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25-5-65

Fort St George January 1792.

27th Diary

Sent the following Letter to Lord Cornwallis

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K. G.

Governor General &c &c &c

To Lord Cornwallis enclosing Copy of a letter from Major Cuppage advising of the inability of the Dutch to prosecute Hostilities against the Rajah of Cochin

My Lord,

We have the Honour to transmit to Your Lordships Copy of a Letter received this morning from Major Cuppage.

By a Letter from Mr Powney under date the 15th Instt. We are advised that the Dutch had not for want of ability only, prosecuted further Hostilities against the Rajah of Cochin who had collected his Troops, and was now sufficiently in force to retaliate upon them.

We have the Honour to be &c.

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27th Jany 1792.

/signed/ Charles Oakeley
&c Council.

28th Received the following letter from Ensign Donald MacDonell.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor

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Governor General &c. &c. Council

Gentlemen

From Foreign Mar. Donld claims allow. ances as an Ensign from the date of his departure from England in Consequence of his having been appointed to take Charge of 350 Recruits for Bencoolen & Bengal

I take the liberty of addressing myself to you in hopes, that the Claims I am to lay before you will not appear unreasonable. — Soon after my appointment to this establishment as Cadet, the Court of Directors ordered me on Board the Woodford Indiaman bound for Bencoolen and China, to take Charge of 350 of their recruits for Bengal, which, tho' very troublesome and disagreeable Service, I executed to the best of my Power and Judgement. —

During the time of my unavoidable detention at Bencoolen and Bengal, I have been at various and great expences besides having my Chance of having been long ago in the Field which I look upon as no small misfortune — for all these Considerations I trust that you will order me Batta Allowances from the time of my embarkation in England.

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England till my arrival here, at any rate pay and full batta from the time of my appointment as Ensign! — I say no more upon the Subject, leaving it entirely for yourselves to Judge whether the Court of Directors, when they entrusted me with such a heavy Charge, ambient me such a long round, meant that I should suffer by it.

I am Gentlemen &c.ª

(signd) Don.ª MacDonell

Ensign 12th Batt.n N.I.

Anderson's Street
Black Town
28th Jan.y 1792

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in
No. 13. N.t 178. 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185.
186, 187, 188, 189, 190.

To the Commandant at Saugor, desiring him to endeavour to surprize the Party of the Enemy's Horse on their return to Baramaul, and to communicate such Intelligence as he may receive concerning the motions of those Horse before and since.

To the Commandt at Saugor.

To the Paymaster at Chingleput informing him that two Candles per diem, are to be allowed for

To the Paymaster at Chingleput

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For the use of the Grand and Visiting Rounds of that Garrison

To the Secretary at Bengal

To the Secretary at Bengal enclosing Copy of a letter received from Major Cuppage.

To the Commandant at Vellore

To the Commandant at Vellore desiring him to deliver over to Major Younge all the unserviceable Horses at Vellore, belonging to the Cavalry.

To Major Younge of the Cavalry

To Major Younge informing him of the orders given to the Commandant at Vellore and desiring him to proceed towards the Presidency as soon as he has received charge of the Horses.

To the Commandant at Ongole

To the Commandant at ongole desiring that the two companies of the 17th Battalion Native Infantry at present on duty in the Poudrous district may be returned to the Guntoor Circar as soon as the Service on which they are employed will admit of it.

To the Chief & Council at Masulipatam

To the Chief and Council at Masulipatam informing them that every Corps that has paid more than 10 pagodas for Game for Grain issued to them from the Company's Stores must have the Surplus

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Surplus returned to them; and desiring them to apprize Colonel Braithwaite of their Intention of sending back to Ellore the two Companies of the 2d Battalion of European Infantry, and the two Companies of the 1st Battalion of Native Infantry, at present detached on Service.

To the Offr Commanding the Troops in the Northern Division informing them of the Instructions sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam.

To the Collector at Madura &c desiring them to Comply with Mr Corbett's Proposal for Major Capspage's Detachment as far as his means will permit, taking his Bills on the Secretary Paymr General in favour of the Revenue Treasury.

To the Collector in the Eastern Division of the Tanjore Country.- desiring them to Comply with Mr Edward Garrow's Indents of Cash for the Disbursements of the Garrisons paid by them.

To the Collector at Trichinopoly desiring them to Report, for the Information of Government, the amount

To the Offrs Commanding the Troops in the Northern Division

To the Collector at Madura &c.

To the Collector in the Eastern Division of the Tanjore Country

To the Collector at Trichinopoly

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28 amount of Cash which in his opinion he will be able to furnish the Paymaster at Tuticorin poly from the present time to the end of next April.

To the Paymaster at Tuticorin poly

To the Paymaster at Tuticorin poly informing him of the orders given to the Collectors at Tanjore & Tuticorin poly - directing them to make all payments in future at the Exchange of 30 Gold Fanams p Star Pagoda, and not to redraw on the Presidency the Bills which he has not been able to exchange but make provision for their payment in the best way he is able.

Ditto

Ditto directing him to pay the usual Garrison allowances to Lieut. Colonel Oldham from the 27th Instant.

29th

From the Commandt of Tuticorin poly

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in No. B. Nos 191, 192, 193.

From the Commandant at Tuticorin poly enclosing Copies of his Correspondence with Mr. Maules Collector at Madura for requesting an escort required

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29th inclosed for the protection of Treasure intended to be sent to

Major Cuppages Detachment. —

From the Commandant at Dindigul, Do.

From the Commandant at Dindigul

not Conceive that any injury will happen to the Abo

Do. during the period that the Garrison Artificers a

employed in repairing the Gateways. —

From the Officer Commanding in the

From the Officer Commanding in the Guntoor Circar

Guntoor Circar, enclosing Copies of his late Correspon

dence with the Chief and Council at Masulipatam

Dispatches the undermentioned Letters at

entered in Mc. B. Fo. 194, 195.

To the Secretary at Bengal enclosing

To the Secretary at Bengal

Copy of a Letter from Lord Cornwallis. —

To Pitts

Do. enclosing Copies of the General

Letters from this Government to the Honble Court

of Directors in the Military Political and Secret

departments dated the 16th and 26th Instant.

30th

Received the following Letters

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary &c.

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Fort St. George

Sir.

From the private Secretary to the Governor General enclosing Despatches to be forwarded to Europe by the first opportunity

I am directed by Lord Cornwallis to request that you will post the accompanying Letters the one directed to the Right Honble William Pitt, the other to Major Mynitt, into the first packet that sails dispatched from Madras after their arrival.—

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most Obdt Hble Servt

Henry Haldane

Pers. Secty to the Govr Genl

Camp near Ambitoor

24th January 1792

From the Deputy Comptroller General of Stores accompanying Copies of his Correspondence with Lieut. Colonel Montgomery regarding the Payment of

Comptroller General's Department

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Honourable Sir

A report being in circulation that Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery intends shortly to proceed to Europe for the benefit of his health, I judge it a duty incumbent on me to write him a letter of

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of the amount 30th of which the accompanying paper No. 1 is a Copy I have like
due from them to the
Company. — wise the Honour to forward you that Hein's Reply, with
an Abstract of overcharges made by them whilst Com-
manding a Detachment of the Honble Company's Tr.
oops joined to act with His Highness the Nizams Force-
to the Northward, in order that Your Honourable Board may
take such Steps for the Recovery of the Amount as
you may be pleased to deem expedient.)

I have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) J. Brunton
Lieut.
Depty Commissy Gen.l

Fort St. George
January 30th 1792.

Controller General's Department

To Lieut. Colonel Hugh Montgomerie
late Commandant of a Detachment of the
Honble Company's Troops employed on
Service with a Party of His Highness
the Nizams Forces to the Northward

Sir,

In the Disbursement of Sir Robert
Malcom

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30th Malcom late Paymaster to the Detachment which acted under you to the Northward there appears overcharges to the Amount of Madras Pagodas 4025. 32. 51 C. Contingent, there is likewise a charge against you of Madras Pagodas 913. 39 fs. an overcharge for Attestations, and other followers in May and June. I request you will do me the favour to inform me in what manner you mean to adjust these outstanding Balances.—

I have the Honour to be Sir
Your most obedt Humble Servt
(signed) J. Brunton
Deputy Commissy Genl.

Fort St. George
28th Jany 1792.

N.B. Do me the favour to forward me Your answer as expeditiously as possible.

A true Copy Pat. Bruce
Lieut. Asstt. C. G.

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30 Abstract of overcharges made by Lieut. Colonel Montgomery during the period he commanded the Ellore Detachment Acting with the Ellis Sepoys the Nizam's Troops, as appears by the Accounts of Mr. R. Malcom Paymaster.

J. J. C.

Charged in the Disbursements for May 1790 under the head of Charges extraordinary by Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery without any specific authority to authorize the following allowances.

	Pr J. C.
For Extra Coffees	500 — —
Veriannah and Shabdars	95 — —
Secret Intelligence	100 — —
Europeans & Black Writer	30 — —
A Conquest & Persian Writer	25 — —
10 Bamboo Coolies	23 — 31 — 12
16 Tappaal Peons	29 — 39 —
One Flag with Bamboo for the use of Camp	15 — —
Mr. Browns Veriamah	— 24 —
	900 — 39 — 76
Allowed by Government for Charges Similar to the above for the Commanding Officer	127 — 10 —
Overcharged this Article	773 33 1/2
Carried over	773 33 1/2

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Brought over ——— 773. 33. 76

Charged in June for the above followers

927. 7. 12

Allowed by Government ——— 127. 6—

800. 1. 12.

Ditto in July — D° D° — D° 732. 17. 12

Allowed by Govern

ment ——— 127. 6—

605. 11. 12.

D° in August D° — D° D° — 465. 31. 28

Allowed by Government 127. 6—

338. 25. 28

D° in September D° — D° D° — 456. 22. 28.

allowed by Government 127. 6—

329. 16. 28

Charged for Sundries in October 494. 2. 64.

Allowed by Government 127. 6—

366. 32. 64.

Ditto in November ——— 465. 19. 28.

Allowed by Government ——— 127. 6—

338. 13. 28

Ditto in Decmber 1790 ——— 600. 24. 43

Allowed by Government 127. 6—

473. 18. 43.

Madras Pagodas 4025. 32. 57.

Our Charges for publick followers in May and June by Lieut.t Col.t Montgomery } 913. 39. 58

Total of Refunds Pag.s — 4939. 30. 0.

(signed) J Brunton

Lieut.t and Depy C. Gen.l &c

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30th To Lieut. J. Brunton

Deputy Comptroller General A. A

Sir

I am favoured with your Letter of yesterday, on the Subject of certain Disbursements of the Detachment acting with the Nizam's Forces while I had the Honour to command it.

My extreme ill health confining me to my bed with an Intermittent I am under the necessity of requesting you allow me to postpone answering your Letter till the State of my health is such as will permit my attending to Business, which at present I am totally incapacitated from doing.

I am &c.

Madras 29th January 1792. signd Hugh Montgomery

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos 196. 197.

From the Garrison Storekeeper

From the Garrison Storekeeper recommending that Sundry Provisions purchased for the Troops proceeding to Europe on the Transports be immediately sold by publick Outcry.

From the Commandant at Tuticorin

From the Commandt at Tuticorin only enclosing Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Jennings in which he represents that Mr Andrews has not taken any steps for providing the Materials required for Repairing the Bank of the Tanks.

At a Consultation Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart acting

Fort St George January 1792.

Tuesday
31 January 1792

Acting President
William Petrie Esq.r
The Honourable Major General Medows absent
upon Service.
John Huddleston Esq.r absent Indisposed

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved

Read the following Letter from Lord Cornwallis.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
acting President and Council
Fort St George

Gent.n Cornwallis

I have been honoured with your Letter Date the 19th Instant and the various papers which were enclosed

Your Honourable Board will I trust do me the Justice to believe that I am fully Convinced that no Powers with which I might be invested by the Legislature could increase the Zeal that you have uniformly manifested in affording me all possible Assistance and support.

I transmit for your Information translations of the Letter which I received from His Highness the Nabob on the Subject of the Bill in Chancery that he has filed against the Company and of my Answer, and I request that you will be pleased to forward the enclosed Letter to His Highness.

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From Lord Cornwallis enclosing Copies of his Correspondence with the Nabob relative to the prosecution Commenced against the Company by his Agents in England. Remarks on the late Orders by the Court of Directors respecting new arrangements for the Stock and conduct of the Military expenditure &c. does not wish to be furnished with Copies of the Dispatches received from England. —

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The letter from the Honourable Court of Directors in the Military Department shall be maturely Considered; some parts of the proposed arrangements have been anticipated by our late Regulations, but at any rate it would be Impracticable at the present Critical Juncture to make any Material Alteration in our System. — I should by no means wish you to Furnish me with Copies of the Dispatches that you may receive from England, or of those written by you, but Shall be (perfectly) satisfied with your Continuing to send me such extracts from both, as shall appear to you to Contain any Private or useful information. —

I have the Honour to be Sir

(signed) Cornwallis

Camp near Outradroog
January 22d 1792.

From the Nawaub of Arcot

received 19th Jan. 1792.

In addressing Your Lordship I feel that Confidence which I never had in any other person.

Your

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Your illustrious and exalted Character gives you a preeminence, and affords me strong and certain hopes of obtaining Justice and Confirmation of my Rights, and I consider your Lordship as the Protector of that Honour Reputation and Dominion which I have inherited from my ancestors.

I have been and am still happy, in the Friendship of my Friends the English Company, but from some of their Servants, who were actuated by self Interested views, my Name, my Dignity, and my Country have suffered much injury. Moreover the regard of the King of Great Britain towards me, and the Justice of the English Nation has afforded me the greatest Consolation. All these circumstances occured previous to Your Lordships arrival, in this Country. Various Representations have been made by evil minded people to do me injury.

In a Letter which I received from Sir Charles Oakeley on the 9th Instant, he demands to know whether the Seat which has been Commanded in one of the Courts of England, was Commenced with

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or without my Authority. Copy of my answer is enclosed herein. How I to withhold any thing respecting this transaction when addressing Your Lordship on the Subject I should never forgive myself. For a Series of Years I have repeatedly requested the Company's Servants to furnish me with a Statement of my Accounts, particularly for all monies paid by me into their Treasury, and for this purpose have made many applications to them by Letters and Messages, and obtained no Satisfactory answers, but on the Contrary found myself from time to time put off with pretexts, excuses and delays - I therefore stated the Situation of Affairs here and the difficulties I laboured under to my Agents in England, who applied for powers from me. I accordingly granted them, after due Consideration and deliberation on Condition that they were exercised for my good. It has never been my intention that this Step of Commencing a Suit in Court in England was devised for any other purpose than the good of my Affairs, and I have signified the same

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same to my Agent.

Your Lordship may be assured, and I most Solemnly declare, that it has ever been my Constant study to preserve the present Friendship with my Friends the Company, to attain which I am ready even to sacrifice my life, and I firmly rely upon Your Lordships exalted Character, and on Your Friendship for any amicable termination of this new accident, and I declare to Your Lordship with a sincere heart that my Friendship towards my Friends the Company is not in the least abated.

a true translation

(signd) J. F. Cherry

Pr Interp.

Enclosure in the above

Translation of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob Mallojee Behauder to Governor Oakeley, dated 18th Jomaude ul Awal 1206 or 13th January 1792.

I have the pleasure to answer Your Letter

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Letter of the 9th Instant, which has Conveyed to my Bosom more Sorrow than I can express. It has ever been my first wish to live on terms of the utmost Harmony and most Sincere Friendship with my Friends the Company. Judge then of the Pain I must experience in learning from you, that they entertain Ideas very unfavourable towards me.

I am now addressing Lord Cornwallis on the Subject and have no doubt on my mind, but that His Lordship will be perfectly satisfied with the explanation I shall give him.

What Can I say More?

A true Copy

(signed) G. F. Cherry

Sr. Jnts.

N.B. The Person Copy did not accompany this Letter.

To His Highness the Nabob of Arcot

I have been honored with Your Highs. Letter dated the 13th Instant, and I have

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Likewise received a Letter from the Board at Fort St George together with a Copy of the latest Letter to Your Highness, and of those which the Board have received from the Court of Directors on the Subject of the Suit that your Agent on England has instituted in your name in the Court of Chancery against the Honble. Company for the purpose of obtaining a Statement of your Highness's Account with the Company.

The Amounts of the expences of the late War were so extensive and of a nature so complicated that the examination of the heavy Claims of Individuals upon the Company was a work of several Years after the termination of hostilities, and at the period of the Commencement of the present war, some of those Claims were not completely adjusted; from which your Highness must perceive that the final Statement of your Accounts was necessarily delayed as your Instructions could not

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be distinctly charged until the total expence of the War could be ascertained.

The Government of Madras is well acquainted with my earnest desire that every dispute of account between your Highness and the Company should be discussed in an amicable manner, and that no time should be lost in bringing the whole to a clear Statement; and from my knowledge of the favourable disposition of the Members of that Government towards you, as well as of their regard for Justice and their strong inclination to comply with my Wishes, I had, until I was informed of the steps that had been taken in your name in England, entertained the most sanguine hopes that all those Accounts would have been speedily adjusted to the satisfaction of both parties. —

It is not necessary for me to give an Opinion whether the Adjustment of accounts between Your Highness and the Company is a proper

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for your Subject for a suit before any of the Courts of Law in England; and I shall only observe to Your Highness, that although the Decisions of the Courts of Law in England are founded upon the strictest principles of Impartial Justice, the forms of their proceedings in cases of this nature are slow, and the prosecution of all such suits before them is attended with considerable expence.—

Should it therefore appear that the suit is competent before the Court of Chancery it will I am convinced occasion much trouble and expence during its continuance to Yourself as well as to the Company, and it will likewise convey to the World the strongest Impression of an Interruption in the Friendship that has so long subsisted between your Highness and the Company, of the bad Consequences of which you must, on a little reflection, be fully sensible.—

I am much obliged to Your Highness for your open explanation of the motives that induced you to transmit the Powers that you mentioned to Your Agent

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Agent in England, as well as for your Friendly expressions re-
garding me, which I trust my Conduct will ever deserve.

It is incumbent upon me in the discharge
of my Publick duty to attend to the Honour and the Interests
of the English Nation and the Company; but I can at the
same time assure you that a regard to what I conceive
to be the true Honour and real Interests of yourself, and
Your Family as being an Ancient Ally of the King and
the Company has constantly commanded an equal share
of my attention. —

Your Highness being Master of your own
Conduct is entirely at Liberty to adopt the measures that
you may Judge most advantageous for yourself, and
such are not Incompatible with our Mutual Safety —
But I think it right, in the Character of a Friend
in whom you express a Confidence, and who
can have no private Interest in misleading you,
to declare that the steps that you have lately taken
to enter into a Contest before a Court of Law with

the

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The Company are not in my opinion well Calculated to promote the Interests of your Affairs, or Your Happiness own private Comfort and Happiness.—

Camp near Outradroog
9 January 20th 1792

From Lord Cornwallis
with the Copy of an
account of the victory
Obtained by the
Mahratta Army
over a Corps of the
Enemy under the
Command of Tilly
Ruzza near Se:
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To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Sir

I last night received Your Letter dated the 18th Instant.

Three Hundred Slave Lascars arrived in Camp since I wrote to You on that Subject;

I enclose a Copy of a Letter which I received this morning from Captain Little, by which it appears that the Bom was entirely indebted to the Bombay Detachment for his Victory; You will be so kind as to forward Copies of it as usual to Bengal and to England.

There is nothing new in this quarter

Sir

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Sir John Kennaway assures me that Lieutenant Jack will be here on the 25th and I shall be very glad on the 26th to leave this Camp, in which I have been too long detained.

I am with much esteem Sir Your Hble

Camp near Oulladroog (signed) Cornwallis

January 29th 1792.

My Lord,

Your Lordship will have been acquainted by a Letter of the 28th Instant to Colonel Ross of the Intention of our attack the next day on the Enemy posted in the thick Country to the Southward, We accordingly marched on the 29th at Daybreak, and making a Circuit of about 10 Miles round Sumoga encamped near the River Toom to the S. W.d of the Fort. about noon the marched again leaving, by the Bore one eight Companies of Sepoys for the Camp Guards with three Guns, and, about three miles in advance, joined after Sahib, the Bhoosla eldest Son with a very large body of Cavalry

within

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within about a Mile of the Enemy, whom we found very strongly
~~situated~~ Entrenched on front a Deep ravine full of high Bamboos
planted extremely thick, flanked on the Right by the River
Toom, and on the left by a very thick Jungle, which
extended to the hills. In this Ravine the Enemy were
posted, sniping; and beyond the Ravine was a plain
in which was a large body both Horse and Foot. The
strength of the Enemy could not be judged of, the
Strength of the Enemy could not be judged of, for the ground
was so close that very few could be seen. I ordered two Com.
panies to endeavour to make an Impression to the Right
and two more Companies all of the 2d Battalion on the
same Service to the left. The latter met with a Gully
near the River which greatly obstructed and delayed
them, on which I sent on that Service Lieutenant
Doolan with a Grenadier Company & two Battalion
Companys of the 8th - Lieutenant Bethune with the
other Grenadier Company was sent to the Support of the
attack on the Right. Both of these Offices were very
soon

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soon wounded and obliged to retire. Lieutenant Moore was then sent with the Grenadeer Companies of the 9th to the left. He also was wounded after having advanced a considerable way into the Plain. Six Companies of the 11th were likewise employed. The extreme thickness of the Jungle, while it afforded the Enemy the advantage of a deliberate Aim at our European Officers, broke our Troops, and when they penetrated through it in small Numbers to the Plain they were two or three times driven back, the Enemy being there in great force, and perfectly fresh while few of the Mahratta Infantry pursuing forward irregularly whenever the Enemy appeared to be broke fell back on our Troops as soon as they began to rally, and contributed greatly to put them in Confusion. Bodies of about 300, Composed, chiefly, of Christians / Natives / were drawn up in our rear, and on any pressing out where they might be of Service, they expressed their readiness to go wherever I might wish, but that they had not a single Cartridge, in which State they

had

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had Come into the Field. It was not till after a Contest of two hours that an effectual Impression was made on the Enemy — Three of their Guns soon fell into our hands. They were encamped part on the Plain within the Ravine, and part in another plain a little way beyond it. Many of the Tents were standing and a good deal of ammunition and Baggage left on the ground. The Road they had taken was not exactly known, and it required some time to Collect the Troops to pursue them — As soon as the route was ascertained, I pursued them with the Troops which Captain Riddell had Collected. They attempted to carry off with them their Guns, and Tumbrils firing occasionally and beating their Drums in hopes of making their people stand particularly at the Gateway of a small Village, about two Miles within the Jungle, but without effect. — The road was strewed with Arms Cattle and Baggage and some killed and wounded. Fatigue and the Allurements of Plunder Occasioned

out

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our numbers every minute, but the pursuit was Continued till sunset previous to which we came up with and passed 7 Guns which the Enemy had been obliged to abandon. I hoped to have come to a plain where we might all have staid the night and Covered the Guns &c, but finding none, and learning from the Prisoners that the Enemy had relinquished all their Guns, I rode back myself to give such Orders as might appear necessary on other quarters, desiring Captain Riddel to follow me slowly, and collect all the Troops he could. When I first passed the Guns the Bullocks were yoked to them, and I had hopes that the Materallas might have carried them towards the entrance of the Jungle, but before my return the Plunderers had cut away the Bullocks. I then sent Orders to Captain Riddell to stay with the Guns all night, informing him that I would reinforce him — I met Captain Thomson of the Artillery near the Enemy's encampment, and desired him to proceed to reinforce Captain Riddell with

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with all the Men of the 9th & 11th Battalions, that he could Collect, which he executed with that alacrity which he shews on all occasions when the Publick Service requires it. The 8th Battalion remained on the Enemy's ground all night, and the 9th & the 11th, with Captain Riddel, three miles within the Jungle, with directions to stay till the Guns were carried off, which was done in the Course of the next forenoon. From the Impediments on the road they did not reach the Gateway where the Guns had been left till 10 O'clock at night. The Mahratta Cavalry had scarce an Opportunity of acting in the Course of the day. The next morning they proceeded through the Jungle, five Coss from its entrance, to a Village called Mundoogoody in which they found a great quantity of Baggage.

The Ground was so favourable for the Enemy, that not many of them were killed by our fire. Several however lost their lives in attempting to cross the River, and not more than 300 Horse are said to have passed the Village, the Infantry

having

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having been completely routed and dispersed: a Command and
and Buckeley were taken, who say that they had left their
entrenched encampment near Seringa about four days,
not deeming it a tenable Post, nor having sufficient
Supplies, and that they had determined to defend them-
selves in their new Situation. That the force was 7
Cushoons consisting of at least 7000 Infantry and
800 Cavalry under the Command of the Nabob Rozza
Sahub, or Ally Rozza a Relation of Tippoos, who
indeed the General Report is, that, including the
Artillery, they were 10000 strong; That the morning
of the action a few Elephants with a great deal of
baggage had been sent off to the Southward. — I have
the gratification to acquaint Your Lordship that
I had every Reason to be highly satisfied with
the Conduct of the Detachment. A Return of the
Killed and wounded is enclosed; The Service has
sustained a very severe loss, and myself an able
Supported and Worthy Friend in Captain Hugh
Roff

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Hugh Ross Major of Brigade - The Bhow proceeded to the Scene of action the afternoon of the 29th on the return of the Detachment to Camp - the evening of the 30th I received a Message from the Bhow that he wished to pay me a visit of Congratulation - which I begged might be deferred till the next morning, when he came; and after Condolence on the death of Captain Ross expressed himself much Satisfied with the Conduct of the Detachment and the Success of the day and signified that if there were any of the Guns that I should wish to keep with the Detachment, they were entirely at my Service - He acquainted me that 4 O'Clock this afternoon, being a lucky hour, he purposed Commencing his Operations against Sunoga.

About 300 Horse have fallen into the hands of the Mahrattas with 600 of the Artillery Bullocks, the finest I ever saw. The Guns prove to be

Two

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Two 6½ pdrs Brass very long Country 1 3½ pdr Brass Portuguese

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2 do do Portuguese

There are besides three very fine Sumbuks,
and some more Sumbuks and Carts were plundered in
the Jungle and left there.

Intelligence has just been received of the
Enemy having got to Coolydroog, about 13 Miles from
Bednore, with 400 Horse 13 Elephants and about 150
Foot.

