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whether I thought it expedient that Serfoge and the widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore, should be removed from Tanjore and be sent to Madras - when I read your Honor's letter I could not but rejoice in your Honor's Proposal, knowing that nothing else would put a stop to the frequent Vexations, to which the family of the late Rajah had been subject, for almost five years —

As to the second question, whether it would be expedient to proclaim Serfoge presumptive successor to His Excellency the present Rajah, my humble opinion on this subject is, that it is not only the right of Serfoge, but that it would be beneficial to His Excellency the present Rajah, and, at last, that it would be beneficial to the Country. —

Sherfoge has an undoubted right to the throne of Tanjore according to the Law of the Hindoos contained in the Shaster - He was legally adopted by the late Rajah. —

The only objection, which has ever been made against the legality of his adoption was his being the only Son of his Father - But the Shaster declares that such an adoption is valid, though the father might be blamed for allowing his only Son to be adopted by another - The only Son therefore may be adopted, but the Shaster says, that the first born amongst all the Children of the family ought not to be adopted - This however is not Serfoge's case - He has two Sisters born before him, who are still alive. —

Now the declaration of the Shaster is, that if a man has neither Son, nor grand Son, his Property goes to his adopted Son - The Son of a Concubine has no right to inheritance but the adopted Son has a right to inheritance. —

Perhaps

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Perhaps it may be said that 16 Pundits declared that the adoption of Serfojee was improper - It is however well known that their declaration did not proceed from their knowledge of the Shaster, but from having been bribed, which some of them have confessed and, at least apparently, bewailed. — If the succession should remain undecided, His Excellency will try every method, though highly unlaw:ful, to ruin Serfojee - and, by doing so, he will run deeper and deeper into debt, till he finds himself irretrievably involved, His former practice demonstrates this assertion

If Serfojee should be proclaimed by Government the presumptive successor, this will deter every one from lending money to his Excellency - considering the danger of losing the Capital - Nay all grants of fields, and Villages might be accounted invalid - which His Excellency might make from the time of Serfojees being proclaimed presumptive Successor, —

And, as the presumptive Successor would, after:wards, have a right to call those servants to an account who had executed methods ruinous to the country, this might deter them from evil practices - These few reflections I humbly offer to the consideration of the Honorable Board

I have the Honor to be respectfully

&c. &c.

(Signed) C. F. Swartz

Madras
January 15th 1793.

Resolved that the following letter be written to the Rajah of Tanjore, (vide C.C. No 18.)

To

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To the Rajah of Tanjore,

The Governor General in Council, considering

To the Rajah of Tanjore, in consequence apprizing him of the Board's Intentions regarding the succession to the Raje, and the impropriety of any intermediate adoption

it expedient that a formal determination should be made with respect to the succession to your Excellency in the Raje, and having given their Sentiments upon this point to the Board, I think it my duty to inform you that the matter is now under consideration; and, as a further correspondence with Bengal becomes necessary before a final decision can take place, I trust your Excellency, being apprised of the Intentions of Government, will see the propriety of forbearing, in the mean time, to adopt any person as your Successor, or otherwise to oppose, in the smallest degree, the object I have imparted to you. - May your Health and Prosperity increase.

what can I say more -

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Signed Chas Oakeley

Resolved that the following letter be written

to the Governor General in Council

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council at

Fort William

My Lord,

To Bengal enclosing Copy of the foregoing letter from Mr Swartz - Suggestion in consequence

Since the arrival of Sir Joyce at the Presidency we have received from the Reverend Mr. Swartz, a reply

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to the request we made to him some time ago for his opinion on the subject of declaring the young man presumptive Heir to the Rajah of Tanjore.—

2 We now do ourselves the honor to enclose Copy of Mr Swartz's letter on this occasion, which speaks so decidedly with regard to Serfogee's prior right, originating from the adoption of the late Rajah, that we think it may be a point of Justice to consider whether he ought not to be declared the positive or lawful not the presumptive Successor, as this last epithet implies a reserve in favor of any Children that may be born to the present Rajah, whereas, if Serfogee, as Mr Swartz declares, professed the right to succeed upon the death of the late Rajah, it would be perpetuating the injury he sustained on that occasion, to allow the inheritance to descend to the Children of the person who supplanted him.—

3 We trust your Lordship, upon this grounds, will approve our taking your further opinion, and, in order to obviate the inconvenience which might result from any intermediate adoption by the Rajah, a measure to which it seems probable, from the late transactions, he is inclined, our President has thought it expedient, with the advice of Mr Swartz, to write a letter to his Excellency / Copy of which is herewith enclosed / to apprize him of the present discussion, and to intimate the impropriety as well as the inutility of any proceeding of that nature.—

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Read the following Letter from his Highness the
Nabob/ entered also in C. C. No 19/

Translation of a letter from his Highness the Nabob
Wallaujah Bahauder to Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Governor of Madras

Dated 5th Jemaudy Saany 1207 Hegery
or 18th January 1793
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From the Nabob explaining his motives for proposing the dettation of Messrs. Kindersley and Torin disclaims any attempt thereby, to injure their Characters - surprized that the accounts of his Revenues, so long since audited and passed, should not have been furnished him - Complaints of the ill treatment of his Inspectors by different Collectors - requests Copies of various accounts, that he may commence an Investigation without loss of time -

I have the pleasure to receive your letter of the
2d Instant, in answer to mine of the 27th ultimo, and am
sorry to perceive that my Ideas relative to the Revenues
of the Carnatic, when under the management of my
friends the Company, have not been expressed with that
perspicuity necessary to obviate every misconception as to
my wishes and Intentions regarding the Collections and
Collectors of my Country - Messrs. Kindersley and Torin
have been Collectors of two Districts, and when I say they
are implicated in the accounts of the Revenues of those
districts, I say no more than what is evident from
Reasons and what the facts justifies, nor am I aware by
what construction an inference can be drawn from the
position injurious to the Character, or in the least prejudice
to the Opinion entertained by Government of their abilities
and Integrity But Sir, men of the greatest abilities and
purest integrity are liable to errors and to mistakes, and,
as I was in daily expectation, when I had last the pleasure

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to address you of receiving accounts from my Servants,
and as I have the best possible Grounds for believing
that there is a considerable difference between those —
accounts and the accounts that may have been delivered
in by the Collectors employed by my friends the Company,
it is not, I trust, unreasonable that I should be desirous
of comparing the one account with the other to ascertain
where Error lies, and in what manner mistakes have
arisen - This circumstance granted, and I am persuaded
I shall stand justified to yourself and to the world,
in suggesting the expediency of Gentlemen affected by
the accounts in allusion, being present, whilst they are
undergoing the comparative examination — to my mind
such a suggestion, every thing rightly considered, is
founded in Justice and Candor, and I should not
have stood justified to myself had I acted upon a
different principle, If I had waited in Silence until
Messrs. Kindersley and Forin should have sailed for
Europe, and then have come forward with objections to
their accounts, I might then have been told that it was
ungenerous and illiberal, and taking a very unfair,
and highly blameable advantage to call in question the
Validity and accuracy or justness of such accounts, when
the parties concerned and interested, not being on the
spot, were deprived of the opportunity and means of
explaining their transactions and defending and justifying

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their Conduct - It never was my wish, it never was my
Intention to throw Reflections on unblemished Reputations,
or, in the least degree, to attempt the injury of fair Characters
and I feel myself exceedingly hurt that a supposition
of such a nature could have been entertained, it is derogat-
tory to my dignity as a Prince, it is injurious to my honor
as a man, all I have ever required was the accounts of
my Revenues, and that Reprehension might attach where
culpability should be evident —

My Friends the Company were pleased to
assume the management of my Country during the
war, and to appoint their own Servants in the Collections
of the Revenues, but the Sovereignty remained with
myself, and the Revenues collected were to be carried to my
Credit, I have therefore the most equitable right to make
an enquiry into the account of those Revenues and the
manner in which they were applied, and it is a duty I owe
to my friends the Company, independent of every other
consideration, to point out any misapplication or omis-
conduct that may have come to my knowledge, as it
is my friends the Company who must ultimately be
affected by the consequences, because it is they who are
accountable to me for any deficiency, and, convinced as
I am of this Truth, I never meant or intended I never
could have meant or intended, to look to subordinate
agents for any manner of satisfaction, which, as you

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say, "only can be rendered to their proper superiors"; and if you will be pleased to consider for one Moment the object of my letter, you will find that my sentiments are entirely coincident with your own - nor did I ever mean or intend to "make any proposition to your Government either directly or indirectly with regard to the "mode of proceeding upon a point which falls immediately "within it's own Jurisdiction" — give me leave to assure you that no one thing was ever further from my thoughts, - as far as my Judgement can guide me I may venture to say, and such certainly was the impression under which I addressed you, that I merely submitted to your consideration the matter for Investigation and enquiry, and left the mode of proceeding in them entirely to yourself. —

You are pleased to say that you should consider it a measure of singular harshness and injustice to detain Messrs. Kindersley and Torin, for a moment, from the prosecution of their Voyage - It is a measure, Sir, I have no right to insist on - if you are satisfied, on the part of the Company, and if those Gentlemen are themselves satisfied to embark for Europe and leave their accounts with the imputation of errors inaccuracy and mistakes, I ought to be perfectly satisfied on my Part - But I hope that if, at some future day, their

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presence should be deemed necessary by Government, their being absent will not cause any delay in my affairs: but to obviate any difficulties in my breast, as I am to suppose, and to shew their presence cannot be necessary, you inform me that "their accounts have been closed six Months ago, Regularly audited and passed the Board of Revenue," and this is the first moment that the pleasing circumstance has been communicated to me, and I cannot but observe, that it is rather extraordinary that I have not yet been furnished with a Copy of those accounts, and that I should remain so long totally Ignorant of their particulars, had I been an utter Stranger, and in no wise interested in the Revenues of the Carnatic, I could not have been treated with greater neglect - perhaps it might have been presumed that my own people gave me those particulars, Inspectors "who" you say "were of my own Nomination and early "allowed free access to the Cutcherry accounts of the Collectors" but, Sir, that was not, nor could it have been the Case, as I think I may by and by may it fully appear to you — I admit the Collectors might have been directed to allow my Inspectors, such permission - but, Sir, such directions were not obeyed by them, I have a Copy of your orders to Mr. Torin and two more to Mr. Erskine one dated 19 February and the other 26th May 1791 which I beg leave to enclose you and I shall now very briefly explain the manner he, Mr. Torin, treated my Inspector, in the Division

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of which he was Collector - On my Inspector applying to the Catcherry at Tinnevelly for the daily accounts of the Collections and of the Disbursements, the Catcherry was, to all intents and purposes, shut against him, and, after he had been threatened and insulted, he was at length permitted to take Copies of such parts of receipts in the Gross amount as the Collector thought proper to produce, nor was he suffered to utter a Syllable upon any other points. — The Conduct of Mr. Floyer, another of the Collectors, was still more severe - nearly fifteen days had elapsed before the Collector would receive the Inspector, and, afterwards, when he made the necessary application to be furnished with Copies of the Collectors' accounts a stick was held up to him with threats and menaces that he should be flogged if he spoke or made any further enquiries on the subjects of accounts - To the Northward any Inspector was treated in nearly the same manner with the Inspector appointed to Mr. Floyer's Division, threatened, abused and insulted, so that neither the one nor the other had the power of discharging the Duties of their Office - and, of course, they did not obtain the accounts required; so that I could not have discovered through the Channel of my Inspectors, as you suppose I might, "any injustice committed by the Collectors at the period it "happened" nor "when they delivered over their Charge to "my Servants" this very substantial Reason their accounts were not then closed - on the Contrary they were then collecting, and are to this day collecting in outstanding balances —

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although those balances ought to have been delivered over
with the Country, and this circumstance, I must confess,
embarrassed me a good deal, when I read that part of
your Letter just alluded to, wherein you say "they closed their
"accounts six months ago, and that they have been regularly
"audited and passed the Board of Revenue." —

My Inspectors gave me the earliest Intelligence of
the improper and unjustifiable behaviours of the Collectors
towards them, and I did not loose any time in making
the necessary representation to your Government, but, I am
sorry to add, without the desired success — now Sir if I have
not been deceived in the information I have received on this
head, I submit to you whether the behaviour complained of,
is not of an outrageous and very reprehensible nature,
and whether I have not good reason to suppose that those
who can disobey the orders of their superiors and trample
upon common rights, can also violate the trust reposed
in them, and become unjust and oppressive, nor is it
necessary for me to observe that the most solemn appeal
may sometimes be disregarded when I consider you
have before you incontestible and living Instances in
Messrs. Hollonds and Mr. Floyer. —

You are pleased to say that you will direct such
part of my Letter as relates to the daily accounts of the
late Collectors to be communicated to the Board of Revenue,
that they may afford every satisfaction in their power
on that point, and I have waited most anxiously for

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the result of that communication but as yet I have not been gratified I have not received a line in detail of the accounts nor heard an Intimation further on the subject; and this has given me much uneasiness; and the more so as you say "If any specific complaint should be brought "forward you will certainly take effectual measures for "enquiring into the truth of it" from whence it is inferred that if specific charges are not brought forward, no enquiry will take place - and here give me leave to ask you how I can bring forward specific charges unless I am furnished with the particular accounts upon which those charges are to be grounded - I have not even an abstract of the whole Amount of the Collections so as to see how much the difference may be between the Gross Collections and disbursements as stated by my own Servants, but even if I were in the possession of those abstracts I could not be enabled from them to move beyond a General Charge - I have therefore to request I may be furnished immediately with Copies of the following papers —

1 The annual account Settlement made by each Collector, with the Names of the Polygars Renters and Securities, and the Summah of each. —

2 The Kistbundie of the above. —

3 The account Settlement, Receipts and Balances, with particulars specified in the first accounts, as furnished by each Collector. —

4 The General Treasury account, as kept by each Collector. —

5 The fixed and established Monthly Charges of each Collector, as allowed by the Governor and Council. —

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6th The Monthly Estimates of each Collector of the expected Receipts and Disbursements. —

7th The Monthly Foreign and Treasury accounts of each Collector. —

8th The account particular of increase and decrease of the several articles of the settlements, as furnished by each Collector. —

9th The account of all fees, fines and forfeitures levied by the different Collectors. —

10th The Cowlenamahs or deeds of settlements made by the Collectors with the respective Poligars and Renters. —

11th Of the accounts of the Repairs of Tanks, water courses &c stating whether by public Contract or otherwise - and if the actual Expences have exceeded the Estimates - and in how much. —

12th Of the Diaries or Journals in the Revenue Department as kept by each of the Collectors - every other until then neither do Justice to myself or to my friends, until then I must continue ignorant as to the application of the Revenues of the Carnatic during the time they were managed by your Government and incapable of particularising where, and in what manner, any misapplication has been committed. I am ready to proceed in an investigation this moment, provided I were in possession of the papers just refered to - and any delay therefore must be owing to your Government. — What can I say more?

A true Translation

Signed/ David Haliburton

Persian Translator —

To

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To Mr John Erskine
Collector at Ongole

Sir,

The Nabob's inspector has represented that you have refused him permission to take a Copy of the accounts - we entirely approve your conduct in this instance, but, as it was originally intended that his Highness should be furnished with Copies, we desire that you will permit the inspector to take them.

We are Sir,

Your most Obedient Servants

Fort St George
26d May 1791

Signed J Hudleston
D Haliburton
W. Balfour

A true Copy
Signed J Webbe Secy

To W. Benjamin Torin
Collector at Tinnivelly

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Assumed Revenue to inform you that Government have been pleased to comply with a Request which the Nabob has preferred for the Security of his own interests, and to allow the appointment of Amildars for

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the Inspection of your accounts

you will however be carefull in observing
and particular in explaining to Shreenevasa Row
of Tinnevelly whom the Nabob has appointed to inspect
the accounts of your Districts, that his authority is
confined to the simple inspection of your accounts, but
none the smallest interference in the Management of
the Country or Negotiation with the Inhabitants is
understood to be allowed. —

For the more regularity and convenience
you will fix upon certain stated times when your
accounts are to be exposed to the free and open inspection
of his Highness's Muttesuddies —

I am, Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,
Signed I Webbe Secy

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19th February 1793

To Mr John Erskine
Collector at Palmaud

Sir, I am directed by the President and Members
of the Board of Assumed Revenue to inform you that
Government have been pleased to comply with a
Request, which the Nabob has preferred for the Security

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of his own Interests and to allow the appointments of Mutsuddies for the inspection of your accounts.

You will however be careful in observing and particular in explaining to Venceata Row of Palnaud, whom the Nabob has appointed to inspect the accounts of your Districts, that his Authority is confined to the simple inspection of your accounts but none the smallest interference in the management of the Country or Negociation with the Inhabitants is understood to be allowed.

For the more Regularity and Convenience you will fix upon certain stated times when your accounts are to be exposed to the free and open inspection of his Highness's Mutsuddies.

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed J Webbe
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Fort St George
19 February 1793

The President proposes that the following Answer be returned to his Highness the Nabob. /entered also in C.C. No 20/

To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic
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May it please your Highness

I have had the honor to receive your Highness's

To the Nabob in reply to the foregoing Representation

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Highness's Letter of the 15th Instant, and am glad to find, by the explanation contained in it, that you did not mean to assert any thing prejudicial to the Characters of Messrs. Torin and Kindersley; but, supposing (what cannot indeed be denied) that Gentlemen of the greatest abilities and purest Integrity are liable to errors, you wished only that they should be present while the accounts you expect to receive from the Country are comparing with those which have been delivered by the Collectors. —

If I had thought the Passage in your Letter of the 27th ultimo could have admitted of so inoffensive a construction, I should, in the reply I had the Honor to make, have contented myself simply with shewing to your Highness the reasons which induced me to think, that it would be unnecessary, for the purpose of comparing accounts, to detain gentlemen in the Country whose health required a change of Climate, and who had gone thro' the usual forms of notifying their Intention, and settling their concerns with the proper Offices of Government - your Highness upon further reflection, will, I am sure, be disposed to allow, that the only test by which the Conduct of the Collectors can be tried is the Orders and instructions issued by the Board of Revenue - If they have conformed to those orders and Instructions, and produced regular Vouchers for every Disbursement, their right to a full acquittal on

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their accounts with the Company, cannot, upon any principle of Justice be denied - To try them by other accounts, obtained several Months after they have left their respective Districts, would not be just or reasonable. whatever satisfaction now remains to be given, can be completely given by the Company, who are possessed of the only regular and official Documents that have been taken relative to the receipt and expenditure of the public Revenues —

If I could have the happiness to perceive in your Highness a disposition to be satisfied with such materials, as I have it in my power to lay before you, it would be extremely grateful to me to afford you every possible explanation, but the variety of minute details which your requisition cannot be furnished without such a degree of Labor and inconvenience as would essentially interfere with the other necessary occupations of Government; nor are they indeed requisite for any useful purpose of Enquiry - The Chief point to be determined is, whether, under all circumstances, the Receipts were as large and the expences as small as could reasonably be expected; and I hope the general accounts which have been sent, and which remain to be forwarded, will prove to your Highness that your Interests have not suffered

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management.—

Though the Collectors delivered over their charge six Months ago, much remained to be done before their accounts could be finally audited and entered, and as it was not proper to furnish your Highness with those for one or two Districts at a time, I waited the Close of the whole before I directed the abstract Statement to be prepared—I am sorry you should have imputed this necessary observance of official Form, to any personal neglect, than which nothing can be further from my thoughts, and I flatter myself this explanation will produce sentiments more suitable to the real respect which I entertain for your Highness.—

With regard to the Complaint preferred by your Highness relative to the inspectors, I cannot suppose the Gentlemen you mention would have been so far wanting in obedience to the Orders of their superiors as to offer any species of Indignity to those persons—I am disposed rather to think that your Servants have not reported these facts accurately to your Highness; but I shall call upon the gentlemen you have named (excepting Mr Erskine who is dead) for an explanation of their conduct in the instances you mention.—

I hope this will be the last Letter I shall have occasion to write on such unpleasing

Discussions

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discussions - my wish inclines me to carry on the Company's affairs with every mark of Cordiality towards your Highness, and while I consider the Intrests of your Highness to be inseperable from those of my constituents - I cannot be indifferent to them without disregarding the most important duty of my station. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signd) Chas. Oakeley

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Approved and Ordered Accordingly. —

The President delivers in the following Minute

In Council 22d January 1793

I beg leave to acquaint the Board that on Tuesday last, the Sons of Tippoo Sultaun, with their attendants, paid me a public visit of Ceremony; and, after Compliments in the name of their Father, presented the following articles from him, which accompanied his Letter read at last Consultation.

President's Minute respecting various articles presented to him and his Family by the Hostage Princes in the Name of Tippoo Sultaun - requests they may be deposited on account of the Company

1 Tooroy
1 Serpeach } Head Jewels
1 Suit Gold Cloths
1 Pair Pearl Bracelets
1 Pearl Necklace
1 Diamond Ri...

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2 Shawls
1 Breastplate - with a Pearl String
1 Elephant
1 House. ——

The Necklace, Bracelets, Ring and Shawls were, they said, intended by Tippoo Sultaun as a mark of respect to Lady Oakeley for the Civilities that she had shewn to his Children, and the House - the Elephant (which is a small one) and the Breast plate, were presented by the two Boys to my Infant Son. ——

Apprehensive it might create a consider: rable degree of mortification, if these things were refused, I consented to take them, but as it would be improper, in the situation I hold, that any part of my family should benefit by such Complimentary presents, I desire that the whole of the articles received, may be deposited on account of the Company

Signed Chas. Oakeley

Resolved that the Presents be deposited on account of the Company, agreeably to the recommendation of the President. —

Resolution in Consequence

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General —

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

From Military Auditor General proposing a modeby means of the amount of Stoppages to be retained from the Sick in the Hospitals, of Checking the Bills of the Contractors. —

Honble Sir,

I do myself the honor to enclose the Copy

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Copy of a Letter N° 1 from the Military Paymaster General, and the Copy N° 2 of one from the Military Paymaster of Fort St George to him on the subject of which the Paymaster General has desired instructions from me, with which I would furnish him immediately according to my own ideas of the rule on the subject generally that would be most advantageous for the Service; but, as the rule which I conceive it will be adviseable to adopt should be announced in public Orders for the information of all parties, if approved by you, I shall beg leave to lay before you, in the first place, what occurs to me on the matter.

On the receipt of your Orders of the 7th Ultimo which were accompanied by Copies of the Contracts for providing the Hospitals under the denominations of "Presidency" "Vellore" and Trichinopoly" I immediately sent Copies of those Contracts to the Military Paymaster General for the information of subordinate Paymasters having the Hospital Bills to discharge; and, on the receipt of the Masulipatam Contract, a Copy of it was furnished to the Military Paymaster General for the same purpose.

Your General Orders of the 8th Ultimo having expressly directed that Stoppages be made, as formerly, from the pay of the sick in Hospital for the

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purpose of defraying part of the Hospital Disburse-
ments, it occurred to me that the stoppages ordered to
be thus made and applied might eventually prove
the means of useful Checks on the Bills of the Contractors
in the case of their declining to give Credit for them as
had been the usage in passing the Surveyors Bills
prior to the engagements for providing the Hospitals
by Contract as they now stand, but, as neither the terms
of the Contracts nor the General orders announcing them
made any alteration of the former System in regard to
Checks, I conceived it might be advisable to delay the
matter either until a general and new Rule on this
head was brought forward along with other proposed
alterations for the Military Expenditure at this
Presidency, or until the matter came before me, as
at present, under the form of a Reference.—

I shall now beg leave to submit to your
Consideration the means which appear to me advisable
to be followed in Checking the Bills for Hospital
Charges under the Contracts, and, in doing so, I shall state
what occurs on the inclosed Reference, which will apply
equally to all the Contractors, as well as to Messrs. Woolf
and Sewell with the exception hereafter mentioned
regarding the Masulipatam Contractor.—

First— That the Contractors for the Presidency

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Vellore and Trichinopoly Hospitals should receive from the Company, as stated by Mssrs. Woolf and Sewell, the full amount of their respective Contract Rates — Monthly, without depending for the payments of any part thereof on the Stoppages from the Men. —

Second — That the Masulipatam Contractor is on the same footing in regard to the rates to be paid for each man on the score of Cotts, Cloathing, wine, — Country and Bazar Medicines, Servants for the use of the Sick, Fruits, Grains &c. &c. for which the Sum of Seven Fanams each man P Day, is allowed by his Contract, that he is, in like manner, to receive from the Company Two Fanams and forty Cash /2 40/ for each man in Hospital out of five fanams /5/ allowed by his Contract in the victualling Department, but that he is to depend upon the Commanding Officers of Corps or Companies or other Officers /who draw the Pay/ for the stoppage of Two Fanams and forty Cash P man — That the allowance of seven fanams P man, as P Masulipatam Contract, is payable to the Contractor at the exchange of 45 fanams P Pagoda, but that the Contract is silent in regard to the Exchange at which the Five fanams P man, payable as above, is to be discharged. —

Third — That, as the Sum of Two fanams and

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forty Cash p Day from each man in Hospital is
reckoned upon for the purpose of defraying part of the
Hospital Disbursements, and that, as it does not appear
on reference to the Presidency, Vellore and Trichinopoly
Contracts, that the amount of this stoppage falls to be
received by those Contractors, it follows that it becomes
payable to the Company for the purpose of defraying
part of the Hospital Disbursements; and, this being the
case, that the mode of receiving the amount of the
Stoppages from the men, who appear in the Bills of
Charge from those three Contractors may afford the
means of Check by directing the Officers Commanding
Corps to send on the 1st of each month the amount of the
Stoppages from men in Hospital with Lists specifying
the Names and Companies of the men and the number
of days each has been in Hospital, extending, opposite
to each name, the Stoppages payable, which is to be
delivered to the Paymaster, who must grant his
receipt for the amount, and carry it to the Credit of the
Company; and, by this means, the Paymaster, being in
possession of the Corps Lists as above, should, conceive,
be directed to apply them as a check on the List delivered,
in the form of a Bill, by the Contractor, and Countersigned
by the Head Surgeon, whose Countersignature is the
only Check, at present, on the Numbers of men charged
for by the Contractors according to the usage in passing
the Surgeon's Bills formerly.

The Commanding Officers of Corps provided
in

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in Hospitals under the Masulipatam Contract may also be directed to send Lists, as above, for the same purpose to the Baymaster, although, from the terms of that Contract, it does not appear necessary that they shall be accompanied by the amounts of the Stoppages the payment of which I understand to be a transaction between the Contractor and the Officers Commanding Corps or Companies. —

A General Order specifying the rate payable for each Man according to each Contract, the Baymasters respectively who are to discharge the Bills of each Contractor, and the particulars relative to the mode of paying the Stoppages will be necessary to establish the proposed Check, which does not appear to me to be contrary to the terms of the Contracts, as they only express, in regard to the payments, that their Bills shall be discharged monthly.

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

&c &c

Signd Henry Malcolm

Military auditor General

No 1

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
25th January 1793.

To Colonel Henry Malcolm

Military Paymaster General's Department

Military auditor General

Sir,

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Paymaster Cochrane's Letter, and I have to request you will favor me with your Instructions thereon. —

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

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Signd B. Roebuck
M.P.G.

A true Copy

Signd Henry Malcolm
Military auditor General

No 2

Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

Sir,

Messrs. Robert woolf and Henry Sewell Contractors for victualling and Cloathing the Sick at Vellore Arnee and Connatore, have given in their Bill for the Month of December 1792 amounting as follows.

For Vellore 6,394 Men at 10 fan each, Hons - 1,420 - 40 -
For Arnee 2841 Do at Do - - - - - 631 - 15 -
For Connatore 1421 Do - at Do. - - - 315 - 35 -
Total S Pagodas - 2368 - -

which, agreeable to General Orders dated 8th November 1792, has been discharged by me. —

The late Contractor, Mr Garrow, gave Credit for the Amount Stoppages of fanams - 2 - 40 from each Man, and drew from the Company the difference of his Contract

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Contract, but the present Contractors inform me that they do not consider that as any part the Conditions of their Contract, therefore have charged the full amount against the Company this being the case, the amount Stoppages that the respective Paymasters ought to bring to the Credit of the Company is Viz.t

At Vellore for 6394 Men at 2-40 each, is P.	355.	10.	—
At Arnee for 2841 Do	157.	37.	40.
At Connatore for 1421 Do	78	42	40.
Total S. Pagodas	592.	—	—

Mr Colt, the Contractor for the Hospital at Madras the Mount and Poonamallee has not yet given in his Bills for December I am therefore to request you will be pleased to let me know if I am to call upon the respective Commanding Officers for the amount Stoppages to be paid by the men under their Command.

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I have the Honor to be,
&c &c.
Signed Basil Cochrane
Military Paymaster
Fort St George

A true Copy
Signed Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

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Resolved that a general order be published
Resolution thereon agreeably to the recommendation of the Military
Auditor General —
Read the following letter from Colonel
Brathwaite
To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir.

From Colonel Brathwaite suggesting whether a Reference to the Court of Directors might not, under Ld Cornwallis's Reply, be made, relative to the hardship stated by the Six Senior Lieutenants —

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter of the 30th Decr., communicating to me the reply of the Right Honble the Governor General in Council on the subject of my Letter of the 28th August last, viz.: that his Lordship does not deem it proper to give his sanction to an alteration of the practice which has hitherto prevailed at Madras As his Lordship, however, admits that the circumstances of the Service, i.e. this hitherto continued practice on the Madras Establishment in regard to the Staff of the Army, bears hard upon meritorious Officers, and as it is a practice which I understand does not prevail on any other of the Honorable Company's Military Establishments, I submit it to your consideration whether, under the terms of his Lordship's reply, which admits that the circumstances bear hard on

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meritorious Officers, does not disapprove the alteration proposed, but only declares that he does not deem it proper to sanction an alteration of the practice which has hitherto prevailed at Madras, it might not, by your Honor in Council, either through the Right Honble the Governor General in Council, or direct from this Government, as the season is so far advanced, be brought under the consideration of the Honorable the Court of Directors, who may authorize an alteration which will relieve meritorious Officers on this Coast from circumstances in the service which bear hard upon them, and will tend to establish greater uniformity in their several Military Establishments, by allowing this Presidency to adopt the usage in regard to Staff Officers of the Army which prevails at Bengal and Bombay. — I have the honor to be,

Military Head Quarters Madras January 22d 1793

W. W.

Signd John Brathwaite

Minute thereon

Agreed that the subject of the foregoing Letter be mentioned to the Honorable Court of Directors. —

Read the following letter from the Committee appointed to superintend the funeral of the late Lieutenant Colonel [illegible]

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Committee appointed to Conduct the Funeral of the late Colonel Moorhouse - enclosing a Drawing of the Pier in the Church to be occupied by a Tablet to his Memory - with a proposed Inscription

The Season of Dispatch to Europe approaching, we have the honor to inform you that we have taken measures on the subject of a Monument of the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse, and in the absence of Colonel Capper, the President of the Committee appointed by Government, we have requested Major Maule would act with us on this occasion. We have, in consequence, the honor to lay before you a Drawing of the No. side of the Church, shewing the Peer in which we would recommend the Tablet to be placed, We have also to beg leave to submit to you an inscription for the Tablet, Drawn up by Major Maule, which we hope you will approve

We have the honor to be,

with respect, &c. &c.

(Signed) Jos du Pre Porcher
Geo. Maule
George Hall
R Gomonde

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To record the Public sense
of the Distinguished Services
And to perpetuate the Memory
of the late
Joseph Moorhouse Esquire
Lieutenant Colonel of the Coast Artillery
who was killed at the
attack of the Pettah Gate of
Bangalore
On the Seventh Day of March
Anno Domini

MDCCXCI

This Tablet
Was erected by Order of the
Government of Madras,
During the administration of
Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet.
Respect
For the Character and
Regret
For the Loss of an Officer
who, from the ardent love of his Profession,
Derived the most successful Practice of it
Have rendered this Tribute.

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The Meed of Fame
Doubly grateful to those who have bestowed it
since, it's Transmission
To Posterity
It will acquire additional
Energy and Lustre
From the Reflection
That to the eminent Qualifications
of the Brave and Gallant Soldier
were united
The Generous and Social Virtues
of the truely Honest man

Agreed that the plan and proposed Inscription be sent to England in the Packet & Contractor

Minute thereon.

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Gomonde.

From Lieutenant R. Gomonde requesting leave to resign the Service.

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council &c &c &c

Honble Sir,

Permit me to request that I may be permitted to resign the Company's service, and to proceed to Europe upon the Contractor, Captain Bartlett, now under Dispatch. — I have the honor to be with great respect,

&c &c

Signd R Gomonde
Lieut. 3d Batt. N.E.I.

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Agreed

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Agreed that Lieutenant Gomonde be
Granted — permitted to resign the Honorable Company's Service,
and to embark for England on the Contractor.

Read the following Letter from the Chief Engineer

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

Honble Sir,

From Chief Engineer enclosing an Estimate Expense of Repairs and additions to the Granary Barracks in the Black Town

I have the Honor to receive your Commands of yesterday, by the Towne Major, to order the necessary Repairs to the Granary Barracks in the Black Town. These have been ascertained in Conjunction with the Quarter Master of the Regiment now on its march and the Barrack master, and as they amount the Sum of Pagodas 528-22-15. I have as you were pleased to direct inclosed an Estimate† —

† Sent to the Military Board

The greatest Proportion of the Hanove-rians who were before quartered in these Barracks had leave to reside in the different Parts of the Black Town where they dressed their victuals, hence the present Cook room and necessary were at that Time sufficient for the Purpose — the Regiment now coming in is 700 Strong, and must be kept within the Boundaries of the Barracks which

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has occasioned the additional Cook Room and necessary proposed.— I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

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(Signed) Patrick Ross
Lieut. Colonel & Chief Engineer

P.S. I should have represented that the Repairs absolutely necessary are now in hand until I am favored with Government's Decision upon the additional Buildings.

Agreed that the Repairs required to the Granary Barracks in the Black Town, amounting to Pagodas 528: 22-15 be executed.—

Minute thereon.

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

Hospital Board
17 January 1793

The Hospital Board beg leave to acquaint Government that the small Pox have appeared at the Male Asylum;—

The favorableness of the present Season induce them to propose orders to be issued similar to those recommended in December 1787.

The Regimental Surgeons should be directed to select all the men who are ignorant of having the disease and send them imme:diately to the General Hospital or Regimental Hospital when not in the neighbourhood of a General Hospital

From Hospital Board advising of the small Pox having appeared at the Male Asylum recommendations in consequence Mr. Kincaid requests leave to go to Europe from Canton if necessary for his health and to receive Lord Clive's pension letters from Lieutenant Urquhart requesting a Monthly settlement of his accounts and from Mr Surgeon Baird, regarding the Sick under his Charge submitted annual Indent of Medecines, enclosed, recommend that a Cutler be esta:blished at Madras List of the Medical Establishments request the Barrack Sick may be returned to them and to the Head Surgeons,

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Hospital where they should be put on the following Diet—

Breakfast—Butter milk & Rice

Dinner— { Mutton Broth with Greens and Mutton with Bread or Rice

Supper— Conjee and Sugar,

Pork, Fish, Batter, Salted Meats, and Spirituous Liquors must be rigidly abstained from

Under such a Diet, it has been found, from much experience, a mild appearance of the Disease has been obtained

Our Secretary will endeavour to procure a sufficiency of various matter, the Surgeons may therefore be directed to apply to him

It is of the greatest importance to introduce the Disease at this Season of the year, for it frequently appears in the hot months and causes great mortality amongst the Natives; if it could be made a general practice amongst the Sepoys, it would be attended with the most beneficial consequences—

Approved
the orders will be published

The Board have the Honor to forward Copy of a Letter and Certificate

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Surgeon on leave to Europe if necessary, dated Canton December 1st 1792, soliciting a recommendation to the Honorable the Court of Directors to be admitted a pensioner on Lord Clives Bounty. —

The bad state of health that Mr. Kincaid generally experienced in India, which was rendered worse by the late Campaign in the Mysore Country and fatigues of a large Hospital, to which he paid the most unremitting attention, it seems, had not been benefitted on his arrival at Canton, and that he had been under the necessity of proceeding to Europe without any hopes of ever being able to return. —

When it is considered that a Surgeon is exposed to the same dangers as an officer, and more fatigue while in the Field, it is surely but equitable that he should be entitled to the same attention, and as Mr. Kincaid, on all occasions, executed his Duty with zeal the Board hope that the Honorable the President in Council will be pleased to represent his situation and claim in the most favorable manner to the Honorable the Court of

Surgeons cannot participate in the Fund Mr. Kincaid, on his arrival in England, will have an opportunity of stating his Case to the Court of Directors.

