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To Colonel James Kepper

Commissary General &c

Sir,

Sensible of your Attentions to the Service and Liberality where ever, give me Leave, with Submission, to represent to you, That from the Vicinity of my Station to St Conjeveram and the great publick Roads, I am often sent for by sick Officers and Travellers; and this has been so much the Case of late that I am under the Necessity of craving the Indulgence of full Batta, or an Appointment to the District as well as the Garrison of Chinglepat. —

Should my Claim appear to you reasonable and deserving your Approbation you will do me an Honor in preferring it to the Honorable Board and permitting me to remain, with Respect always. —

&c &c &c

Madras, Sept.r 3d 1791.

/Signed/ John Walker

Surgeon

Colonel

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To
Colonel Kapper
Comptroller General &c. &c.
Sir,

In consequence of your objection in the Month of April to my Horse allowance of Six Pagodas p. Month, I discontinued drawing it, and addressed you on the Subject, but from your Multiplicity of Business I have been deprived of your Reply, and from my constant attention to Public Business was obliged to let it lay over.—

That such Allowance does not appear in the Regulations attached to my Appointment is undoubted, but which was I apprehend rather an omission, than the intention of the Board when forming the Regulations, as it ever had been Customary, and is particularly necessary; for such Staff, the Nature of that office requiring much labor for Horses; and altho' the allowance, which I conceive I have a Claim to is confin'd to that for one Horse, I do assure you I have constantly employ'd 3 Horses in Camp on the Duty of my Office. H

I beg

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I beg your attention to the nature of the Duty of the Comm.y of Stores, compared to many of the Staff of the Army who draw Horse allowance & some of which are not in the Book of Regulations & but found Necessary - From these circumstances I trust my Claim for Horse allowance will appear reasonable to you, and I flatter myself you will represent the Propriety of such; if it is a matter you cannot of yourself decide upon, - This having from necessity lain over so long, does not weaken the Claim, and I rely on you, to confirm the allowance that has ever been customary. -

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) Rob.t Bell

C.y Stores

13.th Sept.r

To the Honble the Governor in Council

From Colonel Floyd requesting that Government will lay up Gram at Bangalore for the use of the 19.th Regiment of Light Dragoons and enclosing a Letter from Major Porter respecting the Discontinuance of Field allowances to the 1.st 2.d and 4.th Regiments of Native Cavalry —

Hon.ble Sir,

Every means has been used to lay in a stock of Gram for the Cavalry, at Bangalore but it is beyond the powers of private exertion to accomplish. -

Unless there is such a Resource the Cavalry will very soon become useless, and the Horses will perish, as they have done before. —

To

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to forward the publick Service at this interesting period, I beg leave to propose that if Government shall use its authority in causing a quantity of Grain to be collected, and to be conveyed without loss of a moment, to Bangalore, and that further supplys may follow as opportunity of escort may offer. — This Grain may be delivered to the Regiments on Receipt, and the terms be adjusted by order of Government. —

I beg leave to suggest that the unmolested return of the Bullocks and Drivers from Bangalore, ought to be insured to them. —

It will require 144 Garce to supply 1500 Horses for three Months. —

I have the Honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) J. Floyd

Col. Comg the Cavalry

To Colonel Floyd

Commanding the Cavalry &c.

Sir,

Mr Torriano, Pay Master, under whose Countenance we are so far as relates to his Office, having declined Issuing the Grain

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usual Batta for last Month to the 2d and 4th Regiments of Cavalry — The Officers of which Corps being Ignorant of his Possessing any authority for retaining in his requested of me to mention the Circumstance to you, who they take the liberty of soliciting will favour them by having the matter adjusted agreeable to the usage of the service; which is, That the Batta may be Continued until the above Regiments, which are now Encamp'd near Vellore, move into Cantonments or Quarters; till which time they, being in an unsettled state, are Necessitated to keep up the Field Establishment of Servants, and to be at Various other occurring Expences applicable to their Situation, for the Purpose of being in readiness to march to their destind Station or Else where, whenever they may receive directions so to do — And likewise not having been warn'd by any official Order — The Field Establishment of Lascars, Bullock Men artificers, Dhooly Boys &c. are still on the Strength of the two Corps forming this Detachment

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Detachment, which People I doubt not but that Government will direct by Publick Intimation, when the Case is represented to them, to be struck off, should their future attendance with their respective Corps be found not necessary to the service by a Cantonment Reduction of the Establishment or otherwise.-

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Pater

Major commanding the Cavalry
Station near Vellore

Camp Vellore
October 5th 1791.

Sir,

From the Aide de Camp to the Governor & General accompaniment for the Bengal Detachment to be sent to Camp.-

The Troops of the Bengal Detach.t are much in want of a compleat new Set of Accoutrements which Lord Cornwallis hears is coming round in some of the Ships, and I begs therefore, if they arrive in time, that they may be forwarded to the Army.-

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) G. Robinson

Camp 4.th Octr. 1791.

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Received the undermentioned

Letters as entered in M.B. N. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60.

61. 62.—

From the Secretary to the Governor General enclosing a Packet addressed to Edward Hay Esq. Secretary to the Supreme Government.—

From the Secretary to the Governor General.—

From the Assistant to the Collector in the Southern Division of the Arcot Province.—

From the Assistant to the Collector in the Southern Division of the Arcot Province advising of his having collected and sent to Arcot 150 Horsekeepers and Grass cutters.—

From the Assistant to the Collector in the Trichenopoly District.—

From the Assistant to the Collector in the Trichenopoly District advising of his having sent to Arcot 285 Men and Women who have engaged to serve as Horsekeepers and Grass cutters with the army.—

From the Collector in the Center Division of the Arcot Province.—

From the Collector in the Center Division of the Arcot Province stating the Impossibility of engaging Persons in the Districts under his Management to serve as Horsekeepers and Grass Cutters with the Army.—

From the Secretary at Bengal.—

From the Secretary at Bengal enclosing a Return of Native Troops embarked for Fort St. George on the Kent with Copies of the Instructions given to the Officer Commanding of them

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them, and of Captain Hardinge's Sailing orders.—

From the Secretary at Bengal—

From the Secretary at Bengal with similar Papers relating to the Troops &c. p Lord Camden

From Do. with Do. p Phœnix.—

From Do. advising of the Death of Mr. Nicholas and consequent Annulation of the Contract for Pegue Bullocks.—

From the Commanders of the Honble Company's Ships Rent, Phœnix & Lord Camden—

From the Commanders of the Honble Company's Ships Rent, Phœnix, and Lord Camden requesting that some Lascars may be sent on board their Ships to assist in the Disembarkation of their Cargoes.—

Qr. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mem. Nos. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68.

To the Military Board

To the Military Board desiring them to furnish the Commanders of the Honble Company's Ships Rent, Phœnix and Lord Camden with as many Lascars as can be spared.—

To the Commander of the Company's Ship Asia—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Asia permitting him to receive on board his Ship as Passenger for Bengal Lieutenant Colonel McDowal of His Majesty's 57th Regiment.—

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To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions desiring him to take charge of the Bullocks and Bullock Drivers arrived from Coringa under charge of Lieutenant Dubois of the Bengal Establishment.—

To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Lieutenant Neate informing that his request for an Advance of two Months' Pay and allowances cannot be complied with.—

To Lieutenant Neate.—

To Lieutenant Colonel M.c Dowal desiring him to apply to the Supreme Council for Payment of his Arrears; and enclosing a Permit for his Passage on the Asia.—

To Lieutenant Colonel M.c Dowal of His Majesty's 97th Regiment.—

To the Commandant at Amboor enclosing a Packet addressed to the Governor & General to be forwarded to Camp by the first Safe Conveyance.—

To the Commandant at Amboor.

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. N.o 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76.—

From the Acting Deputy Adjutant General.—

From the Acting Deputy Adjutant General. Major General Musgrave recommends that Lieutenant Burrows be permitted

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permitted to proceed to Sea for the Recovery of his Health.—

From the Commander of the Hon'ble Company's Ship Phenix.—

From the Commander of the Hon'ble Company's Ship Phenix advising of the arrival of the Phenix with a Detachment of Native Troops and 3646 Bags of Rice.—

From the Collector in the Southern Division of the Saghire.—

From the Collector in the Southern Division of the Saghire advising of his having sent to Arcot 140 Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters.—

From the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province.—

From the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province advising of his having sent to Arcot 200 Horsekeepers and Grass Cutters for the Service of the Army.—

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.—

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal desiring that a Report may be made to the Governor General in Council of the actual Quantities of Rice and other Stores that may be landed at Madras from the Hon'ble Company's Ships Kent, Phenix, and Lord Camden.—

From the Officer commanding the Detachment of Native Troops arrived from Bengal on the Phenix.—

From the Officer commanding the Detachment of Native Troops landed from the Phenix stating that every possible Attention has been paid to the Accomodation and Comfort of the Native Troops by the Commander, as well

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as the officers and Seamen, of the Phanix, during the Passage from Bengal.—

From Major Tutt—requesting that

From Major Tutt of the Artillery.—

he may be allowed to draw his Pay as director of the Laboratory according to the Regulations for that Department published in the year 1786.—

From the Resident at Nagore.—

From the Resident at Nagore stating that agreeably to the Regulations of the Service he is not allowed to interfere in the Resolutions of the Committee of Stores, by whom the Terms of Freight for the Canvas sent to the Presidency was settled.—

Received the following Letter.—

The Governor
of Madras &c. &c.

Sir,

From the officer Commanding the Royal Artillery enclosing a Return and List of Ordnance and Stores attached to it.—

I have the honor to send you, by Captain Hamilton, a Return of the Royal Artillery on Board, and likewise a Return of a small Field Artillery I brought with me.—

And beg leave to refer you to Captain Hamilton for any thing further you would please to know.—

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect.—

&c. &c.
(Signed) D. Scott Major
Commandt Royl Artillery

On Board the Bridgwater
of Madras 9th Octr 1791.

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Return of the Corps of Royal Artillery embked from Europe in the Ship Bridgewater ——— Madras 9th October 1791

	Major Commandant	Captains	Captain Lieuts	1st Lieutenants	2d Lieutenants	Staff Officers	Quarter Masters	Surgeon	Surgeon Mates	Sergeants	Corporals	Bombardiers	Gunners	Drummers	Total Military	Invalids not Military	Women	Children	Total
Effective for duty	1	2	2	4	4	1	1	1	1	5	5	9	188	4	228	"	"	"	"
Sick and Lame	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	4	"	6	"	"	"	"
Scorbutic Symptoms	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	1	8	11	"	"	"	"
Women and Children	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	12	9	21
Total	1	2	2	4	4	1	1	1	1	5	5	12	193	4	245	1	12	9	21

(Signed) D. Scott Major

Commandant Royal Artillery

October 1791

Return

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Return of Brass Ordnance and Stores &c. on board the Bridgewater embarked at Gravesend with Royal Artillery under the Command of Lt Major David Scott. 19th April 1791.

Two Light Six Pounders with 56 Rounds of Ammunition and all kind of small Stores complete & 10 Setts Harness

Two Long three Pounders with 500 Rounds of Ammunition and all kind of Small Stores complete

Two Waggons with Harness for 24 Horses.

Two One Pounders or Ammuguets with 240 Rounds of Ammunition and all kind of small Stores Complete

One 8 Inch Howitzer mounted on a New Pattern Carriage with 64 Rounds of Ammunition and all kind of Small Stores Complete

One 5 1/2 Inch Howitzer with 72 Rounds of Ammunition and all kind of Small Stores complete.

One Waggon with Harness for 12 Horses.

On Board the Bridgewater off Madras 9th October 1791.

(Signed) D. Scott Major Royal Artillery

William

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William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Paymaster to the Detachment serving with the Nizam's Army. Copy of a Letter from the Deputy adjutant General respecting the Rate of Exchange between the Rupas and Pagodas at which the officers of Captain Andrew Read's Detachment have drawn their Pay and allowances.

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a letter received from the Deputy Adjutant General to the Army, with Copy of the enclosure to which it alludes, to which I have replied in as far, as the materials on the subject were within my reach. But being unacquainted on what grounds my Predecessor may have gone, by which the payments of the Rupees to this Detachment have continued at an inferior Exchange to what is ordered for the Army in the field, I was able only to say that I had regulated my Conduct in this respect by what seemed to be a fixed and established rule before my appointment and arrival in Camp, and on the subject of which I had afterwards received no fresh instructions for my guidance.—

As to the quality of the rupees, it was not in my power to hesitate giving a decided opinion.— they are to all appearance and in reality— the worst of that Coin that

could

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Could have been selected.—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d. Ultimo on the subject of the Arrears of the Detachment, to which I shall pay immediate attention.—

I have the honor to be,

Camp before Goramcondah
3d. Oct. 1791.

Sir &c.
(Signed) Wm. Brown
Pay.r

To William Brown Esquire, Paymaster
to the Detachment, serving with the
Nizam's Forces.

Sir,

By desire of Lord Cornwallis, I enclose you Copy of a Memorial received from some of the Officers serving with Captain Andrew Read's Detachment, setting forth that the rate of exchange which they have hitherto been paid by is 350 Rupees to the 100 Star Pagodas, whereas the exchange established for payments with the Grand Army is 365, and that, besides this deficiency, they are subjected to another loss by the Rupees which are delivered to them being inferior in value to those issued by the Paymaster here—as

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This Lordship conceives it to be a matter very desireable, that the Troops under Captain Andrew Read should be paid as nearly as possible according to the rate of Exchange established for the Army in the Field he has directed me to signify his desire that you will acquaint me, for his information, of the particular circumstance which led to the exchange of 350 Pieces being first fixed for all your Payments, in order that, on obtaining a proper Knowledge of the subject, His Lordship may take such steps as may appear eligible for affording the officers who have memorialed General Medows all proper redress.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) B.J. Close

Depy adjt. General

Head Quarters Camp
near Bangalore 22d. Sept.
1791.

A true Copy

Signed Wm. Brown

pay.

To Captain James Dalrymple

Commanding the 29th Batt. Native Infantry

Sir,

Having laboured under a great

Grievance

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9th Grievance in the Rate of Exchange at which we have been paid ever since our first Arrival in his Highness the Nizam's Dominions, the Exchange having hitherto been at the Rate of 350 Rupees / which Rupees are Inferior in Value to the Rupees Issued by the Paymaster to the Grand army / to the 100 Star Pagodas, notwithstanding which the Officers of all other parts of the Army have been paid at the rate of 365 Rupees for 100 Star Pagodas, by which we have absolutely lost 15 Rupees on the Receipt of every 100 Pagodas Issued to us in Rupees. We therefore think it necessary / as the Error has not hitherto been Rectified / to Request you will take such Steps as you may Judge proper, not only, to obtain for us, Payment in future at the rate of Exchange the other parts of the Army are paid at when paid in Rupees, but that you will have the Goodness to apply, thro' a proper Channel, to procure for us the Arrears of the Deduction that has already been made from us at 15 Rupees in Every 100 Star Pagodas since the Period above alluded to. —

We

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We have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) T. English Lieut.

Pilly Watson Lieut.

W. Oates Lieut.

J. Watson Ensign

J. W. Hagard Ens.

John Kong a/st. Surgeon

Camp before Gurrumcundah

2d. September 1791.

I approve of the above in every respect

(Signed) J Dalrymple

C. Command 29th Batt. N.I.

a true Copy of the Enclosure

(Signed) Wm. Brown

pay.

William C. Jackson Esq.

Military Secretary

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Resident at Travancore receives an Application from Mr. Corbett for a supply of 12,000 Pagodas.

I request you will be pleased to inform the Honble the President in Council that I have been called upon by Mr. Corbett, the Paymaster at Palghautcherry, for another supply of 12,000 Star Pagodas, which he requests

may

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may be sent him by the end of this month, and of which, I shall be in cash to comply with, by that period.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) George Powney

Resident

Pauparaveram

2d. October 1791.

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary Military Department

Sir,

From the Deputy adjutant General the spare 18 P. Pounder Carriages arrived from Bengal to be mounted by Iron Guns and sent immediately to Amboor.—

His Lordship having information that some spare eighteen Pounder Carriages have arrived at the Presidency from Bengal has directed me to communicate his desire, for the information of the Honorable Board, that they may be mounted immediately by the best Iron eighteen Pounders at Madras and forwarded, with the least possible delay, to Amboore, in order that they may come forward by the first occasion to the Army.— His Lordship would hope that these Guns will at least be ready in time to accompany the last Dispatch of Treasure that leaves the Presidency.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) B. J. Close

Deputy adjt Genl.

Head Quarters Camp near Elevancah 2. October 1791.

Received

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mis. S. 77 78. 79 80. 81.—

From the officer commanding the Detachment of Native Troops landed from the Lord Camden.—

From the officer commanding the Detachment of Native Troops arrived on the Ship Lord Camden stating that the Troops experienced every attentive from Captain Dance and the Officers and Seamen of the Lord Camden during their Passage from Bengal, and that Captain Dance had been particularly kind in supplying the Men with several Bags of Sugar from his private Stock.—

From Colonel Floyd.—

From Colonel Floyd requesting that Government will either provide Carriage for the Grain belonging to the 19th Regement of Light Dragoons now at the Presidency, or that they will purchase it on the Company's Account and convey it to Bangalore for the General use of the Cavalry.—

From the Commander of the Snow Victoria.

From the commander of the Snow Victoria tendering his Ship for Freight to the Malabar Coast.—

From Lieutenant Burrows of the Cavalry.—

From Lieutenant Burrows enclosing his Bills for advance of Pay and Subsistence.—

From

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From the Garrison Storekeeper

From the Garrison Storekeeper enclosing a Return of Provisions embarked on the Henry, Captain Wheatly, for the Detachment of His Majesty's 73d and 75th Regiments.

Received the following Letter.—

Hospital Board

October 10th 1791.

From the Hospital Board Messrs La Rive, Gilmour, Stuart, Dalton and Shannon & ordered to proceed to Bamp. Advising of the Arrival of Messrs. Ord, Crilly, Scott and Bryden from Europe Stations recommended—

The Hospital Board have the honor to acknowledge the orders of Government transmitted in Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter of the 29th ultimo, relative to the Hannoverian assistant Surgeon at Arnee; The Hospital Board have given directions to Mr Gahagan, Head Surgeon of Vellore, to furnish him with what Medicines he may require.—

approved.

Read a letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson, enclosing an Extract from the Deputy adjutant General requiring all the assistant Surgeons

that

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That can be spared from the Presidency to be sent to Camp. The Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Le Rive from Poonamallee, Mr. Gilmour and Mr. Stuart from Vellore, and Mr. Dalton and Mr. Marrow from Madras be directed to proceed with the Troops now under marching orders to join the Army.

approved.

The Hospital Board have the Honor to inform Government of the arrival of Mr. Ord on the Kent, Mr. Crilly Mr. Scott and Mr. Boyden assistant Surgeons on the Bridgewater and recommend the Mr. Ord and Mr. Scott be Stationed at the General Hospital Vellore, and Mr. Boyden and Mr. Crilly at the General Hospital Madras.

approved.

(Signed) Ja. Anderson
Physician General
" A. Raine acting chief Surgeon
" William Duffin
Head Surgeon.

William

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To
William Collins Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir,

From the Command-ant at Dendegul a Detachment of the Enemy, with four Guns, pro-ceeded Bhavani-

you will be pleased to Inform the Board, that two Company's of the 16th Battalion and the Travancore Battalion are now at Coilemaddy Colah, waiting the arrival of the Bullocks, which are expected here to-morrow.-

a Party of the Enemy are now encamp'd this side of the River Bhavani, Four Guns, between one or Two Thousand Infantry and two Hundred Cooley Horse. I don't think any danger is to be apprehended from this Party in their attempting to interupt the March of the Cattle- because a range of Mountains perfectly secures the left Flank, the whole march- I shall however, be ready to move at a moments warning with part of the Garrison, to give assistance if required.-

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J Bowser
Capt. Commanding

Dindegull
Oct. 4th 1791.-

William

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William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Resident at Hydrabad with Copies of Correspondence with the Subject of laying up a Stock of Grain for the fighting Men and Followers of his Detachment.

I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Board, Copy of a letter which I have received from Captain Andrew Read under date the 18th Instant, and of my reply.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Kennaway

Paungal

28th Septr. 1791.

Sir John Kennaway Bart.

Resident at the Court of his Highness the Nizam

Sir

I have had the honor to receive information, by order of the Governor General, that the Guns and Mortars were dispatched from Bangalore on the 6th Instant. One of Hafiz Jui's Hircarras came in yesterday from Colar, which place he left on the 17th and brings accounts of the Guns being there, and

that

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that he understood they meant to proceed as next
morning. I am much disappointed at their
not coming on faster, but it would seem the
Bullocks are in bad order for want of Forage.—

I had the honor to receive letters
two succeeding days from Captain Alexander
Read containing intelligence by his Hircarras
of an intention in the Enemy to send a Force
to this quarter; since that period I have also been
honored by a letter of intelligence by order of
Lord Cornwallis which, in some degree,
contradicts the former accounts. I desired Mr.
Binny to send you a copy of each, and which
now precludes the necessity of troubling you
with others. On receiving the first information,
I judged it expedient to direct the Commissary
laying in 10 days Rice for the fighting men, as,
in the event of
unable to oblige us to retire, might easily have
cut off our supplies, which are now not
so plentiful as formerly, owing to many of the
people who used to attend this Camp, having

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got into the Bangalore tract.—

I have received the 34,000 Rupees

from Hafej Jee, and have the honor to be.—

&c. &c.

(Signed) Andw. Read Capt.

Commanding

Camp before

Gurramcondah

14th Sept. 1791.—

P. S. A party of 500 Horse, and 500 Polegar Peons

left this three days ago to escort the Guns &

Bullocks since that time I have been able to

prevail on Hafej Jee to send off 200 Bullocks

to assist in bringing them on as expeditiously

as possible, he proposes also sending an

Elephant, which I am told will go off tomorrow

morning.—

A true Copy

Signed/ Wm. Stewart

A.D.C.

Captain Andrew Read

commanding the Ellore Detachment.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge

the receipt of your letter of the 14th Instant, and

think the precaution you took of directing the

Commissary

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Commissary to lay in 10 days Rice for the fighting
Men on information from Captain Alexander Read
of the Enemy's having an intention to send a Force
towards you, a very prudent one. I understand from
Lieutenant Stewart that the regulations for serving
out Grain in the Grand army limit the allowance
to half a Seer P man P day, which rule you will
of course observe, should there ever be occasion
to lay up or serve out any in your Detachment.-

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Paungul
25th Sept. 1791.

/signed/ J. Kennaway

A true Copy

/signed/ Wm Stewart
Asst.

Sent Letter to the Nabob/as
entered in 66 N 240/ representing the Reluctance
with which the Board have come to the Resolution
of granting him Bills on the Collector in the
Arcot District for Pagodas 40,000- and on the
Collector at Tinnevelly for Pagodas 10,000.-

Sent the following Letter
to Lord Cornwallis.-

Substance of a
Letter to the
Nabob.-

To

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To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis KG

Governor General &c &c &c

My Lord,

to Lord Cornwallis advice of the Arrival of the Detachment of Royal Artillery informing him that his Letters forwarded on the Bridgewater & have been sent to Amboor.—

We have the Pleasure to inform your Lordship of the Arrival of the Company's Ship Bridgewater with a Detachment of the Royal Artillery, a Return of which we have the honor to enclose for your Information,—

We have sent to Lieutenant Cuppage, to be forwarded to the army with the first Escort, eight Letters to your Lordship's address received by the Bridgewater.—

We have the Honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley

&c Council

Fort St. George
10th October 1791.

Substance of two Letters from the Negam.—

Received two Letters from the Negam, as entered in Cons. Nos. 241. 242, the former requesting that the Board will use their Authority in procuring Payment of Money due from the Zemindars in the Guntoor Circar to Singapah Naick, Sircar, the latter requesting

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requesting that Meer Mahomed Mehdey Cawn
Behauder, now at Madras, may be permitted
to return to the Presence.—

Dispatched the undermentioned
Letters as entered in M.B. N.o 82. 83. 84. 85. 86.
87. 88.—

To the Secretary at Bombay
enclosing a Letter addressed to the Honble the
Governor in Council at Bombay received by
the Bridgewater.—

To the Secretary at Bombay.—

To Do. with further Dispatches
arrived on the Bridgewater.—

To Do.

To Colonel Floyd informing
him of the steps that have been taken for the
Provision of Gram for the use of the Cavalry.—

To Colonel Floyd.

To Major General Musgrave
desiring him to give the necessary orders, &
immediately, for cantoning the 1st. 2d. and 4th. &
Regiments of Native Cavalry, intimating, at
the same time, that all field allowances to
those Regiments are to cease on the 15th Instant.—

To Major General Musgrave.—

To the Paymasterat Vellore
and Arnee informing them that the 1st. 2d. and 4th
Regiments of Native Cavalry are to be continued on

To the Paymasters at Vellore and Arnee.—

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Field allowances till the 15th Instant, when they are to cease.—

To the Secretary at Bengal—

to the Secretary at Bengal—

enclosing a Packet to his Address received from the Private Secretary to the Governor General.—

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

to the Board of Assumed Revenue

communicating the Sentiments of the Board of Revenue in the Bills drawn on the Collectors in the Arcot and Tinnevelly Districts in favor of the Nabob, amounting together to Pag.s 50,000— approving the Mode suggested in their Letter of the 29th ultimo regarding the Disposal of the Sums allowed by treaty for Justy 1201 on account of Daily Charities—Mr. Wrangham to be considered an Assistant at Dindegul, and his Allowance a charge upon the Revenues of that District.—

At a Consultation

Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

acting President

William Petrie and John Hudleston Esqrs

The Honble Major General Medows absent upon Service.—

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Mr. Hudleston delivers in the

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the following Minute.—

Minute in Council

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Mr. Huddleston, merely in explanation of his own sentiments, in relation to the Nabob's application for Bills decided on at the last meeting, begs permission to observe, that however promising the present aspect of our affairs, and altho' no man living can feel greater confidence than he does in the consummate character to whose care they are entrusted, he cannot think it prudent, at this event full period to reckon upon any estimate that looks forward to the 1st April, or to adopt any measure the safety, or perspicuity, of which is to rest on such estimate.—

Mr. Huddleston's Minute in further Explanation of his sentiments regarding the Bills granted to the Nabob on the Collector in the Arcot and Tinnevelly Provinces.—

according to the statement given by the assumed revenue Board it appears, that notwithstanding the extension of the estimate to the 1st April, which makes it include the most productive months of the year, and altho' the Tinnevelly Collector will be able to pay but 20,000 out of 60,000 that he was to have paid his highness in January, and February

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February there will still, even according to the estimate, be a Balance of 15000 Pagodas due from the Nabob, or paid him over and above his ℔ fifth, after these Bills shall have been ℔ discharged: and this also presumes that the nett receipts between this date and the end of march will be 10 ℔ lacks of Pagodas, and that no ℔ payments are to be made to him here in the Interval - whereas Mr. Hudleston thinks that the estimate will prove to have been ℔ too sanguine, and that payments must be made to the Nabob here in the Interval -

Mr. Hudleston readily admits that there is a saving to the Company sometimes amounting to 6, and on an average perhaps to 4 ℔ Cent, on that money which is paid to the Nabob at Tinnevelly instead of being remitted to Madras, but the Bill to which Mr. Hudleston has objected is a Bill on the Collector of the Southern division of the Arcot province ℔ from whence there can be but little, if any loss at all, on the remittance to Madras. -

If Mr. Hudleston has concurred in granting Bills to the Nabob similar to

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the one in question it must have been through
Inadvertence, and admitting the fact, Mr.
Hudleston Conceives he might, without
Inconsistency, advise against granting this
Bill from the opinion he really entertains
that it yields no accomodation with respect
to the Company, and because, on the other
hand, it appears, as already stated, that at the
end of March the payments to the Nabob,
including this Bill, have encroached on the
Company's share of the revenue, even supposing
the estimate realized.—

In mentioning the Nabobs
legal Creditors as liable to suffer from the
appropriation of the Bill, Mr Hudleston did
not allude to those recognized as such by the
public orders, and arrangements from home,
under the denomination of Consolidated Creditors
who, he was aware, have no Claim on the
Nabobs Estate — but there is another class of
the Nabobs Creditors — his Servants and
dependents, and the Widows and Children of
his officers — many of these are said to be
distressed, and some even in absolute want to

them

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Then the appropriation of the amount of this Bill may be injurious.—

With respect to the uncertainty whether after the actual receipt of the Revenue the Nabob might then consent to take Bills for his Subsidy Mr Huddleston acknowledges that any uncertainty to be a principal Argument with him against granting the Bill in question as will fully appear by the concluding part of his minute delivered the 4th Instant.—

Signed J Huddleston

Read the following Letters from Lord Cornwallis.—

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

&c &c &c

Sir,

From Lord Cornwallis wishes that Captain Flint should be directed to retire from the Salem Country—Advice of the Cussing of two of Tippoos Guns that were sent to Coimbatore—Two additional Iron Eighteen Pounders to be sent to Camp from the Presidency and two twenty fours from Vellore.—

When I requested that Captain Flint might receive any assistance that your Government could afford to enable him to reduce the Fort on the Attoor Pass, I made no doubt that the Marattas would send large Detachments of their Cavalry to forage in the Baramaul and Salem Country and I thought that

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that our opening the communication between the latter and the Carnatic would give them confidence and indeed add much to their real Security, I have not however been able to persuade them, notwithstanding the distress that they have suffered, to adopt a measure which would, in every respect, have been so much to their advantage.—

Captain Flints invasion of that Country has therefore become an object of little or no Consequence, as far as it regards the future operations of this Army, and as I had not heard that any steps were actually taken towards carrying it into execution I concluded that it had been found impracticable:—

It was however reported yesterday in Camp that Captain Flint had entered the Salem Country with a Regiment from Trichinopoly and a part of his own, and that he was making a considerable progress—

In preparing for the great object, on the Success of which the speedy and advantageous termination of the War so greatly depends, it is not, I think, advisable to waste even an inconsiderable part of our strength in detachments

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desultory operations, and as the reason for Captain Flints expedition has now ceased, I should recommend that he may be directed to withdraw his Troops from Salem, retaining only (if he has professed himself so fit) the Fort in the adoor Pass, or any other Fort that he may have taken, and which appears to him to be of any considerable importance, and that he should send the Trichinopoly Regiment to its former station with orders to be in readiness to march at the requisition of Major Cuppage, and to place itself under his orders of which Major Cuppage must necessarily be informed.—

I was very sorry to hear yesterday from Gooramconda that the four Battering Guns that we sent from Bangalore, were exceedingly bad that the two twenty Pounders were of very little service, rendered absolutely useless: as we have two of the same sort ready to be placed in the Battery tomorrow at Sandy Durgum, for fear of a similar failure, I have sent this morning to Bangalore for two of our own Eighteens.—

In consequence of this discovery

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of the badness of Tippoos Guns I have
requested that two Eighteen Pounders may be
sent from the Presidency and two additional
twenty Fours from Vellore, we shall then
have twenty of our own Battering Guns, and
I know that it is impossible for us to carry
Ammunition to Seringapatam for a greater
number. —

I am, with much Esteem,

&c. &c.