On the 28th Instant I was honoured with Your
Lordships duplicate Letter of the 6th enclosing one for the
Bhow which was immediately presented to him, but to which
I have not yet been able to procure an Answer

I have the honour to be &c

signed John Little

Camp on the
Toom or Toongah
about 4 M.s Southward
of Simoga 31st December 1791.

Return

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Return of the Killed and Wounded belonging to the Detachment Commanded by Captain Little acting with the Mahrattas in the action of the 29th December 1791.

		Serjts	Drummers	Rank & File	Serjts	Drummers	Rank & File	Horses
Killed	8th Battalion	1	"	7	"	"	23	32
Wounded	Ditto	2	1	"	2	1	"	56
Ditto	" 9th " Ditto	1	"	7	"	"	8	36
Ditto	" " " Ditto	"	1	7	"	"	7	36
		4	2	1	2	1	39	55.

Lieut. Hugh Ross Major of Brigade Killed

Do. Richard Doolan

Do. Andrew Bethune } Wounded

Do. Edwd. Moore

Ordered that Copies of the foregoing Letters and enclosures be transmitted to England and to Bengal

Read the following Letter from Major Cuppage —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President & Governor &c &c &c

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I had the Honour to inform You on the 16th that I had taken Dawnicottah, and that I had sent a Detachment to take a View of the Guzzelhully pass: they returned Yesterday morning and now send you Copy of the Report made me by

Extract Copy

Leyd A. Ross

Mutilary Secretary

Minute on the two foregoing Letters from Lord Cornwallis —

From Major Cuppage enclosing Copy of Capt.n Cuppage's Report of the Guzzelhully Pass; intends moving towards Satimungulum on the 19th Instant.

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by Captain Cuppage

I shall march tomorrow to Sattimungalam
which place I hope to get possession of without opposi-
tion.

I have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) J. Cuppage

Major Commanding

Camp at
Punga Ford
18th January 1791

Report of the Road up the Guzzulhatty pass
Camp at Punga 17th Jany 1792
with the Distances as nearly as can be judged without
exact measurement.

From Sence to Berhampore the road coming
along the North Bank of the Myar pulls five miles - here
the three Gun roads of the present Settymungalam and
Damin Cottah join the latter about the same distance
as the above, and crossing the Myar at this place.
To Guzzulhatty about four or five Miles farther a
remarkable fine road; the Fort of Guzzulhatty attack

Commands

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Commands the road, and immediately on the South bank of the Ayar, has been long neglected, notwithstanding still capable of being made a strong post. This is styled the bottom of the Pass, but it is full a Mile and a half going over the Shoulder of a hill and passing a tolerable run of Water, with a Bally before you begin to mount the Ghaut, which is one Continued ascent of near four Miles to Tallypanally. First rising on the North side of the Hill, and then winding to that of the Southwest, after which the ascent is now immediately over the mountain and becomes much more rugged & steep insomuch so much so as to make it a work of much Labour carrying up Guns or letting them down, for it is Impossible to continue the Bullocks in the Yokes, and, in one particular place, the declivity is so great that some Caution must be observed to prevent them from rolling over

For

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For Carriage it cannot be Considerd difficult.

The post is certainly favourable to Defence but so far from meeting obstacles, the first that appeared was a trifling breast work with a round plan on the Right, and another on the left which might have been once Intended for Guns: immediately above this, and about half a mile from the Top, is the remains of a mud Fort; from this, the ascent is gradual, and of no consequence to the Summit of the Ghaut, on which stands a small work, apparently of little magnitude, and, as the object was answered in viewing the remaining part of the road from the Mud Fort, and seeing the Enemy in possession of the above work, could not think of proceeding further, of equal Consequence with the Chance of losing any of my Men in forcing my way; but after refreshing some little time, I returned, without the smallest Molestation

From whence we stood on the Ghaut

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Ghaut, we could perceive a Valley, extended as far as the Eye could reach in a Westwardly direction towards Calliecut.

(signed) A. Cuppage
Capt. 1st Batt. E.I.

N.B. It is a mistaken Idea that Infantry cannot pass on either side of the Ghaut; for it is by no means difficult as the Mountain is not rugged or the Jungle at all Close

A true Copy
(signed) J. Cuppage

From Major Cuppage taking possession of Pattanmungulum

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

Honble Sir

I have the Honour to inform you that I have taken possession of Pannunkollah and Pattanmungulum intends remaining in the neighbourhood of that place until further Orders.

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The forces surrendered on being summoned
the latter I found evacuated this morning this morning
Having now fulfilled the Instructions
of Government / as the Enemy have burned the Gate of
Perode / and the District being clear of them I shall remain
in this Neighbourhood till I receive Earl Cornwallis's
Orders or Your further Instructions.—

Camp at Sattimungalum
19th January 1792.

I have the Honour to be &c &c &c
(signed) J. Cuppage
Major Commanding

Agreed to inform Lord Cornwallis of Major
Cuppage's Intention of remaining in the
Neighbourhood of Sattimungalum until he
receives further Orders from His Lordship or the
Board — and that in the uncertainty of what
His Lordship's Views may be with respect to this
Detachment, the Board will not send any Instructions
to the Major until they hear from His Lordship

Minute on the two foregoing Letters from Major Cuppage.

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on the Subject.—

Read the following Letter from the Board of Assumd Revenue.

From the Board of Assumd Revenue recommending that effectual measures be adopted for checking the irregular Conduct of the Nargunta Poligar.— Mr Cowbon prays the amount of the Duties on his Handkerchiefs.

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

Honble Sirs

We do ourselves the Honour of laying before you Copy of a Letter from Mr Kindusly, and of recommending that if the Nabob should not chuse to confine the Nargundah Poligar, Mr Kindusly be permitted to use his own means for securing his person; as any delay in this matter is likely to be attended with the most inconvenient Consequences.

We also do ourselves the Honour of enclosing Copy of a Letter from Monsieur Lanlon to Mr Landen, which We think a Corroborating Proof of the propriety of the Collector's Conduct on that occasion.—

We

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We have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) Wm. Petrie

(signed) David Haliburton

(signed) Wm. Balfour

Fort St. George
30th Jany. 1792.

To William Petrie Esqr.

President &c. members of the Board
of Assumed Revenue.

Gentlemen

I am very sorry to inform you that a party of the Enemys Horse have plundered part of the Yalangaud (late Wandewash) Farm. – They are also said to have approached very near Cauvery pauk but of this I am not Certain. – for two days having heard no more of them, I am in hopes they have left my Division. –

I have not yet been informed whether the Chittoor Jageerdar has been directed to give up the Narguntah Poligar to me; The Board will

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will form a further Judgement of the necessity of the measure when I add that another Shittoor Polligar has just robbed some Banzaries (whom Lord Cornwallis had paid so much attention to as to Cause them to be supplied with Rice even out of the Stores of Vellore) of above 4000 rupees. I have sent a small guard with a Letter to the Polligar to endeavour to intimidate him into Restitution, and have also written the Dagerdars son at Shittoor tho' I confess without hopes of Success.—

Vellore
24th. Jany 1792.

I have the Honour to be Sir
(signed) Nathl. D. Kindersley
Lieut.

A true Copy (signed) J. Webbe
Lieutant

To Mr. Landon
Sir

I have the honour to advise
you

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you that in Conformity to Mr. De Fremes Orders I caused the Pantian people to be told to come for payment of the Duties due to them for the 5 Trunks of Handkerchiefs That these people came to the House the Subsequent morning and I made application to them through my Dubash to know how much I stood indebted to the Banksans. They have told me Sir, that the former Collector made an exorbitant Demand of Duties on my handkerchiefs and that the duty did not amount by a great deal to so large a Sum, I told them I would pay whatever they demanded and was just. They replied to this, that the Customary Duties were 1 Pondicherry Fanam for every four pieces of handkerchiefs and I immediately paid the Amount of the Duties demanding from them two Receipts, one of which I have kept for myself, the other I have transmitted to Mr. De Fremes.

I hope Sir, this will fully satisfy you how anxious I am to discharge the Company's duties when the Demand is made by Sir Charles Oakely

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I have the Honour to be &c.

Pondicherry
10th January 1792.

(signed) Courbon

A true Translation

(signed) T. Chase

French Translr.

As the Nabob has not thought proper to make any Reply to the Board's Representation to him regarding the Irregular Conduct of the Narguntah Poligar, It is Resolved to direct the Board of Assumed Revenue to give such Instructions to Mr. Kindersly as they may deem necessary for the prevention of the evils Complained of by him.

Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue.

Read the following Report of the Hospital Board.

From the Hospital Board with Copy of a Letter from Mr. Gahagan respecting his Bills on the Regimental Surgeons on account of Recruits not entered on the muster

Hospital Board
30th January 1792

The Hospital Board have the Honour to forward to Government

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Muster Rolls of their respective Corps.

Government Copy of a Letter from Mr. Gahagan, head Surgeon, on the Subject of Hospital Charges, and Recommend that his Bills be discharged in the same manner as for the Sick of Corps in the Carnatic. — as it appears that the Difficulties he has had in Settling with the Regimental Surgeons have arisen from the Bills being on account of Recruits who have not been entered on the Muster Rolls of their respective Corps in Camp, and that Consequently the Regimental Surgeons have not drawn the allowance of 30 fanams pr month for each man who is born as effective on the Regimental Returns agreeably to

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the Orders of the Commander in Chief.—

(signed) James Anderson
Physician General
(signed) W. Paine
Acting Chief Surgeon
(signed) William Duffin
Head Surgeon

To James Anderson Esqr
Physician General &c Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen

I am sorry to be under the necessity of troubling you upon the subject of Hospital Charges against the Regimental Surgeons in Camp, as I was led to conclude that after much mature and Deliberate Discussions, as that Business had repeatedly passed through it had been at length finally and authoritatively regulated

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so as to preclude the possibility of any difficulty or opposition arising in the mode of payments which have been pointed out. In consequence of the order of Government of the 5th. November, thro' Mr. Secretary Jackson, Mr Torriano advanced me Pagodas 1,000. on account of Disbursements for Sick of the European Corps in the Field, for which I gave him Bills on the Regimental Surgeons in favour of Mr. Hoare Paymaster to the Army; which, he was under the necessity of Returning, as my Charges were not limited to the Allowance which had been recently fixed by a Committee of Surgeons, with the approbation of Lord Cornwallis. – I accordingly made out my Returns Conformably to the mode directed at the rate of 5 fanams a day for Victualing, and I likewise sent a General Return for each month to Mr. Hoare countersigned by the Commanding Officer of this Garrison with a Charge of two fanams a day to the Honble Company. – These Returns Mr. Hoare retained, but sent back those to the Regimental Surgeons, telling Mr.

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Mr Torriano he had never Instructions in Camp not to grant Bills, but at the Requisition of the Regimental Surgeons, & then sent my Returns and Bills to a Gentleman in Camp to deliver them to these Gentlemen, but Lt. Thomson of the 71st Regiment Returned his and says that most of these men who were under my Care are recruits and had not been received upon the Strength of the Regimental Roll in Camp, which excluded him from any expence on their account and that I must look to Government for Reimbursement. Mr Anderson of the 1st Battalion Coast Artillery urges the same plea Respecting some men upon the Returns sent him for November and December — Mr Seawright of the 2d Batt. makes the same observations, but the latter has paid his Recruiting Bills. — The Recruits of the 71st Regiment arrive here from Madras in Charge of an Officer, particularly appointed to Superintend them as a Distinct Corps in this

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this Garison, and such as were in the Hospital were delivered over to me by the Deputy Purveyor as Sick belonging to Corps serving in the Field. — And the Artillery in Question were sent into the Hospital with Rolls signed by one of their own Officers, who has charge of them here, Specifying their Corps, and they appear upon Distinct pay Rolls in this Garison. — Therefore if they have not been included in their several Regimental Rolls such Omission does not rest with me, nor Can I in reason be liable to any Inconvenience in Consequence. I further beg leave to Observe that Mr Harriman has made very Singular and unfounded objections to the Payment of this quota saying that I should not have inserted the word Victualling, but in its room having "Staff Hospital Charges" whereupon the Gentleman who transacts this matter for me informed him, he could erase the word Victualling to prevent further trouble or delay, but the other objection and finally declared he would not pay me unless I communicated with him and not thro' any other Channel.

Majr Gl

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Majr Henderson of the 74th and Bengal Artillery have sent Bills for their Charges of 5 Jan.y as also Mr Musgrave of the 76th: as also Mr Steele of the 52d Mr Campbell of the 72d and Mr Corbet for the time he was in Charge without stating any Objection or having recourse to Mr Hosemans plea. - Having at this period six months accounts standing against Sick belonging to Corps in the Field, and being under difficulties in procuring Supplies of every kind at advanced prices and having punctually paid the Purveyors Charges for the use of the Cloathing and Cots to the 31st Ultimo to the amount of between four and five Hundred pagodas I request you will Represent my Situation to Government and hope they will be pleased to give orders to have my Accounts discharged.

I have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) F. Gahagan
Head Surgeon

Chittoor
Jan.y 28th 1792.

Shew Foley.
(signed) Andw Berry
Lieut.t & A. B.

Agreed

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Agreed that to inform the Hospital Board that Mr Gahagans Bills on account of Recruits are to be made out and countersigned conformably to Orders now in force for Hospitals below the Ghauts.

Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Hospital Board:

Read the following Letter from the aid de Camp to the Governor General,

M. G. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary,

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the aid de Camp to the Governor General Communicating Lord Cornwallis's wish regarding the discharge of Mr Kincaid's Bills for Recruits for the 73d & 75th Regiments sent into the Hospital at Ponamalee.

Mr Kincaid the Surgeon in charge of the Hospital at Ponamalee having Represented to Lord Cornwallis that the Sick of two Detachments of Recruits for His Majesty's 73d & 75th Regiments were admitted into this Hospital promiscuously with other Regiments, and that he has Claims upon the Company for the Medicines, attendance, ne. expences and Subsistance of those men His Lordship, with a View to liquidate this Claim in the simplest mode, Recommends that the

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the Board should allow Mr Kincaid to draw the 30 fanams per month for each man according to the effective strength of the Detachments from the time of their arrival to that of their embarkation, in addition to the two fanams allowed by the Company for dieting those in the Hospital, and that Mr Kincaid should defray from that allowance all the Hospital Disbursements incurred on account of the sick of these two Detachments.

Camp
25th Jan.y 1792.

I have the Honour to be &c.
(signed) G. Robinson
A. D. 6.

Agreed that Mr Kincaid's Bills be adjusted in the manner recommended in the foregoing Letter.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from Mr Samuel Johnston

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President in Council &c. &c.
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From Mr Samuel Johnston Complaining of the Injustice of Suspending him from the Service on the Grounds of the Reports of the Committees. — Recapitulating his Claims on the Company and advising of his Intention to embark for Europe on the Danish Ship Johanna Hilda. ria. —

Honble Sir,

The Predicament in which I have been placed by the measures ~~given~~ Your Honble Board have been pleased to pursue, and the Resolutions framed in Consequence of those measures too severe beyond all description. My Character has been blasted and my Fortune ruined; I have been deprived of the Benefit of interfering in my private Concerns, which have either been taken out of my hands entirely or placed beyond my reach, so that all is perplexity and Confusion, and the Prospect before me is bounded by Misery and Wretchedness; My Creditors have taken the alarm which these Concurring Circumstances have naturally excited, and have acted under its Impression, and Reduced me to every Inconveniency and Difficulty. My Constitution which has laboured under the

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the dreadfull effects of repeated shocks from the Climate has lately suffered much from the painful sensations of my mind, low and disbraced as it is by the melancholy Considerations which Constantly present themselves and every moment accumulate, that I must either leave this Country immediately, or perish.— Under the full Conviction that Your Honble Board would give its sanction to a Step so Essentially necessary, I solicit your permission to return to Europe but you have been pleased to refuse your Concurrence untill I shall have paid the amount which by the Report of the Committee appears to be due from me to the Honble Company or untill I shall have given an ample Security: Permit me to say that this is unnecessarily adding to my distresses, and Multiplying my Misfortunes; how is it possible that I can realize the Sum of Pags 19,500, when it is with the utmost difficulty that I can procure Temporary Supplies for the

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the Common necessaries of life & and where is it to be expected that I kind find those who will become my Securities, when the World at large is acquainted with the desperate state of my affairs, and regard me as irretrievably ruined. And there are facts that are well known to Your Honble Board; But allow me to observe that if security is requisite Your Honble Board have or may have has more than ample Security for thrice the Sum from amongst the shattered remains of my Property, which has been locked up from me by your directions; if it has been your pleasure to relinquish that Security by giving it up to others, who have no Connection or right of Interference with it, the Injury, and not the blame attaches to me; and under such Circumstances I am persuaded that no Law or Custom would oblige me to give a further Security even if it lay in my Power to do so. But Your Honourable Board well know I have not

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that power, well know that I have not the power of procuring a Security for the most trifling Sum, and this is as Evident from Reason, as that the Fact is Certain. Deprived as I am of my property, and Suspended the Service of the Hon'ble Company, an event from which I date my ruin, for in that all my Misfortunes, all my Distresses Originate. From the first moment of my Suspension I was prevented from having any Mannagement of my Property, which was disposed of as Your Hon'ble Board thought proper; During my absence my House at Trichinopoly was taken possession of under your directions, and my Books of account, and papers, vouchers and Documents of every description lay at the Mercy of a Man, who not long since held up his hand at the Bar of Justice under an arraignment for felonious

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practices, whose Interest depended upon my Destruction and who has since succeeded me in my Office of Paymaster to the Garrison. Many of these papers have been lost, and not unlikely Stolen; from which I have suffered more than I am as yet able to ascertain. To recapitulate some those measures which followed my Suspension, now with so much rigour were they followed up, that I was not permitted to be present when the Grain and Stores were taken possession of by Mr Garrow, of course the usual Returns and delivery were not made by me; and as this irregularity arose from an act of Your Honble Board, I am not accountable for any Consequences. Indeed such was the severity with which Your Honble Board was pleased to treat me, that I was not permitted even to return to Pulicat only at this both my Private and Publick Concerns lay there, and although a Committee were at that time moment Investigating my

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my conduct until, I had given to Your Honourable Board a very, excessive and a very extraordinary Bond of Bail of which to this moment Your Honble Board holds the profession, or until I consented to return under a Military Guard; and then, when I was allowed to proceed to Pulicat only; it was under the cloud of suspension, which I need not remind Your Honble Board, took place before the ultimate Report of the Committee had been made; consequently before my Conduct had been Investigated, so that I suffered all the Penalties annexed to Culpability before Culpability appeared; and Your Honble Board took too much for granted, and were too precipitate in determining against my Propriety is strongly apparent upon the Face of the Report of Mssrs Capper, Roebuck and Cockburn from the following Statement:-

"Notwithstanding the Honble Board in their letter

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under date 28th December last paged on the property
of Grain in the following words: "as the Fact is fully
ascertained that the Grain delivered into Tuticorin belonged to the Circar, it will not be necessary to go
into further Investigation, you are therefore to debit
Mr Johnston for the amount." The Committee found
it indispensibly necessary once more to open the Subject,
because the whole of the Grain laid into Store at Tuticorin
:ly and delivered to the Army, is not Claimed by
the Nabob as the property of the Circar, and because
the Committee at Tuticorin say that the remain
:der of what was laid into Store, and a part delivered
into Store and a part delivered to the Army was
the property of Palchiparu Moodely and other
Mortgagees to whom Rupts and Notes had been
granted," The Report then proceeds to shew my
Claims, and that for a part of the Property so
alledged by Your Honble Board to have belonged
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to the Circar and of Course to be carried to my debit without any further Investigation, there appears a Receipt of Mr. Kingscote to me for Cullts 15,075 Cullums, which the Trichinopoly Committee had Stated to be the property of other persons — The Report also states other Grain as claimed by me, and Shews that the Trichinopoly Committee in refusing to attend to such Claim, had listened to the bare assertions of pretended Mortgagees; for, although the Parties were on the Spot, the Report states they did not produce any proof to Establish such their assertions, and that the Trichinopoly Committee generally assert that such Grain belonged to them although the Report states that there are 6110 Cullums delivered to Mr Kingscote unnoticed by the Trichinopoly Committee, which, together with 1959 Cullums and 10 Marcalls received into Store by Mr Garron

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did not belong to the Circar but to Individuals who had not authenticated their pretended Right, and that I had claimed it as my own property, and which I ever to be the fact; and the Report further states, that from Documents, it appeared 50 Gars and 250 Marcals had actually been purchased by me. I mention these Circumstances merely to shew, in the first place, that Your Honble Board took up the Subject against me too hastily, and that from the Gross Errors in the Proceedings of the Pachiampolly Com: mittee, their neglect, Inattention and Injustice towards me, their Report cannot be Considered in any other point of view than as fallacious and in every respect a nullity, and that any resolution or opinion grounded on such Report must, as a matter of Course, be insufficient; and upon this principle I leave to Your Honble Board to determine how far my Suspension was

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was warranted, I do not mean to enter into argument, for as Your Honble Board have been pleased to deprive me of the means of Replying fully, by refusing me a Copy of the Proceedings had in the Course of the Several Investigations of the different Charges I will not take up your time by a practical repetition, but reserve to myself the right of going into the Subject on a future day, to those who will attentively listen to the narrative of my sufferings, who will Judge impartially, and render me that Justice which I may appear entitled to: for the reasons just Stated, I am under the necessity of stating over the Report of the Madras Committee in Silence; had I been furnished with the papers to which it frequently alludes, and which in common Justice I am led to immagine were my Right, I should have observed a very different

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different Conduct — and, for the same reasons, I must confine myself to a few general observations regarding the Minute of your Honble Board on the final Reports.

— Your Honble Board there, speaking of my Suspension, are pleased to say, that it was grounded upon the Report of the Madras Committee, and that it was not likely that that Ground should be altered by any subsequent Committee; and that a new enquiry took place at the recommendation of the Madras Committee, solely for the purpose of ascertaining some points which were necessary to enable them to state the balance against me with due precision; that the Committee, on their first report, pronounced clearly upon my Conduct, but, with regard to the question upon the balance, they required further lights before they could decide accurately; and that therefore the subject of the second report was quite distinct from that in which I was suspended. — I trust I shall stand excused with

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with Your Honble Board on the assertion that the two Reports of the two Committees, although they differ as to place and time, are in fact one and the same thing, in as much as the one arises out of the other, and both go immediately to the same point, that is an attempt to criminate my Conduct, and then I have to advance, that the latter Report flatly Contradicts the former, and Reprobates its irregularity, as to form, and its insufficiency as to documentary proofs, in support of its Charges against me; and, it goes somewhat further, it shews that the Tritchinopoly Committee had not only been irregular and Insufficient, but that it had been partial and unjust; and that it had led your Honble Board into an Error with respect to the Article of Grain delivered in to Tritchinopoly; and therefore I am justified in saying that upon the face of the

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Reports, from their evident Contradictions of each other, thay become Nugatory, and that neither the one nor the other is of any Force, virtue or Validity, and this is a fact Confirmed by the known maxims of the Law, and is Consonant to equity and Common Sense, so that the natural Conclusion is, that my Suspension, which was founded upon such Fallacies must, in the nature of things, be illegal, and Consequently unjust. Your Honble on your Minute admit that I have Substantiated my Claims to 8,000 Cullum of Paddy by an affidavit, but refuse to give me Credit for the amount under the Idea that the transaction was illegal, because between His Highness the Nabob and myself. This I declare - My Purchases of Grain were in strict Conformity to Established Rules, and so was every Transaction in which that Article was involved; It was my Duty, the Duty I owed to the Service, to procure Grain, and I applied

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if not said the Army by my exertions in discharge of that Duty. — It was a matter of no consequence from whom the grain was obtained, so that there was no violence, no Arbitrary measure used for the purpose; The Company, the English Nation derived, the most essential benefit from that Grain, and ought to be paid, I who laid it up in store, and not the Nabob, who appears, from the Report itself, to have no right whatever to the amount so laid up, altho' Your Honble Board were pleased to state the fact to be, and, by your Injunctions, order the Madras Committee not to Investigate it any further, but debit me for the whole, indeed Your honourable Board, in their minute now before me, shew the matter to be widely different, from what you had at first supposed, decided it, when you gave such Injunctions; and you have it, as the Madras Committee have stated it, involved in such a Chaos of Difficulty that it is impossible

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to Judge who are the prosecutors; and then, although you have my affidavit before you substantiating my Claim, you are pleased to say, you think it incumbent on you to carry it to the Cradle of His Highness the Nabob.

Having thus shewn the most glaring errors in the several Charges exhibited against me, and that my Suspension is both unfounded and unjust, I shall not trouble Your Honble Board further in Observations upon their minute than generally to aver, that the several Items carried to my Debit are to carried Contrary to equity, and Justice and that I reserve to myself the Right of entering fully into a Discussion at a future period when I may be enabled to procure those means, for the purpose, which Your Honble Board have been pleased to refuse me, and as a Duty which I owe to myself and to my Family, and a Duty

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I owe to my Honble. Employers, and to the publick Serv
I do protest against the measures that have been
pursued against me, and their attendant Consequ
as unfounded and illegal, and as ruinous in the
extreme, particularly Suspension from the Service,
the Detention of my person from Madras: untill
I signed that extraordinary Bond already mention
the injury of my Character, the unauthorised dis
:posal of my property, and the ruin of my Fortune

As it appears to me to be the determi:
:nation of your Honble. Board to drop all
further Correspondence, by giving no answer
to my late Letters, particularly to those under
date of the 10th December & 12th Inst. it only
remains with me to inform you, for the reasons
repeatedly Stated, that I am about Sailing in
the Johanna Maria Captain Bolle for
Europe where I shall be prepared for a full
Discussion

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discussion of those subjects in which I have had the Mortification to differ so widely with Your Honble. Board, and which evidently cannot be arranged without any presence in England.

I hope I shall stand acquitted in the Eyes of my Honble Employers and also with Your Honble Board for taking this necessary Step and that nothing will be imputed to disrespect or disobedience where so much of Deference and Submission is due.

I have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) Samuel Johnston.

Tranquebar
24th January 1792.

As Mr. Johnston in the foregoing Letter has gone over the same ground which he had taken in former ones, it becomes unnecessary for the Board to enter into any particular Detail in this place. It is recorded however to avoid a Copy of it a number in the Packet of the

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The first dispatch to the Honble. Court of Directors.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Marten

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the

Military and Political

Department

From the Paymaster at Pallamcottah forwarding a specimen of Cinnamon prepared in a different manner to those already sent to England

Sir.