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of Directors.—

The Board have the honor to forward to Government Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Urquhart, Contractor South of the Coleroon, requesting a regular Monthly Settlement of his accounts, which the Board recommend to Government.

The Board have the honor of forwarding Copy of a Letter from Mr Baird Surgeon, stating the particular situation he is in regarding the Sick under his Charge.—

That the greatest proportion of Sick at Negapatam are the worst cases from the different Hospitals, sent there as the only chance of recovery from a change of air on the Sea Coast.

The allowances specified in Paragraphs 6 and 7 of General Orders are not adequate for the Treatment of such cases, and as Mr Baird's situation at Negapatam is the only exception that can likely be made to the allow

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Orders have been given to the Military auditor General to pass Mr. Baird's Monthly Bills for the allowances specified in his letter as the case seems to be particular one

approved

The Subject will be mentioned to the Court of Directors.

by these Orders - The Board recommend, either that Mr. Baird be allowed the same sum as given the Contractor for each sick man when it is certified by the Surgeon of the Corps or Hospital that he has been sent there for the recovery of his health; or, that he be granted the allowances specified in his Letter as paid by the Paymasters for an Hospital and the accommodation of the Sick. —

The Board have the honor of forwarding the annual Indent for European Medicines, which they hope Government will recommend to be fully complied with. —

The remarks made on the different articles should be particularly attended to, as many of them in the Europe supply, especially the Trusses, have been so bad as to be quite unfit for use. —

It would be a great advantage to the Service and save the Honble Company a good deal of the Expence of purchasing Instruments, if a Cutler was established at the Presidency, the

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the Hospital Board therefore recommend it to Government to make the requisition in their General Letter to the Honorable the Court of Directors

The Board have the honor of forwarding a List of the present Establishment with the Casualties that have happened since their last. — The Number of Assistants at present on the List are more than sufficient for all the exigencies of the Service, the Board therefore think it necessary to mention this, that it may be recommended to the Honorable the Courts of Directors to send out no more for a twelve Month.

approved

The Board wish to be furnished with Returns of the Barrack sick, particularly specifying their diseases, and recommend that it be published in General Orders that both King's and Company's Regimental Surgeons are to furnish the Head Surgeons with such Returns monthly for the Hospital Boards —

approved

Signed Jas. Anderson
Physician General
U Raine, Head Surgeon,

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To James Anderson, Esqr.
Physician General President and Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

Inclosed I have the Honor of transmitting you Mr. Duncan's Certificate of the necessity of my proceeding to Europe for the recovery of my health without returning directly to Madras as was my intention. He is indeed of opinion that I ought never to return to India, my health having been so uniformly bad in that Climate and my Constitution so broken by repeated diseases, that I could have no expectation of ever being capable of doing more than dragging out a miserable existance for a short period Without a prospect of benefitting the service or advantaging myself. Since my having left Madras I have had three different attacks of diseases, all very serious, from the last of which I am scarcely yet recovered: during the continuance of this attack, Mr Duncan, Surgeon to the Factory here, has been in constant attendance upon me, and is therefore better able to give a decided opinion of the nature of my Case, and of what line of conduct I ought to pursue; and his Opinion is so clearly stated in the Certificate which I

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I have inclosed as to require no Comment - In this unfortunate predicament therefore Gentlemen I find myself again necessitated to have recourse to you, and to request that you will be pleased to state my disagreable situation to the Honorable Governor in Council, and support with your recommendation the application I now, through your Board, make to them, that they will be pleased to recommend me to the Honorable Court of Directors to be admitted as a Pensioner upon Lord Clive's fund agreably to my nominal rank as a Captain. —

It is unnecessary for me to insist here on the nature of my complaint, every member of your Board is well acquainted with it and how much I have suffered from Sickness whilst in India, you also well know that I have not avoided Duty, on the contrary my exertions latterly in the discharge of the Duties of a very large Cantonment at Boonamallee, have already been remarked with your approbation, and there at a time when labouring under the consequences of a severe illness, for which the Surgeon General to the Army thought it necessary I should leave the field. —

Having thus, whilst health permitted, endeavoured to fulfill my duty to the publick to the best of my

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abondoned me, without much prospect of its return. I hope that Government will, at your solicitation, be pleased to recommend me to be admitted to participate of the Pension fund, and thus, in part, free me from the prospect of that Distress to which the continuance of such a bad state of health as I have experienced for some years past might reduce me and which has been brought on in the discharge of my Duty in the service of the Honorable Company. — I have the Honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient
and most humble Servant

Canton
December 1st 1792

Signd John Kincaid
Surgeon.

A true Copy

Signd And.w Berry Secy to B.

I Alexander Duncan, Surgeon to the Honorable Company's Factory, do hereby Certify, that upon taking into consideration the case of Mr. John Kincaid, Surgeon on the Madras Establishment, now here for the recovery of his health, and reflecting on the very severe illness, with which he has been attacked, whilst at this place, as well as his reduced habit, from former sickness, it is not only my firm opinion, that he ought —

immediately

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immediately to proceed to Europe, without returning to the Coast, but that he ought to relinquish all idea of ever again returning to India it being evident, from the very bad health, he has ever enjoyed in that Country, which once before obliged him to proceed to Europe, that a warm Climate will not agree with his constitution, now so much debilitated, as to make it probable, that should he return, he would ever be incapable, of the Common duties of his Station. —

Canton
24th November 1792

Signd Alex.r Duncan
Surgeon

A true Copy

Signd And.w Berry
Secy to B

To James Anderson Esq.r
Physician General &c &c &c.
Hospital Board

Sir,

By a letter from Government under date the 8th ultimo, I am desired to Correspond with your Board on all points relating to the Medical Depart=ment. I therefore take the liberty of subjoining, for your perusal, a Paragraph from Government, in their letter of the above date. "The Military Auditor "General has been instructed to give the necessary "directions to the respective Paymasters regarding

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"your Monthly Bills." In consequence of this intimation I made application, on the conclusion of last month, to the Paymaster here, who said that he was not yet authorized to discharge any Bill upon — which I wrote (on the 1st instant) to the Military auditor General, to which letter I have not been honored with an answer. — I beg leave, therefore, to request that you will be pleased to take the necessary steps for establishing a regular settlement of the accounts, which is absolutely requisite in so expensive an employ. —

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest Respect, Sir, your most Obedient and very humble Servant

Trichinopoly
13th December 1792

Signed J Urquhart
Contractor for Hospitals south of the Coleroon

A true Copy
Signed And.w Berry Secy H.B.

To Andrew Berry Esq.r
Secretary to the Hospital Board
Fort St George

Sir, I is with great reluctance and concern I find myself obliged to trouble you again so soon, —

In

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In the 7th Paragraph of the late General Orders of Government bearing date 8th November 1792, it is mentioned that, "the Regimental Surgeons shall be "allowed three fanams pr Day for each sick man treated "in the Barracks, which is deemed fully sufficient to enable "him to do any justice to the Sick, and to furnish whatever "Country and Bazar Medecians may be required for "the Officers."

I beg leave to inform you Sir, that over and above the expence which other Surgeons are at, Viz. finding the Country Medicines for which they are allowed three fanams pr day for each man treated in the Barracks I have from the 1st December last the additional expence of paying the Servants of the Pagoda Barrack, which was formerly defrayed by the Paymaster, and for which no provision seems to have been made Viz.

allowance for a House to accommodate the Sick		4	
2 Coolies at 1 Pag. each		2	
1 Toty		30	
1 Sweeper		30	
Oil and Pots		2	
1 new charge 1 washerman		1	22. 40
	Pags.	10	27. 40

The Sick that are generally sent hither from the different Hospitals, are in the last stage of Consumption, Flux, or Liver complaints, and as their ultimate and too

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of the desperate resource, come to this place, in order to try the effects of sea air, salt water, and Bathing &c. this time of the year being more inclument and dangerous to the Sick than any other season, and the Monsoon pretty severe, humanity induced me (altho' not immediately directed by the Orders of Government) to supply the sick with Cloathing, many of whom were absolutely bare and destitute.

I have to request Sir, you will take an early opportunity to lay the aforementioned circumstances before the President and Members of the Hospital Board, and I trust with confidence that, after a serious and thorough consideration of the facts, they will deem it no more than just and equitable, to represent the Situation of the Convalescents at Nagore as singular, and procure from Government the same allowance as was granted to the Paymaster to defray the expences of the Sick, the present being (as I doubt not it will evedently appear to you) altogether inadequate to my disbursements.

I have the Honor to be, with the greatest respect, Sir, your most Obedient and humble Servant

(Signed) George Baird
Surgeon

Negapatam
9th January 1793

I do hereby Certify that Mr. Baird has got the old Cloathing sufficiently and well repaired and

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and made up a few new suits, a House taken for the Sick at the Monthly expence of four Pagodas and every necessary attendant provided.—

Signd W Hammond
Captn Commandg

A true Copy
Signd And.w Berry Secy to H.B.

From Hospital Board.
Mr Ruddiman requests leave to resign the Service and Mr Berry to succeed him as Medical Storekeeper.
Mr Conolly recommended eventually to succeed Mr Berry as Secretary to the Hospital Board.—

Hospital Board
18th January 1793

The Hospital Board have the honor to forward to Government a Letter and enclosure from Mr Ruddiman, soliciting permission to resign, on the 31st Instant, his appointment of Surgeon and Office of Apothecary or Medical Storekeeper, which they recommend, may be granted, Mr Ruddiman having acquitted himself to their satisfaction in that Station.—

The Board have also the honor of forwarding a Letter from their Secretary requesting their support and recommendation to Government for Mr Rud

approved Mr Berry must take of the Stores on Hand at a fair appraisement

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they have no hesitation in recommending Mr Berry's request in the warmest manner, as, from his knowledge of Chymistry they are convinced he will be very useful in the Apothecary Department: at the same time they must regret that in recommending him to fill an office that he considers preferable, they will lose his services as Secretary.

If the Honorable the President in Council is pleased to approve of the above recommendation, they hope Mr Conolly, their former Secretary, will be nominated as Mr Berry's Successor.

Signed Ja.s Anderson,
Physician General
W.m Raine Head Surgeon,

The President in Council approves the recommendation of Mr. Conolly, but thinks that the other Employments which he now holds may materially interfere with the Duty of Secretary to the Hospital Board — an Opinion must therefore be given in regard to the duty which Mr Conolly can properly perform in addition to that of Secretary.

To James Anderson Esq.r M.D
Physician General &c. and Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen, Having it in contemplation to return to Europe, after a long residence in India, and as the arrangement of my affairs must necessarily demand my attention for some time, I beg permission to resign my office as apothecary or

Medical

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Medical Storekeeper, and that of Surgeon in the Honble Company's Service from the 31 instant. I give you this early intimation, that there may be time sufficient for my Successor to take charge of the Medical Stores &c in my Department - as I have a large Stock of Country Medicines on hand, I have to request, at the time my resignation is sent to Government for their approval, that you will have the goodness to recommend their sanction in the purchase of stock, by my successor, at a fair Valuation, according to the tenor of the enclosed. —

I have the Honor to be, with greatest respect. — Gentlemen,

Fort St George
16th January 1793

your very obedient and
very humble Servant
Signd/ William Ruddiman,
Apothecary or Medical Storekeeper

A true Copy
Signd/ And.w Berry Secy to Bd

To William Ruddiman Esq.r
Surgeon

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to inform you that he has been pleased to appoint you a pothecary and Superintendant of Medical Stores at the Presidency in the room of Mr. Bulman, who has re[signed]

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will purchase from Mr. Bulman at a fair appraisement the Stock of Country Medecines he may have provided for the convenience of the Service, together with sundry other necessary medical Stores commissioned from China.—

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11th November 1789

Jam, Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

A true Copy
(Signed) William Ruddiman Apothecary or M. Storek^r.

A true Copy
(Signed) Andrew Berry Secy H.B.

To Dr. James Anderson,
Physician General &c. Members of the
Hospital Board.

Gentlemen,

Mr. Ruddiman having resigned the Service and vacated his office of apothecary or medical Storekeeper, I have to request your recommendation of me to the Honorable the President in Council for that appoint:ment. I hope I have discharged the Duties of Secretary to your Board so as to merit your countenance, and support in this application.—

Whatever Stores Mr. Ruddiman has on hand, good, and wanted for the use of the Service, I can have no objection to take at a fair valuation, as specified in

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in his letter, —

I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient and very humble Servant

(Signed) And:w Berry Sec.y H.B.

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17th January 1793

From Hospital Board proposes the removal of Mr. Casterade from the 7th Battalion to the Trichinopoly General Hospital and the appointment of Mr. Aram in his Room — Mr. Morton requests leave to go to the Cape for his health — and Mr. Mein to employ a writer. —

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The Hospital Board are sorry to acquaint Government that Mr. Casterade, who was appointed by the Commander in Chief an Assistant Surgeon at the commencement of the late War, for his humane and benevolent attention to the Prisoners in the former War with Hyder, and since approved of by the Court of Directors, has not been able to give satisfaction in his present station of assistant Surgeon to the 7th Battalion of Sepoys, as appears by a Letter from Captain Bowser to the Physician General.

There is no complaint against Mr. Casterade for want of attention, his ignorance of the English language,

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approved—

on the only reasons that induce the Hospital Board to recommend his being removed to the General Hospital at Trichinopoly, when, under the direction of a Surgeon, his endeavours to be useful may be more successful

If Government are pleased to approve of the above recommendation, the Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Cram, Assistant Surgeon, be appointed to the 7th Battalion Native Infantry Vice Mr. Casteras. —

The Hospital Board have the honor to forward a Letter to the Honorable the President in Council from Mr. Morton, Assistant Surgeon, for leave of absence to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of his health, Mr. Morton has been long in a very bad State of health— the Board therefore hope his request may be granted. —

Mr. Mein, Head Surgeon Trichinopoly, having stated to the Hospital Board the necessity of being allowed a writer to keep Books of the Issues and to make out Invoices of the Medecines

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delivered and sent to the different Surgeons at each Station, which was formerly done by the Senior Assistant. The Hospital Board beg leave to recommend to Government an allowance for this purpose, as a Head Surgeons time is certainly too valuable to be so taken up, and it is a Duty of considerable detail, as will appear by the enclosed Extract from a letter of Mr. Mein's which they have the honor to forward.

Cannot be allowed

Signed Jas. Anderson
Physician General
W. Braine
Head Surgeon

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

Induced by no other considerations than those which regard the recovery of health I am under the necessity of requesting indulgence of Government for leave of absence for a length of time necessary to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope.

I have the Honor to be &c &c

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Extract of a Letter from Mr. Mein Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly

As I do not perceive, by the late Medical arrange:ments, appointing the Head Surgeons to the Charge of Europe Medicines, that any Establishment of Servants has been made for the apothecary Business of supplying the different stations and Corps in this Division, I beg leave to submit the same to the Consideration of the Hospital Board the necessity of such an Establishment: for, in a large Cantonment like this, I have so many different avocations, that it is a most laborious and troublesome task to comply with so many Indents, as are made by the different Corps in this Division - a writer is absolutely necessary to keep the Book of Issues, and make out all Invoices of Medecines delivered and sent to the several Surgeons, at each Station, it would indeed give one person continual Employment,

A true Extract (signed) Andw Berry Sec. H.B.

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Hydrabad: —

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Resident at Hydrabad enclosing an Original Munshoor from Tippoo to the Zemindar of Mokha Encouraging him to

I have the honor to enclose, by the Nizam's desire, a Munshoor from Tippoo to the Zemindar of Mokha in the Kanary

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Kanary Language, with Persian and English Translates Mokha being one of the places ceded to his Highness by the late Treaty, which he has not yet been able to obtain possession of, he desires the impropriety of such conduct on Tippoo's part may be represented to his Vakeels, and the Munshoor shewn to them, after which, should there be no further occasion for it, he requests it may be returned to him.

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

Translate of a Persian Copy of a Hindee Munshoor (letter) from Tippoo Sultaun to Ghor Row Zemindar of Mokha.

At this time I have received a particular account of you from the Arzee of Papah Nair, you have long been protected and fed by the Sirkar, if therefore you have no apprehensions, come to the presence along with the above Nair, and obtain an audience, you shall be restored to your Country, and your family shall be released, come without any sort of apprehension to the presence - written the 9th of the Month of Jaffry in the year 1220 of Mahommed by Rung Row Moonshy.

True Translate
(Signed) Wm Stewart
Assistant

Minute thereon,

The President informs the Board that the original Munshoor from Ti[illegible]

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Mokha has been shown to the Vackeels, and a Copy of it taken for their use. That they disclaim all knowledge of the transaction, but have promised to write to their Master on the subject, and to communicate his answer to Government.

Agreed that the above be communicated to Sir John Kennaway, and that the Original Memoorah be returned to him. —

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Sandys. —

To W. C. Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir. I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 15th instant, intimating "that, before any resolution can be passed favorable to Lieutenant Gibbings, it is necessary that my opinion should be communicated regarding the reasonableness of the Disbursements." —

From Lieutenant Sandys reporting his Opinion on Lieutenant Gibbings's Charges for the Care of the Elephants with the Southern Detachment

During my stay at Chinglepute I examined, with the greatest accuracy, the accounts of expences incurred for the subsistence of the Elephants under the immediate charge of Lieutenant Gibbings and declare that I believe them to be just accurate, and reasonable. —

It is necessary for me to observe, in justice to Lieutenant Gibbings, from the united testimony of the Elephant

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Elephant People, that I attribute the strong certificates of good behaviour which they have brought with them from all the Officers they have served under to his conciliatory and judicious management — two alone having deserted during the whole period of the Service. —

I request the favor of you to inform the Honorable the President in Council that I hope to close an agreement with the Nizams agent for Twenty Elephants in two or three days — at present he hesitates taking so many, wishing to be select in his choice, but as he requires them at the former rate of sale he must, to establish a compromise equality take the same number as the former agent did — being Twenty. —

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
Signed Wm Sandys
Lieut.t & Superintendant
Fourth Company's Elephants

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Resolution in Consequence, —

Lieutenant and Quarter Master Gibbings having conducted himself to the satisfaction of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell as Superintendant of the Company's Elephants employed with the Detachments lately on foot in the Tinnevelly Country, it is resolved to make him an allowance of twenty /20/ Pagodas p month for the time he had charge of the Elephants.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Hönble Sir,

From Board of Revenue-Enclosing a second Reference from Mr. Gambier relative to proceedings on the Enquiry, to Ongole.

Having communicated your Orders of the 3d Instant, to Mr. Gambier, through the Channel of the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, they have lately addressed us a Letter enclosing a Second Reference from Mr. Gambier, which we have now the Honor to submit to your determination.

We have the Honor to be,
Hon'ble Sir
Your Most
Obedt Hble Servts
Signed David Haliburton
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Extract of a Letter from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam Dated 16 January 1793

A Copy of your letter of the 5th Instant was transmitted, immediately upon the receipt of it, to Mr. Gambier, by whose answer, a Copy of which is enclosed, you will observe that he is still exceedingly desirous of being excused from proceeding to Ongole upon the Service ordered by Government, this being a matter in which our own discretion or opinion could not operate we have written to Mr Gambier, as will appear by the enclosed

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enclosed Copy of our answer, to that effect, and now submit his reasons for declining the Service in question to the consideration of your Board. — A true Extract

[Signed] John Read Jun.r
Depy Sec.y

To Anthony Sadleir Esq.r
Chief & Council at Masulipatam

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Assistant Secretary's letter of the 10th Instant enclosing Copy of one to you from the Board of Revenue under date the 5th Instant wherein they state that, Government not having Considered the reasons which I assigned in my letter to the Board of Revenue of the 22d ultimo as Sufficient to induce them to Countermand their Order for my proceeding to Ongole for investigating into the Complaint against the late Mr. Erskine's Dubash &c., they now direct I should proceed thither for that purpose. —

It is with much Concern that I feel myself under the necessity, after the receipt of the above Order, to presume again to call the attention of Government regarding their nomination of me to this investigation, but to this I am induced from being so peculiarly Circumstanced with the Employ which they have been pleased to entrust, at present, to my Charge.

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From the Board of Revenue acknowledging the receipt of two Letters from you, I conclude that Copy of my letter to your Board of the 22d ultimo must have been forwarded by you in the supposition that what I therein, and in my letter to the Board of Revenue represented, was deemed by you sufficiently explanatory of the Circumstances regarding me in my present Station, and sufficient to have induced Government to Countermand the Order they had been pleased to give for my proceeding to Ongole, and, consequently, nothing was added by you on the subject. I conclude that you must have thus considered what I had represented, from supposing my presence here to be necessary to execute the different Orders you had been pleased to send me, exclusive of the necessary attention requisite from me to the General duties of my Employ.

Agreable to the directions Contained in your Assistant Secretary's letter of the 20th ultimo I have been engaged in ascertaining what remissions may have been made by the Renters to the different Inhabitants on account of the prevailing distress throughout the Country and Collecting the necessary documents from such Inhabitants, as connected with this, and necessary also to lay before you. I have been procuring the accounts from the District of what Collections were made by the Renters from the

Inhabitants

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Inhabitants for Fusly 1201, and also if any, and the amount of such Collections in the present Fusly year to the 31st ultimo, - I am accordingly now engaged in the investigation of these accounts, which I am preparing to lay before you with all expedition: but it will be yet some time before I shall be enabled to do this - These Circumstances, as also what others I represented in my former letters, are what call for my particular attention at present; and, Consequently, were I now to leave my Station, I should not only be prevented from executing your immediate orders, but have great apprehensions of much derange-ment in my public business. —

Trusting therefore to the candid Consideration of Government, I thus presume to again call their attention, and to entreat that they will be pleased to excuse my proceeding to Angole for the purpose as directed by them; and have to request you will lay this letter before the Board of Revenue in answer to their late orders. —

I have the honor to be, with respect,

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

Signed C. Gambier Collector

Muglatore
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A true Copy
Signed Robt. Malcolm
Asst. Secy

A true Copy
Signed John Bean Jr.

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To Mr Cornish Gambier
Collector in the Muglatore District

Sir, I am directed by the Chief and Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 13th Instant, & to inform you, that they are sorry any thing should intervene to prevent the Orders of Government, Communicated thro' the Channel of the Board of Revenue, from being carried into effect, more particularly since these Orders have been repeated.

As the Orders for your proceeding to Angole, were addressed immediately to yourself, and a Copy thereof only, transmitted for the information of the Chief and Council, it did not appear intended that any discretion should be left with them, neither was their opinion required whether your presence could be dispensed with or otherwise from your station at Muglatore, under these Circumstances the Chief and Council did not think themselves authorized, to interfere in any way, that might have appeared to impede the execution of what Government had expressly ordered, and they still continue of this opinion; but, as you are, notwithstanding this, still desirous that a second reference be made on this subject to the Presidency, a Copy of your Letter of the 13th as well as of this answer will be forwarded to the Board of

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Revenue which is all the Chief and Council think themselves authorized to do.

I am, Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

Signed Robert Malcolm

Assistant Secretary

Masulipatam,
15th January 1793

A true Copy

Signed Robert Malcolm

Ass Secy

A true Copy

Signed John Read Junr.

Depy Secy

The Board are sorry to observe a disinclination on the part of Mr. Gambier to proceed on the enquiry to Angola. If it had not been inconvenient to depute any other Person they would have been inclined to pay attention to Mr. Gambier's first representation - but as this inconvenience then occurred, and still exists, and as the reasons given by Mr Gambier for wishing to decline this particular service are insufficient, it is resolved not to dispense with the execution of the former orders.

Minute thereon

Read the following letters from the Military Board.

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Military Board submitting certain queries relative to a scheme of Defence for the Ceded Countries - Minutes on the subject.

In reply to your Letter of the 3d of October last, we had the honor to intimate that we should lay before you, as soon as possible, a general scheme of defence for the Baramahal Country, which would include all such Forts as appear necessary to that end, with the establishment of Grain and Stores that should be allotted to them, our intention was to include the whole of the ceded Countries, and we had taken steps for preparing our report accordingly, The Auditor General, however, having delivered in a Minute, wherein he expresses his apprehensions that, in acting as proposed above, we should exceed the limits of our instructions, we have judged it proper, conformably to the principle that has hitherto governed us on similar occasions, to forward herewith the Auditor Generals Minute above alluded to, a Minute thereon by the Adjutant General, a Minute from our President, consequent of both, and a Minute on the same occasion, by the Chief Engineer, and another Minute in explanation from the Auditor General, upon which we beg leave to be honored with your Commands, that is to say, whether we are / agreable to what we have said in our letter of the

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13th November, to go so far as to propose a defensive Estab-
lishment of the Baramahal and Ceded Countries, or are
to consider that as already determined, and only to allot
Ordnance, Stores, and provisions, proportioned to the Forts
and Garrisons as they now stand; in which latter case, it
will be necessary for this Board, simply to report to
Government, the quantity of Ordnance, Stores, and
provisions, necessary for each Garrison, as at present
established; and we request, in case it is your intention
that we be limited to the provision of Ordnance, Stores,
and provisions, for each of the Forts, as they now stand, to
be honored with your Orders how we are to proceed in
regard to the reports of the Engineers, touching the state
of the several Forts which have been laid before us by
the Chief Engineer.

We have the Honor to be
Hr Hs
John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Patrick Ross
Jn Richardson
BJ Close
George Hall

Fort St George
18th January 1793

(signed)

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Minute of the Auditor General

Our Letter of the 13th November to Government intimated our intention to submit to consideration a general scheme of defence for the Baramaul Country, including all such Forts as might appear necessary to that end, together with the Establishment of provisions and Stores which should be allotted to them. —

The resolution to the above effect was adopted on considering the Letter from Government of the 3d October, which expresses that "as much time has elapsed, and "no further reports have yet reached us, / alluding to those "concerning Kistnagherry, Ricacottah and Chenroydroog / "we desire you will immediately take into Consideration "those already received and submit for our approbation "such an Establishment of Stores, and Grain, as, in your "opinion, will be proper for the Stations already reported "upon". — Having lately adverted more particularly to the Instructions we have received from Government, than I did at the time our address of 13th November was resolved upon, it has occurred to me, (that,) as neither the instructions under which the Military Board is established, nor the special orders of Government authorize us to offer for consideration a general scheme of defence for the Baramaul or for any other Country, it will therefore be proper to communicate with Government

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to that effect, and to consider of, and report, without delay, the proportion of provisions, and stores, which, in our opinion, it will be adviseable to place in the Forts of the Baramaul, relative to which we have received reports from Captain Read, or from the Officers of the Corps of Engineers, and artillery employed to survey, and inspect, in that Quarter; and that we should likewise make known to Government, without delay, the substance of the Reports we have received relative to the State of the Fortifications at each post, and to the accommodation for the Troops, Stores, and provisions, accompanied by such suggestions under each head, as may be thought in the province of the Military Board - in order that Government may have an opportunity of making arrangements, for the supply of all deficiencies in those points. —

It was my intention to have expressed myself in a minute to the above effect, at our last meeting when the plans and reports of the Engineers were before us. but, I was induced to postpone it, until the present one, as it was late before the examination of the plans and reports was compleated, and as the Board broke up immediately after. —

It appears to me essentially necessary, in the present stage of the business, and on considering more attentively the intimation in our Letter of the 13th November, that this Board should adopt a proceeding on the —

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principle now suggested, as I am of opinion it will be a compliance with the orders we have received, relative to Stores, and Grain, for the posts in the Baramaul, and also a compliance with what I conceive to have been the intention of Lord Cornwallis; and that, in other respects, the proceeding will be the duty of this Board, in consequence of the reports laid before us by Captain Read, and the Officers of Engineers and artillery employed in that Country. I am Sir Your most obedient Humble Servant Signed Henry Malcolm Military and 5th Genl

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A true Copy
Signed James Brodie
Secy Mil Bd.

Minute of the Adjutant General

I have attentively perused the auditor Generals Minute of this Date, in which he objects to the Military Board proceeding to submit to Government a scheme of Defence for the Baramaul, agreeably to the intimation given to Government in our Letter of the 13th november last, and, at the same time, recommends that the Military Board should proceed to make known to Government without delay, the substance of the reports we have received relative to the State of the Fortifications at each

post,

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post, and to the accommodation for the Troops, Stores, and provisions, accompanied by such suggestions under each Head &c &c.

In regard to a scheme of defence for the Baramahal or any other portion of a line of Frontier, I confess that, in my ideas, it is well defined by the recommendation above recited for in what else can a proposed scheme of defence so applied principally consist, but in a Report, in the first instance of the Fortifications of it's several Posts - the accommodation provided for the Troops in each Post, as well as for it's Stores and Provisions, accompanied by such suggestions under each Head, as might enable Government, or other Authority, to make arrangements for the supply of all Deficiencies in these points. The suggestions above alluded to, I conceive, must go first to suppose the relative importance of each Post, from strength, size, and situation. then the Posts that should be kept up, and those that should be destroyed - the repairs or improvements required in the Fortifications, and Buildings, of each Post, and the detail of Troops, and the proportion of Ordnance, Military Stores, and Provisions, that should be allotted for each, followed by such propositions as may suggest themselves, for completing the System, and accomplishing the end proposed

Such a train of suggestions, arising from such Reports, form of opinion, will amount to a proposed scheme

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of Defence, and thereby enable Government to make arrangements for the supply of all Deficiencies.——

But if the suggestions alluded to by the Auditor General are not such as I have detailed, I do not see how they can arise from, or be fully or fairly connected with, the Reports he has mentioned, nor, in any material degree, afford Government an opportunity of making arrangements, for the supply of all Deficiencies.——

In my construction of the Auditor General's sentiments therefore, as explained in his Minute, a Compliance with them will lead the Board to submit to Government a proposed Scheme of Defence for the Baramahal, agreeably to their intention already communicated, and upon this view, I am of opinion, that if the Military Board acquits itself in the manner that the Auditor General has recommended, it will but pursue its original intention, and thereby comply with the intentions of Government to the greatest extent of which it may be capable.—— (Signed) B.J. Close

A true Copy

(Signed) James Brodie
Secy to Mily Board

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Minute of the President

I agree with the Auditor General in what he has stated in his minute of this day, and am fully convinced that any ultimate decision as to the defence of the Baramahal Country, will naturally fall to be made by Government, in communication with the Officer at the head of the Army, but it appears to me to have been expected by Govern: ment, that this Board should suggest some thing more than merely the quantity of Ordnance, Stores, and Provisions necessary to be lodged in each of the Forts as they now stand, and that we should, in consequence of the Engineers Reports before us, offer some opinion in regard to the Forts themselves, previous to any allotment of Ordnance, Stores, and provisions for them; and it was under this idea, that I subscribed to our letter of the 13th of November last, in which we intimated to Government, that we should make such suggestions, as would go to a general scheme of defence for the consideration of Government, as soon as we should be enabled so to do; and it was I believe with this view, that this Board called upon Captain Alexander Read for his ideas on the subject, which we have, in part, received —

And the Board seemed to have but one opinion at the time of writing our letter of the 13th of November which was the opinion contained in that letter - and I

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did suppose that it would be therefore necessary for this Board, having received the necessary Reports, to enter fully on the subject, recollecting always, that the Officer at the head of the Army, is also at the head of this Board, and consequently has it in his power, to deliver his opinion, and also to take up the matter separately, as Commander of the Army, if the proceeding of the Board does not accord to his ideas

It has always appeared to me that this Board could not effectually state the quantity of Ordnance, Stores, and Provisions necessary for the defence of the Country till it was determined what Forts should be repaired and kept up as necessary for that defence, and also what Garrison should be allotted to each, and that, therefore, it was necessary for this Board to offer an opinion agreeable to what I believed to be expected by Government, and that the opinion of this Board should go to the whole, and enable Government, as the Auditor General has expressed it, to provide for all deficiencies.—

To enable Government to provide for all deficiencies, I conceive it to be necessary for us to suggest to Government our ideas of the several Forts, even to the extent of pointing out such as might safely be destroyed, and such as should be kept up, and the quantity of Troops, Ordnance, Stores, and Provisions, which appear to us to be necessary for each.—

But if there is any difference of opinion now among

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among us, and if it is the opinion of some, as appears to be the case from the Auditor Generals Minute, that by so doing we shall exceed the limits of our province, and go into matters not expected of us by Government, we should come to a decision on that point, as if the Auditor Generals idea be generally received, we have nothing more to do then to report the quantity of Ordnance Stores and provisions necessary for each Fort, as they now stand, and recommend the repairs and buildings immediately wanted for each, to put them in a State of defence, and enable them effectually to cover the Garison now in them, and the Ordnance Stores and Provisions, to be sent. But I think it will be more conformable to the original instructions under which this Board acts, to state to Government that a difference of opinion has arisen, since we had the honor to address them, under date 13th of November last, and request their determination to what extent we are to carry our deliberations, and Report; that is, whether we are, agreeable to what we have said in our above cited letter, to go so far as to propose an opinion comprehending a general defensive Establishment of the Baramahal Country, or to consider Ourselves limited only to state the quantity of Ordnance, Stores, and Provisions necessary for each of the Forts as they now stand. In the latter case it will be necessary for this Board simply to Report to Government on those particular subjects, and, with our Report, to send in to Government all the Engineers Reports which we have

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received, as it will not then be necessary for us to enter into any discussion of them, - as it will not rest with us to make any propositions to Government in regard to those which are to be repaired, and kept up, or touching those which may be destroyed, and I recommend that we desire Government, at the same time, to authorise us to cause the Contractors immediately to prepare some depressing, and other Gun Carriages, which will, at all events, be requisite for that Country.

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January 17th 1793

(Signed) John Brathwaite
President

A true Copy

(Signed) James Brodie
Sec. Jc. My Bd.

Minute of the Chief Engineer

Lieutenant Colonel Ross is of Opinion, that, with whomsoever the Business may originate, It cannot be conclusively done, without, First establishing the Importance of the Garrisons relative to the General Protection of the Country.

Secondly, Determining on such as are to be put in a State of Defence,

And thirdly, fixing the Proportion of Troops, Ordnance Stores, and Provisions requisite for such Garrisons

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Garrisons, as are to be kept up.—

19th January 1793 Signed / Patrick Ross
Lieut Col.t & Chief Engr.

A true Copy
Signd James Brodie
Secy 1793.