Camp 12 Miles north of
Bangalore 30th Sept. 1791.

(signed) Cornwallis.

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

Gentlemen,

I have received your Letter of
dated the 25th Ultimo, with the enclosures from
Captain Flint and the Collector of Tinnevelly

The Letter which I wrote
yesterday to your acting President, to which
I beg leave to refer you, has anticipated my
answer on the Subject of Captain Flints
expedition —

From Lord Cornwallis approves of Capt. and Lieutenant Flints taking Charge of the Bullocks collected for General Abercromby's Army —

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It gives me great satisfaction to find that the exertions of the Collectors and Officers in the Southern Provinces in procuring Bullocks for the use of General Abercrombey's Army are likely to prove so successful: I have no objection to Captain Lieutenant Torin's proceeding with, and having the charge of the Cattle in the manner proposed by the Collector; if any inconveniences should hereafter occur in that plan, it may easily be altered. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

Camp 12 Miles
North of Bangalore
October 1st 1791. —

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From Lord Cornwallis
Intelligence from
Sundy Droog — In-
formation respect-
ing the intended
Movements of
Commend Deni's
Detachment now
in the Coimbatur
Country Measures
to be taken to
procure Intelli-
gence regarding
its Motions. —

Our operations before Sundy Durgum have not hitherto been successful; the batteries, which it required much time and great labour to construct, were unfortunately placed at too great a distance to have any material effect upon the wall; new Batteries must therefore be

erected, and every thing is to be begun a fresh. —

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The Fort, tho' strong, may certainly be taken by us; but I have great doubts whether we can accomplish it before I shall be under the necessity of moving towards the Head of the Pollicode pass, to secure the safe arrival of our important Convoys.—

We have received repeated Intelligence from Seringapatam, that a considerable Detachment of Tippoo's Army, which is said to be commanded by Cummer ud Deen Cawn, crossed the Cauveri between the fifteenth and twentieth of last Month, and that they proceeded towards the Gazzelhatty Pass, and Captain Bowser writes from Dendigul, that some troops have actually passed the Bowany. In addition to this information, I have heard, that it is intended that this Detachment, after doing what mischief it can in the Coimbatoor Country should recross the Cauveri, and pass, by Salem and Jappoor, into the Baramaul, to endeavour to intercept our Convoys.— I consider the latter report as highly improbable; but the object is of too great

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great importance to be treated with contempt and neglect, I have therefore taken every means in my power to obtain the earliest intelligence of the Enemy's passing the River, and I shall be obliged to you if you will write to Captain Flint, and to the Officers Commanding at Poonamalee and Carroor, to spare no paines, or reasonable expence, in attentively watching the movements of the Enemy, and to communicate any matter of importance, in the most expeditious manner, to me and to the Officer Commanding the Detachment at Amboor, or on its march to the Policode Pass.—

I am, with much Esteem,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

Camp 12 Miles North
of Bangalore Oct.r 6.th 1791.

Minutes on the foregoing Letters from Lord Cornwallis

The Board's Instructions to Captain Flint were confined solely to the object of Amboor in strict compliance with the wish expressed by Lord Cornwallis and, from that Officer's Reports, the Board have no Doubt that he obeyed them with great Exactness.—

Resolved

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Resolved that orders be immediately given to Captain Flint and to the officers commanding the Southern Garrison to procure every Intelligence regarding the motions of the Enemy.—

Read the following Letter

From Captain Flint.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President &c.

Sir,

From Captain Flint. the Garrison make a sallie & repulsed with considerable loss.

The orders of Government the 24th of September I have received, and should have withdrawn the detachment from before this place immediately had not the Poligar Chief Naig given the strongest Assurances of bringing to our aid 6000 Men and 4 Guns, about 100 of his people are come, and the Poligar himself at no greater distance than Salem; & the Garrison in constant Alarm and to keep the

confined, Captain Stewart with the Europeans and four Companies of the Battalion were stationed in the Pettah close to the Fort. The Killedar again informed as to their numbers, directed on the 30th in the Afternoon, about 300 of his Men to sallie on the Pettah, Captain Stewart soon drove them

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them back and in hope of entering the Fort with them pursued to the Gates, which were unfortunately closed before he could reach them or the half of their own people enter: those shut out made off to the Neighboring Mountains. A Return of our Loss on this occasion I send herewith, the great steadiness displayed by our people on their glacis, under their utmost fire appears to have greatly Alarmed the Garrison, and gives me reason to think that should this Polegar, make his appearance and surround the Fort that we should speedily be in possession of it: in the expectation that he will comply with my pressing requisition, and Earl Cornwallis's order I —I mean to continue here, two or three days longer. We are preparing Doolies to send the Wounded to Tiagar.—

Camp at Attoor
2d. Octr. 1791.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. Flint
Capt. Commanding

A Return of the Men Killed and Wounded on the 30th September 1791 of the Detachment Commanded by Captain Wm. Flint

Camp at Attoor 1st Oct. 1791.

	Europn	N.I.	25th	Batt. N.I.				
Killed	2							
Wounded	7	"	1	"	"	"	1	1
Wounder by Captd.	"	2	"	2	1	1	2	16 22
				"	"	"	"	2
Total	9	2	1	2	1	1	2	17 25

NB Lieut. Cross by Wounded in the hand.—

(Signed) Wm. Flint
Capt. Comm.

agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform Captain Flint that no further orders appear necessary, as the Board conceive of course, that if he be not in possession of the Fort of Attoor, he has retired from it in the manner he proposed, and that the 25th Battalion of native has been returned to Trechenopoly, agreeably to the Instructions transmitted to him on the 24th ultimo.—

Read the following Letter from Major Close.—

To W. C. Jackson Esquire, Secretary, Military Department.

Sir,

From the Deputy adjutant General submitting to the Decision of the Board an Application made by Captain Vigors to be supplied with a complete set of Tents for the 25th Battalion from the Company's Stores.—

Agreeably to the terms of the proposed Arrangement, the Commanding Officers who should contract for the Tents and Stores of their Battalions were to receive the Camp Equipage their Corps were accommodated with at the time of their respectively engageing; but Captain Vigors, Commanding the 25th Battalion Native Infantry, who engaged at an early period, represented afterwards, on a supply of Camp Equipage being received for the Army, that the

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whole of the Tents of his Battalion had been formerly condemned as unserviceable by a Committee of Inspection, previous to his entering on the Contract producing a Certificate of the same from the Quarter Master General, and therefore so solicited the Commander in Chief that he might be furnished with another set of Tents from the Company's Stores, to put him on a footing with the other Commanding officers who had accepted the Arrangement

This Lordship conceiving that Captain Vigor's solicitation on this head is not without Grounds, his case in regard to the Tents being of a singular nature, has directed me to address you on the subject, in order that it may come before Government who he is desirous should submit the matter to the consideration of the Military Board, with instructions to them, to report, whether Captain Vigor's request should be complied with in toto or in part, or, in case it may be found inconvenient to supply him with a set of Tents, whether any or what compensation should be made him in lieu of them, so as to place him on an equality relative to his Contract, with the other Commanding officers who have engaged for

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the Tents and Stores of their Corps — His Lordship however has directed me to add, for the information of the Honorable Board, that since Captain Vigors entered on the Contract, his Battalion has been employed on Garrison Duty in Bangalore and consequently the Expence he has incurred in keeping his Battalion furnished with Camp Equipage has been less, than if the Corps had been employed during the Interval on Camp Service. —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) B.J. Close
Depy Adjt General

Head Quarters Camp
near Elevaneah 7th Octr 1791.

Minute thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to the Military Board for their opinion. —

Read the following Letter from

Captain Bowser —

W. C. Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

From the Commandant at Dendegul Strength of a Reinforcement of the Enemy said to have descended the Ghauts — intends marching & with a Detachment Coodemadde Estab for the Protection of the Bullocks. —

Sir,

I have received accounts that a reinforcement has descended the Ghauts of 3000 Infantry, 600 Horse, and 4 Guns, small — I expect Harcarrahs

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Hiercarrahsin, to confirm this, but I really think it necessary, for me, to move, with part of this Garrison, as far as, or made be tolah for the more protection of the Bullocks and not endangering this Garrison, having a perfect Knowledge of the Country.

I have the Honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) J. Bowser.

Capt. Commanding

Dindegull

Oct. 6th 1791.

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

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from

Major Capsage

To W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary to the Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Commandant at Paliguat-cherry—requesting his application for leave to keep up an Establishment of Bullocks for two Brigades of six Pounders.—

I have the Honor to receive your Letter of the 15th Instant, informing me that Orders had been sent to Colonel Bridges to send immediately a Battalion of Sepoys intended as an escort for the Bullocks, when it will be in readiness, at my requisition, to join me at Palghautcherry.—

I request

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I request that you will be pleased to
inform Government, that should it be
necessary for me to move out with the Troops
stationed at this Garrison to protect the convoy
of Cattle coming from Dindegul and from hence
to Calicut, that I have not a Bullock to draw
my Guns, nor the possibility of getting them in
a short notice.-

Therefore hope Government
will be pleased to allow me an establishment
for one or two Brigades of six pounders.-

The Enemy that was before
Coimbetore are still on the banks of the Bovanny
and commit frequent depredations in the
Coimbetore Country, and which is out of my
power to prevent for want of an establish-
ment of draft Bullocks.-

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) J Cuppage
Major Commanding

Palghautcherry
25th Sept. 1791.

Resolved that Major Cuppage
be permitted to provide and keep up, until further
orders
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orders an Establishment of Bullocks for two Brigades of Six Pounders.—

Read the following Letter from the Deputy adjutant General.—

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary Military Department

Sir,

From the Deputy Adjutant General the Remains of the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse sent from Bangalore to Amboor.—

By desire of Lord Cornwallis, I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that the Remains of the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse of Artillery, have proceeded from Bangalore, with a Detachment under Captain R. Scott, for the Carnatic, in order to be forwarded from Amboor to the Presidency agreeably to the desire of the Honorable Board formerly signified on the Subject.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) BJ Close

Depy Adjt General

Camp near Elevanea 30th Sept.

1791.

A Committee appointed for managing the Interment of the Remains of the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse.—

Resolved that Colonel Kepher Mr. Porcher, Major Hall, and Captain Gomonde be a Committee for the Management and Conduct of

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Instructions to be sent to the Committee.—

Conduct of the Interment of the Remains of the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse, conformably to the Resolution of the Board on the 22d. Day of March last.—

As the Expences of the Funeral are to be defrayed by the Company, it is agreed to recommend to the Committee that their Disbursements on this account be regulated as far as may appear consistent with the object of Government on this occasion.—

Read the following Letter

From the adjutant General.—

To W. C. Jackson Esq:

Secretary of the Political and Military Departments

of Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Adjutant General Major General Medows recommends that Captain Dighton be removed from the 1st to the command of the 10th Revenue Battalion and that Major Johnston of the Nabob's Service be appointed to the 1st.—

I am directed by Major General Medows to address you, in order to be laid before the Board, on the subject of the 10th Revenue Battalion which is vacant by the death of Captain Lieut of the Nabob's service. The General instructs me to signify his recommendation that Captain Dighton may be removed

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removed from the 11th Revenue Battalion to the Command of the 10th and that Major Johnson, of N. Arcot's service, may be appointed to command the 11th on the same principle, in point of rank command and allowances, as was adopted when Captains Everit and Dighton of the Arcot's service were posted to the Command of the 10th and 11th Revenue Corps.—

The General instructs me, at the same time, to express that he is happy in taking the present opportunity of meeting the wishes of the Board by proposing Major Johnson for one of the Revenue Corps which it was thought advisable, on a former occasion, officers from the Nabob's service should be appointed to Command.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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Captain Dighton removed from the 11th to the Command of the 10th Revenue Battalion. Major Johnson of the Arcot's service appointed to the 11th

agreed that Captain Dighton
be removed from the 11th to the Command of the
11th Revenue Battalion; and that Major Johnson
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of the Nabobs Service be appointed to the 11th upon the same Principal, in point of Rank and Command, as was adopted in the Case of Captains Deighton and Everett, and with the same allowances.

Read the following Letter from Mr Duffin, Head Surgeon.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

I request permission to have an advance of Money from the Paymaster General to defray the expences of the Sick in the General Hospital belonging to the Corps in Camp, for which I shall give Bills on the Regimental Surgeons, to be transmitted to the Paymaster in the Field. This mode will enable me to provide for the Sick, and repay the Honble Company for the advances made.—

From the Head Surgeon applies for an Advance of Cash to defray the Expences of the Sick in the General Hospital belonging to Corps in the Field.—

I am, with Respect

&c. &c.

Madras 6th Octr 1791.

(Signed) Wm Duffin

Ordered

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Ordered that an advance of 500 Pagodas be made by the Military Paymaster & General to the Head Surgeon of the General Hospital at the Presidency, for the Purpose of defraying the Expences of the Sick in the General Hospital belonging to the Corps in Camp and that he take Bills for the Amount in favor of the Paymaster in Camp, and transmit the same to him.—

Minute thereon

The acting President lays before the Board a Bill for 240 Pagodas presented to him by Colonel Floyd, on account of the Purchase of two Horses, which he recommends may be discharged by the Military Paymaster General.—

Colonel Floyd's Bill for two Horses purchased for the Cavalry to be discharged by the Military Paymaster & General.—

Ordered accordingly.

Read the following Letter from

Colonel Capper—

To W. C. Jackson Esq.r

Military Secretary

Sir,

From Colonel Capper with a Statement of Refunds to be made by Major General Musgrave

Enclosed I have the honor to send you the Statement required in your Letter of the 27th Ultimo.— I am &c &c

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7th Octr 1791

Signed/ J. Capper
C. G.

Statement

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Statement of Refunds from Major General Musgrave Conformably to the Orders of the Honble Court of Directors.—

Table Money Pagodas 600 per Month for 7 days from 25th to 31st May 1790	135.—20.—
Pagodas 250 per Month for 5 Months from 1st June to 31st October 1790	1250.—"—"—
Difference of Batta 4 Pagodas per day for 245 days from 1st June 1790 to 31st January 1791	980.—"—
Pagodas	2365—20.—

Fort St. George
6th October 1791.

(Signed) J. Casper
C. G.

Minute thereon. Ordered that a Copy of the Instructions from the Honorable Court of Directors on the Subject of General Musgrave's allowances, together with a Copy of the above Statement be transmitted to the General.—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Charles Darke.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President and Governor &c. &c.
of Fort St. George.

Hon'ble Sir,

Yesterday I received an official Letter

Mr. C. Darke applies for Copy of that Part of the last Letter from the Court of Directors which relates to him and states that he is ready to prove the Assertions contained in his Letter to the Nabob of the 15th June 1789 provided he be supported by Government.—

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Letter from your Military Secretary dated the 3d Instant Saying.-

"The Honorable the Court of
"Directors having Ordered an Inquiry to be made
"into the Assertions stated in your Letter to His
"Highness the Nabob of Arcot of the 15th June last
"I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in
"Council to inform you, that Government have
"appointed Messrs. John Renewothy, William
"Hawkins, and Benjamin Bransfill as a Commit
"to investigate into and Report on the Grounds
"of those Assertions, on whom you will attend,
"with such evidence and proofs, as you can
"adduce in support thereof."

It plainly appears by my Letter of the 15th June 1789 to His Highness the Nabob, that very great Injustice has been done me, and that the very great distress I have so long laboured under forced me to state the Facts therein Contained: very serious matter to the English Nation, and particularly to the Honorable Company, and very much so to myself, respecting my just Claims on his

Highness

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Highness the Nabob and Family, for the whole of which his Highness is answerable to me, & having given me Security for the payment of all that is due to me, yet, notwithstanding my Demands all on Bonds, for Money lent, and Goods Sold, remain totally unprovided for, while such immence Sums were so injuriously & squandered away.—

all the Matters Honble Sir contained in my Letter to His Highness the Nabob and to Governor Holland, I am ready to prove, If I am Supported by your Honorable Government in doing so, which I now most Humbly crave for the Interest of the Honorable Company, & and myself. Therefore I most Respectfully pray, that your Honor &c will first be pleased to direct that the Extracts of the General Letter from the Honorable the Court of Directors by the 2d by Castle Concerning the Matters charges of misdoings &c my Claims, Contained in my Letter, be sent to me, as your Secretary's Letter affords me for my guidance, very little information indeed, of the Orders &

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and intentions of the Honorable the Court of Directors.—

I have the Honor to be, with all due Respect.—

Fort St. George
5th October 1791.

&c. &c.
(Signed) Chas. Darke

Minute thereon.

Agreed that a Copy of the Paragraphs of the Hon'ble Court's Letter be sent to Mr. Darke, and that he be informed, every support he can wish for from Government will be readily afforded, to enable him to prove the assertions contained in his Letter to the Nabob dated the 15th June 1789.—

Read the following Letter

From Major Dirom.—
William Collins Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary &c. &c.

From the Deputy adjutant General of the King's Troops requesting that the usual allowance of Passage Money and Six Months Pay may be allowed to Lieutenants Gardener and Jardine who are ordered on Duty to Europe

Sir,

I am directed by Major General Musgrave to request you will be pleased to acquaint the Board that Lieutenant Jardine of His Majesty's 36th and Lieutenant Gardener of His Majesty's 52d Regiment of Foot are ordered

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ordered to proceed to Europe on the Recruiting S
Service, to relieve Lieutenants Moore and S
Mackenzie who are ordered to join their Regiments

. As these Officers Lieutenants
Jardine and Gardener are ordered to Europe on
duty by the Commanding Officers of their R
Regiments, with the approbation of Lord R
Cornwallis, they are in His Lordship's opinion,
and agreeable to the usage of H. Majesty's Service,
entitled to the allowance of Passage Money
granted to Officers of their Rank, in order to enable
them to defray the Expence of their Passage, w
which General Musgrave requests the Board
will be pleased to order, as also six Months' Pay
for them in Advance — They are at present
both paid up to the 24th November. —

I have the Honor to be,

&c &c

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Signed Alex: Dirom
Depy Adjt Genl

as Lieutenants Jardine and
Gardener are ordered on Duty to Europe, the
Board consider them of course entitled to Passage
money

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Minute thereon. Money – Ordered in consequence that usual allowance granted to officers of their rank be paid them by the King's Deputy Paymaster, together with six Months Pay in advance. –

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Symes –

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Sir,

From Lieutenant Symes requesting that some allowance may be made him on account of losses he may sustain in collecting small sums from the Bazar People, and on account of Money paid for Intelligence and the Carriage and Cost of 3 small Tents for the Bazars. –

I am honoured with your Letter conveying to me the Honble Board's acquiescence in my request of time for the settlement of my account until the month of March Next. –

I am perfectly sensible of the condescension of the Honble Board, – and I too fully impressed with a conviction of their liberality to conceive that they would suffer a pecuniary Burthen to fall heavy on an individual in his private capacity, where his publick conduct has been approved of and his exertions appear to have been directed for the Publick good – in case therefore any loss should accrue in the collection of such small Sums – I trust the Honble Board will grant me relief, and under that hope do not

hesitate

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hesitate to obey their directions in granting the obligation required which however I should have conceived myself equally bound to perform without the execution of any legal instrument, for when I received the different sums, it was with the confidence of my superiors that they would be properly appropriated, - and I should be sorry to find that in the accounting for them, I became less entitled to the Honble Board's indulgence. -

There are some very trifling sums for intelligence which I paid at different periods to Bazar fellows - and this at a time when I had a latitude to employ as many as I pleased to procure what was then beyond estimation - I hope the Honble Board will grant me these, as also for the carriage and making of 3 small Tents for the Bazars, which I was obliged to do; - and must sustain the loss myself, if the Honble Board be not pleased to grant my request. -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) H Sykes
Late Superte

agreed

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Minute thereon.

agreed to inform Lieutenant Symes that previous to any Consideration of the Subject he has mentioned, it will be necessary that he comply with the orders of Government and that after the Refund has been made, the Board will receive and pay due attention to any matter which he may think proper to bring before them.—

Read the following Letter from Colonel Capper.—

To The Honble Sir G. Oakeley Bart
Acting Governor in Council &c.

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Capper advising of his Intention to return to Europe by the first opportunity.

I have received the Extract of the General Letter, in which the Honble the Court of Directors have been pleased to refuse complying with my Request for a Pension.—

after serving in this Country upwards of Thirty years, and Seventeen of them in this invidious and laborious office; after having been employed in numberless Extra official Duties, for which I have never received nor even requested a pecuniary recompence

and

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and above all, after having sustained the loss of above Fifteen Thousand Pounds, in consequence of having been sent Overland (not at my own request) with Dispatches both from Ministry and the Honble Court of Directors; I cannot but feel myself rather Mortified at such an unqualified Refusal. But desire an unreserved application to business, particularly for these last Seven years, both as Controller of accounts, and a Member of the Military Board, besides Presiding at several other Committees, seem to have had little weight with the Honble Court of Directors; I must of course consider myself precluded from the hope of recommending myself to their attention by any subsequent Exertions. Permit me therefore to request your permission, to return to Europe by one of the first Ships of the ensuing Season; and, as a Knowledge of the various and complicated duties of my different Employs is not easily acquired, I take the liberty of giving your Honble

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Board this early intimation of my wish to resign: that the person appointed to succeed may receive every possible assistance from me before my departure. For no disappointments I have experienced shall ever render me unmindful of the Duty I owe, both to my Honble Employers, and to myself. —

I am, with great Respect

&c. &c.

(Signed) J Capper

C. G.l &c.

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agreed to inform General Meadows of Colonel Capper's Intention to return to Europe, and to desire he will take an early opportunity of recommending a Fit Person to succeed to the office of Comptroller General. —

Minute thereon

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

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council &c.

Honble Sir, and Sirs

From the Reverend Mr. Swartz representing the very unhappy Disputes that have taken place between the Rajah and the Mother of the late Tulja Maharaja and applying for Instructions for his Guidance. —

A violent Contention between

His

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His Exc: and the late Rajahs Mother obliges me to address the Honble Board. The enclosed letter sent by the late Rajahs Mother will explain the Matter - as I was informed there had been some Bickerings for 3 Days - of which I knew nothing - But last Sunday His Excellency's Consort went to a Pagoda which is within the Walls of the Palace - Being obliged to pass by a Door which leads to the late Rajah's Mother Apartments - His Excellency sent a Servant to shut the Door and keep himself within the Door - The old Lady being informed of a man's standing within the Door, sent her Female Servant desiring him to retire - But he refused to retire - The old Lady hearing this left her apartment and went towards the Man, thinking that her presence would induce him to go away - But he refused to go, and thrust the old Lady back, upon which she threw herself on the Ground before the Door of his Excellencys apartment where more than 20 people looked at her - Both parties sent for me about 2 Clock in the afternoon - both were passionate

I found

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I found myself in a disagreeable Situation — The old Lady insisted upon speaking with me — I sent her Word that it was against their Custom to see a Man I proposed therefore and His Excellency consented that a curtain should be drawn between her and me — which was done — When I came near She bitterly complained of the disrespectful Treatment she had met with — I appeased her promiseing to hear her grievances which she might inform me of by her Servant begging that she would immediately retire to her apartment, because His Excellency's Consort, who was still in the Pagoda, could not conveniently come out before she retired — She desired me to promise that her grievances should be heard and removed — I promised to represent the whole to Government —

I have waited these 4 Days in hopeing to accomodate Matters — indeed I got the enclosed Letter from the old Lady 3 days ago — But instead of accomodating Matters His Excellency has ordered a Guard of Troopers on a very high place from whence they can see the Ladies whenever they step out of the Door of their Apartment which is a Fresh provocation

of

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of late those Bickerings have
been frequent, but never went so far.-
I was sorry that the old Lady
had imprudently quitted her Room - I was very
sorry that his Excellency ordered a Servant to
set their her Door.-
The least apology would have
comforted the old Lady, but it was said by his
Excellency that she might thank herself for the
disrespect she suffered - I was 4 Hours in this
disagreeable Situation, had I not come no Body
knows how far things would have been
carried.-
Perhaps a letter from Government
to both might be of Service - or a declaration
written by Government and sent to me, of
which I leave to the wise Determination
of the Honble Board.-
I am respectfully
&c. &c.
(Signed) C. F. Swartz

Tanjore
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Translation

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Translation of a Letter

sent by the late Rajah's Mother to Mr. Swartz

From the time that Amersing M. Rajah has taken possession of this Country none of his Servants come near my habitation - But last Friday being the 17th of September (according to their Stile) I was rubbed with Oil intending to bathe - When I sent my Female Servant to fetch cold Water my Servant found the door locked by Amersing M. R.'s people my Servant desired the Rajah's man to open the Door for a short time But he abused the Girl and refused to open the Door - I was therefore obliged to wait, till 3 o Clock in the afternoon, and then, when the Rajah's Consort had passed, they opened the Door and I got Water for to bathe - Who is Amersing M. R. that he should act in such manner - May not a Woman see another Women - Would the Rajah's Consort have suffered any disrespect though my Servant should have cast her Eyes upon her - The next Day when my Servant went to fetch Water the Rajah's Servants locked her up in a Chamber. -

On

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On the same Day the Rajah sent Carpenters to fix a Chain and hook on the outside of my Door to shut it when they pleased, and all this he did without letting me know any thing of his design – One of my Servants told me this – I sent my Servants to enquire why this was done – the answer I received was to stop up little holes that were in the Door – I promised to do that Work. Whenever the Rajahs Consort passes this Way I promised to order my people to shut the Door that she be seen by none –

One Sunday, it was said that answering M. R.'s Consort would pass that way in order to go to the Pagoda the Door to my house was shut and a man placed within my door – He was turned out – and the Door was shut The Rajahs Man came and asked why they had turned out the Rajah's Man, at the same time used many opprobrious Words – Then I myself went to the Door and asked the Reason why he reviled – Many people came about us and stood before us – As I was treated with so much Disrespect I sat down near the Door – you know all this – I was determined to sacrifice

my

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my life - But as you promised to inquire into the Matter, I confiding in your word, retired to my Room.

Besides about 10 people came towards Serjogee's Quarters and desired the Sentry, who I was posted there for to guard his person, to go a little aside - Those people asked the Sentry who had posted him there - The Sentry answered, my Colonel / meaning Col. Stuart / has posted me here.

The next Day Ensign Buttler came and looked upon the Place where the Sepoy had been placed - The next Day Captain Glandoning Ensign Buttler and you came and beheld all - The Sepoy, though innocent, was confined by Captain Glandoning's order - which reflects dishonor on us and causeth fear

At last the Rajah ordered a guard of Sepoys upon a high place - from where they may see our habitation - We must now sit within, without being able to go out of the Room, which distresseseus - What is the Reason of all these Distresses? -

Is it right and kind in you to behold all this and to be silent -? Inquire

on

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on whose side is justice. I have told you to decide our affair: and to punish those who have affronted us.

The late Rajah has delivered us to the Care of the Honble Company and to you - but he has not delivered us to Annaiya M. R.

We are poor Women - and confide in the Honble Company. -

(Signed) Doosjeda Bhai Saheb

the late Rajah's Mother

October 8th 1791.

Minute thereon

Resolved that Mr. Swartz be empowered to make whatever declaration he may judge necessary to his Excellency, or to the Mother of the late Rajah in consequence of their Disputes, which the Board are sorry to observe have been carried on in a manner highly unbecoming the Dignity of the Parties concerned. -

Read the following Letter

from Mr. Oliver Colt. -

W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary

From Mr. O. Colt - respecting the Personal Advantage arising to him from the Charge of Premium on Bills granted on the Military Payments General. -

Sir,

I am honored with your Letter

of the 1st Instant informing me that in consideration

of

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of the circumstances stated in my Letter of
the 28th ultimo to the Comptroller General, the
Honble Board would consent to admit the A
charge of Premium in my accounts provided
I declare upon my honor that the whole Sum
of Pagodas 826. 21. was actually and truely
disbursed by me on that account and that I
I derived no personal advantage therefrom. –

In answer to this I beg you
will acquaint the Honble Board that a great
part of the money on which a Premium is A
charged was raised by me, and paid into the
money Sum bills, on my own private credit
in Camp, for which I accepted bills on the
Military Paymaster General and consequently
charged a Premium (not so high a one as it
charged in general) conceiving myself equally
entitled to it, with other Officers remitting
their money in this way to the Presidency,
and it is proper to remark to you, that as
a great part of this money was borrowed on
my note payable at the Presidency at the
expiration of six months, and bearing an
Interest of 12 p. Cent, the benefit arising

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from the Premium was greatly lessened by the loss of Interest during the time that the bill was in travelling to the Presidency and afterwards by the 15 days sight at which it was drawn, tho not so much so, as to entitle me to say, that I derived no personal advantage therefrom.—

With this explanation, the advantages accruing to the Public considered, and adverting to the charge of 2 and 2½ P Cent allowed to Paymasters in Garrison, where money is less wanted, and much easier procured than in Camp, I trust the Hon'ble Board will think it but reasonable to pass my charge even with the knowledge of my having derived some small benefit therefrom.—

I have the honor to be

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6th Oct. 1791.

Hon'ble &c &c

(Signed) Oliver Colt

late Pay: to the Army

Minute thereon. agreed that the Military Paymaster General be directed to give such information as the accounts of this Department may afford relative to the charge of Premium made by Paymasters in the Field and Garrisons on Bills drawn upon the Presidency.—

Read

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Read the following Letters from the Military Board.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet
Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board with Tables respecting the Pay and allowances of the Detachment of Royal Artillery — 500 additional private Tents sent to Amboor opinion respecting the Private Depot Tent — Two 18 Pounders and their Accoutrements of the Bengal volunteer Battalions sent to Amboor Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory brought up to the End of September

We have been honored by the Receipt of your Commands of the 27th and 28th Ultimo — and of the 5th and 7th Instant.—

Enclosed We Submit to you a Table of the Pay and allowances of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery coming to India together with Two other Tables the one equalizing the Pay of the Royal and the Honble Company's artillery and the other, stating the Differences payable Monthly to that Detachment in conformity to the Commands expressed by the Honble Court.—

Having received many Communications from a Variety of official Channels upon the Subject of Camp Equipage, we are not entirely clear whether the Commands contained in your Letter of the 27th Ultimo may not be a Repetition of the same Orders and Statements — but as We are highly desirous of fulfilling the wishes of the Commander in Chief We have given Directions for sending 500 Private Tents to Amboor, in addition to those which have been

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been already despatched; We trust that, by this Measure, we have provided against the possibility of the quantity being inadequate, and have evinced our Desire of preventing all delay and Impediment in forwarding the Public Service.—

With respect to the Inconveniences attending the use of the Private Depoy Tent, We conceive they would be fully remedied by the Substitution of the Private Tent, which, with the allowance of an additional Bullock to carry the Pins and Mallets, would diminish its Weight, so as to become conveniently portable, whether wet or dry, by a common serviceable Bullock.—

In consequence of your Commands of the 5th Instant We have the pleasure to inform you the Two Eighteen Pounders were dispatched from hence on the Morning of the 7th Instant, as well as the Tents before mentioned, and the Accoutrements for the Bengal Volunteers.—

We have Examined the Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory, and found them regularly brought up to the End of the preceding Month.—

We have the honor to be
Sir &c.
/Signed/ J Casper
Geo. Maule
George Hall

Fort St. George
9th October 1791.