I hope the Board will overlook the interruption, I must occasion to their more important business, in again addressing them upon the Subject of Cinnamon; and again transmitting a Sample from the Parent tree of the first sort; but prepared in a different manner from the last, which they thought proper to send to England on the Swallow; that was merely dried in the Sun after its Separation from the Wood; and I fear before it reaches England, much of its aromatick quality, will have evaporated, having since understood it is necessary to steep the Bark

in

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in Lime Water, in order to fix its Spiciness. — The
Cinnamon I now send has been prepared in this
way, which, tho' Spoild in its Colour, and certainly
not improvd in its taste, may possibly, exceed
the former in value, when arrived in England.

I think it right to inform Government
that the Pagodas old House has been destroyd,
and the new one lately finishd, is built brick
and Chunam / according to the plan I had the
honour to lay before them / without exceeding the
sum they allowd for its Construction.

I am &c.a

Pallamcottah (signd) Geo: Sul: Martin,
23.d January 1792. Payn.r

P.S. The Tree being again in full Blossom
is the reason why I have sent so small a
Sample of Cinnamon.

Minute thereon Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Letter,
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with the Specimen of Cinnamon transmitted by Mr. Martin sent to the Honourable Court of Directors.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Klaumann

To W. C. Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary.

From Mr Klaumann enclosing his Acct of Charges for attend agreable to the Observations of the Resident at Ingeram.

Fort St. George

Sir

Herewith I have the honour to transmit you the Account attend agreable to the Observations of the Resident of Ingeram &c. &c.

I am Sir
Your most
obedt humble Servt
C. C. Klaumann

Madras
27th January 1792.

The Honourable the Company, on account of Vessels freighted at Bengal with Bullocks &c. for Madras and which put in to the Roads of Coringa in Distress, to Hamilton & Klaumann

D.o D.o

1791
January 24th To Cash paid Richard Keating Esq. of Vizagapatam for 2 pipes furnished James Stuart of the Ship Sittinah

M. Pags F. 6 M. Pags F. 6

" " " 8 " "

Carried Over 8 " "

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M. Rups F. C. M. Rups F. C

Brought over ——————— " " " 8 " " —

To 6 Trips of a Cutter to the Offing @ 6 Pagodas " " " 36 " —

To 6 Ditto of a Schooner —— @ 3 Ditto — " " " 18 —

To 1 Ditto of a Canoe boat — @ 1½ D° — " " " 1.28 —

To 80 Leaguers Water —— @ 1 Rup. " " " 22.4 —

To 223 Bales Straw —————— @ 1 D° " " " 55.42 —

To James Stuart of the Ship Sittanah Burg.

20 bags of Rice at 5 Rupees ——— 25 " —

26 Seers Ghee ——————— 2 " —

4 Bags Gram — @ 5 D° ——— 5 " — 32 " —

To Veerah Sing Bengal Bullocks Tendar

20 Conchums toasted Rice @ 1½ Rup.s — 1.28 —

7 Seers Ghee ——————— " 26 —

7 D° Jaggery ——————— " 15 " 2.13 —

To 2 Bengal Bullock Drivers 15 days batta " 45 —

To half a bag Rice to the above Drivers going to Madrass in the Brig Menish —— 35 —

To Doll & Cunnystuffs for Ditto ——— " 36 —

To Cooly hire amount 60 @ 1½ Fanams for D° — 1 34 — 3.38 —

Carried over ——————— 179.23 —

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Brought over ——— 179. 23 —

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March 10th To Cash paid Frederick Corsor Dpt Assistant
Navy
For 49 Leagues Water @ 14 Fan.s 12 " 14 —
8 Ships Aboard Cat @ 6 Pd 12 " —
4 Do. Longboat @ 8 Do. 8 " —
1 Do. of a 4 oard boat — 1 " —
To Cash paid Capt.n John Taylor of the
Brig Menish freight to Madrass
of 4 Bullocks taken out of the
Snow Letchemal Narsimaloo Vera
at 4 Pag.s each — 16 " —
To feeding ashore the above 4 Bullocks
25 days at 4 Fanams each 400
Fanams @ 56 " 2 p.r Pagodas — 7 8 " 23 " 8 —
Mad.s Pag.s — 235.45 —
Exchange on 235 M. Pag.s 45 p.r C 10 % — 23 " 32.40

Star pagodas — 259. 21.40

Madrass 27th January 1792.

(signed) C. C. Klaumann
for Hamilton & Klaumann

Ordered that the above Bill of Charges on account of Vessels freighted at Bengal with Bullocks sent for Madras and which sent into the

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the Roads of Coringa in distrist amounting to Pagodas two hundd and fifty nine Twenty one Fanams fifty Cash (259.21.50) be discharged by the Military Paymaster General, and the amount carried to the Debit of the Bengal Presidency.—

Ordered that a Copy of the Bill be transmitted to Mr. Hay on a Supposition that the amount may be recoverable from the Contractors.

Memrte on the foregoing Letter & from Mr. Stratmann

Read the following Letter from Bengal.

From Bengal— The Payment of the Nizam's Peshcush to be transferred from Masulipatam to Madras; enclosing a Statement of the Amount due to the Close of the Phusly Year 1209—

To The Hond.le the Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir.

1 We have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated 1st Instant.

2 The Resident with the Nabob Nizam Ally Khan having recommended to us that the Payment of His Highness Peshcush should be transferred to Madras from Masulipatam, a place with which, as Sir John Kennaway observes "the trading part of the Community

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has, comparatively speaking but few dealings: We have thought proper to adopt this measure, and shall therefore to request that you will undertake the regular discharge of the Peishcush, and the arrears due thereon, according to the enclosed Account.

3 Should the state of your funds be such as to require a Reimbursement for the Supplies thus made, We authorise you, in that Case, to grant Bills upon us for the full amount of what you may disburse in discharge of the Nizam's Peishcush.

4 We wish to be furnished with Statements of the produce of the Specie Consigned to your Presidency by the Honble the Court of Directors on the Ships that Imparked in 1791/2 and that such Statements should be similar to those which accompanied Your Letter of the 25th June, exhibiting the produce of the Consignments made to You in Specie by this Government in 1790/91. It is also our request that we may be impowered of the Invoice

cost

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cost of those made to You from Europe.

We have the Honour to be Sirs

(signed) Chs. Stuart

(signed) Peter Speke

Fort William (signed) Wm Cowper.

28th December 1791.

Statement of the Amount due to His Highness the Nizam on acct of the Peishcush for the Northern Circars up to the close of the Fasily Year 1200 ending on September 1791.

Arrears of Peishcush to the 25th September 1788 remaining to the Close of the Fasily Year 1197 as per Fasily

9,16,665.11.—

Peishcush for the Year 1788. 9 — 7,00,000.—.—

16,16,665.11.—

Deduct

Paid at Masulipatam the 26th October 1789 — 3,00,000.—.—

Paid the Subahs Man at Masulipatam on the 9th Jan.y 1790 on Acct for two Bills of Exchange — 4,00,000.— 7,00,000.—.—

Carried over → 9,16,665.11.—

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Brought Over		9,16,665.11.-
Add		
The amount recievd back at Masulipatam on the 7th January from the Soubahs Sirkar, as a refusal of an Assistance in Gold was made by the Court of Hydrabad		
Madras Pagodas 25,000 or	1,00,000.-.-	
Rupees	10,16,665.11.-	
=@365 Arcot Rupees is Pags	2,78,538.19.48.	
Deduct		
Paid on the Nizams Acct. at Madras 2,00,000 of Pondicherry Pags or	54,794.18.60	
Deduct		2,23,744.68
The amount paid to Meer Mehedy Cawn at Madras on that Account to 30th April 1790	8,1303,3448.	
Add		
Restored for the Year 1789.90 or 1199	7,00,000.-	
Do. for the Year 1790.91 or 1200 ending in September 1791	7,00,000.-	
		14,00,000.-
Carried Over		19,19,906.3.8.

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Brought over ——— 19,99,906. 3. 8.

Deduct

Amount ..... of 6 Bills drawn by the Madras Government on this account in 1789.90 Pagodas 150,000 or ——— Arc. 57,7500.—.

Amount advanced from the Durbar Cash to the Soubah's Vakeel in July and August 1789 ———	2,0000.—.—	
Amount paid to Bomany Dass & Dowanka Dass from the Benares Treasury on Captain Kennaway's Receipts in 1790.91 —	5,25,000.—.—	
Amount of a Bill drawn by Captain Kennaway on the Governor General in Council under date 6th June 1790 in part of the 2d Kist of the Peishcush for 1199 ———	40500.—.—	
Amount paid Mess Mehudy Khan at Madras in July 1790 Pagodas 49625.6.76 or Arc. ———	1,81,131.14.5	
Amount paid to Bomany Dass and Dowanka Dass from the Benares Treasury on Capt. Kennaway's Receipts dated 20th July 1791 ———	175,000.—.—	
Amount of a Bill granted by the Madras Government on the Bounid at Pagoda par. in favour of Syed Mahomed as per their letter dated 1st December 1791 ———	10,000.—.—	
	14,99,131.14.5.	
Remaining due of the Peishcush of the Year 1200 ending in Sept. 1791. Arc. ———	4,20,774.5.3.	

Fort William
Account Gen.l's Office
28th Decemb.r 1791.

Errors Excepted (signed) Wm. Larkins
Acco.t General.

Thos. Lofter
(signed) C. Hay
Asst.t to the Govern.t

(signed) Ex.d J. Bamsley

Resolved

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Resolved, in conformity with the desire Contained in the foregoing Letter, that the Nizam's Peishcush be regularly discharged at Madras with the Arrears due thereon, according to the above account.—

But as the Board are unacquainted with the name of the person whom His Highness the Nizam may wish that the Money should be paid here, It is agreed to desire Lieutenant Stewart to obtain from His Highness the necessary Information in that point.

Remits on the foregoing Letter from Bengal

Read the following Letter from the Commanding Officer at the Mount.

From the Commanding Officer at the Mount Reporting the Steps taken by him in Consequence of the Appearance of the Enemy's Horse in the Neighbourhood of that Cantonment

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs,

I have Honoured with the Receipt of a Letter of the 23d Instant from Wm. C. Jackson Esqr. Military Secretary directing me to state, for the Information of the Honble Board, the Circumstances that occurred here respecting the appearance and advancement

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advancement of the singular Horse, on the 20th Instant.
I should have done myself the Honour of addressing
this Honble Board before, on a Subject that has and
does now give me the greatest Concern, had I not
been so Constantly employed since that day. —
By Stating real facts I trust you will
Honble Sir & Sirs see matters in a more favourable
point of view, than you can Judge from Reports, about
8 O'Clock in the Morning of the 20th Instant, I received
a letter express from Chinglepet informing me of two
Bodies of Looties being in the Neighbourhood of
that place, I was in Consequence of this Information,
going to send Orders, to the people Posted in the Mount,
to keep a good Look out, when I found they had
approached within a half a mile of the Cantonment
on the Chinglepet Road, and were advancing very
Rapidly, at that Instant one of the Men posted on
the Mount to give Intelligence came down with
the Accounts of their having just perceived them,
round

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round the Shoulder of the Palaveram Hills about two Miles distance, but, by the Rapidity of their motions, they arrived at the place I have already mentioned, by the time he came down; I immediately beat to Arms, and fell in my People, the Enemy observing us in Motion made a Stop near the Choultry and changed their Directions and wound round to the Right of a large Tank a Party came rapidly on in advance to the Eastward of the Cantonments where they Committed usual Depredations in the House of Mr Wrahib, chiefly owing to its not being shut for want of Doors to the back part before I was able to Check them.—

It now Honble Sir Y Ours becomes necessary for me to account for this apparent Delay. I humbly beg leave to observe that my Detachment of Artillery consist entirely of Recruits some not yet Disciplined drill. I thought it Imprudent to trust men of that Description with

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with Ball Cartridges, and had upon their falling in,
To issue out ammunition to them, which took some time,
tho' Close at hand, while this was doing, others were
running out some Guns, and drawing the Wads
out of them, Shot had been put in for Expence,
and the rest of the men, were busy in getting
out Ammunition, from the Tumbril, while these
things were doing, which did not exceed a quarter
of an Hour from my first Beating to Arms, the
Horse Committed the Depredations at the Wakals
House, the only unfortunate house that was plundered
here.—

I sent our Guns off, with Lieut F. W.
Lewis as quick as possible down a Lane that
led to the back of the Houses, on the appearance
of which the Enemy went off, their Numbers
about Sixty, up the Madras Road some towards
Sidapet, and some towards the Raw Saint, unfor-
tunately four Tubes blew at this Gun, which
enabled

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enabled this party to escape; they then proceeded towards Sydapet, how much further I do not know; I did not think it advisable to pursue them, and leave the Cantonement unprotected in the Confused State it was then in. Major Roberts and Captain Campbell who were present coincided with me in opinion in this point particularly as I had no mode of moving the Guns but by hands, having no Bullocks or even limbers, the Enemy returned about one o'clock in the day, but round by the Southward at the distance of about three Miles, burning some villages as they past, and went apparently towards Policarney. —

on the first Information of their approach I dispatched Lieutenant Fireworker Skinner up to the Mount, to fire the Signal Guns, as also Shot at the Enemy if he could bring the Guns to bear on them, which he did, and drove them out of two or three small Villages they had just

entered

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ordered but had not time to set fire to. I likewise sent off an express to Major Gowdie for the Information of the Honble President in Council, but the man could not proceed, as the Enemy had got between him and Sydapet.

Respecting the Signal Guns, they Orders have been long given to the men posted on the Mounts for the purpose of looking out, that immediately on perceiving Troops of any description in motion, one man was instantly to come and acquaint me (and the Officer of the Day, whom I directed, in the event of this getting up before me, and finding the Report authentick. To fire the Signal Guns as laid down in my Instructions, not Conceiving it proper to entrust such a Serious Charge to the Judgement of Recruits. I trust Honble. Sir & Sirs, that it will appear to You, that I did not omit, so very essential a Circumstance, and the Rapidity only with which this Body advanced was the sole

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Cause of the Signals Guns not being fired in time to prepare us in some little degree, by Spreading the Alarm, as they came at full Speed from the place they were first seen to the Choultry, which is about two miles.

I had not the smallest Intelligence of the Enemy being in the Carnatic, as I have before mentioned, till they were close upon me, neither did I hear of any of the Country people coming in the night before, or any other alarm whatever, I was in Madras on the 19th Instant, when I did not hear a Syllable of an Enemy being in any quarter of the Carnatick.

I trust Honourable Sir & Sirs, this relation of facts will, in some degree, do away the appearances that may be Conceived by those unacquainted with the particulars against my Conduct on the occasion, I will intrude no longer on your time but, with the greatest Respect submit the above to your Consideration

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Consideration and Candor

I have the Honour to be &c

(signed) R. Tutt

Major Commandt the Mount

Mount
January 25th 1792.

Agreed to inform Major Tutt that there does not appear to the Board to have been sufficient Preparation at his Station to guard against Surprise. - That in time of War, and at a post like the Mount, it was not enough that he should wait for intelligence from Chingleput of the approach of an Enemy to direct the people to keep a good look out. - That that order should have been understood to be always in force, and a person, on whom he could have relied, constantly Stationed at the top to give the earliest notice to him. - That the time that was lost before he received any account of the appearance of the Horse rendered inevitable the Consequences which followed, for had the people

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Stationed

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Stationed at the Mount been directed to hoist a signal for his information when the Enemy first came round the Palaveram hills, two miles distant, instead of waiting, as he did, for the return of the Messenger whom he had sent up, and by which means the Enemy were upon him before he had notice of their being in sight, and had there been an advanced Guard, it is not likely that he could have been taken so much unaware, as to perceive, and not be able to check the Depredations that were Committed actually within the Cantonments. Agreed also to inform Major Dalle, that the Board hope he will be more upon his Guard in future, and recommend that there be a Picket Guard in a proper Situation in advance, and that an Officer be Stationed on the top of the mount to Communicate by Signal with him upon any future Alarm.

Read

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Read the following Letter from Sir John Kennaway

W. Collins Jackson Esq.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Fort St George

From the Resident recommending that the Family of Syed Khojah Abdul Kareem be restored to the Enjoyment of Certain Lands & Privileges in Rajahmundry & Ellore which were resumed on his decease by the Zemindars of those Districts.

Sir

Certain Lands in Rajahmundry and Ellore and an allowance of twelve annas a day from the Customs of Rajah Mundry which were granted to the late Syed Khojah Abdul Kareem, and Represented to have been resumed upon his Death by the Zemindars of the said Districts, by which his Family is reduced to great distress, in Consequence of this, his Highness the Nejam, who Interests himself, from some old connection in their behalf, has desired that I would state the matter to Government, with a Request that the Lands and allowance with the balance due upon them, from the period they were attached by the said Zemindars, may be restored to them.

The late Syed Khojah abdallah

son

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son in Law to the deceased Syed Khojah abdool Kareem is ready to produce the Summons for the above-mentd and Grants if called upon for them.

I have the Honour to be &c.

Paanguld
1st July 1791.

/signed/ John Kennaway

Agreed that Copy of the above be sent to the Board of Revenue with Instructions to state the Grounds upon which the Grant was made, with their Opinion whether it should be continued to the Family of the deceased.

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from the Prize Agents of the Army.

From the Prize Agents to the Army agent: requesting that they may be allowed to draw a Commission of 5 P.Cent upon the Company's Share of Publick Stores & Provisions &c. taken in the first & Second Campaigns

To William Collins Jackson Esqr

Military Secretary

Fort St George

Sir.

We request the favour of you to present our acknowledgements to the Honble the Governor in Council for the Honour they have done us in their Orders of the 12th instant, by which We are

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are appointed to be Agents also on the part of the Honble Company for the moity of the Captured Stores and Provisions which they have reserved for themselves, and we beg you will be pleased to assure the Board, it will be our study to execute this trust to their Satisfaction.

Government having confined this appointment upon us, We hope, partly in Consequence of their approbation of our Conduct in that line, & as trust they will have the goodness to excuse our troubling them on the Subject of our Claim to Agency on the moity of the Publick Stores and Provisions for which we have already accounted to the Company, amounting at 5 P Cent to Pag.s 696.. 2/.. 30. for the first Campaign, and to Pag.s 2561.. 24.. for the second Campaign, as will appear by the Reports of the Committee which they appointed to examine our Accounts.

This allowance we hope the Honble. Board will be pleased to grant to us

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as on Consideration of our having assumed for that Moety to the Company with as great Care and attention (and indeed thought our doing so as much a part of our Duty even since their Orders were made publick on this subject) as if we had been appointed agents for the Company.— We also beg leave to express our hopes, that having already Compleatly discharged that trust to the Company for those Campaigns, and delivered the amounts and Vouchers to Government, the Board will be pleased to authorize us to draw on the Military Paymaster General for our proportion of the Sums we have mentioned, which, whether that Moity be still retained, or hereafter given up to the Army, can, if our Claim be admitted, be attended with no eventual loss either to the Company or to the Army, as will appear by the third report of the Committee; and we trust that the Honble Board will have an additional Motive in granting us this allowance, without delay, when they Consider that as Prize Agents, we have neither received nor Claimed any

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any other Advantage whatever than our Commission of five p Cent on the Captures, and that even the Money which has been paid home for other Articles of Capture to which the Company lays no Claim, instead of being in the meantime employed, as it might have been, for our advantage, has, at our own request, been lodged with the Paymaster of the Army, to the Amount of above Fifty thousand Pagodas, untill the Prize Accounts should be adjusted, for the more perfect Satisfaction of the Army, and as a Temporary aid to the Publick Service.—

We have the Honour to be &c.

(signed) Alex.r Dirom
(signed) C. Smart
(signed) M.o Hunter
(signed) James M.c Corkill

Camp near Chittiabroog 22.d January 1792.

N. B. Capt.n Bannerman, who is not at present with the Army, is also one of the Agents. —

Agreed to inform the Prize Agents that their claim to Commission on the Company's Treasury

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of Provisions & Publick Stores for the 1st and Second Campaigns has been recommended to the favourable Consideration of the Court of Directors and that, until their Decision is known, no Order can pass for the payment of the Amount

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Gibbons Adjutant of the Blacktown.—

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

From the Black Town Adjutant requesting that some allowance may be granted him on account of Office Rent or that Quarters may be provided him for that purpose.

Honble Sir

Observing by the Orders of the 5th Inst. that Your Honour in Council has been pleased, in Consequence of the Honble Court of Directors having Disapproved the Increase of allowance of House Rent, to Officers at the Presidency, and at St. Thomas Mount, to discontinue the same from the 1st of next month, I take the liberty Respectfully, to Represent to Your Honours, that from the nature of

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Of the Duty of Town Adjutant of Blacktown, and the numerous Complaints that are Continually made to him almost every hour of the day, as well as in the night, by the Natives, as also by Europeans, it is unavoidably necessary, that some place should be appropriated, for the Town adjutant to receive and hear the Partys and their Complaints, and if of Sufficient Consequence, or otherways, not to be Settled by him, to transmit them, if for Civil offences, to the mainguard or if for Military offences to the Mainguard in the Fort, I beg leave to Observe to Your Honour in Council, that Soldiers and other Europeans, are frequently brought before me, much Intoxicated, and otherwise in such a State, that it is Impossible to receive them, in the Apartment with my Family, and that many of the Complaints of the Natives, and the Language they make use of, is of so indelicate a Nature, the truth of which the Members of Your

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Honourable Board in their Character of Trustees of the Poor no doubt are acquainted with) that it is not possible to hear them without having an Office particularly set apart for the purpose. I therefore Intreat that Your Honour will be pleased to make to the Town Adjutant some reasonable allowance for an Office of this kind. — So long as Government were pleased to allow me, as Town adjutant, a moderate Sum to provide quarters, I forbore to trouble Your Honour on this Subject, although I have actually expended monthly since I have held the appointment ten Pagodas more than I have received, and this Extra Expence has not been incurred by me wantonly, but unavoidably and very Inconveniently. — as the peace of the Town and the Duty of the Town Adjutant, requires that His Residence, should be fixed, almost to a particular spot in the Neighbourhood of the Town Picket, and his Constant attendance there, night and day,

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is absolutely necessary; I therefore hope that, in your Wisdom and Justice, that your Honour in Council will be pleased to make me some allowance for the purpose above mentioned, especially as it cannot be brought into precedent for any Claim of a similar kind, this Office and its Duty being totally dissimilar, to any other Fort, or Town Adjutancy in the Service. - Or if your Honour should think it proper to Order that a Quarter and Office shall be provided in the Blacktown for the Town Adjutant, I shall be perfectly satisfied: as otherwise I shall be obliged to appropriate to this purpose, about two Pagodas more than the whole of my Pay as Adjutant, which is only between eighteen and Nineteen Pagodas, and the five Pagodas House Rent now ordered to be allowed; which I am persuaded your Justice will never permit.

I have the Honour to remain &c.

(signed) Sloane Gibbons
Lieut. Bt. for Adjutant

Madras
30th Jan.y 1792.

Ordered

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Ordered that Lieutenant Sloane Gibbons, Adjutant of the Blacktown, be allowed to draw the Monthly Sum of Fifteen Pagodas on account of Office Rent, to commence from the 1st. of February.—

Read the following Letter from the Paymaster at Vellore.—

From the Paymaster at Vellore. The Paymaster in Camp returns the Bills he received from Mr Gahagan on the Regimental Surgeons— Mr. Gahagan protracts the payment of money advanced him on account of those Bills—

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir,

Since I had the Honour to address you under date the 28th. of November last the mode of payment of the Surgeons' Bills for the Care of the Sick of the different Regiments in the Field has been regulated to their being paid by drafts obtained by the Surgeons of the Regiments from the Paymaster to the Army on the several Paymasters over the Sick may be. In Consequence of which Mr. Hoar has returned me the drafts given me by Mr. Gahagan on the Regimental Surgeon in favour of the Paymaster to the Army.—

Mr Gahagan acquaints me that he cannot—

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cannot at present Repay me the Sum advanced him for his drafts, because the Regimental Surgeons have not Settled with him. But he promises he will do so, the moment they discharge his Demands.

I have thought proper to acquaint Government, through you, with the Circumstances, and have to request you will inform me if it is their pleasure I should make any further advances on account to Mr Gahagan.

I am &c.

(signed) W: H: Toriano

Paymt

Vellore 27th January 1792.

Agreed to Direct Mr Toriano to call upon Mr Gahagan for the Repayment of the one thousand Pagodas advanced for that Gentleman's drafts on the Paymaster in Camp.-

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board

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From the Secretary to the Military Board enclosing, for the opinion of Govern: ment, a Tender of Freight for Nagpore received from the Commander of the Bridgewater

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To Williams Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department of Government.

Sir

I have the directions of the President & Mess.rs Members of the Military Board to transmit to you, for the Information of the Hon.ble the Governor in Council, a Tender of Freight which has been made to them by the Commander of the Ship Bridgewater, upon which they request to be favoured with his Commands. — with Respect to the latter part of the Letter, tho the Stores have been ready packed for a long time past — the Military Board desire me to remark that they cannot hold themselves responsible for the time in which they may be embarked as it must depend on circumstances which they are not competent to ascertain.

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30th Jan.ry 1792.

I have the Honour to be &c.a
(signed) Daniel Ince
Secretary

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To Lieutenant Colonel Collins &c.

Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen

Understanding there are two hundred and Twenty Seven Tons of Goods, one thousand and four Cott. Barrels Gun Powder, and Eighty Men for Nagore, I beg leave to offer to deliver them at that place for the sum of Eleven hundred Pagodas, provided the Bridgewater is not detained here in Consequence, more than four days from this date.

The favour of Your early answer will much oblige.—

Gentlemen

(signed) Gres: M. Lewin

a true Copy

(signed)

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(sgnd) Dan.l Ince

Surv.r Gen.l Board

Fort St George

29th January 1792.

At the Board Supposa Captain Lewin's pro-

Memo to them posals are less than those offered by the Commd.r

of the Sydney Medows it is agreed to accept them.

Agreed to inform the Military Board

Ditto that upon all occasions in future, when Supply shall be

wanted, Proposals must be advertized

for, in the most public manner.

Chas Oakeley

George Parry Esqr

Fort St. George. January 1792.

Diary.

