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To Colonel Henry Malcolm

Military Auditor General Fort St. George.

Sir,

Upon a general examination of Mr. Hoare's accounts it appears that he has given Credit for the Treasure sent to the army from my Office - it also appears that he has given Credit for the amounts of the Bills he has drawn on me.

From the latenefs of the period at which an application was made to me for a Certificate I have not time accurately to ascertain that his accounts on that head are perfectly Correct, but I cannot have the least hesitation in declaring that there cannot be any material Errors on those heads or to any Considerable Amount. Tomorrow I shall be able to give him a Certificate as to the Accuracy of his accounts on these points, as by that period my Examination will be compleated.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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Signed Benj.n Roebuck
Mil.y Pay.r Gen.l

Read the following letter from Mr. George Hoar, late Paymaster to the army.

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To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Mr. Hoar offering Security for payment of the Sum objected to in the Audit of his Accounts and requesting permission to proceed to Europe. Remark relative to the Issues on account of the Cavalry Regiments when below the Ghauts.

I have the honor to lay before your Honorable Board a Copy of a letter which I have received from the Military Auditor General under date the 28th. February, by which it appears that the total Sum objected to in the Audit of my Accounts will amount to about Twenty thousand Pagodas provided the Disbursements on account of the Cavalry Regiments are supported by sufficient Vouchers.

The Cavalry payments having been made by Messrs. Toriano and Wynch, and the original Bills and Abstracts having been sent by those Gentlemen to the Military Paymaster General, and only Copies of them sent to me, for the purpose of bringing the whole of the expences of the Army in the field, under one head, I am induced to hope that your Honorable Board will not consider the Sum retrenched on their account as a part of what I am responsible for, and as there is no doubt but a considerable part of the Sum objected to will be

Recovered

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Reverend Sir

I trust that your Honorable Board will grant me permission to proceed to Europe on the Ship Rose now under dispatch, on my giving such security, as your Honorable Board may deem sufficient, for the sum of about Pagodas twenty thousand, the amount objected to in the Audit of my Accounts.—

I have the honor to be,

Reverend Sir

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Signed George Hoar

late Paymaster to the army

Madras

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To George Hoar Esqr late Paymaster to the Army

Sir,

Having examined your accounts as Paymaster to the army in the Field from march 1791. to June 1792. inclusive I observe there is a Balance in your favor as stated by the Accounts Current for June 1792 equal to Nineteen Thousand Seven hundred and Seventy six Pagodas, Two Fanams and Forty four Cash and an half Pagodas 19776. 2. 44½ and shall furnish you with my Remarks in Audit of the said Accounts detailing a Retrenchment equal to one Lack Eighty Two thousand Eight hundred and Twenty three Pagodas Twenty seven fanams and Fifty Five Cash Pagodas 182823. 27. 55½

My Remarks in Audit as now transmitted to

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to you, having been drawn up in their present from and to the extent abovementioned previous to the receipts of your Accounts for the months in which you have given — Credit for a part of the Amounts Retrenched and before I received the Vouchers which you subsequently sent to the Office in support of your Debits for Payments made to absentees who although included in the Pay Rolls were not — drawn for in the abstracts I have therefore Conceived it more — advisable to furnish you with the Audit as it now Stands than to go over in detail a Second time the Remarks on — each Months Accounts in exclusion of the part of the Sums — Retrenched in the Disbursements for which I have given Credit in the Accounts Current of Subsequent months or Sup- =ported by the Vouchers last given in, the amounts however will fall to be admitted, according to the Circumstances of the Case, after I have received your Answer and Explan- =nations to the Audit as it now Stands and after the — Vouchers last Sent in are Compared with the Charges in Support of which they have been forwarded.—

The Sums for which you have given Credit as — abovementioned appear to be as follows.

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Retrenchments under the head of payments to Kings Troops	5902. " — "
Carried Over	5902. " — "

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	Pgs	Fs	Cs
Brought Over	5902	"	"
Retrenchments under the Head of Premium	6234	5	20
Ditto Pay and Batta of absentees included in Pay Rolls but not drawn for in the abstracts	23578		2348
	35714	28	68

which is equal to Thirty Five thousand Seven hundred and fourteen Pagodas Twenty eights Fanams, and sixty eights Cash of the Total Amount Retrenched.