Tho.s M

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A Statement of Differences, payable Monthly, to their Pay, where less, equal to that of the Honble Company's

				Difference Yearly amt. payable monthly P f C Pay f. 6
Major	Subsistence for 365 days, @ 11/3 P day	£ 205.6.3.		
	Arrears for d. " @ 3/9 "	68.8.9		
		273.15. "	684.16.60	
	Difference payable by the Company		43.31.40	3 27.10
	Total, or Company's Pay for 365 days		728.5.20	
Captain	Subsistence for 365 days, @ 7/6 P day	136.17.6		
	Arrears for d. @ 2/6	45.12.6		
		182.10. "	456.10.40	
	Difference payable by the Company		43.31.40	3.27.10
	Total, or Company's Pay for 365 days		500 " "	
Captain Lieutenant	Subsistence for 365 days, @ 4/6 P day	82.2.6		
	Arrears for d. @ 1/6	27.7.6		
		109.10. —	273.31.40	
	Difference payable by the Company		" " "	
	Total, or Company's Pay for 365 days		273.31.40	
First Lieutenant	Subsistence for 365 days @ 3/9 P day	68.8.9		
	Arrears for d. @ 1/3	22.16.3.		
		91.5. —	228.5.20.	
	Difference payable by the Company		21.36.60	1 34 45
	Total, or Company's Pay for 365 days		250 " "	
Second Lieutenant	Subsistence for 365 days, @ 3/ P day	54.15.—		
	Arrears for d. @ 1/	18 — 2 —		
		73. " — "	182.21.	
	Difference payable by the Company		67.21	5.26.20
	Total, or Company's Pay for 365 days		250. " "	

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The Detachment of the Royal Artillery, to make Artillery, on the Madras Establishment.—

			£ . S Pag.f. C Pag.f.c	
Serjeant	King's Subsistence for 365 days @ 1/7 3/4 P day	30 " 8 1/4 or 75. 3 66		
	Company's do. for do. at 48f. or 6 Pag.f. P month	28. 16. - or 72 " "		None
Corporal	King's Subsistence for 365 days @ 1/6 1/2 P day	28. 2 8/4 or 70. 14 18		
	Company's do. for do. @ 40f. or 5 Pag.f. P month	24 " " or 60 " "		None
Bombardier	King's Subsistence for 365 days @ 1/0 1/2 P day	25. 1 10 1/2 or 62. 30 68		
	Company's do. for do. @ 36f. or 4 1/2 Pag.f. P mon	21. 12 " or 54 " "		None
Gunner	King's Subsistence for 365 days @ 9 1/2 P day	14. 8 11 1/2 or 36. 5. 3		
	Company's do. for do. @ 24f. or 3 Pag.f. P mon	14. 8 " or 36 " "		None
Drummer	King's Subsistence for 365 days @ 9 1/2 P day	14 8 11 1/2 or 36 5. 3		
	Company's do. for do. @ 26/6 or 3 1/3 f. P mon	16 " " or 40 " "	" 13. 4 6.	

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			P. f. C	
Adjutant	King's Subsistence 3/9 P day, and P Annum	68 8. 9		
	arrears 1/3	22 6. 3	or 228. 5 20	None
	Company's allowance P Annum	228 5 20		
V. Master	King's Subsistence 4/6 P day, and P Annum	£ 82 2 6		
	arrears 1/6	27 f. 6	or 273 31. 40	None
	Company's allowance P Annum	182 21. "		
Surgeon	King's Subsistence 4/6 P day & P Ann. £82. 2. 6		Yearly Difference	
	arrears 1/6	27. f. 6	or Pag.f 273. 31. 60.	
	Company's allowance P Annum	500. " "	226. 10. 60	18. 35. 70
	King's Subsistence 2/7 1/2 P day & P ann £47. 18. 1 1/2			
	arrears — 10 1/2 P day & P ann 13. 19. 6 1/2		or Pag.f 169. 28. 70 Yearly Differe	
	Company's allowance P Annum	250	90. 13. 10	7. 22. 7.

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The Pay of the Royal and the

	Captain	Major	Captain Lieutenant	First Lieutenant	Second Lieutenant	Serjeant	Corp
British Subsistence for 365 dys	205 6 3	136 17 6	82 2 6	68 8 9	54 15 „	30 „ 8¾	28
Arrears for dº	68 8 9	45 12 6	27 7 6	22 16 3	18 5 „	„ „	„ „
Subsistence & Arrears for 365 days	273 15 „	182 10 „	109 10 „	91 5 „	73 „ „	30 „ 8¾	28
The same in Madras Currency	684 15 60	456 10 40	273 31 40	228 5 20	182 21 „	75 3 66	70
Company's Pay for 365 days	728 5 20	500 „ „	273 31 40	250 „ „	250 „ „	72 „ „	60
Differences yearly	43 31 40	43 31 40	„ „ „	21 36 60	67 21 „		
Differences Monthly	2 27 10	2 27 10	„ „ „	1 34 45	5 26 20	„ „ „	„

N.B. In the Column of Differences yearly, The red the Honble Company's consequently no Monthly differe the Allowances in both Services are the same.—

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Honble Company's Artillery Compared.

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Pay-Table of the Royal Artillery

In Sterling Money

	Subsistence for 1 day	30 days	31 days	60 days	61 days	365 days	monthly difference	arrears* of Officers pr annum	
a Major	" 11 3	16 17 6	17 8 9	33 15 "	34 6 3	206 6 3	1 9 2	68 8 9	
Captain	" 7 6	11 5 "	11 12 6	22 10 "	22 17 6	182 10 "	1 9 2	45 12 6	
Captain Lieut.	" 4 6	6 15 "	6 19 6	13 10 "	13 14 6	82 2 6	" " "	27 7 6	
First Lieutenant	" 3 9	5 12 6	5 16 3	11 5 "	11 8 9	68 8 9	" 14 7	22 16 3	
Second Lieutenant	" 3 "	4 10 "	4 13 "	9 " "	9 3 "	54 15 "	2 5 "	18 5 "	
an Adjutant	" 3 9	5 12 6	5 16 3	11 5 "	11 8 9	68 8 9	" " "	22 16 3	
a Quarter Master	" 4 6	6 15 "	6 19 6	13 10 "	13 14 6	82 2 6	" " "	27 7 6	
Surgeon	" 4 6	6 15 "	6 19 6	13 10 "	13 14 6	82 2 6	7 10 10	27 7 6	
Surgeon's Mate	" 2 1/2	3 18 9	4 1 6 1/2	7 17 6	8 "	1/2 67 18 1/2	3 "	2 1/2 15 19	6 1/2
									Clothing Stoppages
Serjeant	" 1 7 3/4	2 9 4 1/2	2 11 1/4	4 18 9	5 "	4 2/4 30 "	8 2/4 " " "		6 9 3/4
Corporal	" 1 6 1/2	2 6 3	2 7 9 1/2	4 12 6	4 14 1/2	28 2 8 1/2	" " "		5 6 5 1/2
Bombardier	" 1 4 1/2	2 1 3	2 2 7 1/2	4 2 6	4 3 10 1/2	25 1 10 1/2	" " "		5 6 5 1/2
Gunner	" " 9 1/2	1 3 9	1 4 6 1/2	2 7 6	2 8 3 1/2	14 8 11 1/2	" " "		3 16 1/2
Drummer	" " 9 1/2	1 3 9	1 4 6 1/2	2 7 6	2 8 3 1/2	14 8 11 1/2	" 2 7	8 16 1/2	

* All other local allowances to which they may be entitled by the Book of Regulations or subsequent Orders of Government

* Arrears of Officers, as well as the Clothing Stoppages

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Sir,

In Madras Currency

	Subsistence for						monthly difference
	1 day	30 days	31 days	60 days	61 days	365 days	
a Major	1 17 5	42 7 7	0 43	24 7 5	84 15	60 83	32 65 5
Captain	" 3 9	30 28 5	20 29	2 50	56 10	40 57 7	70 362 7
Captain Lieutenant	" 2 3	50 16 36	60 17	18 30	33 31	40 34 13	10 205 13
First Lieutenant	" 1 9	55 14 2	50 14	22 25	28 5	20 28 24	75 171 3
Second Lieutenant	" 1 5	60 11 10	40 11	26 20	22 21	" 22 36	60 136 36
an Adjutant	" 1 9	55 14 2	50 14	22 25	28 5	20 28 24	75 171 3
a Quarter Master	" 2 3	50 16 36	60 17	18 30	33 31	40 34 13	10 205 13
Surgeon	" 2 3	50 16 36	60 17	18 30	33 31	40 34 13	10 205 13
Surgeon's Mate	" 1 3	62 9 35	35 10 7	17 19	28 70	20 " 52	14 32 12
Serjeant	" 0 8	51 6 7	18 6	15 69	12 14	35 12 23	6 76 3
Corporal	" 0 8	8 5	32 6 5	5 40	72 11	23 50 11	31 58 70
Bombardier	" 0 7	18 5 6	45 5	13 63	10 13	10 10 20	28 62 30
Gunner	" 0 4	13 2 4	0 65	3 2	68 5	39 30 6	1 43 36
Drummer	" 0 4	13 2 4	0 65	3 2	68 5	39 30 6	1 43 36

	monthly difference
	65 5 3 " " "
	65 3 " " "
	65 3 " " "
	65 3 " 13 46

entitled, either in Garrison, or in the Field, are to be found in the Establishment.

I Noncommissioned Officers accounted for in England.—

(Signed) J Capper
C. G. &c.

Agreed

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Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board.—

Agreed that Lord Cornwallis be informed of the Number of Private Tents sent off to Camp, in addition to those which had been already dispatched — agreed also that his Lordship be made acquainted with the opinion of the Military Board respecting the Inconveniences attending the use of the Private Depoy Tent.—

Ordered that Copies of the Tables respecting the Pay and allowances of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery, be sent to the King's and Company's Paymasters for their Information and Guidance.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President in Council

From the Military Board representing the Cause of the Delay in the Execution of the Contract for Gun Carriages and the Irregularity of the Conduct of Messrs. Topping and Parry in making Abstractions to the Prices specified in their original Proposals.—

Sir,

So long a period having elapsed since the first proposal of Messrs. Topping and Parry being made to Government on the 6th. of May last, We deem it necessary to explain to you the Causes thereof, and to acquit ourselves of having, in the least, contributed to that delay which is solely imputable to those Gentlemen.—

In consequence of your Orders of the above date we reported to you that We had

compared

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compared Mess.rs Topping and Perry's Proposals with the Prices charged by the former Military Store Keeper, and on that Comparison found them reasonable —

You were then pleased to inform us, under date the 21st May that you approved of those proposals, and directed that the several Articles contained therein should be executed by Mess.rs Topping and Perry at the prices they had affixed to each —

On the 9th June we had the honor to lay before you the heads of such Stipulations as appeared to us necessary to be inserted in the Contract, and having taken that occasion to submit to you whether Mess.rs Topping and Perry should not be called upon to propose Prices for Tumbrils and Spare Axletrees which they had omitted in their List, the proposition met your approval, and those Gentlemen were accordingly called upon to that effect. —

However, in disregard of such requisition, Mess.rs Topping and Perry transmitted to us what they called a Corrected List of Gun Carriages

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Carriages, with prices affixed, observing they were the very same that Government were before pleased to approve. — But as their List comprehended a great Variety of Articles, in addition to those already provided by you, we were under the necessity of returning it on the 3d July with directions that they would confine their proposals to the heads particularly specified — To these directions they at length conformed. —

In our address of the 8th of the same Month you will find our anxiety expressed to adjust the contracts, and Complaints of a total disregard in those Gentlemen to all our requisitions and on the 16th July you were pleased to inform us that you had reconsidered the proposals of Messrs Topping and Parry, specifying the several articles to which their Contract should be confined and repeating your Directions that such articles should be provided by them upon the Terms they had proposed We thereupon sent to them a particular List of Ordnance Carriages desiring they would affix the Prices at which they would provide the different Articles not included in their former proposals. —

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These Several Letters having failed of their desired effect, We took occasion to inform Messrs Topping and Parry on the 16th September, that the Plea they had offered, of Mr. Topping's attention being much engaged in the Construction of the depot pieces, Carriages, an excuse for the delay in giving us any Answer, We considered as very insufficient and on the 3d Instant, we received a third Set of Proposals of which the enclosed is a Copy.—

Messrs Topping and Parry of having since the Month of May last made three Seperate Proposals, and in the course of that time much matter on the subject having intervened, We think it incumbent on us not only to State the foregoing particulars, taken up from the Commencement of the Business, but likewise to lay before you the accompanying Comparative Statement of the three Proposals in question, with the Prime Cost of the Articles, which will Evince the Advantages intended to be derived from the Contract, with such other Information in one point of view, as we trust, will clearly elucidate to you the progress and present State of this Business, We must however remark that several Articles have been added by

Messrs

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Messrs Topping and Parry which were not included in the List sent to them from our Board.—

We beg leave also to call your attention to the unauthorised Changes which have been made in the Proposals of Messrs. Topping and Parry, more especially between the Second and Last, both of Decrease and Encrease of expence for the respective Articles — The latter, in particular, in many respects far Exceeds what had been submitted to, and approved by Government; nor have we before us any documents to account for the exorbitant Charge for the Gibraltar depreciating Carriages, which, being required for immediate Service, were made up without a previous Estimate, agreeably to our usual custom, or we should unquestionably have checked it, in the first Instance; but we now beg leave to submit it, with the Comparative Statement and other papers to Your Consideration and Decision, requesting you will please to send us your Final Orders to settle this business, and observing that the former Contractors have in every Stage of it uniformly endeavoured to evade all Communication with our Board.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
10th October 1791.

Signed Sir. Ky.
Thos. Musgrave
J. Kapples
Geo: Maule
George Hall.

Proposals

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Proposals for furnishing Ordnance Carriages &c as follows.—

Axletrees Teak Spare for heavy Field Artillery pr.		4	21	.
Do . . . . Do for light Field Artillery		4	"	"
Do Iron . . for Tumbrils		10	30	"
Do Do . . . for light Field Carriages .		10	20	30
Beds for Mortars . . Madras Pattern 13 Inch		200	"	"
	10 Do	123	"	"
	8 Do	72	"	"
	5½ Do	13	"	"
	4⅖ Do .	8	"	"
" . . . . Bengal Pattern with elevating Screws .	13 Do	250	"	"
	10 Do	155	"	"
Beds for Howitzers 4⅖ Do		48	"	"
Stool Beds for Truck Carriages		1	7	"
Carriage Garrison Trail . . 42 Pounder		170	20	"
	32 Do	165	20	"
	24 Do	145	"	"
	18 Do	145	"	"
	12 Do	114	"	"
	9 Do	70	"	"
	6 Do	70	"	"

Carriage

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Carriage Garrison Truck Common for 42 to 18 Pounder 100 " "

16 to 6. Do 75 " "

all under at each 50 " "

Ditto Garrison Truck with traversing

Platforms Complete . . . . 32 Pounder 360 " "

24 — do — 350 " "

18 — do — 340 " "

12 — do — 330 " "

6 — do — 320 " "

Carriages Field with Limbers for heavy

Field artillery . . . . . 24 Pounder 352 " "

18 — do — 368 " "

12 — do — 209 " "

Do. Field with Limbers & Boxes for

Light Field Artillery old Construction — 24 — do 346 " "

18 — do — 340 " "

12 — do — 200 " "

6 — do — 190 " "

3 — do — 175 " "

Howitzers . . . . . 8 Inch 230 " "

5½ do — 180 " "

4½ — do — 170 " "

Carriages Field with Limbers and Boxes
for Light Field Artillery
new Construction — 18 Pounder 320. 10 40

Carriage

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Carriages, Field with Limbers & Boxes
for Light Field Artillery new
Construction ---------- 12 Pounder 3 11. 36 40
6 — Do — 200 " "
3 — Do — 180 " "
Howitzers " ---- 8 Inch — 300 " "
6½ — Do — 280 " "
4½ — Do — 250 " "

Ditto Field with Limbers & Boxes
for Cavalry ---- 6 — Pounder 220 " "
3 Do — 198 " "

Chests Laboratory Field with Carriages ---- } — 80 " "

Carriages transporting — large ---- 180 " "
Small ---- 160 " "
Carts Mortar ---- Large ---- 125 " "
Small — 110 " "
Artificers ---- large, new Construction 125 " "

Poles limber for heavy Field Artillery (rough) ---- } 3 " "
Do ---- for light Do ---- 2 40 "

Tumbrils Ammunition
Do Bengal Pattern lined with Copper 150 " "
Do ---- Do ---- Common 140 "

Tumbrils

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Carriage Garrison Truck Common for 42 & 18 Pounder 100 " "

16 to 6. Dr 75 " "

all under. at each. 50 " "

Ditto Garrison Truck with traversing

Platforms Complete . . . . 32 Pounder 360 " "

24 — Dr — 350 " "

18 — Dr — 340 " "

12 — Dr — 320 " "

Carriages Field with Limbers for heavy

Field artillery . . . . . 24 Pounder 352 " "

18 — Dr — 368 " "

12 — Dr — 209 " "

Dr Field with Limbers & Boxes for

Light Field Artillery old Construction — 24 — Dr 346 " "

18 — Dr — 340 " "

12 — Dr — 200 " "

6 — Dr — 190 " "

3 — Dr — 175 " "

Howitzers . . . . . 8 Inch 230 " "

5½ Dr — 180 " "

4½ — Dr — 170 " "

Carriages Field with Limbers and Boxes
for Light Field Artillery
new Construction — 18 Pounder 320. 12 40

Carriage

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Carriages, Field with Limbers & Boxes
for Light Field Artillery new
construction ..... 12 Pounder 3 11. 36 40
6 — Do — 200 " "
3 — Do — 180 " "
Howitzers " ..... 8 Inch — 300 " "
5½ — Do — 280 " "
4½ — Do — 250 " "

Do Do Field with Limbers & Boxes
for Cavalry ..... 6 — Pounder 220 " "
3 Do — 198 " "

Chests Laboratory Field with Carriages ..... } — 80 " "

Carriages transporting — large ..... 180 " "
Small ..... 160 " "
Carts Mortar ..... Large ..... 125 " "
Small — 110 " "
Artificers ..... large, new Construction 125 " "

Poles limber for heavy Field Artillery (rough) ..... } 3 " "
Do ..... for light Do ..... 2 40 "

Jambrils Ammunition
Do Bengal Pattern lined with Copper 150 " "
Do Do ..... Common 140 "

Jambrils

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board.—

The Delay in the Execution of the Contract for Gun Carriages &c. seems to have arisen from some misconception of the Letter from Government to the Military Board dated the 16th July last, wherein they specified the several Articles to which the Contract was to be confined, and expressed their Resolution that such Articles should be provided upon the Terms which Messrs. Topping and Parry had proposed. Instead of closing the Business there the Military Board sent to those Gentlemen another and a particular List of Ordnance Carriages, with orders to affix the Prices at which they would provide the different Articles not included in their former Proposals, all this they had previously conformed to the Military Board's Directions to confine their Proposals to the Heads particularly specified—and all this there was but one Article Viz.t Timber Boxes, to which Prices had not already been affixed and accepted by Government.—

The Board did not suppose, after the Letter from the Military Board of the 9th of June, wherein they submitted whether Messrs. Topping and Parry should be called upon to propose Prices

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Prices for Certain articles which had been omitted in their original List, and to which Government apprehended, that there were further Articles to be inserted, except the one abovementioned.—

Mess.rs Topping and Parry acted very improperly in making any addition to the Prices of their original Proposals. If these Gentlemen do not think proper to adhere to those Proposals, and execute the Contract without further delay, the Board will consider themselves at Liberty to adopt any other arrangement which may appear necessary for the Provision of the Articles specified.—

Resolved that the above be communicated to the Military Board.—

Read the following Letters from the Board of Assumed Revenue.—

To the Honble. Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From the Board of Assumed Revenue with Copies of Papers received &c. &c. &c. regarding the Conduct of the Tinnevelly Polligars, and the present State of the Arrears of their Peishcush enclosing Copy of a Petition from the Traders at Arnee.

Honble Sir,

Having transmitted Lord Cornwallis's opinion relative to the Tinnevelly Polygars to

Mr.

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Mr. Torin, that Gentleman has written us a letter upon the subject, which we beg leave to inclose, for the information of the Honble Board.

We also take the liberty of inclosing Copy of a Petition, which we have received from the Traders of Arnee and which contains matter beyond the reach of our authority.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Wm Petrie

David Haliburton

Wm Baltour

Fort St. George
6th October 1791.

To William Petrie Esqr.
President &c. Members of the Board
of Asseemed Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 12th, requiring from me a State-ment of the Polygar Arrears, and informing me of Lord Cornwallis desire that their disobedience may be immediately Enquired into. -

I wish to express my Satisfac-tion that the Subject of the Immovably Institution has

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has been honored with this Lordships Notice, and that an opportunity is given me of exhibiting them in a proper point of view — so that the Company may profit by the occasion to make these intractable People remember, that the Previledges they enjoy in the limits of their respective Polliams, entitle the Circar to an active support from them in time of Public Calamity, instead of the distrustful and pilfering conduct they have observed during the present War. —

I must acknowledge, however that the Circar Revenue has not Materially Suffer'd from them, and that their behaviour upon the whole, if Compared to former times, has been less flagitious; for what was then done in an open and daring manner, has now been Effected in a smaller degree, by their Cunning and insidiousness: so far, has the Name of the Company and the increasing Prosperity of the War, been felt among them, it is barely a palliation, that they have not avowedly plundered what they are bound to protect. —

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It will be found Necessary to Consider them, not only in regard to their Arrears, their assumption of Lands, and their disobedience in withholding the required supplies of Money and Cattle for the purpose of the War - but with respect to the Footing they are to be reduced to for the future - No one will doubt for a Moment but if we had proved unsuccessful in our present Contest that these People would have been the first to have benefited by our misfortunes (as they did last War) and have proved a Rankling and destructive Sore in the very Heart of our Resources. -

As I had the benefit of Mr. Irwin's example before me, and saw the Effect of His Moderation and Justice, I hope you will give me Credit for an adherence to his principles and his Measures, only with this difference that as I was not to persist by a Military Force, but could only remind them of what they had suffer'd and Warn them of what would follow - so I judged it Necessary to be more tenacious of My authority - as I knew if I granted a little, much would be taken - Therefore I Scrupulously

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Scrupulously insisted on every thing in the
Name of the Company which the Sovereignty &
of the Nabob and Relative Situation of the
Polygar, could Warrant. I was sure, upon this
Plan, that what I gained, would be well &
earned, that if they did not Relinquish what
I demanded, they would not Venture to take
more - and that if they dared to disregard it
all Authority, the Company would have good
grounds to proceed upon whenever Opportunity
offered, to Root out the Evil - How far this
plan has succeeded you shall judge by my
letters (the Dates as p Margin) to which I beg leave
to Refer, and to the General Tenor of the Conduct
of the Polygars as it shall further appear by
the following Remarks - The Sheveguerry, —
who I mentioned to have been the first to
Submit to my Orders - was to have Surrendered
two Pollams he had usurped - one of which
he Restored apparently to the Nabob; but
his influence has still prevailed in it to
the exclusion of the Owner - The other, the
Puttaiaver, who also held the Company's
Cowle; he never Restored tho' he admitted a

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a Guard into the Fort on the part of the Company, and in this State Matters remained while our Army was to the Southward of the Coleroon - when, tired of an interference, he thought we could not Enforce, tho' fearful to irritate the Company's Troops, a Party of his Peons unarmed, positively expelled the Guard and without the Walls - From this, much may be seen of their Insolence and their low Cunning and yet their dread of the Company's Vengeance I have therefore never failed to persist in the Surrender of the Pulitaven's Pollam, and to keep this as a Bone of Contention between us, for which the Shevigerry must, one Day or other be Accountable - As our affairs draw to a Conclusion in the Mysore Country, the Polygars become more submissive, and I have lately received a Message from the Shevigerry that the Pollam shall be given up, provided I will not give it to the Pulitaven - I refuse all Conditions of course, and insist upon the Pollam being given up and the Guards readmitted - I have also taken advantage of

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this impression and wrote the Shevegurray to restore all the Circar Inhabitants he had Spirited away from the Oppression of the Nabobs Managers and to withdraw all his interference from the Circar Villages – it would be endless to enter into the particulars of Polygar disputes, I dont imagine his Lordship. Means to have the Story of every little trick they have passed upon us, for their History is made up of these Manœuvres – I have however, as I before Observed, a Register of all their faults – but it is impossible to judge of such a Subtle, unsteady Race, by any regular Principle, their Character is a Compound of Contrariety – in Matters of Business they are liberal, often Fair, but naturally deceitful – they would oppose the Common Enemy on the Frontiers and Plunder the Country themselves – and they are daring and Armed – for they are guilty of the most wanton Acts of disobedience and rapacity, yet under some disguise, to prevent the punishment, they descend to every meanness for an Excuse, and they are never to be believed – all the other Polygars to the Westward have regulated their Conduct by

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the Shevigarry, only that he has paid me one years Peishcaush, but that, in the hope of obtaineing a Permission to keep His Usurpations.—

The Chocum pouthy is the next powerful Polygar to the Westward, he has not yet Restored the 400 Cottahs of Paddy nor paid any of his Peishcaush. He is in League with Cattbama Naig, and his turbulent Conduct, in Regard to the Inhabitants, has been always Conformable to that of his Confederate, and at times very troublesome indeed. also the Woolonaty, who is but little removed from Tinnevelly, and has more than once laid the Inhabitants under a Contribution. it is not a Month Since I made him Restore Bonds and Cattle which he had forcibly Extorted from the Ciencar Inhabitants of the Cuyagaudum Farm, and, in all probability, before another Month is over, he will Commit a Similar outrage in some other Districts. Thus is the Country continually harrassed by one or the other of them. The Ittiapoor Polygar has also proved himself a great Delinquent as his Mal practices

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have been much of the Nature of Wodonally,
and have been oftener Repeated, and no
Retribution whatever obtained from him
He disregards my Orders, and the People I send
to enquire an Explanation of His Misconduct
But the Principal and the worst of all, is
the young Cattama Naig I have very fully
detailed my proceedings with him in the
Letter of the 6th of July - The Small Forts of
Arrumcolum and Pakaly woody I then
mentioned are still in his Possession, altho
I have a guard and a Vakeel at them to support
the Claim of the Company, and from which
two Villages he draws as much Revenue as
the Peishcush he ought, but has not paid
to the Company His behaviour ever since
has been a Continual Round of little Robberies
Exactions, and very disrespectful behaviour
towards the Circar, and to the Annoyance of
the Inhabitants He has had the audacity
to collect from the Inhabitants a Dusthaavel
under the Name of an Annual Gratuity, for
his forbearance from plundering the
Country; at the beginning of this year he

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not only Collected it for Fasly 1201 but has
began to Anticipate it for 1202 by Forcing from
the People their Cattle and confining their
persons. when the Board advert to the duties
of these Polygars, and Know that they enjoy
2/3rs of the Produce of their Pollams, besides
their Fees for the protection of the Inhabitants,
they will have a just idea of their enormity
and Calloma Naig in particular, against whom
I have a very long List of Complaints indeed he
is to be attached for Some of the Circar Revenue;
for altho' I did not encourage the Renters to
expect any Remission of Rent on this Score,
yet it is well Known many of them have
Suffered. This Polygar has committed such
Robberies under such Instances that the
Renters could not Venture to make an open
Complaint against him; the Proofs however,
are not wanting. Nor is he free from open
acts of Hostility against the Company; such
as intercepting us for Months together from
Cutting Wood for the Garrison Store, and for
opposing the Company's Sepoys in the
Execution of their duty. in one of those Conflicts

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punishment is inflicted I am confident the Revenues of the Jaunevelly will always be in danger in proportion to the Circumstances of our Armies for the Polygars only take advantage of our lenity, and Conclude, as Cattabomman Naig and Shevigunny were reinstated after plundering the whole Country and Arrogating to themselves Titles and despotic Power in the Circar Provinces, that no very heavy punishment awaits a similar Conduct — They little think that Mr. Irwein and Colonel Fullarton, at that critical time, had no alternative but to Compromise with them — and that we can now take a Lesson from Experience and Keep them in Reserve, till the Opportunity is more favorable. —

The very loose and Corrupt Government exercised by the Nabobs Managers, has afforded them many Occasions to add to their Revenues from the Circar Countries — by which the Nabob may be said to Cherish an Enemy in the Center of his dominions; for they no Sooner become Rich than their insolence is unbounded — The Board will perceive by the enclosed Bond, and I have taken similar Obligations from all the Polygars, that I have prepared them for these Resumptions and I have enclosed a List of such Recoveries as I think ought to be Made from them, There are a few alterations Requisite in Regard to some of their Tributes, which in General is found to be 1/3 of their Revenue; and we know

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That, to amount to three Lacks above the 6,000 Chuckrums stated to be the Value of their Usurpations — During the Power of Mahomed Yoof of Canoor in the Tinnevelly, these Polygars were reduced to the condition of Common Inhabitants — He deprived them of their Lands, forbid them the Use of their Matchlock and Pikes, and ordered every Head to be Struck off that wore the Polygar Turban — but he did not live long enough to Subdue their lawless Savage Spirit, with the next Manager they Contrived to regain their destructive influence, and have been in constant Warfare with the Circar ever since — it would take a long time, even under a Regular Government, like the Company's, to bring them back to the quiet and useful State, we are told, they formerly were subjected to When they Never took up their Pikes but to Oppose the Enemy, and Cultivated the grounds in Common with the Inhabitants of the Country, the present Government vibrating (as it may be said) between the Nabobs and the Company's Authority is no ways favorable to any permanent System; nor does it become me to consider it, further than to say I have Endeavoured by my Conduct towards them to lay a foundation for One, and I am confident if it does not go the length of Encouraging the insolence and presumption of the Tributary, it will serve to Establish the rights and uphold the Consequence and Respect due to the Circar. —

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

Tinnevelly
26th. Sept. 1791.

a true Copy
(Signed) J. Webbe
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Settlement with the Polygars of Tinnevelly for Fasly 1199 and