31st. Received a Letter from the Maratta Vackeel

Substance of a Letter from the Maratta Vackeel — /as entered in C.C. No. 11./ requesting — that he may receive the present of Scarlet Cloth usually given him on the Commencement of the New Year — that he may be furnished with a Dustuck for preventing any Duties being levied upon the Articles he may wish to take to Camp — and that a Guard of the Company's Sepoys may be placed over his house, for the protection of his Family, during his absence from the Presidency.

Received the undermentioned Letters as

1st. February entered in Mil. Bd. Nos. 1. 2. 3.

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — Inclosing an Indent for Rice for the Supply of the Mount for the Month of February; and Desiring to know if he is to Comply therewith —

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions. —

From the Commandant at Chundernaghory — From the Commandant at Chundernaghory — acknowledging Receipt of the Board's orders respecting Ram Pursaud's Petition.

From the Commandant at Vellore — detains the Money Tumbrills in Consequence of Reports of a Body of Enemy's Horse being in Motion between Amboor and that Place — Lieutenant Baillie, — H — Commissary of Prisoners, applies for leave to visit the Presidency —

From the Commandant at Vellore —

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1st Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B.V.s 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15.

To the Military Board informing them that Government have agreed to accept Captain Lewin's Tender of Freight for Nagore - and recommending that Expedition be used in the — Embarkation of the Stores.—

To the Military Board.

To the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province

To the Collector in the Northern Division of the Arcot Province - desiring him to use every Means in his Power to throw Rice or Paddy into Vellore -

To the Collector in the Center Division of the Arcot Province

To the Collector in the Center Division of the Arcot Province - Desiring him to afford every assistance in his Power to Mr. Wynch Storekeeper at Arnee in advancing Supplies of Grain from that Place to Amboor.

To the Secretary at Bengal

To the Secretary at Bengal - enclosing Copy of Major Cuppage's Letter dated 19th January

To the Prize agents to the Army —.

To the Prize agents for Prize Money - informing them that their Claim to a Commission on the Company's Moity of captured Stores and Provisions for the 1st and Second Campaigns has been recommended to the favorable consideration of the Honble Court of Directors.

To the Board of Revenue

To the Board of Revenue - inclosing

Copy

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1st Copy of a Letter from the Resident at Hydrabad respecting certain Lands and allowances granted to the late Syd Khojah Abdul Khareem/but which had been resumed by the Zemindars of — " — Rajahmundry and Ellore/and desiring them to state the Grounds upon which the Grant was made with their opinion whether it should be Continued to the Family of the Deceased.

To the acting Accountant General

To the acting accountant General.

enclosing Copy of a Statement shewing the Amount due to His Highness the Nizam on account of Peishcush for the Northern Circars up to the Close of the Phusly Year 1200 ending in September 1791 - and informing him that that Sum, as well as the future Peishcush, will be discharged at the Presidency.

To the Garrison Storekeeper approving

To the Garrison Storekeeper

his Recommendation for selling off the Articles Specified in his Letter of the 30th Ultimo.

To the Deputy Comptroller General of

To the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts

Army Accounts - informing him that the Board do not wish to press the Subject of a Liquidation of his Balance upon Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery until he is better able to attend to Business

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To Ensign Donald Mc Donell

To Ensign Donald Mc Donell informing him that as the Honble Court of Directors have not communicated to the Board this having Employed him on Service, and as they have expressly desired that no officer be allowed to draw Pay until his arrival at the Settlement to which he belongs his Request cannot be complied with -

To the Paymaster at Vellore

To the Paymaster at Vellore - desiring him to call upon Mr. Gahagan for the Repayment of the one thousand Pagodas advanced him for his Drafts on the Paymaster in the Camp.

To the Board of Assumed Revenue

To the Board of assumed Revenue desiring them to issue such orders to Mr. Kindersley as they may judge necessary for checking the irregular Conduct of the Nargunda Poligar enclosing Copy of a Letter from Colonel Bridges and desiring them to instruct Mr. Andrews to afford every assistance in his Power to Lieutenant Jennings in the Execution -

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1st. Execution of the Repairs ordered to be made to the Banks of the Cauvery.

2d. Sent the following Letters.

To the Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor Genral &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

To Lord Cornwallis - inclosing Copy of a Letter from Major Cuppage and requesting to be made acquainted with his Lordship's Wishes in Regard to the Detachment under the — Command of that Officer

We have the honor to transmit to your Lordship Copy of a Letter just received from Major Cuppage.

Your Lordship will observe that Major Cuppage has signified his Intention of Remaining in the Neighbourhood of Sattymungulum until he receives further orders from you or from us. In the uncertainty of what your Lordship's views may be with respect to this Detachment we shall not send any instructions to the Major until we hear from your Lordship on the Subject -

We have the Honor to be,
with great Respect and Esteem,
My Lord,
your Lordship's most obedient
humble Servants
Signed/ Chas. Oakeley
&c. Council -

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To Lieutenant 2d Stewart
acting Resident at
Hydrabad

Sir,

To the acting Resident at Hydrabad desiring to be made acquainted with the Name of the Person at Madras authorized by the Nizam to receive his Pisheush —

The Governor General in Council having desired that the Payment of the Nizam's Pisheush, agreeably to the enclosed Return should be transferred to Madras from Masulipatam, and that this Government should undertake the Regular discharge thereof, and the arrears due thereon, I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to desire you will communicate with His Highness on the Subject, and obtain from him the name of the Person to whom he wishes the money should be paid here.

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I am &c &c
signed W. C. Jackson
Sec.

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

To Bengal - Reference made to the acting Resident at Hydrabad regarding the Person to whom the Nizam's Pisheush is to be paid ———

Gentlemen,

Dated

We have had the honor to receive your letter dated the 28th of December.

In conformity with your desire, we

shall

2d shall regularly discharge at Madras the Nizam's Peishcush, with the arrears due thereon, according to the account which you have been pleased to transmit to us.

3 But as we are unacquainted with the Name of the Person to whom his Highness may wish that the Money should be paid here, we have desired Lieutenant Stewart to communicate to us the necessary information for our Guidance.

We have the honor to be &c &c

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Signed/ Chas Oakeley
&c Council.

3d

Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Ft 16.17.18.19.

From Lieutenant Pursfoy of His Majesty 36th Regiment – From Lieutenant Pursfoy – requesting that he may be permitted to draw twelve Months full Batta from the date of his Embarkation for Europe.

From the Commandant at Amboor – Communicating Intelligence respecting a Body of Horse and foot in the Neighbourhood of Darampoury.

From the Commandant at Vellore – stating that there is not a horse at Vellore belonging the Cavalry fit for Duty.

From the Military Storekeeper – enclosing an Estimate of Cash / amounting to 1200 Pagodas / required

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may besides be considered as Parties concerned as they would acquire the advantage of feeding their own Cattle thereon if the Matter were to be decided in favor of his claim. The other Letter from Mr. Yeats which is marked N.o 9 contains more precise information; and his opinion, that the French have no claim to the Island in question, will be found to agree with what we have already had the honor of communicating to you -

We have just received another Letter from the Chief of Yanam, the first part of which relates to his Complaint against Juggapatty Rauzi's Renter, upon which subject we have already written you in our Letter of the 10.th Instant; when we also mentioned the directions that had been given.

We are

Signed Robert Clerk

Dep.y Sec.y

To. Anthony Sadlier Esq.r

Chief & Council at

Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I have the honor to acknowledge the

Receipt

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receipt of your letter of the 6th Instant. The strictest orders were long since given to the Several Jomautaks of the Districts under my charge to prevent the traffick and exportation of Slaves; and I cannot find that any of the Natives under me have been sold: but I am Sorry to inform you that I have, since the Receipt of your Letter, learnt from good Authority French Vessels are now taking Slaves openly and Publickly at Jaggarnaut poram by the hundred, and report says that the Governor of that Place sells a sort of Pass for them, for which he gets five Rupis per Head. I have addressed a public Letter to Mr. Corrar Mr. attendant at Coringa for information upon this Subject and the Moment his answer comes to hand I shall have the honor of transmitting it to you: agreeable to your permission. I have also Communicated to the French and Dutch Chiefs of Yanam and Jagga =naut poram the Resolution of our Government on this Subject - I have the honor to forward herewith a Jentoo Paper delivered to me by Mons.r Soneat Chief of Yanam respecting the small Island in the Godavery to which he lays claim. The peninsula or Island to the Eastward of Yanam it appears was absolutely ceded to the French at the last Peace.

Consequently

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required for the Manufacture of Gunpowder in the Present Month.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos 20. 21.

To the Secretary at Bengal.

To the Secretary at Bengal inclosing Copy of a Bill discharged by Government for Charges on Account of Vessels freighted in Bengal with Bullocks &c. for Madras and which put into the Roads of Coringa in Distress.

To the Officer Commanding the Artillery at the Mount—

To the Officer Commanding the Artillery at St Thomas's Mount - informing him that it does not appear from his Letter of the 25th Ultimo that he was sufficiently prepared to guard against Surprize - and Recommending that there be a Picket Guard in a proper Situation in advance and that an Officer be stationed on the Top of the Mount to Communicate with him by Signal upon any future alarm.

Friday 3d February 1792.

At a Consultation

Present.

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President

William Petrie Esqr.

The Honble Major General Medows absent

upon

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upon Service.

John Huddleston Esq.r absent indis=

=posed.

Minutes of last Consultation Read

and approved.

Read the following Extract of a letter

from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam

Extracts of a Letter from Masulipatam Dated 27th Jany. 1792.

Extract of a Letter from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam..... Communicating information Received from Mr. Yeats Regarding the Claim preferred by the French Chief at Yanam to an Island lately formed in the Godavary near that Factory –

We had the Honor of addressing you on the 10th. Instant on the Subject of a Correspondence that had passed between us and the Chief of the French Factory at Yanam regarding certain Claims, on the part of his Nation, to territory in that Neighbourhood; since which time we have received Letters both from Mr. Tudor and Mr. Yeats on the same Subject the Letter from Mr. Tudor marked No. 3. in the accompanying Packet, enclosed a Paper of which a translation now accompanys it, Regarding the Claim set forth to the small Island Lately formed in the River Godavary: upon which we need only Remark, that the said paper which was delivered by Mr. Sonnerat to Mr. Tudor seems only to be supported by Inhabitants of the Village of Yanam, who are under his own authority, and

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consiquntly Jaggapully Rauze has no Right what
-ever thereto, or its' produce, Indeed the People of Nulla
-pully declare to me that they have a prior claim
to the Island in question to Juggapully Rauze.

I have the honor to be
with Respect &c. &c.
Signed/ Mathew Lindar

Narsapour
10th January 1792.

Translation

Paper addressed to Monsr Sonnerat by the Hereditary
Inhabitants of Yanam. Received 13th Janÿ 1792.

Twenty years ago the Bank of
the Godavary River had, by its over flow, been beat
down to the Yanam Field, situated near the lake
called Ramarauze Calava, opposite to Yanam;
after which a Sand Bank raised as an Island,
on which a grass verdure sprung, so since 10 years
the Inhabitants of Yanam used to drive their
Cattle to graze thereon; they likewise used to cut and
take the said Grass; thus the same continues under
them, and when the Godavary was at an Ebbe, they
continually drove their Cattle to and from the said
Island, which is a Peninsula to the land of
Yanam: we being Inhabitants of the Village are
in perfect knowledge of the above circumstances

which

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which we will declare whenever we should be required regarding it. Thus we give this by our Free will and Conduct.

Signed

Braminis	Connacala Iyapah
Colavanoo Comarauze	Cona Tummay
Bullapragada Parauzo.	Do Uppay
Banians	Pillah Utchimmah
Naganoory Jungiah	Aumalacottah Caupoy
Singamasitty Kistnamah	Muguntoo Nummaloo
Woodootoo Veerashalingum	Weavers
Davagolah Baupanoy	Pullin Daunoy
Buntoo Vincanah	Tumboory Butchyneiloo
Gentoo People.	Condaty Chinnoy
Singamasittu Sambiah	People Vuddy Cast
Tala Narsoo	Visto Vomanta Uppoy
Caumacalla Yelloo	Ravoo Iyapah
Do. Uppoy.	Vinnacota Sittaramdoo
Padavala Naroydoo	Do Nummalilloo
Eramachittu Conday	Whyora Bagavanloo.
Tota Ietchemanarsoo	Muguntu Uppoy
Vullacaudoo	Casinacotah Vencatasah
Canacala Caupadoo	Dada Saib.

A true Copy
Signed / Sonnarat.

To-

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No. 9.

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.

Chief & Council

Masulipatam.

Gentlemen.

I have received your Secretary's Letters of the first, and 9th Instant, with the different enclosures which accompanied them, and I have forwarded your Letters to Mr. Sonnerat, Chief of Yanam, and Juggapetty Ranzé's Manager at Ingeram.

Indisposition prevented my replying to the former, so early as I could have wished.

The Island to the Eastward of Yanam, was delivered over to Mr. Martin, the French Chief at Yanam, on the 29th August 1786 in compliance with the 25th Article of the Convention between the Viscount De Souillac and Lieutenant Colonel Cathcart, but their original claim to the Island is not clear

The Island in the Godavery they have not the smallest Shadow of right to: Mr. Sonnerat, with great confidence, asserts, that the Inhabitants of Yanam have grazed their Cattle upon it for thirty years Past, so far is he, Gentlemen, from being Correct in his Statement, that the Island has not been eighteen years above the Surface of the Water. It

has

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has been formed within my remembrance, and has only produced pasturage for a few Years past. M.r Sonnerat also asserts that this Island has been Seperated from the French Shore, by the River. — In this he is also Mistaken. The Island never was united to the french shore. It, like many others, has been founded by earth brought down the River during the Freshes, which, meeting with Resistance from the Banks of the River has formed innumerable Islands.

The claim is perfectly Novel: not any mention was made of it, when the french Territory was delivered over by M.r Hamilton, to M.r Martin, or in the Convention between the Viscount De Souillac and Lieutenant Colonel Cathcart; and so late as the 20.th of March 1790. M.r Sonnerat applied, thro' me, to the English Government at Madras, for leave to turn the Northern branch of the Godavery into the Southern Channel, and afterwards consented that Land Marks should be placed at low Water mark, to preserve to the English the bed of the Channel; of Course he could not, at that late period, have an Idea that the Island was french — — property.

Neither do I apprehend that Juggapetty Rauze has any Claim upon it. — It is new ground

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and I humbly conceive ought to belong to the Havelly.

The article relating to the Fishery, belongs immediately to Mr. Taylor's province, and has been enquired into by him.

The business of this Factory, being as much as I can attend to, permit me to request, in case of any future disagreement, between the French, and the Rajahs, that a Member of your Board be sent to adjust them.

I am. &c. &c.

Ingeram
14th January 1792.

Signed/ Mathew Yeats.

Extract of a Letter from the Chief at Yanam
21st January 1792 To the Chief and Council at Masulipatam

I have received the letter which you did me the honor to write to me dated the 9th of January inclosing it I made an exact account of the Sum of Money which Tripetty Rauze had received from our Labourers, as well as that which might be exacted for the Ravages committed on this Harvest, and sent it to him engaging him as the surest manner to make us forget his hostile behaviour to pay the Amount of the Account, which was 523 Pagodas; Tripetty

Rauze

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Rauze told the Person who presented him with my Letter that he would wait the orders of his Rajah, and that he would then give me an answer; as I have not yet received it, I am induced to believe that he wishes to prolong this affair as much as possible in order to avoid payment. I have in consequence the honor to Subjoin the Account, and to beg that you will make him Repay it to us, or rather to settle with us about the amount, and then the Rajah can have no pretext for not rembursing it I have now only to thank you Gentlemen for the immediate Justice which you have done us, hoping at the same time that it will prevent all further controversy between us and the Rajah our Neighbour

A true Extract -

signed Robert Clerk

Dep Sec.y

List

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List of the following Articles taken away from Yanam
[illegible], the property of the undermentioned; by Jaggipetty Ramzi
People, attending to the Rentee called Addoory Tripitt Ramzi
which is to be restored by Jaggipetteramzy —

Pravey Nursoo

Paddy 6 Candy	4 " "	
Nutchiny 2 Do 10 Mds	18 " "	
Lofs of Pira Mahasool or Small Grain	5 " "	
Poundage on 4 Buffaloes	2 " "	
Ready Cash	13 " "	42 " "

Luddy Cunnayah

Nutchiny 1 Candy	7 9 -	
Paddy Heaps	2 " -	
Plowing Instruments	" 9 " "	
Lofs of Pirah Mahasool or small Grain	3 9 -	
Ready Cash	2 " -	14 27 -

Dasanaty Turlobo

Paddy 1 Candy	4 " "	
Nutchiny 3 Maunds	2 22 40	
Lofs of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain	4 " "	
Ready Cash	4 9 "	14 31 40

Padapaty Baulah

Paddy 1 Candy	4 " "	
Nutchiny 3 Maunds	2 22 40	
Jonnaloo 2 Do	1 9 "	
Lofs of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain	5 " -	
Ready Cash	4 9 -	17 4 40

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Brought Over — . . . . 88 27. —

Connagole Pudmanabdoo.

Paddy . . . . . 4u " "
Nutchiny 1/2 Candy . . . . . 3u 22.40.
Lots of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain — 4u " —
Ready Cash . . . . . 4u 18u — 16u 4u 40

Cona Kistamah

Paddy . . . . . 4u " "
Nutchiny . . . . . 3u 22u 40.
Lots of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain 4u " "
Ready Cash . . . . . 4u " " 15u 22u 40.

Nuddoor e Maccall

Jonnaloo 1/2 Candy . . . . . 2u 18u —
Nutchiny 3 Maunds . . . . . 2u 22u 40.
Ready Cash . . . . . 4u " " 9u 4u 40.

Ravoo Sapah

Jonnaloo 1/2 Candy . . . . . 2u 18u "
Nutchiny . . . . . 13u 18u —
Lots of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain — 10u " —
Ready Cash . . . . . 5u " "— 31u " "

Conabole Soorapatroodoo.

Paddy 2/2 Candys . . . . . 10u " "
Nutchiny 1. do . . . . . 7u 9u "
Lots of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain 6u " —
Ready Cash . . . . . 8u " — 31u 9u —

Dasanaty Vincatachellam.

Paddy . . . . . 4u " "
Nutchiny 3 Maunds . . . . . 2u 22u 40.
Lots of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain — 4u " "
Ready Cash . . . . . 4u 18u — 15u 4u 40

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Raimoo Survasah

Paddy 3 Candys	12 " "	
Nutchiny 5 Maunds	1 " 27 "	
Buffalow	4 " "	
Lofs of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain	4 " "	
Ready Cash	12 " 27 " -	34 18. -

Sanjya Patroony Sapah.

Paddy 1 Candy	4 " "	
Nutchiny ½ do.	3 " 22 " 40.	
Lofs of Pirah Mahasool or Small Grain	4 " "	
Ready Cash	19 " " -	30. 22. 40.

Chalah Danah

Nutchiny ½ Candy	3 " 22 " 40	
Buffalous	2 " " -	
Ready Cash	4 " "	9. 22. 40.

Dunnah Puddy andoo.

Paddy 3 Maunds	1. 18. -	
Nutchiny ½ Candy	3. 22. 40.	
Lofs of Pirah Crop	4 " -	
Ready Cash	4 " "	13. 4 " 40.

Ellegunty Venatasah

Donnaloo 6 Maunds	3 " 27 " -	
Menumooloo 2 do.	2. 18. -	
Paddy 4½ Candys	13 " -	
Varagaloo 10 do	- 40 " "	

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Brought over	64 9 —	294 31 40
Pesalee Munumooloo &c. 60 Cunchams — 6		
Loss of Pirah Crop	15 " "	
Bullocks	10	
Cows	4	
Calfs	2	
Cattle Stall	2 " "	
	87 9 —	
Dofsary Sapah		
Paddy 1 Candy	4 " "	
Nutchiny	7 " 9 " —	
Loss of Pirah Crop	4 " " —	
Ready Cash	4 " 18 " —	
	19 27 —	
Mulpuddy Bauliyah		
Paddy 2 Candys	8 " — "	
Loss of Pirah Crop	10 " " —	
	18 " " —	
Pillah Atchanah		
Paddy 2½ Candys	10 " —	
Sonnaloo ½ Do	7 " 18 " —	
Loss of Pirah Mahasool	10 " " —	
	27 18 "	
Catty Vencatasham		
Paddy 2½ Candys	10 " —	
Sonnaloo ½ Do	2 " 12 —	
Loss of Pirah Crop	10 " " —	
Ready Cash	10 " " "	
	32 12 —	
Annum Turmilla		
Paddy 1½ Candy	6 " —	
Nutchiny 1 Do	7 " 9 " —	
Sonnaloo ½ Do	2 " 18 " —	
Loss of Pirah Crop	3 " " —	
Ready Cash	8 " 18 " —	
	32 9 "	
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Mundapauty Varrain.

Sonnaloo ½ candy	2.. 18.. –	
Nulcheny ½ Do.	3. 22. 40.	
Loss of Circar crop	3.. .. –	
Ready Cash	2.. .. –	11. 4. 46.
Madras Pagodas	523. 9. –	

True Copies
Signed A. W. Scott.

Minute on the foregoing Extract &c. from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam —

The information given by Mr. Yeats regarding the Small Island lately formed in the River Godavery is so Conclusive, that the Board do not hesitate in stating it as their decided opinion that the French have no Claim to it whatever.

Read the following Letter from the Governor of Pondicherry.

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

From the Governor of Pondicherry — Information respecting the Suit — instituted against Seenivasyngar —

Sir,

I have received the letter with which you have honored me dated the 22d. of this month. I am perfectly well acquainted with Seenivasengar's business the facts stated by him in the Requestion which he has presented to you, are the same as are inserted in

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all the papers respecting this Suit, This Cause has, in the first Instance, come under the Cognizance of the Choultry Court, and afterwards, as the last appeal, of the Superior Council at Pondicherry, and I myself was among the Number of the Judges at this Court of Justice.

The Division of property between the father and Grand uncle of Senevasengar did not exist before the Bond which is the cause of the present Suit, and you know that by the Malabar Laws the Relations answers one for another, and that the Prescriptive right of Inheritance does not exist among them, it is this which has rendered Senevasengar subject to a prosecution for the Payment of the Bond in question; for which the Courts, where this Suit has been instituted, could not avoid casting him - for this Man has however acted extremely ill by not being here, and leaving two Inhabitants of this City under the necessity of paying for him 8000 Rupies, which has been reduced to 7000 by an arrangement with the Creditor. These unfortunate persons were on the point of being imprisoned and they would have been if I had not induced the Creditor to arrange with them.

It rests with me Sir, to make you

acquainted

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acquainted with the manner in which the said Sinvasenigar was arrested here; he came, like many others, to suk an asylum at Pondichery from the dangers to which Tippoo Sultaun's Cavalry in the Province exposed them; in fine, to offer them every Succour which was in our Power I directed the Renters not to exact duties on the effects that these unfortunate people brought with them for their Subsistence. I caused besides to be proclaimed and ordered the Tribunal of the Chantry Court to confirm it, by which all these Inhabitats were declared exempt from arrests in Pondichery for the space of one Month; when the strictness of our Laws is considered, I took a deal upon me in granting their delay - it was not therefore until the expiration of this period that the said Sinvasenigar was pursued by his Creditor, and he was put in Charge of the Police. This Cause has been pleaded, as I have had the honor to tell you above, before two Tribunals, at one of which I presided, and I dare assure you that the Reasons alledged in the Requisition to you from Sinvasenigar have been discussed with that impartiality becoming Magistrates intrusted with the distribution of Justice. I should be very glad Sir that it were in my power to Second the Interest you take in this affair it would be with me a most powerful - Consideration, but our Laws are such

such, that even if the decree is unjust, (which is certainly not the case in this instance) it cannot be revoked but by means of the same Laws which gave rise to it

I have the honor to be
with the highest Consideration &c &c

(signd) Dupresne
A true translation
signd J. Chaw
French Trans.r

Pondichurry
28th January 1792.

Agreed that a Letter be written to Colonel de Fresne expressing the Board's acknowledgments for the Trouble he has taken in explaining the Case of Srinivasengar, who acted only improperly in misstating the Period when the Division of Property between his Father and Grand uncle took place, and by which the Board were led to take up the subject

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter and Enclosures from the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
Governor in Council &c.

From the Deputy Comptroller General of Army accounts - inclosing Statements of outstanding Balances and of Sums brought to account since the last Report - Remarks thereon ———

Honble Sir,

I have the Honor to forward you enclosed a Statement of Outstanding Balances, a Statement

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of Sums brought to Account since last Report, and a Statement of Charges made by Captain Bell of the Artillery, and by Major Tutt of the same Corps, whilst those Gentlemen were employed, the former as Commissary of Stores with the Grand army, the latter, in the same Capacity with Lieutenant Colonel — Montgomery's Detachment to the Northward.—

Captain Bell's first months charges was laid before your Honorable Board for decision, and, after=wards, referred to the Military Board; since which no official documents respecting it have been received at this Department: In order that I may have the Honor fim=ally to receive your Commands respecting the Expend from Major Tutt, I respectfully beg leave to submit to you his letter in Reply to one from Mr. Secretary Jackson of the 3d September last.

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I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(signed) J. Brunton
Dep. Pay. Gl.

Statement of Outstanding Balances
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Due from the Shepherds, as pr Garrison storekeepers Books	316. 19.	6.
do from Messrs Corbett and Boyd	1381. 3.	56.
do from Caulatyapah Moodeliar	208. 15.	25
do from Captain James Campbell formerly Barrack Master Centre division of the army, as pr Military Paymaster Generals books	1346. 10.	56.

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Brought over - - -	
Due from Mr. Willis, as Paymaster to the Guntoor expedition	31015.25.41.
Do. from Mr. Samuel Johnston, late Paymaster at Trichinopoly	19516.11.4.
Due from Mr. Robert Malcolm late paymaster to the Elon Detachment on Account of unauthorized Charges made by Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery, and not Reported by Mr. Malcolm to Government, Conformably to the Regulations, is Madras Pagodas 4939. 30. 9. at 10 P Cent difference of exchange is Curt. Pag.	5433.21.57.
due from Lieutenant Francis Lapper, Barrack master Centre Division, an Account of Over Charges in his Department	3260.23.73.
due from Mr. Oliver Colt whilst Paymaster of the Grand Army, for premium Charged in his Accounts Current from March 90 to april 1791. inclusive, for negociating Bills on the Military Paymaster General and which has been rejected by Government, independent of over Charges and irregular Charges made by subalterns, during his paymastership, for which he remains Responsible. Replies from the persons Concerned not being Yet Received at this Department	3179.10.60.
Total Sr. Pag.s	82770.33.52.

