 30.000 Rupees already advanced by him, there would
then remain a Balance to be received of Rupees
f. 70.000 — which I proposed should be paid im=
=mediately, or in the course of the month — The remaining
5 Lacks of Rupees of the growing demand of this
Year, I proposed should be liquidated by the end of
next December.

To this proposal I have hitherto
to obtain any satisfaction — The Rajah has resorted
to his former Excuses of Inabelity and has avoided to
enter into any Specific Terms until he sees, or hears
from his Dewan who is at present at Calicut —
— The Rajah is entirely guided by him in every
measures of Importance, and as continual References
to the Dewan occasion great delay, I have requested
the Rajah to write to him to come to Ayacottah,
where I would meet him, that we might from
some Arrangement respecting the performance of

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this demand. The Rajah has accordingly directed him to repair there, where I expect his arrival in a few days. —

I have been informed that the Rajah, as soon as he received your Letter, communicated the contents of it to his Dewan, who in consequence advised him to open his Treasury and to accede to the present demand without delay. This advice I understand, has greatly displeased the Rajah, whose intention is to write to Lord Cornwallis, and to you, Honorable Sir, to request of you to grant a remission of part of this demand, and to allow him a distant period for the performance of the remainder. I have given the Rajah reason to conclude, that the Contribution would be expected to be performed, and that it was not demanded without due consideration and that any objection, or excuse for not complying with it, would certainly draw upon him your severe displeasure. —

I fear it will cost much time and trouble to accomplish this point with the Rajah, but you may rest assured, I shall use my best exertions to bring it to as speedy a conclusion as possible. I request to be honored with your Commands respecting the appropriation of any part of this demand that I may receive from him. In the course of a

month,

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month, the Season will admit of Treasure being transported by Sea to Tellicherry, or as long as General Abercromby's Army remains there, it will be attended with no risk to be sent over Land from thence, under Escorts, which may come for it from Tellicherry.—

I have the honor to be, with the utmost respect,

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Tyacottah
22. July 1791.

/ Signed George Powney
Resident

Minute Thereon

Resolved that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be transmitted to Lord Cornwallis, and that it be observed to his Lordship that notwithstanding the Rajahs Declaration of his Poverty, the Board are decidedly of opinion that his Resources are fully adequate, without any distress to his Subjects, to the immediate Discharge of the whole Sum required from him, and that they are by no means persuaded, Even if his Lordship were to agree the proportion, that the Rajah would be forthcoming with more alacrity on the day of payment—That from the Boards knowledge of his Character and extreme fondness for money, they were not surprized at the difficulties that had been started to the proposed measure, but as those Difficulties are to be opposed by the Equity and moderation of the Demand, the Board are not without hope that a Letter from his Lordship to him would have Due weight and that when he found it

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it was determined not to recede, he would make a merit of necessity, and close with the proposal

Resolved also to inform his Lordship that the Board will be glad to receive his sentiments in regard to the Appropriation of such Sums as Mr. Powney may receive from the Rajah —

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Commandant at Trichinopoly —

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary —

Sir,

I had the honor to transmit ... Extract of a Letter from Captain Parr Commanding at Carore under date the 30th ultimo, regarding the Surrender of Coimbatore — and I now transcribe for the Information of the Honorable Board a note just received from him, under date the 1st Instant, which contradicts the former one. —

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly stating that the Intelligence which he lately transmitted of the Surrender of Coimbatoor has proved to be entirely groundless —

"The Coimbatore Tappal this day arrived dated the 29th ultimo, they have not surrendered." —

"Carore 1st August 1791."

Signed Thomas Parr

Major Cuppage writes me from Palygaut cherry dated the 25th Ultimo, which I received this morning, that he cannot believe the Force of the Enemy to be very respectable, and that from

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from the Bavany being full their retreat if attacked could not be very Speedy.

This I am inclined to believe tho' it may be difficult to ascertain what numbers may be ready on the other side of that River However at all events from the want of a Sufficient Force to the Southward to repel their Incursions they may certainly do a great deal of mischief in the Coimbatore Country.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Thomas Bridges

Trichinopoly
2. August 1791.

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be immediately transmitted to Lord Cornwallis

Read the following Letter from the Military Storekeeper.

To The Honorable Major General Medows.

President and Governor &c. in Council.

Fort St. George.

From the Military Storekeeper with an Estimate of Cash required for the manufacture of Gunpowder.

Hon'ble Sir,

I beg leave to lay before you an Estimate of Cash required for the manufacture of Gunpowder in this present month, and have the honor to be, with great Respect &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Jos. de Pe. Porcher
Military Storekeeper.

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Estimate

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Estimate of Cash required by the Military Storekeeper for the Manufacture of Gun Powder in this Month } Pag.s 1800

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(Signed) Jos.s de Pre. Porcher
Military Storekeeper

Minute Thereon

As Lord Cornwallis informed the Board in his Letter of the 27.th March last, that the Supply of Gunpowder found in Bangalore would be sufficient for the Demands of the War, it is agreed to write to his Lordship to know if it be his wish that the Manufacture of this article should be continued or suspended for the present, except what may be sufficient for keeping the most useful Part of the Workmen together — Agreed also to inform his Lordship that there are at present in Store at the Presidency Six thousand Barrels of Gunpowder —

Ordered that the Sum of one thousand Pagodas be advanced to Mr. Porcher in part of his Indent for the Provision of Gunpowder —

Do.

Read the following Letter from the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts —

From the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts of Pension on a Captain preferred by Captain John Campbell by His Majesty's 72.d Regiment for Passage Money —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Acting Governor in Council &.a &.a

Honorable Sir

Captain John Campbell of the 72.d Regiment has applied to me for his passage money

in

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in Consequence of being ordered to take charge of Recruits on board the Carnatic, Captain Corner Commander of the Ship has Certified that he was not paid at home, and Captain Campbell Himself accounts for it by saying, he was only ordered on board that Ship a few days — before it sailed. —

By the orders of the Honorable Court of Directors, and the subsequent General Orders of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council dated 25th. Februay 1790, it was directed that Passage — Money should be allowed to His Majestys Officers — going home on public Service only, or with such of their Regiments as may have been disbanded, and the Public Service was confined principally to that of Recruiting, But Captain Campbell, altho he went home on leave as a farther proof of his being — afterwards considered employed upon Public Service — States, that the Subaltern Officers who likewise went — home on leave and came out in the same Ship returning to their Regiments, were paid their Passage money in Europe. —

I am with great respect

Honorable Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant,

Signed James Capper

C. G.

Agreed

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Agreed to inform Colonel Capper that the Board are restricted by the Company's Orders from complying with the Request of Captain Campbell for Passage Money

Read the following Letter from the Contractor for cloathing the Army.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Hon^ble Sir.

From the Contractor for cloathing the army, with a Calculation of the first advance of Cash to be made him on account of his Contract desiring to be furnished with Indents of the Cloathing required by each Corps for the present year.

Beg leave to lay before your Honor in Council a calculation made by the Commissary General of accounts, of the first advance of 20 per Cent to be made me for Cloathing the Troops on the Coast agreeably to the terms of the Contract, and request your Honor in Council will be pleased to order payments of the Amount.

As the period at which the Cloathing is engaged to be furnished approaches I take the liberty to suggest it as necessary that I should be furnished with Indents of the Cloathing each Corps of the Establishment may require, or such authenticated Return of all the Troops which are to be Cloathed for this year, as may enable me to avoid any deficiency in the delivery of it when called upon.

I am led to conceive that the accompanying Calculate of the first advance is made from the

Latest

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Latest Muster Returns of the Troops since Spind is
far below what is reckoned upon a compleated estimate
of the Establishment.—

I have the honor to be,
Sr. Sr. Sr.
I Signd James Brodie
Contractor for Military Clothing

Fort St. George
3rd August 1791.

Agreed that the Military Paymaster
General be directed to advance the Contractor the Sum of
Pagodas 9779-27-75 being the Calculation made by
the Commissary General of the first advance of 20 per Cent
for Cloathing the Troops on the Coast.—

Ordered that the acting Deputy
Adjutant General be directed to furnish the Indents
required by the Contractor.—

Read the following Letter and
Enclosure from the Officer commanding the Detach=
=ment Serving with the Nizams army.—

Minute thereon—

Do—

William Collins Jackson Esqre
Military Secretary

From Captain Andrew Read representing the Hardship of with=
drawing from Runner Snuggs and Corporal Jones the allowances
which the Board have ordered to be refunded.—
Lieutenant Coupland
returns to Camp advice
of his having left party
his Ammunition at
Rachore receives orders
from the Nizam to halt
near Punjeolah.—

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the
information of the Honorable the Governor in Council,
that I have received their Commands thro' Mr.
Paymaster Brown directing a refund of 33.6 Current
Pagodas. to be made by me for Pay as Sub Conductor
drawn

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drawn for Richard Snugg, and Peguet to Thomas Jones employed as Artificer, and that I have made the refund agreable to the orders of the Honorable Board.—

I have the honor to enclose a Letter from Lieutenant Scott, stating the work performed by Richard Snugg, and Thomas Jones, which when considered, I cannot doubt but that M.r Brownwill be immediately Ordered to repay the money which I have myself refunded, as after directing Snugg and Jones to be employed and Sanctioning the charge made on their account, could not think of remanding the Money from them, which as far as I may be permitted to Judge, they so well deserved.—

Lieutenant Coupland returned to this place on the 29.th Ultimo with the Treasure which was since delivered over in Charge to Delawer-u-Doulah by orders from the Nizam, and Lieutenant Coupland Joined the Detachment with his party.

M.r Conductor Nixon has had orders to return without the Guns, but has not yet Joined.

Richard Snugg Sub Conductor was detached on the 3.d Instant to Sidout with 4 Tumbrils, and other Stores, permission having been obtained to lodge them there, which I deemed unnecessary to keep along with the Detachment by this

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This I am able to decrease the number the Number of Public Cattle 48 draughts and 266. Courage Bullocks - The Party arrived again in Camp to day -

I omitted mentioning in my former Letter to the Honorable Board having Judged it best to have 414 Barrels of Ammunition at Rachore, where it is safely lodged, with some few other Articles, under Charge of a Subadar and the Sick men of the Detachment: I have a long with me 280 Barrels of musquet ammunition, besides 39,380 — loose Balls, which can be made up in Camp and this exclusive of 24 Rounds p. man in the Sepoys Pouches altogether such a supply as I deem sufficient to warrant my avoiding the Expence of carrying what is at Rachore thro' the Country, with me at this season. -

I have received orders from the Nizam to halt at this place until further orders - Captain — Kennaway acquaints me, that the reason of this order he supposes to be, his Highness's determination to depute his Son, and minister to the Governor General about the beginning of next month, and intention that the — Detachment shall accompany them to the Southward

I have the honor to be —

&c. &c.

Camp near
Pimpry Cottah
12th. July 1791.

Signed Andrew Read
Capt. Comdg —

Captain Andrew Read
Commanding

Sir, I am Sorry to be under the necessity of again troubling

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troubling you with a representation on the Subject of further Stoppages made by the Paymaster of Pay and allowances hitherto drawn by me, for Staff and others employed in the Ordnance department, but as you have been pleased to inform me that you are called upon by Government for a refund of cash paid to Sumner Snugg as Subconductor, and Thomas Jones Corporal of Artillery, employed as an Artificer in the detachment, and that no pay for such people would in future be admitted of I cannot in this instance be silent, as these men are, and have been of such material Service in their several employs to this Detachment, that I flatter myself you will not hesitate to point out to Government the merits of their Case, and recommend their allowances being restored. — Sumner Snugg has acted in the Situation of Subconductor from the time the Detachment marched from Ellore, and acquitted himself much to my satisfaction in his Station under me, since I have had Charge of the department. his assiduity, while the detachment was before Copaul in attending to the duties of the Laboratory, and since that his unremitting attention to the Magazine and Genral Stores, the immediate Care of which he has

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has all along been entrusted with, and on marching days the laborious task of crossing them over Rivers, Swamps, &.a he has always executed with the utmost carefulness and I am glad to say has attracted a few your observation and approval, add to that, he has had the duty of Cooper to execute, and that kept in repair near 500 Barrels of powder and Ammunition most of which have been 15 months in the field; which circumstance alone, I will venture to say, has been a saving to the Honorable Company equal to what is now with drawn from him as Sub conductor only, as to Corporal Jones, who has been employed as an Artificer, I need say little, The material use he proved to be of at Copaul in Repairing and making new Carriages for his Highness the Nizams Guns, during the Siege, and afterwards entrusted with the Repair of Settumbrels of the Detachment left at Buchallrampoor for that purpose, as well as on many other occasions, You have already been pleased to be fully satisfied with

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed J. J. Scott
Lieutenant Comm.g
agreed

Camp at Gunjycottah
12.th July 1791.

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Agreed that the above be referred to the Military Board

Minute thereon

Military Board, and that they be directed to report whether it will occasion any alteration in their former Opinion respecting the Claim of Gunner Smigg and Corporal Jones.

Read the following Letter from the Military Paymaster General.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President Fort St. George.

From the Military Paymaster General desiring to know in what manner the Garrison of Tiagar is to be supplied with Cash enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Paymaster at Trichinopoly wherein he states that Mr. Floyer has not a Sufficiency of Cash for that Purpose.

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you Copy of a Letter from Mr. Paymaster Farrow relative to his Monthly Disbursements and requesting to know in what manner the Garrison of Tiagar is to be supplied with Cash as Mr. Collector Floyer who used to supply that Garrison has informed him, he shall not be in Cash until the beginning of next October Copy of Mr. Floyers Letter accompanies this.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) B. Roebuck

Mily Pr. General

Pay Office
Fort St. George
5th August 1791.

Benjamin Roebuck Esqre.

Military Paymaster General

Sir,

Fort St. George.

I enclose you Copy of a Letter received from Mr.

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Mr. Floyer of the 22d., and of Arrears due to the Garrison of Tiagar my Disburrements here for a considerable time have been drawn from Tanjore, and Tinnevelly alone, and have been short of the monthly Disbursements, and likely to be more so - may I request to know in what manner Tiagar is to be supplied. Mr. Flint writing to me, very pressingly for money for the purpose.-

I am,
Sir
Your most obed.t Hble Servt
Signed Edward Garrow

Trichinopoly
30th July 1791.

Arrears due to Tiagar for June and July 1791.-

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| Military Charges | | 400 | " |
| Sepoy Payments | | 2900 | " |
| Batta to Europeans &c. | | 420 | " |
| Sepoy Families | | 450 | " |
| Charges General | | 250 | " |
| Pagodas | | 4420 | " |

A true Copy
Signed Benjamin Raebuck
M. P. G.l

Edward Garrow Esqre
Paymaster Tiagar.

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you that it will not be in my power to supply you with any further Sum on account of Tiagar until the beginning of October next as the earliest Rents of the current Revenue

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Revenue of my division will not tile then fall due.—

Cuddalore
22d July 1791

I am, &c. &c.

Signed Charles Floyer

Collector & manager

A true Copy
Signed Benjamin Roebuck

Military Paymaster General

Minute thereon —

Ordered that the Collector at Trichinopoly do make the necessary advances of Cash for the Payment of the Garrison of Tiagar, taking Mr. Edward Farrows Receipt for the same, and debiting him in his accounts for the Money so advanced —

Read the following Letter from Major General Musgrave just received. —

To the Honorable the Governor in Council.

&c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

From Major General Musgrave recommending that an Advance of Cash be made to the Men of the Bengal — Regiment of Cavalry and that Part of them may be allowed to proceed overland. —

I have the honor to lay before the Board a Letter received from Captain Frith commanding the first Regiment of Bengal Cavalry, and as the requests contained therein do not appear to me — unreasonable, I beg leave to recommend to the Board that they should be complied with. —

I have the honor to be,
with respect.

&c. &c. &c.

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Signed Thomas Musgrave.

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Major General Musgrave

Commanding at Fort S.t George &c.a &c.a

Sir

I am Honored with your Commands for the Officers and men of the 1.st Regiment Bengal Cavalry to be held in readiness to Embark for Bengal But as the Regiment has had no pay for the last four months it will be extremely distressing to them to Embark from hence without the Asistance of a small Supply of money— Five or Six thousand Pagodas will be Sufficient for our present wants, and will enable the whole to embark in a few days I therefore request that you will be pleased to take such measures as you may think necessary to have this Sum advanced to me on account of the Abstracts of the Regiment, which I shall be accountable for either here or in Bengal when my accounts for the Regiment are Settled by Government— I beg leave further to State to you that many men of the Regiment— who are Heidoos have solicited permission to proceed to Bengal by Land on account of Some religious ceremonies they wish

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to perform at Jagernaut and Hope this Indulgence may be granted them. —

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Signed Robert Frith

Captain Commanding 7th R.

Bengal Cavalry —

Camp

5th August 1791

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Military Paymaster General be instructed to advance Captain Frith the Sum of five thousand Pagodas on account of the Regiment under his Command, —

No further Provision of Tents to be made for the present that the Number lately ordered.

as the Board understood from Lord Cornwallis generally, that he had adopted a different arrangement with respect to the Provision of Tents, orders were given to the Military Storekeeper to stop the further Provision on account of

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the Company - But being now informed by Mr. Petrie that the Storekeeper has reported to him that in consequence of former Orders he had begun to make up the Member required, and that the usual advances had been made, it is resolved that he be directed to furnish the same, for if he were now to stop, the total Loss of the materials would fall upon the Company - and that he be at the same time enjoined not to extend the provision further, without the orders of Government -

Resolved that an Order be issued from the Treasury nine thousand Pagodas, which will complete the Military Storekeepers Indents.

Further advance to be made to the Military Storekeeper on this Account.

Mr. Robert Woolf having explained to the satisfaction of the Board the reason of his apparent Inattention to their Orders for filling up the Ditches around his Garden,

Mr. Woolf's Bills for Repairs to be more discharged.

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It is resolved that his Bill as late Contractor for Repairs with the remission of 12. P.r Cent as recommended by the Military Board, be now discharged The Amount Pagodas 2405.37.49.

" Wm Petrie

" Wheatley

Mylius Esq.r

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# Diary

6th Dispatched the undermentioned —

Letters as entered in M.B. Nos. 35. 36. 37. 38
39. 40 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Paymaster General directing him to advance Captain Frith the Sum of Pagodas 5000 and carry the Amount to the Debit of the Bengal Presidency.