Poligars Pollams.	Poligars Names
Shevegurry	Varagoonarama Vunnyan
Etiaporam	Gettapah Naig
Woolemaly	Madurapah Tavan
Nagdoovacoorchey	Coottala Tavan
Talivenoth a	Indeva Talivan
Sorenda	Saule Talivan
Cadamboor	Saby Talivan
Singumputty	Nalla cootty
Woorcad	Chatturoyen
Mainacky	Chora Talivan
Pandelumcourchey	Cutabom Naig
Elyarumpunny	Andoocondo Vunnyan
Malemonty	Punja Naig
Nagalaporum	Erapah Naig
Candelcoorty	Serumal Naig
Attengherry	Pedena Naig
Munnarcottar	Chimmen Naig
Pawraly	Avalapa Naig
Aligopoory	Reddycoody Vunnyan
Gollapputty	Gubellapa Naig
Collarputty	Calingada Gundon
Chocumputty	Chimnanaija Tavan
Taupetoor	Commi Naig
Vandeoor	Goolapa Naig
Yelpoorry	Cora Chinnama Naig
Chinnel Goody	Tottapa Naig
Calatoor	Annechey Naig
Paroor	Tomichy Naig
Shatoor	Trevennala Tavan
Anidiathporum	Pule Talivan
Gollen Gundan	Vanda Tavan

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1200 Shewing the Sums Received and the Balance due. –

	Peishcush Settled on account of Fusly 1199.	Peishcush Settled on account of Fusly 1200	Total Money Settlement	collected by Mr. Jovin	Balance
	Ch. F. C.	Ch. F. C.	Ch. F. C	Ch. F. C.	Ch. F. C
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	304 8 "	304 8 "	609 6 "	292 5 "	317 1 "
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25th Septr. 1791

Excepted
for Signed/ Benj Jovin
Collector

a true Copy
J. Webb

List of Assumptions Usurpations and Plunder, made by the Polygars of Jimmevelly from the Circar Lands from the Revenue and from the Pollams of each other.—

Polygars Pollams	Polygars Names	Annual produce of Circar Valley, assumed from July 1777	annual Produce of Circar Lands from July 1777.	annual produce of Pasturage taken from the Circar Ryots from July 1777	Total	annual Revenue of Pollams taken by one Polyger from another	Cattle & Grain &c Plundered in the Country In July 1780
Pandelumcourchey	Cutabom Naig	19,625 " "	3240 " "	11,877 3 "	34762 3 "	" " "	2830 4 24
Shevigurry	Varagombranaliunga	7347 3 36	" " "	" " "	7347 3 36	5578 7 24	20 " "
Etiaporum	Tchiapah Naig	168 8 "	" " "	" " "	168 8 "	" " "	19,80 5 "
Woolemaly	Maduraipah Tavan	10,313 7 24	" " "	" " "	10,313 7 24	" " "	446 5 "
Elyarumpunny	Andoocondo Vunnyan	130 " "	" " "	" " "	130 " "	" " "	" " "
Nadooracourchey	Coothala Tavan	227 6 "	" " "	" " "	227 6 "	" " "	25 " "
Taliumcotta	Indera Taliven	84 " "	" " "	" " "	84 " "	" " "	10 " "
Eligapoory	Reddycoody Vunnyan	84 " "	" " "	" " "	84 " "	" " "	" " "
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Parvor	Tomichy Naig	656 8 36	" " "	" " "	656 8 36	" " "	50 " "
Nagalaporum	Erapah Naig	141 7 24	" " "	" " "	141 7 24	" " "	300 " "
Saupetoor	Comme Naig	" " "	" " "	" " "	" " "	3000 " "	" " "
Cadomboor	Tody Taliven	" " "	150 " "	" " "	150 " "	" " "	" " "
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Jimmevelly 25th Septr. 1791

Errors Excepted
(Signed) Benj Torin

a true Copy
(Signed) J Webbe
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Translation of an Obligation given by Varegoona Vena Vunneyen Polygar of Shevigunny to Mr. A Benjamin Torin Collector of Tinnevelly District dated the 12th November 1790.—

I do hereby with my own will and consent pass this Obligation for paying my A Peishcush for my Pollam the Sum of 11,000 Chuckrums on account of Fusly 1199 and 11,000 Chuckrums on account of Fusly 1200 at the undermentioned A Periods—also the Canongoe Roosoom and Vattam &c. Fees as it has been customary in the Company's Government, and to return back the Villages A belonging to Thattoor Polygar that I possess—and to conduct myself agreeable to the Company's A order, and to submit to the decree that shall be given on arbitration for the Village Poruveer and Codalour belonging to Pooletaveer Polygar, also to return back agreeable to the Company's order the Villages &c. that I have possessed myself of belonging to the Circar and A to Conduct myself without trouble or A the st in the district whenever I have the Cawel, and to submit to every thing

agreeable

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agreeable to the Company's Order.-

22. Nov. 1790 Chs. 11,000.-

25. January 1791 . . . 1800.-

25. Feby 1800.-

25. March 1800.-

25. April . . . . 1800.

25 May 1800.-

25. June 2,000.-

Chuckrums 22,000.-

a true Copy

(Signed) B. Torin

Collector

a true Copy

(Signed) J Webbe

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Arzee of Venkatasawmy Chetty, Ketchy Chetty
Inhabitants
Dundoo Chetty, Apoo Chetty, &c. of the Pt
Fort and Pettah of Arnee.-

For a long time past there were Pt
four hundred houses in the Fort and Pettah of
Arnee belonged to Merchants, who got a Pt
livelihood by trade during the last War the
Enemy took them and sent them up the ghauts,
and about a hundred of us now remain there
Formerly the Commander Colonel Kelly, Pt
shewed us favor, and we, in consequence, carried

on

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on our Trade without any molestation. Now Captain Mackay has come to the Command: at the time, ℔ when Colonel Kelly's army arrived from Treichinopoly two puddies of Rice sold for one large Fanam, both in the Army and the Arnee Country, and it was difficult to procure grain at the rate of two ℔ Puddies for a large Fanam: in this situation he (Captain Mackay) by force and injustice caused Rice to be sold at the rate 3¾ puddies for a large Fanam, and Grain at the rate of four puddies for a large Fanam, by which we have sustained much loss. From that time to this he has ℔ continued in this manner to distress us. as we had no Resource, we carried our Complaint to the Sagurdar, who endeavoured to Comfort us and ℔ represented to Captain Mackay that to do us was unjust, but without paying any attention to this he encreased his Violence against us. One Bazar man sold his Rice according to Captain Mackay's price, but saying that there were a great many small Stones in it, Captain ℔ Mackay made a Court Martial upon him, ℔ flogged and sent him out of the districts. We informed Captain Mackay in the most earnest manner that whilst the price at Arnee was

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One large Fanam for two Puddies, and the same at
arcot, Vellour, Polour, Chittapet, Trivatore, and the
places round, if he by injustice made us sell four
Puddies for one Fanam, we could have no Resource
Captain M.T in consequence sent his people P
round to bring him masters of Rice with the prices
and though it turned out to be two puddies for
one Fanam, yet, continueing his violence against us,
he caused the rice to be sold at four Puddies for
a large Fanam. As we were poor Traders and had
no Resource, we went off to Niabad. The above P
Captain, in Consequence, threatened the Jagurdar
that unless he sent and recalled the Traders he
would put a Guard over him. The Jagurdar, P
therefore, sent to tell us that we would appease
Captain Mackay and get Our Grain sold at
the market price he desired us to return and
sent a Cowle. upon this faith we came back.
We, whose houses are in the Fort, were prevented
from entering, and Captain Mackay stopping
the Gate would not permit our families to
come out. The Jagurdar sent to Represent this
in the most earnest manner, but the above
Captain paid no attention. after this he sent

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Heis Durbash, Joshapah Moodelly, with a Message to us, saying that, if we would give him an hundred Pagodas, he would permit us to enter the Fort - as we were helpless and could not get our houses, we paid a Nuzzer of Eighty Rupees and Obtained heis permission. -

Captain Mackay having Resolved on selling the Company's Rice, which was in the Fort, by Auction, put up notice at the Gate. Ritchy Chitty and Veneata Sawmy Chitty, the Chief Traders, were prevented from the Gate, and having kept Dundoo Chitty and some other Bazar men Captain Mackay put up some Rice at 13 some at 15 some at 17 some at 19 some at 21 and some at 22 - Pagodas P Garce but of this only One lot of Five Garee at 26 Pag. P Garee was sold to Dundoo Chitty, and the remainder Captain Mackay took to himself. He then gave Veneatasawmy Chitty and Ritchy Chitty leave to come to the Gate, and sold One lot of 35 Garee at 31 Pag. P Garee and another of 6 Garee at 35 Pag. P garee - altogether Forty Garee to them. He told us - that he had sold the Rice to us at an advantage-ous Price, and that we must give him a Nuzzer

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of 100 Pags. which he accordingly took from us he gave us leave to sell the above rice at 3/4 Puddies for a large fanam, which used before to sell 4 at 3/4 Puddies for a large fanam, and for this he took 40 Pagodas, as we are inhabitants of this place, we have hitherto borne this injustice, but if he continues such injustice in future it will be impossible for us to.—

During the last War the Enemy took and sent our people up the Ghauts as the English have now taken the Fort of Bangalore the Road is opened, and many of our people have returned their homes being in the Fort, Captain Mackay would not give them leave to enter without prayeing a Rupee each, and having stopped them for four or five days, he took from each a Rupee and then permitted them to enter the Fort. It is utterly impossible to enumerate the injustices, which he in this manner practises against the inhabitants of the Fort.—

Some Doors on the Outside of the Fort were burnt down, which were again repaired, but Capt.n Mackay sent his people and destroyed them. If the Traders and Ryots upon returning

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returning from the Ghauts to repair their own houses and Dookans, Captain Mackay sends and destroys them If ive ask why he Commits this injustice, he demands a Nuzzer of an hundred Pagodas.—

Against all this injustice it is impossible for us to support ourselves If we complain to the Sugerdar, who is over Khavirid, he sends to represent it to Captain Mackay but the above Captain will not hear him. We have hitherto suffered all this distress: but as we entirely despair of any Redress from him, we have presented our petition to you. You, Gentlemen, are famed for justice, and Charity and the support of the weak as we are poor Traders, we have come to you in the Confidence that you will enable us to return to our Homes and to live without Molestation. We have at times assisted in doing the Company's Business, and we shall always be ready to do so. Our people are happy under the Company's Colours and we alone suffer this distress. We have no resource but in you: Bestow favour and Justice upon us who are Poor.—

Venkata Sawmy Chetty
Dumboo Chetty
Mahadave Chetty
Ketchy Chetty
Sawmy Chetty
Armgery
Aproo Chetty.—

a true translation
(signed)
(signed) J. Webbe
M. S.

a true Copy
(signed) J. Webbe.
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To

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Fort St. George 11th October 1791.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge

From the Board of Assumed Revenue stating the steps they have already taken to induce the former Inhabitants of the Carnatic to return from the Mysore Country and recommending that 1000 Pagodas may be disbursed by Mr. Rindersley in encouraging their Settlement.

the Receipt of your Commands under date 6th instant

Though we are not aware that so great an Opposition

has been made to the Return of the Carnatic

inhabetants, yet we have issued Orders to the

different Collectors for information on this

Subject, which shall be Reported to you without

loss of time. We beg leave to assure you that

we have Repeatedly given directions to the

Collectors upon the frontier to offer every

endeavement, and to yield every assistance, to

such people as might be inclined to Return;

and we have the pleasure to inform you

that Messrs. Rindersley and Sandom have

Reported to us the Return of many thousands

inhabitants. To Mr. Rindersley in particular,

whose districts lie most Convenient for the

reception of emigrants, We have given instructions

not only to suspend all duties, but to report

how far pecuniary assistance might be

useful

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usefull and necessary he has now recommended the immediate Disbursement of Pagodas 1000 to encourage their Settlement, and we take the liberty of Requesting your Sanction for the expenditure of that Sum.—

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
11th October 1791.

&c &c

(Signed) Wm Petrie
Wm Balfour

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from the Board of Assumed Revenue.—

The Board having considered Mr. Torin's Representation of the Character and Disposition of the Tinnevelly Tributaries, with much attention clearly discern the necessity there is for keeping a watchful Eye over these turbulent People in order to prevent them from forming any Combination among themselves destructive of the Peace of the District, which the present Situation of the times, and their own licentious Habits might lead them to attempt — It appears to the Board, however, as the more prudent measure, to overlook any trifling Irregularity in the Conduct of these People than by an act, or even

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by the appearance of rigor, induce them to a successful
the temporary resistance of the Company's authority
and it is therefore resolved to recommend to the
Board of Assumed Revenue that they instruct
Mr. Torin to conduct himself towards the
Polegars with the Forbearance which these
Considerations naturally suggest, and to continue
so to do, until the return of Peace shall afford
the opportunity of enforcing the Company's
just demands upon them.—

Agreed to refer to Mr. Kindersley's
Investigation the Matter contained in the
Petition from the Traders at Arnee.—

Resolved to authorize the
Expenditure of one thousand Pagodas by Mr.
Kindersley for the Purpose of giving Encourage-
ment to the Inhabitants of the mysore
Country to resort to, and settle in, the Carnatic.—

The acting President lays before
the Board the following Papers delivered to
him by Major Scott, the Commanding Officer
of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment
of Artillery landed from the Bridgewater.—

To

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To the Governor and Council
at
Madrass

Gentlemen,

From the Duke of Richmond with Papers relating to the Cloathing & Pay &c. &c. of the Detachment of Royal Artillery arrived on the Bridgewater.—

His Majesty having been pleased to order that a Detachment of the Royal Regement of Artillery upon the Establishment specified in the inclosed List A should be sent to India, to be paid by the Honorable India Company and to be employed there in such manner as the Court of Directors or their Governors and Council should direct. I herewith inclose a Return /B/ of the said Detachment as ordered to embark on board the Ship Bridgewater likewise a Return C of the artillery and Stores which His Majesty has directed the Detachment should take out with them, and a Copy D of the Instructions given to Major David Scott, the Commandeing Officer.—

Both the Officers and Men composing this Detachment have been chiefly Volunteers Each Company has Sixty trained Men and Forty Recruits and I trust that, both as to Officers and Men this Corps will be approved of and be found useful.—

I beg leave particularly to recommend Major Scott to your Notice as an Officer of long Service and great Merit.— I have the honor to be

Whitehall 23d April 1791

(Signed) &c. &c.
Richmond &c.
Master General of His
Majesty's Ordnance

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A Distribution of the Pay for one year to the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of artillery under Orders for the East Indies.

	Full Pay p day.	Subsistence p day	Full Pay p year	Subsistence arrears p year			Clothing		
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
1 Major	"	15	"	113	273 15	"	205 6 3	68 8 9	
1 Captain	"	10	"	76	182 10	"	136 17 6	45 12 6	
1 Captain more	"	10	"	76	182 10	"	136 17 6	45 12 6	
1 Captain Lieutenant	"	6	"	46	109 10	"	82 2 6	27 7 6	
1 Captain Lieutenant more	"	6	"	46	109 10	"	82 2 6	27 7 6	
1 First Lieutenant	"	5	"	39	91 5	"	68 8 9	22 16 3	
3 First Lieutenants more	"	15	"	113	273 15	"	205 6 3	68 8 9	
1 Second Lieutenant	"	4	"	3	73	"	54 15	18 5	"
3 Second Lieutenants more	"	12	"	9	219	"	164 5	54 15	"
1 adjutant	"	5	"	39	91 5	"	68 8 9	22 16 3	
1 Quarter Master	"	6	"	46	109 10	"	82 2 6	27 7 6	
1 Surgeon	"	6	"	46	109 10	"	82 2 6	27 7 6	
1 Surgeon's Mate	"	3 6	"	27½	63 7 6		47 18 1½	15 19 4½	
1 Serjeant	"	2	"	17¾	36 10	"	30 0 8¾	" " "	6 9 3½
5 Serjeants more	"	10	"	82½	182 10	"	150 3 7½	" " "	32 6 4½
1 Corporal	"	1 10	"	16½	33 9 2		28 2 8½	" " "	5 6 5½
5 Corporals more	"	9 2	"	93½	167 5 10		140 13 6½	" " "	26 12 3½
1 Bombardier	"	1 8	"	16½	30 8 4		25 1 10½	" " "	5 6 5½
11 Bombardiers more	"	18 4	"	151½	336 1 8		276 6 7½	" " "	58 11 5½
1 Gunner	"	1	"	9½	18 5	"	14 8 11½	" " "	3 16 1½
199 Gunners more	"	9 19	7 17	6½	3631 15	"	2875 2 8½	" " "	766 12 3½
1 Drummer	"	1	"	9½	18 5	"	14 8 11½	" " "	3 16 1½
3 Drummers more	"	3	"	24½	54 15	"	43 6 10½	" " "	11 8 1½
Total	£	17	10 6	13	149	6896 12 6	5014 3 9	472 4 5½	910 4 6½

N.B. The Subsistence is to be paid in India the Arrears and Clothing Money in England.—

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A Return of the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery embarked on board the Bridgewater for the East Indies.—

Major David Scott

Captains { Thomas Ross
John Cockburn

Capts. Lieuts. { Chas. Terrott
Geo. L. Hamilton

1st Lieuts { Geo. W. Dixon
Robert Clarke
John Quayle
Jams. Hunter

2d Lieuts. { John Facey
Wm. Nicholay
Chas. Gould
Geo Hayter

Adjutant Geo L. Hamilton

Qua. Master Chas. Terrott

Surgeon — Wm. M. Kellop

Surgeon's Mate Joseph Lamb

6 Serjeants

6 Corporals

12 Bombardiers

200 Gunners

4 Drummers—

Account

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Account of Brass Ordnance, Stores and Ammunition, Shipped on board the Bridgewater Indiaman, to accompany two Companies of the Royal Regiment of Artillery embarked on board the said Ship for the East Indies.—

Ordnance Brass	On old pattern Travelling carriages with Trail Trucks elevating Screws, Limbers Ammunition Boxes filled with unfixed Ammunition	6 Pounr.	2
	On new pattern carricle carriages with Trail Trucks, elevating Screws, Limbers, and Ammunition Boxes filled with unfixed Ammunition	3 Pounr.	2
	On comp.tt Carriages with Elevating Screws, Limbers, and Ammn.n Boxes filled with unfixed Ammunition	1 Pounr.	2
	On new patt. Truck Carriages and carriage Cart, with Ammn. Box filled with unfixed Ammunition	8 Inch Howr.	1
	On new pattern Carricle Carriage with Trail Truck elevating Screws, Limber and Ammunition Boxes with unfixed Ammunition	5½ Inch Howr.	1

Ammn.

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Ammunition Waggons { New patt. on curricle carriages with Limbers &c. Complete and Ammunition Boxes filled with assorted Ammn: to accompany the } 3 Pound — 2 / 3 Inch Howr. — 1

Corn'd Powder for Seizing the abovementioned Ammunition, Copper Hoop'd, Half Barl. 45 Each } — 20

Together with a Proportion of Cartridges, side Arms small Stores, Horse Harness &c. &c. Complete —

Round Tents ——— new Pattern ——— 2

Chevaux de Frize ——— new Pattern ——— 10

Engineers Instruments for Surveying &c. — Set — 1

Office of Ordnance
25th April 1791

Instructions for Major David Scott Commanding a Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery ordered on Service to India. —

In embarking on board the Ships provided to receive the Detachment under your Command, and in all things respecting the Conduct of the Officers and Men while on board you are to enjoin the strictest Conformity to such Regulations as may have been hitherto established with regard to the Kings' Troops under similar

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similar Circumstances.—

On your arrival in India you are to take the earliest Opportunity of reporting to the Master General a State of the Detachment and all Occurrences respecting it which you shall may judge necessary to communicate In like Manner you will continue to transmit from time to time regular States of the same, always observing a due Connection with the one preceding.—

In lieu of certain Articles of Clothing the Board will make the allowance signified in the inclosed Papers marked No. 1 & 2 which allowance are to be laid out in India in other Articles more suited to the Climate and Service you are going upon.—

For the amount of these allowances your Draughts upon the Agent here will be duly acknowledged: therefore in giving an Account of the Receipts and Issues of Clothing, which must be regularly transmitted every Year, besides the Delivery being acknowledged by the Persons receiving the same, it becomes requisite that they should also subscribe to the Receipt of the said several allowances or

that

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that they have been otherwise duly accounted with for them.—

And if it should be found from Experience that any other alterations in the Clothing sent from Europe would be expedient you are to transmit a special Report of the same by stating all the Reasons inducing you to suggest them.—

As six Months Subsistence from the 1st May for the Detachment will be issued in advance you will lose no time in giving Directions to the Captains of the Respective Companies for their providing out of the said advanced Pay, proper Necessaries and Refreshments for the Men on the Voyage the Amount whereof is to be charged against the Pay due at the time of their arrival in India.—

The Detachment is to be wholly paid by the Honorable East India Company in India except the Officers Arrears, and no Demands whatever are to be made upon the Ordnance here, excepting for such Arrears and the annual Allowances in the Place of Clothing already mentioned.—

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It will however be requisite for the Satisfaction of the Master General that you do transmit from time to time a general Acknowledgement, subscribed by the Non commissioned Officers and Privates individually that they have received or been accounted with for all the Pay, allowances and other just Demands to which they are entitled according to the Rates and Regulations established for the Corps of Artillery in India.—

Given at the Office of Ordnance under the Seal of the said Office this Twenty fourth day of April 1791.

By Order of the Board

(Signed) Aug.s Rogers Secy

Proposed Clothing for the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery under orders for India 1791.

Articles to be furnished from England—	Articles for which money is to be allowed that other Articles more suitable to the Climate may be provided in India.—

For a Serjeant

That	Shirt	8.6
Dress Jacket	Stock	0.6
undress Do.	Stockings 1 pair	2.5½
Calicoe { waistcoat / Trowsers	Shoes — 1 pr.	5.3
	an additional pair of Trowsers	5.2
		£1.1.10½

For

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For Corporal

Hat		Shirts	8. 6.
Dress Jacket		Stock	0. 6.
undress Do.		Stockings 1 pr.	2. 5½
Calicoe	Waistcoat	Shoes 1 pr.	5. 3.
	Trowsers	an additional pair of Trowsers	5. 2.
			£1. 1. 10½

For a Bombardier

Hat		Shirt	8. 6.
Dress Jacket		Stock	0. 6.
undress Do.		Stockings 1 pr.	2. 5½
Calicoe	Waistcoat	Shoes 1 pr.	5. 3.
	Trowsers	an additional pair of Trowsers	5. 2.
			£1. 1. 10½

For a Gunner

Hat		Shirt	5. 8.
Dress Jacket		Stock	0. 6.
Undress Do.		Stockings 1 pr.	1. 8.
Calicoe	Waistcoat	Shoes 1 pr.	5. 3.
	Trowsers	an additional pr. of Trowsers	5. 2
			£0. 18. 3.

For a Drummer

Hat		Shirt	5. 8.
Dress Jacket		Stock	0. 6.
Undress Do.		Stockings 1 pr.	1. 8.
Calicoe	Waistcoat	Shoes — 1 pr.	5. 3
	Trowsers	an additional pair of Trowsers	5. 2
			£0. 18. 3.

Proposed

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Proposed Clothing for a Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery under orders for India 1792.-

Articles to be furnished from England		Articles for which money is to be allowed that their Articles more suitable to the climate may be provided in India
For a Serjeant		
Hat	Waistcoat	3 – 10.
Dress Jacket	Calicoe Trowsers	5. 2.
Undress D.°	Shirt	8 – 6.
Shoes 1 pair	Stock	0. 6.
	Stockings 1 pair	2 – 5½
	an additional pair of Trowsers	5 – 2
		£1. 5. 7½
For a Corporal		
Hat	Waistcoat	3. 10
Dress Jacket	Calicoe Trowsers	5. 2
Undress D.°	Shirt	8. 6.
Shoes 1 pair	Stock	0. 6.
	Stockings 1 pair	2. 5½
	an additional pair of Trowsers	5. 2
		£1. 5. 7½

For

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For a Bombardier

Hat

Dress Jacket

Undress Do

Shoes 1 pair

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 0.10.
Trowsers . . 5. 2.

Shirt . . . . . 0. 6.

Stock . . . . . 0. 6.

Stockings 1 pair 2 5/

an additional pair of Trowsers 5 2

£1. 5. 7/

For a Gunner

Hat

Dress Jacket

undress Do.

Shoes 1 pair.

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 3. 10.
Trowsers ——— 5 2.

Shirt 5. 8

Stock 0. 6

Stockings 1 pair . . . 1 8

an additional pair of Trowsers 5. 2

£1 2 0

For a Drummer

Hat

Dress Jacket

Undress Do.

Shoes 1 pair.

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 3. 10.
Trowsers ——— 5 2

Shirt 5 8

Stock ——— 0 6

Stockings 1 pair ——— 1 8

An additional pair of Trowsers. 5. 2

£1. 2. 0

Ordered

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Proposed Clothing for a Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery under orders for India 1792.-

Articles to be furnished from England	Articles for which money is allowed that other Articles more suitable to the Climate may be provided in India

For a Serjeant

Hat	Calicoe	Waistcoat	3 10.
Dress Jacket		Trowsers	5. 2.
undress D°.	Shirt		8 6.
Shoes 1 pair	Stock		0. 6.
	Stockings 1 pair		2 5½
	an additional pair of Trowsers		5 2
			£1. 5. 7½

For a Corporal

Hat	Calicoe	Waistcoat	3. 10
Dress Jacket		Trowsers	5. 2
Undress D°.	Shirt		8. 6.
Shoes 1 pair	Stock		0. 6.
	Stockings 1 pair		2. 5½
	an additional pair of Trowsers		5. 2
			£1. 5. 7½

For

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For a Bombardier

Hat

Dress Jacket

Undress Do.

Shoes 1 pair

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 0. 10.
Trowsers . . 5. 2.

Shirt . . . . . 0. 6.

Stock . . . . . 0. 6.

Stockings 1 pair . . . 2 – 5½

an additional pair of Trowsers 5 – 2

£1. 5. 7½

For a Gunner

Hat

Dress Jacket

undress Do.

Shoes 1 pair.

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 3. 10.
Trowsers ——— 5 – 2.

Shirt 5. 8

Stock 0. 6

Stockings 1 pair . . . 1 – 8

An additional pair of Trowsers 5. 2

£1 – 2 – 0

For a Drummer

Hat

Dress Jacket

Undress Do.

Shoes 1 pair.

Calicoe { Waistcoat ——— 3. – 10.
Trowsers ——— 5 – 2

Shirt . . . . . 5 – 8

Stock ——— 0 – 6

Stockings 1 pair ——— 1 – 8

An additional pair of Trowsers. 5. 2

£ 1. 2. 0

Ordered

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Ordered that Copies of the above

Minute thereon. Papers be sent to the Comptroller General

of Army Accounts.—

" Chas Oakeley.

" W.m Peter

" J. Huddleston

George Parry Esqr

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Diary

Sent the following Letters

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis &c.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

To Lord Cornwallis enclosing Copy of Intelligence received from Dindigul

My Lord,

We have had the Honor to receive your Lordship's Letter of the 6th Instant, and shall give immediate Orders to Captain Flint, and to the Officers Commanding the Southern Garrisons, to procure every Intelligence regarding the motions of the Enemy —

We have this Moment received a Letter from Captain Bowser, Copy of which we beg leave to enclose for your Lordship's Information —

We have the Honor to be,
with great Respect and Esteem,
&c. &c.
Sign'd Chas Oakeley &c. Council

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To Robert Taylor Esqr.

To the Chief of Tellicherry with Return of Troops embarked on the Henry the Expence of victualling the Officers to be paid by him Instructions respecting the Supply of Provisions shipped for the use of the Troops

Chief of Tellicherry

Sir,

We herewith enclose an Embarkation Return of the Troops sent on Board the Private Ship Henry

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Henry, and a Copy of our Instructions to Captain Wheatley the Commander of that Ship —

We request you will be so good as to direct the Payment of two Rupees pr Diem to Captain Wheatley for the diet of each Officer during the Passage to Pellicherry — Every other Expence has been defrayed by us —

The Quantity of Provisions shipped on the Henry (as pr Return) is for thirty Days Consumption for 600 men — If the voyage be made in a shorter time, we request you will call upon Captain Wheatley to land such Provisions as may remain unconsumed at the time of his arrival at Pellicherry —

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We are
&c &c
(Signed) Chas Oakeley Junr Council

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. No 89. 90. 91 & 92.

From the Paymaster at Madura &c enclosing Bills for working Money countersigned by the Commanding Officer at Dindigul —

From the Paymaster at Madura &c

From the Commander of the private Ship Neptune requesting that Boats may be furnished to expedite the Disembarkation of the Company's Cargo on Board the Neptune and representing that, in case of the appearance of bad

From the Commanders of the Private ship Neptune

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11th bad weather after the 15th Instant, he shall be under the necessity of putting to Sea although the Company's Cargo should not be landed—

From the Commandant at Pongole—advising

From the Commandant at Pongole

of Lieutenant Beale's having marched in Pursuit of a large Body of plunderers from the Draparad Country in the Bay of the Zemindar of Ramyagiperou

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell—requesting

From Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell.

to be informed whether his Letter of the 19th April, on the subject of the Exchange to be allowed to Mumnohur Dofs for money paid into the Treasury of the Bengal Detachment, has been received, and what Resolutions were passed thereon—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 93. 94. 95. 96. 97.)

To the Commander of the Private Ship Henry

To the Commander of the Private Ship Henry

desiring him, after receiving on Board the Detachment of Troops ordered to embark on his Ship, to make the best of his way to Tellicherry, and, on his arrival at that Place, to obey such orders as he may receive from the Chief relative to their disembarkation—

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell—informing

To Lieutenant Colonel Cockerell—

him that his Letter of the 19th April was duly received and the necessary communication made to the Supreme Council in consequence—

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To Captain Flint

retire with his Detachment from Amboor, and to spare no trouble or reasonable Expence in procuring the earliest and most authentic Intelligence respecting the Motions of the Detachment of Tippoo's army now in the Baramaul, communicating the same to Lord Cornwallis and to the Officer Commanding the Detachment at Amboor or on its March to the Policode Pass, and transmitting Duplicates of his Intelligence to the Board —

To the Commandants at Caliqautchery &c.