Signed J Brunton
Lieut. Depy C.G.

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Statement of Sums brought to account since last Report . . . . February 3d 1792.

	Pags		
Received from the Shipherds as ff the books of the Garrison Storkeeper	207	"	"
Recived from Mr Robert Malcolm late paymaster of the Ellore Detachment	1583	36	12
Received from Mr James Meange Paymaster at Tanjore	906	12	36
Received from the Paymaster at Nagore	8	4	30
Received from the paymaster at Ellore	202	25	16
Received from the Paymaster of Vellore	34	33	48
Received from the late Paymaster of Calamcotah	53	8	-
Received from the Paymaster at Madura	27	8	32
Received from the Paymaster at Vizagapatam	26	29	"
Received from the Paymaster at Masulipatam	18	8	29
Total Sr. Pagd	3117	37	43

Signed J Brunton Lieut
Dep. C.G.

Commissary and Comptroller Generall Depart
3d February 1792 –

Statement of Charges made by Captain Bell of the artillery whilst acting as Commissary of Stores in the Field, not decided on by Government.

		Pags	f.	6.
Sundries purchased for the use of the Army in March 1790		646	22	"
For Repairing Tents	in do	do	3303	" "
Setting up Plat form Carts	in do	do	230	" –
Sundries purchased for the use of the Army in April 1790		940	3	–
do do	do	in May	do	1536	19	"
do do	do	in June	do	3864	23	8
do do	do	in July	do	2620	1	–
do do	do	in August	do	1576	3	–

Carried Over – —

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Brought over——

Sundries purchased for the use of the Army in September 1790. 2664.33.. ..
Do . . . Do . . . Do . . in October . . Do 1952.34.. ..
Do . . . . Do . . . Do . . in November . Do 2191. 5.. —

Total — 21523..17.. 8.

Signed J Brunton
Lieut.
Dep.y. C.G.

Statement of Charges made by Major Tutty, whilst acting as Commissary of Stores with Lieut Col. Montgomery's Detachment.

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Sundry Stores purchased in June and July 1790. for
the use of that Detachment - - - - - Total — 1963.32.20.

Signed J Brunton Lieut
Depy C.G.

To Colonel Capper
Commissary and Comptroller General
of Army Accounts.

Sir,

In reply to Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter requiring a written order from Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery to lay before the Honble Board for my disbursement of Cash, for the Purchase of Sundry Stores in the Months of May, June, and July 1790 for the Service of the Detachment Employed with His Highness the Nizam, I beg leave to observe that it did not occur to me at that time, that an order in writing was absolutely necessary: if it had, I should have most undoubtedly procured one, previous to my

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Received from the paymaster at Ellore - - - - - - - - - -	202.	25.	16.
Received from the Paymaster of Vellore - - - - - - - - - -	34	33	48
Received from the late Paymaster of Calamcolah - - - - - -	53.	8.	-
Received from the Paymaster at Madura - - - - - - - - - -	27.	8.	32
Received from the Paymaster at Vizagapatam - - - - - - - -	26.	29.	"
Received from the Paymaster at Masulipatam - - - - - - - -	18.	8.	29
Total Sr. Pagda	3117.	37.	43.

Signed J Brunton Lieut
Depy. C.G.

Commissary and Comptroller Generals Depart.
3d February 1792 -

Statement of Charges made by Captain Bell of the artillery whilst acting as Commissary of Stores in the Field, not decided on by Government.

					Pags	f.	6.
Sundries purchased for the use of the Army in March 1790 -					646.	22.	"
For Repairing Tents - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -				in do	do	3303.	" "
Setting up Flat form Carts - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -				in do	do	230.	" -
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do	do	do	in June		do	3864.	23. 8.
do	do	do	in July		do	2620.	1. -
do	do	do	in August		do	1576.	3. -

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Total — 21523..17.. 8.

Signed J Brunton
Lieut.
Dep.y C.G.

Statement of Charges made by Major Scott, whilst acting as Commissary of Stores with Lieut Col. Montgomery's Detachment.

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Sundry Stores purchased in June and July 1790. for the use of that Detachment. . . . . Total — 1968.32.20.

Signed J Brunton Lieut
Dep.y C.G.

To Colonel Capper
Commissary and Comptroller General
of Army Accounts.

Sir,

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making any purchase whatever, conceiving it in the same point of view that Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery did then, and does now, that his Signature to my Bills was the same as an order in writing from him, and a Sufficient authority for me to be guided by on the occasion; particularly as the Detachment was then Situated, being Five hundred miles from any Garrison from which we could draw Supplies—

In my reply to your Audit, which I had the honor to lay before you some time ago, I pointed out the Situation of the Detachment &c &c and can only now add, that I did every thing in my power to promote and forward the Service it was then upon; and as I have been deficient in form only, I trust you will impute it to an Error in Judgment and not to a willfull omission; and that you will use such arguments, as your Superior Judgement may deem necessary to the Honble Board to induce them to do me the Justice to believe that my Conduct, was to forward the Service only.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

/Signed/ R.t Tutt
Major 2.d B.n Artly.

Lt Thomas's Mount
November 25.th 1791.

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

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As Lieutenant Brunton has not sufficiently explained the different Items contained in the Statement of Outstanding Balances, it is agreed to direct him to Report fully upon them, excepting those relating to Messrs Campbell, Wills, and Johnston, which have been already decided on by Government.

The Board are at a loss to Conceive what Lieutenant Brunton means by stating, that Captain Bells Charges "had not been decided on by Government" for it appears, that all the Bills of that Officer which had come before them, had been finally determined; of which, communication was made to Lieutenant Colonel Capper in a Letter from this Department dated 12th July 1791 - The first information that the Board received of Captain Bells Charges from april to November 1790. Amounting to the Sum of Pagodas 1753-37-8 was from Lieutenant Bruntons Letter now before them

Agreed to inform the Deputy Comptroller that Captain Bells Charges from the Month of april 1790. are to undergo a Careful audit, and that a full opinion must be given upon them.

Colonel Capper with his Letter of the 21st December last, transmitted an abstract List of the Periods to which the accounts of the Paymasters of Garrisons

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Garrisons &c. had been audited — In this abstract the Board observe that the Barrack Masters Accounts in the three Divisions had been Audited to June 1791 — In the Comptroller Generals last Statement of outstanding Balances dated the 3d of August 1791, no notice whatever is taken of the Sum due by Lieutenant Francis Capper, for over Charges and Charges not allowed in his Accounts — Amounting to three thousand, two hundred and Sixty Pagodas — twenty three panams and Seventy three Cash /3260.23.73/ Resolved therefore that Lieutenant Brunton be directed to Report at what Period those Irregularities in Lieutenant Cappers Accounts were first discovered —

The Board lately granted to Lieutenant F. Capper, Barrack Master in the Center Division, to be cancelled —

Ordered that the 8 ℔ Cent Bond granted in favor of Lieutenant Francis Capper by a Resolution of the Board dated 21st January 1792, for the Sum of 4875 Pagodas be cancelled — it having appeared, since that time, Lieutenant Capper stands indebted to the Company, the Sum of 3260.23.73 —

The Balance due to Lieutenant Capper, after deducting the amount of overcharges &c. in his Accounts to be liquidated by an 8 ℔ Cent Bond —

Ordered that Lieutenant Cappers Demand for Cotts be liquidated, by Crediting him for the Sums due for over charges &c. and granting an 8 ℔ Cent Bond for the Balance, amounting to Pagodas 1614.18.7

Further Resolutions upon the Report of the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts —

Resolved that Letters be written to Mr. Oliver Colt, and to Mr. Hugh Boyd, directing them — immediately to pay the Sums due by them to the Company.

Agreed

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Agreed to inform Lieutenant Brunton that in future, whenever he discover any objectionable Charges he must call upon the person Responsible for them, — & immediately to Refund the Amount, without Considering it as any part of his Duty to wait for Information from other Persons - and that if his application for a Refund be not at once complied with - he is then to lay the Circumstances before the Board.

Read the following Letters from the — a Military Board.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President in Council

From the Military Board opinion on the irregular Issue of Cloathing to Men of the 1st. Battalion Coast Artillery - enclosing a Report State of 12 Bengal Tumbrils landed at Coringa - Remarks thereon - enclosing also the Draft of the Contract to be entered into with Messrs Topping and Parry, as drawn out by the Company's Solicitor with their proposed alterations - and a Bill for two dep[ar]ting Carriages furnished by those Gentlemen - with Remarks thereon - Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory duly brought up - Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the month of December

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 22d Instant, and to inform you that, in conformity therewith, Lieutenant Colonel Collins has taken his Seat at our Board.

As the Circumstances stated in the Letter of the Deputy Adjutant General appear to us fully Sufficient to Warrant an opinion that the Men of the 1st. Battalion of Coast Artillery deprived of their Cloathing, should be provided with it, We beg leave to Recommend that the Matter be adjusted with the Cloathing Contractors, so that the Commandant of that

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Corps be not subjected to any loss by the irregular issue which was inadvertently made during his absence, in the Carnatic.—

We beg leave to submit to you the Report of the Commissary General of Stores upon the State in which twelve Bengal Tumbrils have arrived from Coringa; and, it appearing, on reference to the Commander of the Snow Enterprize, that they were Embarked in the same condition by the Mr. attendant at that port, and that the Deficiencies in the articles belonging to the Tumbrils, must have been occasioned by the want of attention to them, while exposed upon the Beach during a Period of about three months, We submit to you the expediency of requiring from the Master attendant an Explanation of the Cause of such neglect, and directing him to Report, at the same time, whether Chain Traces, Yokes, and Yoke pins did not accompany the Tumbrils from Bengal as has been usual with those Received at this place.—

Having furnished the Company's Solicitor with the Heads of the Articles to compose the Contract for Gun Carriages, and which Articles you were pleased to approve, with directions for drafting in Legal form the Necessary Engagements agreeably thereto, he has sub=mitted to us the accompanying, which we have the honor to refer to your Consideration, with our Remarks, and

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such other alterations as appear necessary to be made thereon.

We also submit to you a Bill presented by Messrs. Topping and Parry for the Dipping Carriages lately constructed by them; We had already seen in this proposals to Government for this Discription of Carriages, that the Sum annexed to them was excessive and had remarked to you in our Letter of the 10th October that the Charge was exorbitant, We therefore thought it consistent to call for a more detailed account of the Expence incurred by those Gentlemen in the Construction of the Machines in question - This they accordingly annexed to the Bill inclosed, and we cannot avoid expressing our Surprize at the Nature of the Charges which we have extracted from the Account, and are contained in a paper of Remarks herewith transmitted; but, as to this or jection or admission, We request to be favored with your Commands.

Having Examined the Books of the Arsenal and Laboratory, we found them to be regularly brought up to the end of the Preceding Month - We at the same time Examined the musters of the different articles Specified in the Enclosed List of Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in last Month, which, being approved, We directed them to be received upon the Company's Books. -

We have the Honor to be &c &c

Signed Ed. Collins
Geo: Maule
George Hall.

Fort St George
27th January 1792.

Return of Deficiencies, in the Articles belonging to Twelve Ammunition Bengal Tumbrils Received from Ingeram by the Snow Enterprize, Captain Hamilton, Commander —

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Tumbrils in number	numbered	Articles deficient	number Deficient	Remarks.
1.	25.	Iron Bands	3.	That bind the Tumbril to the Axletree, and appear to have been taken off since they left Bengal.
	"	Screw Nuts for do	11.	To Secure the Bands — abovementioned —
	"	Axletree Nuts	2.	The Tarpaulins and Canvas Covers of these Tumbrils, as well as many parts of the Wood and Iron Work are materially injured, by bruises and Water, from which it should seem that the Tumbrils have either been injured at Sea or exposed after being landed.
	"	Hook Washers	2.	
	"	Linch pins	2.	
11.	"	Hook Washers	22.	
Total Received 12 Tumbrils	"	Linch Pins	22.	
	"	Nuts for Axletrees	22.	

N.B. Chain Traces have not been Sent with these Tumbrils, but those before received from Bengal have been complete with Yokes pins, and Chain Traces. —

(signed) George Hall
Commissary General Stores.

signed/ W. Norman
Condr. Stores.

A true Copy
signed/ Danl. Ince
Secry. Mil Bd.

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The Honble Company . . . . . Dr.

To 2 Dumping Carriages, new masts, prime
cost (as pr. Account particulars annexed) . 666. 2. 60
To advance at 10 per Cent . . . . . 66. 27. 22.

Pagodas. 732. 30. 2.

Fort St. George
1st October 1791.

Errors Excepted
Signed M. Topping
Thos. Parry.

Account Particulars of the Prime Cost of 2 Dumping Carriages new Master.

5 Large Beams		Superficet 285/4	198. 33. 60.
Iron		6. Candies 13 Maunds 12 Pounds	93. 42. 60.
Carpenters Cooly		Pr. 1505. 20.	33. 2a. 20
Sawyers		435.	9. 30. -
Turners		10.	10. . -
Smiths Cooly		3200. 60.	71. 5. 60.
Hammers		2355. 20	52. 15. 20.
Bellows Boys		622.	13. 3/. .
Charcoal Para		435.	48. 15. -
Paddy Hash		357	7. 42. -
Poles		282. 40	6. 12. 40.
Butter Milk	Pr.	22. 40.	
Straw		90. -	
Lamp oil		65. -	
Varatta		24. -	
	Carried over	201. 40	545. 29. 60.

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Brought down — 201. 40. — — — — 545. 29. 60.

Glue		21.	
Canvass		90	
Potts		2	
Coir Rope		5.	
Basket		1.	
Handle for Hammer		15.	
Lock line		30.	
Bags		1.	
Lamp		1.	
Chalk		2.	
Gunny		5.	
Ellow wood		60.	
Tarr		4. 40.	
Cotton	1. 40.	440. 40.	9. 35. 40.

Cooley for bringing Beams from Banksall
to yards fan'. . . . . 60. — —

Do. Ellow wood . . . Do . . . 2. — —

Do. Iron . . . . . Do . . . 15. — —

Do for Comparing the new Carriage . . . 49. 126. 2. 36. —

25 Pounds Steel . . . . . 1. 4. 40.

Yards Tent	Bay'.	50.	
Writer		25.	
Conicopoly		10.	
Master Smith		10.	
1 Do. Carpenter		10.	
2 Do. Do.		5.	
3 Coons		4. 22. 40.	
Water Pundal		2. — —	116. 22 40

Pagodas 666. 2. 60.

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Remarks on Messrs Topping and Parry's Bill for 2 Dismissing Carriages.

As the use of the following Articles are not Explained the Military Board are of opinion they ought not to be included in the Price of the Carriages unless Government think proper to admit of them.

	Fas.	Cs.
Straw		90
Lamp oil		65
Canvas		90
Pots		2
Coir Rope		5
Baskets		1
Handle for Hammer		15
Log line		30
Bags		1
Lamp		1
Chalk		2
Gunny		5
Tar		4 40
Cotton		1 40
Butter Milk	22	40
	7	41 40

Neither do the Board conceive that the following Charges are admissible.

Yard Rent	50	"	"
Writer	25	"	—
Conicopoly	10	"	—
Pagodas	92	41	40

Signed Dan.l Ince
Secy Mil Bd

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List of Military Stores received from the Military Storekeeper in the Month of December 1791—

Teak Timbam Plank		12.
Ditto. Timber		2.
Gin		2.
Plat form Carts		36.
Quadraple double Yokes		60.
Single Yokes		106.
Iron Chain Trace 24 Pounder		1.
Cocanut Oil	Measrs	57 1/4
Linseed Oil	Gallr	45
Lamp Oil	Measrs	4.
Loops		26.
Broom	Bundles	51.
Paddy Husk	Loops	29.
Potts and Pans		65.
Mollays		10.
Copper Hoops ℔ 14608/2		8005.
Copper Tubes 6 Pounr		3142
Charcoal	Loops	66.
Brandy Bottles		24
Firewood	Billets	16750.
Salt Petre	Candys	4.
Brattis		5040.
Coconut Brushes		60.
Grease	Duppers	1/8
Matts		100.
Europe Junk	C℔	108.27

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Lamp Black	℔	10.
Arzenick	℔	2.
Tallow	℔	36.
Targets with Frames for Sepoys		6.
Coconut Shells		300.
Canvas Europe	Bolts	155.
Tar Coal	Barrels	2.
Tar Common	Barrel	1.
Wax Cloths	Double Peices	84.
Indigo	℔	86¾
Gunny Carriage Bags for Powder		553.
Long Cloth Brown	Piece	105
Bullock Collars		55.
Leather Buckets		15
White Lead	M²	3.
Wax Candles	Cs	2.
Country Bellows	Pairs	20.
Gunny Bags		1500.
Hammers		2280.
Pickers		2100.
Carbine Belly Boxes		105.
Leather Slings		3293.
Bayonet Scabbards		4460
Sword Scabbards		62
Pouch Belts		774.
Ammunition Barrels		800.
Sepoy Tents		39.
Private Tents		200.
Necessary Tents		1.

From the Import Ware house Keeper

Lead	Candys	97-8-3.

From

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From the Civil Stores.

Sea coal	Bushels	72
One Hour Glasses	—	2
Iron Pott	—	1
Chalk	℔	100.
Hand Line	Lkt	10
Europe Rope 1/2 Inch 6 coils 2 pr	Ow	2 7
Nails	℔	100

From the Gun Carriage Contractor

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Received the above Articles into the Arsenal.

Signed / George Hall
Comy. Gunr. of Stores.

A true Copy

signed Dant. Ince
Secy. Mily Bd.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Acting President in Council

Sir,

From the Military Board requesting to be furnished with Copies of all Government and Garrison orders

Having, on several occasions, experienced great inconvenience in the Examining, checking, and Authorizing Indents of all denominations, for want of an immediate Reference to the Standing Orders of the Garrison, General orders of Government, and the Strength of Corps; in the out Garrison We are induced to Request you will be pleased to give directions for our being furnished, with Copies of all the Garrison

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General Orders issued by Government, at the same time that they are sent to the Adjutant General, and that you will likewise direct the Town Major to send us the Garrison Orders, and the acting Deputy Adjutant General, to collect and lay before us, monthly, the Total of the Effective Men in the several out Garrisons in order to a more Effectual acquirement of that information, which is so necessary to the fulfilment of our Duty, and which has become the more Requisite under the absence of the Commander in Chief in the Carnatic, from whom, while President of our Board, such Matters were Occasionally Known.

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

Fort St. George
1st. February 1792.

signed Ed. Collins
Geo. Maule
George Hall.

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from the Military Board

As, upon a former occasion, the Recruits doing duty at the Mount had been allowed on the Recommendation of the Military Board, Cloathing at the Company's Expence, there does not appear to be any objection to the measure now suggested in Regard to the irregular Issue of Cloathing to Men of the first Battalion Coast Artillery not entitled to it. Resolved therefore that the Deficiency be supplied by the Cloathing Contractor to the Extent stated in Lieut. Colonel Gaile's Letter to Major Close.

Agreed.

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Agreed to direct the Resident at Ingeram to call upon the Master attendant at Coringa for the necessary Explanation respecting the twelve Bengal Tumbrils Landed at that Port.

A the Company's Solicitor could have no Guide in drafting the Form of a Contract to be entered into with Messrs Topping and Parry than the materials furnished by the Military Board - and as the Draft was to undergo their Revision, by it came up for the approval of Government, it were to have been wished that they had instructed Mr. Popham to adopt their Remarks and alterations, in the first Instance, — instead of the Reference now made - Resolved. in Consequence that the Papers be returned to the Military Board, and that they be instructed not to send up the Draft until it has been approved by them.

The depressing Carriages lately constructed by Messrs Topping and Parry having been made up under many disadvantages, and without any previous Estimate of the probable Expence being obtained from those Gentlemen, the Board are of opinion it would bear hard upon them, if they were not paid the Expence actually incurred in the purchase of Materials and other incidental Charges - Resolved. therefore, upon the declaration of Messrs Topping and Parry that the Sum of Pagodas 666-2-60 was disbursed by them on the above account, that this Bill be passed, including

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ten ₱ Cent advance as a Compensation for their Trouble.

Ordered that the acting Deputy adjutant Genral and the Town Major be directed to furnish the Military Board, with any information they may Require respecting the Government and Garrison orders.—

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To the Honorable Major Genral Medows

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

We lose no time in laying before you the inclosed Copy of a letter from Mr. Torin, and hope that the importance of its matter will plead our excuse for so often obtruding this Subject upon your patience.— The Collector's letter is so full, and his reasoning upon the point so strong, that it is hardly necessary for us to recommend that the Revenue Shops be disposed in the manner he requests.— Inrespect to the Repairs of the Anycut, We beg leave to state our opinion that it ought to be repaired in a permanent manner.

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Mr.

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Mr. Corbett for a Supply of Cash for the Garrison of Paligaut-churry, and the Detachment under Major Cuppage to the extend of Pagodas 15,000. Under the Circumstances represented by Mr. Corbett our Collector had no alternative, but as we know not how far your honorable Board may wish to have the Revenues of Tinnevelly appropriated to this purpose, we wish to be favoured with your instructions before we authorize the expenditure of any further Sums on that Account.

Mr. Landon has informed us that, in Consequence of the alarm spread among the Inhabitants of his Division, he finds great difficulty in supplying the Bazar of Arnee with Grain. He therefore suggests, and we take the liberty of recommending, that Grain be issued to the Garrison from the Company's Stores until this General tumult shall have subsided.

Fort St. George
2d. February 1792.

We have the honor to be &c. &c.
signed / William Petrie
David Haliburton
Will.m Balfour.

To William Petrie Esqr.
President &c. Members of the Board of
Gentlemen, Inamed Revenue

Altho' your late Letters apprise me that no immediate remedy can be applied to the trouble daily felt more and more from the Poligars, in particular from

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from Culabama Naig, Shivigurry, Etiapour and Choccum
-patty, yet I think it necessary to Report to you the
Continuance of their disobedience: that the earliest
opportunity to Relieve the Inhabitants from the cruelty
and oppression that assails them, in avarice of ways,
may be taken: I was in hopes the rapid Progress of our
Army towards the Conclusion of the War would have
intimidated these People into Tranquility; but the
consciousness of their crimes seems to Stimulate them to provide
Funds, as the only hope of averting the impending dan
-ger. To this Effect they seize upon the Cattle, Grup-
and other property of the Inhabitants, and only Ransom
them for a Ransom in Ready Money- The Naglepoor
has persisted in his depredations on this and the
Maruwar Country, till the Rajah of Ramnaud
has determined on Retaliation, and to this Effect he
writes me of his intention to Send Troops- He
seems to have persuaded the Shivegurry Polygar
to Co-operate with him against the Naglepour, as
2000 of Shivegurry's Peons are gone that way, and,
in their Route, are Levying contributions from the
Villages- I write to the Shivegurry to desist from these
Broils because no good can come of them, and the

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Circar Inhabitants are sure to bear the Expence of the Expedition.

I have only to add that the Polygars have their Peons in all the Villages, assessing the Inhabitants, and that Cataboma Naig dared to write me that he was only collecting a Batta from them to defray his hunting Expences.

The Village Guards no longer dare to oppose them – nor do the Renters consider themselves safe in requiring it – I should therefore recommend a change of System with Respect to the Revenue Troops; and instead of their present dispersed state, to have them assembled, and to make an allowance to the Renters for country Peons for their Collections – The Guyagundum District has suffered so much from the Polygar demands, that I am obliged to consent to a delay in that Renter's Rent for a few days – and the Board must not be surprised to perceive similar dilapidations in the other Farms, if this spirit of Rapine is not speedily checked.

It is rather unfortunate that Government should have adopted a Regulation with Regard to the Revenue Troops of this district that not only reduces their Strength 150 Men – but is likely to disgust and render the Rest of life Service – This is owing to the General order to Reform the 3 Corps into two – and upon the Establishment of Revenue Battalions by which their Pay it is thought will be reduced to 1 Pagoda instead of 1½ – So much has

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been written and said to trouble Government upon this Score that I have hitherto Refrained from all Representation; but as it is Certain, that the discharged Men go over to the Poligars for Subsistence - and that the Restare ready to follow, I am forced to call your attention to the danger that threatens us - and to request that their oregenal Pay may be con-tinued, and their Numbers at least not deminished - Mr. Irwin had the benefit of 1800 Revenue Sepoys at 1/2 Pagoda P Man, and a Corps of 1000 Armed Peons at 1 Pagoda, to defend the district during his manage-ment - The present Establishment of Military Amounts to 1350 only.

I am sorry to inform you, Gentlemen, that the violent and Continued Rain of this last Monsoon has not only washed away the Repairs Lately made in the Anicut of Murdoor, but Carried off many feet of the old work by the forcing the Masonary in two Seperate places - The Extent of the work, as well as of the breaches is Stated in the enclosed Paper, for your Consideration, as it should undergo a through Repair - This Anicut is the Largest in the District and of most Consequence: it is placed in the form of a Horse shoe in the Center of the River and throws its Streams on each side into the Rich and Fertile Districts of Alvar, Tinnivelly, and Shivegimdeum - but

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a temporary repair may be made, as you will also see, for 2000 Ch.s, yet, as the greater work is not likely to be accomplished under a Mahometan Government. The Company will have the credit and satisfaction of Reckoning this among the permanent benefits they — dispense to the Inhabitants — whatever is done should be ordered immediately —.

I was lately much distressed at a — Shocking murder which was perpetrated near to Tonnoor -ly on the persons of an old and respectable Inhabitant in the Village of Jopaul Jundrum, and his Son; it is thought to be work of the Cowlcarran, in order to revenge himself for some advice which the Man had given to the Renter for the management of his Farm, and unfavora -ble to the pilfering views of the Cowlcarran — The deceased was a man of Property, and much Respected for his Experience and utility; and the murder was most atrociously committed in the Evening as he was setting at his door.

To quiet the minds of the People I got Col.l Clerk to send a Company of Sipoys to the Village; and altho' I have not as yet apprehended the Fugitives I expect to do it in the Course of time; and in the hope that Government may determine on some Exemplary — Punishment.