To Major General Musgrave —

To Major General Musgrave informing him of the orders given to the Military Paymaster General, and of the Board's approbation of the other Requests made by Captain Frith.

To the Resident at Hydrabad detailing

To the Resident at Hydrabad the several Circumstances which stand in opposition to a public Investigation of the Matter complained of by the Roy Chittur Sing

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Board of Assumed Revenue informing them of the Communication made to the Resident at Hydrabad respecting Roy Chittur Sings directing that the Amount of the outstanding Balances collected by Mr. Torin for Fusly 1199 may be carried to the Credit of the Nabob's Account — and that the Collector in the Trichinopoly District may be desired to make advances of Cash to Mr. Farrow for the Payment

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6th of the Garrison of Tiagar.

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly informing him that the Collector in the Trichinopoly District will be directed to make the necessary advances of Cash for the Payment of the Garrison of Tiagar.

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly

To the Board of Revenue desiring them to instruct the Collectors to afford such Assistance to Major Orr's People as they may require for the purpose of enabling them to entertain the Number of Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters wanted for the Service of the 5th Regiment of Native Cavalry

To the Board of Revenue

To the acting Deputy Adjutant General enclosing an Extract of a Letter from the Contractor for Cloathing the Army and desiring he will furnish with the Indents therein required

To the acting Deputy Adjutant General

To the Officer Commanding the 6th Revenue Battalion informing him that he is to continue to draw his Pay from the Paymaster at Madura agreeably to the orders conveyed to him under Date the 13th Ultimo.

To the Offr Comm.g the 6th Revenue Batt.n

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts —

To the Military Paymaster General —

& the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

To the Comptroller General of Army Accounts

The Military Paymaster General

& the Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

enclosing Copy of the account Current drawn up by the Accountant General in which a Balance appears due by Mr. Johnston to the Honorable Company of Pagodas 19516:11:4

To

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To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts — enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Adjutant of Ensign Granby Hooper, and desiring he will report his opinion upon the Application therein contained —

To Ditto — informing him that Captain Campbell's Application for Passage Money cannot be complied with —

To the Military Storekeeper — enclosing an Order upon the Treasury for nine thousand Pagodas on account of the Provision of Tents which completes his Indent of 1200 Pagodas —

To the Secretary at Bengal — advising of the Intention of Government to send to Bengal by the first Opportunity two Artillery Men belonging to that Presidency who were landed from the Boddam —

To the Military Board — enclosing Extract of a Letter from Captain Andrew Read respecting a Refund ordered to be made, at their Recommendation, of Cash paid to Gunner Scragg as Sub Conductor and to Corporal Jones, employed as an Artificer in the Detachment — and desiring to know whether they see any cause for an Alteration of their former Opinion —

To the Military Board — desiring them

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& them to give orders for the Removal of some damaged Gun Powder in the Fort of Trepassore, in order that the Godown in which it is lodged may appropriated for the Reception of Grain

Received the following Letters

To the Honourable Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

Acting President &c. Members of Council

Fort St George

Honourable Sir and Sirs

From Candrah Cavelaw Streechistnah requesting that some Bills of Exchange which have been deposited with the Committee for investigating the Charges against Cauviah, may be delivered up to him

I beg leave to inform Your Honour in Council that some time in the Month of October, one thousand seven hundred and ninety, I deposited with a Committee, composed of Colonel Capper, George Moubray, and Benjamin Roebuck Esquires, two Bills of Exchange drawn upon me by one Muthamanjee Trevady in favour of his Highness the Nabob Wauluajah and by his Highness endorsed over to Ivadanum Cauviah Brahman, the one of which bills, is for the Sum of Portanova Pagodas 57,000 Payable at 30 days after Sight, and bears date the 11th day of October 1789 and the other of them is for the Sum of Portanova Pagodas 50,000 Payable at 25 days Sight, and bears date the 11th day of October 1789; and both of which Bills I according accepted, and discharged. —

I also take the liberty of informing

Your

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6th Your Honor in Council, that a Soadanum Pauliah is now suing me in the Honorable the Mayor's Court for the amount of a Bond, which he forcibly obtained from me, under the pretence of my being indebted to him, upon account of the said two Bills of Exchange, and as these, Bills and the Endorsements thereon form a very material Part of my Defence, and are mentioned in my answer to Pauliah's Bill of Complaint, and as the Mayor's Court has been pleased to order, that I should produce these Bills of Exchange, as will appear by the enclosed Extract, I have to request that Your Honor in Council will be pleased either to order that these Bills of Exchange may be returned to me, or that my Attorney at Law, Mr. John White may have Permission to take Copies of them, and of the Endorsements which are written upon them respectively

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

Madras
5th August 1791

(Signs Guzarat Language) Penda Cavel Ram Sreekistna

Extract from the Minutes of a Court held at the Town Hall on Tuesday the 26th Day of July Anno Domini 1791

Present

Josias DuPre Porcher Esqr. Mayor
Andrew Ross — John Hutford
James Amos — and Aldermen

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Pendah Cavelrum Treekistnah

Warrant of Arrest Returned Endorsed — Not to be found — another Warrant of Arrest prayed for and Granted — The Attorney for the Complainant prays that the Defendant may deliver into Court the two Original Bills of Exchange mentioned in his Answer and in the Account Current annexed to his Answer — Ordered accordingly

Further Day is given the Complainant till the 2nd August next to Reply in default of which this Cause will be heard on Bill and Answer

A true Extract

(signed) G. Taylor Regr.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From the Collector in the Tanjour Country — information respecting the predatory Incursions of Tondiman, and the measures that have been adopted —

You will be pleased to lay before the Honble. Board the enclosed Papers relative to a Predatory Incursion of Tondiman into the Tanjour Country; the Urgency of the Case appeared to

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&c to me not to admit of the Delay which a Reference to the Presidency would have occasioned. I am sorry to have reason to observe that the present Sondiman has, before now, discovered an Inclination for such Enterprizes, having frequently by his Vaqueel been urgent with me to allow him to Chastise (as his Expression was) these Colleries, who, however faulty they may have been about the Commencement of the Assumption in Plundering in these Arriaboo and Trichinopoly Districts, it is not even pretended ever committed the smallest Hostility against Sondiman

I have no Doubt but the appearance of the Honble Company's Sepoys will induce Sondiman's People to desist in the present case, and a Letter from the Honble President may probably prevent the like in future.

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

Sanjour
3d August 1791

(a Signal) G. Ram

Captain Glendoning
Commanding
at Sanjour

Sir;

Though I do not give entire Credit to the Representation enclosed, yet, as I have
(reason

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6th reason to think Tondiman's People have committed considerable Outrages and Meditate still further. I think it might be advisable to send a Detachment of Regular Sepoys with an Officer to the Neighbourhood of Singrapet as their appearance alone may prevent further mischief. I will willingly assist with any Number of the Revenue Armed Peons that can be spared, if you think they can be of any Service

I am with Respect &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) G. A. Ram

Tanjour
21st August 1791

Dear Sir,

In consequence of your Letter of Yesterday, though I was so very much Indisposed as not to be able to write, I never the less ordered a Detachment to be in readiness, which only waits for Orders to March. I must request to know how the Detachment is to act, Offensive or Defensive - if it is to remain at Seringapatam, or what other Place it is to ~~go to~~, and what Instructions you have to give to the Officer Commanding it?

I must likewise request you will give orders to your Armed Peons, to attend to the

Orders

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6th Orders they may receive from the Officer Commanding the Detachment.

Tanjore
3d. August 1791

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Chas. Glendoning

T. A Ram Esqr.

Dear Sir,

I have received your Letter of this Date acquainting me that in consequence of my — application of Yesterday you had been pleased to order a Detachment in readiness, I should be glad to be more particularly informed of the Strength of it, as it may be necessary to transmit an Account thereof to the Presidency — With regards to Instructions to the Officer, It certainly is not my Intention that He should act in any respect Offencively, or proceed one Step beyond the Limits of the Tanjour Country. but in case he should find the Colleries and Peons of Sondiman — Plundering, or in the Possession of any Village in the Tanjour Country, it will be proper for him to give them Notice to desist and evacuate the said Village and take as much care as possible that they do not carry their Depredations further, To recover the Prisoners, Cattle or Effects (which

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to which they may have taken, without, however, quitting the Borders of the Tanjore Country; for the sole Defence of which I have requested the Detachment.

Either of the two Persons who are represented as Leaders in this Incursion, should by any means fall into his Hands, he will detain them, and send them Prisoners to Tanjour, the first opportunity, to give Reasons for their conduct: Namely Silambary Servikaren and Vagarel Servikaren

I should imagine it might be most adviseable for him to proceed first to Singarapettah where he will meet with 60 of the Revenue Armed Peons: No more will be ordered to attend him: with respect to his further Operations they must be guided by the Intelligence he will receive in that Neighbourhood and from Persons acquainted with the Country whom I shall direct to attend his orders — I am, however, in hopes that the mere Appearance of a Body of Regular Sepoys commanded by an European Officer will be sufficient to induce Tondiman's People to desist and retire to their Country, and so far encourage the Inhabitants, by shewing them that their Protection will not be Neglected, that will continue the Cultivation

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&c. &c. without apprehension

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Tanjour

3d. August 1791

(signed) Geo: L. Ram

P.S. Be so kind as to order an Indent to be made out for 1000 Ball Cartridges and 100 Flints for the use of the Revenue Armed Peons to be employed on this occasion

To Captain Glendoning

True Copies

(signed) G. Ram

Account of the Mischief done by Tondiman's People

The Alesinganad People have given the following account - July 31st Viz.t

In the two Districts called Alisinganad Korcknad are Singapetta and Shanagundy Patty, into which Tondiman's People came from Kelikotta - the principal People of that Troop were Silambara Serwikarum and Agarel Serwikaren and some other head People, who came with 5000 Men, all of whom were Kolleries - the People had Firelocks, Spears, Rockets and Sticks - these People came first to Shanagundy Patta in the

Night

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6th night time - surrounded the Place and carried off every thing from that place, and drove away the Cattle, Bullocks and Sheep - wounded some People, and so departed

Many more People at Kelicatta, as they say to the Amount of 50,000 men - those People had formerly Plundered Shinga Patta and Tengolnad, and now they are ready to Plunder Cudukendoy mad - Their Intention is to plunder all 5 Districts -

If the Honble Company hears our Complaint we may remain in our Places - if not we must Emigrate

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## Letter to Sondiman

To ——— Sondiman

M. Ram presents his Salam

This Day I have been informed that a great number of your People, even to the Number of 5000 have attacked two Pallikadu, wounded some People, plundered the two Districts and driven away their Bullocks and Sheep - Nay it is said that a greater Number who are near Kilikotta intend to

/attack

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6d. attack the other District, and so to plunder and lay desolate all 5 Kollery Districts — When the Governor and Council hear of such outrageous acts, what will they say? If some of the Tanjour Kolleries have done any Mischief, you have a Right to complain, and to demand Justice — But to fall upon the Country People of your own accord is highly improper. I desire you therefore to give the Strictest Orders to your People to desist immediately from such hostilities and to send an intelligent person of your Subjects to Tanjour to answer for all

I am very willing to shew myself to be your Friend

(P.S.)

A true Copy from Mr. Swartz's Translation.

(signed) G. Ram,

To the Honble
Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Pres.t & Governor &c. &c. &c.a

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I had the Honor to inform you the 17th Instant that a Detachment of the Enemy on the 16th — Their Force was very much exaggerated

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From the Commandant at Pilgautcherry communicating Intelligence received from Coimbatoor.

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6th and only consists of 250 or 300 Horse about 2000 Sepoys and 6 Guns - two French twelves and four six pounders. They opened their Batteries on the 19th and continued to fire very brisk till the 21st but the three following days they fired very little, and Lieutenant Chalmers informs me that he has accounts that their Ammunition was nearly expended. —

Had I another Battalion of Sepoys I am confident they would not carry their Guns back: and as the Bowanny is full a Detachment from Trichinopoly would cut off their Retreat. —

I have arranged the Route of the Sepoys by way of Dindegull, as we have had no Letters for twelve Days past. —

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

Palghautcherry
29th July 1791

J. Cuppage
Major Comdt

W. C. Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Commandant at Pindigull stating that the Account he lately transmitted of the Surrender of Coimbatoor to the Enemy has proved to be entirely Erroneous. ——

I lose no time in informing you that my Hircarrah gave me Erroneous Accounts of the Enemy having had possession of

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6 Co. of Coimbatoor — some who have come in since, declare positively, that Lt. Chalmers had not evacuated the Garrison, and nearly agree as to the Strength of the Party

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

Dindigull
August 3d 1791

J. Bouse
Capt. Comm.

Sir,

From Mrs Johnston with Letter from her husband to the late Committee in which he applies for Copies of certain Papers relating to his Accounts &c.

I have the honor to enclose you a Letter from Mr. Johnston, intended for the late Committee. — It being dissolved Colonel Capper told me it was no longer in the power of those Gentlemen to comply with what is therein requested; he had likewise the goodness to say, my applying to you was not Irregular, I therefore request you will be so obliging as favor me with the Papers required, before Mr. Johnston can reply to the Board.

I beg leave to offer every Apology for troubling you, Sir,

And have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signd) H. M. Johnston
Colonel

Thursday Morning

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Col: Capper, Mess.rs Roebuck & Cockburn
in Committee
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I observe I am credited only P.s 4292.35.52, agreeably to the Report of the Trichinopoly Committee, I must have read & calculated upon it very erroneously; I shall however be much obliged to you for the particulars of that part of the Report, which relates to the Gunnys, and upon which you have formed your Statement.

I have to request the Comptroller General's Audit where a Sum of P.s 7522.24.16 was originally called for to be refunded, but which now stands reduced to P.s 6132.24.16.

I also beg to be furnished with the particulars of overcharge and wastage in the beating Paddy into Rice Amounting to P.s 2290.10.13 for I have never seen them; & cannot guess what they mean.

I have further to request the Account Curr.t of the Military Paymaster General, dated 7.th July 1791 - Making a Balance against me of P.s 25091 - 67.

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6th I have received from the Board an Account Current, signed by the Dep.t Accountant, making a Balance in favor of the Company of Pr. 19516..11..4; for the Payment of which Sum I am called upon, by the Orders of Government: the demand is rather premature, for until I am furnished with the foregoing Particulars, it will be impossible for me to judge of the Correctness of the Account.

Tranquebar 30th July 1791

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a &c.a
(signed) Sam.l Johnston

Substance of Letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob (as entered in C.L. No. 187) informing him that the Amount due his Highness on account of the Sales of mortgaged Grain and outstanding Balances collected by Mr. Torin for Fusly 1199 will be carried to the Credit of his Account, and appropriated to the Public Service — stating that Mr. Binny cannot be paid from the Company's Collections.

Sent the following Letters

To the Honble Charles Stuart
and to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council
at Fort William

To Bengal with Copy of Letter from Lord Cornwallis

Gentlemen;

We have the Honor to enclose (for

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To for your Information Copy of a Letter just received from Lord Cornwallis.

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

To the Honble Charles Stuart
& to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council
at Fort William

Gentlemen,

To Bengal & Fort St. George advising of the Board's Intention to send the Deptford to Bencoolen

The Honorable the Court of Directors having informed us that the Deptford Indiaman is to proceed to Bencoolen for the Purpose of conveying from thence to Bengal three hundred Recruits landed from the Woodford, we shall, in conformity to the Court's Orders dispatch the Deptford to the West Coast, in the Course of a few Days

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

The same to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlboro'

(Military

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Military Department

To

## To the Honorable Charles Stuart

& to the Gentlemen of the Supreme Council

at Fort William

Gentlemen,

To Bengal - advising of the Board's Intention to embark the Officers & Men of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry on the Indiamen of the Season for Bengal

We have the Honor to inform you that we have been desired by Lord Cornwallis to send to Bengal by the first favorable Opportunity the Officers and Men of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry, whose Services are no longer required on the Coast

We shall in conformity to the Wishes of his Lordship embark the abovementioned Troops on the Indiamen, which we are informed by the Court of Directors are to touch here in their way to Bengal.

Major General Musgrave has laid before us a Letter to him from Captain Frith on the occasion of the intended Departure of the Regiment, a Copy of which we have the Honor to enclose, and to inform you that as the Requests contained therein did not appear to us unreasonable, we acceded to them

We also enclose Extract of Lord

(Cornwallis's

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I have Lord Cornwallis's Letter on the Subject, & have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

humble Servants

(signed) Cha.s Oakeley

Fort St George
6th August 1791

Y.a Council

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord,

To Lord Cornwallis with Copies of Intelligence from Trichinopoly, Dindigul & Tiagar.

We have the Honor to enclose for your Lordships Information, Copies of Letters from Trichinopoly, Dindigul, & Tiagar, relative to the motions of the Enemy

We have the Honor to be

&c.a &c.a &c.a

Fort St George
6th August 1791

(signed) Cha.s Oakeley

Y.r Council

8th Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. P. B. N.os 50. 51. 52. 53. 54.

From the acting Resident at Cuddalore

From the acting Resident at Cuddalore enclosing an Application from Lieut.t Paris for an Allowance for House Rent.

(From

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From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar – with Copies of his Correspondence with Mr. Cochrane respecting the Measures – adopted for dispersing the Robbers who have for some Time infested the Guntoor Circar

From Masulipatam – advising

From Masulipatam

of their having engaged 234 Dooley Bearers and stating the Impossibility of procuring Bullock Drivers.

From Mr. G Robinson requesting

From Mr. G Robinson Asst. Surgeon on the Bengal Establishment

that he may be provided with a Passage to Bengal on board the Honble Company's Ship Kent

From Nagapah Chitty – requesting

From Nagapah Chitty –

that Bonds may be granted him for the Amount of Ground purchased of him by the Company for the Accommodation of the former Inhabitants of Hog Hill.

Sent the following Letters. –

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

To Lord Cornwallis – requesting to know if it be his Lordship's Wish that the Manufacture of Gun Powder should be continued at the Presidency

As you were pleased to inform me in your Letter of the 27th March, that the Supply of Gunpowder found in Bangalore would be sufficient for the Demands of the (War

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2d War, we beg leave to know if it is your Lordship's wish that we should go on with the Manufacture of that Article, or suspend it for the present, except on what may be sufficient for keeping the most useful Part of the Workmen together.—

We think it necessary to add for your Lordship's Information, that we have in Store at present six thousand Barrels of Gunpowder.