To the Commandants at Caliqautchery, Trichinopoly Cavoor, Dindigul and Madura —

permitting him to provide and keep up an Establishment of Bullocks for two Brigades of six Pounders, and communicating similar Instructions to those given to Captain Flint on the subject of procuring Intelligence of the Motions of the Enemy now in the Baramaul — and to the Commandants at Trichinopaly, Cavoor Dindigul and Madura with Instructions as to Captain Flint respecting Intelligence —

To Lieutenant Thomas Burrows informing

To Lieutenant T. Burrows of the Cavalry

him that he has the Board's permission to proceed to Sea for the Recovery of his Health, and that the usual Advances of Pay and Gratuity will be made him —

Sent the following Letters

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To the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis

Commander in Chief of His Majesty's

Ships and Vessels in the East Indies

To Commodore Cornwallis and the Government of Bombay - respecting the Vessels supposed to be fitting out in different Parts of Europe for the Purpose of carrying Military Stores to Tippoo Sultaun -

Sir,

We have the Honor to enclose a particular description which we have received from the Honorable Court of Directors of several Vessels supposed to be fitted out in different Parts of Europe, for the Purpose of carrying Military Stores to Tippoo Sultaun -

The Honorable Court, in their Instructions to us on this Subject, direct that Measures be taken for intercepting any Ships employed on the above Service, and that if any of them be met with on the Coast of Malabar laden with Military Stores, and in such a Situation as to indicate an Intention of proceeding to an Enemy's Port, such Ship be seized, and her Cargo deposited in the Company's Stores, there to be detained, until the Circumstances attending the Seizure shall have been transmitted home, and until such directions shall have been given, as may, on a full Consideration thereof, be judged expedient - We have thought it our Duty to communicate this Circumstance that you may take such Steps as shall appear necessary for accomplishing the Object in View -

We have the Honor to be &c &c

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/ Sign'd / Chas Oakeley &c Council /To

The same to the Governor in Council at Bombay

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To the Honorable Major General Medows.

&c &c &c.

To Major General Medows requesting him to recommend a proper Person to succeed Colonel Capper in the Office of Comptroller General

Honorable Sir,

Colonel Capper having applied to us for permission to return to Europe by one of the first Ships of the ensuing Season, we have the honor to signify the same to you, and to request you will be pleased to take an early opportunity of recommending a fit Person to succeed to the Office of Comptroller General, that he may benefit as much as possible by the assistance of Colonel Capper, previous to the actual resignation of that Office. —

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

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[Sgnd] Chas. Oakeley for Council

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c &c &c.

To Lord Cornwallis with Copy of an Extract of a Letter from the Hon.ble Court of Directors to the Governor General in Council relative to the Nabob of Arcot and the Rajah of Tanjore —

My Lord

We have the Honor to enclose, for your Lordship's Information, Copy of an Extract of a Letter from the Secret Committee to the Governor General in Council — received by the Bridgewater, relative to the Nabob of Arcot and

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and the Rajah of Tanjore.

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I have the Honor to be,
with great Respect and Esteem
Sir Your
[Signed] Chas. Oakeley Vice Council

To Mr. Charles Darke.

To Mr. Charles Darke with Copy of the Paragraph of the Letter from the Court of Directors respecting his letter to the Nabob of the 15th June 1789 and informing him that every assistance will be given him by the Board

Sir,

I am directed by the the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 5th Instant, and to inclose, agreeably to your request, a Copy of the Paragraph of the Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors on the subject of your address to his Highness the Nabob under date the 15th June 1789.—

I am further directed to assure you, that every support you can wish for from Government, will be readily afforded, to enable you to prove the assertions contained in your letter to His Highness the Nabob—

I am Sir
Your
[Signed] W. C. Jackson
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Dispatched the undermentioned
Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104.
105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118.—)

To the Registrar of the Nabob's Debts—

To the Registrar of the Nabob's Debts—

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desiring him to lay before the Board sundry original Books and Papers applied for by the Nabob —

To the Deputy Paymaster of the Kings Troops

To the Deputy Paymaster of the Kings Troops.

desiring him to advance to Lieutenants Jardine and Gardiner the usual allowance of Passage Money and six months Subsistence. —

To the Master Attendant desiring him to

To the Master Attendant

land immediately all the Gun Carriages on board the Fazeltum belonging to the Company. —

To Major Tutt informing him that his

To Major Tutt of the Artillery

temporary appointment to the Direction of the Laboratory ceased upon the Notification in General Orders of — Captain Isaakis appointment to be Sub Director of the Laboratory. —

To the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province — desiring him to assist, to the utmost in his Power, in collecting, and conveying to Bangalore, all the Grain that can be procured in the

To the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province

Districts under his Management — and informing him that if the Inhabitants are unwilling to lend their Cattle at a reasonable compulsion must be used.

To D° desiring him to enquire into and

To D°

report upon a Complaint preferred against Captain Mackay by the Traders at Arnee. Enclosing Copy of the Complaint. —

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To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Board of Assumed Revenue communicating the Sentiments of the Board on the present State of the Tinnevelly Province informing them of the Reference made to Mr. Hindersley regarding the Complaint preferred against Captain Mackay by the Traders at Annee and approving the Expenditure of 1000 Pagodas for the purpose of giving Encouragement to the Inhabitants of the Mysore Country to resort to, and settle in, the Carnatic

To D. desiring them to lay before the Board an account particulars of the Monies collected from the Nabob's Country's by the Company's Servants, and their Expenditure

To D.

To the Board of Revenue - desiring them to instruct the Committee at Guntoor to enquire into, and report to Government, the particulars respecting Debts said to have been contracted by some Zemindars of Moortiza Nagur to Lingapah a Guntoor Banker on account of Advances made by him to the Nizam's late Aumils in Liquidation of their Hists.

To the Board of Revenue

To the Secretary at Bengal - enclosing Copy of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis dated the 6th Instant

To the Secretary at Bengal

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To Colonel Capper - Josias Dupré Porcher
Esqr: Major George Hall and Captain Gomonde -
appointing them a Committee for the Management
and Conduct of the Interment of the Remains of the
late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse - and communi=
=cating the Resolutions of Government on the Subject
as passed in Council the 11th Instant -

To Colonel Capper. Josias Dupré Porcher Esq. Major Geo: Hall & Captain Gomonde.

To the Military Paymaster General desiring him to submit to the Board every Information which the Books of his office may afford relative to the Charge of Premium made by Paymasters in the Field or Garison on Bills drawn upon the Presidency -

To the Military Paymaster General

To the Military Board desiring them to send to Amboor, with all possible Dispatch, three twenty four Pounder Carriages, and all the accoutrements received from Calcutta for the Bengal troops serving with the army - inclosing Copy of a Letter from the Deputy adjutant General respecting Camp Equipage for Captain Vigors's Battalion, and desiring them to report their opinion on the Subject -

To the Military Board

To Lieutenant Symes - informing him that previous to any Consideration of the Subject - mentioned in his last Letter it is necessary that he comply with the orders of Government communicated in

To Lieutenant Symes

/ Mr.

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12th Mr Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 1st Instant—

To Major General Musgrave—enclosing an Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors on the Subject of the Allowances drawn by him while serving in the field, together with a Statement of the Refunds ordered by the Court—

To Major General Musgrave—

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army Accounts—informing him that the application of Mr Surgeon Walker for Batta, and of Captain Bell for Horse allowance cannot be complied with—

To the Commissary and Comptroller General of Army accounts—

To the Garrison Storekeeper—desiring him, as soon as the Cargoes of the Honorable Company's Ships Kent Phoenix and Lord Camden have been landed, to report the actual Quantities of Rice and other Stores received from each Ship—

To the Garrison Storekeeper—

To the Accountant General—desiring him to sign the Nabob's account as a true Copy from his Books—and informing him that orders have been given to the Board of Assumed Revenue and the Register of the Nabob's Debts to send up the accounts and Books which His Highness has applied for—

To the Accountant General

To the Resident at Nagore—informing him of the Board's Disapprobation of the Conduct of the Committee of Stores at Negapatam in regard to the Freight of the Canvas sent to the Presidency, and—

To the Resident at Nagore—

/ desiring

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desiring him to report whether any member of the Committee has a Share in the Vessel, and who is her owner —

To the Reverend Mr Swartz

To the Reverend Mr. Swartz

leaving it to his Discretion to make any Declaration to the Rajah or to the mother of the late Rajah that he may think proper in consequence of their Disputes —

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly

— approving the Discretionary orders given by him to Lieutenant Desse in consequence of Mr Wynch's application for Military aid — and defining very particularly the Purposes for which such assistance is in future to be given —

Received the following Letters.

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

From the Commissary and Comptroller General of army accounts — Opinion on the Bills presented to the Paymaster at Madura for working Money and the Pay of a Camp Colorman —

Sir,

Pursuant to the Desire of the Honorable Board I have examined the Claims for travelling Batta, and working money transmitted for their decision by Mr. Vaughan Paymaster at Madura, and have the Pleasure to acquaint you, for the Board's information, that the Claim for travelling Batta, and the allowance granted to a Camp Color man are agreable to the established Rules of the Service, relative

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to the Claim for working Money, I am of Opinion much depended on the badness of the roads, which might have rendered it necessary to have employed the Sepoys to assist in dragging the Guns, the signature of the Commanding Officer of the party evinces he was of Opinion the men merited the reward of working money, however the Circumstance would have been better elucidated had the Commanding Officer accompanied his Charge with a letter explanatory of the necessity there was for employing the Sepoys on this extra duty —

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I have the honor to be,
Sir &c.
(Signed) J. Casper
C. G. Mr.

W. C. Jackson Esqr.

From the Private Secretary to the Governor General three 24 lb. Carriages to be sent to Ambour or Vellore with all Expedition —

Sir

Lord Cornwallis requests that you will intimate to the Board his earnest desire that three 24 lbs Carriages may immediately be sent to Vellore or Ambour, as the Garrison Carriages there are not fit for travelling —

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) G. Robinson

8th October
G. P. M.

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President &c. Council at

Fort St. George.

From the Residential Gunner condemned Arms sent to the Presidency — represents the Insufficiency of the Force in that District for the Protection of the Villages —

Honorable Sir and Sirs,

Herewith I have the honor to transmit to you Duplicate Invoice and second Bill of Lading of eighty seven Stand of Condemned Arms, which I have shipped on the Brig active, John Harker Commander, and consigned to your Order —

Lieutenant William Brooke the Commanding Officer of the Troops in Garrison has represented to me, that the various Duties of the Sepoys here, and their reduced Complement, arising from the more pressing Exigencies of field Service, would, in the Event of a Sortie becoming requisite for the Protection of any neighbouring Village, an Event far from being — Improbable, render him incapable of affording the assistance which might be required, and at the same time to continue a necessary attention to the security of the Prisoners and the safety of the Garrison —

For this reason he suggests to me the propriety of making application to you, for such a — number of European Infantry Invalids as may at

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least complete the allotment for this Station, which by the enclosed present State of the Detachment, you will observe is now very deficient. — If, added to this, I might be allowed to solicit with success for a few Invalid Artillery, the Charge of the Prisoners and Garrison might, upon Emergence devolve to them, while the Sepoy Companies might be drawn out to arrest the depredations of a marauding Banditti. —

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect Sir &c.

/Signed/ Hy Crawford

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor &c. &c. &c.

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Panjam
29th September 1791.

From the Commandant at Caligautchery a Reinforcement of Troops joins the Detachment before Coimbatoor

Honorable Sir,

A considerable reinforcement of Troops has come down the Gurzillutty pass within these few days, and joined those that besieged Coimbetore — they are now a few Miles on this side of Danican Cottah on the Coimbetore road, but what their intentions are I do not know; report says that Commen ul Deen Cawn is at the top of the pass, and is to command them.

The moment that I have certain accounts I will inform you — I have the Honor to be, with great respect &c. &c.

/Signed/ J. Cuppage Major Comdg Fort

Caligautchery
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To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Political and Military Departments

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From the acting Deputy Acquitant General - Colonel Fraser applies for Leave to visit the Presidency - an assistant Surgeon required to do Duty at Amboor - Captain Turing applies for Leave to complete the 4th Battalion of Native Infantry by Volunteers from the 5th Revenue Battalion -

Sir,

An application from Colonel Fraser President of the General Court Martial sitting at Ellore, having been received thro' Colonel Brathewaite Commanding the Northern Division of the army, for Leave to proceed towards the Presidency on the proceedings of the Court Martial being closed, in hopes of meeting his Wife and Family, whom he expects will shortly leave Madras for the Northward - or even to be allowed, should he find it necessary, to come the whole Way for a few Days - I have the Orders of Major General Musgrave to request you will, together with his recommendation of it being granted, lay the same before the Honble Board in Council -

Lieutenant Cuppage, in the temporary Command of Amboor, having represented to Major General Musgrave, the necessity of a Surgeon, or Assistant being Ordered to do Duty in that Garrison for the present, on account of the number of sick Europeans already thrown in there from the several Detachments which have passed, and the many more likely to be left from thro'

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those to arrive, without having it in his power to afford them the smallest Medical assistance, the General directs me to inform you thereof, in Order to your submitting it to the Honble President in Council—

I have it also in Command from Major General Musgrave to state to you for the further information of the Honorable President, a Request from Captain Turing Commanding the 4th Battalion of native Infantry to be permitted to take from the T. Revenue Battalion at Vellore, which Corps he originally raised and Commanded, about thirty or forty Men to whom he has been known for a considerable time past, and who are willing to turn out as Volunteers for the 4th as also to acquaint you that the General is induced to recommend it being adopted, on account of the present weak State of the 4th Battalion and it's being on Field Service—

Head Quarters
October 12th 1791.

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
/Signed/ Fred. Pierce
actg. Deputy Adjt. Genl.

Dispatched a Letter to the Master Attendant /as entered in M. B. N°119/ desiring him to report whether the orders contained in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 28th Ultimo relative to the Cargo of the Fugitive have been attended to—

To the Master Attendant

/Recd

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mr. B. Nos. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal stating that the Honorable Company's Ship Northumberland will not be dispatched for this Presidency till the Month of December.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From the Paymaster at Madura &c.

From the Paymaster at Madura &c. referring a Bill presented to him for the Pay of a Corporal of Artillery as having been employed with the additionals.

From the Master Attendant - representing that the Boats sent to discharge the Cargo of the Fazilleur have been sent away without their Lading.

From the Master Attendant.

From the late agent for purchasing Horses - recommending that, in order to prevent Disappointment or Loss to the Dealers and to ensure a good supply in future, the Horses that may be brought to the Presidency in consequence of the Encouragement held out by Government to the Northern Dealers may be purchased on the Company's account.

From the late Agent for purchasing Horses.

From the Commandant at Amboor - advising of his having delivered to Captain R. Scott the Dispatches for Earl Cornwallis which accompanied Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 9th Instant.

From the Commandant at Amboor.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mr. B. Nos. 125. 126.

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To the Military Board - communicating the Sentiments of the Board on the Delay in the Execution of the Gun Carriage Contract (vide Consult. 11th Instant) and desiring them to inform Messrs Topping and Parry, that if they do not think proper to adhere to their original Proposals, and execute the Contract without further Delay, the Board will consider themselves at Liberty to adopt any other Arrangement that may appear necessary for the future provision of the Articles specified therein —

To the Military Board.

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops - and the Military Paymaster General enclosing Sunday Statements of the Pay and Allowances &c. of the Detachment of Royal Artillery arrived on the Bridgewater —

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops and the Military Paymaster General —

Sent the following Letter to the Master Attendant —

To Mr. Hugh Boyd

Master Attendant.

To the Master Attendant. to furnish Information respecting sundry foreign Vessels from Europe supposed to be in this County —

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to desire you will communicate to him any Information which may have come to your Knowledge regarding the following Ships reported to have left

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left Europe for India at the commencement of the present war —

N.1. Ship Enterprize - Badcock Master. American built, about 400 Tons and navigated under American Colors - no figure in her Head, and without Quarter Galleries - a stern Gallery, and a round House - yellow sides, Pole mizen Top mast, and painted black and yellow —

N.2 Ship Crown Princess Maria - Christmas master - about 600 Tons Danish built and navigated under Danish Colors - figure of a woman in her Head, painted white - three Top Gallant Yards a cock, and a round House - mounts ten four Pounders. —

N.3. Ship Minerva - Greenway master, about 400 Tons - american built, and navigated under Danish Colors - a Pole mizen Top mast Quarter Galleries - yellow sides - woman Head painted in different Colors - the rest of the Ship red and yellow - no round House —

N.4 Ship Princess Frederica - Barkley master built at Bombay, mounts 32 Guns, and navigates under Danish Colors - a Pole mizen Topmast three Decks - no Stern Gallery - large Quarter Galleries - very hollow Sides, painted yellow - a white Lion Head and a round House. —

If any of the above Ships should hereafter touch

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touch at Madras, you are desired immediately to report their arrival to the President in Council

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Jam Sir &c

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

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Received the following Letter

To W. C Jackson Esqr

Secretary Military Department

From the Deputy adjutant General. Instructions respecting Ammunition and small Stores to be sent to Camp

Sir,

Lord Cornwallis being informed, that, owing to some misapprehension, or because that Carriage could not be provided in time for the purpose, the small Stores, including a considerable quantity of Musquet Ammunition, Indented for to the Presidency by the Commissary in Camp for the use of the army, have not been dispatched along with the Ordnance and Stores in charge of Lieutenant Colonel Pitts now on his way to Amboor as formerly recommended, has directed me to intimate his wish, for the information of the Honorable Board, that the above Stores may be sent from Madras to Amboor without loss of time; and as some difficulty may occur in procuring the requisite number of Draft Cattle for the conveyance of them, Mr Cockburn is instructed to assemble at the Presidency, all the Bullocks he can procure or spare

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in different quarters, reporting to the Honorable Board the number he can provide for the purpose, in order that, in case of any deficiency, means may be taken at Madras for supplying it with Cattle to be obtained through some other Channel.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c.
Sd/ B.J. Close
Depy Adjt General

Head Quarters
Camp near
Elivancah
10th October 1791.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary &c.

From A Poupiah Brahmny desiring to know when his Securities are to attend to sign their Obligations.

Sir,

You were pleased on the 1st Instant, when I lodged the Deposit so required by Government, to inform me that the Papers would be ready to be executed by the Securities in a Day or two. I imagine the Papers must be now ready, but suppose you have been prevented by Publick Business from giving me Notice of it; if they are ready I request the favor of you to be pleased to send them to me that I may get them signed.—

I am
&c. &c.
Sd/ A. Poupia Brahmny

Madras
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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary

From Captain Andrew Read with Copies of his late Letters to Lord Cornwallis regarding the failure of the Guns received from Bangalore and the bad Quality of the Nizam's Gun Powder.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the Honorable the Governor in Council Copies of two Letters which I had the honor of addressing to Earl Cornwallis on the subject of our misfortunes before this place.

I have been honored by frequent Letters, by Order of his Lordship, acquainting me that immediately on the reduction of Nundy droog, Battering Canon would be sent from thence to supply the place of those that failed us here, and by a Letter received this morning that six hundred 26 lb shott, with a proportion of Powder, had been ordered to be dispatched from Bangalore; and, at the same time, directing me to use my endeavors with Hafiz Jee, for his forwarding some Draught Cattle to assist in bringing the Tumbrils - this I shall urge to Hafiz Jee to day - 300 Carriage Bullocks are in readiness, and I hope will go off to day under an Escort of Hafiz Jees Peons, to assist in bringing on any materials for the siege of this place, that his Lordship may be pleased to order. -

I have permission to Indent on Vellore for any quantity

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quantity of the Honorable Company's Powder, that I may think necessary for the present occasion, but this would be attended with so much delay, that I must ever trust to what I have in the Detachment Stores, and to what is coming from Bangalore, the Nizam's being so very inferior as scarcely to be used with any prospect of Effect—

I trust the Honorable Governor will pardon my referring to Copies for his information, & as they convey the fullest in my power to give, will hope to be excused—

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c.
(Signed) Andw Read Captain Comg
Ellore Detachment

Camp before
Gurram Coondah
6th October 1791.

The Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General Commander in Chief &c &c &c

My Lord,

I did myself the honor of addressing your Lordship on the 26th Instant, mentioning the unfortunate misfortunes that had attended our endeavours against Gurramcoondah—Since that period our Operations have been continued, and there is now a Breach effected in the outer Wall, tho' as yet impracticable, I still believe, might soon be made accessible—I however deem it absolutely necessary that the inner wall also should be breached before

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14.th before a storm can be attempted with a prospect of success, and on this account directed the fire against it yesterday afternoon and this morning, but from the badness of our materials and small quantity [186] of 26 & shott remaining, saw no prospect of effecting it with them — I have therefore directed those shot to be saved untill — better Powder can be procured, and a fire to be kept up from Meer Saheb's Tomb upon the breach, to prevent their repairing it, and from the 20 Pounder that lost 2 feet, 7 Inches from it's muzzle and was got into the Battery on the 27.th —

I have the honor to enclose, for your Lordships information, a Report Proof of the different kinds of Powder which has been used — Hafiz Jee disappointed me in not sending for the Powder from Sedout in proper time — He only furnished a small quantity at first, and when that was expended, I used what we had in store with the Detachment — Last night a small supply from Sedout arrived in Camp: this too has been proved, and found to be bad; and I have no doubt in my own mind but that it is as much owing to the badness of the Powder as of the Guns, that we have found it, in a manner, impossible to hit the Object —

I some time ago sent for 100 Barrels of Powder

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Powder from Sidout from the Detachment store in that place, and which I hope may soon arrive – I have also written to Major Powdie of this date, pointing out my situation to him, and that if he is permitted to come on to Gurramcoondah, to bring what Powder he can along with him. –

It is with the extreme concern I find – myself obliged to make your Lordship acquainted with any particulars of so unpleasing a Nature – To me, My Lord, and to this Detachment, they are highly distressing, after the expectations formed before our commencement, of soon being in possession of the Place.

I have the honor to be, with the utmost Respect.

Your &c.

(Signed) And.w Read
Captain Comg Ellore Detachment

Camp before Gurramcoondah 29th September 1791

True Copy
(Signed) Alex.r Orr
Dy. Master and Actg. A. D. C.

Enclosure 1st.

Report of a Proof of Gun Powder with a 5 1/2 Inch Mortar Gurramcoondah 26th September 1791 –

Nature of Powder	No. of Firings	Shell weight	Powder	Elevation	Range Point Blank	Range Medium	Range 3 Firings	Remarks
		lbs 16	oz 03	degrees	Yards	Yards	Yards feet	
Honble Company's Country Cannon	1	16	3	45	112			
D.o D.o D.o D.o	2	"	"	"	142	121	1	
D.o D.o D.o D.o	3	"	"	"	110			
Nizams	1	"	"	"	27			
D.o	2	"	"	"	41	36		
D.o	3	"	"	"	40			

True Copy
(Signed) Alex.r Orr Dy. Master and Actg. A. D. C.

(Signed) Jas. Gio. Scott. Lieut 2d Battn Actg Report

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Enclosure 2d

14th Report of a Proof of Gun Powder with a 5 ½ Inch Mortar

Gunnamconda 29th September 1791.

Nature of Powder.	No. of Firings	Weight Shell lb	Weight Powder oz	Elevation degrees	Range Real Distance Yards	Range Medium of 3 Firings Yards	Range Medium of 3 Firings feet	Remarks
Nizams Powder from Sidout	1	16	3	45	67	64	2	
Do. Do. Do.	2	"	"	"	60			
Do. Do. Do.	3	"	"	"	67			

True Copy
/Signed/ Alexr. Orr
Dy. Master
and Actg A. D. C.

/Signed/ Jas. Geo. Scott
Lieut. 2d Battn Artly

The Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor Genral. Commander in Chief &c &c &c

My Lord.

I was honored by Captain Robinson's Letters of the 29th and 30th ultimo, and cannot sufficiently expres my acknowledgements for your Lordships intention of again aiding our endeavours for the reduction of this Place—

I shall use my endeavours with Hafiz Jee to have an Elephant and Bullocks in readiness to send off immediately as I am honored with your Lordships Commands for so doing— The Bullocks, I make no doubt, will be ready, but Hafiz Jee failed in his Endeavours to prevail upon the people in charge of his Highness's Elephants

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Elephants here formerly to send one, when required for the other Guns — I will however do my best to accomplish it for the present Service —

I did myself the honor of acquainting your Lordship that there remained of the 26 lb Shot 186 — Those I have carefully preserved, paying every Attention to the Breach, to prevent it's being repaired, from the 20 Pounder that lost 2 feet 7 Inches from the muzzle — and I have still remaining 439 of the 20 lb Shot, of which I shall be as sparing as possible — should there be any Shot to spare after the reduction of Nundydroog, I should be glad they were sent along with the Guns, to prevent accidents, and in the mean time, I will apply to Hafiz Jee to send off to Bangalore as many Carriage Cattle as can be immediately collected, for any Number of 26 lb Shot that they may be able to bring as, in the event of the Enemy cutting off the present Breach, I shall find it absolutely necessary to make another, when an additional number of Shot will be requisite —

The Powder that has been furnished by Hafiz Jee is of a very inferior quality, and that in Store with the Detachment has lost much of its strength by having been in the field two Monsoons, and without those conveniences of sifting and airing it — I have however sent for all that is in Store at Sidout (160 Barrels) being much better than

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than the Nizams - yet could your Lordship spare us any, it would be extremely acceptable; and, were I informed that that or that could be dispensed with, might perhaps be able to induce Hafiz Jee to provide and send Carriage Cattle to assist in the conveyance —

I shall retain possession of the Posts formerly established and will, if possible, continue to do so, to confine the Garrison within their walls - They have been able to depress two Guns in the upper Fort so as to bear upon Meer Saheb's Tomb and have injured it in some degree, but with little loss to the party in possession of it -

It has been made as defensible as possible, by filling up the arches with Gabions for the safety of the men: and I shall feel extremely reluctant to withdraw the Party from it, which I sincerely hope I may not be obliged to do before the arrival of the Guns from Mundy droog —

My Gratitude is deeply engaged by the attention your Lordship has been pleased to give to the situation of this Detachment, and which every Individual in it must be highly grateful for —

I have the honor to be, with the utmost Respect,
&c &c
(Signed) And.w Read
Capt. Comg Ellore Detach.t

Camp before
Gurramcoondah
4.th October 1791. Noon

P. S. The two 12 Pounders, which Captain Robinson's Letter gives me hopes will be sent, will be of infinite Service —

True Copy (Signed) Alex.r Orr 2.d Master
and actg A. D. C.

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At a Consultation

Present.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President

Friday 14th October 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 Letters from Earl Cornwallis.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

&c &c &c

From Lord Cornwallis representing the present situation of affairs at Nundy Droogum — Captain Alexander Read slightly wounded —

Sir,

By the accounts which I have received this morning from Nundy Droogum I have every reason to hope that the new Batteries which are constructing within five hundred Yards of the outer Wall of the Fort, will open on the afternoon of the eleventh or at latest on the morning of the twelfth the instant —

There can be no doubt of our making a practicable breach in the outer wall within a few hours after the opening of our Batteries, which I trust will

sufficiently

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sufficiently intimidate the Garison to induce them to give up the Place, but if that should not happen I very much apprehend that our Batteries are too low to see the inner wall sufficiently to effect a breach in it altho' it is only seventy yards distant from the other — In that case I should be again driven to the painful Decision whether to abandon the attack, or to stay 'till I can, a second time, remove my Batteries, and, by persevering, run the Risk of my heavy Artillery being caught in the Rains in the Barramaul —

Captain Read's Zeal and Activity has been of the greatest Service in making a lodgement for a considerable body of Troops within sixty Yards of the enemy's works, and altho' his wound is by no means dangerous nor likely to confine him long, I consider it as a great misfortune to be deprived, at this critical juncture, of the assistance of so valuable an Officer —

I am with much esteem &c &c
(Signed) Cornwallis.

Camp 12 Miles North of Bangalore 9th October 1791

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be immediately dispatched to Bengal —

Minute thereon

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

acting President &c &c &c Fort St George

From Lord Cornwallis — Opinion respecting the Annihilation of the Bullock Contract —

Sir,

I have been honored with the Receipt of the

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the Letter from the Board under date the 3d. Instant respecting the Bullock Contract.

I agree in Opinion with the Board that whatever expence has been incurred by the Contractors for the Provision of Bullocks below the Ghauts since the 1st. of July should be reimbursed to them, but it will be necessary that the terms of the Contract should be considered in force, with respect to the Camp Cattle ordered to be delivered over to the Superintendence of the Agent in Camp, until the 1st. of this month, and as none of these Cattle are the property of the Contractors, but of inhabitants and Masters, who now engage to hire them to the Company under the Agency, there will be no occasion for estimating the value of the Bullocks, under the Idea that any transfer in the property of the Cattle has taken place.

Copies of all the Orders and Instructions that have been given in Camp relative to the Agency shall be transmitted to the Board in the Course of a few Days and I beg leave to recommend that the Agent in the Carnatic may receive every necessary assistance and support from Government to enable him to execute with facility and dispatch those parts of the general Arrangement of the Plan which will devolve upon him.

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

Camp
9th. October 1791.

(Signed) Cornwallis

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Agreed to inform Mr. Cockburn, the Agent for the Bullock Contractors, that, in consequence of his letter of the 13th. July last, the Board propose to consider the Bullock Contract as at an end from the 1st. of July in the Carnatic, and from the 1st. of the present month in the Mysore Country - and that, if this Arrangement be acceded to, it is meant to make good whatever Expence has been incurred since those Periods, provided the Accounts be sworn to by the Person acting in behalf of the Contractors.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letters from Colonel Bridges -

W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir,

From Colonel Bridges with Copies of correspondence regarding a Detachment sent from Carrore to Chandemungalum to relieve Mr. Wynch

I have the honor to enclose you, for the information of the Honorable Board, Copies of a Letter from Mr. Collector Wynch to Lieutenant Defse in command of Carore - from Lieutenant Defse to myself on the same subject; and my reply -

On the present occasion I feel myself extremely at a loss - I have received no Instructions from Government respecting the service for which Mr. Wynch wants those Troops, nor the nature of the Service he has entered upon, which appears to me altogether distinct

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from the purposes of Collection; the Duties, alone they — should be employed upon— He appears, without having held the most distant communication with myself of the Plans he was pursuing, to have thrown himself into a very unpleasant situation— and I now find, on enquiry, that Mr Wynch has already drawn from the Commandants of Carore 2 Companies of the 20th Battalion and 40 of the Revenue Corps. —

The distance he is at from that Garrison, and surrounded by the Enemy's Forts, makes it an object of real consideration how far the Safety of Carore itself, and the supplies laying there for the Army may be endangered by admitting of the Collectors drawing the Troops from it for Hostile expeditions, as appears to be the case in the present instance. —

My Letter to Lieutenant Defse will explain my ideas on the immediate occasion of the moment of the practicability of relieving Mr Wynch, as he must — certainly, from his vicinity, be the best Judge —

I have the honor to be &c &c

Thos Bridges

Trichinopoly
8th October 1795.

/ Sgnd /

Lieutenant Defse
Commanding at Carore

Sir,

As a party of Horse and Infantry I have

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have this Moment made their appearance before this place, I think it absolutely necessary for the protection of the Troops already here, that you should, immediately on receipt of this, March with 3 Companies of Sepoys and two Six Pounders - I must request that no time may be lost - The amildar and Dewall will furnish you instantly with as many Bullocks as you may require - Pray send 3 Bullocks load of Ammunition with the Detachment in addition to what may be necessary for them -

/Sgnd/ George Wynch
Collector of Carore

Chandemungelum
Pettah
7th October 1791.

Colonel Bridges
Commanding South of the Coleroon.