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I have the pleasure to inform you that your Bill for 30,000 Pagodas in favor of the Nabob, and made payable in January, was discharged on the 15th this month.

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

Signed Benjn Torin
Collector

Tinnevelly
24th January 1792.

A true Copy.

signed J. Webbe
Secy.

Extent and Measurement of the Annicutt in Solid Masonry at Murdoor.

5055. Feet in Length
8 Feet in Breadth
12 Feet in height

This annicutt has been at Different times injured in 6 Places, and to the space of 490 feet, which it is estimated by the Company's Maistry to require an Expence of - - 4553. 6. 27.

The Damage lately sustained, measures, in the two Places, 190 Feet only, and will require . 1970. 8. 21.

This work is indispensable —

Chuckl. 6524. 5. —

signed Benjn Torin
Coll.

Memorandum - No part of the Sum granted by the Board in Fusly 1200 for repairs, was disbursed upon this Annicutt.

A true Copy
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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Board of Assumed Revenue—

The Board are concerned to observe, from Mr. Torin's Representation, that the Polygars in the Tinnivelly District still continue Refractory— they can devise no effectual method, in the present state of affairs, for the Prevention of this Evil; but they entirely approve the manner in which the Collector recommends that the Revenue Troops should be disposed of. In order to guard against misconstruction of the General order alluded to by Mr. Torin,— it is resolved that Letters be written to the Commandant and to the Paymaster at Palamcotah, acquainting the former that the Strength of the Revenue Troops is not to be reduced— and the latter, that their full Pay is to be continued to them.

The opinion given by the Board of Assumed Revenue regarding the Repairs of the anycut is approved.

The Board wish it to be understood, by all the Collectors of the Assumed Revenue, that any foreseeing Demand of cash for the Payment of the Troops must be readily complied with, as far as their means will admit— Mr. Torin acted very properly in Complying with the Solicitations of Mr. Corbett upon this Head.

Agreed to direct the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions to issue as much Grain as can be spared from the Company's Stores, for the Bazar at Arnee.

Read—

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Translation of a Letter from the Nabob Wallajah Bahauder to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Dated 6th Jemaudiwany 1206 Hegrey or 31st January 1792.

Received 1st February - Do -

From the Nabob - repeating his request that the Balance of Jaghire Money may be paid, and that he may be furnished without Delay with the accounts particular of the Collections from his Country ———

On the 28th / Released 1204 Hegrey / 10th August 1790 / you took possession of my Country for the Continuance of the present War - on the 10th Rajeb 1205 / 16 March 1791 / you gave up the Jaghires - on the 24th Rubbussany 1206 / 21 September / at the Instance of my Family, I requested payment of the Balance due from the Jaghires - and on the 24 Thaubar 1205 - / 28th April 1791 / I desired to be furnished with the accounts of the Collections from my Country.

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What can I say more.

Attest Translation
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Persian Translator

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Minute thereon

Agreed to inform his Highness the Nabob that if his Letters have not been immediately replied to, the only Cause that prevented it arose from a wish of transmitting with the Reply, the accounts with which he has desired to be furnished - and that the Board of Ajumid Revenue are now preparing those accounts, which will be sent to his Highness in a few days

Read the following Letter and enclosure from the Resident at Travancor.

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President in Council

Fort St George

Hon̄ble Sir,

From the Resident of Travancore - the Rajah of Cochin promises to make an advance on account of his Tribute for the present Year - enclosing a Letter from that Rajah —

I do myself the Honor to transmit you the accompanying Letter from the Rajah of Cochin - I have the Satisfaction to inform you that I have prevailed on him to make an Advance of his Tribute for this Year, added to the advance for the Rent of the Island of Chitwa will be 1,20,000 Rupees which is to be completed in the Course of thirty days -

The Dutch continue in Hostility against the Rajah, and have plundered all his Effects upon this Island - I wait your Instructions on the line of conduct which is to be pursued by me in this

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Business.

I have the honor to be, most respectfully,

&c. &c.

Cochin
21st January 1792.

/signed/ George Powney
Resident

From the Rajah of Cochin to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

Governor of Fort St George

Dated 20th January 1792.

From the Rajah of Cochin stating the amount of property &c plundered from him by the Dutch expressing his allegiance with the English Company and his Reliance upon them for assistance in relieving him from his present Embarrassments

By a letter which Mr Powney the Resident has addressed, your honor will be informed of the Injustice offered to my by the Dutch Government of Cochin - as that Gentleman has given you a particular account on the occasion, I will only represent to your honor the most material Points.

The Dutch have given protection to Cuncanies, my subjects; encouraged them to commit mischief, and, without enquiring into Circumstances or considering the Freindship sent armed Troops against my Country, and, with a View to reduce me to the pleasure of the Cuncanies employed Troops and Guns against my Palace - I and my subjects submitted to this Mortification, without making any attempts, in Consideration of the League of Freindship Subsisting between the Dutch and my ancestors from former times, and

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with expectation of good terms from Mr Van Angelbeck Govanor of Ceylon, as soon as he arrives here; but in the mean time an Affray happened at the public market so between Cunganies and my Sepoys, which cost lives on both Sides, the Dutch without enquiring into this Circumstance sent Troops from thier Fort and acted against my Palace. Thanks be god, my People obliged the Dutch to Return to thier Fort and saved my Palace and Effects. Mr Powney who was then at Travancor came to me some days afterwards pointed out the Freindship and alliance between the English and Dutch, and request=ed hostilities might cease, offering to act himself as a mediator and see justice done impartially. I chearfully acquiesced and recalled my Troops. The Dutch told me they are equally willing. I have, in Compliance with Mr Powneys desire, furnished him with a paper setting forth every particular of this dispute and the Right I had to treat the Cunganies as my Subjects. Mr Van Angelbeck, soon after his arrival here, without enquiring into the grounds of this disagreable Circumstance or hearking to my Representation, sent Troops and took my Palace. He confined all my Sepoys and Servants, placed his Servants in the Country and collected the Revenues. The Dutch have done not only this, but also plundred a great quantity of my property, a Statement of which is as follows.

Silk

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Silk, Cutneys, Shawls, Brocades, Kemcobs, Blue Cloth
Chay Roots, Elipants Teeth, Cordimum, Wax, Europe Cloth
Parcels, and other Goods and Merchandizes, together with a
Vessel of two Masts, Grain of all kinds plundered Rupus 90000---

Brass & Copper Furniture Looking Glasses Cotts,
Silver and Ivory Cotts, Plates Lamps of my Palace
together with the Jewels Treasure and other property
of the Pagodas plundered . . . . . Rupus 75000---

Tabacco of Summa, Silocauchy and Palacauto
chirry, Cocoanuts and other Articles plundered
from my Warehouse . . . . . Rupees . . 4000---

Rice and Paddy from Mattanchary Cochyenyandy
Pullyvisty, Kundycadavo, also Timbers Candles &c. Rupus- 3000---

Amount of the property of the Inhabitants of Northern
Country such as Brass Furniture, Gold and Silver &c.
lodged in the Palace of Cochin for Safety in the War of
Tippoo Sultaun, and the property of the Individuals of
Cochin . . . . . Rupees 100,000---

The Canarees were my Subjects before the
Establishment of the Dutch here, and always obedient to the
orders of my Circar; but now they are Refractory from the-
-Protection of the Dutch. I am not known by what right the Dutch give
protection to those Rebels and declare war with me
on this account- I wished they would enquire into the
dispute and act prudently. I am not a Tributary to the
Dutch- neither my ancestors nor myself paid them
Tribute

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Tributo, they were established in these parts formerly, to assist the Circar to drive away the Portiguese which was effected through the joint efforts of the Dutch and the Circar, and they have been highly rewarded for that Service - Their agreement was, to live on friendly Terms with the Circar and carry on their Merchandize in these parts of the Coun and that we should assist each other against the attempts of our respective Enemies: while Circumstances were on this footing, my Possessions and Territories encreased but were usurped by others - The Dutch, instead of assisting me were only spectators - Your honor will be convinced of their Conduct when you make an enquiry into it - The Treaty between the Dutch and the Circar is well known to them by which they are to pay me a certain annual proportion from the Collection of the Customs or Duty in the Fort of Pa - I am not to pay them any thing - I have recalled my Troops trusting Mr. Powney's assurance of settling the present dis and sent them to my Northern Country - I never made any attempt to oppose the Dutch when they sent Troops a sec time against me - they acted imprudently with regard to me and Mr. Powney - I am a tributary to the English Comp on whose protection I placed my Confidence for establis me in my rights and Priviledges - I look on the English Company as my Masters, I entered into a written engagement with them to pay an annual

Tribute -

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Tribute.— How can I perform it, if Hostilities are Committed in my Country — My property and Effects have been pundered, my Country has been encroached upon, which has induced me to address this to your Honor, trusting that Justice shall be done, to restore me. I beg leave to Repeat my request, that I may be reestablished in my former Rights and Priveledges — As your Honor is in High Station, what orders you may be pleased to issue, I am ready to obey; that I only wish that Justice may be done, to reinstate me in my Rights and Priveledges, so that the Dutch may be prevailed upon to Return my Property and effects, which have been plundered by them, and relieve me from the present inconveniences — I shall always be happy to hear of your good health.

A true Translation as near as can be from the Original in Malabar.

Signed) Anna Saumy.

Translator.

Minutes on the foregoing Letters

Resolved that Mr Powney be directed to take the first opportunity of remitting the Presidency the amount of his Receipts from the Rajah of Cochin

Ordered that a Copy of the Rajah of Cochin's Letter be transmitted to Lord Cornwallis

Read the following Letter from Major Cuppage.

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

From Major Cuppage appoints Ensign Fitchbourne to the Majr-tancy of the Europeans with his Detachment and Lieutenant Fitzmaurice Leader agents for Prize Money

Herewith I have the honor to transmit you the Copy of an order I published on the 18th Instant: regulating prize money and appointing Prize Agents on behalf of the Detachment.

As soon as the Service on which we are employed is over, the accounts shall be laid before you, and I hope the Honble Board will grant us the same Indulgence they have done the Grand Army.

It being necessary that an Officer should do the Duty of adjutant to the Europeans serving with this Detachment. I have appointed Ensign Fitchbourne to do that duty, and hope the Honble Board will grant him the usual allowance.

All is quiet in this quarter & I propose moving ground the day after to morrow towards Danieen Cottah, more effectually to cover the Pass and to execute any orders I may Receive from Earl Cornwallis

Camp at Sattymungalum
21st January 1792

I have the Honor to be &c. &c.
signed J Cuppage
Majr Comdg.

E. O.

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Camp at Pungar 18th Janr 1792.

D. O. By Major Cuppage

The Officers of the Detachment having Signified a wish that Lieutenant Hall and Lieut F. Wm Madder may be appointed Prize Agents in behalf of the Troops Major Cuppage approves of the same, and directs that so far as relates to Military Stores and Provisions they act conjointly with the Company's Agent Majr of Brigade Bannerman.

The Money received by the Agents is to be lodged with the Paymaster, who is to grant receipts for it, on the Part of the Company, as cash received on account of battle and Grain taken from the Enemy.

Signd J Bannerman

Majr of Brigde

The Board approve the temporary appointment of Ensign Fitchbourne to the adjutancy of the European Corps Serving with Major Cuppage's Detachment; and see no objection to the General order regarding Prize money.

Minute thereon.

Agreed that Lieutenant Hall and Lieutenant Fireworker Madder, Agents for the Detachment, be considered also as acting on Behalf of the Company; Captain Bannerman's appointment of agent having Relation only to the Grand Army.

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Read the following Letter from Mr. Charles Darke

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President &c. &c. &c. of Fort St. George in Council

Hon'ble Sir,

From Mr. Charles Darke - repeating the Sentiments he has already expressed in regard to the Incompetency of the Committee to Effect the purpose of their appointment. and Submitting three different Modes of proceeding for the decision of Government - inclosing Copies of his Correspondence with the Board and the Committee, and requesting that they may be transmitted a Number of the Packet of the next Dispatch -

I should sooner have Replied to the Letter which your Secretary Mr. Jackson did me the Honor of writing to me on the 24th of last Month, and of which I before acknowledged the Receipt, had I not Conceived that the Solicitude you there express for my Supporting the Assertions in my Letter to His Highness the Nabob before the Committee you had appointed, Required, if possible my ready Compliance with your wishes - or if, after mature Deliberation, and the advice and discussion of others, it should appear most prudent and best Suited to answer the Intentions of the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, as well as of your Hon'ble Board, to postpone the Enquiry until it could be brought before a more Competent Tribunal; I thought it at least a Duty incumbent on me from the Respect I owe to you Hon'ble Sir, as well as to the other Honorable Members of the Board, not hastily to adopt this Resolution, and if, at Length, I adopted it, to state to you in as full and Satisfactory a manner as I could the Reasons that have induced me to do it

To

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To that purpose it appears to me necessary to make some Remarks upon the different paragraphs of the Letter which I am now Replying to

It begins with stating that "a Committee "was appointed on the 27th of September last to receive such "proofs and to examine any Witnesses as I might have to "offer. But that, though Repeated applications have been "made to me for that purpose, and although Government "had promised me every Assistance in their Power, that "no progress has yet been made, and that I now came "before you with a proposition for changing the Mode of "Enquiry."-

As I am Convinced, from the usual Indul=gence and Liberality of your Honble Board, that these Expressions are not intended to throw a Censure upon my Conduct, but merely to urge me to an Expeditious - & Performance of the Mode of Enquiry you have recommended - I should not, in Replying to your Honble Board, think it necessary to make any Remark upon them, But as, no doubt, this Letter of the 24th December will form a part of the Correspondence that will be transmitted to the Honble the Court of Directors and may impress them with Ideas, that I have unnecessarily procrastinated the giving in my proofs, altho' as you state it you had promised me every assistance in your power, and

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may imply some Degree of Inconsistency, or, at least, of Levity in my Conduct, in now proposing a new mode of Enquiry, as you are also pleased to state it – I am sure you will forgive me, if I beg leave to recall to your Recollection that, during the whole Course of my Correspondence, both with your Honble Board, and the Gentlemen you have appointed a Committee, I have never hitherto intimated the smallest Idea of Communicating what proofs I had before the Committee you have appointed, or indeed before any Board less Competent to Receive, or Vested with less Authority to act, than either your Honble Board, or some Regular Court of Justice.

And when you informed me, as you did on the 12th October last, through your Secretary Mr Jackson, that I might be assured that every Support I could wish for from Government would be afforded me to enable me to prove my assertions – I did not conceive it to be an unreasonable wish that you Honble Sir, and the other Honble Members of Council, would be pleased to sett as a Branch of Justice, or otherwise as you might be best advised, and that you would, in this Manner, assist me, agreeable to the words of the Paragraph you have sent me, in making a very particular Enquiry into the Circumstances

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contained in my Letter to his Highness the Nabob of the 15th June 1789.

Impressed with this Idea you will observe that, in the three Letters, which form the whole Correspondence I have ever had with the Committee, and which are dated the 10th 12th and 20th of October last, I have constantly informed them that I am addressing your Honor, in Council, upon the Subject of Enquiry; and accordingly I invariably avoided entering upon the Subject with them.— And as a further proof that this was constantly my Intention when your Secretary Mr. Jackson, upon a Report of the Committee, urged, by your Direction, my bringing my proofs before them— My only Reply to this Letter was, an address to your Honble Board, which contains the proposal which you now mention— So that I humbly Submit, I have never, in the least, Changed my original Idea; But, that I have Constantly said, what I now Continue to say, that it is your Honble Board, or some other Board of equal Responsibility, and authority that can be alone competent to investigate the High Important and extensive Charges, that the Honble the Court of Directors have directed may be enquired into.—

Your Secretary proceeds to inform me that, "the Board are sincerely desirous of aiding my Endeavours; but, having already appointed a Committee

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"according to the usual and approved practice, and
"being of opinion that no alteration should take place,
"they trust I shall not have any further objection to
"lay before them the Documents on which my Complaint
"is founded and point out to them the means by which
"I propose to Establish the Proofs."

Far be it from me, Honble Sir, in the Smallest Degree, to doubt the Sincere desires of your Honr and the other Honble Members of your Board to aid my Endeavours, to bring to light these Transac-tions - I certainly do not doubt it, and I hope and trust that your Honorable Board will believe that I am equally desirous of Rendering any Service in my Power to the Honble Company in the Enquiry they have directed; but I must still say, that the appoint-ing of a Committee, however usual and approved the practice may be, and how well soever Imagined as a mode of Enquiry into any improper behaviour of the Honorable Company's own Servants, or other Individuals under their immediate Controul, it cannot be expected to be equally efficacious in the present case, - The Difference of the present object of Enquiry from all former ones, both as to the Magnitude of the Charges, the Numbers that will be involved in it, and the Elevated Rank of the Principal, is by far too obvious for my pointing

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out— To common Cases common Remedies are sufficient, but on great occasions, as the present is, it cannot be expected that any thing can be effectually done without some much more powerfull support than any Committee can afford— between my Situation and that of those I shall have to oppose the Contrast is peculiarly striking— myself a Single Money less Unprotected Individual, involved in Distress, Surrounded by Enemies, persecuted by Clamorous Credetors, pursued by Lawsuits, and in daily dread of a Jail; an Individual too not in the Habits of Legal Investigations, or assisted, or Capable, from Indigence, of obtaining the assistance of those who may be better Informed— How is such a one, without the Strongest Support, to bring to Light Transactions that might eventually annihilate the greatest part of a Debt of upwards of Two Millions Sterling— For a Charge of no very Honorable Nature upon so powerfull an opponent as his Highness the Nabob, and prove, that, while he was openly professing the Sincerest Friendship to the Honble Company, and to the English Nation, he was Secretly their greatest Enemy, by Corrupting their Servants to desert their Duty, and getting them to employ the power they were vested with to Serve the Secret purposes of his own Ambition; and thereby involveing them in

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the late war with Hyderally, which was attended with the loss of so many lives, and so much treasure, and which had nearly ended in their total Extirpation from the Coast of Coromandel - when these Circumstances are considered, I will not allow myself to suppose but your Honor, and the other Honorable members of the Board will readily see the Insufficiency and Inadequateness of any Committee to make the Enquiry directed; and I am Convinced cannot continue of opinion that a Trial is necessary to make it appear defective - Such a Trial Honble Sir, I humbly presume would be not only inefficacious, but, in the Highest Degree, impolitic, and improvident, as it would discover to those whose Interest it is to oppose such an Enquiry, the proofs intended to be produced, and, by that means, furnish them with an easy means of preventing their ever being produced - In the pursuit of every object every unsuccessfull attempt increases the difficulty of future Success: and, in the present pursuit, I humbly Conceive that every feeble Effort to discover the Truth instead of aiding the Enquiry will but serve further to obliterate the still remaining Vestiges of the Facts charged - That such charges are well grounded, I do most certainly

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insist. that if properly supported Such being sufficient Proofs of them I to also insist. But to attempt to prove it in the manner your Honorable Board has proposed to me, I must Certainly decline; and I humbly presume I have already stated sufficient Reasons for doing so - But if I have not; with the utmost Humility, I beg leave to submit to you, whether the next paragraph of the Letter which I have now the Honor of answering does not itself contain a Sufficient Reason for my declining it, for there, your Secretary, by your Honors direction, informs me - "That with Regard to the Witnesses whose "Evidence I may wish to adduce, it is not in the "power of Government to compel them to give Evidence, "much less to force them to attest their depositions "at the Pagoda"

And another Reason is, because that about Ten years ago, the Honble the Court of Directors ordered an Enquiry to be made at Madras of a Similar nature, To No Effect, altho' they directed that a Gentleman of the Law should be sent from Bengal for the purpose of assisting and Supporting The Enquiry - and altho' during the time, Honble Sir, that this Enquiry was on the Carpet, His Highness the Nabob of Arcot addressed a Letter to His Creditors, of which notice was sent Round to them, and many assembled at the Court

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House to hear the Letter Read, as Idid, wherein His Highness told his Creditors, that he had been prevented paying them agreeable to his Engagements by Reason and because, that very large Sums of Money had been extorted from him by Pusons high in Power in the Company's Service.—

Mr. Wooley who had, late before, been the Nabob's Secretary, and one of his Trustees — Declared that he knew of upwards of Twelve Lacks of Pagodas, that had been in a Short space of time Received by one person from The Nabob, and he proposed a Letter of thanks to his Highness for the Information &c. and to desire that his Highness would name who the Persons were, and the Amount so Received from him, and that he would give a power to the Creditors to Recover the Money from them — Mr. Pilling and myself joined Mr. Wooley in the Proposal, which was objected to by a great Majority — and there was no Reply made to the Nabob's Letter, and nothing done by the Meeting — nor was there any thing Established by the Enquiry ordered by the Honorable the Court of Directors, as the mode of Enquiry was Insufficient and Incompetent.

I have in this Manner, Honble Sir, fully Stated to you my Reasons why I decline — adducing my Proofs before the Committee you have appointed

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appointed; and having taken the liberty of pointing out the Insufficiency of the Mode of Enquiry proposed, it may naturally be expected - and it becomes my Duty from the Respect I owe to the Honble Company under whose protection I have so long Lived, to point out some other Means of Investigation, that appears to me likely to prove effectual -

The first which has occured to me is, what I mentioned in my Letter of the 19th December last - I was then given to understand, but it is possible I may have been misinformed, that his Majestys Charter had Vested your Honor and the other Members of your Honorable Board with a power to sit as a Bench of Justices, and to examine into any Complaint that was brought before you, and for that purpose to Compel the appearance of such witnesses as might be necessary, and Swear them in any Manner you thought proper, and Examine them personally before you, and Record their Examinations, and do every other act incident to a Court of Justice, in the same Manner, and with the same authority, as you practise at the quarter Sessions - But should this not be practicable, I submit to your Honor &c. - whether it would not be most expedient to state to the Honble

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the Court of Directors the Difficulties that are likely to arise in the enquiry they have directed, unless some method is adopted Sufficiently competent to carry it into Effect - From the Letters which I have already written, their Law officers in England will be able I presume to Collect a Sufficient knowledge of the Facts to draw up the Charges in such Legal Form as they may think most advisable, and, upon those Charges, I suppose their Council in England may File Informations, and thereon pray a Mandamus to the Mayor's Court here to take the Examinations of Witnesses, and make full Enquiry into the Truth of the Facts in the manner the Act of Parliament Directs - or, if it be true, as it is reported, that a new Court of Judicature is soon to be Established here - and Judges appointed in the same manner as they have been at Bengal, - it is possible the Honble the Court of Directors may think it proper to procure them a Special Commission for that purpose - or, if neither of these should meet with their approbation, they may still think proper, as the Nabob has instituted a Suit against them in the Court of Chancery to bring these Charges against him in the said Court, by Filing a Cross Bill; they may thereupon obtain a Commission to be sent out to this Country to examine into the Truth of the Facts -

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This is, after much consideration of the Subject, what has occured to me as best Fitted to attain the End proposed - which I humbly beg leave to lay before your Honble Board, and pray that it may be transmitted with the other parts of my Correspondence to the Honorable the Court of Directors by the first Dispatch; a Copy of the whole, in my own hand writing, I have the honor to enclose herewith for that purpose; as Separate Number in your Packet.

And I humbly beg leave to assure the Honorable the Court of Directors, through your Honors &c that I shall be, at all times, Ready to forward their wishes to the best of my abilities in any manner that it is at all likely to produce them any Effectual advantage.

At the same time Honble Sir, and Sirs I hope you will urge to the Honble the Court of Directors the Cruel Situation I am placed in by my Distresses - For my present Relief to them, I have the fullest reliance from the humane promise of your Honble Board to me on the 24th December last. But the nabobs Delay in doing so, Severely and Cruelly fail every hour; and the more so, as I have so just a Right to expect it - and I humbly Pray you Honble Sir and Sirs, to be pleased to use your Endeavours

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to prevail on the Honble the Court of Directors to grant me Relief by ordering Justice to be done me by the Nabob, for to them also I must now look up for protection

I have the honor to be with the utmost Respect &c &c

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30th January 1792.

Signed Charles Darke.

Minutes on the forgoing Letter from Mr Charles Darke.

Agreed that the Papers received from Mr Darke, being Copies of his Correspondence with the Board and with the Committee, be transmitted, at his request, a Number in the Packet of the next Dispatch.

Mr Darke having declined to come forward in the Manner pointed out to him, with any Proofs or Evidence in Support of Assertions contained in his Letter to the Nabob of the 15th June 1789. it is resolved that the Committee be dissolved.

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

To W. C. Jackson Esqr

Secretary to the Military Department.

From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions proposing that Rice be issued from the Stores at Poonamallee at the Rate of 35 Seers pr Rupee to the Bunjarries, in order to induce them to resort to that place for Supplies, instead of Vellore and Amboor ——

Sir,

I have received a Letter from Mr Jones Storekeeper at Vellore, stating the necessity of supplying the Garrison with Rice from the Stores, as also the Pettah

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Pettah, with a Supply of one Garce ℔ day to save the People from absolute want;— He calculates the Garrison Supply at 25 Garce of Rice ℔ Month and 30 for the Pettah and, from the Extraordinary lateness of the Season, no assistance is expected from the Crop until the Middle of April.

The Stock of Rice on hand 31st Jany was 40 Garce

℔ Paddy 296½ or Rice say 133 Garce

Total Garce 173 Garce

The Demands of the Banjarries are large, and, altho I am using every exertion to send Rice to Ambore from Arnee and from hence, it is not, I fear, possible to prevent, by that means, considerable delay; which Lord Cornwallis, in his Instructions, seems particularly anxious to prevent. I beg leave, therefore, to propose, in order to induce the Banjarries to proceed on to Coonamal=lee, that an alteration be made in the price of Grain delivered to them, and that it shall be issued at 35 instead of 20 Seers ℔ Rupee.— The apparent loss is great, but in fact there will be a considerable Saving, and I hope this encouragement will be sufficient to overcome their prejudices.— I shall propose, if this meet the approval of the Honble Board, to issue, to those who paid for the Rice in Camp, at the Rate of 17 and 18 Seers ℔ Rupee,

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a quantity equal to the Sum paid at 35 Seers, or return the difference in Cash.

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Sam. G. G.
signed Thom.s Cockburn
Cy. J. G. C.

Minute thereon

The Board entirely approve the Recommendations contained in the foregoing Letter — Resolved, that they be carried into immediate — Effect.