You will observe that I have objected to One hundred and Seven Thousand four hundred and Ninety Two Pagodas, Five fanams and Forty Cash / Pagodas 107492..5..40/ which appears in your Disbursements on Account of the Cavalry Regiments that were below the Ghauts during a part of the War, as I have not Considered the Copies of their Pay Rolls and abstracts sent by Messrs. Torriano and Wynch adequate Vouchers These Gentlemen having actually made the Payments to the Cavalry Regiments for the period mentioned and the Pay Rolls and abstracts being the principal Check I could not with any propriety admit as Vouchers copies attested by them, although the Disbursements thus made were brought before me in Your accounts, and for these reasons a Sum equal to Pagodas 107492..5..40 Stands at present as part of the Retrenchments made from your Accounts.

It appears to me however at present that after

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after I have an opportunity of going into an Audit of the payments made to the Cavalry Regiments and after the Sums for which you have given Credit as above mentioned are admitted that the total Sum objected to in the Audit of your Accounts will amount to about Twenty Thousand Pagodas provided the Disbursements on account of the Cavalry Regiments are supported by Sufficient Vouchers.

In consequence of your having informed me that your being able to avail yourself at this time of the permission of Government to go to Europe depends upon a Report relative to your Accounts being laid before the Honorable the President in Council, I have stated to Government the above Circumstances, affecting Your Accounts in order that a judgement may be formed how far it may be advisable to dispence with your presence in India previous to passing a decision on your Accounts after a Specific Report on them has been given in from my Office.

The Audit on your Accounts herewith forwarded to you is contained in Fourteen Sections marked from No 1 to No 14 and I have to desire that you will send me as soon as possible such explanations Authorities or Vouchers as you may have to offer in

Support

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support of the Charges not admitted in Audit that I may have an opportunity of giving in a Specific report to Govern-ment on your Accounts.

I have the honor to be,

&c^a &c^a

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
28th February 1793.

Signed Henry Malcolm
Mily Auditor General

A true Copy

Signed Geo: Hoar
late Paymaster to the Army

Resolutions of the Board thereon

Agreed to inform the Military Auditor General that the sums advanced by Mr. Hoar to Mr. Burke his Majesty's Paymaster General for payments of the Company's allowances to the Kings Troops will properly fall to be adjusted on the Audit of Mr. Burkes accounts.

The Board approve the reasons given by the Military Auditor General for retrenching from Mr. Hoars Accounts the payments made to the Cavalry Corps during the period of the War that they were below the Ghauts since Vouchers did not accompany the Accounts of Payments, and that the amount was carried to Mr. Hoars debit But as that Gentleman cannot justly be responsible for payments made by Mess^rs Soriano and Wynch, who are-

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are alone accountable for the accuracy of the Copies of the Cavalry Pay Rolls and Bills transmitted by them to the Paymaster in Camp, the amounts retrenched must be brought back to the credit of the latter, provided that the amounts carried by him to the debit of the Military Paymaster General corresponds with the Copies abovementioned. any over charges or irregularities that may appear on comparing the original Pay Rolls and Bills of the Cavalry Corps for the period already stated, must be accounted for by the persons actually making the payments.—

As the Military Auditor General has reported that the total refund for which Mr. Hoar may be ultimately responsible may amount to about twenty thousand Star Pagodas, exclusive of the Balance that appears in the Paymasters favor by his own accounts Current, the Board will consents to Mr. Hoars proceeding to Europe on the Rose, provided he deposit good and substantial European Security, to be answerable on demand for that or any lesser Sum that may be declared due from him upon the final audit of his Accounts. This Security with the Bond lodged by him on his appointment to be Paymaster to the Army is deemed

Sufficient

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Sufficient to indemnify the Company against all Loss, and upon its being produced it is agreed that the security — formerly given by Tajapah be delivered up

Ordered that the above be communicated to Mr. Hoar —

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor Jneral —

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council of

Fort St. George.

Honorable Sir,

I do myself the honor to report as follows in answer to your Commands contained in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letters of the 14th. 20th. and 26th. instant Accompanied by an additional Estimate of Cash Required for payments in the present month by the Military Paymaster of Fort St. George and by the Estimates for the ensuing month of the Military Paymaster General and of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions viz.