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Cha.s Oakeley
&c. Council

Fort St. George
7th August 1791.

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Gov.r General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

To Lord Cornwallis respecting the Assistance thereon by the Rajah of Travancore to allude to the Proposal made to him by Mr. Powney relative to his contribution towards the Expences of the present War. Instructions required as to the Disposal of the Money that may be received

We felt much pleasure in observing by your Lordship's Letter of the 18th Ult.o that the Principle on which we had formed our arrangement for assessing the Revenues of the Travancore Country, had met your Lordship's entire Approbation — we have now the Honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from Mr. Powney, in which he states the extreme reluctance of the Rajah to open his Coffers for the Public Exigences, & the Intention of His Excellency

Hos

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8.° to Solicit from your Lordship a remission of part of the Demand, and a Protraction in the Payment of the Remainder — But notwithstanding the Rajah's Declaration of his Poverty, we are decidedly of Opinion, that his Resources are fully competent without any distress to his Subjects, to the immediate Discharge of the whole Sum required from him; and we are by no means persuaded, even if your Lordship were to lessen his proportion, that he would be forthcoming, with more alacrity, on the Day of Payment. From our knowledge of his Character, & extreme fondness for Money, we were not surprized at the difficulties that had been Started to the proposed Measure; but as they are to be opposed by the Equity and Moderation of our Demand upon him, we are not without hope that a Letter from your Lordship to him, will have due weight, and that when he finds you are determined not to recede he will make a merit of Necessity and close with the Proposal —

We shall be glad to receive your Lordship's Sentiments in regard to the Appropriation of such Sums as Mr. Powney may receive from

the

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8th the Rajah.

Our Secretary having laid before us a Letter which he has received from your Lordship's Persian Translator Dated the 1st Instant, we have, in consequence, given orders for the Purchase of the Articles stated therein, which we shall forward to Amboor as soon after as possible, agreeable to your Lordship's desire

We have the Honor to be with great Respect and Esteem

Fort St. George
7th August 1791

&c &c &c

(Signed) W. Petrie
J. Hudleston

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c &c &c

My Lord,

Lord Cornwallis with
y of Intelligence from
Paligautchevy

We have the Honor to enclose for your Lordship's Information Copy of a Letter this Day received from Major Cuppage Commanding at Paligautchevy.

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

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(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
Jor. Council

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9th Received the following Letters.

W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you for the Information of the Honble the Governor in Council, that I have received the Commands of his Highness the Nizam, through the Resident, to have in readiness two Compleat Companies from the Detachment to accompany Meer Alum Bahaddur as an Escort to our Army. The Resident's Letter is dated the 9th Instant, on which Day Meer Alum was to have received his dismission, and to proceed in four, or five Days after by the Route of this Place.

Mr. Conductor Nixon joined the Detachment Yesterday with his Party from Innacondah.

Hafiz Feid-u-deen commenced his March for Guntim coondah Yesterday, is encamped about three Cos's distant from the Fort, and will, I understand, proceed in a few Days - he has no Battering Guns with him, and I have not as (yet

From Captain Andrew Read - Meer Alum leaves the Nizam's Durbar for Gungycotah - Mr Conductor Nixon joins the Detachment - Hafiz Feid-u-deen commences his Marches for Guntimcoondah

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9th yet been able, with any degree of certainty, to find out the Number of Troops, but suppose three or four Thousand

Camp near Gungy Cottah
18th July 1791.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) And.w Read
Capt Commanding.

To William Collins Jackson Esq.r
Military Secretary
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Collector at Tanjore - respecting the losses sustained by the Inhabitants of Singrapet from the Depredations of Tonnaimans People - the Country remains in perfectly quiet -

I have the Honor to forward to you, Letter from Lieut Brown Commanding the Detachment at Singrapat, relating the State of Matters there as he found; and my Answer, which you will be pleased to lay before the Honble Board.

Tanjour
5th August 1791

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) L. Ram.

Dear Sir,

I arrived here this morning about 8 O'Clock and have been joined by 40 of

(your

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9.C your armed Peons, the rest I expect to morrow
The Puttuckneer was with me this Evening and
brought the Head men of Sannapareh, the Village
which was plundered; they say that they have
lost 200 Bullocks; 2000 Sheep, and 4000 Chuckrums
in Jewels and Cloaths, but these accounts I fancy,
are somewhat exaggerated according to the
custom of the Country - They shewed me five
Men who were wounded in the scuffle, and several
Women, whose Ears had been torn, for the sake
I suppose, of the Ear-rings, and an old Woman or
two that they said Tondiman's People had beaten.
The Puttuckneer informs me that all
Tondiman's people have left the Tanjour Country
with their Booty, so that there is nothing recoverable
agreeable to my Instructions.
I have desired the Puttuckneer to keep a
small Party of his Collaries as near, but within
his own District, as he can to Helicotta the
place where he informs me Tondiman's people
are in greatest force, that should they attempt
any thing further I may have the earliest
Intelligence, that I may take such Steps as
appear most likely to prevent them from
plundering

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P.S. plundering, but I have some hopes that the presence of the Detachment here will keep them in awe.

The Colleries seem to have a strong desire to retaliate; I have therefore told them that they must do nothing without Orders.

I have written to Captain Glendoning to the same purport — when any thing further occurs I will do myself the pleasure of writing to you, till then

I remain &c &c &c

/Signed/ J. Brown

Singrapettah
4th August 1791

P.S. Pelicotta is a Village of Pondimani about 6 or 7 miles from this.

A true Copy
/Signed/ G. Ram

Dear Sir,

I received your Letter of yesterday and am glad to find things are so quiet — your Presence however at this time may be as necessary to prevent the retaliation of the Colleries as to protect them from further Incursions of Pondimani

I enclose you an account given in about the 23d

/March

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9th March last of things which the Singrapat Colleries have been accused and in part convicted of Stealing from the Trichinopoly District which I apprehend is the Plea which Tondiman will use to justify his attack.

As you are on the spot if you can find out whether any more of the Cattle have been restored I shall be obliged to you for the Information or if any have been delivered over for the Company's use on the late Demand for Bullocks

I am &c &c

(Signed) G. A. Ram

Tanjour
5th August 1791

To Lieut. Brown
at Singrapet

A true Copy
(Signed) G. A. Ram

W. Collins Jackson Esq.
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Military Department
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose two Letters I have received from Mr. Paymaster Brown, one of them containing a Reference concerning Lieut. Blair's Arrears as Quarter Master, on which I have to request the Board's decision. I enclose also two Letters which I request may be forwarded

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From the Resident at Hydrabad respecting arrears of Quarter Master's allowances drawn for by Lieutenant Blair.

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Gr. to the Governor General & one for Lieut. Stewart

I have the honor to be
Yr. Yr. Yr.

(Signed) John Kennaway

Sir John Kennaway Bart.
Resident at the Court of his
Highness the Nizam

Sir,

I have been honored with your Letter of the 10 Instant, and am happy to observe that it is your Intention to communicate to the Board the subject of the Nericks, which will render it sufficient for me to wait the result of their farther Determination in consequence. The general purchases of Grain by me, are on account of the victualling department: amounting on an average to about fifteen Pullahs every month, & this is solely for the Europeans of the Detachment. Whether Nericks are necessary or not, to serve as a Check on my charges for this Amount, Your Communication with Government will doubtless determine; and, as you are pleased to desire that Certificates may be given by the Commanding Officer, when Purchases of Rice are made to be served out to the Troops in general, an Issue which was made

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9th in the course of last month of this nature will render it necessary to apply myself to Captain Read for his Certificate to serve as my authority for the Charge. Before I conclude this subject it occurs to me to suggest the advantage of having Dustucks from the Nizam for admitting the passing of Grain free of Duty through his Highness's Countries from the distant & neighbouring Villages, where, by that means it might be procured so infinitely cheaper than out of a Camp Bazar. A Dustuck would also be particularly useful, in this respect I believe it should rather be called an order, for procuring easily and under as little imposition as possible, the Sheep - which I find it always necessary to purchase at distant Villages; where the Inhabitants are very loath to part with them, and consequently exact a very exorbitant Price for them.

I have the honor to inform you that in consequence of what you have now pointed out regarding the Payment of the Contractor's Bills Captain Read has authorized the liquidation of those for the months of April & May, the one due for June being left in reserve to be discharged when the Pay is meant to be issued to the Detachment for the present month

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Wm. Brown
Pay.r

Camp Gonjicotah
22d. July 1791

A true Copy
(signed) Graeme Mercer
A.J. Assist.

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(Copy)

To Sir John Kennaway Bart.

Resident at the Court of
His Highness the Nizam

Sir,

Lieutenant Blair has only now presented the enclosed Bills for payment, being amount due to him monthly during the period in which he has acted as Quarter Master to the Detachment, in which office he has since been succeeded by Lieut: Orr specially appointed by Government.

Both by the Instructions furnished me by Government, as by the late Estimate of the Military Board, the propriety of Lieut.t Blair's claim appears to me unexceptionable; nothing therefore, would induce me to intrude on your time by requesting your previous Sanction for discharging them, but the circumstance of their having been neglected to be presented in course for the different months of which the accounts have already been forwarded to the Presidency. I have informed Lieut.t Blair of the reference I have thought it necessary to make in consequence and will communicate to to him the Decision you may honor me with

I have the honor to be with Respect
&c.a &c.a &c.a
Sir
Your most
obed.t Hum.e Serv.t
(signed) W.m Brown
Pay.r

Camp Gorjeotah
9th July 1791

True Copy
(signed) Graeme Mercer
A.D.C. to the Genl

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# At a Consultation

Present

William Petrie Esqr.

and

John Hudleston Esqr.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

absent indisposed

The Honorable Major General

Tuesday 9th August 1791 Medows absent upon Service

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

The Board now proceed to pass the necessary Resolutions upon the Letter from the Honorable Court in the Military Department dated 6th April 1791, and received 7th Dec. Despatch

Resolutions passed upon the General Letter from the Court of Directors in the Military Department dated the 6th April 1791 & received 7th Dec. Despatch

Para 1 & 2— Ordered that a Copy of these Paragraphs be transmitted to Lord Cornwallis.—

3 & 4— Copy to the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis for his Information.—

5.— Agreed that a Copy of this Paragraph be transmitted to Lord Cornwallis, & that his Lordship be requested to inform the Board if it be his Wish that any Part of the Military Stores

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Stores consigned to the Bengal Presidency on the Coast and Bay Ships, should be taken out

6— Resolved in conformity to the Court's orders that the Deptford be sent to Bencoolen for the Purpose mentioned in this Paragraph.—

7 & 8— Ordered that a Copy of these Paragraphs be sent to the Hospital Board for their Information.—

9— Requires no Remark—

10-11-12— Copy to the Adjutant General for his Information and Guidance.—

13 & 14— Ordered that the Military Paymaster General do report whether it is usual for the Persons of the Description of the Petitioner's Morony to draw their Pay during their leave of absence from the Government to which they belong, and whether any Balance appears to be due to him on the Books of the Pay office.—

Mr. Petrie acquaints the Board that he has been informed by Major General Musgrave that Lord Cornwallis

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has desired that the Recruits belonging to the 1st Battalion of European Infantry, amounting to 140, & 70 Recruits for the 72d Regiment should be sent by Sea to Negapatam, and from thence to join their respective Regiments at Trichinopoly and Tanjore, & that the two Companies of the 72d Regt. should be ordered from Tanjore to join the Army.—

As the Company's Cruizer the Morning Star is now at Madras, and as the Commander of her has stated that the Season will not be favorable for Sailing to Bombay in less than a fort'night, it is resolved to give orders for the Recruits to be sent upon her to Negapatam, and that Captain Sutherland be ordered to bring back the two Companies of the 72d Regiment, agreeably to Lord Cornwallis's Desire.—

Recruits for the 1st Batt.n of European Infantry & His Majesty's 72d Regt. to be sent to Negapatam on the Company's Cruizer Morning Star. Troops to be brought back in the same Vessel.—

Read the following Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis to the Acting President—

Extract

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# Fort St. George 9th August 1791.

## Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis to Sir Charles Oakeley. dated Camp 7 miles south of Oussore July 31st 1791.

Extract of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis the eighteen pounder field Carriages now in hand are not immediately wanted in Camp two depressing twelve Pounder Carriages to be made up immediately

"I have heard by accident that a considerable number of eighteen pounder Carriages are to be made at Madras for the use of the Army, as soon as some Teak Timber that is expected shall arrive from Pegue, and that the Iron work is already in hand. If that is the case I should advise you to put a stop to it as soon as you can; for Carriages made of unseasoned Timber are very unfit, even for Garrisons, but would certainly be shivered to pieces in a few marches in the Field, especially in so rugged a Country as that which is the scene of our operations; and fortunately it is not necessary that you should be hurried in making them upon our account, as I sometime since requested the Supreme Board to send nine eighteen pounder Carriages from Bengal, which will be perfectly sufficient to complete our re-equipment.

"On several occasions I have found that a couple of depressing Carriages would have been of great use to us, and as I understand that a Model of one

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that was sent from Woolwich is now in your Arsenal, which is calculated for both depressing and elevating. I should wish that two twelve pounder Carriages might be made exactly conformable to it, and with as much dispatch as possible: and as I shall probably not be obliged to put Guns upon except at the places where they may be actually wanted, I would rather have them of unseasoned Wood, notwithstanding all I have said against it, than that there should be any delay in making them up."

Minute thereon

Resolved that a Letter be written to the Contractors for Gun Carriages directing them as soon as they can procure seasoned Timber fit for the purpose to proceed to the making up, upon the terms of their Contract the Gun Carriages mentioned in the Secretary's Letter to Mr. Topping of the 3d Instant.

Ditto

Agreed that the Military Board be desired to give immediate Orders to the Contractors to make up with all possible Expedition two twelve pounder depressing Carriages upon the Model now in the Arsenal.

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Ditto

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To

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley

President in Council

Honorable Sirs

Sirs,

From the Reverend Mr. Swartz, respecting the Mahratta Vakeel residing at Tanjore

According to the desire of th
Honble Board I have enquired into the reason
Wenkit Row is called the Maratta Vakeel
His Excellcy the present Rajah sa
that he is Vakeel and that he is entitled to th
daily allowance of 4 Chuckrs. He desired
to send to Baba, who formerly was the Head Man
or Serkeel. Accordingly I sent to Baba, who sen
the following Reply viz. that in the time wh
Mr. Sulivan was Resident Nana Peshwah at
Poonah invited Tulja Maha Rajah to his We
This Letter of invitation Mr. Sulivan read
excusing himself for his not coming to the We
but sent however Presents of Gold Cloths & Jewels
the Bridegroom & Bride.

Nanah sent in return some Presen
by Venkit Row. The late Rajah refused t
him, saying, What have these People to do here?
I have lost my Fort! But at last Baba int
this Venkit Row to Tulja Maha Raja. The Ra
did not look upon him as a Vakeel. When

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Venkit Row begg'd leave to return to Poonah, the Rajah readily granted him leave - But Venkit Row hoped to get a handsome Present which the Rajah would not give to him. As he was staying longer he begg'd that something for his Subsistence might be given to him - Baba gave him 4 Chuck: ℔ day - Though he talked often of his returning to Poonah, he never set out but lived here upon the 4 Chuckr: But the Rajah never sent a Letter to Poonah through him neither did Venkit Row get a Letter from Poonah to the Rajah.

Tanjore
August 5th 1791

I am respectfully
&c &c &c
(signed) C. F. Swartz

Minute thereon

Ordered to lie on the Table, until the Board hear from Sir Charles Warre Mallet on the Subject of the Letter written to him on the 18th Ultimo -

Read the following Letter from Lord Cornwallis -

Camp 7 Miles south of Ouss.
2d August 1791

From Lord Cornwallis stating the Route by which Mehdey Ali Khan should return to his master Instructions respecting the Salt Provisions arrived on the Victuallers -

Sir,

Captain Kennaway informs me that he has given a Passport to Mechdey Ali Khan, (the

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the Vakeel whom Tippoo sent to the Nizam, to return by Nellore, and that he has desired you to furnish him with a Pasport for his future progress, and to specify the Route that he is to follow on his return to Seringapatam.

I would by no means have him pass by Amboor, and should therefore recommend that you would send him under the care of proper persons by the Chittoor Valley and Pallomanar until he can be put under the Charge of Captain Read, who will receive instructions from me relative to the remainder of his journey

By the Letter which I received this morning from the Board dated the 25.th Ult.o + inclosing one from the Commodore I think it probable that you will have more salt Provisions upon your hands than you can want for the + Purposes mentioned in my Letter dated the 18.th of July, and if the Board should be of that opinion it + would be advisable to dispose of a part of them + immediately, as I understand that they are very liable to be Damaged in the Storehouses of this + Country. —

I am with great Esteem and Regard

&c.a &c.a &c.a

Cornwallis

(Signed)

Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

&c.a &c.a &c.a

(Resolved

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Minute thereon

Resolved that Captain Dunwoody be directed to send a sufficient Guard to Nellore for the Purpose of escorting Tippoo's Vackeel from thence by the Chittoor Valley & Pallamanar, where Instructions will be found from Captain Alexander Read relative to the Remainder of his Journey.

Ditto

With respect to the Salt Provisions mentioned by his Lordship, the Board have already directed the Garrison Storekeeper to report upon their present State — So soon as that Report is received, orders will be given for the Disposal of such part as may be necessary.

Read the following Letter from the Persian Translator to the Governor General

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary
at Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General to request that you will obtain the Authority of the Board to purchase in the public Account, the Articles mentioned in the accompanying List which his Lordship intends to present to Hurry Punt Tantea Purseram Bhow, and other

(Commanders

From the Persian Translator to the Governor General with a list of Articles to be purchased and sent to Camp in presents to the Different Commanders of the Forces of our Allies.

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Commanders of the Forces of the Allies who have and may hereafter join the English Army.

You will be pleased to make every Exertion in your Power to procure these Articles the best of their Kind, and to send them as soon as possible, addressed to me, to the Commanding Officer at Amboor, who will avail himself of the first Opportunity that may offer to forward them safe to me in Camp

I am &c. &c.