Read the following Letter from

Captain Flint

Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Acting President &c.

Sir;

From the Commandant at Tagar stating the steps he took to intercept the Enemy's Horse on their return from the Carnatic — three men belonging to the Polygar of Tanjanore killed in the Village of Ruttacorchy — cause thereof —

Four days ago Baukee Saib returned to the Neighbourhood of Velleporam. I conceived hopes of intercepting him and nightly stripped the Garrison to make Lieut.t Reid's party two hundred strong: with these, for three nights we lay on the great Salt road and Scoured ourselves during the day. Baukee Saib did not appear till yesterday — he came, with the greater part of his Command, to a Packeri's place within two Miles of Tagar, where he remained a Considerable time: from the top of a very high Hill we observed moving from the Eastward, as soon

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Rydoor, a small party of horse with what Cattle had been collected to the Northward - and soon after halt at Autnahcoorchy, in Several directions parties of three and four horse with Cattle were likewise observed, directing their march to the same Village. Baukur Said, with his horse, took the same direction - but had not arrived at Autnahcoorchy before it grew dusk - at which time those that had reached this place continued there: as it's 18 Miles from Tiagar I had great expectation of finding them there in the Night, particularly as this march must have been very long. Though we set out before Six, we did not get to the Rauthah near town in the Morning, when we could get no tidings of Baukur Said or discover the Road he had taken; I now hear he had information of our being out and continued marching till he arrived at Arloor pretty airy in the attoor district which he did this morning — An accident happened at Autnacoorchy, which I think necessary to make you acquainted with: On our approach to the Village, people were heard talking within - the men sent to examine the place reported a few horse to be picketed there: directions were given to a party of Sepoys to bayonet them, while we Searched for the Rest; those orders were executed on two or three unfortunate men before a discovery was made

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made of those being Sepoys in the Service of the Polygar of Munganore, who had just returned to the Village on finding the horse gone

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
signed W.m Flint
Capt.n Com.g

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27th January 1792.

Minute thereon

Captain Flints Endeavours to intercept the Enemy's Horse on their Return from the Carnatic are much approved.

An advance of 1200 Pagodas to be made to the Military Storekeeper on account of the Manufacture of Gun Powder

Agreed that an advance of twelve hundred Pagodas /1200/ be made to the Military Storekeeper, for the Manufacture of Gunpowder in the present Month.

Chas. Oakeley.

George Parry Esqr

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in MB. Nos. 22. 23. 24.

To the Commander of the Ship Bridgewater

To the Commander of the Ship Bridgewater enclosing a Return of the Troops ordered to embark on his Ship for Negapatam.

To the Commandant at Vellore.

To the Commandant at Vellore informing him that Lieutenant Baillie may be permitted to visit the Presidency.

To the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts.

To the Deputy Comptroller General of Army Accounts enclosing, for his information and Guidance, Copy of a Letter from the Deputy Adjutant General in Camp Dated the 3d. December, with Copies of the Papers to which it refers.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

4th. Sent Letter to the Nabob as entered in CC. No. 119. informing him that the Board only Delayed replying to His Highness's Letter regarding the Accounts Collections &c. in the hope of transmitting with such Reply, the Statements which His Highness has applied for.

Sent the following Letters

To Colonel de Fresne

Knight of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis

Commandant of the French Settlements in India

Governor of Pondicherry &c. &c. &c.

To the Governor of Pondicherry returning acknowledgement for his Explanation of the Case of — Seenivasyengar.

Sir,

I have been honored by the Receipt of your Letter dated the 28th. Ultimo, and beg leave to offer my

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4th my Acknowledgements for the Trouble you have taken in explaining to me the case of Seneavasyengar, who acted very improperly in mistaking the Period when the Division of Property between his Father and Grand uncle took place, and by which I was led to represent the Matter to you.

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

signed Charles Oakeley.

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To Lieutenant Brunton

Deputy Comptroller Gen.l of Army Accounts

Sir,

To the Deputy Comptroller General of army accounts on Explanation required of the Items contained in his last Statement of Outstanding Balances Remarks on the Sums due by Captain Bell and Lieutenant — Frances Cassper —

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 3d Instant, and to desire you will explain fully, for his Information, upon the different Items contained in the Statement of outstanding Balances transmitted by you excepting those relating to Majrs Campbell Willet and Johnston, which have been already decided on by Government.

The Board are at a Loss to conceive what you mean by stating that Captain Bells' Charges "had not been decided on by Government" for it appears that all the Bills of that officer which had come before them had been finally decided

4th decided on; of which, communication was made to Colonel Kapper in a Letter from this Department dated the 12th July 1791. The first Information that the Board received of Captain Bell's Charges from April to November 1790 amounting to the Sum of Seventeen thousand five hundred and Seventy three Pagodas — thirty seven fanams — and eight Cash. was from your Letter of Yesterday — Captain Bell's Charges from the month of April 1790 are to undergo a careful examination, and you will fully report your opinion upon them.

Colonel Kapper with his Letter of the 21st December last, transmitted an abstract List of the Periods to which the Accounts of the Periods to which the Accounts of the Paymasters of Garrisons &c. had been Audited — In this abstract the Board observe that the Barrack Masters Accounts in the three Divisions had been audited to June 1791 — the Commanding Officer's last Statement of outstanding Balances, [illegible] Exception whatever is taken of Lieutenant Thomas Kapper, for Bell Charges and Charges not allowed, amounting to three thousand five hundred and sixty Pagodas, twenty three fanams and twenty three Cash — You will therefore report at what Period these Irregularities in Lieutenant Kapper's Accounts were first discovered.

In future, whenever you discover any objectionable charges, you will call upon the Person Responsible

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responsible for them immediately to refund the amount, without considering it as any part of your duty to wait for Information from other persons, and if your application for a refund be not at once complied with you will lay the Circumstances before the Board.

I am &c. &c.

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Signed W. C. Jackson Secy.

To the Honble Major General Medows

Governor &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

To Major General Medows
- Resolution of the Board respecting the irregular Issue of Cloathing to Men of the 1st. Battalion Coast Artillery —

Our Secretary having laid before us Major Close's Letter to him of the 6th Ultimo, on the Subject of an irregular Issue of cloathing to Men of the 1st. Battalion Coast Artillery not entitled to it, we have resolved, in Consequence of the Circumstances Stated therein, that the Matter shall be adjusted with the Cloathing Contractor, in order to prevent the Commanders of the Corps from being Subjected to any Loss by the irregular Issue which was inadvertently — made during his absence on the Carnatic.

We have the honor to be

with Esteem &c. &c.

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Signed Charles Oakeley
&c. Council.

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

To the Governor General inclosing Copy of a Letter received from the Rajah of Cochin

My Lord,

We have had the Honor to receive your Lordships Letter dated the 22d ult

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4th We beg leave to inclose, for your Lordships —
Information, Copy of a Letter which we have received,
through Mr. Powney, from the Rajah of Cochin.

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We have the honor to be,
with great Respect and Esteem &c. &c.
Signed/ Charles Oakeley.
&c. Council.

Received the following Letter.

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Acting President &c.

Sir,

From the Commandant at Tagar - steps taken in Consequence of Reports that a large body of Infantry is Collecting for the purpose of Dispossessing the Poligars on the frontiers of this strong Holds.

People from Great Salem last night acquaint me near two thousand infantry have Collected there from the Enemies Garrisons with intention, supported by the Horse, of dispossessing the Poligars on our frontier of their strong Holds and afterwards to their force an easier means of surpassing the Eastern parts of the Country and Seize their Retreat - they were under the necessity Sam informed of leaving the greatest part of the Cattle they brought from the Northward behind them on the evening of the 2d. The Nawab of Cherumpore is said to have pick'd up 10,000. many other have great numbers -
The Poligars of Salem and Calicknuttum must abandon their places if not supported. I have requested Cheil Naig to send some of his people to the Westward of Attoor, and have advanced some Money to Krishnah-

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4 =mah Rauze to enable him to collect his people and enter some other part in hopes of diverting their attention and giving them employment at home

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

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31st January 1792.

signed/ W. Flint
Capt. Com.

W. C. Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary.

Sir;

I beg leave to acquaint you that Captain Dalrymple of the 71st Regiment having been promoted to be Major of that Corps from the 8th December 1790. Captain MacIntosh then eldest Captain became entitled to a Share of the Revenue Money as Major from that date to the 30th April 1791. but has been omitted owing to Major Dalrymple's being inserted in the Return as Captain. I beg you will be pleased to mention the circumstance to the Honble Board, & request their permission that the necessary alteration may be made in the Return in Consequence of this promotion in the 71st Regiment.

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

signed/ Alex: Dirom
Depy. Adjt. Genl.

For the deputy adjutant Genual. Arrangement to be made in the Return of Officers entitled to Revenue Money in Consequence of the Promotion of Captain Dalrymple

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5th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in MB. Nos. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43.

To the Chief and Council at Masulipatam

To the Chief and Council at Masulipatam informing them the Board are decidedly of opinion that the French have no Claim whatsoever to the Island lately formed in the River Goradavery.

To Mr. Hugh Boyd

To Mr. Hugh Boyd - informing him that the Board expect there will be no further delay on his part in accounting with the Garrison Storekeeper for the Balance standing against him since the Year 1786.

To the late Paymaster to the Army

To the late Paymaster to the Army - calling upon him for the immediate Payment of the Amount due from him on Account of Provisions Charged in his account Current from March 1790 to April 1791 Viz. Pag. 359. 60. 69

To the Barrack Master in the Center Division

To the Barrack Master on the Center Division - informing him that the Board see no Objection to allowing him the Interest on his Claims for Cash, after deducting the Amount of overcharges in his Accounts, until he is enabled to lay an 8 per Cent Bond.

To Major Pates Commandt. the 2d. Regiment Native Cavalry.

To Major Pates - desiring him to receive Charge from Major Young of all the mounted Cavalry Arrived from Arnee, except one hundred, and proceed to the Neighbourhood of Arnee, for the purpose

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of protecting the Country from the Depredations of the Enemy's irregular Horse — desiring him also, if he judge it adviseable, to appoint a Committee to inspect and Cast such horses now at Vellore under charge of Lieutenant Welson as are not likely soon to recover.

To Major Young Commanding the Cavalry at the Race Stand —

To Major Young — advising him of the Instructions given to Major Pater; and desiring him to deliver over to the Store all the Mounted Horses now at the Race Stand excepting one hundred — and to send to Arnee the 24 Horses belonging to the Different Regiments expected to be fit for Service by the 15th Instant.

To Major Cuppage

To Major Cuppage — approving the temporary appointment of Ensign Fitchbourne to the Superintendency of the European Troops acting with his Detachment — and the General order issued by him regarding Prize Money.

To the Commandant at Palamcotah —

To the Commandant at Palamcotah — informing him that the 9th and 10th Regular Battalions must be in strength equal to the three Battalions before denominated Provincials.

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah —

To the Paymaster at Palamcotah — informing him that such allowances as were drawn by the non Commissioned

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commissioned and Privates of the 9th and 10th Revenue Battalions while acting under the Denomination of Provincials must be continued to them until he receive orders from the Board to the Contrary.

To the Board of Assumed Revenue.

To the Board of Assumed Revenue - approving Mr. Torin's Suggestions in Regard to the Disposition of the Troops in the Tinnivelly District - and the Execution of the Repairs required to the Anycutt - communicating the Intimation made to the Paymaster and Commandant at Palamcotta and informing them that it is the Wish of Government that the Paymasters Indents for Cash on any of the Collectors in order their authority - should be complied with, as far as their means will Admit; and that the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions has been instructed to issue as much Grain as can be spared from the Company's Stores for the Bazar at Arnee.

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, approving the Recommendations contained in his Letter of the 3d Instant, and desiring him to instruct Mr. Wynch to issue as much Grain as can be spared from the Company's Stores for the Supply of the Bazar of Arnee.

To the acting Deputy adjutant General and Town Major

To the acting Deputy adjutant General and Town Major - desiring them to furnish the Military Board with

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with such Information as they may require regarding Government and Garrison Orders.

To the Military Board —

To the Military Board Communicating the sentiments of Government upon the draft of the Contract to be intered into with Messrs Topping and Parry- upon the Bill presented by those Gentlemen for two dyeing Carriages - and upon the Irregular Issue of Cloathing to Men of the 1st Battalion Coast Artillery: informing them that Instructions have been given to the Town Major and Deputy adjutant General to furnish every Information they may require Regarding Government and Garrison Orders - and that the Master attendant at Bengal has been Called upon for the necessary Explanation respecting the Country Boats said to have Landed at that Port

To the Resident at Ingeram —

To the Resident at Ingeram - enclosing Copy of a Report of the Company Jemadar of Stores upon the State in which twelve Bengal Sunkies have arrived from Bengal and desiring him to call upon the Master attendant at that Port for an Explanation of the cause of the apparent neglect therein mentioned

To Lieutenant Parfoy - informing him that the Board are precluded by the Company's Orders from complying with his Request for an advance of twelve Months

To Lieutenant Parfoy of His Majesty's 76th Regiment

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To Messrs Kenworthy and Hawkins

To Messrs Kenworthy and Hawkins - informing them that as Mr Darke has declined to come forward in the Manner pointed out to him with any proofs or Evidence in Support of the Assertions contained in his Letter to the Board dated 15th June 1789 the Board have been pleased to dismiss this Committee -

To the Resident at Travancore - desiring him to take the first Opportunity of remitting to the Presidency the Amount of his Receipts from the Rajah of Cochin.

To the Commandant at Tegar - approving his Endeavours to intercept the Congo Horse in their Return from the Carnatic -

To the Commandant at Vellore - Desiring him to use his Endeavours to prevail on the Sepoy families at Vellore to proceed to Chunglepet, where they may be more conveniently served with Rice from the Public Stores

To Do desiring him to proceed as soon as he conveniently can, to the Presidency, delivering over the Charge of Vellore to the Officer next in Command.

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To the Honble Major General Medows
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Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Vizagapatam recommending the Erection of some Repairs required to the Wall of the Grand Magazine and to the Watchroom and Flag Staffs at the Garrison and on the Dolphins Nose —

The Committee of Stores at this place have laid before us a Letter from Lieutenant Blakemore, Inspector of Works, representing the necessity of completing the Wall around the Grand Magazine, and preparing the Flag Staff in the Garrison and that upon the Dolphins nose, and also of making Repairs to the Watch Room and of erecting a small Room for preserving Colours kept on the Dolphins Nose. The Committee have Concurred in the necessity of performing the above Works

We have also taken the objects abovementioned into Consideration and if the Works mentioned are indispensable, We beg leave to recommend that they be carried into Execution.

As there is not an Engineer at present at Vizagapatam, We desired Lieutenant Blakemore upon whose fidelity and accuracy We could depend, to make an Estimate of the Expence that would attend the Execution of the above works, which he has accordingly done. A Copy of the Estimate is herewith enclosed together

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with a Copy of Lieutenant Blakemore's Letter to the Committee of Stores.

We hope the Honorable Board will acquiesce in these Recommendations, as We are apprehensive if the business be delayed, that the Colours will be entirely spoiled, and the Flag Staffs exposed to the danger of being blown down. As the Wall round the Magazine, must, We conceive, be considered an Object of Consequence

We have the Honor to be, with Respect &c.

Vizagapatam
27th January 1792.

signed John Chamier
J. Cowan

To the President and Members of the Committee
of Fort St George
Vizagapatam

Gentlemen

I think it my Duty to represent to you the dangerous State of the Magazine on the Black Rock near the Fort. The Gunpowder and fixed Ammunition for the defence of the Garrison and District are lodged

The Magazine is built on the side of the Rock about ten feet above the Surface of the Earth - the part most easy of access has a Wall built on it - twelve feet high which is half round the Magazine - the

remainder

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remainder is rather steep and rocky but not sufficiently so as to prevent Cattle of every Kind getting up. The Natives make a necessary under the Walls of it – it is well known that the Chairoot always accompanys them on those occasions.

Probably an accident may never happen from a circumstance of that Sort – but when we consider that this all important Fort has any Right to be blown up by a single enterprising man as the Situation is such that how could be a great probability of his escaping

Gentlemen to be a fact that

all appears upon examination

The Board may see that would

contains so

not necessary for me to

that any precaution

should be taken against possibility of an

accident happening

I beg leave to recommend to the Committee that they will be pleased to examine into the matter, and if it appears to them in that serious point of view that has been represented – that they will immediately lay the Case before the Chief and Council that leave may be obtained to join the Wall, and that two Sentry

boxes

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5th boxes may be built, one at the East and one at the West Corners of the Wall. Two Sentrys being absolutely nessary for the preservation of the Magazine.

I also beg leave to acquaint the Committee of the necessity of repairing the Work round the Flag Staff in the Fort, and that on the Dolphins now the work has been built with Stone and Mud, and Chunamed over the Chunam has dropped off and the Water has got into the Wall and formed several large Cracks which they require new Chunaming.

The Watch room by the Flag staff in the Fort admits the Rain in every part of the Roads and Sponge Cases for the different Sentinels are Kept in the Command Compound, one side of which of the Roof is not Spared.

I have also to mention to the Committee that the Lascars that attend the Flag staff on the Dolphins receive six Rupees Yearly. I could not for the purpose of preserving the Colours &c. but as I have found the Buildings not adequate for the purpose, I take the liberty to recommend to the Committee that they will endeavour to obtain leave of the Chief and Council to build a Small Room nine feet by six in the clear. the walls to be six feet high - with an arched Roof this will answer every purpose, and will be but a trifling expence.

I am &c. &c.

signed J. Blakemore.

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January 1792.

A true Copy.
signed J. C.

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5th Joining the Walls Round the Magazine on the Black Rock 57 Yards Long 9 Feet High.

Probable Materials

65000 Wall Bricks and Cooly hire ℔ᵗ. at 4ˢ ℔ᵗ. Mill	26 .. ..
20 Garce of Chunam	300 .. ..
2 Candy 16 Maunds of Jaggary	80 .. ..
Artificers Cooly ℔ᵗ	300 .. ..
	940 .. ..

Making new Steps from Magazine to the Top of the Black Rock for Lugging Powder

Probable Materials

15000 Wall Bricks	60 .. ..
8 Garce of Chunam	90 .. ..
12 Maunds of Jaggary	24 .. ..
Artificers Cooly hire ℔ᵗ	160 .. ..
	364 .. ..

Probable Materials

17000 Wall Bricks	68 .. ..
8 Garce of Chunam	120 .. ..
16 Maunds of Jaggary	32 .. ..
Stones for Foundation	10 .. ..
Artificers Cooly ℔ᵗ	180 .. ..
250 M.ᵒ of Bricks and Cooly hire ℔ᵗ. at 12ˢ. 8ᵈ. ℔ᵗ Mill	3 .. 2 ..
	413 .. 2 ..

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Brought over ..... 1717. 2. "

To Repairing the Watch House by
the Flag Staff in Fort.

Probable Materials.

2 Garce of Chunam	30. " "	
4 Maund of Jaggery	8. " "	
6000 Tiles and Coleyshire &c. at 1. 3. 4 ℘ Mill.	7. 4. "	
12 Bundles of Pandels	1. 8. "	
1 Maund of Coir Ropes	1. " "	
10 Palanda Wallaroos	2. 8. "	
2 Large Country Board for Plank	1. " "	
2 ℔ do. do. for Timber	4. 8. "	
½ Maund of Bamboo Poals	3. 8. "	
1 ℔ 4 Penny Nails	1. 4. "	
1 Maund of Iron	2. 10. "	
Artificers Coolys ℔	50. " "	124. 2. "

Repairing the Work Round the Flag
Staff on the Rock.

Probable Materials

6 Garce of Chunam	60. " "	
2000 Wall Bricks	20. " "	
3 Maund of Jaggery	16. " "	
Artificers Coolys ℔	70. " "	166. " "

Building a House in the Dolphin
Nose 40 Feet Long and 6 Broad with
Chunam and Tiles for the use of
Preserving the Stores

Probable Materials

15000 Wall Bricks	60. " "	
1 Garce of Chunam	105. " "	
Carried Over	165. " "	2007. 4. "

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Brought Over	165.. ..	2007. 4..
13 Maund of Jaggery	26.. ..	
2. Country Timbers	4.. ..	
1 Do. Beam for Planks	6.. ..	
1 Maund of Iron	2.. 10..	
Artificers Cooley &c.	150.. ..	353. 10..

Repairing the Works Round the Flag Staff at Dolphins Nose.

Probable Materials

Wall Bricks	16.. ..	
Beams & Planks	45.. ..	
Battens & Jungles	12.. ..	
Cooly Attendance	50.. ..	
Large Timber to Fasten	24.. ..	147. ..
		2507. 14..

Vizagapatam
24th January 1792

To the Honble Sir Archd Campbell Bart Governor &c &c &c Fort St George

Sir

I have received your Letter of the 22d Instant informing me, that the Board at Madras, have represented to you, that I have declined rendering them my assistance in adjusting their disputes with the Chief

From the Resident at Ingeram - Extract on the Representation made to Government by the Chief and Juncil at Masulipatam of his having declined any Interference with Adjustment of their Disputes with the Zamindar of Ingeram.

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5 Chief of the French Factory, at Yanam.— The information they have given you, Honble Sir, and Sirs, is erroneous; I did execute, to the utmost of my power, and as soon as I was able, the busines they wrote to me upon.— Had those Gentlemen been attentive to their own duty, instead of searching for Complaints against others, and given proper notice to Rajah Jaggapaty Rauze that the Island to the East of Yanam had been delivered to the French, which was their particular duty, the Northernd part of M.r Sompets encroachment never had been made

I remit my Honble Masters &c, with the utmost deference and respect to yourselves, that if on my Return of Colonel Clerk as the District Subordinate to Ramchundrapore I am removed from the Charge of the Factory, I most respectfully be at a stand, and in justice to myself that on such occasion you will permit me to retain my Investment, or a part of it, to the time as taken up, which on an average I reckon six or seven Holidays.—

I have the Honr to be, with the greatest Respect,

Honble Sir and Sirs,

Your most obedient Servant.

Signed Matt.w Yeats

Ingeram
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6. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mis. No. 45. 46.

To the Secretary at Bengal — To the Secretary at Bengal — enclosing Extracts of advices from the British Embassador at the Porte to the Resident at Factory Bussora, received from the Secretary at Bombay.

To Do. — To Do. enclosing two Letters for the Governor General received from Hei Nabob —

Recommending the undermentioned Letters as entered in Mis. No. 45. 46. 50. 51. 52.

From Lieutenant Gordon of the Bengal Cavalry — To Lieutenant Gordon — requesting that a Sum may be provided by government for himself Horse

to transport him to Bengal with all expedition when the Regiment embarks for Bengal

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly — Letter from the Commandant at Trichinopoly

Letter from the Commandant at Trichinopoly enclosing Letters from the Collector in the Northern Division of the Ceded Provinces

From the Collector in the Ceded Divisions of the Guntoor Province — From the Collector in the Northern Division of the Guntoor Province requesting assistance in Rice from Ingeram to Ongole

From the Collector in the Northern Division of the Guntoor Province — From the Collector in the Northern Division of the Guntoor Province representing the great scarcity of Grain

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6. Grain in the Districts under his management - and the Causes thereof.

From the Commandant at Chengliput

From the Commandant at Chengliput stating that fifteen of the Supernumaries have refused to receive Pay or do Duty in the Garrison.

From the Collector in the Eastern Division of the Tanjore Country.

From the Collector in the Eastern Division of the Tanjore Country - advising of his having dispatched to Mr. Garrow Paymaster at Tanjore the Sum of 12000 Star Pagodas

Received the following Letters.

Hospital Board.

6th February 1792.

From the Hospital Board Submitting Copy of a Letter from Mr. Kincaid regarding the Payment of the Bills for the Sick of the Detachments of the 72d and 75th Regiments

The Refer to Board having Communicated to Mr Kincaid Surgeon, the orders of Government for the Adjustment of his Claim against the Honble Company on Account of the Sick of two Detachments of His Majesty's 73d and 75th Regiments, Leave was Given to Forward to Govt. the Accounts, and a Copy of the Letter he has transmitted in consequence

Signed/ Sam.l Anderson
Physician General
W. Raine. acting Chief Surgeon
W. Duffin Head Surgeon

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To James Anderson Esq.r

Physician General President and Member of the

Hospital Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the Honor of acknowledging the receipt
of the orders of the Honble. Governor in Council, relative
to the [illegible] 73d and 75th Regiments for
[illegible] Judiciary, in obedience to
which, I have now transmitted you herewith inclosed
the Bills [illegible] constitute, and request the favor of your
[illegible] to be forwarded to Government. I have
[illegible] in seperate Bills, each containing
[illegible] Vouchers
[illegible] allowance
[illegible] work may be
[illegible] 5th of October 1791.
[illegible] Establishment, [illegible] allowance to Cadje
[illegible] Board of the day
[illegible] for Judiciary
[illegible] allowance
[illegible] proportion of two thirds
of the [illegible] to the orders of the 5th of October
must therefore be intended to direct the Method of
Drawing the allowance for Troops Embarking for

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6. distant Service, as well as for those Disembarking from Europe.

The Hospital Charges from the 21st of October, at which time the Genral allowance ceased, up to the end of January 1792 are made out in the way I make my charges against the Surgeons of Regiments with the Grand Army for Bullocks for Cattle and Servants for Dooly Bearers for Medicab Disbursements for them attended in Hospl and this mode will be ordered to charges any of those Regiments may be in Hospital from absent Sick, also out an Abstract of the whole cost

Poonamallee
January 5, 1792

I have the honor to be &c &c
Signed J Kennedy
Surgeon

To The Honble Charles Oakeley Esqr
Chief
Fort St George

From the Commandant at Tanjore — Intelligence regarding the movements of the Body of Horse under the Command of Bauker Saib —

Sir

I Dacoits reported to be encamped have only the Body of Horse now left towards Madura last Month there were sent forward for a similar service they were in the Ranjengeir District the night before last, most people report them to have returned to

Dr Co

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Arrow fed dy Army. I cannot discover where they are, but Suspect them to have made a long march during the night towards Furdackullum.

Tiagar
2d February 1792.