Sir,

Enclosed is a Copy of a Letter which I have just received from Mr. Wynch - and request you will inform me how I am to act on the present occasion, as I do not think myself sufficiently authorized to order three Companies of Sepoys and a Brigade of Guns from this Garrison without your permission. -

/Sgnd/ P. Defse Lieut. Comg.

Carore
7th October 1791
11 o'Clock P. M.

Lieutenant Defse
Commanding at Carore

Sir, I have just received your Letter under / date

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date the 7th Instant 11 P.M. covering a Copy of a Letter from Mr Wynch the Collector, wherein he requires of you 3 Companies of Sepoys and 2 Six Pounders. —

Captain Parr sometime ago informed me of a requisition from Mr. Wynch for a Company of Sepoys to enable him to execute some Orders he had received from the Board of Revenue, and as the G. O. on the subject of the Company's Collectors direct all requisitions for the purpose of collecting the Revenues &c. to be immediately complied with as far as the safety of the Garison will permit by the Commanding Officer thereof, without a reference to the Commanding Officer of the Division, I concluded Captain Parr had acted up to the Spirit of the Order; not having been informed by Government that any further conquests were intended to be made — I therefore am really at a loss to know what Mr. Wynch is about, and can only say that as you must be better informed you will doubtless act for the good of the Service, and if, without danger to your Fort, you can repel any Enemy that may be in these parts, or bring off Mr Wynch and the Troops with him, you will of course do so; taking care in future to be well informed of the particular purpose that so large a Detachment as a Company of Sepoys may be required for — / Signed / Thos Bridges / To

Tuchinopoly
8th October 1791
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To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary.

From Colonel Bridges with Copy of Intelligence from Baleghautcherry respecting a large Reinforcement of the Enemy's Troops who have descended the Guzzelhetty Pass and Copy of his Instructions sent to Lieutenant Dyce in Consequence

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose, for the information of the Honble Board, Copy of a Letter from Major Cuppage under date the 3d and 5th Instant, and an Extract of Intelligence from Dindigul

I have not heard any thing from Caroor since I wrote you on the 8th Instant, but have forwarded the Intelligence there, as the enclosed Copy of a Letter will shew.

Captain Stewarts Battalion I expect here to-morrow.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Thos Bridges

Trichinopoly
11th October 1791.

Colonel Bridges
Commanding &c &c Trichinopoly

Sir,

I beg leave to inform you that I have accounts that a strong reinforcement has descended the Guzzelhetty Pass and joined the Party that was before Coimbetore at Sattimungulum; it is said they consist of 4000

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4000 Infantry, 1000 Horse and 4 Guns, the accounts differ as to their size, but I believe them to be small.—

Lieutenant Chalmers informs me to day that part of them has crossed the River at Sattimungalum.—

Palghaulcherry
3d. October 1791.

/ Signed J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

P.S. I delayed forwarding the above intelligence, as the accounts differed much with respect to their numbers and destination.—

This day I am informed they have recrossed the River, but remain at Sattimungalum, what their intentions are I do not know, but I don't think it is against Coimbatore.—

5th October 1791. / Signed J. C

Extract of Intelligence contained in a Letter from Dindigul
Dated the 4th October 1791.

Accounts are received of a reinforcement having descended the Ghauts, and joined the Party at Sattimungalum they are said to consist of 4000 Infantry, 1000 Horse and 4 Guns.—

Accounts from Coimbatore of the 4th October mention that the Enemy was in considerable Force and within 20 Miles of that place also that a Party had marched towards Namcull.—

/ Lieut.

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Lieutenant Defse.

On Officer Commanding Canore

Sir,

By Letters from Palghautchery

Dindigul and Coimbetore the Colonel understands that a large Detachment of the Enemy have come down the Guzelhetty Pass, their destination and purpose not known - I have the pleasure to enclose you the Intelligence

The Detachment which was against Attore is returned from that place without having effected it's reduction, and it was conjectured that the Enemy's intentions were to succour it -

Colonel Bridges is convinced that he need not observe to you that the Fort of Canore, is, in it's present situation, an object of consequence, and doubts not your zeal and activity, and of your using every precaution which may tend to it's safety.

(Signed) James McKerras Secy
to Colonel Bridges

Trichinopoly
11th October 1791
10. A. M.

The Board approve the cautionary -

Minutes upon the two foregoing Letters from Colonel Bridges -

Instructions given by Colonel Bridges to Lieutenant Defse in consequence of the application of the Collector at Canoor -

(Resolved

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Resolved to inform Mr. Wynch that the Board are extremely surprized and displeased, at his having taken upon himself, without any authority from Government or the Board of Revenue, to employ the Force which had been furnished him for the Purpose of securing the Revenues entrusted to his Management, in making Conquests upon the Enemy. That by such Conduct, he has not only brought that Force into a dangerous Situation, and the Company's Arms to consequent Disrepute, but he has drawn the attention of the Enemy to the Vicinity, and perhaps to the Invasion of our own Possessions, which might have remained unthreatened and unmolested, if he had confined himself to the Duties of his Station.

Resolved also that Mr. Wynch be positively enjoined to return, if it be practicable from the Enemy's Country, and prohibited under pain of an immediate removal from his Office, from any similar attempt in future.

Read the following Letter from Captain Flint.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

acting President &c.

From Captain Flint returns with his Detachment to Tiagar. Captain Stewart's Battalion marches for Trichinopaly.

Sir

Having received certain accounts the third in the evening of the Polegar Cheik Maigs marching with

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with great expedition towards Tingeracotah instead of coming to Attoor as he repeatedly promised. I returned with the detachment the next morning to the Carnatic — Captain Stewart proceeded from Salem with the Europeans and his Battalion for Trichinopoly, and with the Wounded men and people belonging to this Garrison. I arrived here this morning —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. Flint. Captain Comg

Tiagar
6th October 1791.

Agreed to inform Lord Cornwallis of the Contents of the foregoing Letter, and to observe to his Lordship that the Board's Instructions to Captain Flint were confined solely to the object of Attoor, in strict compliance with the wish expressed by his Lordship, and that, from the reports of that Officer, the Board have no doubt that he observed them with the great exactness. The assault being found impracticable, the undertaking was relinquished pursuant to orders from hence for that Purpose —

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from

Mr Powney —

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The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From the Resident at Travancore enclosing a Bill for 5 Lacks of Rupees that will fall due in the month of December and which completes the Rajahs ... engagement for the growing Subsidy of the present year - encloses his account Current for the month of September -

I do myself the Honor to acknowledge your Secretary's Letter of the 27th ultimo, enclosing your Letter to the Rajah of Travancore which I have duly delivered -

Although the Terms I entered into with the Dewan, respecting the Payment of the growing Subsidy, particularly specified, I should receive it in Specie in January next, I nevertheless had some reason to suspect, that a proportion of it, when it became due, would be offered me in Bills, which would prolong the Payment until the month of March. I therefore represented to the Rajah, how creditable it would be, for him to come forward and testify his Zeal for the common Cause, which he could not in a better way demonstrate, than by advancing me immediately Bills upon Madras, at the usual sight, for his growing Subsidy - I have the satisfaction to inform you, that I have had the good fortune to prevail upon the Rajah to adopt the Proposal, and have herewith the pleasure to transmit you a Bill on Bowany Sunkeria Pettiah, for five Lacs of Rupees, which will fall due in the month of December - this,

/ you

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you will perceive, anticipates the Payment of the growing Subsidy by one month —

I do myself the Honor to transmit you enclosed, a Letter from the Rajah of Travancore, likewise my account Current for last month —

Paupanaveram 8th October 1791.

I have the honor to be, most respectfully,
Sir &c.

(Signed) George Powney
Resident

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Travancore (entered also in C.C. N. 243)

Translation

From the Rajah of Travancore to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Dated 8th of Suffer 1206 of Hegyra
or 7th October 1791
Received 14th D.

From the Rajah of Travancore — completes his Engagement for the growing Subsidy of the year ending 8th January 1792 —

I have been honored with your letter dated the 26th Mohrem, acknowledging your having received bills for five Lacks of Rupees which I had sent, and enjoining me to pay the balance without delay as the expences of the Army are very large — all which I understand — My gracious friend! all this my promise, to Mr. Powney was only to pay the balance of five Lacks of Rupees in four months — that gentleman told

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told me, before the receipt of your letter, that the sooner I advanced any part of the above balance the more it would tend to the public service - in the mean while your gracious letter, to the same purport, was received - and upon this Mr. Powney became more pressing - and therefore, considering the urgency of the case, I delivered to him a Soucar bill for five Lacks of Rupees on Bowanny Shunker Bhutt payable in three months for the balance of the present year, which completes the demand for this year - I have no doubt but the bill will be paid when you will please to acknowledge its receipt - I refer you for other particulars to Mr. Powney, and hope you will continue to honor me with your Commands. —

What shall I say more!

A true translation

/Signed/ David Haliburton

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters -

Ordered that the Bill of Bowanny Sunkerah Pettah for five Lacks of Rupees be sent for acceptance —

The Board much approve the Zial Mr. Powney has shewn in obtaining so early a Payment from the Rajah —

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Agreed to express to the Rajah the Satisfaction of the Board at the Proof he has given of his attachment to the Company by so considerable a Payment at this important Juncture.—

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 applies for an advance of Pagodas 2350 on account of his Employ—

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you an Estimate of Sundry Articles specified in the accompanying Indent, and request you will be pleased to direct the amount being Star Pagodas Two thousand three hundred and fifty /2350.—/ to be advanced—

Fort St George
14th October 1795.

I am Sir,
Your most Obedient
Humble Servant,
/Signed/ Jos. Du Pré Porcher
Military Storekeeper.

Agreed that an advance of Pagodas two thousand three hundred and fifty (2350) be made to the Military Storekeeper on account of his Employ—

Minute thereon—

/Read

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Read the following Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue —

To the Honorable Major General Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir

From the Board of Assumed Revenue — recommendation respecting the Mode of making good to the Calasty Rajah the amount of Losses sustained by him on account of Grain seized During the time the Country was in the Nabobs Hands — Enclosing Bills drawn on Messrs Sorin and — Floyer in favor of the Nabob —

Under date 4th December 1790 we had the honor of reporting, in compliance with the orders of the Honorable Court of Directors, the situation of the Calasty Rajah; and, in particular, recommended, that a remission should be granted on account of the Grain which was seized during the time the County was in the Nabobs hands. As you were pleased to signify your approval of that recommendation in Mr. Secretary Chamier's Letter of 8th of that month, We accordingly called upon the Calasty Vackeels to produce Vouchers of the grain Seized and destroyed; and, at the same time, informed them of your Resolution in their Masters favour. they then laid before us a Cooman Wasselat account, signed by the village comicopolies and inhabitants, from which it appears that Grain and money to the Amount of Madras Pagodas 15,000 had been seized by the Sircar people: this account is said to be copy of

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a report delivered to the Nabob by his Ameen Rajava Pundit, who has objected only to Madras Pagodas —
1099. 9. 15/16 of the above sum, which was asserted by the Ryots to have been plundered by the Nabobs Sepoys;
but as we have no hope of authenticating it from the records of the durbar, we are compelled to rely on this statement, as well from the necessity of the case, as from the conviction we feel of a heavy loss having been sustained —

The Rajah having completed the payment of his Peishcush for Fusly 1200 has addressed a letter to our President in which he prays for the promised indulgence in consequence of the losses sustained of the nabobs exactions and the drought of the Seasons. It is therefore our opinion, and we accordingly take the liberty of recommending, that the sum of Pagodas 3000 be annually deducted from the Peishcush untill the whole shall be discharged —

In compliance with your commands of the 8th Instant we enclose bills upon Mr. Flayer for Star Pagodas 40,000 and on Mr. Porier for Star Pagodas 10,000 on account of his Highness the Nabobs one fifth of the revenues. We have the honor of informing you

that

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that we received a letter from Mr Dighton's attorney, requesting that the bills for Pagodas 10,000 on Sunnoolly should be drawn payable to Vinejenbakum Adi narrain Bramin; and, as the Nabob's letter of 18th ultimo, specifies that the above Sum is on account of arrears of Pay to his Servant Mr Dighton, we had no difficulty in complying with the request.

We have the honor to be
Sir &c.
Wm Petrie
David Haliburton
Thos Balfour

Fort St George
13th October 1791.

[Sign'd]

Resolved, on the Recommendation of the Board of Assumed Revenues, that the annual Deduction of Pagodas 3000 be made from the Calasty Peishcush on account of the Grain which was seized during the time the Country was in the Nabobs hands, until the whole Amount be discharged.

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenues.

Ordered that the Bills on Messrs. Swinton and Flayer be sent to His Highness the Nabob.

Read the following Letter from Major General Musgrave.

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To the Honorable the Governor in Council.

&c &c &c

Honorable Sir,

From Major General Musgrave recommending that an advance of Pay be made to the Officers of the Detachment of Royal Artillery—

I have the honor to lay before the Board a letter from Major Scott commanding the Detachment of Royal Artillery, soliciting an advance of pay to the Officers of that corps—

As the Situation of these Gentlemen is a particular one being strangers in the Country and ordered to take the field at so short a notice, I beg leave therefore to recommend the Major's request to the favourable consideration of the Board—

I have the honor to be
with respect &c &c

14th October 1791.

(Signed) Tho.s Musgrave

General Musgrave

&c &c

Sir,

I take the liberty to represent to you that the Officers of the Detachment of the Royal Artillery lately arrived in the Bridgewater from England are now under Orders to join the Grand

Army,

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Army Commanded by My Lord Cornwallis and, as the manner of living in this Country and the Service they are going upon so very different from any other, they find themselves in want of every necessary and convenience to take the Field and it will require a considerable sum of Money, which they have not, to procure those necessaries.

You know Sir the custom in the King's Service that Officers when they are Ordered to take the Field have one to two hundred and fifty Days Baggage and Forage Money allowed and advanced to enable them to buy Horses and other necessaries for field Service.

But it appears, by the Honorable East India Company's Regulation, that no Officers have field allowance advanced. I must therefore submit the situations of the Royal Artillery Officers to your consideration, and hope you will be pleased to obtain from Government permission that the Paymaster of the Royal Artillery have leave to draw from the Paymaster General such sums on account as you may Judge, in order that they may procure those necessaries, absolutely wanted, which will greatly oblige the Corps and him who has the Honor to be with greatest respect.

Sir,

Your much obliged and
most obedient humble Servant

D: Scott. Major
Commandant Royal Artillery

St. Thomas's Mount
Royal Artillery Quarters
October 15th 1791.

/ Agree

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Minute thereon

Agreed, in consideration of the peculiar Circumstances of the case, that an advance of two Months Pay be made to the Officers of the Detachment of Royal Artillery, to enable them to prepare their necessary Equipment for the Field.

Read the following Letter from Major Close.

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary, Military Department

From the Deputy Adjutant General — additional allowances recommended by Lord Cornwallis to be given to Lieutenant Cappage Commanding at Ambur

Sir,

As Lieutenant John Cappage, commanding at Ambore, is subjected to incur extraordinary Expences, (which the ordinary allowances of his Rank are very inadequate to defray), owing to the various convoys that rendezvous at the Garrison, and the several Officers and Parties of Troops that continually pass to and fro in communication with the Army, Lord Cornwallis and General Medows, in consideration thereof, have directed me to intimate their desire, to be laid before the Honorable Board, that Lieutenant Cappage, during the continuance of his Command, should be allowed the Pay and Batta of Captain, instead of what he now receives under those

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Heads, and also the extra Sum granted Monthly to the Officer in Command of Permacoil; this increase of Subsistance and Allowances to commence from the period that he entered upon his Command, to reimburse him, as far as may be, for the extra Expences in which he has been already necessarily involved.

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c.

(Signed) B. Close
Depy. adjutant General

Head Quarters Camp near Elevancah
9th October 1791.

Minute thereon

Resolved that the following allowances be granted to Lieutenant Cuppage, commanding at Amboor to commence from the Period that he entered upon that Command, and to continue until he be relieved therefrom, or to the end of the war, if he should not be relieved before that time.

The Pay and Batta of a Captain instead of what he now receives under those Heads, and the extra Sum of ten Shillings pr. Diem Table Allowance.

As the advanced Season of the year renders it hazardous for Ships to remain in these Roads, it is agreed to direct the Commanders of the Kent, Phoenix and Lord Camden to repair on Board their Ships, and put to Sea upon the first appearance of bad Weather without further Orders, altho' the Disembarkation of the Company's

Orders to be given to the Commanders of the Honble Company's Ships now in the Roads to put to Sea and proceed to Bengal in case of the appearance of bad Weather.

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Company's Cargo should not have been completed and to make the best of their way to Bengal.

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from the Military Storekeeper.

The Honorable Major General Medows

President and Governor in Council

From the Military Storekeeper requesting permission to make up Tents on account of the Honorable Company to the Extent of the Materials provided by Lieutenant Mealy at Vellore.

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

I take the liberty of troubling you with the Copy of another Letter from Lieutenant Mealey with the account of the Materials mentioned therein, and trust you will be pleased to bestow a favorable Consideration on the Hardship of his Case.

I have the honor to be

Hon. Sir

[Sgned] Jas. DuPré Porcher

Military Storekeeper

Fort St. George
13th October 1791

Josias DuPré Porcher Esqr.

Dear Sir,

I am concerned to be obliged again to

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to trouble you on the Subject of the materials for making tents which I had provided in consequence of your former Orders to make up 150 Tents, but which it was judged necessary to countermand.—

I did not apprehend meeting the least difficulty in disposing of my remaining materials when we last talked on the subject—but I now find it impossible to sell any part of them except the unbleached Cloth, the other articles being almost useless to people who are not in the line of tent making.—

The enclosed is an exact Statement of the Quantity, Quality and prime Cost of each description of materials now laying in my Godowns enough to make up about 55 or utmost 60 Officers Tents which I trust you will have interest enough with the Board to get done—The loss of Interest upon such a Sum is very heavy upon me, besides other expences unavoidable in taking care of such quantity of Goods, which, should they not be taken off my hands, must inevitably ruin me.—

—with many thanks for all your favours

I remain,
Sir
Your &c.
(Signed) R. Mealy

Tellore
10th October 1795.

A true Copy
(Signed) Jos. Du Pré Porcher
Military Storekeeper
(Account

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Account of Remainder Goods at Yard Outstand Price

Articles	Pieces	Maunds	Seers	Bundles	Pieces	Maunds	Seers	Bundles	Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
Trivatore Brown Cloths	1854								528	42	20
Do. White Do.	140								65	15	-
Do. Blue Do.	288								163	9	-
Wallajah Pettah Blue Do.	153								86	31	40
Do. Do. Blue & White Do.	4/4								2	8	65
Tapes and Ropes						23	7	—	55.	36	45
Ropes					"	9	4/2		22	5	-
Tapes					"	68	3¾		162	6	-
Bar Irons					"	11	11/2		10	20	15
Hoops Do.					"	28	3½		17	29	40
Gunnies Bags	9									18	-
Gunnies							52			9	43
Blue Ropes					"	"	11/4			2	36 45
Bees Wax					"	"	6½			1	7 -
Europe Chunnams					"	"	12		"	42	-
Threads					"	"	2/8			14	70
Poles fit for the Tents	360									6	31 15
Poles unfit for the Tents	50									1	2 40
Woottoose	125									2	18 75
Door Bumboose					"	"	20			1	20 -
Wall Do.							38			2	31 15
Ready made mallets	100									1	17 40
Mallets which received from Pariah by	119									1	29 30
Balance on Chucklers										6	5 40.
								Total		1153	15 35.

/Signd/ R. Mealy

A true Copy

/Signd/ Jos. Du Pre Porcher

Maly Storekeeper /Agnd.

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Agreed that Mr Porcher be authorized

Memo thereon— to make up Tents on account of the Company to the Extent

of the Materials provided by Lieutenant Mealy—

" Chas Oakeley

" W.m Petrie

" Huddlestons

George Barry Esqr

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Receive the undermentioned Letters are entered

in M. B. Nos 127. 128. 129.

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain &

From the Acting Commissary of Grain and Provisions.

Provisions advising of his having received charge of

from Lieutenant Dubois of Sixty five Bullocks

and thirty six Drivers.—

From the Resident at Travancore stating that the

From the Resident at Travancore.

Rajah has given the necessary Directions for the March

of Captain Walsh and the Drafts for the 11th Battalion

through the Travancore Country.—

From the Officer Commanding the Detachment of

From the Officer Commanding the Detachment of Native Troops landed from the Kent.

Native Troops landed from the Kent stating that every

Attention has been paid to the Native Troops by Captain

Hardinge and the Officers of the Kent during the

Passage from Bengal.—

Despatches the undermentioned Letters are entered

in M. B. Nos 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136.—

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15. To the Secretary at Bengal enclosing Copies of

To the Secretary at Bengal.

Letters from Lieutenants Bateman, Mc Gregor and Conway

regarding the Treatment which the Native Troops experienced

from the Commanders of the Kent, Phenix and Lord Camden during

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during their Voyage from Bengal.—

To D. enclosing Copy of a Letter received
from Lord Cornwallis.—

To D. enclosing Extracts of the Invoice
and Bill of Lading of Military Stores received by
the Honorable Company's Ship Airley Castle.—

To the Commander of the Private Ship
Fazellum—desiring him to land immediately all
the Gun Carriages on board his Ship belonging
to the Company.—

To the Military Board enclosing Copy
of a Letter from the Deputy Adjutant General &
desiring them to send off the small Stores therein
mentioned with all possible Expedition.—

To Colonel Floyd—informing him that as
soon as Carriage can be procured the Board
with Pleasure, afford every reasonable Assistance
in the Transportation of the Train, the property
of his Regiment, to Bangalore.—

To Captain Welsh—desiring him to take Charge
of twelve Tumbrills of Treasure containing 8,04,000 Rs.
for the use of the Army; and informing him that
on his Arrival at Amboor it is probable he will receive
Orders from Lord Cornwallis respecting the Disposal thereof.

Received

To the Commander of the Fazellum.—

To the Military Board

To Colonel Floyd Comm.
His Majesty's 19th Regiment
of Light Dragoons

To Captain Welsh—

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From Captain Welsh—

Received Letter from Captain Welsh dated entered in M.B. No. 137 / acknowledging Receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter abovementioned—

Substance of letter to the Nabob—

Sent Letter to the Nabob / dated entered in C.C. No. 264 / enclosing Bills on the Collector at Tinnevelly for Pagodas 10,000, and on the Collector in the Arcot & Country for Pagodas 40,000 on Account of his one fifth—

Sent the following Letters—

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

In consequence of a Letter from Major Close to our Secretary dated the 26th. Ultimo, we directed the Military Board to send to Amboor, with all Expedition, the Camp Equipage required for the Army according to the Statement transmitted by Major Close, and we have now the honor to inform your Lordship that the Military Board have, in conformity with our orders, dispatched five hundred Private Tents in addition to those which had been already dispatched—

To Lord Cornwallis—500 additional Tents sent to Amboor—communicating the opinion of the Military Board respecting the Private Tents now in use—

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With respect to the Inconvenience attending the use of the Private Sepoy Tent the Military Board have given it as their Opinion, that it would be fully remedied by the Substitution of the Private Tent, which, with the Allowance of an Additional Bullock to Carry the Poles & Mallets, would diminish its weight, so as to become conveniently portable, whether wet or dry, by a common serviceable Bullock.—

We have the Honor to be,

Fort St. George
11th. October 1791.—

with great Respect and Esteem,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Counc.

The Honble. Major General Medows
Governor &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

We sent Orders to Mr. Hoar dated under date the 6th. July, directing him to exert his utmost diligence in bringing up the Army Accounts, and if possible, to transmit them as far as to the end of April, in time to Arrive hereby the Beginning of August.—

To Major General Medows representing the Impropriety of the Paymaster to the Army in the Transmission of his Accounts.

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Our Military Paymaster now reports that he has only received the Accounts to the end of December last, so that there are nine months arrears, for which we are unable to assign any sufficient Cause, as the Army must be nearly paid up, and their Situation, for some time past, has not, We imagine, been such as to prevent the Paymaster from bringing up his Accounts. –

The necessity of a regular transmission of Accounts cannot be too strongly inforced upon the Paymaster, and we request therefore that you will endeavour to ascertain the cause of this great Arrear, and press Mr. Hoar to send by the first escort, his Accounts brought up to the latest period, enjoining him, at the same time, to make them up and transmit them in future with the utmost dispatch. –

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We have the Honor to be,
with Esteem &c. &c. &c.
[Signed] Chas. Oakeley
&c. Council. –

16 Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. –

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To the Hospital Board desiring them to
recommend an Assistant Surgeon for the Garrison
of Amboyna.—

To the Hospital Board

To the Commander of the Private Ship &
Fagellum desiring him to state why the &
Boats that were sent to the Fagellum for the &
purpose of receiving the Honorable Company's
Cargo were dismissed without their landing.—

To the Commander of the Fagellum.—

To the Commanders of the Honorable Company's
Ships Lord Camden Phœnix and Kent, desiring
them to repair on board their respective Ships &
in case of the appearance of bad Weather to put to
Sea and make the best of their way to Bengal

To the Commanders of the Honorable Company's Ships Lord Camden Phœnix and Kent.—

To the Commander of the Honorable Company's
Ship Lord Camden—enclosing a Return of the &
Detachment of Artillery ordered to embark on his
Ship for Bengal, and informing him that the
usual Allowance on account of their victualling &
will be defrayed by the Bengal Government.—

To the Commander of the Honble Company's Ship Lord Camden.—

To the Collector at Carwar—expressing the
Board's Disapprobation of his Conduct in
employing the Force furnished them for the purpose
of

To the Collector at Carwar

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16. of securing the Revenues in making Conquests upon the Enemy: desiring him to retire immediately from the Enemy's Country; and prohibiting him, under Paine of immediate Removal from his Office, from any Similar Attempt in future.—

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops.

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops— desiring him to Advance two Months' Pay to the Officers of the Detachment of Royal Artillery.—

To the Board of Assumed Revenue.

To the Board of Assumed Revenue approving the mode Suggested in their Letter of the 13th Instant of making good to the Calastry Rajah the Amount of Grain Seized during the Time the Country was in the Nabob's Hands.—

From the Commandant at Chundernaghurry.

17th Received Letter from Captain Mafsey as entered in M. B. No. 1465 / stating the measures that are taking to Collect and send to Bangalow a Supply of Grain mentioning the particular Cautions that have been made by Bonnauze in providing Housekeepers and Grass Cutters, and advising of his having apprehended and sent to Vellore twelve Bengal Sepoy Deserters.—

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Received Letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah

Substance of a letter from the Vencatagherry Rajah

/as entered in C.C. No. 245./ representing the extreme Unwillingness of the people to engage as Horsekeepers or Grass Cutters.—

Sent the following Letter.—

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

We have received, through the Deputy Adjutant General, your Lordships Opinion in regard to an Encrease of Allowance to Lieutenant Cuppage Commanding at Imboor, of the propriety of which we are so well convinced, that we feel great pleasure in giving our Concurrence to the Allowances which your Lordship has recommended.

To Lord Cornwallis advising of the additional allowances granted to Lieutenant Cuppage

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We have the Honor to be with great Respect
and Esteem &c. &c. &c.
(signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council.—

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

We have the Honor to inform your

To Lord Cornwallis advising of Captain Flints return to Tanjore and of the Rajah's under which he acted & enclosing Intelligence received from Tanjore.—

Lordship that by a Letter from Captain Flint of the 6th. We are advised of his Return to Tanjore, having

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having previously sent back the Battalion which joined him from Trichinopoly.—

Our Instructions to Captain Flint were confined solely to the object of Attoor, in strict & compliance with the wish expressed by your Lordships; and, from that Officer's reports, We have no doubt that he obeyed them with great exactness. Finding the assault impracticable, he relinquished the undertaking pursuant to our Orders for that purpose.—

We have the Honor to enclose a Letter & received this Morning from Major Cuppage.—

We have the Honor to be,
with great Respect & Esteem,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

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To. Mr. Thomas Cockburn
Agent for the Bullock Contractors at Amboor

Sir,

As your Letter of the 13th July last & expressed an impossibility of carrying on the Contract under the circumstances then existing, and a wish that the Gentlemen concerned might be relieved from the responsibility, I am directed by the Honorable & the

To the Agent for the Bullock & Contractors proposing and & arrangement for the dissolution of the Bullock Contract —

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17th. the Honorable the President in Council to inform you that, in consequence thereof, it is proposed to consider the Contract as at an End from the 5th of July in the Carnatic, and from the 1st of the present Month in the Mysore Country.— If this Arrangement be acceded to, it is the Intention of the Board to make good whatever Expence has been incurred since those Periods provided the Accounts be sworn to by the Person acting in behalf of the Contractors.—

I am,

Fort St. George
17th. October 1791.—

Sign'd &c. William Collins Jackson
Secty

Received the following Letters.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.—
Governor in Council.

Fort St. George

Hble Sir & Sirs.

From Capt. C. White, enclosing a Bill countersigned by Colonel Wilson for Money advanced by him to the Nabob's Troops in the Shungum District in the Year 1790.—

I have received the honor of Mr Secretary Jackson's Letter with the Order of the Honorable the Board, for being reimbursed the 100 Pagodas I advanced the Ranne of Shevegunga in 1789— in doing which I was certain I was executing what Government would have ordered— had they known

her

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her unhappy situation — The approbation of the Honorable Court of Directors, is the more flattering, as I am a perfect stranger to the mode of it's being obtained

I now beg the Indulgence of the Honorable Board to Represent, that in March 1790. I received their Orders, enclosing one from His Highness the Nabob, to receive 200 dismounted Troopers, for the Honorable Company's Cavalry, from the Shoucdar Motabar Caun Behauder and Colonel Martinz.—

The Reformah of dismounted Troopers then in the Shevegunga Country amounted, exclusive of their Officers to 275 Men — they were then so much in Arrears, and so connected with their Officers, that it was impossible to draft, or to seperate them at the same time, the Province, as then regulated, did not afford any means for their Subsistance I had been under the necessity of Supporting them for a long time by rice drawn from the Shevengar, and had been obliged to Suppress two Mutinies of theirs, & others Troops which proceeded in fact from their necessities — there was also attached to them, Agreable to the Old System, a Company of Native Artellery, who were under Similar

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Circumstances in every respect. The other Troops were so clamorous for their Arrears, and dug pits before the Phoujdars Durbar, to put him, and his people in, if they were not paid off.— The People that Colonel Martins had, on whom he could depend, were so few ~~were~~ to keep the others in awe — when the 16th Battalion would be with-drawn: —

In this Crisis a Trooper arrived express from Colonel Nixon, ~~me~~ naming, on receipt of the Letter, to march the 16th Battalion to Trichinopoly — in this Situation of matters, I determined, by the advice and approbation of Colonel Martins, to take the whole Rosalah, and the Company of Native Artillery to Trichinopoly Where they could be employed and as they only required 16 Pagodas, to enable them to move their Families, I advanced them that sum trusting that Government, when the case came to be stated to them, would Approve of it in preference to leaving a determined party, amongst the disaffected — who would have perhaps put the Phoujdar to death, have seized on the Fort of Trichinopoly, and have required a Detachment of the Honorable Company's Troops to have reduced them to Obedience —

Colonel

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1st Colonel Harting likewise drew some of the Troops to be seperated.—

Colonel Nixon, when informed, was pleased to approve of the Arrangement and to write me a letter of thanks, while on the march.—

The Changes that immediately succeeded in the different Departments, and the important business that occupyed Government, prevented me, from laying the Bill that Colonel Nixon signed, before them till this present time.—

I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect &c. &c. &c.