(signed) G. F. Cherry
Pers: Interr. to the
Govr. Genl. and Comr. in Chief

Camp
South of Oussore
1st August 1791

List of Articles

Two elegant well finished Gold Watches
Two Dollend's Spying Glasses of the lates make
Two Gold Watches and
Two Spying Glasses rather inferior in Quality to those above described
Two handsome Silver mounted small swords
One Single linked (if to be got) Gold Chain for each Watch
Three Demi peak Saddles complete with Pistols and Holsters, the Pistols handsome and the Bridles and Saddles well finished
Two Cannisters of fine Battel Gunpowder
Two Maunds of Wax Candles
One pair of Shades and one pair of Silver Candle-sticks

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Four Pound of Red Sealing wax
Four Boxes of Wafers of Colours
Four dozen of the best sliding Black Lead Pencils

(signed) G. F. Cherry
Pers: Intr.

Minute thereon

Agreed that the Articles mentioned in the foregoing Letter be purchased by the Secretary and their Amount discharged from the Treasury upon the Receipts of those from whom they are purchased

Read the following Letter from the Acting Deputy Adjutant General.

To Wm. Collins Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary.

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you for the Information of Government that a Detachment of Captain Frith's Regiment of Bengal Cavalry of one hundred Men, agreeably to what I had the Honor to mention to Mr. Petrie, will be ready to embark at Gun fire to-morrow morning on the Kent Indiamen

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

(signed) Fred Pierce
Actg. Dept. Adjt. Genl.

(ordered

From the Acting Deputy Adjutant General reporting that a Detachment of the Bengal Regiment of Cavalry is in readiness to embark on the Kent

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Minute thereon

Ordered that Captain Harding be directed to receive the Men on Board the Kent, & to pay due regard to the requisitions of their commanding Officer regarding the accommodations and treatment of the Troops during the Voyage to Bengal.

Read the following Letter from the Collector at Caroor.

To

William Collins Jackson Esqr

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Collector at Caroor - respecting the Number of Bullocks that may be hired from the Districts under his Management and the Terms proposed by the Owners.

Since writing to you on the 31st ultimo I have had several Conversations with the owners of Bullocks and I find innumerable difficulties; they apprehend a certain loss of their Cattle from their disuse to Carriage & to a want of proper Drivers &c. - To obviate these objections I have sent to a Number of Bullock Mastrys residing here immediately under me, and have endeavored through their Medium, with the assistance I can give them, to make an agreement with the Bullock owners for the Hire of their Cattle the present State of these Districts will prevent my hiring more than 1000 Bullocks immediately - but on the Enemy's retiring, which must be the case when our Army moves, I can hire a larger

Number

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Number. The Terms Required are 3 Pagodas
pr Month for each Bullock Carriage or Draught
to be ready with Saddles & Drivers & Masties
complete, to wait at whatever Station Government
may require for any given Period, the Cattle when
done with to Return to their Owners and not
to be detained with the Army, they running
all Risk. Should this be approved by Government
be so obliging to inform me immediately, or to
acquaint me in what other way you conceive
the Wishes of Government may be complied with,
as you may rely on the utmost readiness on
my part to give every assistance on this, or on
any other occasion.

I am &c &c

Signed George Wynch

Carroor
2d August 1791

Ordered to lie on the Table until Answers
are received from Major Cuppage & from the
Collectors at Trichinopoly, Dindigul & Coimbatour
on the same Subject.

Memdm thereon

Read the following Letter from Captn
Lieutenant Torin

To

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To the Honble Major General Medows

President Governor

& Commander in Chief

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Captain Lieut. Torin sends ninety three Horses to bring only intends returning to Bombay to renew his purchases and prepare his Accounts

I have the honor to acquaint

You I delivered ninety three Horses to Lt. Bridges on account of the Honble Company, the 5th of last Month, and hope to hear of their safe Arrival, and the Honble Board's approval before my return to renew my Purchases.—

The accounts would have been sent in for Inspection before I left Bombay, had not the late period of the Season prevented my remaining to adjust them.—

On my arrival at Bombay they shall be forwarded immediately, when the Balance (from a rough Statement) I find will be nearly equal.—

I have the Honor to be

&c &c &c

Palamcotta

9th August 1790.

(Signed) John Torin

Capt. Lt. Cavalry

Agent

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Minute thereon

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

Camp near Ossoor the 1st of August 1791

Hon.ble Sir and Gentlemen,

I had the honor of your's of the twenty third of July yesterday inclosing Lieut. Colonel Maxwell's application for the same allowances for the period he commanded the center Army that Colonel Musgrave had in a similar situation, which I have referred to Lord Cornwallis, who is of opinion, as well as myself, that Lieut Colonel Maxwell should have an allowance of two hundred and fifty Pagodas a Month during the time he

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I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
with great respect, Esteem, & truth,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Wm Medows
Gov.r &.c &.c

Ordered to lie on the Table until the
Minute thereon. Board have an opportunity of taking the
opinion of Sir Charles Oakeley on the Subject

To the Hon.ble Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Senior Member at the Presidency, and the
Gentlemen in Council at Fort S.t George
Madras — &c. &c. —

Camp near Ojoor
the 1.st August 1791

Hon.ble Sir and Gentlemen,

From Major General Medows has given the necessary Orders for assembling Captain Towns's Court Martial

I had the honor of your's of the twenty-second of July Yesterday, inclosing Captain Towns' Crime; who I am extremely glad is ordered under an arrest. — Lord Cornwallis will order a blank Warrant to be sent to General Musgrave to forward to Colonel Braithwaite, &

That

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That a General Court-Martial may be assembled at Ellore as soon as can be. The Board will send Captain Towns' Crime along with it. I am afraid it will run into some length, but every thing shall be done to forward it on my Part — Who have the honor to be

Gentlemen

with the greatest Respect, Esteem, & Truth

Your most obedient

humble Servant

(signed) Wm. Medows

Govr. &c. a &c.a

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

To M.r W.m Jackson

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From the Commissary General of Grain Provisions recommending that some Certificates granted by Mr. Johnston for Grain received into the Company's Store may be discharged by the Paymaster at Trichinopoly &c.a

Repeated application has been made to me for Payment of the three following Certificates granted by Mr. Johnston for Grain received from the Parties into the Company's Store — as appears stated in his Accounts, but not paid for, or Charged to the Company by him

Certificate

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Certificate to Kadoo Meya for Cullums 2944.10 or Ps. ---- 1367.10.10

Do. to Vuda Madapillah for 600 Cullums or Ps. ---- 278.24.—

Do. to Maduran Naigum Pillah for Cullums 5000 or Ps. ---- 2321.18.—

These Certificates agreeably to the Orders of Government were made Payable at two Months after date, and the holders claim Interest from the Period of payment falling due.—

I request the Orders of the Honble Board on this Subject & beg leave to recommend that they discharged at Trichinopoly by the Paymaster

I am &c. &c.

Madras
9th August 1791

(signed) Thos. Cockburn
C. & G.G.P.

Minute thereon.

Agreed that the Paymaster at Trichinopoly be directed to take up & discharge the Certificates mentioned in the foregoing Letter, with an Interest of Eight ℘ Cent. ℘ Annum from the Day they became payable.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Cockburn

To Mr. William Collins Jackson.

Secretary to the Military Department

From Mr. Cockburn advising of his Intention to proceed to Camp.

Sir,

I have received your Letter of the 3d. Instant, (with

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with Extracts of Letters from Lord Cornwallis of the 25th & 27th July.

I beg you will inform the Honble the Board that the strictest attention shall be paid to their Injunctions in regard to the Settlement of Accounts contained in the Extract of the 25th July, but I must defer replying to that of the 27th until I shall have obtained full Information from Camp; where, with the leave of the Honble Board, I shall proceed on or before the 15th Instant, in Compliance with the request of Lord Cornwallis, the Supplies being now in such forwardness, as not to require so immediate a superintendance as pointed out in my Letter of the 18th Ult.o Altho' I defer going into the general subject of this Extract for the present, I beg leave to observe, that, in whatever mode the Contract was conducted, it is now set aside; and, as his Lordship has declared he is convinced that under the Contract System, there would be no chance, that such responsibility would be imposed upon the Zeal Owners of the Cattle, as would in any degree secure the publick Service from the most mortifying & ruinous disappointments; Government will, I trust, pardon me for saying, that as little time as possible should be lost in forming a Plan for the future

management

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mangement of the Draught & Carriage Department of the Army: to give vigor to any system, it must be declared, and if definite arrangements are not speedily made, confusion and Disappointment may, I fear, be apprehended.

Madras
9th August 1791

I am &c
(signed) Tho.s Cockburn

Minute thereon

Agreed that a Copy of the above Letter be transmitted to Lord Cornwallis — & that Mr. Cockburn be permitted to proceed to Camp agreably to his Request.

Read the following Letter from the Military Storekeeper

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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Sir,

From the Military Storekeeper requesting that a further Advance may be made on account of the Provision of Grain in order to make the total advance 15000 Pago.s &c — remarks on the Board's Order for stopping the Provision of Grain.

Being very loth to trouble Government so again on the Subject of Advances, permit me to state to you that my Request was for a further Advance of 12000 Pag.s making in toto P.s 15000 & when you perceive from a Reference to the Statement I gave in to the Board that the whole amount of Grain ordered is Pag.s 35628 — You will not, I trust, deem the Advance I have solicited, unwarrantable

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From

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From the Letter I yesterday received from Mr Secry Jackson it would seem that the Board restrict me from making up a greater number of Tents than will amount to P. 12000. — I need not, I am sure point out to you the Detriment that must accrue to me from this Resolution, and I have no doubt but Govt. will relieve me from a Situation into which I am thrown by a ready obediance to the Orders of the Military Board

I am with great Respect & Esteem

&c &c &c

Fort St. George
9th August 1791

(signed) Jos. du Pre Porcher

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Military Storekeeper

Resolved in Consideration of the Circumstances stated by Mr Porcher that a further Advance of three thousand Pagodas be made to him on Account of the Provision of Tents.

Resolved also that Mr Porcher be informed that as the order for stopping the Provision of Tents followed so closely that for making up the Board conceive that the Sums which have been advanced, being nearly one half of the whole Indent, will save the Company from any possible Loss, for it is not to be supposed that his Instructions to his Agents for providing the Tents could have been so completely carried into Execution in the

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course of a very few days, as to have enabled them to purchase the whole Stock of Materials in that time.—

Read the following Letter & Enclosure from the Reverend Mr. Swartz.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President in Council &c.

Honorable Sir & Sirs,

From the Reverend Mr. Swartz—with copy of a Letter from the Rajah respecting the allowance for Pagodas, the Cirkar Gardens, the Pershcush due from the four Polygars, the Serottriam of Pattee-kotta; the Expences of Tibhendy & the Pagodas of Nidamangalam—The Rajah expresses his Wish to Rent the Tanjore Sunnums.—

According to the desire of His Exc: I send a Copy of his Excellcys Letter to me to the perusal of the Honble Board.

His Exc. desireth to have the sole Management of all those Gardens which are called Circars Gardens, he wishes to have them without any deduction from his Portion. Those Gardens great & Small are about C.A.— for which a Renter offereth to pay 4000 Ch. annually.—

Moreover his Excellency wished to have the Renting of the Tanjore Sunnam & he desired me to mention this Point in my Letter to the Honble Board.— When I told him that the Tanjore Sunnam had been rented for 62,000 Chuckrums p. year; Shivarow replied that the Company would not get that Sum— that at the End of the Year some Deduction or Remission would be expected.

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There are some other Points on which the Honble Board will learn from preceding His Excellency's Letter.

As his Excellency went into the Country & was therefore absent, I had no opportunity of laying before him some Points mentioned in the Letter with which the Honble Board has honored me, which I shall answer as soon as I can get leave to wait upon his Excellency.

I am Respectfully

&c &c &c

(signed) C. F. Swartz

Tanjore

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Amer Sing Rajah presents his Salam to Mr. Swartz.

The Pagodas which are in Maya= =veram Shially and Manargude= have a certain Allowance in the Account of all this in English and Maratta I have received together with a Letter to me in Aur Ancestors have paid this for the performance of Religious Rites to some 10 & to some 12 Months &c in such a manner it has been done till Hyder's War commenced.

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But when Batchena & Baba managed the Country some Pagodas got not their full allowance but two or 3 Months were struck off: & that was the practice in that Distressful time — However I have given a great deal of Money to Celebrate the Festivals — But whatever I gave, I could not give the full allowance to some Pagodas, by which the Rites were stopped & the People, who put their Trust in them, grieved. I likewise was grieved & resolved to pay the full allowance to the Pagodas — In the mean time the Company took the Country — I will write the true Sense of my mind viz. That You may according to ancient usage pay to some Pagodas the allowance of 10 & to some the fixed allowance of 12 Months — To abridge the allowance (as it was done in Baba's time) is improper. If you therefore pay the fixed allowance to the Pagoda, to some for 10 to others for 12 Months, I shall be greatly rejoice — And this wish of my Mind I desire you to make known to Mr. Tillofield —

I have given your account of the fixed allowans to the Pagodas to the inspection of my Duffer People to compare them with those which are in Duffer — If Mr. Tillofield will send 2 of his

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his Canocopolies to my Master, they may take an exact Account of all ye Fruit of his Canocopolies are requisite, because our Canocopolies are not accustomed to copy that Account in this Treg to let Mr Sallopfield know —

You have written a Letter to me — concerning the Circar Gardens, which I have considered — You mention that if I wanted any Fruits or other Vegetables from the Garden I might let Mr Ram know it — & he would immediately give Orders to the Gardeners to give every thing I wanted, but that the Gardeners could not well do it without Mr Rams leave — This you have written according to Mr Rams mind — This doth not surprize me — as he has so many things to lessen my Dignity —

I am persuaded that you know my Dignity & wish to preserve it — But I am grieved that you have not represented to Mr Ram the impropriety of my sending to Mr Ram to ask Fruits & other things out of my own Garden, but rather write as if you were of the same Opinion that I should send for it to Mr Ram. — To send often for such Trifles

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trifles I cannot brook. Whatever Fruit I wish to have out of the Gardens, I will take them without any one's leave.

If Mr. Ram hindereth it I must write to Madras. Though the Company has taken the Nabob's Country, his Gardens have not been taken. What is the reason that my Gardens have been taken from me? What great Profit doth the Company reap from those Gardens? I have waited these 10 Months hoping that my Gardens would be restored to me, but it doth not yet appear. This doth not appear to be proper. Even now I write you the wish of my mind, viz., I desire that the Queen's Garden & the Fields belonging to it, — likewise all other Gardens in the Country, which are called Circar Gardens, should be delivered to me. And I hope you will write to Madras, in the best manner, concerning those Gardens. — Besides that, you have sent me another Letter wherein you mention that Mr. Ram had desired you to inform me, that I might send some of my Servants to Tanquebar to receive from the Danes the Peshkash. — On that occasion some Presents, in Clothes, are sent to the

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Governor & then the Money of 2,500 Chs. and some other Articles are received. — As soon as the Money arriveth I will send the Receipt. —

When I was at Mannargodi You sent a Letter to Shiverow. — I have understood the Contents of it & ordered an Answer to be written by Shiverow. — If you act according to it, I shall be glad. — You have sent me another Letter informing me that the Board, in order to please me, had agreed that the 4 Polygars should be given over to attend me, and that the Peshkash, which they are obliged to pay, viz 5,977 Chs. 1 1/16 fs. should be deducted from my Portion — That the Serottriam of Pattukotta of 22,124 Chs. 7 9/16 fas. should likewise be delivered to me, & the Money deducted from my Portion — Both Sums amount to 27,000 Chs. and something above — In the account which I sent you I mentioned that the Expences of Sibendi and other Servants were to be deducted, and that after the deduction of those Expences there only remained 25,300 Chs. — But you have not deducted the Sum of the Expences, but say that I am to give you the receipt of the whole Sum of 27,000 Chs. — what is that? I consent to have the Sum of 25,300 Chs. deducted but to deduct more I do (not

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not allow —

You will, therefore, oblige me by speaking to those to whom the settling of that Point belongs, that I may be obliged to pay no more than 25,000 Chs. —

I have written to you concerning Nedamangalam and the Pagodas and Charity-House which is there — But nothing has hitherto been determined. — As I very much wish to have that affair settled I hope you will write to the Governor & Council that it may soon be decided. — I have often sent you word that I wished to see the account of the whole Collection, and how much I have received — and how much of the 1 Lack & 4/5th part is still due to me — You have often told me that the Account of the whole Revenue would soon be furnished; but hitherto I have not seen it. — To act in such a Manner is improper — you will, therefore, without delay let me know that Account — otherwise if you still delay that Business I shall be obliged to write to Madras

What have I more to write to a Friend?

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from Mr. Swartz.

As the Rajah of Tanjore seems so very desirous to be put in Possession of the Circar Gardens it is resolved that they be delivered up to him.

Agreed to inform the Reverend Mr. Swartz that the Rajah's Request to be permitted to rent the Tanjore Suncums cannot be complied with.

Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob (as entered in C. C. No. 188)

Translation

From the Nabob Waulaujau to Sir Chas. Oakeley Bart.

Dated 6th Zelhige 1205 Hegery or 7th August 1791

Received 8th August 1791

From the Nabob repeating his request that the Amount due to Mr. Sulivan may be discharged from the outstanding Balances collected at Tinnevelly for Fusly 1199.

I addressed you on the 8th Shabawn on the Subject of Mr. Benjamin Sulivan, and requested you would direct Mr. Torin your Tresuldar of the Tinnevelly Country to collect the outstanding Balances due to me for the preceding year in that Country, and to pay Mr. Sulivan Pagodas 32,215 - In your answer of 20th April last you tell me that if I had specified the particulars of these outstanding Ballances you would have been able to judge whether the Collection of

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them would interfere with the current Revenue, and in course how far it would have been in your Power to comply with my Request in regard to Mr. Sullivan. I am now to inform you that my outstanding Balances due in the Tinnevelly Country greatly exceed the amount of Mr. Sullivan's Sancah, and may be collected without interfering with the Current Revenue — I have been informed that Mr. Torin has collected a great Part of these Balances of the Revenue of 1199 Phusely — the Sum due to Mr. Benjamin Sullivan is for amount of Salary while he was in my Service, and I therefore request that the Money Mr. Torin has collected from the said Balances may be paid to him.