I have the honor to be &c &c
Signed/ Wm Flint
Captain Comg.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
President on Council &c
Honble Sirs

From the Office Commanding at the Mount - requesting Permission to appoint five Serjeants and five Corporals in addition to those belonging to his Corps

I have the honor to address you on the subject of my Situation at the Mount of some importance to me which I trust will be deemed worthy of your - consideration

I have at present upwards of two Hundred and Fifty Recruits at the Mount belonging to the Artillery not yet drafted to the Battalion divided into Five Squads of Fifty Men each, which requires at least Two Serjeants and two Corporals to each Squad, to carry on the Regimental Duties I have at present only Five of each Rank, from which I find a great Inconvenience in regulating the Interior Management of so many Men who are the Growth of the last Season; and Men of this Description require Rather a larger proportion of Officers and Non-commiss

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[illegible] Commd officers than Regular Established Corps I humbly request the Honble Board will so far Indulge me as to permit me to appoint Two Serjeants and Five Corporals in addition to those I have, which will allow me two of each Rank to every Squad.

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

Fort St George
February 6th 1792

Signd R. Tutt
Major Comg.
the Mount.

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

Hon'ble Sir

I beg leave to address the Honble Board respecting the Cantonment I have the Honor to Command at St Thomas's Mount — having never received any particular Instructions as a Guide for my Conduct in the Event of the approach of an Enemy in Force, I beg leave to be Honord with your Commands on such an Event; it would be unnecessary for me to point out that the open situation of the Cantonment is not calculated, to be Defended against any considerable force may appear in that Quarter I further beg leave to observe that I have not

Fourth officer Commanding at the Mount — applies for Instructions for his Conduct in the Neighbourhood of the Mount and for Permission to Expend an Extraordinary Draft Bullocks

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the means of moving a Single Gun, if it should become necessary to do so, but by Hand, having no draught Bullocks stationed at the Cantonment, which I was desirous of having, at least for two Guns and two Tumbrils; and had the Honor of laying an Indent for that purpose before you, through the Channel of Major Gomonde, who informed me that you thought them unnecessary.

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

signed R. Tatt

Major Com.

Mount
February 6th 1792

Substance of a Letter from Vencatalow Claimant for the Sophindarship of Arnee

7 Received a Letter from Vencatalow / as entered on 6th Inst. / Requesting that a monthly allowance may be settled upon him, and that all Receipts from the Sayer of Arnee may be given in the Company's Cash Book, & the Receipts claim shall be finally adjusted.

At a Consultation

Present

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Acting President

William Petrie Esq.

The Honble Major General Medows

absent upon Service

Tuesday
7th February 1792.

John Huddleston Esq. absent indisposed.

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Minutes of last Consultation Read and

approved.

Read the following Letter from Lord Cornwallis

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From Lord Cornwallis's opinion regarding the Disposition of the Cavalry remaining in the Carnatic - wishes that Colonel Braw should be ordered to the Presidency - observations on the arrears of Pitcherah Due to the Nizam ———

I have received your Letter dated the 20th 21st and 22d Instants

The augmentation of thirteen Battalions at the Presidency must [illegible] I have some doubts — as to the Corps which you Letter Records by your Proposal to reduce the number of the Cavalry to [illegible] Regiments, will leave the remain- der more than sufficiently [illegible] but [illegible] body of Horse consist- ing of [illegible] and the [illegible] of those sort of Troops, and letting go their retreat would alarm them more than the certainty of a large Army being in their Land

I have not much knowledge of the — characters

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characters of the Colonels and Field officers on your establishment, but I think it would be convenient that you should have some officer of rank on the spot, to communicate his sentiments to you when required, to execute your instructions, and to regulate the details of the different Posts, and, from what I have heard of Colonel Bruce the Senior officer in the centre Division, I do not conceive that he would be as proper a person for that station as you could select

I have learnt with great concern from Sir John Kennaway that the execution of the agreement with the Morattoes cannot have been taken by the Government Circar to discharge the Nizams Peshcush, and that on account of the Cooties Guntoor remains in arrear.

I enclose a Bill drawn by Lieutenant Colonel Kelly upon the Paymaster at Vellore in favor of Captain Wm Lloyd for [illegible] Rupees, which I request you will cause to be paid.

I am Sir
Your most obedient humble servant
Cornwallis

Captain Wm Lloyd
January 29th 1792

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

From Lord Cornwallis
Remarks on the Letter
from the Nabob to
the Late Chancellor of the
Exchequer - dispatched
within twenty Miles of
Seringapatam on the
2d Instant

I received a few days ago a Strange absurd letter from the Nabob on the Subject of the late — incursion of the Cooties, saying that he had the means

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and that he would defend his country, that he should
like himself the Nabob Ginnah, serving under Lord —
Cornwallis, with a great deal of nonsense of this kind
I do not mean to answer it, nor should I
have thought it worth mentioning to you, if I had not
supposed it possible that you might have heard an
erroneous account of it from some other quarter.

We marched about 6 3/4 Miles this day,
and shall proceed about eight more tomorrow, when
we shall be within twenty Miles of Seringapatam.

By today's dawn our line to the Nizam's
Son and Hurdar and the Mahratta Chiefs, and if
it did not make a strong impression upon them,
they acted [illegible] as usual.

I shall transmit tomorrow Copies of the
Letters which Mary Ann and myself have received
from Sydney, during which there was any Capitulation
at Coimbetore or Palacatcherry.

I am with much attachment &c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

Orders have been already issued to Major
Yonge to carry into execution the Earl's arrangements
Recommended by Lord Cornwallis [illegible] to Colonel
Bruce to proceed to the Presidency.

Agreed.

Camp on the south bank of the Pedaroor river 10 miles South of Coloorchoor Feb.y 1. 1792

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from Lord Cornwallis

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Agreed to inform Lord Cornwallis of the Contents of the late Letter from the Supreme Council on the Subject of the Nizam's Tankwah

Ordered that a Copy of his Lordship's Letter of the 1st Instant be immediately transmitted to Bengal

Read the following Letter from Major General Abercrombie

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Senior Member of the Secrecy and the Gentlemen of the Board at Fort St George Madras &c &c &c

Honble Sir and Gentlemen

I have the honor of yours of the twenty

From Major Genl
Abercrombie acknowledging
the Receipt of the Board's
Letter of the 22d Ult.

Camp near Coimbatore
the 29th of January 1792

Sir Your Letter will give direction

My Honored Masters to have Colonel

Orders to the Cipher Dispatches, could

be ordered to the Post

Coimbatore is to be

Cornwallis, Captain Baillie

Orders are

by the Dublin.

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

Signed Wm Abercrombie &c &c

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Read the following Letter from the Reverend

Mr. Swartz

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council &c.

Honble Sir and Sirs,

From the Reverend Mr. Swartz - Submitting an arrangement proposed by the Rajah relative to the Restoration of the Money received from the Inhabitants

I have been Honored with your Honors' Letter of January 22d Covering that Negoja Leave of his Excellency to reperuse it & communicate the Contents of it.

I was directed to wait upon Comdt Agnew with the Answer of the Hon'ble Board respecting the Sum of Money which His Excellency had collected from the Inhabitants of the Country

I returned & delivered that it was agreeable to the Inhabitants & myself to be employed in the Negotiation

Hon'ble Board

His Excellency

I was directed to wait on

Comdt Agnew

I returned & delivered that it was a fee

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to collect any part of the Sum promised by the Inhabitants.

That His Excellency was willing to restore the money, which he had received, and to pay it himself to the Inhabitants - to ascertain the Payment he would demand a Receipt from them, and to have those Receipts sent by me to the Honble Board.

That if his Excellency allowed to have that Sum deducted from his fifth part of the Revenue, it would be a great disgrace to him.

That if the sums received by His Excellency could really be spared, a method might be found out by means of which all disgrace could be prevented.

Having Read desired to lay this new scheme before the Honble Board, which I could not decline.

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

Tanjore
February 3^d 1792.

Signed B. F Swartz.

Agreed to inform Mr Swartz that the Board have no objection to the Plan suggested by the Rajah provided the money be repaid by his Excellency to the Inhabitants on his Revenue.

Read the following Letter from the Honble Commodore Cornwallis.

To.

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To the Honble the Governor in Council

Madras

Sir,

From Commodore Cornwallis representing the Conduct of Comr De St Felix Commander of the French Squadron

I have no doubt, but that you will already have heard of the French Frigate La Resolue having fired two Broadsides into, and Continued engaging His Majesty's Ship Phœnix, upon Sir Richard Strachan, Her Captain, having endeavored to speak two French Merchant Ships, agreeable to a Signal made by me for that purpose. Monsieur De St Felix who commands the French Squadron in Pondr Bay, was expected every day after the last, I therefore was unwilling to communicate this Circumstance to him until His arrival, hoping that the Rash and inconsiderate Step of an individual (contrary to the practice of Nations) would have been thereby disapproved by me. But I am sorry to say that falling in with him on the fourth instant in Night, between Cockiel and the Sacrifice Rock, and firing at a great distance, and very wide, to stop that I wanted to speak the Ship, without knowing what ship it was, the Captain sent the Officer sent on board, that if I had fired again He would immediately have fired a Broad side into the Minerva; And afterwards upon hearing

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of what had happened to the Rondeau, He forced a Shot to make her hoist the Colours she had been obliged to strike to the Phanix, and said He would cruize, and if I found to stop a French Ship. He would immediately consider it war.

I have however the pleasure to say that He has not been able to put those violent measures [illegible] Men having, as I am informed, [illegible] in so unjust a cause, and his [illegible] with him the other Days [illegible] I confirm it. — I have — [illegible] that I might be better able to inform you of what

Monsieur
Fullerton
19th Jan.

[illegible] to be &c. &c.
Cornwallis.

Minute

[illegible] to Commodore —
[illegible] acknowledgments for the
[illegible] pleased to
[illegible] Conduct of Monsieur —
[illegible]

Read the following Letter from the
[illegible] at Bombay.

William

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William Collins Jackson Esqr

Secretary

Fort St George.

From the Sub Secretary of Bombay inclosing extract of Advices from the British Embassador at the Porte to the Resident and Factor at Beyorah.

Sir,

I have the Honorable Boards orders to inclose, for your Governments information, Extracts of Advices from the British Ambassador at the Porte to the Resident and Factor at Beyorah received from thence this morning.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Bombay Castle
18th January 1792

Signed Nathl Edwd Hornis
Sub Secy.

Extract of a Letter from Sir Robt Ainslie to the Resident and Factor at Bagdad dated 22d Sept 1791.

"I have, contrary to custom, kept you in the dark with respect to the measures I have taken for the real intention of the Ottoman Court, and your Instructions, that you should be informed of every thing as it occurred for transmission to your immediate Court of employment. The Naval Preparations, for example, still continue, by my last advices, although the ostensible Armament, as was on the north, exists no more. At this date

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of suspense and the certainty that intelligence from the fountain head had been transmitted by land as well as by sea to India, added to incessant occupations, which, contrary to my wishes, have forced me to neglect my usual Correspondence.

God be thanked the definitive Treaty of Peace with the Emperor was signed the 4th ultimo. The Mediation of Great Britain Prussia and Holland ratified the Ratifications exchanged the 23d. The basis is the strict status quo ante bellum. An armistice for 8 Months has already been agreed with Russia. Preliminaries signed and Congress now assembling at Moscow, in we have reasonable hopes that a General Peace will soon be concluded without further effusion of blood. Interference by the Empress Catherine and that part of Bandgrae Lays situated between the Rivers Bog and Niester. Russia is entirely & finally reduced in point of Credit, population and influence, so upon the whole the Porte has got better than could have been expected out of a most alarming and Critical Situation. France continues in the same state of Anarchy and Confusion. The Royal Family under constraint with Civil War and a National

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Bankruptcy staring in his face. The Revolution in Poland,
altho' it has liberated them from Russian oppression, is not
compleat so as to remove all fears of Civil Disorders. How is
it possible to say how far, and where the French Expidency
may break out and make a Progress. Such, Gentlemen,
is the present State of Countries, and I shall continue to
keep you advised of what passes here, where the Peace
continues with some violence at the [illegible] Publick
Rejoicings for the first born Child of his Reigning
Prince, a Boy, which is four and twenty in his pregnancy.

Minute thereon

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

From the Paymaster General to the Kings Troops requesting that some allowance may be granted him instead of the Distribution of the Company's allowances to His Majesty's Troops &c that his application may be referred to the Honble Court of Directors

Sir and Brother

I am to thank you for your very obliging
condescension to my request of [illegible] to the Honble
the Court of Directors. all the letters I have lately troubled
you

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you with upon the Subject of that Security which it
was your Pleasure that I should enter into, for the
just and fair discharge of the Company's allowance
to the King's Troops, which have passed thro' my Office.

I submissively urge, that I had imagined
that the Terms which had given me the Honor to engage
for any fair and just Demands of all the duties that
[illegible] the King's Troops
[illegible] themselves as engaged
[illegible] to do that could
[illegible] such certainly were
[illegible] the judgement of
[illegible] taught me to relinquish
[illegible] and
[illegible] I humbly beg leave
[illegible] I find
[illegible] I have
[illegible] troops in
[illegible] any
[illegible] able by salary or
any emolument whatever. It has for been your
[illegible] such I readily submitted, that I
should give Security for the fair and just discharge
of

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of your allowances to the Kings Troops. I do not in
on the least affect to complain of this as an hardship.
I trust that the attention of my industry will prevent
that engagement, from proving itself a loss to me. I need
not to your Honor use any words to prove, that the
numerous scraps of Paper which are the Vouchers for
the Payment of the Allowances immediately increase
the Bustle that any Office [illegible] in discharging [illegible]once
in the Month [illegible] of the Kings Troops. the
duty [illegible] a matter of
[illegible] but for the safety
of the [illegible] I beg to give me
[illegible] the Company allow
[illegible] of
papers [illegible] for
[illegible] the [illegible] of the
[illegible] figure
[illegible] of my
[illegible] I cannot
to your Consideration [illegible] me cannot be single
instance in the [illegible] Company's Service perhaps
in any Service, where an Officer is bound in an
heavy penalty, for the performance of intricate duties,
attended

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attended with Risks that no caution, attention, or industry may preserve him entirely clear from, and that yet no Salary or emolument whatever should compensate his trouble or his Risk.

I am not to affect an ignorance of the delicacy the Honble Board may feel upon the Appointment of new Sailors all therefore that I humbly request is, that for my protection may make a paragraph in your publick letter to the Honble the Court of Directors for I presume not to address them but thro' your Honrs Book.

Your Honrs are acquainted with all the Circumstances that have attended my official situation in India, My humble attention may Honble Sirs have attracted the notice of the Court of Directors Board, for you have permitted me to make some of my personal Interest known to many of their Servants, since the establishment of the Office

Lord Macartney, under whose administration of Kings Duty first established, was pleased to noticed the fees of my office to the amount of the Kings Subsistence. I must always believe that it is a general Convenience that the Kings

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Troops should not be obliged to run to different offices for different payments; I persuade myself too, that the mode of keeping the accounts Regimentally, as is the practice in the Kings Pay office, affords the readiest possible information to His Majesty, or to the Honble Company's Servants, before the most distant departure [illegible] that they always pay to authority's immediately acquiesced in the mode prescribed by Lord Macartney.

Early in the Administration of Mr. Davidson the Public Treasury of Madras applied to the Attorney General of Bengal to take upon themselves decently and properly the discharge of the whole expence of the Marine Establishment.

I had then, thought it my duty to address the Governor General, to solicit this discharge may [illegible] be taken to the Crown, upon the Parliamentary Agreement between the Crown and the Company.

Governor Cardew was so good as to give me an introduction to the Government Journal by a Letter that was very favorable to me and which will be found upon your records.

The Bengal Government was pleased at the same time, to accept of proposals from me, for the remittance of the Amount of that expence, under the

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the pleasure, order and perfect directions of the
Honble Presidency of Madras, who had authority
at their pleasure to call for the last farthing, and
to pay the Money in such proportions, and to
such persons as to them seemed fit. Nor was I
subject to any expence upon any
such account, there being Fees expressly
established by Law on every Act, Instrument whatever
and Courts
of the Kings Troops
ceased to
for the Company
were
could
or
advised I trust any natural
reason for my applying for a Compensation
at the Origin[al] institution of the Tribble for
which I might claim it. I will not deny the

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when that benefit ceased, that I was encouraged to
continue the trouble without troubling you with any
application for an immediate compensation, by no
object so confidence, that whenever my case came to
be understood, the liberal justice of the Company —
would not think [illegible] that I should
hope for [illegible] many years labour
[illegible] Salary, shorter myself that
I have done my duty to the Expectation of the —

[illegible] Indian
[illegible] and submission to
[illegible] hope I may [illegible] to say that
[illegible] engage
[illegible] Considerable
[illegible] not expect
[illegible] Honble Board,
[illegible] Directors
[illegible] they should
not [illegible] with [illegible] willingly
submit, and [illegible] with no slight
compensation for the labour I have taken in your
Service, that I have had the credit of doing my duty

to

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to the Satisfaction of the Government under whom I

have had the honor to act

Camp Aroor Droog

24th January 1792.

I am, with great respect and esteem &c.

Sign'd William Burke —

Minute on the foregoing Letter from Mr Burke.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be transmitted to the Honorable Court of Directors.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter from the Gentlemen

To Richard Jackson Esqr

From the Gentlemen

stating the Sum to be

to answer the Draft

of the Office in favor

of Mr. John

Audit

Sir

I have the honor to acquaint you with

that the

Honorable

Auditor

the Difference between

Pagodas and 5 Fanams per 100 Fanams

Charge by him on the Number of Pagodas

Charged by him from October 1782. Till

December

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December 1784. Agreeably to the direction of
the Commissioners of Accounts dated 15th
December 1786 . . . . . 389. 17. —

Do. the Difference between the price of . .
2 Yards Broadcloth upon Entry to 2 pr chargers } 8. 16. 52
from December 84 to March 785 .

Pardos. 397. 33. 52.

Madras
4th February 1793.

Memde Sworn

W. C. Jackson Esqr

Secretary

To the Hon.ble Sir Archd. Campbell Knt.
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

From the Military Expenditure Account for Expending Ammunition to open Several Heads in the Books of this Office and applying the Amount of the Stores Advanced by Mr John Hennaway to Major Montgomery

Sir,

Agreeable to the Permission of Government to open the following Heads on my Books "Nabobs "Assumed Revenues" which Account is to be debited for

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To

for the Expences of the Troops Employed in Collecting the

Revenues in the Nabobs Districts.

"Tanjore assumed Revenue" which amounts to

to be Issued to the Troops employed in Collecting the

Peymaster Collector

Madura" Angole"

Trichinopoly"

Sepoys" who are

from them.

credit

Establishment existing

with the Advance

Monthly

the Credit on

Sir John Kennaway for

made by him

to whom

Esqr. &c.

Resident

M.B.9

Minute of Consultation

that the different Heads recommended by the Military Paymaster General be

joined in his Books.

Agreed

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the Acting Resident at Hydrabad be desired to furnish the Statement required by the Military Paymaster General.

Read the following Letter from the Board of

To the Honble [illegible]

[illegible]

From the Board
[illegible]
Transmitting
Recommending the
a Double Share
Trichinapoly
[illegible]
Granted to the
of Grain
for the

Share

[illegible]

Repeat
it has
of the Letter

Lodged

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lodged.

We have the Honor to be &c &c

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5th February 1792.

Signed H. Petrie
Dav.d Anderson
Geo.e Balfour

Agreed that the foregoing Orders be sent
Minute thereon

to the Governor &c Fortinopoly to Deliver up to the
Keeping of the Prisoners Guard

Read Letter from the Military
Secretary

Read Letter from the Military Auditor General dated
this day

Read Letter from the Governor &c dated
this day

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the 7th February 1792

Sir

I have the Honor to lay before you my
Account of Subsistence with Vouchers for the Month of
November last, and I request you will be
pleased to direct the Money to be paid, as
usual

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

Jos. Dupre
Major
Commg Artillery

The

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Dr. The Honble Company in Account Current with Josias Du Pre Porcher Military Storekeeper Cr.

1791 Decr.	1.	To Balance brought from last Month account Current	5422	19.50	5478	19.19	1791 December	3d By Cash Received from the Company's Treasury	36000	1,000
	31st	To the Amount of Military Stores Purchased this month in particular	12414	88	12438	22		5 By Do. Do. Do.	4255	23.34	4255	23.34
		To the Amount of Military charges as per account particular	243	19.20	956	2.20		8 By Do. for Stores sold to his Majesty's Squadron in Sept. last	706	26.30	706	26.30
		To Stores bought of Imports Warehouse keeper	1448	41.10	1449	5.10		12 By Do. for Stores sold to Sundry Persons this month	55	20	1	19.20
			19533	36.14	20367	13		By Cash to be transferred due to the Imports Warehouse keeper for Stores bought of him this month	1448	41.10	1449	5.10
		To Bill to Paid in Exchange for Pagodas at fall of [illegible]	[illegible]	270	[illegible]	2.60			6409	36.14	7413	2.14
								By Bills [illegible] for [illegible]	215		215	
									6624	36.14	7628	2.14
								By Balance due from the Company	12909	19.46	12909	19.46
		Pagodas	19533	36.14	20537	21.60		Pagodas	19533	36.14	20537	21.60

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E. C.

pr. signed Jos. Du Pre Porcher

M.Y. Storekr.

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Ordered that the Sum of Pagodas twelve thousand nine hundred and nine - nineteen fanams and forty six Cash P12909.19.46 being the Balance due to the Military Storekeeper on his account current to the Month of December inclusive be discharged

from the Treasury Cittoor upon the Deputy Comptroller

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Diary

Of the Proceedings

of the Detachment

of the Bengal Army

under the Command

of Lieut. Colonel Kelly

from the 1st

of January 1792

to the 28th

of February following

inclusive

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Deputy Adjutant General regarding the promotion of Captain Dalrymple; and desiring that the necessary Alteration may be made in the Return of Staff Officers entitled to a Share of the —

Memorandum

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly

To the Commandant at Trichinopoly

To the Commandant at Chingleput

To the Commandant at

that
Lieut. the Officer whose

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time of Service is expired will be sent to England by the Ships of the present season — and that the Board cannot allow of any deduction in their Pay how they may be employed in the Duty —

To the Acting — President & Hydrabad

I am directed by the Governor in Council to forward to you the inclosed Copy of a Letter from the Paymaster General, with the Returns of the Detachment of Artillery which marched from hence to Hydrabad in the month of [illegible] last, for the purpose of being delivered to the Commanding Officer of the Artillery at that Station —

To the Honble Paymaster General

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To the Honble

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To William Collins Jackson Esqr

Secretary

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8th Probable Estimate of Receipts from the 1st of February to the 30th April 1792

1791			1st Pago	1st Pago
January	31st	Arrack and Toddy Farm	2382 6
	Hon'ble Company's Hunter	600 - -
		160 - -	3302 6
February	28th		8302 6

Month of

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9th for the use of that Garrison - and requesting that
a spar fit for making a flag staff may be sent
from the Presidency —

To which he received the following Letters. —

To the Honble Major Cornwallis Governor
&c &c &c
Fort St George.

From the Board of
Ordered that a
Letter be wrote
to the Governor
thereon

Sir

I have the honor of informing you that
I have received permission to visit the
Presidency

I have the honor to acknowledge your
Letter, signifying the desire of
Government that I would endeavour to procure for
the

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10th the Sepoy families to quit this place and proceed to Chingleput—

I beg you will be pleased to submit to the Worthy President and Council, that I am, from a sense of duty, clear the moving these people with the impracticable and even the attempt, as much as possible, of their inclinations, will

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I inclose a Returns of our Granary,
and beg to observe that if the Honble the Governor
in Council approves of keeping up 3 Months
Rice for the Garrison at this time - we shall have
enough to dispose of to the Public including
the Merchants families -

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt
Jas Bruce

Fort St George
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Public Granary
Fort St George

Dr

To Quantity of Rice received from Vellore 35 Sal 10 277 361 11

Cr

By Quantity of Rice issued to Garrison

By Quantity of Rice issued to Public Cattle Boat

By Quantity of Rice issued to Merchants Families

By Quantity of Rice issued to Hospital

By Quantity of Rice issued to Public Cattle

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Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

&c &c &c

Sir,

From Lord Cornwallis inclosing Copies of Letters from Tippoo Sultaun to his Lordship and Henry Dundas and of the Replies thereto—

I have the Honor to inclose to you a Copy of a Letter which I lately received from Tippoo and of my Answer to it.

Tippoo likewise addressed Letters to Mr Dundas and to Henry Dundas of a similar tenor

[illegible]

On the receipt of these Letters from Tippoo addressed to Mr Dundas which I conceived was meant for the last Letter to him

[illegible]

that

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wrote to him, altho' he offered to do it, if I had
judged it proper. But Nana Punt, according to
his usual Sagacity, answered, on his Master's
part, the Letter addressed to the Peshwa ——
Nana Punt however, and that
we are
and I
copy of the
written on this
transmit to
Sir John
to allow
ration of the
and the
the Letter
and examine
by this
Commissioners
further neces=
sary as I do
interest of our
Country

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Country to obtain a safe and honorable peace
with as little loss of time as possible, I judged
it unnecessary to detain the Express
to express [illegible] but
[illegible]

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full particulars in reply to the Peshwa's letter-
ask by reading any Answer you will understand
the contents of the Sub-Treaty when the
Ratifications are exchanged and the Negociation —
shall be finally concluded and a Friendship shall be
established between the two States as —
[illegible] shall cease to be desired
[illegible]

[illegible] 3 February
1792

[illegible]

[illegible] the letter are [illegible]
the Peshwa were [illegible] of the English
[illegible] Treaty [illegible] Bombay letters
[illegible] Ratifications
[illegible] Son of the
[illegible] with your own People —
[illegible] Garrison here
and

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and they will be dispatched on the Point after that the three States will proceed on the subject of forwarding the Dispatches and write to you accordingly —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Charles Cornwallis

To
The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Acting Governor
&c &c &c
Fort St George

Memorandum the foregoing letter and Enclosure from Lord Cornwallis

Bengal

Read the following letter from
the Honble Captain Cornwallis
to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Acting Governor
&c &c &c
Fort St George

Resolved that the Secretary do write to the Honble Captain Cornwallis and transmit to him a Copy of the Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors dated the 3rd November last received by the Ships Bombay Castle and Hindostan which arrived in the Road of this Place on the 10th instant and that he do inform his Lordship that the Dispatches will be forwarded to him by the Pilot Boat which is to be sent off to the Ships for the purpose of conveying the Pilot on board

Pay Office
Fort St George
9th February 1792

Extract
Wm B. Hornbuck
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