Minute of the Auditor General in explanation,

My objection to our submitting to the consideration of Government a Scheme of defence for the Baramahal is grounded as follows.—

I consider it as involving a consideration of the Posts to be kept up or destroyed; the quota of Troops proper to Garrison each post; and the relative situation, in regard to subordination and otherways, of the Posts that are kept up; all of which matters are, I think, exclusively in Government, and the Commander in Chief, and that this Board is not authorised to touch upon them, without special orders to that effect, but that no such special Orders are contained in the letter of Government of the 17th of November Acknowledging the receipt of ours of the 13th November, which intimated our intention to submit to consideration, a Scheme of defence for the Baramaul.—

If this Board states to Government the quota

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of Stores and Provisions which is, in our opinion, proper for the Posts, as they stand Garrisoned at present, and also lays before them the substance of the Reports relative to the Fortifications, and to the accommodation for Troops, Stores, and Provisions in the Baramahal, suggesting, at the same time, the best means of putting them in good and sufficient condition for the Service, or, of destroying such of the Posts as appear, from the Reports, not to be tenable or useful. I conceive that Government, in communication with the Commander in Chief, will then have before them the means of judging not only, of the deficiencies, but of the Forts to be kept up, or destroyed, and of the quota of Troops required for each Post, and that, in the mean time, it is incumbent on this Board to enter upon the consideration, without delay, of the points on which we have received Orders, and of those which I have considered to be a matter of immediate duty in this Board, in consequence of the Reports that have been laid before us, least, from circumstances which may happen, although at present they may appear unlikely, the Posts which are Garrisoned at present, and are tenable or capable of being made so, should fall, in consequence of their not being supplied with Stores and Provisions, or from the want of repairs to the Fortifications and proper accommodation for the Troops, Stores, and provisions placed in them. — I have already said that the other matters which I consider to be included in a Scheme of defence for the Baramaul are not, in my opinion, in the province of the Military Board,

and

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and, if they are not so in the consideration of any Member of the Board, I think the decision of Government should be obtained on the subject especially as it appears that the Report to be made relative to the Baramaul will be affected by the result.—

I only beg leave to add that the first reports received by us from the Baramaul were laid before Government, in order that we might receive their Orders before they became a subject of consideration at the Military Board.— (Signed) Henry Malcolm,
Mil. Aud. Genl.

17th January 1793.

A true Copy
(Signed) James Brodie
Secy. M. J. Bd.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Military Board on the foregoing subject and submitting the heads of the Report proposed to be made with a Minute of Colonel Malcolm

Our letter of the 18th Instant &c. Minutes were all passed and under dispatch before we had the honor to receive your letter of the 17th inclosing the letter of Mr. Cockburn, Commissary General of Grain &c. Papers, as in that letter you have been pleased to say that we may include the subject of Mr. Cockburns letter in our general report of the state of the Forts &c. and as the subject of Mr.

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Cockburns letter goes beyond the providing for the immediate defence of the Posts, and glances at the establishing a place of depot, and as we had most of us conceived that a Report even of the state of the Forts went to an opinion of their situation and applicability or inapplicability to the general defence of the line of Frontier and other professional purposes, and as it was on this idea that the Majority of us were of opinion to proceed but thought it first necessary to address you as we have done, on the same principle, to avoid any further delay or discussion, we now submit to your Honor in Council the heads of the Report, we had in contemplation to make, requesting your Commands relative to such Report, that if a Report, under these heads, is what you expect from this Board, we may prepare it without delay; and we have also the honor to enclose a Minute delivered in by the Auditor General, after perusal of this letter. —

We have the honor to be
&c &c

Signed
John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Patrick Ross
Thomas Geils
Jn.o Richardson
By Close
George Hall

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Heads of the Report proposed to be made by the Military Board

1st To state all the Forts which have been reported

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reported to us in the state they now are. —

2d To state such as we are of opinion ought to be Garrisoned as necessary for the defence of the Country, and are likely to prove useful or necessary in case of a War, and therefore such as in our opinion ought to be repaired and rendered commodious for the Garrison, Stores &c., which they are to contain, and to state an opinion how far it may be prudent effectually to destroy as defensible Posts all such as do not come under the above description, and are therefore not named specifically - and also to state our ideas in regard to a place of depots. —

3d The details of Troops which we suppose will be allotted as sufficient Garrison for each Fort. —

4th To State, as far as we are able, the work that will be required for each to render it defensible, and to establish sufficient Quarters, Magazines, Granaries and Storehouses in each.

5th What proportion of Ordnance is required for each.

6th What ammunition and Stores.

7th What Provisions.

Signed John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Patrick Ross
Thomas Geils
Jn Richardson
By Close
George Hall

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Minute of the Auditor General —

I do not object to the Letter, as proposed by the President, being addressed to Government at this period, as I conceive it will be the means of bringing to a speedy conclusion at this Board the Arrangements which may be considered necessary on our part for the Baramaul and the rest of the ceded Countries under this Presidency; at the same time I beg leave to be understood as adhering to my former Opinion that the Forts to be kept up or destroyed, the quota of Troops necessary for their defence, and their relative situation in subordination and other ways are not matters in the province of the Military Board unless specially directed to take them under consideration, and therefore I request that this Minute may accompany our Letter to Government, as now proposed by the President and concurred in by the rest of the Members, as I differ in opinion relative to the sense in which the words "subject of M.r "Cockburn's Letter" has been considered. —

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Signd Henry Malcolm Mil.d Genl.

A True Copy

Signd James Brodie Secy Mil.y Bd.

Resolved to direct the Military Board to confine their report upon the ceded Countries to the 1st 4th 5th 6th and 7th Heads of the propositions submitted with their letter of the 21st Instant — and that Colonel Brathwaite be called upon for his opinion on the other points. —

Resolution thereon

The

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Lieutenant James Mackerras appointed Adjutant of the Black Town, and

Lieutenant Thomas Everell to command of the Party stationed with the Tanjore Family

The President proposes that Lieutenant James Mackerras be appointed to the Adjutancy of the Black Town vice Gibbons removed to Trichinopoly and that Lieutenant Thomas Everell be appointed to the Command of the party of Sepoys stationed, with the family of the late Rajah of Tanjore, at Mr. Crawfurd's Garden,

Approved and Ordered accordingly.

Captain Thomas Moore of the Invalids, takes the Oath of qualification for Lord Clive's Bounty.

Captain Thomas Moore, of the Invalids, being called before the Board, the President administers to him the usual Oath of Qualification for Lord Clive's Bounty.

Chas. Oakeley

E. Wallofield

George Parry Exr.

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Diary

Substance of a letter 23d from Zemindar of Seydapour.—

Received letter from the Zemindar of Seydapour Entered in C.C. No. 21 complaining of the Demands made by the Commandant at Rampore, &c upon the Inhabitants for Sheep, Grain, &c.

" Received also the undermentioned letters Entered in Miscellany Book Nos. 148. 149 150.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, enclosing an Estimate of his Expected Receipts and Issues in February, and arrears previous to 1st January.—

From Commissary Genrl of Grain and Provisions.—

From Officer Commanding the Army recommending Lieutenant John Munro for the Command of the Company to be stationed at Corringa, and Ensign W Shaw to succeed him as Quarter Master to the 1st Battalion of European Infantry.—

From Colonel Braithwaite.—

From Mr Ram, Collector of Tanjore, advising of his having sent to Mr Vaughan, a Draft, payable in Madura, for the Amount ordered to be advanced him.—

From Collector of Tanjore.—

24th. Sent the following letters.—

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To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General in Council
at Fort William

My Lord,

To Bengal inclosing a sealed letter from the Nabob to Lord Cornwallis also a copy of the late Correspondence with His Highness relative to Revenue Accounts.

We have the honor to transmit a sealed letter addressed to your Lordship by His Highness the Nabob, and, as it may possibly have relation to the subject of our late correspondence with His Highness on the subject of Revenue Accounts, we have judged it proper, for your Lordship's information, to enclose the copies of two letters from him, and of our President's replys to each.

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

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To Mr. Thomas Snodgrass
Resident at Tanjore
Sir,

To Resident at Tanjore, expressive

I am directed by the Honble the President

in

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expressive of the Boards surprize that Lieutenant Colonel Tolson should have partaken of the Donation for the Capture of Sanadeo — Orders in consequence

24th in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 13th instant, and to express his surprise that the Name of Lieutenant Colonel Tolson should appear in the List of Officers entitled to partake of the Donation granted by Government for the Capture of Sanadeo, when their orders of the 20th October, the receipt of which you have acknowledged, were to the following effect. —

"That a Sum equal to three Months "Batta shall be paid to Captain Little, and to each "of the subalterns and Assistant Surgeons now in the "Ganjam District, at any time employed in the Pursuit "of Sanadeo". —

As Lieutenant Colonel Tolson has been paid three Months Batta contrary to the orders above quoted, the President in Council thinks it probable that the Names of other Officers not entitled to share in the donation may have been inserted in the List, and desires therefore that you will transmit another List, shewing, opposite to each Name, the time and occasion on which the Officer was employed. —

The amount of additional Batta paid to Lieutenant Colonel Tolson must be brought

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to the Company's Credit.

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I am

&c.a &c.a

(signed) W. C. Jackson Secretary.

To David Haliburton Esqre.

&c.a Members of the Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen;

To Board of Revenue repeating the Order for demanding a reply from Messrs. Torin and Floyer to the Nabob's Complaints against them in May and September 1791.

We wrote to the Board of Assumed Revenue under date the 21st. May, 7th and 19th September 1791 on the subject of Complaints preferred against Messrs. Torin, Erskine, and Floyer by the Nabob, and desired that these Gentlemen should be called upon to reply to the Charges brought against them by his Highness, and the result reported for our information.

If those Gentlemen made any reply to the complaints we wish you to communicate the particulars to us, If not, that you will call upon Mr. Torin and Mr. Floyer, who are now on the spot, to explain their Conduct in the Instances mentioned.

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We are

&c.a &c.a

(signed) Charles Oakeley &c.a Council.

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24th. Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in Miscellany Book Nos. 151 - 152 - 153 - 154 - 155 - 156 - 157 - 158 - 159 - 160 - 161 - 162 - 163 - 164 - 165 166 - 167 - 168. -

To Board of Revenue.-

To Board of Revenue - the Order to Mr. Gambier to proceed on the Enquiry to Angola cannot be dispensed with - a List of papers required by the Nabob enclosed. -

To Commissary Gen. eral of Grain and Provisions. -

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - Rice to be supplied on Colonel Geils's Detachment, in proportion to the Encreased Number of Lascars at the Present.

To Paymaster at Madura. -

To Paymaster at Madura - expressive of the Boards displeasure that he should have suffered the 1st. Europeans Regiment to March without discharging their arrears of pay.

To Military Auditor General. -

To Military Auditor General - the Hospital Bills of the Trichinopoly Contractor to be paid Monthly - Copy of Lieutenant Urquharts letter on the subject Enclosed, and notifying the additional Monthly Charges to be made by the Surgeon at Nagore and Negapatam. -

To Ditto -

To Ditto - referring a letter from Sir

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Sir John Kennaway, with a Statement — and requiring a Report of the Sum due to the Sepoys of the Nizam's Detachment on account of Rice — Lieutenant Gibbings to receive Twenty Pagodas P Month, while in charge of the Elphants with the Southern Detachment. —

To Military Board

To Military Board — stating the Heads to which their Report on the Ceded Countries is to be confined — Report of the Chief Engineer relative to the proposed Cantonment at Arnee, with sundry plans and Estimates, Referred for their Opinion — Orders for repairing the Granary Barracks in the Black Town. —

To Colonel Brathwaite.

To Officer Commanding the Army — requiring his Opinion on certain points, relative to the Forts in the Ceded Countries. —

To Resident at Hyderabad. —

To Resident at Hyderabad — on the subject of the Original Munshoor from Tippoo to the Zemindar of Mokha. —

To Mr. Royer Darwall. Collector

To Mr. R. Darwall — Collector in the Jaghire — advising of the Camels and Horses, belonging to the Hostages, being removed from Trivalore to Perambaucum for the convenience of Forage.

To Commandant at Tiverr. —

To Commandant at Tellore — the proceedings of Committee of Works relative to the repairs

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repairs required there to be sent down with a letter from himself.

To Military Board

To Military Board - directing the delivery of some condemned Guns to Messrs. Chase, Sewell, and Chase.-

To Captain Thomas Moore.-

To Captain Thomas Moore - will be admitted on the Pension Fund on producing the necessary Certificate.

To Lieutenant James Graham.-

To Lieutenant James Graham - inclosing an Extract from the General letter to England, relative to the late Captain J. Campbell's Claim on the Nabob.

To Mr. Charles Stockwell - late Lieutenant.-

To Mr. Charles Stockwell - his application, under date 25th. Instant, inadmissible.

To Captain Dunlop of the Yarmouth.-

To Captain of the Yarmouth - regarding a Passage to Bombay, for some Sepoys of that Establishment.-

To Commander of the Contractors.-

To Commander of the Contractors - directing him to accommodate the Reverend Mr. Holocher with a Passage to Europe.-

To Reverend Mr. Holocher.-

To Reverend Mr. Holocher - advising him thereof.-

To Mr. E. Morton - assistant Surgeon.-

To Mr. E. Morton - permitting him

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Him to proceed to the Cape for the benefit of his health.—

Substance of a letter 25th. from the Nabob.—

Received letter from the Nabob —
Entered in Country Correspondence No. 22 — has sent orders to his Naibs at Ongole and Nellore for affording assistance in collecting Supplies for the 1st. European Battalion.—

Received the undermentioned letters
Entered in Miscellany Book No. 169—170—171—172—

From Monsieur Raymond.—

From Monsieur Raymond request-ing to purchase two six pounders for the use of the Nizam.—

From Master Master Southern Division.

From Master Masters in the Southern Division — inclosing the required Oath of Office, duly attested.—

From Ditto—in the Ceded Countries.

From Ditto Ditto—in the Ceded Countries — with Ditto—

From Commander of the Contractor

From Commander of the Contractor requesting a Copy of the Agreement, relative to the accom-modation and Passage of Hanoverians on the " Chartered Ships.—

Substance of letter to " the Nabob.—

Sent letter to the Nabob, entered in Country Correspondence No. 23 proposing an Exchange

of

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25th. of the Grain at Trichinopoly for an equal quantity of the new paddy now on the Ground, in preference to the mode of payment, proposed by His Highness.

Despatched the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Miscellany Book Nos. 173-174-175-176.-

To Military Auditor Genrab. To Military Auditor General - referring for Examination the Estimate of Cash for the Depart = = ment of the Commissary General of Grain and = Provisions for February.-

To Commander of the Contractor. - To Commander of the Contractor in = reply to his letter above noted.

To Collector at Tanjore. - To Mr. Ram, Collector - directing him to advance Eight thousand (8000) Pagodas to the Paymaster at Trichinopoly.-

To Paymaster at Trichinopoly. - To Paymaster at Trichinopoly - advising him thereof - and authorizing him to draw on the Paymaster General for such sums as may be actually required and not provided for.-

Received the following Letters.-

Extract of a Letter from Masulipatam Dated the 13th. January 1793.-

From Chief and = Council at Masulipatam have In consequence of the orders = contained

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have stationed Lieut. Thomas Riddell at Coringa with a Company of Sepoys towards checking the slave Trade carried on at that port. —

contained in the last Paragraph of your letter, ~~and of~~ the discretion apparently left with us, we think it necessary that a prudent and vigilant Officer should be selected, for the purpose of being stationed at Coringa, more particularly, as we know, from good authority, that Reports of the traffick carried on by Foreigners in Slaves, has reach Calcutta, Having a confidence in the circumspection and conduct of Lieutenant Thomas Riddell, we have accordingly selected him for the service in question, which may require to be conducted with some degree of delicacy; and we shall require the Officer Commanding the Troops in Garrison to order him to proceed to Coringa without delay, where he will be sationed with one Company of Revenue Sepoys, or as many as can at present be spared from the Garrison of Samulcotah, from whence he may easily be reinforced afterwards by Major Wynch as circumstances may render necessary. —

A true Extract

(Signed) J. Webbe

Depy. Secry. —

To

Fort St. George 25th January 1793.

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

Honorable Sir,

From Garrison Storekr. in reply to Lieut.t Knox's Complaint of deficiencies in the provisions shipped on the Bombay for the Bengal Sepoys under his Command.-

I have been favored with Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter dated 30th. ultimo with copy of a letter from Mr. Secretary Hay at Bengal, transmitting copy of a letter with enclosures from Lieutenant Knox, complaining of the bad quality and of there being a deficiency in the Provisions supplied by me for the Troops embarked on board of the ship Bombay for Bengal.-

In reply to the complaint preferred against me by Lieutenant Knox, I beg to inform Your Honor in Council, that I received two letters from Captain Beatson, Town Major, under date the 15th. September 1792 / Copies of which I now enclose marked No. 1 and 2/ the former directing me to prepare thirty days Provisions &c. as specified therein, for a detachment of Bengal Sepoys under the Command of Lieutenant Bradford. and the latter acquainting me that, the remaining division of sick of the

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Bengal detachment, under the Command of Lieutenant Knox, amounted to three hundred and fifty five men, and directing me, by your order, to get in readiness, the same daily allowance of Provisions for that number for thirty days, as I was then preparing for the Bengal Troops that were to embark on the Ships surprize, under the Command to Lieutenant Bradford - on the receipt of the abovementioned letter marked No 2 I immediately gave orders for the Provision to be prepared as soon as possible, and, at my Office to see that things were proper; and with a view of dispatching busines and to avoid all complaints, instead of directing my Head Conicoply to procure the Bazar articles required, as usual, I sent the Bengal Sepoys to the Bazar, accompanied with a Conicoply, to whom I advanced Cash, to enable him to pay for such articles as they should approve, that were specified in the Indent; as will appear from the deposition of my Head Conicoply marked N. 3; and, at my desire, and in my presence, my writer told the Sepoys to get every thing of the best quality, and that the Conicoply who caccompanied them, to whom I gave

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the most positive order to spare no expence / would pay for every thing, which he did; / as will appear from his deposition marked No 4 / and, having procured the necessary articles, the sepoys accompanied the Coolies who carried them to a Godown in the Fort, when they took an account of the different articles, as they were weighed, measured and packed, / as will appear from the deposition of the Head Provision Conicoply marked No 5 / and from thence they came to my Office, compared the same and found all right agreeable to the Indent of the daily proportions as furnished for Lieutenant Bradford.

Some time after the sepoys had examined the account of Provision, Lieutenant Knox acquainted me, they had not got their allowance, - I informed him, they had received their full allowance, agreable to the Indent of the daily proportions, furnished for Lieutenant Bradford, who made no complaint whatever; and I acquainted Lieutenant Knox, that the Provisions were issued as usual; agreable to Madras

weight

25th weight and Measurement, reckoning the Gruff articles at 5/8 th to a Madras Seer, and the dry Provisions by measurement 12 Seers to a Marcall or 1,800 Seers ℔ Garce; and, in that manner, I had supplied Provisions for above 2,000 Sepoys who embarked on five different Ships for Bengal, during Earl Cornwallis's stay at Madras, without having a single Complaint made either with respect to deficiencies or bad quality of the Provisions.

Lieutenant Knox then requested I would supply the Gruff articles agreeable to Bengal weight I informed him it was not the custom at this place; for, in such case, he would receive more Provisions than I had received orders to issue, as the Troops under his Command were to receive, the same daily proportions as furnished for Lieutenant Bradford's detachment. I then waited on the Town Major and informed him that Lieutenant Knox wished to be supplied with the Gruff Articles agreeable to Bengal weight at 1 3/4 lbs each Bengal Seer, being 1/8 lb more than I had issued to Lieutenant Bradford. I obtained the Town Major's permission to comply with Lieutenant Knox's request, and the Bengal

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Sepoys beforementioned, attended at my Godown the following day, and then saw weighed, packed and took an account of the difference they were to receive between Bengal and Madras weight, [as will appear from the deposition of the said Conolly marked No. 5] the Gruff articles being now complete agreeable to Bengal weight, [altho' not specified in the Indent,] the Provisions &c.a — were supplied without loss of time, and, in the course of a Day or two, Lieutenant Knox granted me his Receipt for the Provisions furnished for his detachment.—

On the 3.d of Octr my Writer informed me that, during my absence from the Office, Lieutenant Knox had called, and requested to see the Receipt he had given to me for the Provisions, — my writer also acquainted me that he told Lieutenant Knox, I had locked the Receipt up in my Desk with other Vouchers, but, unfortunately it was laying on my Writing Table, indorsed on the back — Lieutenant Knox, on perceiving it, took it, opened it and tore off his Official signature therefrom [as will appear

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from my Writer's Deposition marked No. 6] I must confess I was much surprised to find the List of Provisions &c. without Lieutenant Knox's Official signature affixed to it, and which I had seen some days before — I therefore sent my writer with my Compliments to Lieutenant Knox, and requested to see him at my Office; my writer soon returned, and informed me for answer that Lieutenant Knox was indisposed and could not attend at my Office, — I immediately waited on Lieutenant Knox, told him, I was sorry to find he had called at my Office, during my absence, and had torn off his official signature from the Receipt he had granted to me for Provisions supplied for the detachment under his Command, especially as he well knew every article specified in the Indent, was measured, weighed and packed in the presence of his Sepoys, who took an account of the same — He then complained of there being a deficiency in the Chunnah [which is a light Dry article] because he had calculated the quantity issued by weight, instead of measurement, in which manner I informed him it was issued in the presence of his Sepoys at 1/4 Madras measure

each

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each man pr Day as specified in the Indent, and also in the Receipt which he had signed some days before. I then presented to Lieutenant Knox an official Letter [Copy of which I now enclose marked No. 7] and told him that, had the Indent, from the Town Major, of the daily proportions as furnished him by Colonel Cockrell, specified lbs, instead of Seers, the quantity would have been proper agreeable to his mode of calculation, and was now complete, according to Indent, by measurement. Lieutenant Knox, having perused my Letter, granted me his official Receipt for the same quantity of Provisions &c. as before [Copy of which I now enclose marked No. 8]; and, although I had supplied the quantity of Churwah as pr Indent, I directed my servants to purchase all that could be procured in the different Bazars, and, with much difficulty, they got about 13 Bags, containing 982½ Madras Seers or 81⅞ Marcalls, which additional quantity was sent off to the Troops, at different times, in the course of that Day.

Having now, Honble Sir, fully detailed every particular circumstance, to the best of my recollection, in respect to the quantity of Provisions furnished for the Detachment of Bengal Sepoys under

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25th under the Command of Lieutenant Knox, which, with the enclosed affidavits, together with a Copy of Lieutenant Knox's official receipt, [the origin=al being now in my possession] for the full quantity of Provisions supplied as pr Indent, and sent on board of the ship Bombay, will, I trust, be proof sufficient to convince Your Honor in Council that the full quantity of every article of Provisions was actually supplied, as specified in the Indent. I shall now proceed to state the quality of the Provisions issued for the Bengal sepoys under the Command of Lieutenant Knox by acknow=ledging that there was some Paddy with the Rice, which is owing to it's not having been sufficiently cleaned; and in that state it was received from Bengal on account of Mr. George Tyler's Contract, which I am ready to declare upon Oath; and some thousands of Bags of the same Rice is now remaining in store. Having now confessed that there was some Paddy with the Rice [to which the Bengal Sepoys made no objection] for it was measured out in their presence I beg leave to assure Your Honor in Council, it was the best Rice in store, of a very good quality, and the same that was issued to above 2,000 Bengal

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25th. Sepoys without any complaint whatever. I also issued upwards of Twenty Eight Thousand Bags of the same Rice to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, for the Bengal Detachment under the Command of Colonel Cockrell. The Dhall and Bengal Bhoot Gram, I apprehend, was not very good, there being scarce any in the settlement at the time, but the Bengal Sepoys who accompanied my Conicoply to the Bazar, procured the best they could get, and the other articles were all of the best quality. With respect to the water Casks, the late Contractor, Mr Bell, having died about that time, and Casks being wanted for his Majestys' Ships, it was with great difficulty that Mr Beckhaupt, the present Contractor, could procure the number wanted, which were filled, and seasoned sufficient, in his opinion, to render them fit for the service required, (as will appear from his deposition marked No. 9) the Hindoo Sepoys examined them, made no complaints, and filled them with water; but I am sorry to learn from Captain Frazer, of the ship Bombay, that great part of the water got bad, he also informed me, that the ships' water, was, in consequence, issued to the Troops, I then asked him, if he issued his good water to the

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25th Sepoys, what could induce them to drink the water along side of the ship, as mentioned by Lieutenant Knox; to which he replied, if they had, it was without his Knowledge.—

I now enclose a statement, shewing the quantity of Provisions Indented for, and the quantity actually supplied, for the detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Knox, from which it appears, that he received a greater proportion of Gruff articles than I had issued to Lieutenant Bradford's Detachment, being the difference between Bengal and Madras Weight.

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

/signed/ Joseph Greenhill

Garrison Storekeeper

Fort St. George.
24th January 1793.

To Joseph Greenhill Esqr
Garrison Storekeeper

No 1

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the President and Council to furnish you with a List of such articles as will be required for the use of the Bengal Sepoys proceeding to Bengal in the

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25th the Surprize Captain Sandys, in order that you may provide them, and Ship them on board of that Vessel.—

The number of Troops to embarked is 262; and, as the voyage is calculated at 30 days, you will be enabled, from the following daily proportions, to calculate the quantity necessary for the Voyage.—

Daily allowance

For each man ½ Seer of Rice
¼ do. Choara
¼ do. Bengal Gram
1/16 do. Ghee in dubbas
1/16 do. Salt
1/16 do. Sugar
1/16 do. Preserved dried dates
3 Quarts of Water
3 Billets of Firewood.—

The Officer in Charge of the Sepoys will send proper persons to attend to the filling the Water for the Hindoos as well as to explain the mode of preparing the Choara.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) A Beatson Town Major

Fort St. George
15th September 1792.

P.S.—

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25th P.S.

Besides the articles above mentioned Lieutenant Bradford represents that the following Daily Allowance of the undermentioned articles will be necessary for the sick under his Charge, therefore be pleased to provide them,—

Tamarinds . . . ½ a Seer
Doll . . . . ¼ Do
Tobacco . . . . . 1 Do each man for the Voyage.—

Two Boxes to hold earth (5 feet square and 1 Foot in depth.—

(Signed) A. Beatson
Town Major.

(A true Copy)
(signed) J Greenhill

To Joseph Greenhill Esqr No 2
Garrison Storekeeper.

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley to acquaint you that the remaining

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remaining division of Sick of the Bengal Detachment, under the Command of Lieutenant Knox, including Followers, amounts to three hundred and fifty five (355) and being desirous that no time should be lost in preparations for the Voyage, he directs that you will immediately get in readiness, the same daily allowance for that number for 30 Days as you are now preparing for those that are to be embarked on board the Surprize.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) A. Beatson
Town Major

Fort St George
15th September 1792.

[A true Copy]
Signed: J. Greenhill

No 5.

The affedavit of Veerapilley, Head Conicopoly in the Department of Joseph Greenhill Esquire, Garrison Storekeeper of Fort St George.—

The deponent being duly sworn, according to the Custom

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25th Custom of his Cast, deposeth and saith that some time in the Month of September which was in the Year of Christ one thousand seven hundred and Ninety two Joseph Grenhill received an order from the Town Major of Fortsaint George aforesaid to furnish provisions for a detachment of Bengal Sepoys then about to embark for that presidency under the Command of Lieutenant Knox; that the said Joseph Grenhill, instead of directing the Deponent to purchase the articles required from the Bazar, as usual on similar occasions, did, with a view of avoiding all complaints, order some of the sepoys to accompany a Conicopoly to the Bazar, informing them that he would there purchase such articles specified in the Indent as they should approve.-

Sworn to in Fort St George
this 22d. day of January 1793
Before me

(Signed) Viera Pilla

(Sgd) Jno. Mitford
Mayor of Madraspatam

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No 4

The Affidavit of Calleapah Modeliar a Conicopoly in the Department of Joseph Greenhill Esquire the Garrison Storekeeper of Fort Saint George.—

The Deponent, being duly sworn according to the Custom of his cast, deposeth and saith that some time in the Month of September and year of Christ one thousand seven hundred and Ninety two Joseph Greenhill abovenamed did advance him some Money, in Order to pur-=chase such Articles from the Bazar as were specified in a list then delivered to him as should be approved of by Sepoys belonging to the detachment under the Command of Lieuten-=ant Knox, and who accompanied the deponent, for that purpose; and the Deponent further saith that the said Joseph Greenhill did give unto the Deponent positive Orders to spare no Expense in the purchase of the Articles required, to the end that the Sepoys should be perfectly satisfied. The Deponent saith that he did accordingly act as the said Joseph Greenhill had

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25th had directed him, and, that, having purchased the articles as aforesaid the sepoys abovementioned, did accompany the Coolies carrying the articles so purchased to a Godown.

Sworn to in Fort St. George this 23d day of January 1793 Before me (the Contents whereof having been previously explained to the Deponent by Nanganadum Sworn Court Interpreter.) (signed in Malabars) Callipah

(Signed) Jno. Mitford.
Mayor of Madraspatnam.

No. 5

The Affidavit of Tuvagadam Modeliar, head provision Conicopoly in the Department of Joseph Greenhill Esquire Garrison Storekeeper of Fort Saint George.

The Deponent, being duly Sworn according to the Custom of his Cast, deposeth and saith that Joseph Greenhill abovenamed did direct him to issue provisions according to a list then delivered to him and that he did, in consequence of such direction, weigh off, measure, and pack up, the said provisions in the presence of Sepoys belonging to the Bengal

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25th Bengal Detachment under the Command of Lieut-
-enant Knox, and who took an account thereof, and
the Deponent says that, shortly afterwards, he did receive
an order from the said Joseph Greenhill to issue a
further supply of the Gruff articles so as to supply
the difference between the Bengal and Madras
Weights, and which was done in the presence of the
Sepoys abovementioned, who took an account of the
same, And the Deponent says that the said provisi-
-ons were then shipped off on Board the Bombay
with all possible Expedition.—

Sworn to in Fort St. George.
this 23d. day of January 1793
Before me (the Contents whereof
having been previously Explained
to the Deponent by Ranganadum
Sworn Court Interpreter.)

(Signed in Malabars) Tersovangadom

(Signed) Jno. Milford
Mayor of Madraspatnam.

No 6

The Affidavit of Trevangadom pilley,
a Writer in the Department of Joseph
Greenhill Esquire Garrison Storekeeper of
Fort Saint George.—

The Deponent, being duly sworn according to
the

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the Custom of his Cast, deposeth and saith that some time in the Month of September and Year of Christ one thousand seven hundred and Ninety two, Joseph Greenhill above named, having received Orders to furnish a detachment of Sepoys, under the Command of Lieutenant Shore, and then about to embark for Bengal, with provisions, directed him the deponent to calculate the quantity required upon the indent furnished by the Town Major of Fort St George aforesaid, as usual, according to the Madras Weight and Measures, and did further direct the deponent to furnish Collapah Moodeliar, one of the Conicopolies in the department abovementioned, with a list of the Bazar Articles; and the Deponent saith that he did, by Order of the said Joseph Greenhill, direct some of the Sepoys of the said detachment to accompany the said Colliapah Moodeliar to the Bazar, and there to procure the said Articles of the best quality and such as the said Sepoys should approve and the deponent further says that the said Sepoys, having afterwards taken an Account of the different Articles of Provisions as Weighed and Measured in the Godowns of the said Joseph Greenhill

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Greenhill in fort Saint George aforesaid, did come to the Office of the said Joseph Greenhill and there compare the said accounts, and did find the same to be right, according to the Indents aforesaid; and the Deponent further says that, shortly afterwards, the said Joseph Greenhill having ordered a further supply of Guff Articles to the said Detachment, being the difference between the Bengal and Madras Weights, he, the Deponent, did direct the head pro- = vision Conicopoly to weigh the same in the pre- = sence of the abovementioned Sepoys, as upon the former occasion, and the deponent says that the said Sepoys, having seen the same weighed and packed, did again attend at the office of the said Joseph Greenhill, and again compared their ~+ Accounts, and found the same to be just; and the Deponent further says that, on about the third day of October and year aforesaid, Lieutenant Knox above named did call at the Office of the said ~+ Joseph Greenhill, and did there, during the absence of the said Joseph Greenhill, require from him, the Deponent, the receipt which he, the said Lieutenant Knox, had given to the said Joseph Greenhill for the provisions that had been embarked on Board

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the ship Bombay; and on his, the Deponents, informing him that it was locked up, he, the said Lieutenant Knox, did take up some papers that were laying on a table; and, finding the said Receipt amongst them, did tear off his official Signature therefrom; and this Deponent, having reported the fact to the said Joseph Greenhill, did by his, the said Joseph Greenhill's Orders, make out a fair Copy of the provisions furnished as aforesaid, and carry the same to the said Lieutenant Knox for his signature, and who did accordingly sign the same.-

Sworn to in Fort St. George
this 22d. day of January 1793
Before me,

(signed) Tevengadom.-

(signed) Jno. Mitford
Mayor of Madraspatnam.-

To Lieutenant Knox No 7
Commanding the detachment of Bengal Sepoys
on board of the Ship Bombay.

Sir,

I now send all the Chuwah that

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can be procured in the different Bazars; and had the Indent from the Town Major of the daily proportions, as furnished him by Colonel Cockell, specified the instead of Seers, the Quantity would have been proper, agreeable to your mode of calculation, and it, I believe, now complete, according to the Indent by Measurement.—

As you will know I furnished the Provisions agreable to the Town Majors' Indent, I trust you will not deem it unreasonable in my requesting your Receipt for the same, my Voucher to the Military Auditor of Accounts; as my Comicopoly informs me, that, during my absence, this Morning, you called at my Office, and tore off your Official Signature from the receipt you had granted to me for Provisions sent on board of the Ship Bombay for the Troops.—

3.d October 1792.— Sam.l &c.a &c.a

/Signed/ Joseph Greenhill
Garrison Storekeeper

/A true Copy/
/Sig.d/ Joseph Greenhill

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Received of Joseph Greenhill Esqr., Garrison Storekeeper; the undermentioned provisions for 355 Bengal Troops, for 30 days, proceeding to Bengal on the Ship Bombay.

			Qrs/ Mds:	Equable & Standard Measurement. Cy.	Mds.	lbs
Rice	Double Bags 74	Cont.d	1 " 43 3/4	2	9	17 1/2
Doll	37	do.	" 22 1/2	2	9	17 1/2
Bhoot Gram	37	do.	22 5/8	6	2	10 3/4
Chuvah	32	do.	22 1/8	4	6	7 3/4
Salt	9	do.	22 1/8	1	6	12 1/2
Ghee	11	Puttars do.	55 1/2	4	19	10
Sugar	6	Bags do.				
Dates	20	do.				
Tamarind	14	do.				
Tobacco	14	do.				
Flour	18	do.				
Firewood				31,950 Billets		
Water				7,987 1/2 Gallons		
Casks				88		

2 Boxes of wood 5 feet Square and 5 feet in depth.—

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E. E.

Errors excepted (signed) A Knox
Lieut. Bengal Estab.t

A true Copy
Sig.d J. Greenhill

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The Affidavit of Christopher Breithaupt, Cooper, in the depart=ment of Joseph Greenhill Esquire Garrison Storekeeper of Fort Saint George.—

The deponent Maketh Oath and saith that, in conse=quence of the death of William Bell late Contractor for the furnishing of Water Casks, he, the deponent, received an Order from the above named Joseph Greenhill to furnish a certain number of Casks for the detachment of Sepoys under the Command of Lieutenant Knox, then about to Embark for Bengal; that, in consequence of such orders, he, the deponent, did, with great difficulty, procure the Number of Casks necessary, which he Seized, and otherwise seasoned sufficiently, in his opinion, to render them fit for the service required; and the Deponent further saith that the said Joseph Greenhill did then send a number of Pinboo Sepoys belonging to the said Detachment to Examine the said Casks, and who, in testimony of their approving thereof, did fill them with Water, and they were then immediately shipped off.

(Signed) C. Breithaupt.—

Sworn to in Fort St. George
this 22d. day of January 1793.