What can I say more?

A true translation

(signed) Joseph Carron.

P. Sr.

Minute thereon

Agreed to inform his Highness that it is not in the power of the Board to consent that any part of the outstanding Balances collected at Tinnevelly for Fusly 1199 should be diverted from the Purposes of the War

Read the following Letter from the

Officer

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Officer Commanding at Dindigul.

W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary.

Sir,

I had the pleasure this morning of a Line from Major Cuppage, who acquaints me that Lieutenant Chalmers had informed him in a Letter under date the 25th Ultimo, that the Enemy had opened four Guns on the 19th Ult.o - but did not mention what damage they had done the Fort, nor the size of the Guns. —

I take the liberty to recommend that there should be a Tappal established immediately from Trichinopoly to this Place, and to proceed by the way of Manapar, & instead of going round by Madura, and at the same time I beg leave to point out the necessity of having (for the present) for the use of this Garrison two Bricklayers, and

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From the Commandant at Dindigul Intelligence from Coimbatore Recommendation respecting the Tappal for Dindigul - requests Permission to entertain some Bricklayers and Working Parties for the Present & lay up such Provisions as he may think necessary

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The Board's Authority to order Working Parties for the purpose of making Gabions and Fascines, and also to be employed in putting the lower Fort and Ditch in some kind of order, I am now very busy with what Lascars I have, in making the Works of the lower Fort, as tenable as possible, as I am determined to defend it to the last, that is, by not running the least risque with the upper Fort, - and with a little Expence in the manner I have pointed out, I could annoy an Enemy a considerable time before they could possess themselves of the lower Fort - My accounts still lead me to believe that a Party is certainly meant for the Coimbatore and Dindigul Districts. The old Paguire, of whom I know, and who has always met with great Indulgence from the English, informed me Yesterday, that he had received very late Accounts of Tead Teab's intentions, with the Party he took from hence, to revisit this District, it will therefore be prudent, to be thoroughly prepared, by having every thing minutely

/arranged

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arranged and whatever Provisions I may think
necessary / should things prove serious / for the
use of the Garrison, I also wish to have the Board's
Permission to be supplied by Mr. Macleod the
Collector, who is on every occasion, ready to expedite
every thing for the good of the Service

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Dindigul
3d August 1791

/ signed / S Bowser.
Capt. Commanding.

Minutes on the foregoing letter from the Commandant at Dindigul.

Agreed that the Post Master
General be instructed to establish for the present
a Tappal between Trichinopoly and Dindigul
by the way of Manapar, which is however to
be discontinued as soon as the Enemy has retired
from the conquered Districts.

Agreed that Captain Bowser
be authorised to call upon the Paymaster to
employ Bricklayers and Working Parties
for the purpose of putting the lower Fort of
Dindigul into a better State of Defence

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taking care that no greater Charge be made than is absolutely necessary.

The Commissary General of Grain and Provisions has already given orders to the Storekeeper to complete the Store of Salt, Ghee, and Firewood to three Months Stock.

Mr. Ogilvie appointed Examiner & Mr. Charles Carpenter Assistant Examiner in the Military Secretary's Office.

Resolved That Mr. Ogilvie be appointed Examiner, and Mr. Charles Carpenter Assistant Examiner in the Military Secretary's Office.

" W. Petrie

" J. Huddleston

Ogilvie
Exr.

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Diary

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Despatched the undermentioned

Letters as entered on M.B. N.os 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. &c.

To the Military Board directing

To the Military Board them to give the necessary orders to the Contractors to make up ten twelve Pounder depressing Carriages and informing them that the Board have resolved to discharge Mr. Woolfs Bill amounting to Pagodas 2105. 37. 19.—

To Major General Musgrave informing him that, if he had communicated to the Board the necessary information respecting the extraordinary preparations to be made for the Reception and

To Major General Musgrave accomodation of the Bengal Native Troops, a detachment might have been embarked on the Honble Company's Ship Kent.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Kent directing him to receive on board his ship and convey to Bengal James Mc. Mullin Gunner and John Whitehouse Matrose of Artillery.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Kent.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Kent enclosing a Return of Native Troops Ordered to embark on his Ship for Bengal instructions respecting their accomodation and Treatment during the Voyage.

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Kent.—

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Voyage —

To the Secretary at Bengal enclosing a Return of the Native Cavalry embarked for Bengal on the Kent and a Copy of the Instructions given to the Commander. —

To the Secretary at Bengal

To Do informing him that two Artillery Men have been embarked for Bengal on the Kent. —

To Do

Received Letter from the Calastry Rajah / as entered in C C 8th 789. / advising of his having completed the payment of his Peshcush for the Phazley year 1200 and requesting that he may be supplied with 250 Muskets. —

Substance of a Letter from the Calastry Rajah —

Received the following letters

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor &c. &c.

Fort St George,

Honble Sir

From the Commandant at Palghaut stating intelligence respecting the detention of Officers & Commissariat Servants by the Rajah of Cochin & requesting to be informed of the reasons for their detention

Since I had the honor to address you the 29th ultimo the Enemy has done very little against Coimbatoor and Lieutenant Chalmers writes on the 1st that he was under no apprehension from the Enemy but that the Travancore Sepoys were very Mutinous and talked of Amongst —

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Amongst themselves that they would oblige him to give
to give up the place if they will hold out a Fewdays
I shall have it in my power to relieve them: as General
Abercromby has been pleased to order two Battalions
of Travancore Sepoys from Calicut to join me with
this reinforcement I hope to be able to drive them out
of the Country. The Generals letter is dated the 23.d so
that I may expect them in a few days.

I have fitted up for field service
three Iron four pounders, with the Brigade of six pounders
will be quite sufficient and have been under the
necessity of hiring draft and Carriage Bullocks for this
Service and repairing a few old tents that were left here
by the Bombay detachment as there is neither Tent or
Bullock attached to the 16.th Battalion.

I have the honor to be with great respect

Y.r &c. &c.

/Signed/ J. Cuppage
Maj.r Com.g

Palghautchery
3.d August 1791.

To William Collins Jackson Esq.re
Secretary.

Sir,

By the orders of Government of the
46.th July 1791. I observe Lieutenant Patrick Maj.r Pother and
/Capt.n

From the Commandant
at Palamcotah Remarks
on the General Orders in
which Lieutenant
Maj.r Pother and Capt.n
Everett are appointed
to Command the Q.r & 10.
Revenue Battalions.

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Captain Everett of the Nabobs service appointed to the 9th and 10 Revenue Battalions ordered to be raised in this district by the G. O. of the 24th November last.—

By a letter from Mr. Chamier the Secretary of the same date I am ordered to pay no attention to that G. O. relating to the raising of those two Revenue Battalions at Palamcotah.—

By a letter of the 10th September 1790 three Provincial Battalions were ordered to be raised which was accordingly done and they have been employed on the Revenue Service ever since.—

I have the honor to Remain.—

&c. &c.

/Signed/ Tho.s Leighton.

Palamcotah
25th July 1791.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President & Governor &c. &c. in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From the Widow of the late Colonel Kelly enclosing the Certificate necessary to entitle her to the Benefit of Lord Clives Bounty.

Being informed by your Honorable Board some time ago that it was necessary for me to make the Accustomed Affidavit before a Magistrate in order to entitle me to the benefit of Lord Clives Bounty as widow of the late Colonel Robert Kelly. Make the liberty

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Sir

I have the honor to transmit you herewith the Copy of a Letter addressed to the Right Honble the Governor in Council, and of sending the Enclosed Affidavit made before the Mayor which I hope may prove satisfactory — and I am further emboldened to hope that your Honble Board will be pleased to take into consideration the long active and Zealous services of my late Husband whose attention to the duties of his profession your Honble Board are not strangers to, as well as the pecuniary situation of his Family — solely trusting to that liberality which has in so eminent a degree Characterized the Honble Company and their Representatives on similar occasions. —

I beg leave to subscribe myself. —

Sir &c. &c.

/Signed/ Miriam Kelly

widow of Col. Kelly dec.

Madras
3d August 1791

This day appeared before me.
Personally Miriam Kelly. who maketh oath on the Holy Evangelists that she is the Widow of Robert Kelly Esquire late a Colonel in the service of the Honble Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies on the Madras Establishment, who departed this Life on or about the twenty third day of September last past and the said Miriam Kelly doth further Swear

/ That.

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That the said Robert Kelly did not die seized or Possessed of the Sum of Four thousand Pounds British Sterling in real or personal Estate or property nor was any person or persons seized possessed or entitled to real or personal Estate or property to the said Amount or Value together of Four thousand Pounds sterling in trust for him the said Colonel Robert Kelly - and that the said Miriam Kelly is still a Widow. -

Sworn before me in Madras in the East Indies the 1st day of August 1791.

/Signed/ Miriam Kelly. -

/Signed/ Jos. DuPre Porcher.
Mayor.

I do hereby Certify that the late Robert Kelly Esqre was Colonel in the Honble Companies Service on the Establishment. —

/Signed/ Tho.s Musgrave
A. General.

Sct.

From Mr. Johnston Mr. Johnston applies for sundry original vouchers now in the Possession of the Military Paymaster Genl.

I hope you received a letter I had the honor to enclose to you a few days ago and that the Board have granted the request made therein by Mr. Johnston. — I now take the liberty of troubling you with another -

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another addressed to Colonel Capper Comptroller General who informs me all the Vouchers desired by Mr Johnston are delivered into the Military Paymasters office. I have therefore to beg you will have the goodness to obtain the necessary orders for their being delivered to him.

I have the honor to be

Sr. & Sr.

Tuesday

Two Oclock

/Signed/ Master Maria Johnston —

Colonel Capper Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

Fort St George.

Sir.

Government having debited me for a Sum of Pagodas 10360. 23. 78. said to be "the amount of inadmissible Charges in my Account from 1st May 1789. to "to 31st May 1790. being for want of Vouchers and for Charges "Contrary to the Regulations of the Service &c per audit "of the Comptroller General" and also for a Sum of Pagodas 2870. 31. 32. said to be "the amount in suspence in my "account from Do to Do or 4th Do for want of Vouchers for "which when produced to the satisfaction of the Board I am to "have Credit" I have to request you will be pleased to return me in General all those Vouchers which have been rejected and in particular those for the following Articles —

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No. 1. The particulars stating Repair at Paymasters House.—

2. Vouchers of Colonel Horne Nixon and Major Darly for Secret Service

3. The Store Serjeants Voucher that 6. dooleys were delivered by me into the Stores.—

4. The Inspectors Certificate proving that Brass, Steel and Copper were furnished by me to the Carpenters Yard.—

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| 5. | A Voucher on August for a Charge of | | 3. | 20. |
| 6. | Do. Do. | | 10. | 40. " |
| 7. | Two Vouchers for 6. and 4. Pagodas in September then at Colonel Stuarts. | | 10. | " |
| 8. | A Voucher in September | | 2. | 15. " |
| 9. | Voucher for Buchallen Batta in October | | 6. | 9. 6. |
| 10. | Adjutants Allowance for Carrying | | 40. | 23. 16. |
| 11. | Battalion Books | | 7. | 21. " |
| 12. | Three small Vouchers Signed by Commanding Officers in January 1790. for | 4. | " | " |
| | | 2. | 8. | " |
| | | 1. | 16. | " |
| 13. | Two for Sub Conductors in February. | 3 | 19. | 32. |
| | | 9. | 26. | 6. |
| 14. | A Voucher for Buckalles Batta for February. | 160. | 10. | 20. |
| 15. | Major Smart's travelling Batta in february | | 75. | 20. " |
| 16. | A voucher of Capt. Bells in February | | 16. | " " |
| 17. | Captain Weights Vouchers for dooleys &c. | | 96. | " " |
| 18. | The particulars of batta paid Lascars | | 723. | 3. 40. |
| 19. | Candles for Com.y of Stores | | 9. | " " |
| 20. | Indent for Bamboos for Cavalry | | 9. | 22. " |

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I have to request of you to reconsider the Charge of Pagodas 10.53. f. hc. and to inform me if the Receipts of the people to whom I paid the money will warrant the Charge which you will find was constantly in Mr. Falk's accounts and also I believe in Mr. Garrons this is under the head of Buffalo Bandy hire and for 13 Months Supply of wood. —

I observe in the margin of the Minute of the Board there is this N.B. Pagodas 12,230. 31. 74. of the Sum "Pagodas 1,259. 8. 59. have been deducted in the Military "Paymasters accounts which reduces the Balance under this "head to Pagodas 1036a. 22. 72" all I shall observe upon this is, that as mess. Andrews and Wolf were sent to Trechinopoly to receive my Vouchers so it was their duty to have examined these Clothing Vouchers when they were delivered over to them with the same Caution as they examined the half batta Chitts. I insist upon it I delivered to these Gentlemen Vouchers to the Amount of Pagodas 4,761. 8. 39. what became of them afterwards was not my Consideration, but, as they appear to have had possession of the Vouchers from December till the 5th May. the white ants may have eat them, be that as it may, I hope you will see how reasonable it is for me to expect that the Trechinopoly Committee is responsible for the deficiency, and not me. — I have not yet seen the Military

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Fort St George 11 August 1791

Pay master Generals Account of the 7th July last I just mention the Circumstances to you, that you may have any sentiments upon this part of the Refund.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Jam.s Johnston

Tranquebar
31st July 1791.

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

President and Governor &c.

Honble Sir,

From Lieutenant Brenton communicating Intelligence received from Pondichery

Yesterday the following particulars were communicated to me from Pondichery by a person much in my Confidence whilst I commanded at Permacoil on whose veracity I can depend I have judged it extremely proper that you should be made acquainted with them—

Colonel Dufresne has recently received Accounts that the Deputies from Pondichery to the national Assembly have been most graciously received, and have obtained a promise that the military force at that settlement shall be augmented to 3000 Europeans and 1200 Sepoys the Patriots in Pondichery considering they have not only not resources in the Country in the event of a War, but Hope have come to the resolution of dispatching Monsieur Leger the present Intendant next month

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to Paris with an account of the success of the British Arms and Tippos present disastrous situation. Defirne persuades Tippo to make offers of peace to Earl Cornwallis in order to gain time for the arrival of Monsieur Kergain one of the deputies with dispatches from the National assembly. he is daily expected. my correspondent adds that the French have written to Poonah representing to the Marattahs that if they suffer the English to Crush Tippo they may expect a similar fate an answer Arrived from the Peishwa on the 15th ultimo the Contents have hitherto remained a profound secret. an embassy to the same purpose and presents preparing are now in great forwardness for the Nizam.

I have the honor to be with greatest Respect

Honble Sir

Yr. &c. &c.

/Signed/ J. Braxton.

Fort St. George
10th August 1791

Sent the following Letter to Lord Cornwallis.

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General &c. &c. &c.

To Lord Cornwallis
Communicating Intelligence received from Pondichery

My Lord.

We think it necessary to enclose for Your

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Your Lordships Information Copy of a letter which our acting President has received from Lieutenant Brunton containing Intelligence from Pondichery. —

We have the honor to be with great Respect and Esteem, —

My Lord.

Fort St. George
9th August 1791.

Your Lordships &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council. —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. P. &c. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. —

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To the Contractors for Gun Carriages —

To the Contractors for Gun Carriages.

desiring they will make up the Gun Carriages mentioned in Mr. Secretary Jacksons Letter of the 3d. instant so soon as they can procure seasoned timber fit for the Purpose. —

To the Military Board desiring that all the Flat-form Carts that are ready may be immediately forwarded to Amboor with such Cloathing and Camp Equipage as may be prepared, —

To the Military Board.

To Captain Sutherland desiring he will Inform the Board, as soon as possible of the Tonnage of the morning Star, and her present Compliment of Lands. —

To the Commander of the Honble Company Cruizer Morning Star. —

To

# Fort St George. August 1791.

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To Captain Lieutenant Tovin informing him that no further Purchases of Horses are to be made and desiring that as soon as his Accounts are adjusted and forwarded to the Presidency he will return to his duty in the Regiment to which he belongs. —

To Captain Lieut. Tovin of the Cavalry. —

To the Commandant at Vellore. —

To the Commandant at Vellore —

informing him that Instructions will be given to the Commandant at Ongole respecting Methdy Ali Khan.

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. —

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions enclosing an Indent of Stationary required for the department of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions in Camp. —

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions —

From the Secretary at Bengal — "

From the Secretary at Bengal —

enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Agent employed to purchase and ship the Rice to be sent to Madras in order to fill up the Tonnage engaged generally to carry Cattle. —

Minute on the above mentioned Letter from the Secretary at Bengal. —

Ordered that all Letters and Papers received from Bengal on the Subject of Supplies expected to arrive shortly for the use of the Army be delivered to the Heads of the Departments to which they belong. —

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From the Commandant at Dindegul complaining of Mr. Vaughans Conduct in refusing to discharge Batta Chits altho' they bore his Signature and enclosing Copies of his Correspondence with that Gentleman on the Subject. —

From the Commandant at Dindegul

From the Commandant at Chengalpat put with Copy of a Letter from the Senior officer of Artillery in Camp applying for some Guns &c. stating how far he is able to comply with his application —

From the Commander of the Honble Company's Cruizer Morning Star, stating the Burthen of the Vessel under his Command and her present Compliment of Hands —

From the Commander of the Honble Company's Cruizer Morning Star —

Sent Letter to the Nabob / as entered in C.C. N.o 190. / informing him that the Board cannot consent that any part of the outstanding Balances collected at Tinnevelly for the Fusly 1199. should be diverted from the purposes of the War. —

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob —

Sent the following Letters. —

To Captain Dumwoody.

Commanding at

Ongole

Sir,

If the Commandant at Ongole respecting the Guards to be detached to Nellore to escort Mr Hosey & Children to the Mysore Country and the Route they are to take —

I am directed by the Honble the President

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Mr.