That the Addition of Six Thousand Pagodas (Pagodas 6000) required in the present month by the Military Paymaster of Fort St. George may be complied with

From Military Auditor General reporting on the Estimates of the Paymaster General and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for March and on an additional Indent of Cash Required by the Residency Paymaster in February —

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with. ——

That an advance for the Ensuing Month ——
equal to Pagodas Two Lacks Six thousand six hundred and
Fifty Eight, Seven Fanams and Thirty one Cash / Pagodas
2,06,658..17..31/ may be made to the Military Pay=
=master Jeneral as per accompanying Statement of Particulars
in which you will observe that the retrenchments Amounts
to no more than One hundred and Sixty Four Pagodas
/164/. ——

That the expected receipts of the Commissary
Jeneral of Grain and Provisions in next month ——
Amounts to . . . . . Pagodas 8889– 9. 35.
And his expected Disbursements to . . . . 10089– 20– 11.
Excess of expected receipts Pagodas . . . 1799. 31. 24.

and consequently that no Advance of Cash to the Commissary
Jeneral of Grain and provisions for the ensuing month
/March 1793/ becomes necessary. ——

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
28th February 1793.

I have the honor to be
with the highest respect,
Sir, Sir,
/Signed/ Henry Malcolm
M. A. G.

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Minute thereon

Agreed that the Clerk of the Treasury be directed to advance to the Military Paymaster General as he shall apply for it, the Sum of one Lack, Seven thousand Seven hundred and forty five Pagodas eighteen fanams, and sixteen Cash ₱107745-18-16 being the amount of the Military Charges payable at the Presidency for the months of March.—

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

From Military Auditor General enclosing Mr. Kingscote's declaration of Honor, concerning his Charges in the Grain and Victualling Department of the army.

To

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort S. George

Honorable Sir,

Having furnished Mr. Kingscote with a Copy of Your Commands Contained in Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the 27th Ultimo I have the honor to Acquaint you that he has made the declaration Required Concerning the Charges for his Servants in the Grain and Victualling Department and to enclose his letter on that Subject.—

I have furnished Messrs. Hoar and Cole with a Copy of the Paragraph in Mr. Jacksons letter above mentioned relative to the mode of bringing the Stoppages to account.—

I have.

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I have the honor to be with the highest

Military Auditor Respect &c
Genrals Office
Forts St. George
1 March 1793.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Ag. Aud. Genral

To Colonel Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General
&c &c &c

I have had the honor to receive Your letter of this date transmitting Copy of a letter from the Secretary Jackson directing that I should declare upon my honor that the Charge for Servants over and above the rate laid down in the Book of Regulations established rates incurred for the express purpose stated was actually and that the overcharge being the difference in my Accounts, Cornwallis established regulations, and of Lord which the same had made by me were an but not a real overcharge. For if the Servants had deducted from the Victualling Department they must have been have been added to the Grain Department I beg leave to declare upon honor that the amounts of these charges were actually incurred for the express purpose as stated in my accounts.

I have

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I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
Signed Tho.s Kingscote
late Commissary of Provisions to the
Grand Army

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

To W.m C. Jackson Esq.re
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir,

From Commissary Genral of Grain and Provisions enclosing Mr Kingcotes application for payment of the balance due to his Employ.

I have just received the Enclosed Letter from Mr. Kingscote and an Indent for Pagodas 16,994..154. for the payment of the Balance due to his Employer upon which he is pleased to obtain the pleasure of Government.

I am, &c. &c.
I Signed Tho.s Cockburn
Cy G.l Q.r G.r Ba

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1st March 1793

To Thomas Cockburn Esq.re
a
Commissary Genral of Grain and Provisions

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a Statement of the balance due me as Commissary of Grain and Provisions to the Grand Army, which I have to request you

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You will be pleased to advance me.

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

Signed Tho.s Kingscote

late Commy. of Gr. &c. to the Grand Army

Cash wanted to pay the balance due to Mr.
Kingscote late Commissary of Grain and Provisions with
the Grand Army conformably to the order of the —
Honorable the Governor in Council under date the 27th
February 1793. . . . . Pagodas 16994 - 1 - 54.

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Signed Tho.s Kingscote

late Commy. of Gr. &c. to the Grand Army.