Before me, (Signed) Fd. Mitford
Mayor of Madraspatnam.—

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List of Provisions ~~10~~ Supplied for 355 Men for 30 days proceeding

Provisions issued, as ordered as p. Town Major's Indent, being the same Quantity as is such to the Bengal Troops under the Command of Lieut Bradford.

			Seer		Garce	Mer:
Rice	at 1/2 Seer each man p. day		5325	"	1.	43 3/4
Dall	at 1/4	do.	2662 1/2	"	"	22 1/8
Chiroah	at 1/4	do.	2662 1/2	"	"	22 1/8
Bengal Gram	at 1/4	do.	2662 1/2	"	"	22 1/8
Salt	at 1/8	do.	665 5/8	"	"	55 1/2
			Candy	Mans.	lb	
Flour	at 1/8	do.	1331 1/4	1	13	7
Dates	at 1/8	do.	665 5/8	"	16	16 1/2
Tamarind	at 1/16	do.	1065	1	6	15 5/8
Sugar	at 1/16	do.	665 5/8	"	16	16 1/8
Ghee	at 1/16	do.	665 5/8	"	16	16 1/8
Tobacco	at 1 Seer each p. Voyage		355	"	8	28 7/8

N.B. — Lieutenant Knox, conceiving the quantity of Tamarind agreeable to Indent too much, he requested a large supply of dates instead, which was supplied accordingly, — an additional quantity of 13 Bags Chiroah, containing 81 7/8 — Mercalls was sent on Board the Bombay for the Bengal Troops, altho' not inserted in the Indent or in Lieutenant Knox's Receipt —

(Signed) J. Greenhill
Garrison Storekeeper —

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to Bengal on the ship Bombay under the Command of Lieut: Knox.—

Provisions deliverd to Lieut. Knox as p his Receipt.—

Overplus being the difference between Bengal and Madras Weight.—

Sers.		Jara Mun:
5325		1 43¾
2662½		22 1/8
2662½		22 1/8
2662½		22 1/8
665⅝		5 1/2

lbs		Candy	Mond	lbs	Candy	Mond	lbs
1331¼	By weighing at 74⅝ for 40 Bengal Sers	4	19	10.	3„	6„	3„
665⅝		6	2	10¾	5	5	19⅝
1065		4	6	7¾	2	19	17/8
665⅝		2	9	17½	1	13	1⅛
665⅝		2	9	17½	1	13	1⅛
355		1	6	12⅝ „		17	15¾

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To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council &c. &c. &c. and Council of

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir and Sirs,

From Lieut.t Colonel Kelham — complaining of the hardship of being denied full — Batta, as second in Command at Trich. — inopoly — requests — Copies of his letters on this subject, and regarding the Com. — mand of Palam. — cotah may be sent to England. —

Having been favoured with Your permission to proceed to Europe for the re = establishment of my health, and having repaired hither for that purpose, I am apprehensive any further correspondence, relative to the hardships I have experienced in this Country, will appear to Your Honorable Board not only troublesome, but unseasonable — Yet I trust, a concise account of a late additional grievance, tho' it contributes to swell, a catalogue already too full / will, from the peculiar circumstances of the case, meet with your indulgence and forgiveness —

In a letter I had the honor of — addressing to the Commander in Chief, I took the — Liberty of submitting to his consideration the particulars I conceived entitled me to the allowance of full Batta, and solicited his sentiments on that head.

Colonel Musgrave was pleased to — inform me, that the instance I adduced in my favor, which was that of Lieutenant Colonel Bruce did not exactly correspond, for, tho' he was second in

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command at Trichinopoly. He was also in the command of the 1st Brigade of Native Infantry, which, conjointly, gave him his claim. Colonel Musgrave added he was happy to acquaint me that I was removed from the 1st Regiment European Infantry to the Command of the 1st Native Brigade to render our cases strictly similar; and that my drawing full Batta met with the concurrence of Government.—

As hostilities with Tippoo commenced about that period, I was precluded from availing myself of this permission by being ordered to the Field, not doubting but, when I returned to the same situation, I should reap the advantages annexed to it.— But the reverse occurred.— My application for full Batta to the Pay Master of Trichinopoly, on my return, was rejected; in consequence of which I referred the circumstance to Your Honble Board, and transmitted a copy of Colonel Musgraves' letter for your perusal.— In reply you were pleased to inform me that the particulars I had urged did not appear in point, tho' they strictly tallied with what a former Administration deemed so.—

I have, for some Months, submitted to the decision of your Honble Board, consoling myself

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25th. myself with the delusive idea that no glowing partiality would be exhibited towards others which could so essentially wound my feelings, as what I have lately been witness to. I could scarcely suppose that Lieutenant Colonels Baird and Smith were permitted to draw full Batta at a time when the same allowances were denied me; or that the second in command had not superior claims to what the third and fourth in command enjoyed.—

The Return I have met with for a long series of service, which I may, without vanity, affirm, has proved, in no small degree, beneficial to my Employers, and the uninterrupted succession of partialities displayed to others at my expence, cannot but be productive of the most discouraging effects: yet I will support my present sufferings with firmness, humbly relying on the Justice of my cause for that reparation in another Country, acknowledged to be my due in this, but uniformly withheld, for reasons best Known to my superiors.—

I take the Liberty to request that your Honble Board will be pleased to forward this Letter, with the accompanying Copy of Colonel Musgraves, as also the rest of my correspondence,

to

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25th to the Honble Court of Directors; and, as my memorial of the 27th October 1792 accounting for Lieutenant Colonel Clark's appointment to Palamcotah, has, I doubt not, upon enquiry been ascertained as authentic, I trust your Honble Board will grant me the indulgence of allowing it to constitute one of the Packet.—

The instant I am acquainted with the period of my departure, I shall do myself the honor of reporting it to Your Honble Board, and officially to the Adjutant General, for the information of the Commander in Chief.—

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) John, Oldham

Tranquebar
23d January 1793.

Lieutenant Colonel Oldham

Sir

Your letter of address to Government dated the 19th Instant, and forwarded to me by Colonel Stuart, was laid before them for consideration.

Conceiving the most likely means to ensure Success to your Application, would be by O.

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removing you from the European Corps to the Sepoy Brigade, I recommended that this should be done, and am happy to find, that the Board, by their letter to me of yesterday's date, have agreed to place you in the same Predicament with Colonel Bruce, who formerly held the Station you now occupy.—

Head Quarters
30th December 1789.—

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) Thos Musgrave

27th. Received the undermentioned letters, Entered in Miscellany Book Nos 177—178—179—180 181—182.—

From Executor to the Late Captain Rt Rutledge.— From Mr Benjamin Frin— requesting payment of the Arrears of pay &c. due to the late Captain Rutledge.—

From Barrack Master at the Residency.— From Barrack Master at the Residency— reference concerning the supply of Puckallies, and requesting that the exception to his furnishing various Barrack Articles may be removed.—

From Lieut. Edward Balman of the Infantry.— From Lieutenant Edward Balman applying for Batta, being attached from the Head quarters of his Corps.—

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From Captain Lieut: John Sorin
enclosing his Bills for Arrear of Pay &c.—

From Captain J. Sorin of the Cavalry.—

From Military Paymaster General
respecting a Supply of Cash to answer some Extra-
=ordinary demands made on the Paymaster at
Trichinopoly.—

From Military Paymaster General.

From Commandant at Trichinopoly
requesting that the Men of the 11th Revenue
Battalion, and Two Companies raised at Caroore,
may be repaid the Amount of Stoppages for bloathing

From Commandant at Trichinopoly.—

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Received the following Letters.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor
Fort St George.

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copies of Papers
which it appears to me Requisite you should be
acquainted with.—

From Resident at Poona with Copies of Papers relative to the State of Appa ji arrear to the Allies and to the Assumption of the Counterpart of Treaty of Hungapatam to be Delivered by them.—

I have been favor'd with your Letter of
the 2d Ultimo, and communicated to this Court the Sub-
=stance of it's last Paragraph, wherein which the Governor
General had made known to me his Prohibition
of

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28th of admitting any further Payments from Tippoo to the Company 'till the Lists in Arrear to the Allies are discharged, which was received with much satisfaction, and the Durbar afsurde me I should receive the earliest Notice of Tippoo's Completion of this Part of the Treaty, but none has yet reached me; on the Contrary, Evasions are complained of; probably Tippoo's Vakeel may have received Answers to those Letters He told you He would write his Masters on this Point.—

No visible Change in the State of Parties at this Court has ocurr'd since my last Communications on that Subject.—

Poona 11th January 1793. I have the honor to be, &c. &c.

(Signed) C. W. Malet.—

To Sir Charles Warre Malet Bart.
President
at Poona.

Sir,

Although the Governor General in Council deems it probable that the Governor in Council

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Council at Fort St. George may have furnished ayou with the inclosed Extract of a letter from Lyppoo to his Vakeels, his Lordship, nevertheless, thinks proper to forward it, not having been informed of its having been communicated to you.—

Fort William
the 17th December 1792.

I am
&c. &c.
(signed) J. Tombelle
Sub Secy

/True copy/
/signed/ C. W. Malet.

Extract of a Meunshoor from the Durbar to Golam ali Khan and Ali Reza. Dated the 15th of the Month of Bourovee or Sefer Heg: 1207 or the 20th of October 1792.—

You have a copy of the Treaty by you—you must also look therein—and, in the 8th Article thereof, it is expressed, that the Treaty of Peace is to be delivered with the seal and signature of the Nabob asuff Jah Bahadre, and the Nabob Mashear ul mulk Bahadre—and with the seal and signature of Rou Pundit Purdhaun Bahadre, and Rou Hurry Pundit Bahadre.—

The Sirkar has Received it with the

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the seal and signature of Mashier-ul Mulk Bahadre.- and with the seal and signature of Row Hurry Pundit Bahadre - But as yet it has not been delivered with the seal and signature of the Nabob Ameer Jah Bahadre - nor of Row Pundit Purdhan.-

It is necessary that you get letters written, and sent to them, and, having procured the Treaties from both, transmit them to the Presence.-

True Extract

[signed] J. Fombelle Sub Secry

[True Copy]

[signed] W.H. Malet.-

Extract of a letter from Sir Charles Warre Malet Bart. Resident at Poona - dated 11th January 1793. To the Right Honble Charles Earl Cornwallis K.G. Governor General at Fort William.

With respect to Tippoo's letter to his Vakeels, I have to acquaint your Lordship that no Copy had been previously sent me by the Governor of Fort St George; but I shall now make known

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to the Durbar its Purport and advise Compliance with it.—

Having Referrd to the Treaty of Seringpettun for ascertainment of the Point Represented by Tippu to his Vackeels at Madras Viz. That the Treaty of Peace is to be delivered with the Seal and Signature of Row Pundit Purdhan Bahadre, and Row Hurry Pundit Bahadre, I find the Assertion, as far as relates to this Court, Erroneous: the Words of the Treaty being "One Counterpart with the Schedule on the part of the said Row Pundit Purdhan Bhadur bearing the seal of the said Row Pundit Purdhan Bhadur, and the Signature of the said Hurry Ram Pundit, Tanker Bhadur," I shall therefore only Enquire of the Durbar whether the Counterpart has been Delivered According to this Description, and Notice the same to the Governor of Fort St George.

True Extract

(signed) C W Malet.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council Fort St George

Honble Sir,

I do myself the Honor to transmit you the

From Resident at Travancore requesting

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requesting Orders relative to the Transfer of the Cochin &c. Managment to the Government of Bombay. - Letters from and to the Commissioners for settling the ceded Countries on the Malabar coast enclosed. —

the Copy of a Letter I have received from the Commissioners appointed to settle the ceded Countries on this Coast, and the Copy of reply thereto, which I hope will meet your approbation - The Island of Chetwa, altho' not alluded to in the Letter from the Commissioners, I should apprehend, must be also intended to be transferred over to the Bombay Government - on the above points I beg leave to request your Commands.-

I understand the wish of the Commissioners, is, that I should receive the Tributes, as well as the Rent for Chetwa from the Rajah of Cochin, as heretofore, and remit their respective Accounts to the Bombay instead of your Government.

Cochin
28 January 1793

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

Signed George Powney
Resident.-

To George Powney Esqr
Resident at the Court of the Rajah of
Travancore
Sir

The commission for the adjustment of the ceded Countries

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Countries on the Coast of Malabar being now full, by the late Arrival of the Members from Bengal, we have deputed Messrs. Page and Boddam to discharge that part of our General Duty which relates to the District of Cochin, and as, from your local information, and the Circumstance of the Treaty with that Raja appearing to have been Concluded by you, as well from the Tribute continuing still (as we understand) to be paid thro' you to the Madras Government, you will have it much in your power to engage the Rajah's willing acquiescence in the Transfer now to be made (in conformity to the Governor Generals Instructions) of the Exercise of the Company's superiority over him, and of the Rajah's payment of Tribute to the Presidency of Bombay; we earnestly entreat, and fully rely on your ready and Cordial Co-operation with the deputed Commissioners to those Ends, as well as that you will be so good as to furnish them with all such Lights and Information as they will, no doubt, have occasion to apply to you for, on sundry Instances.

Thinking it essentially incumbent on us to enter with the Rajah and Dewan of Travancore into an amicable but effectual discussion, and adjustment of Accounts as to the large sums which they

acknowledge

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acknowledge to have Collected from the Ceded Countries under our Charge, we have also committed this important object to Messrs Page and Boddam, trusting to your Official situation and necessary Influence at that Durbar for procuring, thro' your Channel and assistance, every means of settling this account in the most speedy and satisfactory manner either thro' the Rajah directly, or thro' his Dewan; all which may be the more easily effected should either of them (as we suppose probable) come to meet General Abercromby, the Governor of Bombay, on his approaching circuit thro' part of the Cochin Country.

We remain, with much Consideration,

Calicut
22d January 1793

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) W. G. Farmer
" John Duncan
" Charles Boddam
" Alexander Dow.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Powney, President.—

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W. G. Farmer Esq.r
Jonathan Duncan Esq.r
William Page Esq.r
Charles Boddam Esq.r

and

Major Alexander Dow.

Commissioners for settling and Inspecting the
Ceded Countries on the Coast of Malabar

Calicut.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2d Instant, and shall most Chearfully co-operate with Messrs: Page and Boddam in the objects of the deputation alluded to in your letter; but, as the Government under which I have the Honor to serve, has not transmitted me their Commands with respect to the Transfer of the exercise of the Company's Authority over the Rajah of Cochin, from the Madras to that of the Presidency of Bombay, I hope you will, with me, think, that it is my Duty to acquaint my Government of this measure before the Transfer actually and officially takes place; at the same time I have to assure you

that

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acknowledge to have Collected from the Ceded Countries under our Charge, we have also Committed this important object to Messrs Page and Boddam, trusting to your Official Situation and necessary Influence at that Durbar for procuring, thro' your Channel and assistance, every means of settling this account in the most speedy and satisfactory manner either thro' the Rajah directly, or thro' his Dewan; all which may be the more easily effected should either of them (as we suppose probable) come to meet General Abercromby, the Governor of Bombay, on his approaching circuit thro' part of the Cochin County.

We remain, with much Consideration,

Dr. Dr.

(signed) W. G. Farmer
" John Duncan
" Charles Boddam
" Alexander Dow.

Calicut
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(A true Copy)
(signed) J. Powney, Resident.—

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W. G. Farmer Esqr.
Jonathan Duncan Esqr.
William Page Esqr.
Charles Boddam Esqr.

and

Major Alexander Dow.

Commissioners for settling and Inspecting the Ceded Countries on the Coast of Malabar

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that

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that there shall arise no detriment whatever to the Service, nor any impediment towards Carrying into effect the objects of the present deputation, during the period I wait for the Orders of the Governor in Council at Madras, having already obtained the Rajah's acquiescence to the Measure.—

I have further to assure you that I shall, with much satisfaction, furnish Messrs Page and Boddam very light and information which I profess in every Instance they may apply for; and they shall receive every assistance in my power in the other Points of their deputation.—

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

/Signed/ George Powney— Resident.—

Cochin
20th January 1793.

/A true Copy/
G. Powney. Resd.t

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council
Fort St George.

Annual report of the State of the Male Orphan Asylum and its Funds— with a Return of the Boys and the Regulations of the School.—

Honble Sir,

The Managers of the Male Orphan Society

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Society have the honor to make their annual report to Government of the state of this Institution and it's Funds, and to request that they will transmit to the Honble Court of Directors the accompanying Return of the Boys on this Foundation, and Copy of the Regulations of the School, as they have been lately inlarged and improved.—

They have great pleasure in acquaint-ing the Honble Board that, during the Period of three Years, there have happened only four Deaths by small Pox, or otherwise; and in that time, 78 Boys have been inoculated, and consequently secured from all future apprehensions of this frequently fatal Dis-order; in the following proportions — in the first Year 16 in the second 39, and in the third 23; and, in that time, also, twenty three Boys have been bound out Apprentices to various occupations by which it is expected, they will be useful to them-selves, and to Society.—

The Benefits which must result from this Institution, not only to those who are the Objects of it's Charity, by their preservation from Vice and Misery, but also to the Community by their education for useful and necessary occupations,

are

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are too obvious to require any arguments, and will be strongly felt by all those who have occasion to contrast the discipline of this Seminary, and the lessons of Morality and Religion there inculcated upon the minds of Youth, with the corrupt Maxims and pernicious Habits which are so frequently imbibed by the Children in this Country who enjoy not the advantages derived from such an establishment, and which seem to have greatly contributed to mark their Characters with Inferiority.——

Impressed with the fullest Conviction of the Utility of the School, in this and every point of view, the Managers must regret that the limited state of the Funds has precluded them, under the present restriction, from increasing the Number of Boys on the Foundation, beyond the Limits marked out by the Court of Directors; notwithstanding the many applications, which continue to be made, in behalf of those who have the strongest claims upon the public Bounty; For they are the Children of Brave Men who have died in the Course of a successfull War.

Wm

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Altho' they cannot entertain a doubt, that the Honble the Court of Directors will lend a favourable ear to the representation made to Government by the Managers under date the 20th December 1791 for an extention of their Allowance (of 5 Rupees monthly for each Boy) to the number of 200, instead of 100, to which it is at present confined; Yet, from a sense of inconveniences, which have occured by the delay of a reference to England, and from an earnest desire to prevent them in future, the Managers take the liberty of suggesting their wishes, that Government would be pleased to address the Honble Court of Directors, and request that the Court would grant discretionary Powers to their President in Council at Fort St. George to extend this allowance, from time to time, as the claims of the Service may be found to merit and require.—

The Managers of the Society flatter themselves, that the Honorable the Court of Directors, who first recommended, and afterwards patronised this not less humane than useful Establishment, will not fail to rear it to maturity, and that, after the happy prospects, which now present, of complete

success

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Succefs, they will be, more than ever, inclined to carry into full Effect their well-advised and well-directed Charity: Nor are they less confident that the Honble the President in Council, who can best judge of it's Utility, and who have witnefsed it's present state and progrefs will feel an interest in recommending it to their warmest support.-

Fort St George
1st of January 1793.-

By order of the Managers
I have the honor to be
&c &c
(signed) William Jones.
acting Secry M.O. Affairs.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr
Secretary to the Secret and Political Department

Sir,

From Mr Marten requesting leave to extend the Cinnamon Plantation at Tankassey the former being full of plants.-

I request you will inform the Honble the Governor in Council that the Ground they were pleased to allot to a Cinnamon Plantation near the Paymaster's House, is now quite full of Plants and I hope to be favored with their instructions whether or not the Plantation is to be extended - there are at present in it about four thousand Trees,

Some

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some of which will be fit to cut next year; I have also some thousands of young plants, un=transplanted for the want of Ground, and, as the Old Trees are in blossom, and many of the Young ones, I shall be considerably overstocked with seed in the ensuing season.

I have just returned from a small Cinnamon Garden at Tankansey, where Mr. Torin planted a few Trees as an Experi=ment, and which I have taken under my care since His departure; These Trees I did not find in a more flourishing state, to appear=ance, than those in the Plantation; but the Aromatich taste in them I think is stronger: And, as the Ground adjoining to this Garden at Tankansey is in a moist situation, close under the Hills, and uncultivated, and that, Ad=joining to my plantation are rich productive paddy fields, it is probable the Board may prefer extending the former rather than the latter - at all events I hope Government will extend the Cultivation of this Valuable spice, the treatment of which I now am almost thoroughly acquainted with; the

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encrease of Expence will only be the enclosing of the Ground, and a few Additional Coolies, and I am confident that the Quality of the Cinnamon is good, and that a few Years will render it of serious advantage to the Honble Company.

Palamcotah
19th January 1793.

I am

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Geo: Suli: Marten
Paymaster

Received also the undermentioned letters Entered in Miscellany Book Nos. 183-184-185-186-187-188-189.

From Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From Sub Secretary at Bengal - Enclosing a letter for the Secretary to the Military Board.

From Acting Purveyor General

From Acting Purveyor General respecting a Stock of Cloathing which the Vellore Hospital Contractors have refused to receive - requests orders.

From Secretary to Hospital Board.

From Secretary to the Hospital Board with Broken Sett of their Proceedings for transmission to England.

From Paymaster at Madura.

From Paymaster at Madura - declaring that the Puckallies - alledged to have

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been furnished and paid by Lieutenant Munro were actually paid by himself - Estimate of Arrears due, and payments to 30th April enclosed - also a letter from Mr Macleod regarding Supplies of Cash.

From Adjutant General -

From Adjutant General - enclosing a Description Roll of some Native Supernumeraries - serving at Nellore and proposing a Mode for disposing of them. -

From Captain S. Baillie -

From Captain S. Baillie - enclosing an Address for the Court of Directors. -

From Captain S. Torin of the Cavalry. -

From Captain Lieut. Torin - admits the Justness of the Auditors report upon his Accounts - remarks - Bill for the Ballance due enclosed.

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Despatched the undermentioned Letters - Entered in Miscellany Book Nos 190 - 191 - 192 - 193. -

To Secretary at Bengal. -

To Secretary at Bengal - enclosing a Letter from Tippoo for Lord Cornwallis - also a Copy of one from the President to Tippoo, and of his reply. -

To Commander of the Contractor

To Commander of the Contractor - directing him to receive on board, as Passenger for Europe - Lieutenant Vallancey - 36th Regiment -

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in Charge of Invalids.-

To Ditto - Ditto

To Ditto - Ditto - to receive on board Charles Peters - Servant to the Reverend Mr. Holscher.

To Ditto of the Valentine.-

To Commander of the Valentine - Captain Irwine - of the 52d Regiment, - in charge of Invalids - to be received on board.-

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Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos 194 - 195 - 196.

From Military Board.-

From Military Board - request the Condition of the Ship Begler may be examined, previous to Engaging her Freight to Masulipatam with stores.-

From Collector at Tanjore

From Mr. Ram, Collector at Tanjore - advising of Mr. Vaughan having returned the Draft on Madura for 5000 Pr and enclosing Copy of his letter to him in consequence - Captain Wallace refuses an Escort.

From Adjutant to 1st Battalion of Artillery.-

From Lieutenant Fireworker Sinclair - requesting to receive the same Allowance of Off-Reckonings, as the late Arrangement provides for the Adjutants of European Infantry.-

At

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At a Consultation

Present,

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor & President.

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Tuesday
29th January 1793

Minutes of last Consulta-
-tion read and approved.

Read the following letter
from Bengal.—

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council, at,
Fort St. George.

Honorable Sir,

We have received your Letters dated
the 18th and 19th Ultimo.

From Bengal. the Board's Conduct, relative to Shevagherry and the Tinnevelly Poligars, in general, very highly approved. also that of Colonel Maxwell. decision on the case of Shevigherry. the measure of opening the Pollams approved. also the Arrangement concerning the disputed Claims among the Poligars. conduct of Captains Wallace and Douglas and Lieutenant

The fairness of your Conduct to
the Tinevelly Polygars in general, and to the Sheva-
-gherry Polygar in particular, at the same time
that it reflects great Honor on your Government, will,
no doubt, be attended with the happiest effects,
and tend to insure the future Peace of the
Southern

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Lieutenant Blackburne, disapproved. Mr. Boddam, the Junior Commissioner on the Malabar Coast, will be employed in arranging the Travancore Country.

Southern Country, by impressing the Minds of its turbulent Inhabitants with a respect for your Power, and a Confidence in your Justice.—

We heartily join in the Commendations which you have bestowed on Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell; and we request that you will convey our Warmest Acknowledgements to that Officer for the equitable and honourable Line which he has uniformly pursued in the Execution of the troublesome and delicate Service on which he has been employed.—

The full and impartial investigation, which he instituted has place the whole behaviour of the Shevaghurry Polygar in a much less Guilty light than it seemed to merit from the first Reports that you received; and, Altho' he is certainly very reprehensible for resisting, and firing upon, the Company's Troops, yet he, in our opinion, stands clearly acquitted not only of the Murder of the Shatoor Polygar, but also of the attack of his Pollems, which was made without his Consent, or even his Knowledge; And the Appearance of Warlike preparation,

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preparation, on his Part, previous to that Event, is accounted for, and in some Degree justified, by the discovery which he had made of the Conspiracy of the Shatoor Polygar and others against his Life.—

We think therefore, that the Shevagherry Polygar should, after receiving a severe admonition, be restored to his Pollam, and that both the Shevagherry and Shatoor Pollams should be laid open; and we recommend that the Measure of opening the Pollams should be invariably adopted whenever the Polygars shall have been guilty of any offence towards Government or of any Outrage or Violence towards each other. We also entirely approve of your Arrangement relative to the several Villages mentioned in Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's Letter of the 3d of December.—

It gave us great Satisfaction to learn, from your Letter of the 19th, that the Family of the late Rajah of Tanjore are on their way to Madras, and we entirely agree with you in disapproving of the unguarded and improper interference of Captains Wallace and Douglas, and

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Blackbourn, in Matters which no wise concerned them.

As the Rajah of Travancore seems to be determined not to transact any Business, in future, with Mr. Boddam, the Junior Commissioner from this Government, on the Malabar Coast, to negociate the arrangement of the Rajah's subsidy, as soon as that Gentleman can be spared from the Business of his Deputation; and we shall afterwards take it into our Consideration whether it will not be most advisable to place the Residency of Travancore and Cochin under the Government of Bombay.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ Cornwallis

" Peter Speke

" Wm. Cowper

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Minutes in consequence.

The Board are happy to find that their resolutions regarding the Tinnevelly Polygars have met the approval of the Governor General.

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General in Council.-

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be directed to carry into immediate execution the measures recommended by the Governor General in Council, and that he be informed of the favorable sentiments expressed by his Lordship of his Conduct.-

Read the following Letter from Bengal.-

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir,

We have taken under our Consideration the Subjects of the Letter which was addressed to you by Colonel Floyd, under date the 22d of November last, and, from our Confidence that Colonel Floyd's Statements are founded on his own Observation and experience, We, upon the proposition of the Governor General, Recommend to you to adopt the Alterations suggested by Colonel Floyd in the Regulations that have been published for the future Feeding &c. of the Horses of the Cavalry serving

From Bengal no Objection to the Alterations proposed by Colonel Floyd in the Cavalry regulations relating to feeding, shoeing, and providing Heel ropes &c. for the Horses of his regiment or to the extension to the Native Cavalry, if necessary, all Kings Officers holding the Rank of Colonel, to receive a Colonels share of Gratuity. the Establishment

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Establishment of Nurseries in the Carnatic for supplying Horses for the Cavalry suggested.

serving under your Presidency, And, should you be of Opinion that any any Part of the additional Allowances, which Colonel Floyd states be necessary for His Majesty's 19th. Dragoons, ought to be extended to the Native Cavalry, we think that it will be advisable in you to authorize them at the Time that the abovementioned Regulations shall actually take effect.

The Governor General having informed us that it was entirely from Omission, at the Time of framing his propositions for the distribution of Gratuity or Revenue Money, to the Officers of the Kings Troops serving in India, that he did not allot a Colonels' share to any of the Kings Officers, who, tho' not Colonels of Regiments, might actually hold that Rank in his Majesty's Service, and that he considers it to be their undoubted right, we accordingly recommend that a Colonels' share of Gratuity or Revenue Money may be allowed to Colonel Floyd and to any other of the Kings' Officers holding that Rank, who may hereafter serve or under your Presidency, in order that they may,

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in that respect, be on a footing of equality with the officers of the same rank in the Service of the Honble Company.-

We have observed, by Letters from the President at Hydrabad, that Captain Dallas has not hitherto been able to procure any considerable Number of Horses for remounting the Cavalry, which Sir John Kennaway accounts for by informing us that the Native Powers are in the general practice of purchasing their Cavalry horses at low prices when very young and dispersing them in their dependent districts, until they are fit for Service; and, consequently, that the Horse dealers bring to the public fairs but a very small proportion of Horses that, in respect to age and size, are fit for our Cavalry; We therefore recommend it to your Consideration whether you could not arrange a permanent Plan, upon reasonable Terms, for establishing a Nursery for the regular supply of Horses for your Cavalry, by following the example of the Natives, and purchasing annually at these fairs, a certain Number of promising Colts of one and an half or two Years old, and putting them

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in Charge of careful people in the Pollams of the Carnatic, which we understand to be well calculated for the Purpose, until they arrive at sufficient age and strength to be fit for the use of the Cavalry Regiments.—

Fort William
10th January 1793.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Cornwallis
" Peter Speke
" Wm. Cowper

Resolutions in consequence.—

Resolved, at the recommendation of the Governor General in Council, that the propositions of Colonel Floyd be adopted so far as they relate to his Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons.—

Resolved that the opinion of the Military Board be taken in regard to the 12th Article of the Regulations that is whether any and what Allowances should be granted to the Native Cavalry for shoeing the Horses and providing Ropes &c. in addition to those expressed therein.

As the Cavalry Contracts are to expire

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expire on the first day of April next, and a System of General agency adopted in Lieu thereof, it is resolved to vest in the person holding the Office of Commissary General of Rain and Provisions, the charge of principal Agent of supplies for the Cavalry, and to place under his superintendence and authority a sufficient Number of subordinate Agents to be stationed with the Regiments.

Resolved that Mr. Cockburne be informed of the above, and directed to lay before the Board, as soon as possible, his ideas of the most efficient & economical plan for the Conduct of this department.

Agreed that the Boards intention of establishing a Nursery for the regular supply of Horses, by purchasing at the annual Fairs a certain Number of promising Cattle of one and a half or two years old, and putting them in the Pollams of the Carnatic, be communicated to the Rajahs of Calastry and Venkatagherry, with instructions to state the number of young Horses that can be reared up under their Charge in their respective Pollams.

Read the following letter from the

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the Reverend Mr. Swartz.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor &c.

From Mr. Swartz relative to the intended proclamation of Sherfojee, as Presumptive Heir to the Raja of Tanjore.

Honble Sir and Sir,

When I heard that the Honorable Board was resolved to proclaim Serfojee the adopted son of the late Rajah of Tanjore, presumptive Heir of the present Rajah, and that he was to succeed him in case the present Rajah should die without having a son born of his lawfully married Wife (for that seems to be the meaning of the Word presumptive heir) the following thoughts occurred to my mind, which I beg leave to disclose to your Honor? —

I thought if Serfojee is proclaimed presumptive Successor or heir to the throne of Tanjore then he stands a poor or perhaps no chance at all, of inheriting the Country, for

His Excellency the present Rajah is but 43 years old — and is now marrying One, or, as some say, two Wives — He may therefore have a son.

But

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But if he should not have a Son, He may take an Infant declaring him to be His own Son, born of his Wife - His hatred and Jealousy of Serfojee makes this Conjecture very probable - The same has been done at Tanjore, by Ameroop the lawful but barren Wife of Serfojee Rajah.

Or the present Rajah may adopt another man's Son - This is more than a conjecture. He has already declared it to be his intention - being resolved to adopt Nanah Sahebs Son - This Nanah Saheb is the son of a Concubine. -

Moreover I thought, that, the present Rajah having, as many people well versed in the Shaster of the Hindoos think, and as some of those very Pundits, who formerly gave their Opinion in favour of the present Rajah allow, no legal right to the throne of Tanjore, He could not lawfully make it over to his son (if he had a Son) as long as the lawful heir was alive. Can he give away that which is not his own? - and shall an Error, once committed to the prejudice of the lawful, heir be continued so as to supersede the true and lawful heir for ever - or annihilate

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his right ?

It may be said that it would
reflect on the decision formerly made in favour of
the present Rajah - But, in my humble Opinion,
that decision was conditional, supposing the justice
of the Opinions given by the Pundits - But, as
their Opinion is found to be ill grounded, the
decision built upon it, One might think, would
cease to be valid. -

These few thoughts I beg leave
to submit to Your mature Consideration

Madras
January 27th - 1793.

I have the honor to be respectfully.
&c. &c.
/signed/ C. F. Swartz

Minute thereon.

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing
letter be sent to England and to Bengal. -

Read the following letter from
the Board of Revenue. -

To

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Assumed Revenue Department.

To the Honorable,

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

General report of the Board of Revenue in the Assumed Department - Letter from their Accountant enclosed -, explaining the cause of the General Statement of the Ass.d Collection Charges &c.a not being prepared.

Honorable Sir,

In obedience to your Commands we took charge of the remaining Business in this Department on the 1st November - Mr. Haliburton thought it necessary, on this occasion, to deliver a Minute with respect to orders which had been given on the dissolution of the Assumed Revenue Board, and containing some other Observations.

From Government In Cons.n 4 October Revenue Proceedings

Mr. Haliburton's Minute In Cons.n 1 Nov.r Revenue Proceedings

We request a reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Assumed Revenue with respect to the Demand made on Mr. Floyer, on Account of an advance for Tank Repairs, amounting to Pagodas 11,7,50 - " - " in the Southern Division of the Arcott Province, under his Charge.

Respecting advances for repairs of Tanks made by Mr. Floyer in the Southern Division of the Arcot Province, and a Sum of Money stolen from his Pash Chest.

In addition to the Vouchers before furnished by him, We had the honor to submit to you a Letter from Mr. Floyer on the

From Mr. Floyer In Const.n 12th Nov.r

To Government In D.o to Cons.n 15th Nov.r

Subject

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Subject, with an affidavit in support of the actual advance being made for the purpose, and, in consequence, you consented that the beforementioned sum should be deducted from the Balance due by him - Having called upon him to make good the Money stolen from the Cash Chest conformably to your Orders he has paid into our Treasury the amount.-

From Government In Cons.n 19th Nov.r
To Mr. Floyer In D.y to Con.n 22d Nov.r

Mr. Place's allowance as Accountant to the Depart.t of Assumed Revenue continued until April next.-

In consequence of an application from Mr. Place, regarding his Allowances as Accountant to the Department of Assumed Revenue, We had the honor to submit to you Our Opinion on the Subject, and we shall Comply with your Orders for continuing it until the end of April.-

To Government In D.y to Con.n 28th Dec.r

From Government In Cons.n 7th Jan.y 1793.-

Charges preferred against Juggapah Dubash to the late Mr. Erskine and others.-

We reported to you, that we had sent Instructions to Mr. Crawford to investigate the complaints preferred by his Highness the Nabob against Juggapah, Dubash to the late Mr. Erskine, and the aumil of the Ongole District, for embezzling the Collections of Phaselies 1200 and 1201 a short time previous

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to the receipt of your Orders on that subject we had directed him to make an Enquiry into the misconduct of the Collector's Servants, for an Embezzlement of the public money; and, as it appeared from Mr. Gardner's Letters, that he had obtained proofs of their Guilt, we ordered him to keep them in strict confinement.—

From Government
In Cons.n 3. December

You were pleased, in consequence of an Application from that Gentleman to permit him to return to the Presidency; and, Mr. Gambier being appointed to investigate the Charges, we have furnished him with Instructions for the purpose. The subsequent Correspondence on this subject, is entered in our proceedings, and we shall report to you the result of the Enquiry, with our Opinion, agreeably to your Desire.—

From Government
In Cons.n 13th. Dec.r

To Mr. Gambier
In 27 Cons.n 17 Sts.
To Mas.r In 27 to Cons.n 17 Do.
From Do. in Cons.n 31st Dec.r
To Gov.t In D.t to Cons.n 7th Jan.y 1793
From Do. In Cons.n 7 Do.
To Mas.r In D.t to Cons.n 9th January 1793
From Do. In Cons 21 Inst.t
To Gov.t In D.t to Cons.n 26th Inst.t Do.—

We submitted to you our Opinions in consequence of your Orders which accompanied an application from his Highness the Nabob, respecting some of his Servants whom he alledged were under confinement.—

respecting an application from the Nabob to deliver up some of his Servants said to be in confinement

From Govern.t to Cons.n 28 Dec.r
To Govern.t to Cons.n 31st Dec.r—

Tanjore.—

The price of Grain fixed in the Eastern and Western Divisions of Tanjore.—

Early in the present Month the

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From Mr Ram
In Cons.n 7th Janry 1793
From Mr Strange
In Cons.n 10th Janry.

the Collectors acquainted us that they had settled the price of the Kadup and Carr Crops in their respective Districts, but without affording us any other Information than merely the rates fixed.