President in Council to desire you will send a Sufficient Guard to Nellore for the purpose of escorting Mehdey Ali Khan Tippoos Vacheel from thence by the Chittoor Valley and Pallomanar where instructions will be found from Captain Alexander Read relative to the remainder of the Journey—

If there be no native officer at Ongole on whom you can fully depend for the due execution of your orders in regard to the Route by which it is intended the Vacheel shall proceed to the Mysore Country you are in that Case to detach an European Officer with the Guard above mentioned particularly enjoining him to conduct the Vachel by the Chittoor Valley, and by no means to allow him to have communication with Vellore or Amboor—he is however to be treated upon all occasions with respect and attention.—

As soon as the Vakeel has been put under the Charge of Captain Alexander Read you will direct the Officer to return with the Party to Ongole.—

The following is a list of the People &c. with Mehdey Ali Khan.—

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of men | 22. |
| Riding Horses | 6. |
| Bullocks | 5 |
| Horses | 4. |
| Tattoo | 1. |

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I am &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Esq.
To

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No. 11.

To Sir. John. Kennaway. Bart.

Resident at

Hydrabad.

Sir.

To the Resident at Hydrabad with Extract of a letter from Lord Cornwallis respecting Mehdey ali Khan and Copy of the Boards letter to the Commandant at ongole on the Subject.—

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to enclose for your Information an Extract of a Letter to him from Lord Cornwallis respecting Mehdey ali Khan and a Copy of the Boards letter to the Commanding Officer at ongole on the same subject.—

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George

10th august 1791

/Signed/ W. C. Jackson.

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To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord.

To Lord Cornwallis informing him that the necessary orders have been given respecting Mehdey Ali Khan and the sale of Salt Provisions as recommended by his Lordship.—

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Lordship's letters dated the 30th ultimo and 2d Instant.—

Your Lordship will have seen by the Copy of the letters from Colonel Bridges and Major Cuppage which we lately transmitted to you that there was no foundation for the report of the

/Surrender

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Surrender of Coimbatour. and that Lieutenant Chalmers had no Apprehensions for the Safety of the Place.—

We have directed that Mehdey Ali Khan shall proceed to the Mysore Country by the route prescribed by your Lordship — We will be escorted by a small party of Sepoys from Ongole who will remain with him at Pollamanar until he can be put under the Charge of Captain Alexander Read.—

We shall pay due attention to your Lordship's Recommendation respecting the Salt Provisions landed from the Victuallers. —

We have the Honor to be with great respect and Esteem. —

&c. &c.

Fort St. George
10th August 1791.

/Signed/ Charles Oakeley
&c. Council.

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis. K.G.
Governor General &c. &c.

My Lord,

To Lord Cornwallis advice of the permission given to Mr. Cockburn to proceed to Camp— enclosing Copy of his Letter and Extract of a Letter from the Court of Directors respecting Military Stores consigned to Bengal. —

We have been honored by your Lordships Letter of the 27th ultimo.

We deemed it necessary to communicate such parts of your Lordships Letter as /Related.

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Sir &c. &c.

/Signed/ W. C. Jackson.

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To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord.

To Lord Cornwallis informing him that the necessary orders have been given respecting Mehdey Ali Khan and the Sale of Salt Provisions are recommended by his Lordship.—

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Lordship's letters dated the 30th ultimo and 2d Instant.—

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&c. &c.

/Signed/ Charles Oakeley

&c. Council

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To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis. K. G.

Governor General &c. &c.

My Lord,

We have been honored by your Lordships Letter of the 27th ultimo. —

We deemed it necessary to communicate such parts of your Lordships Letter as related.

To Lord Cornwallis
advice of the permission
given to Mr. Cockburn
to proceed to Camp—
enclosing Copy of his
Letter and Postmast
of a Letter from the
Court of Directors
respecting Military
Stores consigned to
Bengal. —

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Related to the Bullock Contract to Mr. Cockburn

in order to afford him an opportunity of entering into an explanation of the subject both for your Lordships Information and for our own. But he has stated in reply that he cannot go fully into the subject until he has obtained the necessary information from his agents in Camp and at his request we have accordingly permitted him to wait upon your Lordship — a Copy of his Letter to us we have the honor to enclose. —

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We beg leave to transmit to your Lordship an Extract of a Letter which we have received from the Honble Court of Directors by the Lapstford and we shall be glad to know if it be your Lordship's wish that we should take out any and what part of the Military Stores consigned to the Bengal Presidency on the Coast and Bay Ships. —

We have the honor to be with great Respect and esteem.

My Lord.

Fort St. George
11th August 1791.

&c &c &c

[Signed] Chas Oakeley

&c &c Council

Sent.

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Sent Letter to Tondiman (as entered in C.C. No. 491) directing him immediately to furnish the Ringleaders of the party who have plundered the Village of Sannurapett and to restore the plundered Property under pain of the severest displeasure of Government.—

Substance of a Letter to Tondeman

Dispatched the undermentioned letters as entered in M.B. No. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83.—

To the Collector at Tanjore enclosing the abovementioned letter for Tondiman and copy for his Information.—

To the Collector at Tanjore.—

To the Commandant at Dindigul informing him that orders have been given for establishing a Tappal between Trichinopoly and Dindigal by the way of Manapar, so long as the Enemy remain in that Neighbourhood authorizing him to call upon the Paymaster to engage Bricklayers and Working parties for the purpose of putting the lower Fort in a better state of defence and stating that all applications from him on the Subject of Provisions must be made to the storekeeper and not to the Collector.—

To the Commandant at Dindigul—

To the Paymaster at Madura &c.

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To the Paymaster at Madura

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To the Paymaster at Arkonam &c.—

enclosing an Extract of the above-mentioned letter to the Commandant at Dindegul respecting Provisions

To Mr. Thomas Cockburn informing him that he has the Boards Permission to proceed to Camp agreeably to the Request contained in his letter of the 9th Instant.—

To Mr. Thomas Cockburn.—

To the Military Board desiring them to report their opinion upon a Claim preferred by Lieutenant Blau for Arrears of pay during the time in which he acted as Quarter Master to the Detachment serving with the Nizams Army.—

To the Military Board

To Mr. Samuel Johnston enclosing the Papers applied for in his letter to the late Committee under date the 30th ultimo.—

To Mr. Samuel Johnston

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly with a Memorandum of Certificates granted by Mr. Johnston for Grain received into the Company's Stores which are to be taken up and discharged with an Interest of 8 per Cent from the day they became due.—

To the Paymaster at Trichinopoly.—

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions informing him of the Instructions given to the Paymaster at Trichinopoly respecting the Certificates granted by Mr. Johnston.—

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To

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To the Board of Assumed Revenue enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Reverend Mr. Swartz and desiring that the whole of the Circar Gardens about 64 in Number / may begiven up to the Rajah

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Reverend Mr. Swartz informing him that the whole of the Circar Gardens in the Tanjore Country will begiven up to the Rajah and that his Excellency's Request to be permitted to rent the Tanjore Sunaums cannot be complied with. —

To the Reverend Mr. Swartz —

To the Acting Resident at Cuddalore informing him that Lieutenant Pariss claim to House Rent is inadmissible. —

To the Acting Resident at Cuddalore —

To the Military Paymaster General enclosing Copy of a Letter from Mr. Samuel Johnston and desiring he will furnish him with the Vouchers he has applied for. —

To the Military Paymaster Genl.

To Major General Musgrave informing him that the earliest communication will be made to him of the Vessel on which it is intended to send Recruits to Negapatam. —

To Major General Musgrave —

Ad.

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# At a Consultation

Present.

William Petrie Esqre & John Hudleston Esqre

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. absent

Friday 12th August 1791 indisposed.—

The Honble Major General Medows

Absent upon Service.

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.—

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

To the Honble Major General Medows.

Governor in Council.

Fort St. George,

From the Board of Assumed Revenue recommendation respecting the Number of Mutsuddees that should be employed by the Nabob in the different Districts and the decrease of the Military establishment in the Tinnevelly province the Object of Calantry compleats the Payment of his Peishcush for Fasly 1200.

In compliance with your Orders of 6th Instant we have the Honor of stating our ideas upon the Nabob's list of mutsuddees inclosed in your letter of 27th ultimo If the amount of their Allowance is to be debited to his Highness the Number to be employed will of Course depend upon his — pleasure

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Pleasure, but, if the amount is to be defrayed by the Company we are of opinion that one Tehsildar and one Gomastah at the residence of each Collector will be amply sufficient for the purposes of inspection and transmission of Accounts.—

We are sorry to learn from Mr. Torin that the Military establishment so indispensable for the protection of his Districts is likely to undergo a Change in Consequence of a late Order by Government which reduces the three Battalions of Revenue Troops to two, and renders the force in every respect ineffectual at a time when the absence of the Army from our own Territories makes it more requisite.—

We were so convinced of the argument at the outset of the Assumption as to recommend that the Military at Tinnevelly should be restored to the same footing as they were on during the Assignment and when this alteration was proposed a few months ago Government thought proper to suspend the execution of it.—

We think it our duty to state these Circumstances and to recommend in the strongest Manner that the three Battalions be continued in the

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the Provence of Tinnevelly because Mr. Torin says

"We cannot answer to us for the safety of the revenue

"or even a neutral Conduct on the part of the Numerous

"Poligars, should they be with drawn"—

We have the honor to inform you that the Rajah of Calastry has made good the "payment of his Peish cush for Fusly 1200 and we take the liberty of recommending that a letter be Written by the acting President to accompany a Khelat on the Occasion.—

We have the honor to be.—

Fort St. George
7th August 1791

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/Signed/ David Haliburton

" Wm Balfour.

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Board of Aſsumed Revenue.

The Board have written to his Highneſs the Nabob regarding the Mutseddie's to be employed on his account in the Examination of the Cutchery Accounts of the Country.—

With respect to the Revenue Battalions stationed at Tinnevelly the Board do not find on a reference to the Order published on the 16th of

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of July last that the three Battalions are reduced to two they notice only that two of them are now denominated the 9th and 10th and commanded by Lieutenant Mapothu and Captain Everett. the third Battalion which is extra to the Establishment and which was raised by express instructions, not having been disbanded by any authority from the Board they cannot discover upon what Grounds Mr. Torins Communication to the Board of Assumed Revenues founded.

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board (with enclosures entered in M.B. No. 84.)

Hospital Board
August 8th 1791.

Proceedings of the Hospital Board enclosing a Copy of the Regulations adopted in Camp respecting the future Care of the Sick Messrs. Walson & O. Hill apply for Permission to visit the Presidency Medicines arrived on the dept. for recommending that some Repairs be executed to the hospital at Poonamelly and that a dressing Table be furnished for the dispensary proposing that Mr. dalton be stationed at the General Hospital at the Presidency.

Read a Letter from the Military Secretary informing this Board that the future Care of the Sick is to be placed in the hands of the Regimental Surgeons, and that the expences incidental to a field hospital are immediately to cease.

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The Hospital Board have directed their Secretary to transmit a Copy of it to the Surgeon General.—

Approved.—

Read a Letter from the Surgeon General enclosing a Copy of the Regulations — adopted in Camp. Copies of which they have the honor to transmit to Government —

Mr. Watson Surgeon at Palamcottah having — Applied for leave to come to the Presidency for six Weeks on urgent business. —

The Hospital Board recommend that leave may be granted him as Mr. Moore Assistant Surgeon stationed there can execute the duty till his return. —

Approved.

Read a Letter from Mr. Mein Head Surgeon Trichinopoly

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Trichinopoly requesting that Mr. Oneil Assistant Surgeon ordered on duty to Vellore may be permitted to visit the Presidency on his return to Trichinopoly — the Hospital Board recommend that it may be granted. —

Approved.—

The Hospital Board having received a list of the Europe Medicines arrived on the Deptford They have directed their Secretary to acquaint the Surgeon General of the same that he may order an Indent for the Medicines wanted in Camp to be transmitted without loss of time —

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Kincaid Surgeon at Ponnamallee representing that the Hospital there is in

Orders will be issued.

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in so ruinous a State as to be unfit to accommodate the patients in bad weather — the Board therefore recommend that the Engineer may be ordered to make the Necessary repairs as soon as possible. —

Approved.

Mr. Kincaid having also represented the Necessity of a Dressing Table for the Medicine dispensary which was formerly ordered but never executed the Board recommend that his request may be complied with. —

Approved.

Mr. James Dalton having arrived on the Fort with the Appointment of Assistant Surgeon from the Honble the Court of Directors. —

The Hospital Board recommend that he may be stationed

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Stationed at the General Hospital at the Presidency

Jam.s Anderson
Physician Gen.l

Wm. Raine
Acting Chief Surgeon

Wm. Duffin
Head Surgeon

Read the following letter from Lord Cornwallis.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President and Council
Fort St. George

Gentlemen

I have been favored with your letters dated the 18th 21st 22d 25th 26th & 27th of July—

From Lord Cornwallis opinion respecting the Line of Conduct that should be observed towards Caupiah the dubash of the Messrs Wollonds—

The regard that you have manifested for the honor and interests of your Country by the attention you have paid to the Charges exhibited against the Messrs Wollond and your exertions to bring those offenders to public justice claim my highest applause and

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I have seen with great satisfaction that the Committee who conducted that long and difficult investigation have received the warmest testimony of your Approbation and Acknowledgement. -

I am clearly of Opinion that Paupiah who was the active and willing instrument in all the corruption and iniquity of Mr. Hollonds Government justly deserves the severest punishment Yet when we consider how trifling his crimes Appear when compared to those of his principals and how Vain it is to hope for virtuous Dubashes under Corrupt Governors and Councellors I do not think it advisable in his case to go much out of the Common tract, and to do an act of peculiar rigor for the sake of an example which would so little answer any useful purpose to the public. —

I do not however mean to say because Paupiah is much less guilty than his masters and because it might be premature to commence a prosecution against him at Madras previous to the trial which his principals will probably undergo before one of the most respectable Courts that can be instituted that he ought for these reasons to escape entirely

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entirely from the hands of Justice and return with impunity the fruits of his Villany. —

On the contrary I recommend that your Honble Board should call on him for a recognizance to appear when required & Answer the Charges that may be brought against him and in default of his providing bail to the extent which you shall be clearly convinced to be within the reach of his fortune and abilities altho' it may not be proportioned to the nature of his crimes he should be continued in confinement until the proper Season shall arrive for taking legal Steps to render him responsible for the peculations and extortions of which there appears to be no doubt that he has been guilty. —

I have the honor to be. —

&c.a &c.a &c.a

(Signed) Cornwallis. —

Camp 7 miles South of Oussore August 4th 1791. —

Resolved that the Consideration of the foregoing Letter be post poned. —

Consideration of the foregoing Letter post poned. —

Read the following Letter from Captain Alexander Read. —

To

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To Sir Charles Oakeley

Sir.

From Captain Alexander Read Remarks respecting his Receipts & disbursements of Cash on account of the Purchase of Cattle &c. enclosing Bills for Intelligence forwarded since July

Having laid before Lord Cornwallis the Steps I have taken since I escorted back the Bullock Bungaries for subjecting and regulating these countries and for drawing supplies from them in a letter I yesterday addressed to his Lordship I now transmit a Copy of it. and although the detail of my civil employ is perhaps too unimportant yet to make its enclosures worthy your perusal I also send a copy of them for your particular information. —

According to my instructions from Government dated the 2d. of May. I am to account to the Commissary General of Grain and provisions for Pag. 5066. I then received for the purchase of supplies, but that business including concerns distinct from his Department which probably was not then foreseen I apprehend, that to facilitate the Settlement of accounts between the Company and other Departments, it is necessary to lay one of my receipts and deliveries of supplies as well as an account of my receipts and disburse= =ments of Cash before you. —

To

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To illustrate this I have included in my receipts of supply Cattle and sheep given by Polygars as Nazzers to the Company for whose value the Company should be credited by the Gentlemen to whom they were delivered. — By a late arrangement in Camp the Agent for procuring cattle for the Army will have to account to Government for the Draft and carriage Bullocks I delivered to him and not the Commissary General of Grain and provisions — and as I disburse cash for the payment of my detachment to its Paymaster, Mr. Torriano has to credit — with me for the amount of sums that his deputy Government [illegible] has received for his department. On one side of N.° 5 is my account with cash, on the other side that of my disbursements for supplies and N.° 6. shows my receipts and deliveries of every Article attested by the accompanying Vouchers excepting 2000 Pagodas in the hands of Lieutenant Cruickshanks, and 3000 with Lieutenant Macpherson, for the purchase of Supplies at their stations, the Application of which sums will appear in my future accounts of disbursements. —

N.° 7. and 8. are my accounts with Intelligence for may June and July transmitted &c.

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to receive your signature — Allow me to request that you will order their payment to be made at the Presidency and to Mr. Secretary Jackson whom I will write to concerning it. —

Camp S. Miles south of Rahmangur. August the 2d. 1791

I am with great esteem, —

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[Signed] Alex.r Read. —

Minute thereon. —

Agreed that Captain Alexander Reads Bills for Intelligence for the months of May June and July amounting to Pagodas 999. 35. 8/4 be discharged by the Military Paymaster General —

Do.

Agreed also that the Gratuity of one thousand Pagodas granted to Captain Read in reward for his services be discharged at the same time. —

Read the following Letter from the Military Board. —

To Sir. Charles OaKeley Baronet. —

acting President in Council. —

From the Military Board Estimate of additional Workmen required for the present Month Their enquiry into the Claims preferred on account of Maj.r Wells delayed former & a List of Gunners that have been already discharged, —

Sir,

Agreeably to your Commands of the 13th

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13th May last We beg leave to Submit for your Approbation — Major Maules estimate of the expences amounting to Pgs 2[illegible]4 for materials and additional Workmen which upon Examination we find will be necessary in the present month towards completing the Works detailed therein.

We also take leave to inform you that we have commenced our Investigations into the Hog Hill Claims but as the papers and documents upon the Records of the late Committee of Works are incomplete from the Want of a List of the Grounds that have been already distributed to several of the Claimants as far as such Ground went for that purpose. Major Maule has informed us that he is collecting from the people who allotted the Ground under Mr. Maxwell the materials for forming an exact statement of the Amount of these Claims when this is completed we shall not fail to proceed in our enquiries, and bring them to the most speedy conclusion.

We have the honor to be—

&c &c &c

" Tho.s Musgrave.
" J. Capper.
" George Maule.
" G. Hall.
" J.

Fort St. George
6th August 1791

/Signed/

For.

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Minute thereon

For the Reasons stated in the foregoing Letter the Board approve Major Mules estimate of the Expences for materials and additional workmen

Read the following Letter from Major General Musgrave, —

To the Honble the Governor in Council

&c &c &c

Honble Sir.