The Amount ordered
to be discharged.—

Resolved that the Sum of Sixteen Thousand
Nine hundred and Ninety four Pagodas one fanam and
fifty four Cash 16994 - 1 - 54 - being the Balance due to
Mr. Kingscotes late employ, be issued from the Treasury.—

Read the following letter from the Military
Auditor General.—

From Military Auditor General
reporting on Mr. Surgeon
Millers Claim for Expenses
incurred by him at Medical
Storekeeper at Mahilpatam.—

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

Honble Sir, Mr. Henry Miller, a Surgeon who has lately

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Resigned the Service and proceeds to Europe on the Rose having addressed me in November last on the Subject of Pagodas 951. 2.56. Stated to be due to him for expences incurred on his Station of Medical Storekeeper in the Masulipatam district from September 1786. to May 1790. I have examined the — papers and Correspondence which have passed Concerning this claim and find the State of the case to be as follows. —

In October 1790. Mr. Miller received the then Auditor Generals remarks on the accounts in question which had been sent to the Office by Order of Government in the preceding July and he was directed in the letter which Accompanied the remarks to send the necessary — Vouchers and explanations with all possible expedition, the very great delay of Mr. Miller in presenting the Accounts was at the same time observed upon by the Auditor. —

Mr. Millers Answer, received in June 1791.

Acknowledges the impropriety of the delay as first in — presenting his Bills and he pleads the loss of his Papers at Daraporam, where he was taken prisoner as the reason for not earlier replying to the remark on his Accounts, and also that he was under the necessity from this cause of Applying to Mr Binny the Head Surgeon at Masulipatam in support of his claims. Mr. Binnys Sentiments on the Subject.

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Subject is herewith laid before you and the Bills this Head — Surgeon has certified Amount to Pagodas 548. 6. out of the total of Mr. Millers Charges, the remaining paid, but for which no Similar Voucher appears, having been incurred prior to the period viz. from May 1788. to March 1789. — which Mr. Binny expresses that every thing Charged in Mr. Millers Accounts had been examined by him with most — Scrupulous Attention previous to his affixing his Countersig= =nature. —

Mr. Millers Charges not having been either objected to by the Auditor or referred to Government after the receipt of Mr. Millers last Answer is the cause of his having Addressed me on the Subject in order that a decision might be obtained and nothing but the multiplicity of — business on my hand since November when I received Mr. Millers application could have prevented an earlier Reference to your Honorable Board. —

As the matter stands at present the delay prior to November last on presenting the Accounts appear to be the only objection to passing the Amounts as above for which Mr. Binnys Testimony and Countersignature to Mr. Millers bills are produced. —

I have the honor to be,
with the highest respect. —
Hon.ble Hon.ble
Sir Your Henry Malcolm Mjr. Gl.

Military
Auditor Generals
Office
Fort St. George.
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Henry Miller Esqr.

Surgeon Ellore.

Sir,

I am favord with your letter of the 5th Instant with its enclosures, and after perusing them with particular attention, am happy in the pleasure of complying with your request, as far as I have now the power of doing so, at this distant period.

The Hospital Book containing Copies of Returns for the Months of September, October, November and December 1786. not being to be found I have been obliged for those four Months to have recourse to the diet Book which specifies the number of patients but not the diseases. — Complete Returns however (except for July 1787.) from January 1787. to March 1789. of the number of Sick as well as of their diseases have been made out from the books in which the monthly returns of this Genral Hospital are recorded. —

It is impossible for me to vouch for any thing — previous to my arrival at this place to take charge of the Genral Hospital in April 1788. but can state that I recollect — I received a Supply of Country Medicines from Madras, at Tanjam about October 1787. which I understood had been conveyed to Vizagapatam on Captain Popham's Vessel. — The Indent in may 1788. for 40 Coolies to — carry

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carry a Madras supply of Country Medicines to Ellore was countersigned by me, and in this manner every Species of Articles whether European or Country, continues to be sent to all the out Stations, except that conformably to the regulations for a considerable time past, the Coolies have been furnished upon Indent by the Paymaster. — No Garrison Lascars would be granted for such a purpose. —

In June 1788 and in several subsequent months I find from a rough draft of Indents which I happen to have by me, that Several Articles of Country Medicines usually supplied by the Apothecary at Madras running short and no fresh supply having then arrived, I indented for them to the Medical Storekeeper at this place, and in July for Cardamom Seeds, Gum Arabic, Musk and Opium the List of all of them is sent with this but I cannot vouch for its being exactly correct and am rather disposed to think some things may be omitted. —

The charge for Coolies in December 1788. for carrying the European Medicines to the Several Stations is conformably to an Indent countersigned by me, and I directed the packages to be put up in Wax Cloth and Gunny for the careful preservation of the medicines. —

After my Arrival at this Station finding

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the necessity of a Godown for keeping and preserving the Country Medicines, I ordered one to be rented for that purpose in may 1788 which has been occupied in that manner and allowed ever since at the rate of 5 Pagodas per month.—