In Cons.n 7th January

Mr White delivered in a Mi=
=nute on this occasion, and we have thought it
necessary to call upon them for more particular
Information on the subject, as well for Explan=
=ations on various other points relating to the
Revenue under their Charge.

Circular
In D.o to Consult.n
15th & 14th Jan.y.

The Tanjore Country
continues under the Company's
Management during the
Current Revenue Year.

We have since received your
Letter informing us of your resolution to retain
the Management of the Tanjore Country during the
Current Revenue Year, which has been communi=
=cated to the Collectors, and they have been directed
to transmit to us, as soon as possible, the parti=
=culars of their Settlements, agreeably to your Orders.

-From Co.t 21st Janry

-Circular In Diary
to Consult.n - January

On the 8th Instant we called upon
Mr Place to prepare, and lay before us by
the 28th of the present Month, a Statement of
the Collections, charges and outstanding Balances
to the close of the Assumption of the Carnatic
Revenue

In Diary & Consultation
15th January -

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In B.d to Com.rs 21st January

Revenue, Our order was repeated to him on the 18th. Instant, and we have now the honor to submit to you, Copy of a Letter from Mr. Place, explaining the causes for his not complying with our Instruc- tions. It contains an assurance that the State- ment will be ready by the 30th Instant, and we shall lay it before you without delay.

In Com.rs 28th January

Mr. Haliburton has entered a Minute at this day's meeting, observing that, as the proceedings did not appear to require it, no seperate Report has been made from the 4th October to the 1st November by the Board of Assessed Revenue — He therefore begs leave to Refer to the Records for that short period, which, as well as our subsequent proceedings, accompany this address.—

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

/signed/ David Haliburton
Chas. S. White.—

To

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To David Haliburton Esqr.

Acting President &c.a Members
of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have received your directions of the 19th Instant to send in the Statement called for on the 9th. Instant by this day.

Before I could begin, it became necessary that I should adjust the Revenue of Fasly 1200 in the Books, and correct any errors that might exist in that years State-ment, a work which I was able to complete only a very few days ago. I yet foresaw no Obstacle to my furnishing the one now called for by the appointed time — But, upon entering into it, have met with great impediments in inaccuracies, which I did not expect, in the Collector's General Accounts, and which obliged me to go through the detail of them from the beginning — particularly in Mr. Kinderslay's having blended Charges of different denominations under the same head, and in not having always distinguished between such

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as were to stand against the Revenue and such as were chargable to the Nabob or to the Military Paymaster General the time required to correct these errors has occupied so great a space as to prevent my investigating the other Collectors' Accounts, where, also, I may meet with similar impediments. From these Circumstances I am under the necessity of intreating the indulgence of the Board 'till the 30th, but can assure them that my utmost endeavours shall be exerted to finish the statement as much earlier as may be possible.

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I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Lionel Place
A. B. A. B.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) John Read Junior
Dep.y Secry.

Copy to be sent to England Jt Contractor

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to England a Number in the Packet Jt Contractor.

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From Messrs Lorin and Henderley

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet
President and Governor in Council
Fort St George.

Honorable Sir,

From Mr. Benj.n Torin requesting to know whether it be necessary to defer his departure for Europe in consequence of the complaints reported to have been preferred against him by the Nabob. —

Since I did myself the honor of addressing you for permission to proceed to Europe for the recovery of my Constitution, I have learnt that His Highness the Nabob has written to you in order to delay my departure, on the Supposition that I may be implicated by Errors and Inaccuracies on a final adjustment of his Accounts with those of the Board of Revenue.

If I were not on the Eve of embarking I should disregard such an observation — and be satisfied that it could make no unfavorable impression on the Minds of any Superiors, but Consider your silence to me as a Compleat vindication — but as his Highness may be induced to revive the Subject in my absence — I take the Liberty to

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ask you if I am to consider myself amenable to His Highness or to Government, and if you, Noble Sir, think it incumbent, for me to delay my departure from any thing that has been intimated or may be expected from the Durbar——

For my own part I consider myself accountable only to Government from whom I received my Appointments and by whose Orders and Regulations I have been guided in the Execution of my Duty; But under the loss of Health and the recollection that the Accounts of my Collections have been ever open to the inspection of His Highness's Mootesedies and that my Conduct has been uniformly approved by the Board of Revenue and every Account rendered to them for the full discharge of my trust, I doubt not you will deem the Nabobs Expectations very unreasonable and unnecessary for me to conform to.—

I have the honor to be,

Madras
27th January 1793.

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Benj.n Torin

To

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President and Governor of
Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From Mr Flinders to the same Effect.—

If I have not been misinformed His Highness the Nabob has, within the last 4 or 5 Weeks judged fit to mention my name as implicated in certain Accounts which he expected from the Country — and I am told he afterwards intimates we impropriety in my leaving India under the imputation of Errors and mistakes in my Accounts — As Government have not thought it necessary to call upon me for any Explanation on this subject, I am sensible my irregularity in addressing them on the subject requires the Apology, which I shall presently beg leave to offer for this entreason on their Attention.—

To You, Honble Sir, I most chearfully submit the question, whether, after having, six Months ago, delivered over charge of my Collectorship to the Nabob's Agents, and

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and after having finally adjusted my Accounts with the Board of Assumed Revenue; I am, in any shape, Amenable to His Highness for any supposed Errors in those Accounts; and whether it is incumbent on me to defer my departure from India till the Nabob shall have examined them.—

But it is possible His Highness may have conveyed, in his Correspondence with Government, implications of a more serious nature than mere Errors and Inaccuracies; I request therefore to be honored with the Opinion of Government, whether they think any thing that has yet come from the Nabob's Durbar, or may be expected from thence, ought to detain me from the prosecution of my intended Voyage.—

While I remain in India I have been, I still am, and shall be, most ready to furnish explanations to Government on any remarks upon my conduct in the management of the Nabob's Revenue; from whatever quarter they may come.— That conduct, I am proud

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proud to say, has met with the distinguished Approbation of my Superiors; and with them I am satisfied that my Character is estab-lished beyond the reach of insinuation,— Sub, in apology for this address, I beg leave to observe that this Character belongs to an individual too obscure, to be equally estab-lished with my Superiors in Europe.

Further, Honble Sir, I am about to proceed, after 13 Years Service (not to enjoy the fruit of my Labors; but) to recover that Health which has here been lost, in order to enable me to return to my duty in India,— Further I trust therefore (unless now recommended by you to forego my intended Voyage) any Aspersion that possibly may follow me, will be accompanied with the Antidote of your favorable Testimony.

I have the honor to be, with great respect,

Madras
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&c. &c.

/ Signed / N. E. Kindersley

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Hon.

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The foregoing Letters having been taken into Consideration, resolved that the following Answer be returned.—

To Mr. Nathaniel Edward Kindersley

Sir

To Messrs. Torrin and Kindersley in reply.—

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th Instant, and to inform you, that the Nabob, in a late Letter to the President, did say, that you were implicated in some Revenue Accounts which he expected to receive from the Country, and that it would be proper for you to remain here until those Accounts were examined — But, as his Highness brought forward no specific matter of Complaint, the Board could not formally take it up or call on you in any manner for an explanation. They answered his Letter, therefore by acquainting him that you had settled your accounts with the Board of Revenue, and, having applied for permission to go home for the Recovery of your Health, etc

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would be very unreasonable to prevent you from executing that Intention. The Nabob has since denied that he meant to insinuate any thing to your prejudice, but, supposing that errors might exist in the Revenue accounts he wished you to be on the spot while a Comparison were made between those he expected, and the accounts lodged in the Company's office.

The Board, not conceiving it necessary to detain you for such a purpose, and having the fullest assurance of the Integrity of your Proceedings as Collector, I am desired to acquaint you, that you have their permission to embark for Europe agreeably to your former request, and that you will be mentioned to the Court of Directors in such terms of approbation as your Services justly merit.

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I am,
&c., &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secretary.

The same to Mr. Forin in answer to his Letter of the 27th Instant.

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Read the following letter from the Attornies to the Tanjore Creditors.—

To the Hon'ble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council of

Fort St George.

Honorable Sir,

From Attornies to the Tanjore Creditors—requesting to know if any and what Arrangement has been made for the liquidation of the registered Debts.—

Having received from our Constituents pressing Letters on the subject of their property in the Tanjore Registered Debt—and wishing to have it in our power to give them the very essential information of an Arrangement having taken place for its Liquidation, We take the liberty to request that you will be pleased to inform us, previous to the departure of the present Despatch, what the intentions of Government are regarding it.—

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We have the honor to be with Respect—&c.a—&c.a

(Signed) Porcher, Redhead, & Co.—Att.s to the Hon'ble E. Monckton Edw.d Stracey and J. Sibbald Esq.r

" Chase, Sewell, and Chase, for Constituents

" Balfour, and Colt—Att.s to the Executor of the Estate of D. A. Baine

" Tulloh, Jervis, and Brodie, for Constituents

" Jos. du Pre. Porcher Act.g Att.y to J. Balfour Esq.r

Agreed

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Agreed that the following answer be returned,

To Messrs Porcher, Redhead and Co.
Chase, Sewell, and Chase
Balfour and Colt
Tulloh, Jervis, and Brodie
and, Sr. du Pre Porcher.

Gentlemen,

To Ditto - in Answer.

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22d Instant, and to inform you, that the Honble Court of Directors, consider-ing the Engagements entered into by the Rajah of Tanjore in 1787 as too burthensome for the actual resources of his Country, and being disposed, in consideration of the large arrears that had accrued upon them, and of the increasing distresses of the Rajah, to afford every practicable relief in their future demands upon him, an arrangement was lately formed for this purpose, by which the Company is

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consented to forego a considerable proportion
of the rights they had acquired under the Treaty
of 1787.~

Upon the same principle that
the public demands were reduced, it appeared
to the Governor General in Council and to this
Government, equally just and expedient that
an abatement should also take place in the
stipulation of 1787 with regard to the private
registered Creditors of the Raja, and the annual
demand on this account, amounting to 80,000
Pagodas P Annum, was, in consequence, reduced
to 60,000 Pagodas which the Governor
General approved as the sum to be required in
future.~

The new Agreement, drawn
in conformity to these resolutions, not having
yet been executed, for reasons which will be
explained to the Court of Directors, the Tanjore
Country remains under the Company's manage-
-ment; but, as it is the Intention of the
Board that the Creditors shall receive the
same benefit from the Stipulation on their

Behalf

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Behalf as if the agreement had been formally concluded, I have desired to acquaint you that a Dividend of thirty thousand (30,000) Pagodas will be declared on the 31st March, and a similar Sum on the 30th June next.

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I am,
&c. &c. &c.
Signed/ W. C. Jackson Secretary

Read the following Letter from
Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council.

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite requesting assistance in recovering a Sum due to him on Bond from the late Rajah of Tanjore.

I beg leave to solicit your Assistance here, or influence with the Honble Court of Directors should that be necessary, to recover a sum due to me on Bond, from the late Rajah of Tanjore, which has subjected me already to much vexation and inconvenience and involves half the little fortune I have acquired in twenty four years service to the Honble

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Company to the rank of Field Officer.

Immediately after the defeat of Lieutenant Colonel Baillie in the former War, I was sent off from the Army to secure Tanjore, and make such exertions as I could South of the Coleroon. On my arrival I found it indispensibly necessary to levy Troops and collect provisions; I found Tanjore very weekly garrisoned, and not three days provisions in it, and found the Rajah greatly alarmed and pleading distress, in so much so as not to be able to pay to the Paymaster sufficient for the Current monthly subsistence of the few Troops there; and all my representations drew from him but very little assistence, except in the article of Provisions, of which, after some time, with much difficulty, having encreased my force, I induced his Minister to collect sufficient for four thousand men for six Months. I raised two Battalions of Sepoys in those Countries, two Companies of Topasses, two Troops of Cavalry, and one Company of native Artillery, and was able to take the Field, in about six Months after my arrival there, with a small

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small Force: it was chiefly owing to this exertion in raising and disciplining men that I got the provisions aforenamed, Collected; And it was owing to my then assuring Sir Eyre Coote that I would be answerable for Tanjore for six Months with my life (as he informed me by Letter) that he felt himself free to march Northward and secure the Junction of the Bengal Troops: still, all this time, I received very little pecuniary assistance from the Rajah, but was obliged to make use of my own funds, draw Bills, & borrow money, and make use of any resource within my reach; and, as I informed Government in general terms how slack the Rajah was, Commissioners were ordered up from the Presidency to remonstrate with him, Sr Hugh Alexander Davidson and Francis Fowdain; which the Rajah no sooner heard then he incessantly importuned me to let him acquire some Credit by placing to his account the advances made; for, although he still pleaded his utter inability he earnestly expected that he might appear to have done more then he had done, and,

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in an unlucky hour for me, I consented and accepted his Bond on the first of March 1781 for (15,000) fifteen thousand (Star Pagodas being on interest of twelve per Cent, and allowed him (as he urged his future wellfare and happi=ness depended upon it) to have the reputation of having furnished sums which I myself had raised, and supplied: but the matter of fact was well known to every Person in Tanjore. He professed the greatest obligation to me, and made the most sacred declarations of curtail=ing his own domestick Expences to pay me off; and I really believed him, as I did not perceive any bad disposition in him and felt exceeding=ly for him at the time, seeing that his distress, if not so great as represented, was certainly great, owing to the general Consternation, of which his minister and all his Servants took advan=tage, playing with his natural want of energy or Fortitude.

On the 18th of February following, he having all the intermediate time pleaded the greatest distress, It was my misfortune to be

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defeated and Captured I remained two & six months a Prisoner; and, on my return to Madras, the Gentlemen who had received my effects and Papers that were in Tanjore, returned to me all, except the Bond, which they kept, as the Rajah expressed an inclination to pay it off - a variety of causes prevented his doing so, if so inclined. After his Death Mr. M'Leod, the Resident, gave me the strongest assurances of immediate Payment from which I conclude that the new Rajah and his Minister were sensible of the very strong claims I had in preference to other Creditors and of the validity of my Bond, which stood registered in the proper office of record in Tanjore; but, falling myself into a most distressing state of health, to which with various disappointments united in me - An Apathy, and neglect of all my own private affairs, I made no efforts, on my part, and this Negligence of mine was followed, but too naturally, by that of those who were not interested in the matter, and I really never knew till my arrival lately at Madras, that any

arrangement

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Arrangement had ever taken place for the payment of the Rajah's just debts, or I should undoubtedly have preferred my claim, well knowing that no man in India could possibly have a fairer. In consequence of this information I wrote to Mr. M^c^leod, who has had the Bond in his possession so many years, to send it to me, by the first safe conveyance; and I have very lately received it by the hands of Major Agnew and I now earnestly solicit your assistance to put me in a way of securing to my children so large a proportion of my property, which nothing but my Zeal for the Service, and an ill placed Tenderness for, and a mistaken Confidence in the late Rajah's Private Character could have put to risk.

As I am well convinced that you will on enquiry have no cause to doubt of what I have here set forth, and as your own knowledge of me will be sufficient to satisfy you that I have never, in any Command or situation, been a Jobber or dealer in Loans of any kinds with the Natives, nor have ever preferred

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preferred any Claim for the great loss I sus-
tained by the former War, I trust, Honble Sir,
that Government will, through your means, at-
tend to this letter with the Warmth of Friends
added to the Candor and Justice of Rulers

I have the honor to be &c

January 29th 1793. with respect.

Sd Sd

Signed John Braithwaite.

PS I have the honor to enclose a
translation of the original Bond which I
find is registered, and has been uniformly
acknowledged at Tanjore made and authenti-
cated by the Reverend Mr Swartz

Sd B.

Translation of a Bond given to Colonel Braith-
waite by Tulja Maha Rajah of Tanjore

The Bond, which Tulja Maha Rajah
has given to Colonel Braithwaite is as follows;

On Account of my necessity

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I have borrowed from you 15,000 Star Pagodas (fifteen thousand Star Pagodas) at the interest of One p. Cent p. Month, to be paid off in 6 Months - The Capital and Interest I will pay at the fixed Term - This is the Bond - the 14th. of the Month Rabi Lawual - in the year of Thide Samanyne My Alef - or according to the Tamul Style in the Month of March the first day - in the Mokam (Residence) of Tanjore.

Witnesses

Batchena Saut — Gopa C Row.

(Atue Translation)

(Signed) C. J. Swartz

(Signed with the Rajah's Signature.)

Resolution thereon.

Resolved that a copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to England by the Contractor, and that the subject of it be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Honble Court of Directors.

Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob (entered also in C.C. No 24)

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Translation of a letter from His Highness the Nabob Walla Jah Bahauder to Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t Governor of Madras.

Dated 12. Jemmadee Jeweny 1207 Fegerry
or
25.th January 1793

Received 27.th — D.o —

From the Nabob — Shall send his Servants to the Comm.r Office to take Copies of the detailed Accounts of Receipts and Disbursements required by him. —

I had the pleasure to receive your favor of the 17.th Instant on the 21.st.

You are pleased to inform me that the last accounts having been sent up by the Collectors, the Revenue Accountant is employed in preparing Statements to the close of the Fegumpten similar to those transmitted to me with your letter of the 9.th March 1792. permit me to observe that, in your letter to me under date the 2.d Instant, you informed me that the Collectors had closed their Accounts near six Months ago, that they had been regularly audited, and that they had passed the Board of Revenue from whence I had every reason to conclude that the Copies of

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Those Accounts were ready for my inspection, and it is the Accounts in detail that I require, and not merely a general abstract, which shews only the Amount of revenues received, and the disbursements made, so that, as to any particular information a general Abstract would leave me as ignorant as I am at this moment; however, as I have entered fully on the subject in my letter to you of the 18th.; to that letter I beg leave to refer you, and, pressing it upon your consideration, and, as I am in the utmost distress for the want of the Accounts therein specified, and as you now inform me that "it is impracticable with "the present establishment of Servants in the "Board of Revenue office, to furnish Copies of the "detailed Accounts and Receipts and disbursements "required by me" I will send my own Servants for that purpose, and have to request that you will be pleased to give directions to the Board of Revenue that they may be allowed Access to the Records.

What can I say more?

a true Translation
(signed) David Haliburton
Persian Translator

Resolved

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Resolution thereon.

Resolved that the Board of Revenue be desired to permit the Servants of his Highness to take copies of the detailed accounts of the late Collectors.

Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite stating his opinion on the points referred to him concerning the Forts in the Ceded Countries - Encloses a Minute he intended to have delivered at the Military Board on the subject.

I have had the honor to receive your Commands contained in Mr. Secretary Jackon's letter of yesterday.

Finding it to be the prevailing idea of the Majority of the Military Board that what you have called for from me would be expected from that Board, I acquiesced in the opinion, as you will have seen by the Minutes &c. transmitted to you from the Board, and, in consequence, was prepared to come forward on the subject to the fullest of my information after taking some pains to be informed, and giving that attention to the subject which

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which the importance of it demands: and, as I think time will be saved by laying before you the Minute which I had ready to bring before the Military Board, if a difference of opinion had not stopped our proceeding, I take the liberty of enclosing it to you, as containing my sentiments on the several matters you have referred to me. I have not particularized the Forts which I think it would be prudent effectually to destroy as denfensible Posts, because I am not sure that I have received information of every Fort in the ceded Countries, however I believe they are as follows.

Bejunghur.
Catarighur.
Cavulgheir.
Guggungheir.
Jagedeo.
Mahrauzgheir.
Tadeul.
Worrungheir.

at least I have not received report of any others; consequently, if there are any, I must

suppose

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suppose them to be such as; with the above named, it would be prudent to destroy as defensible Posts.-

I shall be happy if you are pleased to receive my opinion on the points referred to me in the manner I had prepared it for discussion at the Military Board; but, if you wish to have it in the form of an Express Letter to you on the subject, you have only to cause your Secretary to return this Minute, and I will immediately prepare such Letter; my only reason for sending the Minute, is, that it contains my full opinion, and will save time, which I hope will be deemed a sufficient reason for deviating from the express letter of your Commands.-

What I have said in relation to Artillery, I conceive, comes within your idea of the Troops to be detailed to each Fort; I am decidedly of opinion that, that quantity of Artillery will be necessary for the Western Frontier, but the detailing it to each Fort can with more propriety be done, when the Ordnance to be allotted to each Fort is

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determined; and I have given the preference to a Detachment of Artillery being sent from each of the Battalions to the sending a Company from each Battalion, because the sending of any Captain into that Country over and above those now there, might interfere with the situation of Captain Read, which I am convinced Government equally with myself would wish to avoid: and I trust, when the great addition of so many important Posts to be defended is considered, that the addition I have proposed to our present Artillery is not more than is absolutely requisite.-

You will observe, Honble Sir, that I have spoken with great caution on the subject of a Depôt, and it is, in my opinion, a subject of most serious consideration, and is not, as far as I am informed, a matter that requires so speedy a determination as that of putting the Country in a State of defence; with your permission I shall proceed, the beginning of next Month, on a Review of the Troops; and I propose, in the course of my Tour, to visit Nuttinaghorry, and to examine

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examine it with much attention, and I shall then be able to give a more decided opinion on this subject than I wish to do now. I shall also examine Arnee and the Country adjacent, and mean then to offer an opinion in regard to a Cantonment, which, at present, I am rather inclined to think ought to be made, by distributing Troops in places that now are, and which, at a moderate expence, may be rendered capable of accommodating Troops, if it can be done so as to be able to assemble them at a very short notice, rather than by an expensive building made for the purpose, which must be abandoned to destruction in case of a War.

I shall only add, that you will observe I have confined myself chiefly to what I call the Western Frontier. I believe Dindigul requires but little more than a supply of ordnance, Stores, and Provisions, and a few Invalid Artillery.

Military Head Quarters,
January 29th. 1793.

I have the honor to be with respect &c., &c.,
(Signed) John Braithwaite.

From

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From the information I have received, and from the local knowledge I myself possess, of the Baramahal Country, I am of opinion it will be proper to keep up the following Forts in the Baramahal, and Salem Countries, or what I shall term our Western Frontier.-

Kistnaghery, Ryacottah, Chinaroydroog, Verarbaidroog, Canongoody, Penagra, Salem, Namaul, and Sanherridroog.-

Supposing four Battalions of Native Troops to be all the Force of that description which can be conveniently allotted for the defence of these Posts, I would distribute it as follows.-

In Kistnaghery - one Battalion

In Ryacottah the Head Quarters of a Battalion } five Companies

In Chinaroydroog ..... one Company

In Verarbaidroog ..... one Company

In Canongoody ..... one Company

I would propose that the Battalion now having its Head Quarters at Attore

Should

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should advance and have its Head Quarters at Salem.

At Salem ..... four Companies
At Namul ..... two Companies
At Pinagra ..... two Companies
At Sankerridroog ..... one Battalion

The principles on which I propose the distribution are as follows; Chistnaghery and Sankerridroog being in a great measure at the Northern and Southern extremities of the Western Frontier, I recommend a Battalion entire for each, that they may be able to furnish a Company or two for any occasional Service without materially weakening their respective Garrisons, and I think it probable that it may be an object of consideration whether one or both may not be looked to as eligible for places of reserves and depot, with a view of facilitating and shortening offensive operations in case of a War with the Mysore Power, which we may conclude will, as soon as it can be after such an event takes place, be carried into

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into the enemy's Country. — The situation of Kistnagherry seems well calculated to answer the purpose of forwarding our progress into the Mysore Country by what is called the grand route though it does not lay immediately in the track of it; Time would certainly, be gained by having our Depot as far advanced as Ryacottah, but I think it would be risking too much to have it so far advanced, and here I must observe that unless the lower Forts, on examination, are found capable of being made so tenable as to hold an Enemy ever so well pro=vided and determined to carry it in check, till our Army be assembled and move to it's relief it will be better not to think of any such Depot, as there can be no doubt that the Enemy, informed of such Depot, will make the greatest efforts in his power to carry it at the outset of the War; as far as I am informed, however, it appears that the lower Fort of Kistnagherry can, at a moderate expence, be so strengthened as to answer this great purpose, and, if it can, any money laid out upon it would be well

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bestowed, and would probably be the saving of ten times the sum in the went of War with the Mysoreans; but the establishing a Depot is a matter of very serious and important consideration, and will be attended with either very great advantages to us, or very great advantages to the Enemy, as it may be executed, — Because if not rendered as secure as I have stated, it will exactly do that for the Enemy which we meant it to do for ourselves; and, next to Madras itself, I should conceive it to be the most important Post we should have to provide for: the defence of Hill Forts are certainly more easily secured; but they will ever answer the purpose, and the to strengthening a lower Fort may turn out Fontanous, ... in labour expence and time, to the building a new Fort; and, if so, perhaps, a better situation might be pitched upon for the object in question than any now fortified; but, of the places now fortified, I am inclined to give the preference to the lower Fort of Chitnagherry, as the place best calculated

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calculated for a grand Magazine of Ordnance, Stores, Grain, Forage, &c. &c. for the purpose of forwarding operations in the Mysore Country; and should suppose that such regulations might be established, throughout the Valley, as to secure a compitent number of Bullocks being collected at it at a very short notice.-

Sankarridroog, if thought of as a place of Depot, must be so on the Idea of our having two Armies to act, and that one will carry the War into the Combatore Country, and, in conjunction with Troops from Bombay, ascend the Gujulhatty Pass, and, to answer that end, it is, perhaps, better calculated than Trichinopoly.- I shall conclude what I have to offer on the subject of a Depot, noticing, that any distant one established should be so on the idea, that it is a great temptation thrown out to the Enemy, and that, therefore, great attention ought to be paid to its Fortifications and Garrison, and the Choice of its Commandant.

Ryacottah, I have, in my own mind, given up as a place of grand Depot,

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but it appears to me a place of great import-
-ance, which importance will increase from the
moment our Army can move and our Mag-
-azines be brought forward; I have therefore
made it the Head Quarters of a Battalion,
and have allotted five Companies to it; and
by these I have no doubt it can be defended,
so as to be at our Command as soon as we
shall want it; for, if we can maintain posses-
-on of the Hill Fort, our end will be answered.

Chinacoydroog, from its situation
and Command, is of importance; but I conceive
it will be perfectly secure with one Company.

Verarbiidroog and Canongoody
are Posts that it may be very necessary to
maintain for the better Government of the Country,
but may be considered as of so little military
importance to be defended in case of a War,
I have therefore proposed only one Company
for each of them, and would recommend
that the Officer Commanding in that line
of Frontier, should have a discretionary
power to withdraw these Garrisons, and
effectually destroy these Forts as Posts of

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defence on the certainty of War; and, to this end, it might be proper that they should be immediately Mined in several places, so as to be ready for destruction on a very short warning; this I conceive to be particularly necessary with regard to Verarbudroog, which, if possessed by the Enemy, and made a rendezvous for irregular Troops, might prove so obnoxious to us as to render it necessary to go against it, to the loss of time, and diversion of a Force which might be more forwardly employed.

By advancing the Battalion now at Attore to Salem, I leave the Battalion at Sankurridroog unbroken, and provide for the defence of Salem, Namkul, and Pinagra; the two former are of great importance to secure a chain of communication; Pinagra lays too much out of the way to be of great use, and to be readily supported; but as, for this reason, it is necessary that some Force should be there for the Government of the Country, I have allotted two Companies to it, but recommend that it should be considered in the same point of view as Verarbudroog

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and Canongoody, and be held ready for destruction; and I think it would be well to establish a Post at the Tafepoor Pass, to which the Garrison of Pinagra might retire on the certainty of War, and where I think it might be useful for us to have such a Post during the War and which two Companies might effectually defend. I should hope four Companies are a sufficient Garrison for Palem and two for Nambul.

I would recommend that the Posts of Pinagra, Verarbuidroog, and Canongoody should be frequently relieved from the Head Quarters on which they are immediately dependent, and that these Forts should be only kept tenable against a Coup de main, and furnished with only a three pounder field piece each, which could easily be carried off with the returning Company, or be destroyed, and consequently that these Forts should have but a very short complement of Stores and Provisions: with regard to the other Forts I have named I would recommend, that they should be rendered as secure as every place should be that is expected to make a good defence,

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and that they should be amply and attentively furnished with proper Ordnance, Stores and Ammunition, and have twelve months Provisions, on the principle of issuing these Provisions daily to the Troops, and, replacing them every four Months, which I conceive to be the most economical way of insuring a certainty of eight months stock of good Provisions in each; when I speak of the daily issue, I would only mean to include such as is found to become unwholesome by long Keeping; but in the Provisions for a Garrison, many articles should, in time, be laid in, not to be touched till the place should be invested, such as Firewood / for want of which I have heard two places were lost the War before last / and Pots, Salt and spices which though luxuries are actually necessaries to the Natives, will I am informed keep good a very long time. Upon the whole I think the Posts in this Western Frontier of such serious importance to us, and so likely to secure to the Carnatic the great blessing of peace, if well attended to, that I wish to see them attended

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to with skill and liberality; and, for that reason, wish that there may be no more of them than are effectually necessary to throw difficulties in the way of an invading Enemy, or to facili=tate our own operations in the Enemy's Country; such as will answer these purpose will amply repay whatever expence or attention we may bestow on them; all others may prove worse than burthensome, and should be ef=fectually destroyed, or, at least, reduced to mere protecting places against Horse and ir=regular Foot, and incapable of being ren=dered defensible against Artillery, or any well conducted military assault, but by much time labour and Expence..

I have already, at the Board on a former day, expressed my wish that depressing Carriages may be expeditiously got ready for the Hill Forts, and such others as it may become necessary to supply in consequence of these to be sent with the Ordnance to be allotted to the Forts in the Ceded Countries, independent of any

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moving Train for a place of Depot, which is not now under our immediate consideration; but, the Forts being once determined, we can immediately determine the defensive Ordnance necessary for each. And here I do not think it improper to state my sentiments, because it is necessary you should know them when distributing Ordnance, how necessary I think it is that some Artillery should be detailed to the Frontier line; I am sensible that great part of the subject of this Minute might have been treated of in a different place by me; and, if I had not wished more to do what was essential than what was formal I might have held myself back, I might even have objected to the Board's entering upon matters which etequitte places within my peculiar province, I might have communicated with Government seperately as Commander of the Army, rather than generally with you as President of the Military Board; but as most of the Members of this Board have a more ample and correct

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local knowledge of the Frontier line in question than I have, I think it will be as satisfactory to Government as it is to me, that my opinion comes forward in the opinions of this Board, but that it may be understood that I have not been inattentive to a subject of so much importance, but have formed an opinion; I have here presented that opinion, of which I am not so tenacious (when the good of the Service does not render it necessary that I should be so) as not to be willing to submit it openly and fairly to the deliberation and discussion of Officers of ability, adapted knowledge, and experience; under these ideas I have acted all along since these matters have been agitated, and now, without hesitation, go into matters even of detail, and have told you my sentiments that a due proportion of Artillery should be detailed to defend the Garrisons in the Frontier line, and to do this, two modes have occurred to me to offer for the adoption of Government. Viz.th That one Company, with its proper proportion of

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of Lascars be sent from the first Battalion at the Mount to Chitnaghery; And one Company with its proper proportion of Lascars, be sent from the second Battalion at Trichinopoly to Sankerridroog, to be thence distributed in the several Forts as the Service shall require. Or, which, for many reasons, I should prefer, that an augmentation be made in each Company of Artillery in the two Battalions, of one Serjeant, one Corporal, two Gunners, and six Matrosses; and that then one Lieutenant, one Lieutenant Fireworker two Conductors, five Serjeants, five Corporals, ten Gunners and fifty Matrosses, be sent from the first Battalion to Chitnaghurry, and a like Detachment from the second Battalion to Sankerridroog, to be thence distributed as I have before mentioned.

Having proposed to withdraw the Battalion from Attore, and advance it to Salem, as the present strength of our Establishment does not admit of our furnishing another Battalion to garrison Attore, which is, however, a place of

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considerable importance, I recommend that it be well repaired, and amply provided, and propose to make it the Head Quarters of the Battalion now at Seagar, to which place only three Companies of that Battalion should be allotted: but Seagar is not under our present consideration; it is not before the Board, and rather belongs to what may be called the old line of defence, which may now become a line of Cantonment merely; but on that subject it is no way necessary for me now to offer any opinion, what I have offered, has been in consequence of it's being the opinion of the Majority of this Board, in conjunction with me, that it was expected and desired by Government, that this Board should enter fully into the consideration of the Frontier line, and deliver an opinion as the result of their deliberations; and I think it my duty to lead the way: what we have to do is to point out the Forts which we think necessary, and then to state what repairs alterations, additions, or cantonments &c.

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what Ordnance, Ammunition, Stores, and Provisions are necessary for each, and this I think should be done on seperate sheets, numbered, each number containing all that relates to one Fort; and one of these will of course be Dindigul, though I have not named it, it not being immediately in the Western line of Frontier to the Carnatic.

January 17th 1793

Signed, John Brathwaite.

Minutes in consequence

The Board entirely approve Colonel Brathwaite's intention of proceeding on a review of the Troops and of visiting Kistnagherry, Amee, and the adjacent Countries, for the purposes he has mentioned.

The other parts of Colonel Brathwaite's letter will be taken into consideration when the report called for from the Military Board regarding the ceded Countries shall have been received.

Read the following letter from the Military Board.

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board Stores for Masulipatam and the Nizam ready to be despatched - request an Indent may be made on Bengal for Hatts for the European Soldiery - the Store Lascars in the Laboratory and with the Commissary at the Mount no longer required - Bills of late Contractor for Bricks and Chunam recommended for payment. ——

We have the honor to inform Your Honble Board that the Commissary General of Stores has reported to Us that the Ordnance and Stores ordered for Masulipatam, and those for the use of his Highness the Nizam, are in readiness to be shipped, directions have accordingly been given to the Military Storekeeper, to procure freight for them as soon as possible. —

The Contractor for Military Cloathing having addressed Us a letter, in which he states that, on application to the Import Warehouse-keeper for the supply of Hatts necessary to be issued along with the Cloathing for the Honble Company's European Troops for the Year 1793, was informed that his Indent could not be complied with, as none had been received from England — We beg leave therefore to recommend, as a matter of necessity, that Your Honorable Board may Indent on Bengal for a supply of Leather

Caps

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Copy by the first opportunity, and request you will be pleased to recommend to the Honble the Court of Directors to send annually to this Presidency by the first Ships, 800 Serjeants and 3200 Privates, black Hatts for the Europeans on this Establishment, as neither the white hatts or leather Caps are found to answer.