From Major General Musgrave respecting the Balance objected to him on the delay of the embarkation of the Native troops for Bengal.

In reply to your Secretarys Letter of the 9th Instant. I beg leave to express my concern that there should have been the smallest delay in the embarkation of the Bengal Cavalry Regiment. And still more so that the Balance should be laid to my account as I am not sensible that either in this instance or any other, I have ever failed of promoting the Honble Boards intentions as far as laid in my power - No official instructions from Government were ever received by me, but those in the Boards letter of the 6th Instant, which were immediately complied with by the Horses being delivered over to Colonel Floyd on the 6th and the men from that time were ready for embarkation Whenever Government should order them, —

Not.

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Not knowing that Mr Petrie was acting President I never considered what paſsed between him and me in an Official light, nor that it was the Boards desire I should furnish them with any particular return of what was neceſsary to be prepared for the accom=modation of the Bengal Troops, Therefore, I flatter myself, should not a proportion of the Bengal Men be embarked on the Kent, the delay will be attributed to Accidental mistake, and not to any neglect or wilful Omiſsion on my part, but that any such cause of misunderstanding may be obviated in future. I beg leave to acquaint the Board that the Regiment is in readineſs to embark on the shortest notice. —

I have the honor to be with respect

&c.a &c.a

/Signed/ Tho.s Musgrave.

10.th August 1791.

The Board think it neceſsary to remark on General musgraves Letter, that the only communications he could have with Mr Petrie on the subject of embarking the men for Bengal and the frequent meſsages which he sent to him by the

Minute thereon.

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The deputy Adjutant General must have been considered by him as official — in consequence of Sir Charles Oakeley's indisposition. —

Read the following letter from Major General Musgrave, —

To the Honble the Governor in Councile —

Honble Sir,

From Major General Musgrave recommending that all the Grain be removed from the Barracks at Poonamallee and that Lieutenant Sampson be appointed Quarter master of the 2d European Battalion vice Mc Leod, —

I take the liberty of representing to the Board that the Number of troops which have arrived and are shortly expected to arrive, from England, will require the whole of the Quarters at Poonamalee for their accommodation, but, as "Considerable part of the Barracks is at present filled with publick grain, it will be necessary that some place should be fixed on where it can be removed to in order that the Quarters may be in readiness for the reception of the troops when they land. —

At the earnest solicitation of Colonel Braithwaite I beg leave to recommend Lieutenant Sampson for the Appointment of Quarter master to the 2d. Regiment of European Infantry.

Vacant.

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Vacant by the death of the late Lieutenant McLeod.

I have the honor to be with respect

&ca &ca

Madrass
12th August 1791

(Signed) Thos. Musgrave

Agreed that the Grain be removed from the Barracks at Pondamallee in order that the Quarters may be in readiness for the reception of the Troops expected from England.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob (entered in C. C. No. 192)

Translation From the Nabob Waulaujan to Sir Chas. Oakely Bart.

Dated 8th Zelhige 1205 Hegery
or
9th August 1791

Received 10th August 1791

From the Nabob is ready to give up to the Company the Timber put up in his Houses in order to forward the public Service.

I have received your Letter of the 4th August 1791 or 3d Zelhige 1205 Hegery

I am in all respects the invariable friend of the English Nation and I expect the same from the Company In consequence of that frankness and unreservedness which subsists between us it is no consideration with me whether I have claims upon the Company or they upon me because amongst true

friends.

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friends this cannot be the cause of injury to the Honour, the Property or the Inheritance of each other. but ever since Governor Williams and Council exhibited an unfounded balance Against me, and divested me of my honour and my Country, I have been under such inconceivable fears and Apprehensions as have determined me to Avoid Claims between me and the Company as much as lies in my power. —

Sir Edward Hughes first received Timber from me which I had procured for the use of my House under a promise of returning it. Afterwards Governor Charles Smith obtained a large quantity / which was also designed for my House / under a Similar promise. but I am yet to expect the performance of those promises. — with respect to the Timber I now have, the case is this — My Ladies had procured Some pieces according with the length and breadth of their Houses which are not serviceable for the making of Gun Carriages yet if they should be Set for the use of my friends of what consideration can Timber be to me, when I am ready to devote my Life to their Service? I shall even agree with pleasure to take down the Timber that has been put up in my Houses. and supply

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My friends with it, particularly at this time, when such a personage as Lord Cornwallis, a Nobleman of Justice and my friend has the controlling power in this Country, and General Medows and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council are likewise Men of Justice and my friends.—

What can I say more?

A True Translation—

(Signed) Joseph Garrow.

Dr. Pt.

As it does not appear that Lord Cornwallis is in immediate want of Gun Carriages for the making of which the Nabobs timber was required it is resolved not to put his Highness to the inconvenience of parting with it.—

Minute thereon—

Read the following Letter from the Acting Paymaster at Paligh^t Cherry.—

To Mr. William Collins Jackson

Military Secretary,

Fort St. George,

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to communicate to the Hon^ble the Governor in Council that

From the acting Paymaster at Paligant Cherry recommending that the Resident at Travancore be ordered to Supply Cast. for the Payment of the Garrison the district under his Management Complains of the irregularity of the Native Paymaster of the Rajah of Travancore's Troops.—

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I have only sufficient Cash for the Payment of one month pay to the troops here, which is May, and it is now issuing and from the present situation of affairs in the district of Coimbatore there is little hopes of drawing any supply from thence for some time — even should the Enemy be obliged to retire.—

I therefore wish to be instructed if I am agreeably to my former orders to receive the Necessary supply of Cash for the Payment of the Garrisons in these Districts. thro Mr. Powney Resident of Travancore or if I may be permitted to draw on the Presidency—

I further beg you will acquaint the Honble Board that I have an offer of some money here for my Bills on the Presidency for which Company's papers at the Interest of the day will readily be received as payment.— I request you will procure an Answer to this letter as soon as possible. as If I am to have recourse for all my supplies to Mr. Powney it will be near the end of Next month before I can expect to receive any from the Heaviness of the Monsoon and difficulty of Communication.—

In consequence of the Honble Boards orders, Rice is now issuing to the troops in part payment

which.

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which reduction in our stock is scarcely felt — as the
Honble Board will be informed we are in hourly
expectation of a Reinforcement of two Battalions of
Travancore Sepoys from General Abercromby's Army
— I think it my duty to inform them that, when In
my station at Coimbatore, I was continually obliged
to be advancing them Money at the intercession of
their Officers, or they should have refused Duty — so
irregularly are they paid by the Black paymasters,
who I fond detain the pay long after his issued from
the Rajah — on this Account they were almost
useless as a Company or detachment never marched
twenty miles on Service. but I was under the necessity
of advancing money, and furnishing Bullocks
with Rice, and, if they were not punctually furnished,
they quitted their station to the great detriment of
the Service — This you will please to Acquaint the
Honble Board I did that the Service might not be
impeded. and I am now waiting the repayment from
their paymaster, I request you will represent this in the
strongest terms to the Honble Board and get me
relieved from the like difficulties. or give me orders
at once / on the Certificate and receipt of the Captain of

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the Battalion / to debit the Rajah of Travancore
for the same in my public Accounts. –

I am.

Palliguat Chery
3d August 1791

V.ble & V.ble

/ Signed / Ven.o Corbett.
acty. Payr.

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing
Letter be sent to the Resident at Travancore and
that he be desired to furnish Mr. Corbett with such
Sums as he may occasionaly want for the use of the
Troops. –

Minute on the foregoing Letter from Mr. Corbett. –

Agreed also that Mr. Downey
be desired to take an opportunity of speaking to
the Rajah respecting the irregular Payments to his
Troops and of pointing out to him the Impolicy of
allowing them at a Junction like the present to fall
into arrear. –

Read the following letters from the
Adjutant General of the Army. –

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Political and Military Departments of
Fort St. George.

From the adjutant General
Recruits to be sent to the
Southward and the recovered Men of Corps now in
the field to be exempted
at Vellore &ought to be
made from the 2d & 3d
European Battalions to
complete the 4 Co.

Sir.

Since addressing you twice under
this

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This date I am directed by Lord Cornwallis to request that you will signify to the Board his Lordships desire that all the men recruited in the Southern Garrisons for the Corps belonging to the Field army together with the detail of the different Corps that have been left sick at Trichinopoly or in other Garrisons to the Southward, shall be assembled at the most convenient station to the Southward as expeditiously as possible and from thence be ordered to march by the safest and best route to Vellore in order that they may join the army by the earliest opportunity.—

It is not his Lordships intention that any of the sick who have not sufficiently recovered or any of the Recruits who have not been some weeks at drill shall be sent to join the army on the present occasion at the same time he is desirous that the troops to the Southward as mentioned in the first part of this letter shall be drawn to Vellore as Generally as possible that the Corps may be more connected than they are at present.—

I am likewise desired to acquaint you for the information of the Board that Major General Musgrave is instructed to make a draught

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Draughts from the 2d. and 3d. European Battalions equal to 4 Serjeants 10 Corporals 160 privates in order to be transferred to the 4th. European Battalion which draughts together with the detail of the 4th European Battalion and other Corps left in the center of the Carnatic is to be assembled at Vellore and from thence to join the army General musgrave will at the same time give the 2d. and 3d. Battalions a proportion of the recruits of this season to make up for the draughts of old Soldiers that is to be taken from those Corps ——

I have the honor to be

Y.ca Y.ca

/Signed/ Henry Malcolm

Adjt. Genl. of the army.

Head Quarters

Camp Two Miles east of

Belagoontapilly 5th. August 1791.

To W. Cowper Esqr.

Secretary of the Political and Military Department

of Fort St. George.

From the adjutant General further Number of Men to be draughted from the 2d. and 3d. European Battalions to complete the 4th.

Sir.

Since addressing you of yesterdays date I am directed by Lord Cornwallis to express for the Information of the Board that General musGrave is directed to draught Two hundred privates — instead

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instead of 160 from the 2d and 3d European for the 4th and to place the detail of Non Commissioned and privates left at Trichinopoly belonging to the 4th — on the strength of the 1st European Battalion — consequently that his Lordship does not wish the South ward to be marched to Vellore. —

I have the honor to be

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(Signed) Henry Malcolm.

Adjt. Genl. of the army

Head Quarters Camp

2 Miles East of

Belagoontapillay

6th August 1791.

Agreed that Copies of the foregoing Letters be sent to Major General musgrave and that he be desired to take the necessary steps for carrying into execution the measures recommended by Lord Cornwallis. —

Minute on the two foregoing Letters from the adjutant General. —

To W. C. Jackson Esqre.

Secretary to the Political and Military departments

of Fort St. George.

From the adjutant General Appointments and Promotions to be published in General Orders. —

Sir,

I am directed by General Medows to transmit to you, in order to be laid before the Board, the following recommendations. —

Artillery

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Secretary of the Political and Military departments

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Sir,

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Lieutenant Fireworker Francis Gahagan to be
Lieutenant vice Pugh. date of Rank 7th April 1791.

Lieutenant Fireworker Baker Jennel to be
Lieutenant vice Conan deceased date of Rank 26th April 91.

Lieutenant Richard Clarke to be Inspector of Stores
at Tanjore vice Pugh promoted. —

Lieutenant Wm. Hughes to be Adjutant to the 2d.
Battalion of Artillery from the 10th June 1791 vice Conan.

Infantry

Lieutenant William Hammond to be Captain vice
Dawes deceased date of Rank 26th March 1791.

Lieutenant John Green to be Captain vice Jackson
deceased. date of Rank 12th May 1791.

Lieutenant Alexander Cuppage to be Captain vice
Westropp deceased date of Rank 18th May 1791.

Captain James Turing to command the 1st Battalion
of Native Infantry from the 26th March 1791 vice Dawes.

Lieutenant Edward O'Reilly to be Adjutant to the 9th
Battalion of Native Infantry from the 26th March
1791 Vice Alexander Grant appointed by Earl Cornwallis
to be Town Major of Bangalore. —

Lieutenant Charles Godfrey to be Adjutant to the
7th Battalion of Native Infantry from the 10th June 1791 vice
Orton

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Orton deceased. —

Lieutenant Abraham Hughes to Command the 2d Revenue Battalion vice Mc. Murdoch deceased and on the same terms relative to the Invalid list as was expressed in the Government orders of the 16th July 1791. —

I am directed to add that the part of the above recommendations which relate to the Artillery the adjutancy of the 2d Battalion excepted / and to the Appointments of Captain Twiss and Lieutenant Oheilly of Infantry were transmitted under date the 16th of April but that the other part has been unavoidably postponed until the present date. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm

Adj. Genl. of the Army.

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2 miles East of Belagondapilly
5th August 1791. — —

Resolved that the foregoing

Minute thereon. — Appointments be published in General Orders. —

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Political and Military departments of

Fort S. George.

Sir.

From the Aquitant General enclosing state of the officers on the Coast belonging to the Effective list recommendation respecting the Rank of Dates appointed by the Court of Directors and of persons provisionally appointed in this Country Sentiments of Major General Medows regarding the situation of the Gentlemen whose appointments have been struck off by the Honble Court. Instructions respecting the officers now in europe and those who may return to the Service no officer to be appointed to the Cavalry Artillery or Engineers without the previous Concurrence of Major General Medows.

I am commanded by General Medows to request you will present to the Board the inclosed State of the officers on the Coast belonging to the effective list and that you will signify at the same time the Generals opinion and Recommendation that the Cadets who have been appointed by the Honble the Court of Directors shall have precedence of all those appointed in this Country since the date from which the Honble Court have ordered the latter appointments to be annulled which date for want of correct documents in Camp as the orders were not published is reckoned upon in the present state from recollection to be the 30th April 1786. but which, if erroneous, can be easily rectified on reference to the originals afterwhich whatever alteration may be found necessary of what stands in the present state, reckoning from the 30th April 1786 can easily be made in any order to be published to the Army in regard to the Cadets named in this Country who

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fall to be placed under those appointed from home—

The General desires me to express

that he is induced to give the above opinion and

Recommendation to the Board not only in obedience

to the repeated orders of the Honble the Court of Directors

but also with a view of preventing the confusion

in the Army List which must arise, if one uniform

Rule is not pursued in regard to the Appointments

of both descriptions affecting the dates of Commissions,

which are to guide promotion as vacancies fall,

to which I am desired to add that strict Justice

Requires precedence to be given to regular Appointments

over such as are exceptionable.—

Although the General laments very

seriously the situation of the young Gentlemen whose

Appointments have been so strongly marked with the

disapprobation of the Honble Court, still he is of

opinion that they cannot be allowed with any degree of

order or regularity to remain upon the List in the manner

they stand at present. and that allowing them to

remain even in any situation, is in some degree a

deviation from the Orders of the Honble Court which

can only be admitted in the Board, on the Ground of

what is considered not only useful but even absolutely necessary

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this period in consequence of the great prejudice which may arise to the Interests of the Honble Company if this Army is deprived during an arduous war of fifty nine Subaltern officers most of whom are now trained and well acquainted with a duty, which is of very great importance in the constitution of all Armies, but more so in this than in any other not similarly constituted / on account of the Native Corps, on the establishment of which a Subaltern Commands a Company that falls frequently to be employed on services of very great consequence, in addition to which another very material consideration will occur, on the utility and necessity of retaining the Country Appointments for the present, as it appears that one fourth of the Subalterns allowed for the two Battalions of East Artillery is now composed of officers taken from that List, besides three out of sixteen allowed for the Corps of Engineers.—

under these sentiments of a Public Nature, and which may also operate strongly in favor of the young men, whose case is under discussion, the General cannot help adverting to

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the Situation to which they may eventually be reduced at an after period, if some previous warning is not given to them of the expectations they have to depend upon from the service of the Honble Company at the same time that they receive intimation of the manner in which alone they can be considered for the present.

On considering therefore the whole of the matter the General is induced to propose, that Government shall establish a decided Rule in public orders to regulate in the following manner the Appointments that have already been made as well as the future system to be observed.—

First By announcing in orders with the Rank of Ensign all the Cadets appointed from home since the date of the Honble the Court of Directors commands directing the Nominations made in India after / suppose / the 30th April 1786. to be annulled. and by giving the Cadets of each Season According to their standing on the list from home a date of Rank in the usual form on succesive days from the day of Arrival of one Cadet of the Seasons respectively and by placing opposite to their Names With their date of Rank Cavalry, Artillery, Infantry or Engineers

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Engineers according to the corps in which they are to serve and to be entered in the General list of the Army: that the General may have an opportunity of posting them to Regiments and Battalions according as the service shall require

In describing the corps in which these officers are to serve and to be entered upon the General list, as above Mentioned, the General requests that Messrs Moore G. A. De Morgan and John Overend may stand to the Cavalry for the reasons explained in the present state Messrs Crosdill, Dalrymple, Taynton and Rathway to the Artillery and Messrs Blair and Caldwell to the Engineers — the General also approves of Messrs Beauman, Geils, Skinner and James Campbell standing to the Artillery and William Farquhar to the Engineers and requests that all the rest may stand to the Infantry including as youngest of this Season. Messrs Blachall, Lucas, Spence and Dormieux Agreeably to the intimation received from the Honorable the Court of Directors on the subject of the four last mentioned.

Second By publishing an Order of the following purport relative to the Appointments made in India after / suppose / the 30th April 1786. Viz.t -

"The Honorable the Court of Directors

"having signified specific orders relative to Appointments

"made in this Country after / suppose / the 30th April 1786.

"Government

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"Government has resolved that the Nominations hereafter
"mentioned can only be considered as acting Officers until
"the Orders of the Honble Court either confirming or annulling
"them shall be signified after the Arrival in Europe of the
"dispatch which carrys home the present Resolutions of this
"Government: and also that the acting Officers cannot
"take Command interiorly among themselves until they shall
"be established in the Service by Order of the Honble Court"

"The Command as above described is to
"be regulated by the Order in which they stand on the following
"List.