Tanjore 13th October 1791.— /Signed/ Edw.d White

W. C. Jackson Esq.r

Military Secretary.—

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly with Copies of Intelligence from Dindigul, Palgautcherry respecting the Strength of the Detachment encamped near Coimbatore

Sir, I have the honor to transmit you, for the Information of the Honorable Board, a Copy of Intelligence just received from Dindigul and Palgautcherry.—

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

/Signed/ Thomas Bridges

Trichinopoly 12th October 1791.—

Extract

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Extract of a Letter from Dindigul dated the 10th Oct. 91

The Enemy encamped before Coimbatore the 6th Instant. The Party Consists of 8 Rosselahs 2. 18. 2. 12. & 4. 6. Pounders. 2 Mortars & 300 Horse Commanded, it is believed, by Kumer ul Deen Khan

Intelligence contained in a Letter from Palgautcherry dated the 7th October 1791.

By an Express that arrived here this Morning from Coimbatore, it appears that the Enemy encamped within a Mile of that Garrison yesterday. Their Strength Lieutenant Chalmers does not ascertain; but from the Guns Tents being distinctly seen from the Works it is imagined to be a very respectable one and commanded by a General of some note.

Various are our conjectures as to whether their Object is to intercept the Detachment with Bullocks expected here, or the Attacks of Coimbatore but imagine the latter as Firing has been heard from that Quarter this Morning.

William

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47. W.m C. Jackson Esq.re

Military Secretary.—

Sir,

The Enemy encamped before Coimbatour on the 6.th Instant— The Party I believe Commanded by Hummer o Dean Khaun' their Force consist of, 2, 18-2, 12-

From the Commandant at Dindigul stating the Detachment encamped near Coimbatour.—

and 4 Six pounder, 2 Mortars, and about 300 Horse

7000 Bullocks left this ..... yesterday on

under Charge of Captain Hope Commanding the

5.th Battalion.—

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

Dindigull
Oct.r 10.th 1791.—

(Signed) Tho.s Bowser
Capt.n Com.g

W.m C Jackson Esq.re
Military Secretary

Sir,

Seven Thousand one Hundred Bullocks will reach Tyny to morrow— no Accounts have as yet been

From the Commandant at Dindigul Purport of the Rebels encampment movements of the Enemy now in the Neighbourhood of Coimbatour Reinforcement intended to be sent to Captain Hope in case of need.—

received at Paligautcherry, from Lieutenant Chalmers— and several Sappalls have been intercepted, by the Enemy; reports prevail in their Camp, that they intend coming towards Carore, Dindigul, Madura; and Tuticorin poly, and I am apprehensive that

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that they are fully informed, the March of the Cattle,— I informed Captain Hope yesterday that in case it anything serious was expected, I could, with it safety to this Garrison, March out, with my it European Granadeir Company Two Company of Sepoys, and the Six Pounder, to give Assistance— I sometime ago, pointed out the necessity in having Bullocks & Drivers Compliat, for Two Field it pieces, and I again take the Liberty to repeat it

I have the Honorable,
Sir, &c.
(Signed) H. Bowser
Capt. Com.

Dindigulle
Oct. 11. 1791

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.—
Acting President,
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From the Military Paymaster General relating his Application for the Establishment of Temporary Assistants for Temporary Assistance and the Rejection of the same for the year 1788. 1789 & 1790

Herewith I have the Honor to enclose you Copy of Mr. Paymaster Garrow's letter of under date 13th Instant— and beg leave to observe it that from the Mode in which Mr. Johnston it granted his Certificates the Registers for the Years 1788— 1789— & 1790 are absolutely necessary for the Paymaster when he grants Bills for it Temporary

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4/ Temporary Allowance for those Years.—

Pay Office
Fort St. George
17th. October 1791.—

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed/ Benjn. Roebuck
Mast.G.

Benjamin Roebuck Esqre.—
Military Paymaster General
Fort St. George

Sir,

When Messrs. Andrews & Woolf were appointed a Committee on the Accounts of Mr. Johnston in October last, the whole of the Public Papers were delivered over to Mr. Woolf with the Office— Among others were the Original Vouchers, or Officer's Notes for Temporary & Allowance for the Years 1788_ 1789 and to 30th. June 1790 in Bundles, and Registers of the Certificates granted by the Paymaster &c

As the investigation on these Accounts was afterwards carried on for some Months at the Presidency I take it for granted that these Papers lay with the Committee, or in your Office, but on Enquiry, I found they were not there, tho they had never been returned home from

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from the time I delivered them to Mr. Wolf

Such Certificates as were brought to me by the Officers Specifying the Month, Year & Name Specifically of the Officers to whom granted in consequence of Government Order of 1st. March last stating Periods of Liquidation — I gave Bills on the Military Paymaster General for sending the Vouchers but several have been presented altogether irregular, one of which I enclose a Copy, more explanatory than any thing I can say, as well as a Copy of one drawn out agreable to form —

On my Return lately from the Presidency I had intelligence that the Original Vouchers and the three Books of Registers for 1788, 1789, & 1790 had been in Mr. Johnston's Inspection from the Time the Enquiry Closed, and a Servant of his now at Tuticorin conveyed that he sent these Papers to Mr. Johnston at Tranquebar with the Vouchers, and that they were received by him in August last, and he has delivered me this original of that Gentleman's Letters the letter of 9th August last Acknowledging the receipt of the Parcel of which these Registers for

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for 1788–1789 & 1790, and the original Officer's Notes for those Years, he is ready to swear from a past of what he sent— I send you a Copy of my letter to Mr. Wood— wrote to him some Months ago, to which that Gentleman never thought proper to give any Satisfactory Answer.—

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
Signed/ Edwd. Garrow
Paymaster.—

Trichinopoly
13th. October 1791

A true Copy
B. R.
M.S.G

To. Mr. William Collins Jackson
Secretary to the Military Department
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have received your Letter of the 6th Instant and request you will inform the Honorable the President in Council, that I never gave permission to any Person whomsoever to circulate the report you allude to.

Sometime in the Month of July last, two Men, who I conceive to be those in question, came to my Cutcherry, and gave out they were deputed by the Principal Inhabitants of the district of

From the Collector in the Carter Division of the Carnat Province — Information respecting the three Men who circulated Reports at Allour of their having been appointed by the Company to entertain Pots in the Hot-sattoo

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of Attoor in the Enemy's Country, to apply to the English Government for protection, upon which I desired them to produce their Credentials, or such documents as they were in possession of in order that, if they proved the truth of their declaration, I might communicate the to Government. After an absence of several days, they returned, but brought no Voucher or proof of any kind to shew who they were, and repeated their first Application with a further Requisition for the Assistance of Troops; upon which I concluded they were no other than Adventurers, and, in consequence, dismissed them the Cutcharee, with a Caution never to appear before me again, unless they brought with them ample and satisfactory proofs of the Commission with which they were charged.—

I have since heard that these people, together with a third person who was in their Company, had been stopt at Tiagar and Confined there, but for what reason I never learnt; if they are still in the power of Government, I hope they

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[illegible] they will receive that punishment which is due to them,
for propagating falsehoods of pernicious tendency to
others. —

I am,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Hble Servant
(signed) James Landon
Collector in the Center Division of the
Arcot Province. —

Fort St. George
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To William Collins Jackson Esquire
Military Secretary &c.

Sir,

Having been employed by Avadaunum Paupiah
Boaming as his Attorney in a Cause wherein he is
Complainant and Pendiah Cavelram Streekistna is
Defendant, I was directed by him to apply to Mr.
Joseph Garrow, the late Secretary to the Committee
appointed to enquire into the Charges brought
by His Highness the Nabob, and to request him
to inform me whether he had delivered up to
Cavelram a certain Original Bill of Exchange
drawn by Autangee Sravardy in favor of His
Highness the Nabob upon Cavelram for 50,000
Porto Novo Pagodas, also a certain Original Scrap,
or Note of Hand, of the said Cavelram's for 57,000
Porto Novo Pagodas payable also to His
Highness the Nabob, and drawn on account
of

From the attorney for Avadaunum Paupiah Boaming requesting the two Original Bills imposed Cavelram endorsed to his Constituent and deposited with the late Committee of Inquiry by Mr. Given upon

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of the Trichinopoly Revenue Collections, or whether the same were still remaining in his possession To which Mr. Garrow was pleased to reply that the Committee to which he had acted as Secretary being dissolved I must Address Government on the Subject — I therefore now take the Liberty of Addressing You, Sir, on the Subject; and, as the Honorable the Mayor's Court have ordered the Bills to be produced which Cavebram has declined doing under pretence that they are still with Government, I beg to know from you whether that is the Fact —

Fort St. George
17th Oct. 1791 —

I have the Honor to be Sir,
Most Respectfully &c. &c.
/Signed/ P. Walker
Atty for A. Panjiah PJ. —

Substance of a letter to the Rajah of Travancore —

Sent Letter to the Rajah of Travancore — /as entered in P.C. N. 246/ expressing the satisfaction of the Board at the Readiness shown by him in the Discharge of his Engagements —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mil: N° 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154 —

To the Resident at Travancore

To the Resident at Travancore — enclosing above mentioned

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17. above mentioned Letter to the Rajah and a Copy thereof for his Information, approving the Zeal shewn by him in obtaining the early Discharge of the Rajah's Engagements - and informing him that the Bill for 5 Lacks of Rupees on Bowanny Suntherah Pettah has been accepted. -

To Major General Musgrave - desiring

To Major Genl. Musgrave him to give his Opinion on an Application from the Resident at Ganjam for an Encrease of Force. -

To Do - informing him that the Board

To Do. - have no Objection to Colonel Fraser's Application for Leave to proceed towards the Presidency, or to the Request of Captain Turing to be allowed to complete the 4th Battalion of Native Infantry by Volunteers from the 7th Revenue Battalion,

To Major Genl. Musgrave - that Orders have been given to the Hospital Board to recommend an Assistant Surgeon for the Garrison of Amboor, and to the King's Paymaster General to advance two Months Pay to the Officers of the Detachment of Royal Artillery

To the Military Storekeeper - authorizing

To the Military Storekeeper him to make up Tents on Account of the Company to the Extent of the Materials provided by Lieut. Healy

For

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To the Commandant at Dindegul desiring

To the Commandant at Dindegul

him to state upon what grounds he conceived himself warranted to direct the Acting Adjutant to address an Official Letter to the Paymaster - and to explain the Nature of the Service on which the Non commissioned of Artillery is employed for whom a Bill for four Pagodas has been presented exclusive of his full pay as a Corporal -

To the Paymaster at Madura &c. informing

To the Paymaster at Madura &c.

him that the Bills presented to him for travelling Batta and the Pay of a Camp Colorman are agreeable to the Rules of Service - and that the Claim for working Money may be admitted - communicating the Substance of the abovementioned Orders given to Captain Bowser, and desiring that he will, in future, refer all doubtful Charges to the Comptroller General -

To Lieutenant Cuppage informing

To the Commandant at Dindigul

him of the Addition that the Board have been pleased to make to his allowances during the period of his holding his present Command -

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To the Paymaster at Vellore the Military Paymaster Gen.l and the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts

To the Paymaster at Vellore—the Military Paymaster General and the Comptroller General of Army Accounts—informing them of the Allowances that are to be drawn by Lieutenant Cuppage while he remains in the Command of Amboor.—

To the Commissary & Comptroller General of Army Accounts.—

To the Commissary General of Army Accounts—desiring him to report his opinion fully upon sundry Papers Received from the Secretary to Major General Medows relating to M.r Gahagan's Bills for Victualling the Bengal Sepoys.—

18.th Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. N.os 155. 156. 157.—

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions—

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with Copy of a Letter from the Store Keeper at Tanjore in which he recommends that that the old Grain in Store at that Place be immediately sold off.—

From Lieutenant Dubois of the Bengal Establishment

From Lieutenant Dubois—requesting that he may be ordered a Passage to Bengal on the Phœnix

From the Commandant at Angole

From the Commandant at Angole advising of the having dispersed the party of plundering Peons under the Command of the Zemendar Ramrajer sent

of Lieutenant Beale's having

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At a Consultation

Present

Sir. Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President

Tuesday 18. October 1791 William Petrie & John Hudleston Esqr.

The Honble. Major General Medows absent upon Service.—

Minutes of last Consultation read & Approved.—

The Acting President informs the Board that he has received Intelligence from Amboor of a Party of the Enemy said to consist of 2000 Horse 2000 Foot, and 6 Guns having entered the Baramahal apparently with Intention of releasing the Garrison of Thistnaghurry after which it moved to the Southward,— and that as it may be proper to keep an Eye on its Motions, he recommends that Major General Musgrave be acquainted with the Circumstance and desired to send such Order to Colonel Floyd as he may judge necessary better protection of the Guns & Treasure & proceeding to Amboor.—

The Acting President reports to the Board Intelligence received from Amboor of a Party of the Enemy having entered the Baramahal and recommends that a Notification thereof be made to Major General Musgrave.

Ordered

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Orders Accordingly

Ordered Accordingly.—

The Acting President lays before the Board Proceedings of a Court Martial assembled for the Trial of Captain Stephen Towns, which had been approved, and delivered to him, by Major General Musgrave.—

Sentence of the Court Martial on the Trial of Captain Towns.—

Sentence of the Court Martial upon the Trial of Captain Stephen Towns

The Court having maturely weighed and considered what hath appeared in Evidence before it, during the course of the Prosecution, as well as what the Prisoner has urged in his Defence, is of Opinion, That the Prisoner Captain Towns is Not Guilty of the Charge alledged against him Viz.t.—

For Acting unbecoming his Station and Character as an Officer in carrying on pernicious Intrigues with Annoty Linguem & Mancherauze, Ramalinguem Ausunta Perauze, and the late Jeggerauze, with a view to defame & the Characters of Messrs. Joseph Revell, Andrew Scott and

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and others employed in the Management of the
Company's Revenue, and doth therefore aquit him

/Signed/ C. Fraser Col: & President

T. W. Shippey Judge Advocate

Confirmed

/Signed/ Tho.s Musgrave

Minutes of the Board upon the Sentence of the Court Martial on the Trial of Captain Stephen Towne.—

At the Charge framed by the Board
against Captain Towne proceeded from a sincere
conviction that his Conduct has been extremely
improper, and as they could have no motives
for bringing him to trial but the desire of
checking those intrigues in which he seemed
to have taken so unwarrantable and dangerous
a part, it is not to them a matter of personal
disappointment or concern that the Court of
Martial has pronounced his Acquittal — But
in a public point of View — as the prosecutors
on behalf of their constituents, whose welfare
is Materially interested in the peaceful &
government of their affairs, they cannot be
indifferent to any proceeding which involves
an Object of such weighty importance —

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The Board have not the most distant intention of impeaching the Judgment of the Court Martial in this case, but it would have been extremely satisfactory to them to have known upon what principles it has been given. The evidence adduced in support of the Charge, proves very clearly to their Minds that Captain Towns was deeply concerned with Amaty Linguem and other Natives in the most pernicious intrigues, and his standing forth as an abettor of their practices, and turning them to the detriment of public and Private Character justly exposed him, in the Opinion of the Board, to that Censure upon which they grounded their Proceedings against him.

If Captain Towns had met the evidence on the part of the prosecution by any proof whatever, tending to shew that he was free from the blame imputed to him the Board would have acquiesced with pleasure in the Sentence of acquittal; but Captain Towns makes no defence; on the Contrary he professes an Intention to persevere in the same Conduct that exposed

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exposed him to the censure of Government.—

The Court Martial have assigned no reasons for their Sentence of acquittal, but if it proceeded from any Idea of informality in the Charge or in the Mode of prosecution, the Board think this cause would have been assigned at the beginning and no evidence taken upon the Charge.—

The Board conceive it possible however that the acts for which Captain Towns was brought to trial may not have appeared to the Court Martial in a Military View criminal. If this be the case it is become highly necessary to determine by what mode such offences are to be tried in future. The Propriety of questioning Military Officers by any other Form of proceeding than that of a Court Martial has been disputed, and it was from the wish to avoid the slightest Imputation of Injustice or irregularity that the Board resorted to this mode, but they now think it expedient, upon the event of the present trial, to request the

Honorable

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Honorable Court will instruct them particularly, by their Opinion, in cases similar to that of Captain Towns.—

The Board do not mean to enter into any particular examination of the Proceedings of the Court Martial, but they cannot forbear to Notice what appears to them to have been a great Error in the Conduct of the Judge Advocate.— In his reply to Captain Towns's address to the Court, he seems to have forgot his proper Character, and concludes with a sort of Apology for the Prisoner He observes to the Court that "should it appear to "Captain Towns was necessitated to urge what "he conceives his own acknowledged right with "no further Intention than to acquire real property "to which he has looked forward and depended "upon for the support of his declining days, "which being withheld from him, in pointing "out the pernicious Motive or Source of this disappoint- "ment the names of Gentlemen should be "unavoidably involved, and instead of an "impertinent interference in Civil Matters the "Conduct of Captain Towns should appear to

proceed

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"proceed from the Natural exertions of a Man in
"pursuit of a just Claim unmixed with rancour
"or base design— these are objects, I conceive of the
"Court's serious Consideration"—

The Board Apprehend nothing could be more irregular than such an Address from the Judge Advocate into whose hands they had committed the Prosecution. Besides the Impropriety of offering any thing in excuse or for the Prisoner to whom it was his duty, by all legal Means, to convict, the Judge Advocate here weakens the force of his own Arguement; for he had just before told the Court, very truly, that the Prisoner had not adduced a single Proof in exoneration of the specific Charge, had called no witness, nor attempted to controvert any part of the Accusation against him.—

Ordered that a Copy of the Proceedings of the Court Martial be sent to the Honorable Court of Directors by the next dispatch, and that their attention be particularly requested to the subject of this Trial.—

Resolved that a Copy of the Trial and of the Minutes of the Board thereon be sent to Major General

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General Medows, and that it be offered to his Judgement whether Captain Towne should not be removed to a Distance from the Scene of his Intrigues, that is, to some Southern Station, in consequence of the Assertion contained in his Defence, that he would persevere in the same Conduct.—

Read the following Letter from Major General Medows.—

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

Hon^ble Sir and Gentlemen,

I had the honor of yours of the sixth yesterday;— and am very much obliged to you for it having dismissed Mr. Price, Assistant Surgeon, the Service;— for having behaved so much to the dissatisfaction of Lord Cornwallis and myself:— And am afraid it will be necessary to recommend another dismission of the same sort— should it be so, Major Close, the Deputy Adjutant General, shall acquaint your Secretary with the person and the particulars.—

From Major General Medows approving the Dismission of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Price—

I have the Honor to be,
Hon^ble Sir, Gentlemen,
with the highest respect, esteem, and truth,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Wm. Medows Gov^r &c. &c.

Camp near Bangalore the 13. October 1791.

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Read the following Letter and Enclosure from the Deputy Adjutant General.—

To W.C. Jackson Esquire
Secretary Military Department

Sir/

I have honor to enclose you, by desire of His Lordship, for the information of Government, Copy of a Letter dispatched to Major Stevenson at Ambore respecting the Arrangement and Routes, by which the Convoy assembling at the above Station is to be drawn to Camp.—

From the Deputy Adjutant General respecting the arrangements and Routes fixed for the Convoys assembling at Amboor Instructions regarding the better management of the Postmasters Department at that Place.—

His Lordship also wishes it to be communicated to the Honorable Board that much inconvenience has resulted from the neglect or mismanagement of the Serjeant at Amboor who acts as a Deputy or Assistant in the Postmasters General's Department, many dispatches of importance on the Service for Vellore having lately been sent & forward to the Presidency, where they have remained or if sent back to their destination, have not been received till after much delay — These mistakes having happened relative to receiving Sappalls, so that neither Duplicates nor Triplicates have

taken

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taken effect - In order to render the Post more certain
therefore, in future, His Lordship is very desirous &
that the Honorable Board should direct the Deputy
Postmaster appointed from Madras, to reside at
Ambore instead at Vellore, where, as the sorting &
and packing of Letters for Distribution will be
less required the Service of an Assistant may be found
to Answer every purpose - Mean while His Lordship has
directed Lieutenant Cuppage to superintend the Tappal
business at Ambore; however, as his occupations are
numerous, it may be expedient to have him relieved
from this Office without delay -

I have the Honor to be,
Sir;
Your most obedient Servant
B.J. Close
Dep.y Adj.t General -

Head Quarters Camp
near Errumcah 8th October 1791

To
Major Stivenson, or in his absence, To
Captain Richard Scott,
Ambore

Sir;

I have the honor to communicate to
Lord Cornwallis's Command, that, all the Carriage
Bullocks, whether loaded with Grain or Military
Stores, drawn from Madras, Vellore or Ambore, and
all the Elephants with their loads may be collected &
as soon as possible, and sent forward to the Army by

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by the Pedmaigdungum Pass, under the escort of Captain Scott's Battalion, the Bombay Draffts, two Troops of Major Stevenson's Regiment, with every Careful Officer, and such of the Recovered Men and Recruits of Artillery Men, Lascars and Pioneers as expired [illegible] were intended to come up with the first convoy - Lieutenant Sundt, who is with four Companies at Opcottah, will be ordered to Colar, where he will be subject to Captain Scott's orders either to fall back farther to meet him, or to wait there, and join him in that neighbourhood -

All the Guns and Wheel Carriages of every description, whether coming from Madras, Ambore, or Vellore to form one Convoy, and to be prepared to proceed as soon after the 15th as Orders are given them, by the Vaniambaddy Route, and Policode Pass -

Colonel Floyd, with the Cavalry, four Companies of Captain Campbell's and the whole of Oram's Battalions, the five Companies from Angole, the Bengal Draffts, and all the Artillery Men, Lascars and Pioners, with the Recovered Men and Recruits intended to come up with the last Convoy, will form a respectable Escort for this

Convoy

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Convoy, to which, if necessary, the Battalion at Ossoor will be sent to meet them in the Barramaul — The whole of the Second Convoy to rendezvous as soon as convenient at Veniambaddy, to which place Major Stevenson with the remainder of his Regiment, the Five Companies from Angole, are to repair and where likewise the four Companies of Captain Campbell's Battalion now at Tripatoure should fall back to protect the Convoy before the whole of the Troops, which are to compose the Escort, are Assembled there —

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) B. Close
Dep.y Adjutant General

Head Quarters
Camp near Ewaniah
8.th October 1791 —

Agreed, in case Lieutenant Cuppage can find sufficient Leisure from his other avocations, that he be appointed Deputy Postmaster at Ambore, with the Salary annexed to that Office during the time the Army remains in the Mysore Country —

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Deputy Adjutant General —

Read the following Letter from

Lord Cornwallis —

Sir

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Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President & Council,

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have this Morning the enclosed Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, dated the 13th of May 1791

From Lord Cornwallis entering a Letter addressed to him in Council respecting sundry Foreign Vessels supposed to be employed in bringing Military Stores &c. to Tippoo Sultaun & desiring to be advised of the measures adopted in consequence—

The Letter is addressed to me as Commander in Chief, but as the transmission of it to Bengal would occasion considerable delay in the Circulation of the instructions contained in it, and might be the means of losing, at this particular Season of the Year, some Opportunities of carrying them effectually into execution. I have therefore to request that at the time you send the original to the Supreme Council you will send a Copy of it to the Government of Bombay that they may issue the necessary Orders to the Honorable Company's Naval Officers.—

I have the Honor to be,

&c: &c:

/Signed/ Cornwallis.—

Camp 12 Miles North of Bangalore 14th Oct.r 1791.—

Agree to inform Lord Cornwallis that the Board approve

Minute thereon by the Company's Ship Bridgewater

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Received from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors similar Instructions to those ~~&~~ referred to by his ~~Lordship~~, Copies of which were immediately forwarded to the Bombay & Government and to the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis.—

Ordered that the Packets transmitted by his Lordship be immediately sent to Bengal.—

Read the following Letter from the Master Attendant.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

From the Master Attendant —information respecting foreign Vessels trading in this Country.—

In pursuance of your directions & communicated to me this morning by Mr. Jackson Secretary, I immediately made the necessary enquiries and research in the Books of my Office, and have now the honor of communicating to you the following particulars relative to the four Vessels mentioned in Mr. Jackson's Letter.—

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1st The Ship Minerva, Captain Greenway, arrived in these Roads 30th May last, and sailed for Calcutta the 2d of June. She had an Europe Cargo, but Landed nothing here. She had sailed from Ostend 23d January - and from Madeira 16 February.-

2d The Ship Princessa Frederica, Barclay / but the Captain of her Colours, Captain Veirsguard / Arrived 23d July last, and Sailed for Calcutta 17th of August. She left Copenhagen 8th Octber 1790. She Landed here near 1500 Bars of Iron and a few other Articles, Gin &c.-

3d The Ship Princessa Maria, Christmas, Arrived 3. August and sailed for Calcutta 17th same month. She had sailed from Copenhagen 19th March. She Landed a considerable part of an Europe Cargo.

4th The Ship Enterprize, Babcock, arrived 24th August and sailed for Calcutta 26th same Month. She had left Ostend 26th February. She Landed no Cargo.-

I shall

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I shall not fail to give you immediate Notice of the Arrival of any of the abovementioned Vessels, according to your directions; and I suppose it very probable that they will return here from Calcutta. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) H. Boyd
Master Attendant

Fort St. George
15th October 1791

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to Bengal and to Bombay —

Minute thereon. —

Read the following Letter from the Comptroller General of Army Accounts. —

To Willm Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Military Department —

Sir,

From the Comptroller General of Army Accounts enclosing a Return of Cattle purchased on the Company's Account with those now in Store under the several Barrack Masters. —

In obedience to the requisition of Government, as stated in your Letter of the 12. Ulto. I have the honor to enclose Returns, of the Cattle purchased at the Company's Expence, with those now in Store under the respective Barrack Masters. —

I am, &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Capper
C. G. A.

Fort St. George
12th October 1791

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Return of Cotts under Charge of the Barrack Master at Fort St. George and St. Thomas's Mount, Fort St. George 15th October 1791

Stations	No. of Cotts	To whom Issued		Total	Remarks	Length of Time in Service Years Months Days
Fort St. George	731	His Majesty's 15th Hanoverian Regiment				
	80	Effective and Invalid Artillery				
	704	2nd Batt. European Infantry				
	39	Supernumeraries				
	96	Invalids				1. 2. 29
	7	Prisoners Confined in the Dungeon & Cowjee House		1865	1182	1. 3. 12
	184	Men of Different Corps in the King's Company's Service			683	
	7	24th Batt. Native Infantry			1865.	
	3	30th Batt. Native Infantry				
	3	Governors Body Guard				
	91	In Store				1. 2. 16.
St. Thomas's Mount	331	1st and 2d Battalions of Artillery		400.	200	1. 3. 16.
	69	In Store			200.	
					400.	
		General Total		2265.		

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(signed) R. Gomond
Act. Barrack Master.

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Return of Colts in the Center Division of the Carnatic, Specifying the Corps to which they belong and the time at which they were delivered.—

To His Majesty's 71st and 76th Regiments

		Colts.
	1789	
March	Ditto	70
April	Ditto	100
May	Ditto	250
June	Ditto	100
December	Ditto	137

To His Majesty's 36th and 52d Regiments

	1789	124
July	Ditto	700
September	Ditto	700
October		107

To the Artillery Stationed at Walanjabad

To His Majesty's 19th Light Dragoons

	1789	360
December		

To His Majesty's 71st Regiment

	1789	108
November		

At Chinglepuet to the Honble Company's Invalids

	1789	75
April	Do	110
July	Do	100
September	Do	100
October	Do	11
November		

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To the 3d Regiment European Infantry.—

			Cots
July	1789		20.—
September	Do		100
October	Do		100.
November	Do		100.
December	Do		144.

To the 4th Regiment European Infantry.

July	1789	78.
November	Do	442.

/Signed/ J. Capper Barrack Mr.
Center Division

Return of the Barrack-Cotts in the Southern Division of the Army. Trichinopoly 1st Sept. 1791

Stations	Number of Cotts	Total	Length of Time in use
At Tanjore	260	817	Since the Month of Octobr 1789.
Do	275		Do Do of November 1789
Do	282		Do Do of December 1789.
At Trichinopoly	527	753	Do Do of January 1790
Do	226		Do Do of January 1790

Gent. Total of Cotts in the Southern Division 1570.—

/Signed/ C. Dyce
Barrack Master Southern Division

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Return of Cotts in Charge of Lieutenant Thomas Clerk Barrack Master North of the Kistna Ellore Septr 1791

Stations	N.o Cots	To whom Issued	Length of time Invalided Years	Months	Days	
Ellore	52	Derasparam Detachment		5	4	Total 413
	102	dº & Private Pensioners		6	26	
	129	In Store received from the 2d Regiment		11	22	
	36	dº dº	1	5	22	
	82	dº dº	2	8	19	
	25	European Guards		3	4	
	9	1/ Batt.n N. Infantry	1	1	4	
	8	In Store received from the 2d 75th N. Infantry	1	8		
Masulipatam	50	Invalids			4	Total 125
	50	dº		2	4	
	25	European Guards	1	6	25	
Vizagapatam	43	Invalids &c	2	5	4	Total 55
	12	Main Guard		5	4	
Ganjam	44	Invalids &c	2	7	4	Total 56
	12	Main Guard		7	4	

Total 619

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Signed

/ Signed / Thomas Clerk
Barr.k Mast.r N. Ks.

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Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Comptroller General of Army Accounts.—

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Agreed that Lieutenant Francis Capper Barrack Master in the Center Division, be directed to point out what part of the Barrack Regulations & established by Sir Archibald Campbell in September 1786 Authorizes the Barrack Master to make up Rees Cotts for Recruits, and sanctions the Provision without a previous Reference to Government.—

Read the following Letter from the Commandant at Vellore.—

W. C. Jackson Esqre
Secretary.—

From the Commandant at Vellore with a List of the Prisoners of War sent to Vellore and an Account of the Expence of their Subsistence &c. delivered in by the Commissary of the Prisoners of War.