We beg leave to inform You that Lieutenant Colonel Gels has intimated to Us, in a letter dated the 11th Instant, that, having received a reinforcement of Lascar recruits from Bengal, he shall be enabled, from the 31st of the present month, to dispense with the services of the Store Lascars attached to the Laboratory in Fort St. George and those in the Commissary of Stores' department at the Mount.

Herewith we have the Honor to enclose accounts laid before Us by the Executor to the late Contractor for Bricks and Chunam for materials delivered to the Chief Engineer in the Months of August, September, October, November, and December last, amounting to the sum of Pagodas 165 : 8 : 11, which, as they appear

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to be properly vouched and agreeable to regulations, We recommend may be discharged.—

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23d January 1793.

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

(signed) John Brathwaite
" Henry Malcolm
" Patrick Ross
" Thomas Geils
" Jn. Richardson
" By Close
" George Hale

Minutes thereon.—

The Board must postpone the application to the Governor General in Council for a supply of Leather Caps for the use of the European Troops of this Establishment until they are informed of the actual Number to be indented for.

Agreed that it be recommended to the Hon'ble Court of Directors to send annually to this Presidency, by the first ships, black Hatts for 800 Serjeants and 5200 Privates.—

As the Services of the Shore Lascars attached to the Laboratory in Fort St. George and

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to the Department of Commissary of Stores at the Mount can be dispensed with, they must be dismissed; and the Military Board — directed to take it into consideration the — proper Establishment of Lascars for the Presidency, that an Order may be given for the discharge of such as may be found unnecessary.—

Agreed that the Bills of the late Contractor for Bricks and Chunam, amounting to Pagodas 165 ℣. 11 be discharged.

Read the following letter from the Collector at Dindigul.

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council
Fort St. George,

Honble Sir,

From Collector at Dindigul reporting the result of the enquiry into the cause of Difficulty in the Currency of the new Colly Fanams.—

I have the honor to inform you that it was not till the 11th Instant that a Meeting could be obtained with Cawder Sahib the Renter of Madura, when the Communication with him which your were pleased to direct took place at Sholovandaan.—

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After Mature Consideration of every thing that I have been able to learn on the subject of the difficulty subsisting relative to Colly Fanams, I am of Opinion that it arises from impediments designedly thrown in the way of the Circulation of the Perri-melle and Cherri-melle Fanams within these few Months throughout the Madura District

With regard to the cause of those impediments the Facts which have been ascertained relative thereto will appear in the latter part of this address. The following statement is the Result of Enquiries Made of those from whom it was reasonable to expect the most Authentic Information on the subject; it exhibits the true state of the Old and New Colly Fanams, and the proportions of bad Coin which, on an average, exists both in the one and the other.

Ten Thousand Old Colly Fanams contain of Base Coin three hundred Old Colly Fanams.

the different degrees of their bad quality, are as follows.

Totally base (that is, worth no more than the Copper of which they are made) } thirty Old Colly Fanams

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Three Eighths worse than those of a good quality, One hundred Do.
One fourth worse than Do. ..... Eighty ... Do.
One Eighth Do. ..... Do. ..... Fifty ... Do.
From One Cash to four (reckoning at the average of 80 Cash to one old Colly Fenam) Do. } Forty ... Do.

Ten Thousand New Colly Fenams contain of base Coin Five hundred New Colly Fenams

The different degrees of their bad quality are as follows. —

Totally base (that is worth no more than the Copper of which they are made ... } One hundred new Colly Fenams. —

Three eighths worse than those of a good quality ... } one hundred and twenty New Colly Fenams. —

One fourth worse than those of a good Quality, One hundred and thirty — — Do

One Eighth Do. Do. Do. one hundred ... Do.

From one Cash to four (average of Cash as above, Eighty Cash to one New Colly Fenam) Do. } Fifty — Do.

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The two sorts however, both of the old and New, differing in the degree of one to four Cash only, are not (strictly speaking) base Coin — they are Fenams of the legal Coinage but rendered of less than their Original Value by different degrees

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of damage they have sustained in Circulation.

The Old Tenams of each degree of the base Quality above Stated except those of the worst are denominated from the places where they were respectively Coined Viz.

Those of 3/8ths worse than the good, are called Tutacorin Vutt.

Those of 1/4th Do Do Pooltava Vutt

Those of 1/8th Do Do Salion Vutt

It appears also that the two sorts both of the Old and new Tenams, above distinguished as Totally base, have no effect whatever on the Circulation, for their utterly base quality is so apparent to all descriptions of People that they can very rarely be imposed on any person. — The only time when several are found together is the period of the great Annual Hindoo Feast near Madura, when it is said, Many are found in the Vessel into which are thrown the pecuniary Offerings to the Idol.

The new Tenams of a bad quality are designed, it appears from the Impression

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Impression they bear; to imitate the Perri-mello and Cherri-mello Fenams issued by Mr. Irwin No distinction was ever made in the Current Rate between the Perri-mello and Cherri mello till of late, Nor between them and the Old Colly Fenams, as herein after mentioned

On being issued by Mr. Irwin, their Currency was established equally with the Old Fenams throughout the Whole of the Districts of Madura and Tinevelly they Continued to be Current in both those places till a few Months after the Restoration of the Assigned Countries to his Highness the Nabob At the End of that space of time (and in the Renterships of Shaik Mahomed in Madura, there hap=pened a temporary but it is said entire Cessation of their Currency both in the Tinevelly and Madura Districts.. Soon after this, their Currency was reestablished, in Consequence of Orders, as I believe, from his Highness the Nabob, who thereby relieved the Inconveniency and distress which had ensued on the Cessation. From the period of this reestablishment, they Continued Current throughout the Madura

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District; but in that of Tinnevelly, their Currency gradually declined and Ceased; When, at the End of three Years, and during the Year of Extreme Scarcity in Madura, New Fenams were exchanged (at a batta of one and two Cash) for Old ones with which the Currency of the New having Ceased in Tinnevelly, Supplies of Food might be obtained there.-

The facts to which reference is made in the begining of this address, are, that, at the Paymaster of Madura's Office, the distinction was, for the first time, made between the two Sorts of Mr. Swaine's Fenams. In a sum of Money which I sent to that Office, Cherrimelloo Fenams were received, and Porrimelloo were rejected.- The Shroffs of Madura who superintended the Payment gave no reason for making the above distinction. I think these people would declare the true cause of their Conduct on this occasion if Major Sale were empowered to inflict Corporal punishment upon them in the Event of their Refusing to declare the truth, and if he were, on being so.

empowered

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empowered, to threaten them with the punishment.

The same Shroffs have declared notwithstanding that both the Perri-mellos and Cherri-mellos Fenams are fully equal in the intrinsic Value to the old Colley fenam.—

Not long after the above refusal a Cessation took place in the Currency of Cherri-mellos Chuvvie, which must be imputed to the same Motives that Operated with the Shroffs to introduce a distinction between the Currency of the One and the other, which had never prevailed before.

In consequence of my Request the Commanding Officer at Madura Agreed that he would be present, with other Gentlemen of the Garrison, and the Renter, when the latter should proceed to Open the Sealed Houses of the Men Accused of Coining, as Mentioned in My address of the 7th. Instant.

The Renter promised that those Houses should not be opened, except in the presence of himself and the Gentlemen as abovementioned; and that the Seals should be broke shortly after his Return to Madura; but he has not yet fulfilled his promise in that Respect.—

J.G.

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If the Perri-melloo and Cherri-melloo were taken out of the Circulation great inconvenience and distress would ensue from the Consequent Scarcity of Old Fenams; Neither the Old nor New Fenams can be securely taken but on Examination by a Shroff: concluding that the Intrinsic Value of both the sorts should be found on the Assay, to be equal or (as I have supposed in my address of the 5th Instant) superior to that of the Old Colley Fenam, I beg leave to lay before you, Honble Sir, my opinion, upon the fullest Information, that the existing Difficulties Relative to the Cherri-melloo and Perri-melloo Fenams would be immediately and Completely removed on the promulgation, in the Fort and Talooks of Madura, of an Order from His Highness the Nabob for the Restoration of their Currency throughout that Country.

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

Dindigul
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Signed / Alex.r Macleod
Collector

Resolved

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Resolution thereon.- Resolved that the circumstances stated by the Collector be represented to the Nabob, and that his Highness be desired to send positive orders, to be promulgated in the Fort and Talooks of Madura, enjoining the free Currency of the Cherri mellee- and Perri-mellee Fanams.-

Agreed that Major Sale be directed to call before him the Shroffs of Madura who, some time since, rejected the Perri mellee Fanams, from a sum of Money sent by the Collector to the Paymaster's office, without assigning any reason for so doing- and inform them that he is empowered to inflict corporal Punishment upon them, in the Event of their refusing to declare the truth, as to the cause of such rejection.-

Read the following Letter from the Commandant at Vellore.-

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council.

From Commandant at Vellore advising of a Detachment of Tippoo's Troops having encamped at Manchiry in the Nabob's Country: Letters from Commandant at Amboor

Honble Sir,

That no time may be lost, as the Tappal is just departing - I have the Honor to Transmit to you, Three Black Letters, this Moment Received

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Amboor to the Officer commanding it and the Answer enclosed. —

received from Captain Macpherson, commanding Amboor, with his Letter which accompanied them — as Captain Macpherson has again wrote to the Officer Commanding the Detachment of Tippoo's Troops, pointing out the Impropriety of his — advancing into any part of the Nabobs Country, without permission for that purpose, I presume he will not attempt it — But should it be the case, I beg to be favored with your orders. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) E. Collins
Colonel.

Vellore. —
January 26th 1793.

To Colonel Collins

&c &c &c

Or Officer Commanding Vellore

Sir

I have the honor to inform you that the Hamildar of this place represented to me yesterday that a Detachment belonging to Tippoo Sultaun, said to consist of 2000 Horse, as many Foot, with two Battering Guns, was encamped at Nainarchery which

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which is about 11 E. Miles from hence, and intended coming to take the Hill fort of Chargull, distant from hence about 7 E. Miles, and to which we know of no Road by which a Detachment can march, without first descending the Gauts, and passing, for several miles, through the Nabob's Country; I, in consequence, wrote the Letter (of which the paper I have now the honor to inclose you marked N.o 1 is a copy) to Hafeiz Chawn killidar, the Officer Commanding the said Detachment, from whom I have just received in Answer the Letter marked N.o 2, and thereby find that he has orders to take Chargull.

Not having received any directions to admit this Detachment into the Nabob's Territories I beg to be honored with your orders on the occasion. —

The Killidar represents that the Inhabitants are greatly alarmed, from their apprehensions of being molested by the depreda-tions which such Detachments generally commit in Countries through which they pass; and it is certain, that there is neither Ground nor Water

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for a Detachment to encamp near Chargull, but in the Nabob's Territories.

From the best information I can get the Fort in question, has never hitherto been considered, as the property of Seypoo Sultaun nor of the Nabob; but that of a Neutral Poligar, on the borders of both Countries.

I do myself the honor of enclosing you another paper No. 3, being the copy of a Letter received from the Naique of my Battalion stationed at Cuchbunda, respecting the force which is near his post, belonging to the Sultan. I have again wrote to the Sultan's Officer that untill I receive further orders, it will be improper for him to advance, and shall do myself the honor of communicating his Answer to you when received.

I have the honor to be
&c. — &c.
(Signed) Alex.r Macpherson — Capt.
Commanding at Amboor
January the 25th 1793.

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Translation of a Letter

From Captain Alexander Macpherson – To Mahommed Khelel Tikry – Dar of Tippoo Sultan.

Dated at Noon 11th Jemmaby Ulsany 1207 Hyjeree

or 24th January 1793.

I am informed that you have encamped at Nain-Chee, with a considerable Force – You know that there subsists at present between the Sultan, the Company and the Nabob Walajah, a confirmed Peace. Now you have not apprized me of the Motives of your Movements, so contiguously to the Boundaries of the Nabobs Territories; and, in consequence of which, the Ryots are much alarmed: I am certain you have not come out, without the Commands of the Sultaun; and, I request to be informed on this Subject, that I may transmit the Intelligence to the Governor.

Red Naik Durg belongs to the Sultan – had you marched that way, it had been proper. By taking this Route, you harass the Inhabitants.–

JF

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If it be intended that you remain here; it will be impossible to procure Water, Except from the Nabob's Country.

Let me be therefore speedily informed of your orders from the Sultan.

What more?

A true Translation

(Signed) David Haliburton
Persian Translator

Translation of a Letter

From Hussein Chan Cheleel. - To Captain Alexander Macpherson - Dated 15th Mahrassy of the Year Sehr 1202 Mahomedy Received

I have received and perused your Letter wherein you mention my having encamped at Nair Chero - true, I have; for this is in the Country of the Sirkar. You have also written that this is in the Vicinity of the Nabob's and Company's Countries, and that the Inhabitants are alarmed; what signifies all this?

My Intention in coming here is this,

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Pea Naik Durg is in the Country of the Sultaun Conqueror - and Nair Chera belongs to the Bed Naig Durg Talookah: his on that account I have come hither. Be satisfied therefore, and relieve the apprehensions of the Inhabitants, whom we shall not molest.-

It is likewise the Order of the Sultan that we proceed to and subdue, the Fort of Chankall - seize and carry the Poligar thereof to the Presence

Lest the Territories of the Company be in the Way and the People alarmed; you should send some of your People to the different Villages, as Watchers or Sundars: I shall also give Instructions to the Troops of the Sirkar so that no Inconvenience shall accrue to your Country.-

What more shall I write?

/True Translation/

/Signd/ David Haliburton

Persian Translator

From

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From Jaganaud Naig - To Captain Macpherson

The Detachment of Hufsane Cawn Cully is now encamped at Naickenary.

Pedda Naig left Durgum and marched to Shaurgunday - Tippoo's Troops are now at Durgum and seeking a Road to proceed to Shaurgunday - Two of Pedda Naig's Peons taken Prisoners at Hufsane Cawn Cully and hanged - There are 500 horse and a Resaulah of Infantry at Byacottah - That Baumadars or Rocket Peons have been stationed in all Parts of Pedda Naig's County - The distance between Pedda Naig's Durgum and Cochypunda is Six Miles.

I and the four Sepoys wait for your orders.

The Detachment Encamped at Naighenary is 500 horse, 4 Resaulahs or Battalions, 6000 Carnatic or Matchlock Peons with 2 Guns, Ammunitions and 2 Tumbrils

Nothing has been materially occurred in the Nabob's County.

The Inhabitants of Tippoos County have taken refuge at Kistnapoam and Cadapanatum, - The Baumadars or

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Racket Peons offer them with a Cowl or Licence to return to their Homes

Their Translation as near as can be from the Malabars.

(Signed) Swartz
Translator

Marine Division.

approve:
The Board, the conduct of Captain Macpherson towards the Officer Commanding the Detachment of Sepoys Troops encamped at Nacan chery but can give no particular instructions until they are informed of Kaptain Colin Kellock's answer to Captain Macphersons second letter, pointing out the impropriety of his passing through the Nabob's Districts without permission.

Read the following Letter from the Revd Mr Swartz.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakley Bart

President and Governor &c

Honble Sir and Sir

From Revd Mr Swartz requests the allowance to the late Aulatchna Bhaj Sahebs may be made over

By your Honors Order &c

Family

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Sent to Serfojee and the surviving Widows and that 600 Pagodas may be deducted from the Monthly allowance of the former to the Relations in Tanjore

Family of the late Rajah of Tanjore has received 5000 Star Pagodas, which is three Months allowance and if the portion allowed to each Lady and which Sulakshna Bhaj Sahib, who died last December, likewise received, should be deducted, then the allowance for 3 Months would be less than 5000 Star Pagodas. But, considering the great number of the relations of the late Rajah who receive monthly above 600 Star Pagodas from Serfojee, the Family requests and hopes that no deduction may be made. And, as Serfojee has the greatest confidence, the Noble Board may perhaps think it proper that the late Sulakshna Bhaj Sahib's portion should either wholly or the best part, be added to Serfojee's yearly allowance. Serfojee requests that 600 Star Pagodas may be paid to his relations by one of the Collectors in Tanjore and deducted here from his Monthly allowance.

Madras
January 29th 1793.

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

Signed C. F. Swartz

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that orders be given to the Board of Revenue to make over the allowance which had been granted to Sulatshna Bhaj Saheb to Serfojee and the surviving Widows, in the proportion of two thirds to the former and to instruct Mr. Ram, the Collector, to pay to the Young man's relations at Tanjore six hundred Pagodas ℔ Mensem, to be deducted from the advances made at the Presidency.

Read the following letters from the Military Auditor General with three Enclosures Entered in Miscellany Book Nos. 197-198-199.

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir,

From Military Audr. General enclosing Mr. Burlton's resignation of his Muster Mater=ship Remarks on the Subject.

Mr. Burlton, Muster Master south of the Coleroon, having forwarded, under cover to me, a letter to your Address, I do myself the honor to enclose it herewith and also two Letters con=nected with the Subject, address to myself.

Your Honble Board will observe that

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that that Mr. Burlton, in his first letter to me dated the 23d. instant, states his duty in the Revenue line at Negapatam as a cause for his not being able to attend to those of a Muster Master; and for requesting your permission to resign the latter office; and that, in his second, which is dated a day after the first, he represents the necessity of appointing a successor speedily, on Account of the Musters ordered to commence on the 1st. of next Month, as, otherways, he will be obliged to request some Gentleman to Officiate for him, in consequence of his having been much indisposed ever since his Arrival at Trichinopoly.

As his Letter to your Honble Board contains an Application to resign the Office of Muster Master on Account of the state of his health, which he represents will not suffer him to perform the duty, I beg leave to express that it will be expedient, if your Honble Board shall be pleased to comply with Mr. Burlton's request, to appoint his successor as early as possible, with orders to enter [illegible] the duty

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with the utmost dispatch, that the Musters directed to be taken south of the Coleroon in next Month may be compleated with as little delay as possible, as it is probable that Mr Burlton's inability to perform his duty, being only made known at this late period, will, at all events, occasion some inconveniency to the Service in the Execution of the Orders lately issued concerning Musters, so far as regards the Southern division.—

I have the honor to be, with the highest respect.—

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&c &c

(Signed) Henry Malcolm

Mily Audn General.

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St George

From Military Auditor General enclosing a letter from the Presidency Paymaster respecting the Clerks and Servants required for his office and another on the subject of Rockallies Litherto furnished by the Barrack Master, for the Europeans in Garrison.—

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to enclose Copies of Letters marked No 1 and 2 from the Military Paymaster of Fort St George.—

No 1

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No 1 is in conformance with your commands on the subject of Clerks and other servants required for this office Establishment. I have only to observe, further, in addition to what is stated in my letter of the 15th instant that the explanations given by the Military Paymaster of Fort St George of the particulars of the duty he has to perform is very correct, and that his duty is more general than that of any Paymaster except the Paymaster General.

A Copy of the Order alluded to in the Enclosure No 2 is not to be found in my Office - I have understood, however that, for several Years past, Buckalliers have not been drawn for the European Corps quartered in Madras, and, therefore, I conceive that, according to that usage, the order of the 9th instant does not affect that of the 5th April 1788 as stated by the Paymaster. I am induced however to submit the matter to your consideration, as it involves the question whether a Corps quartered in

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the Garrison of Fort St. George shall be so supplied with Water as may prevent it's being ready to march so far as depends upon Puckal=lies, or occasion an additional expence besides the pay of the Waterwomen, in keeping them up.

I am not acquainted with any general Order that makes the European Corps stationed at the Presidency an exception to the general rule on this head, and conceive, therefore, that, in whatever manner the Officers and men of a Corps are supplied with water, the Puckallies should always be forth-coming with each Corps as they are allowed upon the Establishment of Compa=nies.-

I have the honor to be, with the highest respect.

Mil.y Aud.r General's Office
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&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mil.y Aud.r General.-

Colonel

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Colonel Henry Malcolm No 1.

Military Auditor General.

Sir,

I am just now honored with your letter of yesterday's date informing me that you have received the Orders of Government desiring that I will lay before you, as soon as possible, a particular explanation of the duty I have to perform as Military Paymaster of Fort St George, in order that you may communicate the same to Government, with such Observations as may occur to you, to enable them to determine finally on the subject of the Charges to be allowed on account of my Office as Military Paymaster at the Presidency.

In compliance with which, I beg leave to state, that the Disbursements hitherto made by me each Month amounts, on an Average, to Star Pagodas 38,288 – " – " and the Accounts and Vouchers to be checked by me, after undergoing a Minute examination by my Clerks, according to the different descriptions of Allowances, are never less than from 3 to 400 Monthly – for my Dis[illegible] are

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not confined to the Troops and Departments established in the Garrison of Fort St George, but includes a variety of other Bills passed in your Office by Orders from Government, as the Paymaster General is not, by the New System, a Paymaster on detail; by which means a variety of Contingent Charges, on the Establishment in general, falls to be issued from my Office.—

Besides the Monthly Current business, daily extra demands are made upon me, which obliges me to have constant reference both to the Paymaster General, as also to yourself, as you must be sensible of; and, as dispatch is necessary, I am obliged to be ready, at all times, in order to expedite Matters, so that the whole of my time each forenoon is taken up.

The following are the Books that I am obliged to Keep.—

Book of Indents for Cash
Do — Bills drawn } 2 Copies to be made Monthly

Do — Military Monthly Disbursements
Do — Do — Arrears — — — —
Do — Accounts Current — — — —
Do — Abstracts — — — — — — } 4 Copies to be made Monthly.

Do — Genral Orders —

Book

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Book Extracts from the Paymaster General & Auditor General.
Do — Letters Sent. —
Do — Do — Received. —

Being responsible for all Cash entrusted to me, and having payments to make at the different stations, some distance from the Presidency; I am under the necessity of employing men of responsibility, and whose Talents are superior than to those of common Writers, and who must also be employed by me for the latter purpose. —

Fort St George
21st January 1793.

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) Basil Cochrane
Military Paymr.
Fort St George

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry Malcolm Mt Audr Genl

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Colonel Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Sir

I am to request to know how far

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the Orders of the 9th Instant directing Quarter Masters of Corps to furnish Packallies from the 1st February next is intended to affect an Order of Government of the 1st April 1788 Wherein it is directed that the Barrack Master of Fort St. George is to draw 6 Water Women for every 100 Men.

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I have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) Basil Cochrane
Military Paymr
Fort St. George

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mil. Aud. Genl.

Appointment and Resolutions in consequence

The President proposes that Lieutenant James Cunningham be appointed to succeed Mr. Burlton in the Office of Muster Master South of the Coleroon.

Approved and Ordered accordingly.

For the reasons given in the Military Auditor General's Letter of the 15th and 29th instant, the Board authorize the establishment stated to be necessary for the Office of Military Paymaster at Fort St. George.

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As, by the General Order of the 9th instant, Quarter Masters of European Corps are to furnish Cuckallies from the 1st of next Month, & without excepting the Garrison of Fort St. George, it follows, that the 6 Statesmen examined by the Barrack Master for every one hundred men at the Presidency are to be discharged.

Annual Return of the 2d European Battalion convicted and punished for Robberies, & ordered to Work in the Lines of the Barracks.

The President lays before the Board a List of Men of the 2d Battalions of European Infantry who have been convicted and punished for Robberies, and recommends that they be employed upon Military Duty in the Forts of the Baramahal, until they evince, by a course of sober and honest behaviour that they are worthy of being attached again to some regular Corps.

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List of Men of the 2d Battalion of European Infantry who have been convicted of Robberies &c. in Fort St. George.

Names.	Rank	By whom Confined	Crimes.	Date of Crimes	Sentences.
John Fisher Caleb Bennett	Privates	Town Major	Found guilty of robbing the Governor's Godown	5th Augt. 91	500 Lashes each Punishment remitted
Wm. Miller John Muerhead	Do.	Adjt. Bose	Found guilty of Robbing the Estate of the late Lieutenant Hunter	5th Sept. 92	400 Lashes each
Wm. Humby John Lean John McDermott George Baillis	Do.	Capt. Halcott	Found Guilty of Breaking open and Plundering Godowns in the Fort	14th Novr. 92	Humby & McDermott 800 Lashes each & Baillis & Lean - 500 Lashes each
James Alto Wm. Martin John Muerhead John McFarlane Alexr. Fraser	Do.	Governor	Found Guilty of Breaking open and Robbing the Governor's Godown	2d Jany. 93	Alto 700 - Martin 800 Muerhead 500 - McFarlane 400 - and Fraser 400 Lashes each
George Bomriman	Do.	"	Found guilty of the crime as alledged the Prisoners Humby, Lean, McDermott and Baillis by his own Confession ~~but not tried or punished~~ being admitted as an Evidence against them	1	
Sal. Flannagan Robert Day	Privates	Capn. Cookson	For robbing Corpl. Knights of Money &c.	18th of March 1792	200 Lashes each on their bare Posteriors
Phillip Nule	Do.	Lt. Bose	For robbing a Private of the Regiment of Part of his Bounty Money	18th Novr. 92	500 Lashes
Wm. Guy	Do.	Capn. Halibutt	For Robbing Serjeant Newman of Mess Money belonging to the Company	10th Octr. 89	300 Lashes
Wm. Hale	Do.	Lt. Preston	For Stealing from Serjeant Gregory 1 Pr. of Shoes &c.	3rd Jany. 92	300 Lashes
Christ. Hynes	Do.	Lt. Berkeley	For Stealing Money &c. from Corpl. Syddle	21 Jany. 91	350 Lashes
George Miller	Do.	Adjt. Bose	For Stealing from Corporal Daintry his Box, Watch, Money, &c.	25th July 92	150 Lashes

Regimental Courts Martial.

(Signed) P. Bose
Adjutant

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Approved and ordered Accordingly

Drafts of General Letters to England Contractor read and ordered to be copied

The drafts of the General Letters to go by the Contractor having been read and approved Ordered, that they be copied fair, and that the Packets be closed & Sworn.

Chas Oakeley

E. Fallofield

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George Parry Esqr

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Diary

30th Received the following letters, also a Petition from Canagaroy Pillay, entered in M. B. No. 200 preferring a Complaint against Mr. Kindersley and his Peishcar.

Petition of Canagaroy Pillay

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

Honble Sir,

From Captain Lieut. Torin. stating the advantages of recruiting the Cavalry with Horses from the Malabar Coast

Not wishing to intrude upon your time, when I had the honor of paying my respects to you, permit me, in justice to myself, and for the benefit of the Service on which I have been employed by Government to state some points, which have either been misrepresented, or have not come within your notice, respecting the recruiting the Cavalry with Horses from the Malabar Coast.

I must first beg to refer to the Auditor General's Report of the last 200 Horses, purchased by Order of General Medows, at the most disadvantageous time, owing to a Famine in the Northward Countries, and at that period when ships were in the greatest demand by the Bombay Government, to convey Stores and Troops down the Coast, notwithstanding which, the Horses have been brought within the Price stated by Government.

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The transporting Horses by Sea from Bombay or Surat to Anjengo, will naturally appear a Service of some Danger and Risk, it is however to be accomplished by Care and attention, and that no loss of any material Consequence has been sustained is Certain, and will be best known by referring to the Returns delivered over with the Horses - a Copy of which accompanied the accounts - a Casuality of two Horses will appear in them, one of which died on board from Sickness, the other, the only Loss occasioned by Shipping or Relanding, during the Period of three Seasons -

The Returns are therefore the fairest and best test of the practability of procuring Cattle from the Northern Countries of that Coast, and for a Judgment of their Cast and useful properties, I beg to submit to the opinion of those Officers who have been serving in the Field during the Last war - and I think the Horses will be found the most handy Cattle on service and that a greater proportion of them is still existing.

It was not my wish to make difficulties, I therefore did not apply a second time for that Assistance which the Honorable Board were pleased to promise me in their letter under date the 5th of

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35 that to Personal labour and attention I attribute the serviceable Condition of the Horses when they joined the Cavalry, at the Critical Moment when the Army fell back to Trichinopoly for further equipment; and I have only to remind you, Honorable Sir, of the fatality which attended the Lots purchased of the Country Dealers at Cochin by Mr Bowney, to show that the Plan is only ineligible when it is not executed by People who are conversany in the business - of this Bt. I am Credibly informed not above two Horses were saved and joined the Corps, and it is too flattering a distinction in favor of my experiment, not to state that my losses did not exceed - that small Number, out of 400 Horses which I had the pleasure to furnish - this a further Argument in favor of this mode of supply, to observe, that it has proved a Resource at the time of war, when all inland purchases were no longer practicable. —

That the Plan has been attended with greater expence than I originally expected I am ready to acknowledge, and I shall not take up your time by stating how the disadvantages arose, further than by repeating the exorbitant price of Freight, and the distress of the Country, two Circumstances which no longer exist, and being relieved from the inconveniencies which attended

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the Establishment of the Plan in the outset, afford reasonable grounds to hope they may now be procured at a Cheaper rate, and I have the pleasure to add, that last month, when I left Surat, it was in my power to have procured Horses in any number - I cannot therefore but believe the means which I adopted to Establish an intercourse with a set of People never before Conversant with Europeans has fully succeeded, in fixing the Company's Credit, and in opening to them a never failing resource for recruiting their Cavalry, and I hope Government will not think of relinquishing a Plan which, under every disadvantage, has proved to them a resource in the utmost need, without making another experiment to convince themselves of the practicable advantages during the time of Peace and more prosperous Circumstances. — I have the Honor to be,

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W^m W^m
(Signed) John Torin
Captn Lieut^t Cavalry

To W. C. Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

From Officer Commanding at Pylney — advising of Tippoo having prohibited the four Elephants from passing thro his

Sir,

I have received information that Sore Cawn Lodhee, Thousdar of all the Countries below

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30th to be careful that the four Elephants, which arrived at this Station on the 26th past, on their way to Balgaut: cherry, should not be permitted to pass thro' his Country. — Altho' the information may not be founded, yet I think it necessary to make you acquainted with the circumstance for the information of Government, as a month is nearly elapsed since the Elephants arrived here, and no order has been sent to pass them to Balgautcherry. —

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
Signed/ Ja.s Oliver Capt.n Com.r
13th B.n N.I.

Sydney
January 24th 1793

31st Sent the following Letter

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis
K.G.
Governor General in Council at
Fort William.

My Lord,

To Bengal — happy that the Board's measures concerning the Tinnevelly Polygars should have been approved another letter from Mr Swartz, respecting the Tanjore Succession enclosed

We have had the honor to receive your Lordship's letter dated the 10th instant, and are happy to find that our resolutions regarding the Tinnevelly Polygars have met your Lordship's approval —

We have the honor to enclose another letter from the Reverend Mr Swartz on the subject

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№ 31 Subject of the Tanjore Succession.

We have the honor to be, with respect

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W.e &c.
Signed Chas Oakeley
V.t Comm.r

Dispatched also the undermentioned Letters
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209 210 211 212 213 214

To Hospital Board. To Hospital Board desiring their opinion relative to some Hospital Clothing at Vellore - letter from acting Surveyor General enclosed.

To Paymaster at Madura - To Paymaster at Madura advising of the order to Mr. Ram, to advance Cash for his Disbursements in February, March and april.

To Master attendant - To Master attendant directing him to survey and Report the Condition of the Ship Begler

To Military auditor General - Mr. Ram ordered to advance Cash for Mr. Vaughans payments in February, March and april - arrears due for Cloathing Stoppages to be paid to some discharged - men at Trichinopoly - an application from Lieutenant Balman referred.

To Do - To Dito - Bills of Captain Torin of the Cavalry, for arrears of pay &c. enclosed for discharge.

To Military Board - To Military Board - two Six Pounders to

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To Mons.r Raymond 31.

To Mons.r Raymond, advising thereof—

To Military Paymaster General - directing

To Military Paymaster General

Passage money to be advanced to Captain Irwine of the 52.d and Lieutenant Vallancy of the 36.th Regiments proceeding to Europe. —

To Ensign Bagshaw - permitting him to

To Ensign E.B. Bagshaw -

go to Bengal, on four months leave of absence. —

To Lieutenant Colonel Oldham - in

To Lieutenant Colonel Oldham —

consequence of his letter, entered in the last Diary. —

To Commandant at Tanjore - directing

To Commandant at Tanjore

him to furnish an Escort for the Treasure ordered to be sent to Madura, and to attend to all requisi: tions of this nature from Collectors. —

To Commandant at Rampore - directing

To Commandant at Rampore

him to Reply to a Complaint preferred against him by the Zemindar of Seydapour. —

To Commander of the Contractor - directing

To Commander of the Contractor

him to receive on Board Charter Party Passengers for England. —

To Do. of the Valuntine - on the same subject. —

Sent the following Letters. —

February 2

To Edward Hay Esq.r

Secretary to the Government at Fort William

To Secretary at Bengal - enclosing Copy of the Garrison Storekeeper's Complaint of Lieut.t Knox Opinion and Remarks of the

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the President

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2 President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 25 November, and to inform you that a Copy thereof having been transmitted to the Garrison Storekeeper, with orders to reply to the Complaint of Lieutenant Knox, he has addressed the Board in a letter, Copy of which, and of the enclosures referred to therein I have the honor to transmit herewith for the information of the Governor General in Council

The President in Council is of opinion that Mr Greenhill has fully acquitted himself of the charge preferred against him by Lieutenant Knox of a deficiency in the provisions furnished for the use of the Native Troops during their Voyage to Bengal and the Board are persuaded that the Governor General in Council will agree with them that the Conduct of Lieutenant Knox inventoring the Office of the Garrison Storekeeper, and defacing, in the absence of that Gentleman the Official receipt which had been given was very reprehensible. I have the Honor to be

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&c &c
Signed W Jackson Sec

To David Haliburton Esq
President & Vice Members of the Board of Revenue
Gentlemen

To Board of Revenue
referring the Complaint
of Lieut Knox

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2 delivered to us by Canacaroy Pilla of Covrepauk on the subject of a transaction in Mr. Kindersley's late management as Collector of one of the Divisions of the Arcot Province - and desire that you will cause such Enquiry to be made thereupon as the merits of the Petitioner's case may appear to deserve —

We are &c. &c.

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Signed Chas. Oakeley Wm Council

To David Haliburton, Esq
&c. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

To Board of Revenue — the allowance drawn by the late Sulabshna Bhaj Sahib to be made over to Sherfoge and the Surviving Widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore — Orders for paying 600 Pagodas to the Relations of the former in Tanjore - advice of the decision on the Case of Shunjheny instructions in consequence —

We enclose Copy of a letter from the Reverend Mr. Swartz, and desire that the allowances which had been drawn by the deceased widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore, may be made over to Serfoge and the surviving widows in the proportion of two thirds to the former, and one third to the latter

Agreeably to the request of Serfoge we desire that Mr. Ram may be instructed to pay to the Boy's relations at Tanjore Six hundred (600) Pagodas pr month, and that the amount be deducted from the advances made at the Presidency — The Governor General in Council having on perusal of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's

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2^d report relative to the Shevigerry Polygar, recom:
:mended that this man should be restored to his
Pollam, but that the Jungle of Shevegerry as well
as Shatoor should be entirely laid open, we have
given directions to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell
accordingly, and desire that you will send orders
to the Collector to withdraw his Manager from
Shevegerry whenever Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell
shall require it, and to consider the Polygar, in future,
as responsible only for the former Peshcush. —

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

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell
at
Shevelepatore

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell — with Instructions relative to restoring the Shevigherry Polygar to his Pollam — and conveying the Sentiments of the Government General of his Conduct —

Sir,

You were informed on the 19 ultimo that
a communication would be made to the Governor
General in Council regarding the Conduct of the
Polygar of Shevigherry, and I am now to acquaint
you, by order of the Honorable the President in
Council, that he has adopted the following opinion
given by the Bengal Government in Consequence
Viz^t "That the Shevigherry Polygar shall, after

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2d "receiving a severe admonition be restored to his Pollams,
"and that both the Shevaghery and Shatoor Pollams
"shall be laid open."