The General requests that the acting
Officers may then be detailed According to the date of their
Appointments in this Country placing opposite to their
Names the Corps with which they are to serve on the same
principle as mentioned regarding the Cadets from home. the
Corps to be so inserted in the list with the Names opposite to
which they are to be placed. will be found in the accompany
-ing present Table. —

I am further directed to express that
General Medows having thus fully explained his senti
-ments for the consideration of the Board on the above
Appointments is strongly prompted by Humanity to return to

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the part of the subject that relates to the situation of the young Gentlemen, whose prospects in life are so materially involved in the final decision which may take place concerning them at home — a great Number of them have served upwards of five years and almost the whole have been employed during the present war in which they have acquired some experience in their profession and promise to continue to be useful Officers. under all these circumstances the General requests that the Board will explain the subject very comprehensively to the Honble Court by the first dispatch in the hope that. when every part of it is fully before them with the Resolutions taken by Government to prevent the influence of similar Appointments in future the Honble Court will be pleased to establish the Young Gentlemen in the Honble Company's service. and thereby rescue them from the distressing and melancholy situation in which they will be placed if the orders of the Honble Court shall finally determine that they must forever relinquish every prospect from a Service in which they have hitherto conducted themselves in a regular and useful manner and to which at the present period they are so essentially Necessary. —

The General Also requests that the Board will at the same time take under consideration

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The List of Assistant Surgeons appointed in this country from the
same date that affects the Cadets provided the former appear
to be included in the orders of the Honble Court and recommend
that their situation shall be regulated on the same principle
with that of the Cadets in doing which the General directs
me to express his desire that the Name of Mr. John —
Casterade may appear as an Acting Assistant surgeon on the
2d June 1790. at which time he was appointed by the General
to act in the Field with the 7th Battalion of Native
Infantry in consequence of the deficiency of Surgeons —
Assistants, and of his having been recommended; not only
as professionally qualified, but as a person who might be
of service with the Army from the knowledge he possessed
of many parts of the enemy's Country. in which latter point
of View he has been of use as well as in his Medical
capacity. —

I am also directed by General
Medows to express his desire that no officer or Cadet
shall be ordered to serve with the Cavalry Artillery
or Engineers. and more particularly with the —
Cavalry without his previous concurrence for reasons
which he conceives will occur to the Board on the
principle of Military Appointments in general

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as well as in compliance with his former request on the Subject of Military appointments subject to deviation when the service requires an immediate determination by the Board without waiting for a communication of his sentiments.—

The General takes this opportunity of expressing to the Board his opinion that officers returning to the service from Europe should be consi=dered as supernumeraries in conformity to the instruc=tions from the Honble the Court of Directors which were received in 1789. until vacancies fall in the Rank to which they belong. unless orders from the Honble Court on the subject of any officer in particular shall render proper a deviation from the General Rule which is so well calculated not only to prevent Brigades and corps from being burthened with a proportion of officers supernumerary to the Number allowed upon their establishment but also to preserve a just distribution of the allowances which fall to be made according to the number of each Rank forming the establishment of the Army.—

Head Quarters Camp two Miles East of Belagoontapilly 15th August 1791 —

I have the honor to be
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(Signed) Henry Malcolm.—
Adjt G. of the army.

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Present State of the Military Officers on India and inclu-
-ded on the effective list of the Army of the Coast Establishment
with explanations on reference to Orders transmitted by the
Honble Court of Directors for annulling the Appointments to
the Service that were made in India after a certain period
the orders alluded to being reckoned upon to apply to the
Appointments made after the 30th April 1786. as there
are no Documents in Camp to ascertain the precise date after
which the Appointments made in India were directed to be
Annulled. —

Return of Cavalry officers Present in India

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|---|---|
| Majors | 5 |
| Captain Lieutenants & Supernumerary do. | 22 |
| Lieutenants | 19 |
| Cornets | |
| Acting Ensigns of Infantry Serving with the Cavalry. | 1 |
| Total Subalterns | 42. |
| Establishment of Subalterns | 41 |
| Subalterns wanting to compleat. | |
| Subalterns Supernumerary. | 1. |

Explanations — Field Officers compleated on the list by regular promotion. — Captain Lieutenants are no part of the Establishment ordered for the Cavalry. — Lieutenants and Cornets compleat on the list besides one Acting Ensign of Infantry serving by Order of Government with the Cavalry included in the present state — but Lieutenant Tomblangue

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With Ensigns Hoare and George Augustus De Morgan the two Latter serving with the Cavalry by order of Government have been missing since the Skirmish in which the 1st Regiment was engaged near Coveripatam in November 1790. by the Reports of Natives who have made their escape from the Enemy's Prisons one of those three Officers — / supposed to be De Morgan / was killed in the Skirmish the other two said to be Alive — one Report states Lieutenant Tonblanque to have been put to death After he had been some time in prison. — Ensigns Hoare and De Morgan being Cadets appointed by the Honble the Court of Directors and having been ordered by Government to Act with the Cavalry are included in the present state as Cornets and Acting Cornet overend although nominated in this Country being intended by the Court to Appear on the list of Cadets expected this season from Europe is also included as a Cornet —

The three Absent Subalterns are included in the present state as the exact Number of Cavalry Officers which falls regularly to be returned cannot be ascertained until their fate is known one supernumerary Subaltern therefore appears in the present state Viz.t. Ablin Ensign David Foulis serving with the Cavalry by order of Government. —

Return of Artillery Officers Present in India. —

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| Lieutenant Colonels | 2. |
| Majors | 2. |
| Captains | 10. |
| Lieutenants | 20. |
| Lieutenant Fireworkers | 6. |
| Acting Lieutenant Fireworkers or acting Ensigns of Infantry serving as Lieutenant Fireworkers | 10. |
| Total Subalterns | 36. |
| Establishment of Subalterns | 40. |
| Subalterns wanting to Complete | 4. |
| Subalterns Supernumerary | 0 |

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Explanations Lieutenant Colonels Majors Captains and Lieutenants of Artillery compleated on the List by regular promotion. Six Lieutenant Fireworkers and ten Acting — Total 16 Lieutenant Fireworkers — Wanting 4. —

Lieutenant Fireworker Blaney Madder — and John W. Freese having a date of Rank previous to the 30th April 1786 — Lieut. Fireworkers John Crosdille Samuel Dalrymple — and John Taynton having been appointed by the Honble Court of Directors and Acting Lieut. Fireworker James Hathway, although one of the Nominations made in this Country being intended by the Court to appear in the list of Cadets — expected this season from Europe stands also as a Lieutenant Fireworker in the present state and makes up the Number six therein detailed. —

The Gentlemen who are in the present state under the Head of Acting Lieutenant Fireworkers or Acting Ensigns of Infantry serving as Lieutenant Fireworkers have been been Nominated in this Country since the 30th April 1786 as appears from their date of Rank in the list of the Army — their Names follow. —

Acting Lieutenant Fireworker. John Sinclear Senr. James Russell
Adam Mackie — John Bettson
A. McIntyre — Mathew Daly
M. W. Lewis — James Hall.
5. John Gourlay. 10. John Sinclear Jnr.

The Corps of Artillery appears by the present state to want four Subalterns even if the Nominations made in this Country after the 30th April 1786 are continued on the list and fourteen Subalterns if they are not continued. —

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M. W. Lewis — James Hall.
5. John Gourlay. 10. John Sinclear Jnr.

The Corps of Artillery appears by the present state to want four Subalterns even if the Nominations made in this Country after the 30th April 1786 are continued on the list and fourteen Subalterns if they are not continued. —

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Return of Infantry

Officers present in India.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Colonels | 4. | |
| Lieutenant Colonels | 9. | Total 10 Lieut Cols |
| Lieutenant Colonels Supernumy | 1 | |
| Majors | 9. | |
| Captains | 62. | |
| Lieutenants | 261. | |
| Ensigns | 19. | |
| Acting Ensigns | 45. | |
| Total Subalterns | 305. | |
| Establishment of Subalterns | 365. | |
| Subalterns now wanting to Compleat | 60 | |
| Subalterns Supernumerary | " | |

Explanations. Colonels Lieutenant Colonels Majors and Captains compleates on the list by regular promotion besides which there is one supernumerary Lieutenant Colonel / Congyngham / arrived this season leaves as to present state 261 Lieutenants 19. Ensigns and 45 Acting Ensigns — Total Infantry Subalterns 305. —

Ensigns Richard Blackall.
Charles Lucas.
Henry Spence.
Philip Dormieux although Appointments made in this Country being intended by the Honble Court to appear in the list of Cadets expected this season from Europe are included in the Number of Ensigns /19./ detailed in the present state which Number /19./ is made up by the following fifteen Already on the list by Appointment of the Honorable Court Viz.t —

Ensigns Frederick Pierce — Philip Ballard — Charles Farran
J. M. Vernon — John Redman. — James Welsh

Robert.

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Robert Kelly. Thomas Titchburn. Alexr. William Patterson
John Jones. Quarles Harris. Thomas Cooper.
5. Benn. 10. John De Morgan. 15. G. T. Geriche.

And the Acting Ensigns as per list and Present state stand as follows. including as such those whose date of Commission appears on the list of the Army to be posterior to the 30th of April 1786. Vizt.

P. Richardson. 15. Francis Bellon. 30. Robert Loyd.
James Gellanders. Gra: Machperson. James Tunston.
William Meulh. Robert Lyon. Donald McGregor.
Thomas Bowles. George McGregor. William Murray.
5. James Wilson John Davidson. Joseph Batch.
Hugh McRae. 20. Thomas O'Conner. 35. James McDonald
Chas. Moodie O Neile. Andrew Coghlan
John Butler. Archibald Campbell. Wm. H. Vaughan
Alexr. Muirhead. Joseph Coghlan. Arthur Frith.
10. Whitney McCally. Peter Smith. John Virion.
Thomas Whitlie 25. Dugald Campbell. 40. William Davidson
J. W. Hassard. John Lalor. Joseph Coupland.
T. S. Gibson John Fortune. George T. Wilman Robinet
Thomas Shadwele. John Fitzpatrick George Fisher
Edward Bagshaw. 45. William Davis.

The following six Officers. five of whom are on Parole and one Prisoner with the Enemy are included in the present State Vizt.

Captain George Totheringham.
" J. Tindal Evans
Lieutenants John Munro.
" Andrew Boyd.
Acting Ensign Richard Blackall
} On Parole.

Lieutenant Samuel Godfrey. Prisoner with the Enemy.

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The Corps of Infantry Appears by the present state and List to want 60. Subalterns even if the Nominations made in this Country since the 30th April 1786. are continued on the List, and 105. Subalterns if they are not continued.—

Return of Engineer officers Present in India—

| | |
|---|---|
| Lieutenant Colonel | 1. |
| Major | 1 |
| Captains | 4. |
| Lieutenants | 8. |
| Ensigns | 2. |
| Acting Ensigns | 3. |
| Total Subalterns | 13. |
| Establishment of Subalterns | 16. |
| Subalterns wanting to Compleat | 3. |
| Subalterns Supernumerary | " |

Explanations. Lieutenant Colonel. Major. Captains. and Lieutenants compleated on the list by regular promotion which leaves two Ensigns and three Acting Ensigns including of the former description Ensigns Blair — and.—

" Caldwell Appointed by the Honble the Court of Directors. and of the latter description Ensigns George Johnstone.—

" Robert Wood. and

" Edw.d Cadmore who appear by their date of Rank on the list to be nominations made in this Country since the 30th April 1786—

Total 13 Subalterns of Engineers on the list.—

The Corps of Engineers therefore Appears by the present state to want three Subalterns even if the Nominations made in this Country since the 30th April 1786. are continued and six Subalterns if they are not continued.—

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Having thus detailed separately the present state of the Military Officers on the different lists / Cavalry. Artillery. Infantry and Engineers / whether their date of Commission is prior or subsequent to the 30th April 1786. It is proposed to give at one Vein a General state in order to ascertain the Total Officers that will be Supernumerary or found wanting to compleat the list of the Army whatever may be the final determination on the Appointments made in this Country. In drawing out this General state only 54 will be reckoned upon out of the Cadets list expected to arrive this Season because the Honble Court of Directors having signified their intention to consider in that list six Now in the Country Vizt.—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cornet | Overend. | Cavalry. |
| Lieut. Fireworker | Wathway | Artillery and |
| Ensigns | Blackall. | Infantry.— |
| | Lucas | |
| | Spence | |
| | Dormieux | |

Who have been already included in one or other of the separate Present states. and one of the expected list / Mr. Hanson / having been dismissed the service since his arrival. a deduction of seven Necessarily falls to be made in the general Calculation from the Total Number sixty one, which the Court have signified their intention to appoint this Season.—

This General state will be confined to the Rank of Subaltern because the different grades from Colonel to Captain inclusive having been compleated to their Establishment by regular promotion as vacancies fell the information required will consequently be obtained at once by limiting this Detail to comparative Numbers in the Rank of Subaltern with the Establishment of that Rank wanted.—

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## Comparative General State of Subalterns

including Fifty four expected from Europe.—

### General State.—

| | Subalterns appointed by the Honble Court of Directors— | Subalterns Appointed in India | Total Subalterns Reckoned upon as present— | Establishment required— | Total wanting to Compleat in General comparative State if the appointments made in India are continued.— | Total Wanting to compleat if the appointments made in India are Struck off— |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Detail present as by separate present states. | 337. | 59. | 396. | 462. | | |
| Detail expected to arrive this Season from Europe— | 54 | " | 54. | " | | |
| General Comparative State— | 391 | 59. | 450. | 462. | 12. | 71 |

N.B: That Cornet George Neal of Cavalry and Ensign Frederick Pierce of Infantry are not included above among the appointments made in India / Although their date of Rank in the Corps to which they now belong appears on the list of the Army to be posterior to the 30th April 1786. / because they held a date of Commission prior to the 30th April 1786. / in the corps to which they belonged before removal Vizt. the former in the Infantry and the latter in the Artillery.—

Total all the Appointments made in India appear under that head in the General State, and in the separate states under the Head of Acting Cornets.- Acting Lieutenant Fireworkers or Acting Ensigns, except the six Appointments made in India which the Honble the Court of Directors have intimated their intention of including in the Number sixty one of which the list to be sent out this Season. is to consist.—

That the following Officers are considerd in the Above state in the Rank to which they fell to be promoted to supply Vacancies—

Cavalry.

Captain John Orr as Major Vice Darley—

Artillery.

Lieutenant Joseph Pugh as Captain Vice O Brien. deceased.

Lieutenant Firewr. Fras. Geoghagan as Lieutenant Vice Pugh Promoted

Lieut. Fireworker Baker Fennel as Lieutenant Vice Conan, deceased—

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Infantry.

Lieutenants William Hammond, John Greene, Alexander Cuppage } as Capts. vice { Dawes, Jackson, Westropp } Deceased.

That no Officer who is at or on his Voyage home is included in the present state and that the Officers of whose Arrival this season from Europe advice has been received in Camp. are considered as Supernumeraries until Vacancies fall in the Rank to which such Officers belong.—

That Lieutenant Ryland of the Engineer Corps. who is said to have died lately at Calcutta is included in the present state until precedence is determined between the Appointments made from home and those made in India, since the 30th of April 1786. after which determination the succession to promotion will begovern'd.—

[Signed] Henry Malcolm.
Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

Head Quarters Camp two Miles East of Belagoontapilly 3d August 1791.

N.B. Since the above state was drawn out reports have been received of the death of Lieutenants Charles Alison and Richard Somers of Infantry and Lieutenant Ryland of Engineers, which occasions a consequent deduction from the Separate and General states respectively And increases the Number of Subalterns wanting to compleat the Army to 15 if those Appointed in the Country are continued on the List and to 74. if they are struck off.—

[Signed] Henry Malcolm.
Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

Agreed to inform Major General medows that by a letter received from the Honble Court ashort time ago the Board have been advised that all the Appointments made in India during the Government of Sir Archibald Campbell are confirmed — that this will make a material change in the state of the officers transmitted by Colonel Malcolm and with

Minutes on the foregoing letter from the Adjutant General—

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the circumstance of not having received any lists of the Cadets Appointed for the three last years will render it Necessary to postpone the Publication of the order recommended by him until those lists arrive—

upon that part of Colonel Malcolms Letter which states the General: wish that no Officer or Cadet should be ordered to Secure in any other Corps than the Infantry without his previous Concurrence the Board Remark that they have not in any Instance Appointed to the Cavalry Artillery or Engineers except in the Case of Mr. Pittman who was Appointed to the Engineer Corps by the Court of Directors — If such Appointments have been made they have neither been reported to the Board nor their sanction obtained for them. —

Mr. Petrie informs the Board that as the — "Morning Star will not be able to Accommodate all the Recruits that were intended to be sent on her to Negapatam he recommends that the Swallow be employed on this service. —

The Swallow to be employed in conveying to Negapatam the Recruits intended to have been sent on the Morning Star. —

Ordered Accordingly. —

" W.m Petrie

" Hudleston

J. Ogilvie Esq.

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## Diary

12 Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos. 85. 86. 87. 88.

From the Garrison Storekeeper.

From the Garrison Storekeeper stating that none of the Articles of Store relating to his Department, received from Bengal, were ever through Neglect, suffered to remain on the Beach exposed to the Weather.

From the Acting Agent for Spirituous Liquors.

From the Acting Agent for Spirituous Liquors enclosing Copies of several Papers, tending to shew that the greatest attention has always been paid to the Supplies of Spirituous Liquors received from Bengal.

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam stating the Number of Bullock Drivers, and Dooley Bearers they have engaged and sent to Madras; and the Terms upon which they have agreed to serve with the Army.

From the Agent for purchasing Horses.

From the Agent for purchasing Horses advising of his Intention to proceed immediately to the Presidency; and desiring to be furnished with Instructions respecting the People who are bringing down horses in

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In consequence of the Encouragement held out to them by order of Government

Sent the following Letter to Commodore Cornwallis.

# To the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis

Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies.

Sir,

To Commodore Cornwallis respecting the Victualling and naval Stores for his Majesty's Squadron expected to arrive at this Presidency and at Bombay, in the Ships of the Season.

We think it necessary to inform You, that we have been advised by the Honble Court of Directors that the Victualling Stores for his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies have been laden on the Taunton Castle and Canton to the amount of 32 Tons each, and on the Carnatic and True Briton to the amount of about 64 Tons each.

We have been further informed that the Naval Stores for his Majesty's Service in the East Indies amounting to about 382 Tons will be shipped on the Essex for Bombay

We have the Honor to be

&c &c &c

Fort St. George
12th August 1791.

Signed { William Petrie
John Huddleston

Received