Sir,

Agreeable to the Orders of Lord Cornwallis I have the Honor of forwarding, for the Information of the Board, a List of the Prisoners of War removed from Bangalore, with an Account of the Expence that will attend their being detained as Prisoners here,

I have the Honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Thomas Bruce

Vellore
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List of Maharratta and Hindoo Prisoners of War — Vellore October 14th 1791

No.	Names	Country	Rank	Cast	Monthly Pay with Tippoo	Residence of their Families	Remarks
	Kistnarow	Seringapatam	Buckshéa	Bramin	Indefinite	Seringapatam	Taken in Bangalore
	Satwaghee Ingly	Tanjore	Mocuddaur	Maharratta	100 Rupees	Masly	do do
	Sultaun Ghee gaukee	Merick	Tipdaur	do	150	do	do do
	Sultaun Ghee Salutti	Tanjore	Eesdaur	do	100	do	do do
5	Jataghee	do	do	do	100	Tanjour	do do
	Sumbaghee	do	Surkeil	do	50	Sutteah	do do
	Taimaetrow	do	do	do	50	Tripatore	do do
	Imeautrow	Arnee	do	do	50	Cuddapah	do do
	Soomaghee	Merick	do	do	50	Merick	do do
10	Shawghee	Poonah	do	do	50	Poonah	do do
	Baguntrow	Sattanah	Jemuldars	do	24	Sattarah	do do
	Ram Chunda	Malsour	do	do	24	Malsour	do do
	Ranoque	Merich	do	do	24	Merich	do do
	Enguatraug	Tanjore	Duffedaur	do	14	Marty	delivered over from the Adjut. Genl. 3d Sept.
15	Narrain Sing	Trichinopoly	Havildar	Rajahput	16	Vellore	do 28th April
	Naig Naique	Bangalore	do	Hindoo	14	Bangalore	do do
	Sewaghee	Tanjore	Sepoy	Maharratta	14	Tripatore	Taken in Bangalore
	Lengaghee	Belaghar	do	do	14	Belaghaas	do do
	Mepetrow	Merich	do	do	14	Merich	do do
20	Sutkgoghee	do	do	do	14 do	do	do do
	Engautrow	Tanjore	do	do	14	Tanjore	do do

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№	Names	Country	Rank	Cast	Monthly Pay with Tippoo	Rendence of the Families	Remarks
	Delhi Sing	Lucknow	Sipoy	Rajahput	14 Rupees	Lucknow	Taken in Bangalore
	Gopallow	Tanjore	Do	Maratta	14 Do	Tripatore	do do
	Letchamana	Do	Do	Do	14	Do	do do
25	Iwaghee	Do	Do	Do	14	Do	do do
	Rutmagee	Do	Do	Do	14	Biramaul	do do
	Santghee	Tripatore	Do	Do	14	Tripatore	do do
	Kistnaghee	Tanjore	Do	Do	14	Baramaul	do do
	Eroge	Do	Do	Do	14	Ustcotah	do do
30	Jaggernaut	Ustiotah	Do	Rajahput	14	Do	do do
	Kipindau	Do	Do	Do	14	Do	do do
	Ranoge	Do	Do	Mahanratta	14	Do	do do
	Oadoge	Tanjore	Do	Do	14	Tripatore	do do
	Ramge	Indapour	Do	Do	14	Indapour	do do
35.	Uchoge	Moorah	do	Do	14	Moorah	do do
	Anamenbo	Tanjore	do	do	14	Tripatore	do do
	Kistnoghee	do	do	do	14	do	do do
	Ranbge	do	do	do	14	Uscotah	do do
	Crow Ghee	do	do	do	14	Tripatore	do do
40	Cundageroo	Mirich	do	do	14	Mirich	do do
	Ramghee	do	do	do	14	do	do do
	Ologhee	Tanjour	do	do	14	Tripatore	do do
	Moocarow	do	do	do	14	do	do do
	Sutloghee	do	do	do	14	Uscotah	do do
45.	Perungaghee	Poonah	do	do	14	Poonah	do do
	Lalghee	Do	do	do	14	do	do do
	Annaghee	Tanjour	do	do	14	Uscotah	do do
	Kedaunghee	Sattarah	do	do	14	Sattarah	do do

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Bangaroo	Canara	14	Balapoor	
Sookiah	do	14	Woottah	
Lingaroo	do	14	Seshatarow	
Engaroo	Canara	14	Chinnapalam	
Hiranoyah	do	14	Solumpore	
Cangatoo	do	14	Seshatarow	
Narrainroo	do	14	do	
Seshawahe	do	14	Woottah	
Ramoojee	do	14	do	
Papannarow	do	14	do	
Lingoo	do	14	Sanjore	
Mungee	do	14	Narrindroog	
Narrainroo	do	14	Woottah	
Balagee	do	14	Pomah	
Ramjee	do	14	Settanah	
Lakum	do	14	Mondaul	
St. Hagee	do	14	Woottah	
Seshiah Ling	do	14	Vellore	
Swagee	do	14	Woottah	
Sooboo	do	14	Munick	
Ningapa	do	14	Settanah	
Ramoojee	do	14	Woottah	
Sukkaiah	do	14	do	
Cundapa	do	14	Canamella	
Bala Jee	do	14	Munick	
Engaroo	do	14	Pomah	
Ramoojee	do	14	do	
Ramoo Jee	do	14	Bajathaun	

No.	Names	Country	Rank	Cast	Monthly Pay with Tippoo	Residence of their Families	Remarks
	Anamenloo	Tanjour	Sepoy	Maharratta	14 Rupees	Uscottah	Taken at Bangalore
	Perague Ingly	Chittledroog	do	do	14 do	Chittledroog	do do
	Maloghee	Gavagony	do	do	14 do	Gavaragony	do do
80	Deoger	Tanjour	do	do	14 do	Trepatore	do do
81	Tenvoyah	Bangalore	do	do	14 do	Bangalore	delivered over by the Adjutant General —

A true Copy
(Signed) John Baillie
Comm[r] of Prisoners of War —

List of the Mussulman Prisoners of War — Vellore Oct[r] 14 — 1791 —

No.	Names	Country	Rank	Cast	Monthly pay with Tippoo	Residence of their Families	Remarks —
	Ismael Cawn	Sarjapoor	Surdar	Seyd		Vellore	This man is more properly an hostage than a prisoner as appears from his Lordship's instructions respecting him. —
	Seid Jaeguer Oden Khan	do	do	do		do	Rec[d] in Custody when the Prisoners left Bangalore — no instructions yet arrived respecting his Disposal & treatment.
	Hayat Cawn Seroof	Sera	Resput Cawn	do	150 Rupees	Sera	Taken in Bangalore
	Cogah Hussain	Cuddapah	Sirdaur	do	100	do	do do
5.	Babar Ali Beg	Hydrabad	Comm[d] Pioners	Mogul	80	Seringap[m] Prisons	do do
	Shaik Ebraam	Sera	Subauldar	Shaik	80	Chewloor	do do
	Menafer Alli	Tainomalle	do	do	60	Chinapatam	do do
	Sheik Junad	Sera	do	do	60	Sera	do do

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No.	Names	Country	Rank	Cast	Monthly Pay with Tippoo	Residence of their Families	Remarks	
40	Seid Israk	Canoul	Sepoy	Shaik	14 Rupees	Canoul	do	do
	Syed Ali	Cuddapa	do	do	14 Do	Cuddapa	do	do
	Syed Ameen	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
	Bunni Khan	do	do	Pitan	14 Do	do	do	do
	Bassin Khan	Savanoor	do	do	14 Do	Balapour	do	do
45	Carem Khan	Cuddapa	do	do	14 Do	Chinnapatam	do	do
	Ferrim Khan	Sunnukabaad	do	do	14 Do	Sunnukabaad	do	do
	Seid Carem	Cuddapa	do	Seyd	14 Do	Cuddapah	do	do
	Shaik Imaum	Chilledroog	do	Shaik	14 Do	Chilledroog	do	do
	Golam Hussain	Cuddapah	do	do	14 Do	Cudapah	do	do
50	Shaik Sultaun	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
	Raimaun Khan	Coimbatoor	do	Pitan	14 Do	do	do	do
	Shaik Modeen	Harpanilli	do	Shaik	14 Do	Harpanilli	do	do
	Shaik Baboo	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
	Rajah Mahommed	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
55	Shaik Cawn	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
	Shaik Bunna	do	do	do	14 Do	do	do	do
	Ibraim Cawn	Seringapatam	do	Pitan	14 Do	Seringapatam	do	do
	Shaik Mahommed	Penapatnam	do	Shaik	14 Do	Pedneapatnam	do	do
	Seyd Ibraim	Adsheer	do	Seyd	14 Do	Byaamdroog	Sent from Provost Martial's Guard 28 April	
60	Shaik Hussain	Arcot	do	Shaik	14 Do		do 28 April do	
	Shaik Bunna	Harpinelle	do	do	14 do	Harpinelle	Taken in Bangalore without Arms	
	Shaik Hussain	Arcot	do	do	14 do	Arcot	Sent in from Provost Martial's Guard 28 April	
	Anwar Shaoor	Besapour	Spy Farquier	do	"	Mangalore	do 28 do	
	Tashiro of Shaw	Arcot	do	do	"	No Family	do 28 do	
	Seyd Mdy	Bednore	Beasty	Seyd	"	Bednore	Taken in Bangalore	
66	Goorroo	Bangalore	Ryott	Pariah	"	Bangalore	Sent Sept. 3. from Provost Martial	

A true Copy
(signed) John Baillie
Commissary of Prisoners of War

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Estimate of the Sum required for the Maintenance of the Prisoners of War for a Month of 31 days, agreable to the present mode of subsisting them.—

					Fanams
1.	Bustshee / Kisnarow / at 12 Madras fanams		₰	day	372.
1.	Sirdar / Syd Tacker o Deen / at	Do	₰	day	372.
1.	Mecubdaur / Sutwague Ingly / at	Do	₰	day	372.
1.	Rissuldaur	at 3 fanm	₰	day	93.
1.	Jisdaur	at Do	₰	day	93.
3.	Cosdaurs	at 2 fanm each	₰	day	186.
1.	Do	at 1	₰	day	31.
11.	Surkeils	at 1½ fanm each	₰	day	511½
1.	Wordy Mallas	at 1½	₰	day	46½
1.	Officer of Pioneers	at 2 fanm	₰	day	62.
3	Subadaurs	at 2 fanm each	₰	day	186.
6.	Jemauldars	at 1½ fanm each	₰	day	279.
2	Do	at 1 fanm each	₰	day	62.
2.	Killedaurs	at ½ fanm each	₰	day	248
1.	Amildaur	at 6 fanm	₰	day	186.
1	Duffadaur	at 2 fanm	₰	day	62.
2.	Havildaurs	at 1 fanm each	₰	day	62.
2.	Taquirs	at 1 fanm each	₰	day	62.
1.	Bearly	at 1 fanm	₰	day	31.
1.	Ryal	at 1 fanm	₰	day	31.
5.	Allowed Servants of Prisoners	at 1 fanm each	₰	day	155.
103	Sepoys	at 3 fanm: each	₰	day	3193.
				Total Fanams	5696

To which it will be proper to add the Monthly Charge attending the following Establishment

		Pags. F. C.
1.	Writer or Conicoply, for the purpose of writing out the rice which is indented for daily, and distributing pay to the Prisoners—which they receive every second day	5.— —
3	Servants at 2 Pags. ₰ Month each for the purpose of carrying Rice, bringing Firewood, attending the Prisons &c	6.— —
	For furnishing two Pucktalies ₰ Month	6. 16.—
	For furnishing the Prisoners with Oil	3.— —
	Pagodas	20. 16

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(Signd) John Baillie
Commissary of Prisoners of War.—

Estimate

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Estimate of the Quantity of Grain required for the Subsistence of the Prisoners of War for a Month of 31 Days agreeable to the present mode of Subsisting them.—

	Loans
1146 Prisoners at One Loar of Rice each p.day	4526
10 Loars of Rice p.day for the Family of Seyd Sarquer a Dun	310
5 Loars of — p.day for the allowed Servants of Prisoners	155
Total Loars	4991

(Signed) John Baillie
Commissary of Prisoners of War.—

Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Commandant at Vellore.—

Agreed that Colonel Bowse be directed to call upon Lieutenant John Baillie, for a Copy of such Instructions as he may have received from the Commander in Chief, empowering him to Act as Commissary of Prisoners of War, which the Colonel will transmit to the Board, with his opinion upon the Monthly Estimate of Money and Grain required for the Maintenance and Subsistence of the Prisoners.—

Read the following Letter from the Collector at Tinnivelly.—

To

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To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Secret and Military Department

Fort St. George

Sir,

You will be pleased to Inform the Honorable President in Council, that previous to my departure from Tinnevelly, I had ordered all the Bullocks for the Service of Malabar to assemble at Dindigul on the 7th October, and that I found, on my Arrival there, between 6 & 7000 from Madura and Palamcotah_3500 were to come from Tanjore_ and I waited three Days for this Division, knowing they were dispatched the 26th and 28th Ultimo_ but as they did not Arrive, and I could not Account for their Delay I determined to wait no longer, and, conformable to a promise made to Major Cuppage, I dispatched, on the 9th inst 7000, delivered to the Care of Captain Foreman with 10,000 Star Pagodas for their pay and Subsistence, and all under Charge of Captain Hope, deeming the Escort might return for the Remainder

From the Collector at Tinnevelly - under off 7000. Bullocks & from Dendigul & proposed Route of the Remainder. 1

_ Resolved upon this from the intimation of Captain Bowser that a party of the Enemy were

below

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below the Ghauts and became Major Cuppage, in a Letter of the ++++, and that day Received, had assured me the Road was then safe, and he further added, to Captain Hope, that He could support him with a respectable Force if Necessary.—

On the 15th we received intelligence from Major Cuppage of the Attack of Coimbetore, but without expressing any Apprehension for the safety of the Bullocks. I could not presume to put my Judgement in Competition with the Majors, altho' I entertained doubts of their Situation; and as it is left to the Major to provide for their safe conveyance I did not think myself warranted to order their Return, having once committed them to his Charge.—

I lost no time however in communicating my Opinion to Major Cuppage, and, thro' Captain Torin, to Captn Hope—explaining to them my ability to send the Cattle round by Tanjore, a secure Road and eligible in every respect but in point of time. Under the Belief that this will yet be found the best practicable Plan I recommended to Captain Hope not to proceed beyond Pylour 'till he should receive the Majors positive and final Instructions, The Escort can halt in Security at Pylure where the Tanjore Cattle will probably join them. I would then be in Major Cuppage's Power to assemble a force from Dindigul and Paligautchery sufficient

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sufficient to oppose the Enemy and to cover the whole of the Convoy or to proceed to the Relief of Coimbetore with the Assistance of the 25 Battalion, while the Bullocks proceed by the way of Tavanore—in either case the Service will be performed and nothing risked.—

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

Madura
11th Octr 1791.—

Read the following Letter from Major Cuppage.

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
President and Governor &c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir,

I had the Honor to inform your Hr yesterday that a considerable reinforcement of Troops had come down the Guzzelhetty Pass, and to day Hr Accounts I have, consists of eight Rosallahs. 2-18-2-12- and 4-6 pounders with 2 Mortars and 300 Horse—The whole Commanded by Commer ul Dein Caun.—

From the Commandant at Paligautchery communicating authenticated Accounts received of the Strength of the Detachment encamped near Coimbatore.—

The Garison of Coimbatore consists of the 2d Tavanore Battalion, the Topass Corps, and a

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a Company of the 16th Battalion under Lieutenant Nash.

I have the Honor to be with great respect. —

Palighautcherry
7th October 1791. —

/Signed/ &c. &c. J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

Ordered that a Copy of Major Cuppage's

Minute thereon — Letter be sent to Lord Cornwallis. —

Read the following Letter from the

Military Storekeeper. —

The Honble. Major General Medows

President & Governor &c. in Council,

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you &

From the Military Storekeeper applies for an advance of Cash for making up Store to replace those that have been taken from the Arsenal. —

a List and Estimate of Sundry Articles which I am ordered by the Military Board to Provide, and & have to request you will be pleased to direct the Amount, being Star Pagodas 13,849. 12. 15, to be advanced. —

Honble Sir,

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant
/signed/ Jrs: de Pre Porcher
Mily Storekr. —

Fort St. George
18th October 1791. —

Agreed to inform the Military Storekeeper that

Minute thereon as the advance of Cash is only required for the Provision

of

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of Stores to replace such as have been taken from the Arsenal, there does not appear to be any necessity for an immediate Issue of the whole Sum. That four or Thousand Pagodas will be advanced at present, and the Remainder, at Intervals, as he may have occasion for it.—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Jeremie Gahagan.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.—

Acting President in Council

Honble Sir,

In obedience to your directions I have taken upon me the expences incurred by Victualling the Patients in this Hospital, belonging to European Corps in Camp from the 1st. of August, altho' I did not receive the General Orders published by Earl Cornwallis until the 29th of that Month.—

Having at present above 100 Camp patients under my Charge, and being in Daily expectation of fifty more from Amboor, besides those likely to be thrown in here from other Detachments now on their March to the Grand

From the Hind Surgeon at Vellore requesting that his Acct. on account of the Sick of European Corps in Camp may be discharged monthly.—

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Grand Army, I hope you will be pleased to give
Orders to Mr. Tomians to discharge My Bills Monthly,
or it will be out of my power to make any further
pecuniary Advances, which must be the more
distressing to me in Consequence of the high
price which every Article of Provision at present
bears in this Neighbourhood — Mr. Ferguson,
I am informed, is Regularly paid at Bangalore;
and I hope, in the present Instance, that it is
not your Wish to Subject me to particular inconvenience

I have the Honor to be, with great Respect,
&c. &c.
/Signed/ T. Cahagan
Head Surgeon.—

Vellore
October 16. 1791.—

To Lieut. the Table.—

Ordered to Lieut. the Table
Read the following Letter from
the Military Board.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.—
Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board — in
opinion on Colonel Monhouse's
Estimate of Military Stores expended
during the first Campaign — report
on the apparent State of the
Packages of Clothing drawn
from Bengal — Appurtenances
required for the Mortar Beds —
arrived from Bengal —

We have been honored with your
Commands of the 5. Instant, & in consequence of
which We have attentively re-examined the List
made by Lieutenant Colonel Monhouse of the
Military

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Military Stores Captured during the first Campaign, and

beg leave to observe, that although some of the Articles

composing it may not be immediately useful in their

present State; yet, as they are convertible to many

very necessary purposes, We think it reasonable &

that the Captors should be Credited for the whole,

at the Valuation made by Colonel Moorhouse.—

The Commissary General of Stores having &

Examined the different Packages, containing Cloathing

and Shoes for the Bengal Troops, and Received from

the Hercules and Fazialleum, has reported to us

that the whole appeared to be in good Condition.—

Major Hall has also represented to us

that in February last four 13 Inch and Six 10 Inch,

Mortar Beds were received from Bengal, which are &

incomplete, and indeed useless, from the Want of

Elevating Screws, for which they appear to be constructed,

We submit therefore the necessity of an application

to that Presidency for a Screw of such Description,

with the necessary Apparatus for fixing them in the Mortar Beds

We have the honor to be,

&c: &c: &c:

Fort St. George 18th October 1791 — (Signed) " Thomas Musgrave

" James Casper.

" George Maule

" George Hall.—

Resolved

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Minute thereon—

Resolved, that such Captured Stores as may be useless, in their present State, to the Public be sent Purchased on Account of the Company.—

Agreed that an Application be made to Bengal for the Elevating Screws &c. required for the Mortar Beds.—

Read the following Letters from the Revd. W. Swartz.—

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President in Council &c.
Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your Honors Letter of the 28th: of September with the enclosed Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors

From the Revd. Mr. Swartz—opinion on reputing Serfojee's Establishment and allowances.—

Suitable and permanent Establishment for Serfojee appears to be what the Honorable Court Wishes, and Your Honor desires me to Communicate my Ideas as to the Manner in which the intentions of the Honorable Court can be best accomplished.—

The Word Establishment leads one naturally to the consideration of a proper habitation. According to our

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our Idea of thinking it would be a desirable thing to Serfojee to live in a separate house, and consequently to quit the Palace.—

But that Idea ill agrees with their Way of thinking. To quit the palace is, in their Opinion, to relinquish all respect, all Connection with the late Rajah — and to be on a level with other families — The Ladies would rather Die, at least the Rajah's Mother, than quit the palace and her apartments therein — To oblige the late Rajah's Family to quit the Palace, is what his Excellency the Present Rajah is aiming at by Various & Methods he has hitherto employed of vexing them.—

When I formerly used to ask where Serfojee's Family was in case he should have one, I was told the Servants answered me, that his family was to live with his Mother's, that is, with the Mother and Widows of the late Rajah.—

As to Serfojee's monthly Allowance, I think, that his present Situation requires no more than what is appointed to him —

If he should enter into the State of Matrimony he would need something more. — I have

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I have obeyed your Honors desire, and accordingly have mentioned some Articles in respect of a moderate Establishment.

As your honor's knows the excessive Jealousy of His Excellency, I must beg leave to observe, that, though I have disclosed my Idea of a Moderate Establish=ment for Serfogee, I am very unfit to execute it. The Establishment here mentioned, is very inferior to that of the Rajah's Son in Law - but it will nevertheless encrease his Jealousy, may enrage him - Besides, the experience, which I have of His Excellency's temper, convinces me that nothing but a peremptory Order in the name of the Honorable Court of Directors will effect such an Establishment - If it be left to his Consideration, or if he be only advised to do so, it will never be done -

These my thoughts on that Subject I humbly submit to the better determination of the Honorable Board, being respectfully -

Tanjore
October 13th 1791 -

Honble Sir & Sirs,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) C. F. Swartz -

Establishment

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Establishment for Serfojee

2 Chobdars with Silver Sticks

One Palankeen with 2 [illegible] & 10 Bearers

One Phaeton and 3 Horses, some Mussalchi with 5 Tubes

10 Peons

One or 2 Guards of Sepoy's when Serfojee goes out in Palankeens for the 4 Ladies which they had in the late Rajahs time.—

3 Saddle Horses and 2 Horses for his attendants. His Excellency is by no means to molest Serfojee or the 4 Ladies.—

He is not to stop any of their Servants as he has hitherto has done.—

He is not to stop any of the relations who are willing to visit them.—

Serfojee is to have one Elephant with a Kettle Drum and some Flutes.—

His Excellency is to allot Serfojee some Spot to build horse Stables upon.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.—

President in Council &c.

Honorable Sir,

I had the Honor of addressing the Honorable Board on Account of the late Contention between H His

From the Reverend D. Schwartz states that the late orders of the Honorable Court of Directors respecting Serfojee were known at the Durbar previous to his Receipt of them—opinion respecting the administration of Justice in the Tanjore Country—

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His Excellency, and the late Rajah's Mother. Soon after that, His Excellency Servant came to me, a telling what Orders the Honorable Board of Directors had sent out in favour of Serfoje. As I knew nothing of any Orders at that time, I could safely confess my ignorance of such Orders. His Excellency and his Servants, as it appears, were acquainted with them. When I was honored with the Extract of the letter sent out by the Honorable Court of Directors many of the actions of the palace received a new light. -

Yesterday M. Ram shewed me the resolution of the Honorable - Board respecting the Administration of Justice, which gave me great Satisfaction - In some degree Justice is administered - It were to be wished that His Excellency would condescend to give us two of His Judges and the Court, and so unite both Courts into one. He has been addressed on that subject - But he thinks that it is a degrading Step. -

The Country is tolerably well cultivated. There were some fatal Contests on Account of Water Courses by which many people were wounded and two Killed. - It was the unhappy disharmony which caused the division of the Country which has been attended

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with many inconveniences - Not as if I entertained any
doubt of the abilities or integrity of both Gentlemen Collectors,
but the inconveniences arise from the Disposition
of the Inhabitants. -

Tanjore
October 11th. 1791. -

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
/Signed/ C. F. Swartz

As the Allowances granted to Serfoge are
deemed sufficient by Mr. Swartz, the Board do not wish,
by adding to them, to increase the Jealousy which the
Rajah already entertains towards this young Man,
Regarding whom the Honorable Court appear to
have no other intention than that his Situation
should be rendered Confortable by a Suitable Establishment,
which the Board understand to mean precisely what
has been adopted - They think it would be desirable
if Serfoge could be removed entirely from the Palace,
but as that seems impracticable, from the
Circumstances stated by Mr. Swartz, it will be
good Policy not to inflame the Rajah's Mind, already
too much heated, by any fresh Act of attention to
the Boy - If however, it shall ever appear to Mr.
Swartz that the Person of Serfoge is in Danger, or
and that his only safety depends upon his removal
from

Minutes upon the two foregoing Letters from Mr. Swartz —

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from the Palace, the Board will, upon a Representation of the Case, take immediate Measures for his Security. —

The Board are totally at a loss to discover by what mode the Rajah and his Servants obtained so early a Knowledge of the late Orders of the Honorable Court respecting Serfogee — It would appear, however, from what Mr. Swartz has stated, that his Excellency must have been in possession of them for a considerable Time as many of the Actions of the Palace "Mr Swartz "says, had received a new Light when he came to peruse "the Extract" — As the Courts Letter was only received here a very few days before the Extract was sent to Mr Swartz, and as during that time the Secretary Reports the letter in Question had not even been sent to the Office, it is very Evident that his Excellency, if he really did know the Orders, must have received them from England. — It is agreed that Mr Swartz be told it would be matter of much Satisfaction, if the Board could arrive at any Certainty regarding this Transaction, and that they hope for an Explanation from him; in case he should discover the Channel through which his Excellency obtained the Information. —

With Respect to the Administration of Justice in the Tanjore Country, the Board do not suppose that

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That His Excellency can have a single objection to the Measure of uniting the two Courts, if it be clearly explained to him, that Justice in every case is to be administered in his Name. — so little indeed has this Measure the appearance of a "degrading Step" on the Part of the Rajah, that, in the Judgement of the Board, its Tendency is obviously the Reverse.—

Read the following Letter and Enclosure from Mr. Popham.—

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Military & Political Department
Fort St. George

Sir,

Herewith you will receive a Recognizance to be Signed by Soadaseeven Paupiah Boarmiya and Mr. Thomas Parry and Jaggarnaut Tauker, as his Securities, pursuant to the Instructions of Government Conveyed in your Letter of the 30th Ultimo.

From the Solicitor to the Honorable Company enclosing the Recognizance to be signed by Rajah and his Securities. —

I am,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) L. Popham
Lol.y

Madras
Oct. 17. 1791

To

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Copy

To all whom these Presents may Concern

Whereas the Government of Fort St. George have required from Avadanum Paupiah Brammy late Dubash to John Holland Esqr. late Governor of Fort St. George, and Edward John Holland Esqr. late one of the Members of the Government thereof, to enter into a Recognizance as follows, himself in the Sum of Thirty Thousand Star Pagodas, and also two Sureties each for the Sum of Ten thousand Pagodas, for the Personal appearance of the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy, to Answer such Charges as may be preferred & against him by the Government of Fort St. George for the time being at any period within Three years from the date hereof, and within thirty Days after receiving Notice to appear — And Whereas the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy hath offered Thomas Parry of Fort St. George Merchant, and Jaggnaut Tantier of Madras Sowcar for his & Sureties whom the Government of Fort St. George have accepted as such,—

Draft of the Recognizance to be Signed by Paupiah & his Sureties

Know ye, therefore, that we the said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy, Thomas

Parry

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Parry, and Jagganaut Tantier do hereby bind Ourselves each and every of our respective heirs, Executors, and Administrators, unto the Government of Fort St. George for the time being as Follows, the said Avadanum Paupiah Brahmeny in the Sum of Thirty thousand Pagodas, the said Thomas Parry in the Sum of Ten Thousand Pagodas, and the said Jagganaut Tantier also in the Sum of Ten thousand Pagodas, Upon this Condition Nevertheless, that if the said Avadanum Paupiah Brahmeny, shall make his appearance to Answer such Charges as may be preferred against him by the Government of Fort St. George for the time being, at any Period within three years from the date hereof; and within Thirty Days after being required to appear then this Recognizance to be void: But, if the said Avadanum Paupiah Paupiah Brahmeny shall make default in appearing to such Charge or Charges as may be exhibited against him by the Government of Fort Saint George for the time being, at any time within three Years from this Date, or for or Thirty Days after having been Summoned to appear, Then We the said Avadanum Paupiah Brahmeny Thomas Parry and Jagganaut Tantier do respectively bind

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bind ourselves and each of us himself to pay unto the Government of Fort St. George for the Time being the sword Sums as aforesaid to wit - The said Avadanum Paupiah Brammy the Sum of thirty Thousand Pagodas, the said Thomas Parry the Sum of ten Thousand Pagodas, and the said Jaggarnaut Taukur the Sum of ten Thousand Pagodas.-

In Witness Whereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals this Thirtieth Day of September in the year of Christ One Thousand Seven hundred & and Ninety One.-

Sealed and Delivered where no Stamped Papers is to be had in the Presence of
/Signed/ W.C. Jackson Secy
S. Popham Solr.

/Signed/ A. Paupiah Brammy L.S.
/Signed/ Tho.s Parry L.S.
/Signed/ Jaggarnaut Taukur, in the Guzzerat Language L.S.

The Contents thereof having been first explained to Jaggarnaut Taukur by Ball Kistnah Pundiah -
Witness hereto, /Signed/ Ball Kistnah

/A true Copy/
W.C. Jackson Secy

Minute thereon - The Board approve the Recognizance Submitted to them by the Solicitor - Ordered, That Paupiah and his Securities be directed to attend on Friday next to Sign it -
Read

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Read the following Letter from the Secretary to the Male Orphan Asylum.

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

Sir,

We beg leave to represent to you that the Male Asylum School for the Children of the Military on this Establishment instituted at the Recommendation of the Honorable Court of Directors, promoted by their bounty, and supported by the benevolent contributions of the Public has some time ago reached the Complement of a hundred Boys to which, in the beginning, Power to allowance of 5 Rupees a Month to each was restricted.

From the rapid growth of this School, and from the experience of the insufficiency of the present limited Number to afford adequate relief under the encreased Military Establishment of the Coast, We are desirous of rendering this Institution still more useful by rendering it more extensive.—

From the Slender State of our Funds it becomes Necessary for us, before we Can Comply with the daily applications in behalf of the Objects of this Charity, to Solicit the extension of your allowance for

From the Secretary to the Male orphan Asylum - requesting that the Company's Bounty to that Institution may be extended to one hundred and fifty Boys.—

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for Fifty additional Boys, that we may be enabled to encrease the Establishment of the School to one hundred and Fifty Boys, persuaded that nothing need be added to recommend to your further protection and bounty, so well deserving and beneficial a Charity —

We have the Honor to be —

Fort St George
the 5. October 1791 —

&c — &c — &c

[Signed] By Order of the Directors of
the Military Male Orphan
Asylum —
James Amos Secy

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Minute thereon —

Agreed to inform the Secretary to the Male Orphan Asylum, that as the Company's Allowance of five Rupees p Month was restricted, by their Orders, to 100 Boys, it is not in the Power of the Board to comply with the Request contained in his Letter, except by the Permission of the Honorable Court of Directors, to whom it will be referred. —

" Chas Oakeley
" Wm Petrie
" Hudleston

George Parry Esqr