He desires, in consequence, that you will carry these measures into immediate execution, and, in restoring the Shevaghery Polygar, that you will strongly impress upon his mind the absolute necessity of his being extremely guarded in his future conduct.

The Board leave it to your discretion to release the Shevaghery Polygar before or after the Jungle and Defences of his Country have been destroyed, as may appear to you most proper.

The Governor General in Council has desired that his warmest acknowledgments may be made to you for the equitable and honorable line which you have uniformly pursued in the execution of the troublesome and delicate service in which you have been employed.

Sam. Ed. Sc.

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Signed W. C. Jackson Secy

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters
Entered in M.B.S. 215. 216. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222.
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To Civil Paymaster

To Civil Paymaster directing him to report the monthly Expense for Oil, Earthern Ware, Matts &c. Articles for one hundred European Troops.—

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, informing him that a System of General Agency will take place on the expiration of the Cavalry Contracts on the 1st May next - that the charge of principal agent is to be vested in the person holding his Office and desiring, in consequence, his Ideas of the most efficient plan for conducting the Department.—

To M^r. W. Ruddiman Surgeon

To M^r. W. Ruddiman - his resignation accepted his Successor ordered to take off the articles on hand at a fair valuation - his conduct and services noticed with satisfaction.—

To Commandant at Madura

To Commandant at Madura - Certain Shroffs to be required to explain why they rejected the Perroo Malloo fanams at the Paymaster's Office on a late occasion - orders in case they refuse to declare the truth.

To Executor to the late Captain Richard Rutledge

To M^r. Benjamin Torin - in reply to his application for arrears of pay due to the late Captain Rutledge.—

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General - Lieutenant James Cunningham appointed to succeed M^r. Burlton, as Muster Master to the Southward

2d admitted - the waterwomen hitherto furnished by the Presidency Barrack Master to be discharged. —

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General - advising him of the supply of Cash ordered for the Paymaster at Trichinopoly, and of the Authority given him, to draw on Madras, when any pressing and unforesean occasion arise for Money. —

To Military Board

To Military Board - must report the number of leather Caps wanted from Bengal, an annual supply will be recommended to be sent from England - the three Lascars at the Laboratory and under the Commissary at the Mount, to be dismissed - an Establishment for Madras to be reported - the Bills for Bricks and Chunam will be paid - reference regarding additional allowances for Shoeing the Horses of the Native Cavalry, and providing Web Ropes &c - Extract from Colonel Floyd's letter on the subject enclosed. —

To Ditto

To Ditto - the Masters attendants ordered to report the condition of the Begler - the proposals of the Captain of the Snow Surproze, approved. —

To Colonel Braithwaite

To Officer Commanding the army - his intention of proceeding on a review of the Troops &c approved - the other parts of his letter of the 24th Instant will be hereafter considered. —

To Ditto

To Do - the mode proposed for disposing of

2d the Native Supernumeraries at Nellore, approved. —

To Ditto — To Ditto - enclosing a list of European Offenders, with instructions for their employment in the forts of the Baramhal. —

To Lieutenant Munro of the Infantry — To Lieutenant John Munro - on the subject of his Charge against Mr. Vaughan, relative to the non payment of some Puckallies furnished by the former. —

To Muster master in the Southern Division — To Lieutenant James Cunningham desiring him to subscribe to the usual Oath of Office. —

To Paymaster at Palamcotah — To Paymaster at Palamcotah - approving of the extension of the Cinnamon plantation at Tankaway and of the hire of Coolies for the purpose. —

To Board of Revenue — To Board of Revenue - the Nabob's Servants to be permitted to take Copies of the detailed accounts of the late Collections.

To Mr Ram Collector at Tanjore — To the Collector at Tanjore - informing him that Orders have been given for furnishing him with Escorts for Money - and directing further advances to be made for Mr. Vaughans Disbursements in February, March and april. —

To Reverend Mr. Swartz — To Reverend Mr. Swartz - Sherfogues request relative to the allowances to the late Sulotshna Bhaij Saheb, and for the payment of Six hundred Pagodas at Tanjore, complied with. —

To Resident at Travancore, — To Resident at Travancore - with directions to conform himself in all respects to the Governor Generals

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2 instructions to the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast.—

To Commandant at Vellore Captain Macpherson's Conduct towards the Commandant of Tippoo's Detachment at Nairchery, approved. no particular instructions can be given, until informed of the reply to the Second letter, written by Captain Macpherson.—

To Commandant at Vellore

To Colonel Brathwaite his Claim on the late Rajah of Tanjore recommended to the favorable Consideration of the Company.—

To Colonel Brathwaite

To Mr James Ramsay permitting him to proceed to the Cape six months pay will be advanced.—

To Mr James Ramsay Surgeon

Received the undermentioned letters, entered in Mo B. for February Nos 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

From Major Roberts From Officer Commanding the Nizams Detachment enclosing Copies of all his letters to Sir John Kennaway.—

From Military Auditor General reporting on the Estimates of the Military Paymaster General, and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for February.—

From Military Auditor General

From Paymaster at Trichinopoly referring for decision, a point in question between him and Lieutenant Colonel Smith, relative to Pay abstracts being accompanied by Muster Rolls has paid five thousand Pagodas to the 1st European Regiment, which

From Paymaster at Trichinopoly

2d which were advanced by Mr Strange.—

To Ensign George Lang of the Infantry

From Ensign G. Lang requesting leave of absence to Bengal on account of Ill health.—

From Lieut.t Colonel Stuart 72d Regt

From Lieutenant Colonel Stuart resigning the Command of Palgatcad.—

From the Deputy Master attendant

From Deputy Masters attendant reporting on the Condition of the Begler.—

3d Sent the undermentioned letters, Entered in Country Correspondence Nos 25-26-27-

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

To the Nabob - informing him that his Servants will be permitted to take Copies of the detailed accounts of the late Collections, at the Revenue Office - and requesting that his Highness will remove the Impediments to the Circulation of the Cerno Malloo and Chernoo Malloo fanams throughout the Madura Districts, by means of a proclemation, enjoining their free Currency —

Ditto Ditto

To Ditto - advising him of the Opinion of Lord Cornwallis on the Conduct of the Shevigherry and of the Orders given to Colonel Maxwell in consequence to restore him to his Pollam, and to clear both that and the Shatoor Pollam of their Jungle. ——

Ditto to the Rajahs of Calastry and Vencatagherry

To the Rajahs of Calastry and Vencatagherry informing them of the Board's intention to form a

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3d Nursery for the supply of Horses for the Cavalry - and desiring to know what number can be rear'd up in their respective Countries. —

Received the undermentioned letters, entered in No B N.os 7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15. —

From Sub Secretary at Bengal - desiring to know what allowances are made to the Paymasters of the King's Regiments serving on the Coast - Copy of letter from Captain Shawe of the 76th Regiment enclosed. —

From Sub Secretary at Bengal -

From Paymaster at Ganjam returning his Security Bonds duly executed - the Military Storekeeper's employ not delivered over to him. —

From Paymaster at Ganjam and asks —

From Captain Dallas - shall remain at Hydrabad, Grain being more cheap and plentiful has purchased thirteen Horses and expects more - requests the Sirnadar's party sent to Arcot, may be ordered to return, the Sick, and others unable to march, being previously relieved. —

From Captain Dallas at Hydrabad

From Lieutenant J. Munro - requesting Copies of the letters from and to Mr. Vaughan, on the subject of the Buckallies, he declares to have paid. —

From Lieut.t J Munro -

From Lieutenant E. Ferguson - advising of his having been ordered to act as Barrack Master Mr. Burlton being Sick - encloses the required Oath. —

From Lieut.t Edward Ferguson at Trichinopoly

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From Paymaster at Madura — Stating the Sum he is actually in advance, on account of the Company's

From Paymasters at Madura

requests to know how the Fanams in his possession are to be disposed. —

From Commandant at Dindigul — shall march in a few days for the Vera patchee Pollam, the

From Commandant at Dindigul

Pioneers having joined. —

From Secretary to the Board of Revenue — transmitting the Proceedings of the Assumed Revenue

From Secretary to the Board of Revenue

for the year 1792. —

Petition of Tindals and Lascars lately employed with the southern Detachment — representing

Petition of Sundry Tindals & Lascars

the hardship of being discharged — and praying to be restored. —

At a Consultation

Present

Monday 4th February 1793

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Drafts of the General Letters to England & Ponsborne read and approved

The drafts of the general letters to go by the Ponsborne having been read and approved

Ordered that they be copied fair, and that the packet

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Read the following Letters from the Board of Revenue, —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council —

Honble Sir

From Board of Revenue enclosing the Statement promised in their General Report - and Copy of Mr Place's explanatory letter - observations - requests orders relative to a Balance due from Mungalum Linniah the Tinnevelly Grain Charged to the Nabob and the disposal of the Balances due by the Renters not delivered up to him - and of the arrears of Polygar Peishcush Collected since the Surrender of the Assumption

Agreeably to the Intimation contained in our General Report of the 28th ultimo, we have the honor to lay before you the Statement prepared by our accountant, with Copy of a Letter from him on the subject - the balances stated to be in the hands of the Collectors have been paid, or will be forthcoming in a few days, except about Pagodas 4000 of the balance on the Angole Collections. —

Sir it may be His Highness's wish to be furnished with a Statement distinguishing more particularly, the Collections, Charges, and balances for each Fusly year respectively, we have directed our accountant to prepare such an account, which will agree as to the total Sums for the two years we expect to be furnished with this further Statement in a few days, and it will be laid before you without delay. — We have directed Mr. Flower to furnish us with an explanation in respect to the modes of stating the balances of advances and rent, which correspond, as to their totals, in his accounts. —

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In your Orders of the 26th September specify that the Balances outstanding for Fusly 1201 are to be delivered over to the Nabob's Amildars, but not charged to him one fifths of the actual Collections - we must submit Mr Places observations to your determination, with respect to the Sum of Pagodas 10,762 : 25 : 15 due by Mungalum Cumoriah, with an Extract of our Proceedings on that subject and also the Finnivelly Grain charged to the Nabob -

We must also request your Orders regarding the disposal of the Balances due by such Renters as have not been delivered up to the Nabob, and who have given their acknowledgements - a List of which we shall transmit, together with the Statement preparing by our accountant - we request to be favored with your Instructions as to the appropriation of the Arrears of Poligar Beisheauk collected since the Surrender of the Country to His Highness the Nabob.

We have the Honor to be,

&c, &c

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(Signed) David Haliburton,
C N White,

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 31st January 1793

Read the following Letter from the account

To David Haliburton Esq.

Acting President &c. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to lay before you a Statement shewing the settlements for the Rents of the Countries of his Highness the Nabob of arcot for the Fusly years 1200 and 1201, the Remissions granted for Jaghires given up to His Highness and to Individuals, or for losses occasioned by the irruptions of the Enemy - The Collections made from the Remaining Jummah and from branches of Extra Revenue of each year respectively, as well as of outstanding balances of former years - The total Gross Collections, charges, Pensions, Repairs of Tanks, Salaries and Commissions and every other Disbursement paid therefrom, together with the Nett aggregate Revenue derived from the date of the Assumption in July 1790 to that of the Surrender or of the latest Collections made which, for the most part, terminated the latter end of July 1792 Finally the Balances uncollected of the Settlement of each year, and of advances made for

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Carrying on the Cultivation.

I must beg leave to make a few remarks on some points, as well for the information of the Board, as to enable them to furnish me with orders where they are required.

In stating the Revenue of the Southern Division of arcot I have taken it from Mr. Floyd's Corrected accounts Current from the month of april 1792, by which a balance remains due of the Settlement of 1200 of Star Pagodas 13,634: 13. 73
and advances for Cultivation of — 2,550 — — —
making together — 16,184: 13. 73.

But by the accounts with his Renters there is only a balance against them of Rs. 2,874: 13. 73.
and the Remainder stands against advances 13,310. — —
16,184: 13. 73.

No difference appears between the totals, and I suppose the acknowledgements of the Renters of his Division will rectify the two modes of stating the Balances of advances and of Rent.

Mr. Andrews, on delivering in the acknowledgements of Balances due by his Renters, mentions having received directions not to prevent Mungalum Cunniar from serving the Nabob, although he owed a balance of Pagodas 10762: 25: 15. I have not debited this to His Highness seeing that the orders of Government

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ween that the balances of Rent remaining due in the Country should not be charged to him, but I am doubtful whether I have rightly Construed the orders in this matter - For it appears to me that they are applicable to such balances only as were supposed not to have been Collected by Renters when there were any, or by Head Inhabitants where that System of Management prevailed - of the former Class are the Tinnevelly balances, and of the latter those of the Cuttor and Southern Divisions of arcot - at Tinnevelly the Grain belonging to the Renters, was charged to the Nabob, and the Remaining balances were Considered for the coming from the means left in the Country - But at Trichinopoly all the Revenue seems to have been Collected by the Renters, in whom, therefore, were left the sole means of recovering what was due, so that if at Tinnevelly the Nabob was charged with the Resources delivered up to him them, which were the Grain at Trichinopoly, he should be charged with such as were delivered to him in the Person of the Renter. Besides the Conclusion appearing most natural to be drawn from the Nabob's request to have mungalum released and from making him one of his own Renters, is that he Consented to account with the Company for the Balance under stand that the Renter had even engaged to pay it to the Collector. —

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I must request the orders of the Board respecting the disposal of the Balances at large due by such Renters as have not been delivered up to the Nabob, and who have given their acknowledgements, for, if they are to be Collected by the Company, they must stand as balances at the Close of the Books, but if not looked upon as realizable, may as well be written off as remitted or lost Revenue, —

The Board will observe a difference between the balance due at Tinnevelly by this State-ment, and by the List transmitted by Mr Forin of Pagodas 4027: 8. 45 I am unable at present to say which is Correct, for, not having seen the instruc-tions to that Gentlemen with regard to the settlement with his Renters until a very few days ago, I did not require from him the accounts requisite for determining what was due the papers which I have now called upon him for will clear up this point. — I have the Honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

Fort St George
30th January 1793

Signed Lio. Place A.A.G.

A true Copy

Signed John Read

Depy Sec[illegible]

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The following Minutes are delivered in by Mr. Haliburton and Mr. White. —

I am of opinion the Orders of Government of the 26th September 1792 for not debiting the Nabob's 1/5 with the outstanding balances in the Country at the time of the surrender of the Assumption leave no room to doubt their intentions - Mr. Place's suggestion therefore, seems to me unnecessary, but as he has mentioned the circumstance of the Nabob's 1/5th having been charged with the amount of Grain at Tinnevelly actually on hand and delivered over to the Nabob's Servants with the management of that Country as a ground on which the balance due by one of the Trichinopoly Renters ought equally to be charged to him, I am glad of this opportunity to explain that circumstance, because it is still in the power of Government, before the statement be sent to the Nabob, to make the alteration if they think proper. —

When Mr. Torin gave up charge of the Tinnevelly District, the Renters under him delivered in assets to the amount of Chuckrums 1,05,000 as sets off against the balances of Rent due from them - of this Sum 48,000 Chuckrums was actual

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actual grain laying in the villages which was
taken possession of by the Nabob's Servants - Mr Torin
had previously taken the precaution of having an
account taken by the Canongoes, Muyumudar and the
revenue Officer of the District who are now serving under
the Nabob, and, according to the value put on it, it
amounts to the above Sum of 18,000 that account
having been transmitted to us by Mr Torin, it has
been of course considered as so much collection and
the Nabobs 1/5 has been charged with the amount
Viz: Star Pagodas 30,063: 23: 62: but, with respect
to the remainder of the Assets which appeared as
outstanding Recoverable balances, and which were
without doubt received by the Nabobs managers,
the Board observed the directions of Government,
in not charging the Nabobs fifth with them.

As the Nabobs managers have hitherto
with-held their acknowledgement of these Assets
put into their possession - it is probable the Nabob
may dispute the amount of grain being charged to
his fifth - and it is still in the power of Government
to pass their determination on that point if it is not to
be charged to his account the Collection will appear so
much less and the balances outstanding so much

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greater, but it is to be considered the same time that the amount cannot be justly demanded from the Renters, who were dispossessed of the means they had to discharge their Kists.

I observe that Mr Place, has not taken into his Statement any part of the arrears of Peishcush due by the Polygars and Collected, since the Country has been made over to the Nabob, my idea is that, by the late treaty with him all Peishcush, from the commencement of the current Fusly 1202, has been assigned to the Company and credited for in the Nabob's subsidy - but that all arear of Peishcush collected by them should be considered, as assumed Revenue to which he is entitled to 1/5th - as this is a material point to be determined by Government, I think their instructions should be called for to this point. —

[signed] David Haliburton

A true Copy

[signed] John Read Dep[uty] Sec[retary]

As the orders of Government of the 26th September specify that the balances outstanding the Fusly 1201 are to be delivered over to the Nabob's amildars, but not charged to his one fifth of the actual Collections, I think Mr Places observations should be submitted to their determination with respect to the Sum of Pagodas due —

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due by Mungalum Cunnear It does not appear on the proceedings of the Board of Assumed Revenue that his Highness the Nabob has consented to account with the Company for this balance; but I think Mr. Andrews should be called on to explain to us whether any and what engagements have been made by the Renter for paying him the amount. I cannot entirely agree with Mr. Place, if he means that there is no distinction between delivering up actual Revenues, such as a quantity of Grain, of property and value ascertained, and the person of a Renter - at the same time there may be circumstances with regard to a particular Renter which may induce Government to consider the Nabob as chargeable for any balance due by him. Signed C. N White

A true Copy
Signed John Read Secy

Mr. Andrews attends the Board and is requested to explain whether any and what Engagements have lately been made by Mungalum Cunnear, for paying him the amount of his Balance.

Mr. Andrews informs the Board, that the nature of this subject was fully explained in his Letter of the 17th August

August, and that, in consequence of the Board's Reply of the 21st August, the acknowledgements for the Balance were received from Mungalum Cunniar, and he released from Confinement, since which Period Mr. Andrews observes he has had no intercourse with him whatever. —

Agreed that Copies of the Letters alluded to by Mr. Andrews be laid before Government for their Information. —

The proceedings shew that Mr. Crawfurd paid in November last Star Pagodas 6324. 7. 76. of the Balance appearing against the Collector as Angole in the Accountants Statement, and the remainder has been charged by him as Embezzlements of the late Collectors Servants. —

The Balance of Pagodas 33. 29. 32 against the nellore Collector was for Charges not allowed, and has lately been paid in. —

On a reference to the Cash account for October and January last, it appears the sum of Pagodas 6,843. 10. 66. has been paid into the Treasury by the Collector of the Southern Division of Arcot. —

The Tinnevelly Collector reports to the Board that the Balance appearing against him is in the hands of Mr. Norton from whom he every

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Day expects a draft in favor of this Board, and should not this be received in two or three Days he will give a Bill on Mr Marten for the amount. -

Resolved that a Letter be addressed to Govern: ment according to the following Draft accompanied with an Extract of the Board's Proceedings. -

A true Extract

Signd John Read Depy Secy

To William Petrie Esqr.

President &c. Members of the Board of Assumed Revenue

at Fort St George.

Gentlemen,

It is now upwards of Six Weeks since the last Kist became due by the Mungalum Cunniah Renter of Cialore and as yet I have been able to procure no part thereof from him, I now learn that since the Restoration of the Country to his Highness he has taken up the Farms of Cialore and Vetticottah for the present Phasely, and that the cause of his not making payment to the Company is that he withholds the Money in order more advantageously to carry on his Dunbar concerns for the present year I would, therefor, recommend that Strict Orders be

obtained

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obtained from his Highness the Nabob to his son
Hussaun ul Mulk Bahauder that on no account
should Cunniah be employed until he has cleared
the Company's Balance, which his Collections can
well enable him to do, after making some small
deductions for his losses in the Tolaim District, and
also by the Enemy's having cut a Bund by
which a small Crop of Grain was dried up; should
the Nabob not think proper to give these Orders, the
Balance should be written off to his account, and
Cunniah sent Prisoner to Madras until the Balance
was accounted for — I have latterly kept him confined
in the Company's Cutcherry, and prevented him from
carrying on his business with the Durbar which
for some days he transacted in the Company's Cutcherry,
until I was made acquainted with the circumstance;
your intercession with Government on this subject
and a speedy answer is the more immediately
necessary as, by his future advances to the Durbar,
he may be deprived of the means of paying up his
Balances to the Company — I have the Honor to be

Gentlemen

your most obedient
humble Servant

Trichinopoly
17th August 1792

Signed R.t Andrews Collector

A true Copy

Signed John Read Deputy

To —

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To. Mr. Robert. Andrews

Collector at

Trichinopoly

Sir,

We have received your letter of 17th Instant, and are concerned that you have not been able to obtain the balance of Mungalum Cunniah's rent, as the 9th article of the Amilnamah was Contrived for the benefit of the Renters with a view to guard them against any exactions upon the restoration of the Nabob's Country, so we are determined that they shall not take advantage of it to evade their just payments to Government, you will therefore make out an account of the balance which is due from Mungalum Cunniah over and above his deposit and include it in the General list of balances to be made over to his Highness the Nabob at the same time he is not to be prevented from being employed under the Nabob.——

We are, Sir,

your most obedient Servants

Fort St George
21st August 1792

Signed David Haliburton
Josiah Webbe

A true Copy.

Signed John Read

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Board of Revenue submitting Mr. Kindersley's reply to the Petition of Canagoroy Pilla against him

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter dated the 31.st ultimo. Having furnished Mr. Kindersley with Copies of the several Papers delivered in by Conocoroy Pilla we have the Honor to submit to you his Reply, which appears to us satisfactory, and that the Conduct of the Petitioner is blameable in bringing forward his Complaint at this time. We have the Honor to be,

Sir,

&c. &c.

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[signed] David Haliburton,
Chas. N. White

To Mr. John Read
Deputy Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir,

I am honored with your Letter covering Conogoroy pillys Petition - some time previous to the expiration of Phasely 1200 - Mungo Venkat Row Renter of Caverypauk failed in his payments when (with the permission of the Board of Assumed Revenue) I rented that farm for the remainder of that year

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to Runga Row, for whose payments the Petitioner became Security - Runga Row failed to a considerable amount; and, at the beginning of Bhaseley 1201 the farm was (with the approbation of the Board) relet to Mungo Vencatrow (the first Renter) on condition of his making good the amount failure of Runga Row for the last year; in return for which he was to receive the Balances actually outstanding, in part, while Runga Row (and Cangoray pilla his Security) were to make good the difference. —

To ascertain the actual Balances which were to be credited to Runga Row, I sent an ameen, on my part, to whom the Petitioner and the Renter did not object 'till he decided unfavorably for them; then they said the ameen was influenced; and as these people were now out of employ, tho' sadly, I wished to grant them every indulgence - I went so far as to rescind the decision of the ameen and allowed them to chuse one arbitrator, and Mungo Vencat Row another, by whose award their Balance was to be determined — They did accordingly (and thankfully) chuse a man particularly obnoxious to their adversary, and to his party; yet I confirmed him — and it was upon the decision of these Arbitrators that I claimed from the Petitioner and Renter (in behalf of Mungo Vencat Row) the Balance which appeared due from them by this

award

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award; The Board will perhaps hardly Credit, that, in addition to all this lenity, I went farther and sensible of the influence of Station actually appointed the Petitioner (during the arbitration) the Manager of Tanks Repairs at Cavery pack and (under Security) entrusted him with Money for the purpose merely that his being employed by the Circar in that Jann and independent of the Renter, might, pending the arbitration, put him more on a footing with his adversary.

As to his Story of Serecarambore, the reply is short - supposing it a fact that my Peishcar did, under another man's name, underrent Serecarumbore Village, and supposing the Balance he states of Pagodas 345. 23. - to be actually outstanding against him; and supposing that it was so established by the arbitrators, yet this Balance would necessarily be due, not to him, but to his successor and adversary, who paid his Balance to the Company, on condition of receiving all Balances outstanding in the Country.

The Petitioner presented me a Petition, I think in September 1791, on this subject, with which as I could not comply I endorsed my objections on his Petition, expressly desiring him, if he thought proper to convey it to the Board of Revenue.

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As I could not expect after being Six Months out of employ, and at the moment (with your permission) of embarkation for Europe, to be called upon to answer to the subject a Petition officially indorsed by me 16 Months ago, I must consider myself no less fortunate in recollecting, at this time, so many of the Circumstances of the present case, than I was in being able to reply to the Complaints of the Petition lately referred to me (for about one Garce and an half of Paddy) which, tho' carried to the Company's account 2¼ years ago, was never represented to the Board 'till the other day. I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) H. E. Kindersley

Madras
2d February 1793

A true Copy
(Signed) John Read Dep.t Sec.y

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Board of Revenue—Messrs. Andrews and Forin request leave to Embark on the Bombay—security will be given for the Correctness and delivery of this Original Wajeil Baukee and Annance accounts of the former—Letters on the subject enclosed

We have the Honor to submit to you Copies of two Letters from Mr. Andrews and Mr. Forin with the Reports of our accountant on their applications to us—We also enclose Copies of two Letters from those Gentlemen, and request you will be pleased

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to inform us if you approve of our taking from them the Indemnifications thereinmentioned for the delivery of the original Wasel baukey accounts Certifying the Balances due by several Renters under them, and the delivery and Correctness of Mr Andrews's Aumane accounts. We have the Honor to be,

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&c. &c.
Signed David Haliburton
Chas N White

To David Haliburton Esqr.
Acting President and Members of the
Board of Revenue at Fort St George.

Gentlemen,

My state of health having for some time, been such as to oblige me to notify to Government my intentions of proceeding to Europe and the time drawing near for the dispatch of the Ship on which I could wish to embark, I have to request that, agreeable to the regulations, you will obtain me the permission of Government for that purpose.

I am sensible that I have not conformed to the requisitions of your Board in furnishing the Aumane accounts for Salgoody in the Country Language, nor the authentic Wasel Baukey

accounts

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accounts of Balances to Pootoor or Vellicotty, but, as I expect their arrival at Madras in a few days and as I have reason to apprehend very serious Consequences from the approaching hot season, I have earnestly to solicit you will not withhold your application, as I am ready to pass security, should you require it that the accounts called for shall corroborate those already delivered into your accountant.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen
your most obedient humble Servt.

Fort St George
31st January 1793.

Signed R. Andrews

A true Copy
Signed John Read
Depy Secy

To David Haliburton Esqr.
Acting President &c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

In answer to your Deputy Secretary's letter of the 2d Instant, I beg leave to inform you that, as far as I at present know, there are no accounts wanting or unsettled regarding Mr. Andrews's late employ excepting the original Aumanee accounts

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of Salgoody District, and that, in consequence of the Audit of the 2d Instant, he must refund, on account of Presents in his November account

	Pags.	Fs.	Cs.
Current	214.	34.	40
On account of Canongoes fees Do	66.	30.	"
On Account of Sadeiwand Do	8.	2.	20
	289.	30.	60.

And on account of the several Charges in the Aumani account of Salgoody Ch.: 587. 2. or St Cag.s — 196. 14. 32

Total — 486. 9. 12

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant,
(signed) Lio. Place a B.A.B.

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P.S. I should observe to the Board that there is a balance of Commission due to Mr. Andrews of about Pagodas — 650. — —

A true Copy
(Signed) John. Read Depy Secy

To David Haliburton, Esqr.
Acting President &c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Having in the months of November,
intimated

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intimated to Government the necessity I was under
of proceeding to Europe for the recovery of my
health, and proposing to embark on the Pons borne,
I have to request you will do me the honor to forward
an application from me to the Honorable Board
for their Permission. — I have the Honor to be,

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2d February 1793

Gentlemen
Your most Obedient humble Servant
Signed Benj.n Torin

A true Copy
Signed John Read
Dep.y Sec.y

To David Haliburton Esq.r
Acting President & Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

In answer to your Deputy Secretary's
letter of the 2d Instant, I have the honor to inform
you that the matter related to Pd Tonnerelly balances
of 1201, as stated in my letter of the 30th ultimo, is still
in suspence, but that the accounts which Mr. Torin
has delivered into my office reduces them about
Star Pagodas 1600 below the Sum inserted in the
Statement

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Statement This is the only circumstance relative to his Employ as Collector at Tinnevelly, as far as I, at present, Know, which remains unsettled, and the final adjust= =ment of it may, in a great measure, be attributed to the difficulty of ascertaining the exact amounts outstanding in Pagodas, as well as in Chuckrums, and in separa= =ting the amount due from that overpaid by the respective Renters.

In addition to the balance of his account Current as Collector of Peshcush he is to refund by the audit of the 25th Ultimo

On account of Servant wages Struck off Pag.s	303.	26. —
On account of Salary	83.	12. —
On account of House Rent	45.	— —
	432.	2. —

which makes the balance due by him as Collector of Peishcush Pagodas 6,242. 11. 37. —

I have the Honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient humble Servant
(Signed) Lio Place. A.B. & R.

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A true Copy
(Signed) John Read Depy Secy

To Mr John Read
Acting Secretary

Sir,

In consequence of your Letter I have to request

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request you will inform the Board that I am ready to pass a Bond of indemnification that the Original Aumany accounts during my Management of the Calgoody Division shall be forthcoming and that they will be found to agree with those accounts in English already delivered in, the Bond shall be for the amount of Pagodas 6,085. 24. 76. being the difference between the actual receipts and the stipulated Rents. —

I will also pass my Bond for the delivery of the authentic Wassul Bauker accounts signed by the Peishear, Shenstadar, Head Conagoe, and Sumperty for the Balance on the Bootoor Renter who is in confine: :ment, — and for the delivery of similar accounts for the Balances on the Vettegutty Renters who died as repres: :sented in my Letter of the 2d Instant. The Bond shall be to the amount of the Balances due on the Rents being Pagodas thirteen thousand six hundred. —

I am, Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed R. Andrews

Madras
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A true Copy
Signed John Read
Dy Sec.

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To David Haliburton, Esqr

Acting President &c^a Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have had the honor to receive a Copy of your accountant's letter, and beg leave to confirm his suggestion, as the Cause of the difference in the Tinnevelly Balances - I have lately delivered in a Sett of accounts, conformable to his directions, which will be found to agree with the Statement, expected from Tinnevelly, of the Renters acknowledgements.

At the time the Country was delivered over, I settled each Renter's account, but, as many of them withheld their Kists in order to benefit by the Change of authority, I persisted on the payment of such Sums as they had in hand, and advised you of it in my letter of the 13th September - These Sums are included in the August accounts, and are to be deducted from the Balance acknowledged by the Renters at the time of the restoration of the Countries. -

These acknowledgements have been delivered over to Mr Marten, and I have desired him to lay before the Board a Statement of them, specifying the several Sums alluded to above, as well as a Statement of the Balances due for Fusly 1200 -

For

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value of the Grain delivered over to Mr. Torin, at the close of the Assumption, by the renters, as sets off against the balances of Rent due from them, since it appears that the Grain was actually lying in the villages & taken possession of by the Nabob's Servants, and could not therefore come under the denomination of an outstanding balance - Resolved accordingly that his Highness's a/c be debited in the Sum of Star Pagodas 30063. 23. 62. -

The Board can come to no determination regarding the disposal of the Balances due by such renters as have not been delivered up to the Nabob, until they receive the List and Statement now preparing, and are furnished with the opinion of the Board of Revenue on the subject.

Resolved that the arrears of the Polygar peishcush collected since the surrender of the Carnatic to the Nabob's authority, be carried to the Credit of His Highness's general account, and that, so soon as the amount of these arrears be known, the mode of appropriation be referred to the determination of the Honorable Court of Directors.

In order to mark the Board's disapprobation of the Conduct of Conacarey Silla, in bringing

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forward an ill founded charge against Mr. Kendersley it is resolved to direct the Board of Revenue to call him before them, and, having explained to him the nature of his offence, cause corporal punishment to be publickly inflicted on him. —

As the time presses so much, and Messrs. Torin and Andrews cannot wait for the original Wasiel Bankie accounts without losing the opportunity of proceeding to England on the Pons borne, the Board have no objection to proper security being taken from these Gentlemen by the Board of Revenue to produce these accounts in the way proposed, and then giving them their discharge. —

Read the following Proceedings of the Hospital Board with Enclosures Entered in 16 B. Nos. 16. 17. 18. —

Hospital Board
28th January 1793

The Hospital Board having directed their Secretary to communicate to Mr Conolly the Minute of the Honorable the President in Council, which appears in their Proceedings of the 18th Instant, they have now the honor to forward the Copy of a letter received from him proposing

From Hospital Board stating the appointments Mr Conolly proposes to resign — Mr Fitzgerald recommended to be attached to the Body Guard — Mr Scivewright requests leave to go to Sea for his health — proposed arrangements in Consequence affecting Messrs Trotter, Harris Fleming, Anstie and Mac Gibbon — Memorial of four Assistant Surgeons to the Honorable Court forwarded & Opinion thereon.

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proposing to resign his appointment to the Body Guard and the Charge of the Black Town Jails

Mr. Conolly having thus given up his two appointments in the Service, and also intimated his intention of declining attending the Female Asylum that there may be no exception to his obtaining the office of Secretary to this Board, the Hospital Board recommend his being appointed, as the only other Duty which he performs, by Authority of Government, is attending His Highness the Nabob, of which they can give no opinion farther than observing that, as Mr. Conolly has hitherto conducted himself to their satisfaction, he may be permitted, while it does not appear to interfere with the Duty of Secretary

Approved,

The Hospital Board wish Mr. Conolly to continue

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approved

Town Sails for a few Months longer, till it is known whether Mr. Gordon returns in the Ships of this Season, as it appears that the allowances are for the support of Mr. Gordon and family.—

approved

The Board recommend that Mr. Fitzgerald assistant Surgeon be appointed to the Body Guard Vice Mr. Conolly.—

The Hospital Board have the honor to forward a letter from Mr. Seinewright, Surgeon, to the Honorable the President in Council soliciting Six Months Leave of absence to Sea for the recovery of his health.—

Mr. Seinewright in May last was attacked with a severe Complaint of the Liver, which terminated, above two Months ago, in an abscess bursting into his Lungs, and he is now reduced so low by the great discharge, that there is but little hope

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of his recovery.

When the Hospital Board consider Mr Seive-wright's unfortunate situation, the long period before he can possibly recover from so serious an illness, and that a great charge now devolves on Regimental Surgeons, that of the Barrack Sick, they recommend the appointment of another Surgeon to act with the 2d Battalion of Artillery, and if Government approve, they further recommend Mr Trotter, Surgeon, being removed from Dindigul, and appointed to act with the 2d Battalion of Artillery during Mr. Seive-wright's absence; Dr Harris to be appointed to Dindigul; Mr. Fleeming, the Senior Assistant, to be promoted, and appointed to Black Town, vice Harris; Mr. Ainslie, Assistant Surgeon,

Approved

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Vice Fleming; and Mr. MacGibbon assistant Surgeon to Ganjam vice Mr. Ainslie.—

The Hospital Board have the honor to forward to Government the Petition of Messrs. Morton, Todd, O'Donoghue and Betty, assistant Surgeons, to the Honorable the Court of Directors regarding the Rank they have lost by the assistant Surgeons appointed from England.

As none of the assistant Surgeons, even those from the Court of Directors, have Rank but from the date established by the arrival in the Country of one or more in the List they stand in, the Board are of opinion that the above Gentlemen who came forward in time of War, when their services were so much wanted, have no claim to the Rank they Petition.—

Signed Ja. Anderson
Physician General
W. Raine, Head Surgeon
Hospital

The Memorial will be forwarded

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Hospital Board
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From Hospital Board - Mr Surgeon Ramsay requests leave to go to the Cape.

The Hospital Board have the honor to forward to Govern^t: ment an application from Mr. Ramsay, Surgeon, requesting Six Months leave of absence to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope for the recovery of his health, which they recommend may be granted.

approved.

Jas Anderson
Physician General
W Raine Head Surgeon
Hyndf

Read the following Letter from Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar^t
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite conveying the Consent and approbation of the Army, with Exception to one Officer, to the plan for the Institution of the Coast Military Fund - Remarks relative to particular articles

I now, with great pleasure, resume the subject of my Letter of the 2^d November relative to the establishment of a Fund for the benefit of Officers of this Establishment, who, from Age or broken Constitutions, may find it necessary to

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retire from the Service; but who have not been so fortunate as to acquire even a moderate means of subsistence in the course of their Services. With my Letter above cited I had the honor to send the proposed plan of such establishment, and to inform you, that, having your concurrence, it should be submitted to the Army, and, their approbation being obtained, that I should have again the honor to address you.

I have now the pleasure to say, that, with the exception of one subaltern Officer, the Army has not only consented but highly approved, and has expressed great gratitude to the Committee who have so laudably begun and followed up this business. —

There are some few remarks upon particular Articles of the proposed plan, but they are very few, and do not, in any way, affect the principle or tend to impede its operation or effects. The principal wishes in these few remarks that have been made, are, that, if possible, a larger subscription should be collected the first year, so that the benefits of the Fund may be felt by the Officers on this Establishment immediately after the expiration of the first year, and that the benefitting by this Fund should not any way interfere with Lord Clives Bounty, that is, that an Officer retiring on Lord Clives Bounty might, nevertheless,

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nevertheless, be entitled to the full benefits of this Fund;
but as all these lesser matters will fall to be regulated
by the Principal Board, which will be immediately
formed at the Presidency to perfect the Scheme, and as
they do not imply any material deviation from what
I have already had the Honor to submit to you, I
have nothing more to add. I request, Honorable Sir,
in the name of the Army, who have approved this
institution, and readily come into this subscription,
that you will be pleased to forward it, by an
early opportunity to the Honorable Court of Directors,
and, with it, such arguments from your Board as
may draw their early attention to it, and tend to
procure from them that countenance and support
which the plan itself seems to require, and will,
I hope, be found to merit.

Military Head Quarters Madras January 29th 1793.

I have the Honor to be with Respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Brathwaite

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council.

For Colonel Brathwaite orders will be given for employing the European offenders in the way proposed.
An address enclosed from Sword Ensigns, also one from the Infantry Officers of the Establishment forwarding a Memorial to the Court of Directors against the appointment of Colonel F. Campbell.

Hon'ble Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter of the 31st Ultimo,
enclosing a List of men of the 2d Battalion of European

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Infantry who have been convicted and Punished for Robberies. These men shall, if practicable, be distributed to the different Forts in the Baramahal as you desire, and the necessary Orders will be issued accordingly, after a Conference with the Governor. —

I have the honor to lay before you an address signed by a number of young Gentlemen, who hope, that, by a representation of their case, they may obtain Rank from the time of their Service. I see nothing improper in their address, either as to the mode of expression or the object in view, to induce me to object to their desire that I would lay it before you; they appear to me thankful for their appointments in this Service, though made in this Country have been confirmed (1) and entertain a belief, that, had their Services been known to the Honorable the Court of Directors, that confirmation would have come out, allowing them to rank from the date of their Services; you, Sir, who are best acquainted with the intentions of the Honorable Court of Directors, will be best able to judge how far they have any good grounds for this hope; and, if it appears to your Honor in Council that they have, I am convinced that this Government will not think it too much trouble to submit the case of these young Gentlemen to the reconsideration of the

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Honorable the Court of Directors, whose orders may have been issued on a supposition that these young Gentlemen had not yet been serving in the Field, as was actually the case.—

I have also the honor to lay before you an address signed by a great number of the Infantry Officers of this Establishment, accompanied by one for the Honorable the Court of Directors, and I have reason to believe that this address would have been signed by every Infantry Officer on the Coast establishment — Junior to Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell, but that an earnest desire to have it sent in before the Dispatch of the Ships for Europe, induced those who have signed it to send it in with the names now to it, rather than subject it to a delay which might have rendered that impossible. I have been strongly solicited to use arguments to induce your favorable attention to this address; but I am convinced that it is not necessary, the address speaks sufficiently for itself; and, if it appears to you that the Honorable Court of Directors have made this appointment without having in their recollection all that is set forth in this address, I can have no doubt of your endeavours to draw a favorable attention from the Honorable Court to the Statement of so respectable and —

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Military Head
Quarters Madras
February 2.d 1793

meritorious a body of Officers.—
I have the Honor to be with respect
&c. &c.
/Signed/ John Brathwaite

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
President and Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

We, the underwritten Ensigns, who have the Honor to address you on the subject of a grievance which we labour under and severely feel, and with which our future Prospects in life are so intimately blended, humbly hope that this Representation of our situation, if it should not obtain your support, may at least not incur your displeasure, by calling your attention from more important avocations, but we are the less uneasy under this latter Consideration as we are well convinced your Decision will be entirely guided by the merits of the Petition, we have the Honor to submit to your Judgement, which, if it did not appear to us to be well founded, We should not certainly have presumed to trouble you with it, but we beg pardon for so long detaining you from our Story, which is this.—

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In consequence of the great Scarcity of Subaltern Officers for the Duty of the Army, at the Commencement of the late War, Government were pleased to appoint several in the Country, and gave us Ranks as annexed to our Names, untill the Pleasure of the Court of Directors should be known, by which Arrangement we were placed immediately below the Cadets who arrived in the year 1790 - The Honorable the Court of Directors having been pleased to confirm our appointment we were led to suppose that the same Ranks would have been continued to us, but, with equal mortification and surprise we find Ourselves, by a late Order from Home, placed under all the Cadets who have arrived in 1791, notwithstanding that we had served many months with the Army, before those Gentlemen were appointed at the India House, and two arduous Campaigns before their arrival in the Country.

We beg leave to state, in support of our Plea, that several Officers were appointed in the Country the War preceding, for the same Reasons as are expressed in the Governments Orders

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under Date the 16th September 1790, all of whom took Rank immediately below those of the same year appointed from home, and that such has been invariably the Custom of the Service, when such appointments have been approved by the Directors, and we trust you will consider our Services in the Field, as entitling us to a similar Consideration in this Particular.

We therefore most earnestly and submissively request your Consideration of this Grievance, and if, for Reasons we are unacquainted with, it should be necessary to make a Reference to the Honorable the Court of Directors, We humbly beg your Countenance and Support in getting us restored to our original Rank, being confident, could we be so happy as to obtain it, that we might consider our Request as already granted.

When you consider, Honorable Sir, that you are now addressed by young men, without Experience, we trust you may have the Goodness to overlook all Informalities and Inaccuracies in this our first Essay of this Kind, and have the Honor to subscribe

Ourselves

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Ourselves with the most perfect Respect,

Fort St George

&c &c

1792 Signed P Dornieux original Date of Rank
August 18 1790

Henry Spence original Date of Rank Augt 13 1790

F Mathiway original Rank as Lieut & Fire Worker
August 13th 1790

T. O Connor original Date of Rank
September 14th 1790.

Peter Smith,

James Russell original Rank as Lieut^t
Fireworker 24th September 1790

Arch^d Campbell D^o D^o Septr 14th 1790

Geo: MacGregor D^o D^o D^o 14th 1790

John Fortune

Ja^s Fitzpatrick 12th October 1790

Edwd Bagshaw D^o D^o 1790

Dugald Campbell D^o D^o Septr 24th

Wm Robinet D D^o Feby 4th 1791

Arthur Frith, D^o D^o Jany 31 1791

Thos Lloyd Lt Fireworker original
Rank as Ensign 12th October 1790

John Davidson date of original 14th Septr 1790.

T. W. O Neill 14th Septr 1790

D^d MacGregor D D Jany 19 1791

Wm Vaughan D^o D^o Jany 30 - 1791

George Frederick Willmer D D^o Feby 4th 1791

Joseph Coupland D D^o Feby 4th 1791

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

Honorable Sir,

In our Letter addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors, which we herewith take the liberty to enclose to your Honorable Board for transmission, and we trust for support, it has been our aim, for very obvious reasons, studiously to avoid any appeal to the feelings, which might involve allusions to services, that we hoped had been well understood and justly estimated, and might have proved, in detail, neither perfectly delicate with regard to ourselves, nor perfectly respectful with regard to our Superiors.

To your Honorable Board, from whom we are habituated to receive a suitable return to all our just pretensions, we trust for that hearty support of our claim, which the tenor of your administration has given us reason to expect, and which may supply such defects in our representation, as circumstances have rendered unavoidable. —

We have the Honor to be,
Hon.ble Sir
Your most obedient
& most humble Servants
Thomas Trent Lieut Col.o 2d Batt.n
J Cuppage Lieut Col.o 3d N Brigade
Jn.o Richardson Dr Mr. 5th Army
Smart DJ Dr Mr Genl
A Wynch

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[Signed] A Wynch Major 2d Battalion E.I.
Fr Gowdie Major 4th Bn. E.I.
Robert Sale Major 3d Brigade
BJ Close adjutant General of the Army
P. A. Agnew DJ.A.G.
Geo: Muat Capt.n Com.g 17th B.n N.I.
B.n Vigors Captain Com.g 16th B.n N.I.
Wm. Bruce Capt.n Com.g 24th B.n N.I.
A. Brown, Capt.n Commanding 1st B.n N.I.
W. Flint Capt.n 3d B.n N.I.
Tho.s Dunwoody Capt.n Com.g 8th B.n N.I.
Geo. Fotheringham, Capt.n 20th B.n N.I.
John Cox Capt.n Com.g 26th B.n N.I.
Geo. Waight Captain 2d B. E.I.
C Salande Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
W.m Anderson, Capt.n 2d B. E.I.
F Cookson, Capt.n 2d B E.I.
C Massey - Capt.n 3d Batt.n E.I.
Andrew Read Capt.n Commanding 28th B.N.I.
Alex.r Macpherson, Capt.n Com.g 6th B.n N.I.
A Read Capt.n Commanding 15th Batt.n N.I.
T. Knox Capt.n Com.g 10th Batt.n N.I.
Sam.l Turing Capt.n Com.g 4th Batt.n N.I.
Tho.s Parr - Capt.n 2d Batt.n E.I.
J Aron, Capt.n Com.g 22d Batt.n N.I.
John Haliburton, Capt.n

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(Signed) Geo Ure Captain 2d Battn E. I.
HB Butler Capt.n 2d Battn E Infantry
Jn.o Greene Capt.n 2d Battn E.I.
Lach. Mackinnon Capt.n Comg 12th B.n N.I.
Tho.s Halcott Capt.n Comg. 30th B.n N.I.
J Kennedy Capt.n 3d B.n E.I.
Rob.t Mackay Capt.n 3d B.n E.I.
Tho.s Coke Capt.n 3d B.n E.I.
J.N. Chalmers Capt.n 3d B.n E.I.
Edward Gibbings Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
Wm Forbes Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
H. McLean Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
Tho.s Gordon Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
Gabriel Doveton Capt.n 4th B.n E.I.
J. Evans Capt.n 1st B.n E.I.
A Beale Lt.o 10th B.n N.I.
A Beatson Lieut.t 3d Batt.n European Inf.y
D. McDonald Lieut.t 22d B.n N.I.
C. Corner Lt.o 1st B.n N.I.
T Hart Lieut.t 20th B.n
J Brunton Lieut.t D. M. a. G.
F Capper Lieutenant
R.C. Defse Lieut.t 30th Batt.n N.I.
Tho.s Higginbotham Lt.o 4th B.n E.I.
James Graham Lieut.t 20th B.n N.I.
Rob.t Strange Lieut.t 3d B.n E.I.
James Frank Lieut.t 3d B.n E.I.
John Samson Lieut.t 17th Batt.n N.I.

John

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[Sign'd] John Munro Lieutenant 1st B.r E.o I.

William Stevens Lieut.o 3d B.r E.o I.

R M Grant — Lieut.o 3d B.r E.o I

J W. Wooley Lieut.o 3d B.r E.o I

Mich.l Henry Cormick Lieut.o 3d B.r E.o I

Jas Geo. Graham, Lieut.o 8th B.r N.I

Tho.s Averell Lieut.o 2d Batt.n N.I

Pat. Bruce Lieut.o 14th B.r N.I

William Olphant Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

H. Hall Lieutenant 16th Batt.n N.I

H. Nash Lieut.o 16th B N.I

I Roth Lieut.o 16th Batt.n N.I

Chas Wright Lieut.o 16th B.N.I

Tho.s Steele Lieutenant 16th B.N.I

R.o Mealy Lieut.o Fort adjutant Vellore

Alex.r Denton, Lieut.o 7th B.r N.I

W T Gerand Lieutenant 11th B.r N.I

I Brown, Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

W Mackie Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

A Muirhead Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

Tho.s Shadwell Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

Rob Lyon, - Lieut.o 4th B.r N.I

James Logan, Lieut.o 17th Batt.n N.I

Natl Forbes Lieut.o 8th B.r N.I

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/Signed/ Tho.s Fenn Lieutenant 26th Batt.n N.I.
Thos Riddell Lieut.t 26th B.N.I
James Granston Lieut.t 26th B.N.I
Chas T. Cooper Lieut.t 26th B.N.I
Chas Farran Lieut.t 26th Batt.n N.I
R. Barclay Sen.r Lieut.t 26th B.N.I.
John Valley Simmons Lieutenant
G. Smith Lieutenant 6th B.N.I.
D Logan Lieut.t 6th B.N.I
M Macalister Lieut.t and adjutant 29th B.N.I.
Hodder Roberts Lieut.t 20th B.N.I.
Wm Rhodes Lieut.t 22d B.n N.I.
P. Joyes Lieut.t 22d B.N.I.
D.l M Holford Lieut.t 11th B.N.I.
David Blair Lieutenant 4th Battalion E.I.
W. Shippey Lieut.t 4th B.n E.I.
John Cuppage Lieut.t 15th B.n N.I
Sam. Godfrey Lieut.t 15th B.N.I.
S. Irton Lieutenant 15th B.n N.I.
Alex.r Grenhill Lieut.t 15th B.N.I.
Thos Gurnell Lieut.t 15th B.N.I.
T. Munro Lieut.t 19th B.N.I.
S Wm Ogg Major of Brigade 4th Brig.e
In.o Graham Lieut.t 19th Batt.n
E.d M Gepp Lieutenant 19th Batt.n
James Wilson Lieut.t 19th B.n N.I.

Thomas

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[Signed] Thomas Clerk Lieutenant 4th B E I.
D. Carey Lieut.t 4th Bn E I.
I. Watkins Lieut.t 4th Bn E I.
Jas Arch. Kirkpatrick Lieut.t 4th Bn E I.
Sam.l Crane Lieut.t 4th B E I.
C. Mendham Lieut.t 4th B E I.
Thomas Meulk Lieutenant and adj.t 22d B N I.
John Taylor Sen.r Lieut.t 22d B N I.
Robert Ridge Lieut.t 22d Bn N I.
David Agilvy Lieut.t 22d Bn N I.
Ross Lang Lieutenant 8th Batt.n Native Infy.
Richard Boyes Lieut.t 3d Batt.n N I.
Francis Bellew Lieut.t 3d Bn N I.
M. Wilks Lieut.t 8th Batt.n
Rich.d Lugh Lieut.t 2d B. E I.
Paul Bose Lieutenant 2d B. E I.
Joseph Walker Lieut.t 2d B E I.
Sam.l Briggs Lieut.t 30th Bn N I.
A. W.m Patterson Lieut.t 30th Bn N I.
John James Durand Lieut.t 24th Bn N I.
Edward Bulman Lieut.t 24th Bn N I.
Peter Dallas Lieutenant 24th B N I.
John Mackintosh Lieut.t 24th Batt.n N I.
Rolliston Robinet Lieut.t 24th B N I.
Mich.l Schoey Lieut.t 24th B N I.

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Signed/ Charles Simpson, Lieut.t 20.th B.n N.I.
J.W Hazard Lieut.t 2.d B.E. Infantry
William Dowse Lieut.t 20.th B.n N.I.
A Boyd Lieut.t and adj.t 1.st B E.I.
B. Harris Lieut.t 20.th B.n N.I.
Wm.t Cunningham, Lieut.t 17.th B.n
Rob.t Turing e Major Brigade
Ja.s Read Lieut.t and adj.t 8.th B.n N.I.
John Desmorgan, Lieut.t 8.th B.n N.I.
Whitney M.c Calley Lieut.t 1.st Battn N.I.
Malcolm Mac Gregor Lieut.t 4 N.B.
Roger Warne Lieut.t 3.d Batt.n N.I.
A. Allan, Lieut.t 3.d B.E.I.
Walter Wilson, Lieut.t 2.d B E I
W.m Crock Lieut.t 18.th B.n N.I.
I. Thier Ensign 3.d B.n E. Inf.y
W.m Chambers Ensign 3.d B.E.I.
Tho.s Cochlan Ensign 3.d B.E.I.
Charles Lucas Ensign 3.d Battn E.I.
D. Campbell Ensign 3.d B.n E. Infantry
George Wright Ensign 16.th B.N.I.
Geo. M.c M.c Gregor Ensign 11.th Batt.n N.I.
Tho.s Younge Ensign 27.th Battn N.I.
J R Street Ensign 4.th B.N. Infantry
A Grant Ensign 4.th B.n N Infantry
Herman Nail Ensign 26.th Battn N.I.
John Cox Ensign 26.th Battalion Native Infantry

John,

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[Signed] John Macpherson, Ensign 6th Batt.n N.I.

A. Marshall Ensign 15th Batt.n N.I.

A. McSmyth, 22d Battalion, N.I.

James Davis Ensign 15th B.N.I.

Wm Peacocke Ens: 17th B.N.I.

Rod.k Ogg Ensign 4th B.E.I.

John Munro Ensign 4th B.E.I.

Thos. F. Fraser Ensign 4th B.E.I.

H. Macintosh, Ensign 4th B.E.I.

Thomas Baynes Ensign 4th B.E.I.

William Vaughan, Ens: 4th B.E.I.

A. Faith, Ensign 4th B.E.I.

J. Coupland, Ensign 4th B.E.I.

J. Macdonald, Ensign 2d Batt.n E.I.

D. MacGregor Ensign 1st B.n E.I.

J. D. Gordon, Ensign 22d B.N.I.

J. B. Kennsberry Ens: 3d B.N.I.

George Lang Ens: 2d Battalion, N.I.

Archibald Campbell Ens: 2d B.n E.I.

John Fortune Ensign 2d Batt.n E.I.

Rich.d Nebbs Ensign 30th B.N.I.

Adam Broun, Ensign 1st E.I.

Francis Thompson, Ensign 2d B.E.I.

Mathew Stuart Ensign 24th B.n N.I.

John Lloyd Jones, Ensign 24th B.N.I.

E. Bagshaw Ensign 20th B.N.I.

Thos O'Connor Ensign 3d B.n N.I.

Resolved

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Resolved that the Memorial from the Infantry Officers, and a Copy of the address from the Ensigns appointed in the Country, be sent to England. Numbers in the Packet of Consborne. —

Minute therein.

Read the following letter from His Highness the Nabob/ entered also in Country Correspondence No 28/

Translation of a Letter from his Highness the Nawab Walajah, &c. &c. &c. To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras — Dated 13th January / 1793

Received Do Do / 1793

From the Nabob pays the List due 1st February

Understanding that a Ship is just sailing for England, and that you are writing good News thither, I have this day / 31st January / paid unto the Company the Sum of One Lack of Bhuly Pagodas being the full Amount of the List of the 1st February / Fourteen / and have received Mr. Secretary Clerk's Receipt for the same. — What more shall I say?

A true Translation

Vignd David Haliburton

Persian Translator

Minute thereon.

Agreed that the purport of the above be communicated to the Honorable Court of Directors

Read the following Letter from —

Captain Allan of the Guides.

To

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor and President in Council &.c &.c &.c

Madras.

Honorable Sir

From Captain Allan, of the Guides - submits various Surveys, and Three Field Books of the Marches of the Army from May 1790 to May 1792 - Remarks & Explanations.

On the 1.st of november last, I had the honor to receive from your Secretary, an Extract from the Commands of the Honorable the Court of Directors, under date the 16.th of May 1792, in obedience to which I have now the honor to lay before your Honorable Board.

1.st A Survey of the Sea Coast from Fort S.t David to Killay, and of the Country in the neighbourhood of Porto Nova and Chillumbrum.

B A Survey of the Road from Rayanagur to Perambellore.

2.d A Survey of the Road from Vendachelum to Elwasanore

3.d A Survey of the Road from Munsapella to Pallaloor

4.th A Military Survey of the Provinces South of the River Coleroon,

5.th A Field Book of the Marches of the Army, under the Command of Major General Medows, from May 26.th 1790 - to January 27.th 1791. —

6.th A Field Book of the Marches of the Army, under the Command of Earl Cornwallis, from February 5.th 1791 to May 29 1792. —

which I request may be made a Member of the Packet by the Ponsborne.

Of the Military Survey of the Provinces South of the

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the river Colleroon, it may be proper to remark, that I commenced it in May 1789, and in December following on the prospect of a War, it became incumbent on me to quit that service and proceed to the vicinity of Trichinopoly for the purposes of raising a Corps of Guides, and endeavouring to investigate, on the best procurable information, the nature of the Country and roads in such parts of Tippoo's Domi:nions, as were likely, in the event of hostility, to become the theatre of the future operations of the Army; some parts of the Map, are, from these causes, Sketched in, from information and distinguished accordingly; and I am apprehensive that the duty on which, in obedience to your Commands, I am shortly to be employed, viz.t making a military Survey of the Baramaul and Ceded Countries North of the Cavery, with an exami:nation of the Passes, and to ascertain the exact bounda:ry, accompanied by a book of the principal Roads, will procrastinate my being able to complete the Survey of the Southern Provinces.—

Respecting such parts of the Field Books as are less minute than others, it may not be impro: per to assign the causes which, either on accounts of my temporary absence from the Head Quarters of the Army, or of avocations distinct from my immediate duty,

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duty, occupied the time which otherwise would have been devoted to these objects, or obliged me to recur to the information of others.—

In the Field Books of the marches of the Army under Major General Medows, the distances of the marches from September the 14th to October 7th I received from the Officers of Engineers, by whom they were measured.—

After the distribution of the Troops in August 1790, and arrival at their respective destinations, I proposed to, and General Medows approved of, my making a more minute survey of the Country from Caroor to Coimbatoor, than my official duties as Captain of Guides with the Army had permitted me to do on the march, and then, proceeding by Erroad and Sattimungalum, to return to Coimbatoor, surveying those Routes, and gaining every possible information of the Passes of Covriporam, Guzzlehatty, those to the Northward of Sattimungalum and of the Country in general.—

The descent of Tippoo's army by the Guzzlehatty Pass, prevented my proceeding in those directions, and the Country being overrun, by the Enemy's Horse, I was obliged, after an unsuccessful attempt to join the

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Head Quarters at Coimbatoor, to return by Erroad, and it was not until the army arrived at Codimooby that it became practicable for me to join. —

The Field Book of the Marches of the Army under Earl Cornwallis, from April 16th to June 18th 1791 and from March 26th to May 29th 1792, will be found rather less particular than in other parts, from the following causes. — Earl Cornwallis appointed me, during the first period, to officiate in the capacities of Guide and Quarter Master General, with the body of Nizam's Horse, under Rajah Taige Hunt; and, during part of the latter period, on the return of the army from Seringapatam after the Detachment of the army in charge of the Hostages, which, together with my immediate duties as Captain of Guides, left me very little time to attend to my Survey. —

On the Arrival of the Army at Amboor, having been ordered by Earl Cornwallis to proceed with the two Corps of Pioneers, to make a road through a Pass leading from Ryacotta to Policode, to improve the Passes of Ryacotta and Tophor, and some of the principal Roads in the Baramaul, the distances of the marches of the Army from Amboor to Madras, are, on this account, taken from Major Pringle's Book of Roads; but I trust that my having actually measured with a Chain = bulator during the war, 2300 miles of Roads and

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made remarks on the greatest part sufficiently minute for every Military purpose, will evince to your Honorable Board how much it has been my study, not less to meet the wishes than to obey the Commands of the Honorable the Court of Directors. —

I have above detailed to your Honorable Board the public employments which unavoidably interfered with a small part of my surveys; as these causes were not voluntary on my part, but embraced objects then considered of greater public utility, I rely with confidence that they will strengthen the favorable mention made by Earl Cornwallis to Sir Charles Oakeley of my conduct during the War – Proud of the approbation of Earl Cornwallis and General Medows, and feeling conscious of having executed the duties of an arduous employ to the best of my ability, and with Zeal to be in any way serviceable to the Public Interest; I may, I trust, without incurring any unfavorable imputations, assume the liberty to solicit such observations being made by your Honorable Board to the Honorable the Court of Directors, as a fair review of the works I have the honor to lay before you may be thought to merit. —

I have the Honor to be
Sir &c &c
[Signed] J. Allan
Captain of Guides to the Army

Fort St George
1st
February 1793.

Agreed

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Minute thereon.

Agreed that the Surveys and marches of the Army be sent to England on the Ponsborne, and that Captain Allan's Merits and Services be favorably mentioned to the Honorable Court.

Read the following Letters from the Agent employed on the sale of public Elephants

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary.

Sir,

I have the honor to send, accompanying a receipt from the Nizam's agent for Arcot Rupees Twenty Six thousand four hundred and Sixty / 26460 / agreeably to a form settled between the Nizam's Minister and Sir John Kennaway; being an agreement that the price of the Elephants purchased should be deducted from the Peishcush - The above Sum is the amount sale of Twenty Elephants - Thirteen now remain unsold, and I have hopes of being able to dispose of them, or at least the greater part, in a very short time. —

From Lieutenant Sandys - inclosing the receipt of the Nizam's Agent for the Amount purchase of Twenty Elephants - requests an Acknowledgement for the Same & the former receipt —

As a Voucher for me in settling my accounts with the Bengal Government, I will thank you, Sir, to Sign the accompanying acknowledgement of my having sent you two Receipts

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Receipts from the Nizam's agent.—

Fort St George
January 29th 1793.

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Signd W Sandys agent employed
on the sale of Public Elephants

To W. C. Jackson Esqr:
Military Secretary

Sir,

From Lieutenant Sandys - requests leave to return to the duties of his Office in Bengal

I had the honor to address you on the 29th ultimo regarding the sale of Public Elephants, and, as there are so few remaining to be sold, I shall hope for the Permission of the Honorable the President in Council to return to the duties of my Office in Bengal at the end of this month.—

I have given the Military Auditor General, to whom my accounts are sent, intimation of my application to the Honorable Board.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c &c

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Signd Wm Sandys Lieutenant
Superintendant Honble Company's
Elephants—

Minute thereon

Agreed that the two receipts delivered by the Nizam's Agent to Lieutenant Sandys be sent to

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to Sir John Kennaway - and that the accountant General be directed to make the proper entry in the Books of his office. —

Agreed that Lieutenant Sandys be permitted to return, to the duties of his Station, in Bengal at the time he mentions. —

Read the following letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal

To W.m C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary — at Fort S.t George

Sir,

From Secretary at Bengal enclosing a Letter from the Military auditor Genral there, on the subject of the detailed accounts of the Rate of Freights of Sundry Supplies sent hither during the War

Copies of your Letter of the 20.th of November and of its Enclosure, having been furnished the Military Auditor General at this Presidency, with Instructions to prepare a detailed account of the Rate of Freights of Sundry Supplies sent to Fort S.t George during the War, I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter that has been consequently received from him, with Copies of the Papers referred to in it, that the proper Officers of the Madras Government may proceed, on the Principles suggested by Colonel Murray, or upon such other Grounds as may be deemed preferable, in stating the Proportion

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Proportion of the Charges belonging to the respective Departments.—

Fort William
the 4th January 1793.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J Fombelle Sub Sec.

Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General &c. &c. &c. in Council
Military Department.

My Lord,

I have this Instant received Mr. Sub Secretary Fombelle's Letter of the 4th Current, covering Copy of a Letter from the accomptant General of Fort St George, to the Military Secretary of that Presidency, dated the 20th Ultimo, requiring a detailed account of the rate of Freights of Sundry Supplies sent to Fort St George during the Course of the war.—

A moments reflection must satisfy every man, that, when Gouvernment is under the necessity of engaging the whole Tonnage of Ships, it is morally impossible to state separately, the rates of Freight of every Article that may be put on board, all that can be done is to endeavour to occupy the Tonnage in the best manner that can be devised for the purpose.

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purpose of effecting the service, which may be the Chief object of the Government in incurring the expence. —

I had the honor of making a remark to this effect, in my address to the Supreme Board of the 25th June 1791, but I, at the same time, laid before them a Statement wherein I endeavoured to average, from the best information I could obtain, the rates of Freight for the various articles of supply, and if your Lordship will be pleased to direct a Copy of that Statement, with Copies of my Letters to Mr. Secretary Hay of the 28th of January, and to the Board of the 25th of June 1791 and 3d of March 1792, to be sent to Fort St George, the proper Officer of that Government, can proceed, on principles similar to those which I adopted in the statement of the 25th of June 1791, or upon such other grounds as he may deem preferable, in stating the proportion of the charges belonging to the respective Departments

I have the honor to be,

with great respect, My Lord,

Your most Obedient and faithful Servant,

(Signed) John Murray
Colonel & Military Audr Genl.

Military Auditor
General's Office
29th December 1792

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Tombelle Subsecy

Agreed

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Minute in consequence.

Agreed that Copies of the above, with the papers referred to therein, be sent to the accountant General with instructions to proceed on the princi: ples suggested by Colonel Murray, or, upon such other Grounds as he may deem preferable, in stating the proportion, of the Charges belonging to the respec: tive Departments, in consequence of the supplies sent to Fort St George during the late War.—

Read the following letter from Sir John Kennaway

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council Fort St George.

Honble Sir,

From Resident at Hydrabad—has received the detailed Estimate of the Detachment Expenses concerned that no provision should have been made therein for the Expence of Rice for the Sepoys. remarks on the subject—weak state of the Company of Artillery—noticed—

I have received a letter from Mr Secretary Jackson under date the 2d Instant, enclosing Moderated Estimate of the expence of the Company's Troops serving with the Nizam, the amount of which was communica: ted to me by the same Gentleman under date the 14th September, and covering Copy of a letter from the Military Auditor General of your Presidency in explanation thereof.—

It was not without difficulty that I procured his Highness's consent to agree to any encrease of expence for the Detachment beyond the amount which, at the time the agreement was made

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made, he was informed he would be charged for it, and if when
he did agree to it, and that the additional expence should be
charged to him from the time I preferred the application, it was on
the express proviso that an account of such additional expence should
be transmitted to him in the space of two months. —

The above being the case, I had no time to lose on receiving
Mr Secretary Jackson's first letter, enclosing the Annual Estimate,
the limited period having considerably elapsed, and from the
largeness of the Sum, there being no room to suspect that any
omission could have been made in it. I therefore presented a Copy
of the account enclosed in that letter to his Highness, who, after
having testified his surprize at the difference between the amount
of it and that which he had been used to pay, and having urged
many objections against being charged with the difference from
any period prior to that in which I presented the account, at
length agreed to both the one and the other. —

I mention these circumstances to account for the concern,
I felt, on receiving the detailed Estimate, to find that with the
immaterial Omission taken notice of by the Military Auditor General
it contained no provision for the expence of Rice to the Sepoys; and
also that by perceiving the negotiation of this point is closed, and
the door in a manner shut against applying to the Nizam for
any further encrease, you may devise the last mode that is left
for providing for every expence, from the Amount which he has
so reluctantly agreed to, and which I should hope will, with
proper management, be full sufficient to answer every purpose. —

In the Districts of Bulhary and Kunneckgerry,
to which his Highness has directed the Detachment to proceed,
Rice, at present, owing to a failure of Rain, bears, I understand,

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the extravagant price of three Seers the Rupee, the dry Grains however, such as Cunnalla &c. which the Sepoys may occasionally have recourse to, are at a moderate price, and as this is the case, I should conceive that, in any indulgence you may determine to grant the Detachment in regard to Rice, whatever the mode may be in which it is given, that is, whether by an allowance to be served out, or the difference between the Company's price and the Bazar rate being paid to the men in money, that the standard of half a Seer a day p man will be an economical, and not an unreasonable one.

I beg Leave to call your attention to the work state of the Company of artillery serving with Major Roberts Detachment, which, including Sick and absent on leave, amounts, by the Monthly Return for December, to only thirty one none Commissioned European Rank and file and a hundred and Sixty Gun Lascars.

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

Hydrabad
22d January 1793

Minute thereon,

Agreed that Colonel Braithwaite be desired to take the necessary measures for completing the Company of artillery stationed with Major Roberts Detachment

Agreed that the other parts of the letter be referred to the Military Auditor General for his opinion,

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Travancore (entered also in C.C. No 29)

From Rajah of Travancore repeating his wish that a person may be early sent to arrange finally the Terms of

Translation, of a letter from Ramaraja the Rajah of Travancore to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras

Dated 4th of Chinmady 4th and 1207 of Hegra or 18th January 1793

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my Vakul, dated the 30th December, and have received much pleasure from the contents - you are pleased to say "That you leave it "to my determination to fix the periods of the payment of the subsidy "either half yearly or quarterly; but, as one year has elapsed, you desire "I will make an early remittance for that year, and, if any thing "remains to be settled upon the subject of this agreement, in compli- "ance with my wish, it can be done at a future opportunity" This I clearly understand - you will, I have no doubt, arrange this matter as may be most agreable to me, as you have written, but, in order to have the written agreement, settled on a firm footing, my wish is, as I have already intimated to you, and which I now repeat, that you will send hither some trusty person, which is necessary, to draw up the articles of agree- ment, and finally settle this matter, as well as some other essential points, in a solid manner, and, when done, he may immediately return to you. It is moreover my earnest wish not to protract, as far as is in my power, the conclusion of the business, because it is improper to delay a matter of such importance and, when once the agreement has passed, I will endeavor to discharge the subsidy, as you have written, in the most easy manner to myself: on that account the sooner such a person as I propose is deputed here, the business will be the more speedily concluded and it cannot be effected by any other channel - this I have written for your information - What shall I say more. -

Signature of the Rajah of Travancore in Malabar characters. -

A true Translation
Signed David Haliburton,
Persian Translator

Minute thereon,

Agreed to inform the Rajah that, since the President's letter to him of the 30th December, the Board have received information from the Governor General in Council that

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that his Lordship has been pleased to appoint Mr Boddam to negotiate the arrangement of the subsidy which his Excellency has consented to pay to the Company. —

Death of Lieut. W. Colville

The Secretary reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant Walter Colvill of the 9th Battalion native Infantry at Trichinopoly on the 28th ultimo. —

The President informs the Board, that, Colonel Brathwaite having given it as his opinion that the services of the 1st Battalion of European Infantry would not be required at the Presidency; and that it would be exceeding-ly difficult to preserve good order and regularity among them at this place, he [the President] had written to Lord Cornwallis mentioning these Circumstances, to which his Lordship had replied, that, in order to obviate these inconveniences, he wished the 71st Regiment to be cantoned at Secundermally, and the 1st Battalion of European Infantry stationed at Wallajanagur. —

His Majesty's 71st Regiment to be cantoned at Secundermally, at the recommendation of Lord Cornwallis, and the 1st European Battalion at Wallajanagur —

Ordered that his Lordship's recommendation be carried into Effect. —

Chas Oakeley.

D H Fallofield

Geo. Parry Esqr