The Indents for Country Medicines for the Stations of Ellore, Samulcotah and Rajahmundry charged in— January 1789. were certainly countersigned by me, and— understanding the recuits of the respective Surgeons for these Supplies had been mislaid by you, I procured duplicates and transmitted them after you to the Presidency.—

I would very readily be more particular in my reply upon the remarks on your Accounts, but that I conceive I have not omitted any thing material. I have therfore only to add in general terms, that you had my Voucher for every thing charged in your Accounts from May 1788. to March 1789. when you left this place, and that the accounts were examined by me with the most scru=pulous attention before I countersigned them.—

Their having been passed and approved of by my immediate superiors the Hospital Board is a— creditable testimony of their moderation, which I trust will be confirmed by the Comptroller General for which purpose the Returns of Sick &c. sent with this will be useful, and

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if he will do me the Kindness to compare the amount of the whole charge now before him, with the same charges of other General Hospitals and their dependencies for a similar period, I flatter myself their justness and moderation will become evident, which is what principally interests me, altho I shall also experience much pleasure in learning that any omission on your part in their not being audited before is recommended to be overlooked by Colonel Capper in consideration of the reasonableness of your demand.—

I am,
&c. &c.
Signed George Binny.
Head Surgeon

Masulipatam
25th May 1791.

A true Copy
Signed George Binny
Head Surgeon

Resolution thereon

Resolved, that Mr. Henry Millers Bills for the amount certified by the Head Surgeon at Masulipatam viz. five hundred and forty eight Pagodas six fanams 548. 6 be passed and that the remainder of the charges for want of Vouchers be rejected.—

Read the following Letter from Captain Allan of the Guides.—

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor and President in Council &c &c &c

Madras

Honorable Sir,

From Captain Allan submitting a map of the marches of the British armies during the Campaigns of 1790 1791 and 1792. for transmission to England — Remarks —

I have the honor to lay before your — Honorable Board A Map of the marches of the British Armies in the Peninsula of India, during the Campaigns of 1790. 1791. and 1792. which Augustus may be made a — number of the Packet by the Rose. —

Of the construction of their Map, it is — necessary to remark, that I have copied Major Rennells — printed Map of the Marches of the Army, formed chiefly from Captain Beatsons and my Surveys, to which I have added the Marches of the Army under Earl Cornwallis — from September 19th 1791. to May 29th 1792. from my field Books, copies of which I had the honor to transmit to the Honorable the Court of Directors by the Pondborne — the — positions of some places in this Map, have been corrected — and many added, from my Survey, and some others, from informations The boundary of Tippoos Dominions, and of the Mysore Country is from the best procurable — — information, and the latter is marked by a deeper —

Shading

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Shading of the Mountains.—

The Marches of the Armies are described by dotted lines coloured, Earl Cornwallis's Red General Medows's Blue, Colonel Maxwell's Green, and Tippoo Sultaums Yellow each encampment of the Armies is marked by a Flag to which is added the date, and the mode of placing the day of the Month before or after the Month itself, points out the Flank from which the Army marched and consequently the Front. Thus November 15th shews that the Army marched by the Right, and 18th November by the Left.—

The Broken lines of Color, shew the Marches of Detachments.—

The Forts which were captured and fell into the hands of the English during the War have a line — under the Name.—

The Countries Ceded to the English by the Treaty of Seringapatam are Stained Red.—

Conceiving that a Map of this kind would be acceptable to the Honorable the Court of Directors I have endeavoured, as Ever shall consider it my duty to anticipate their wishes, and I trust my doing so in this instance, will evince to your Honorable Board,

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how anxious I am to gain their favorable opinion, as also that of your Honorable Board.—

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

Madras
February 28th 1793.

Signed A. Allan
Captain of Guides to the Army

Minute thereon

Captain Allans Map and Copy of the forego-ing letter are transmitted by the Post.—

Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From Accountant General submitting a Statement of the Extra Expenses during the late War—Explanation

I have now the honor to lay before you a Statement of the Extra expences of the late War compiled from the Estimated Accounts Received from the different Departments. The General Books not being in sufficient degree of forwardness it is impossible to State the Accounts upon the plan laid down by the Supreme Government, but as I judged it would be more satisfactory to your Honor to receive the Statement under its present form than

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than to defer it till the General Books can be brought up, more especially as an Opportunity now offers by the Rose for Transmission to Europe, I have therefore used my endeavours to make as Accurate an Estimate as Circumstances will admit and I hope if any difference should appear in the Amounts hereafter that it will rather exceed than fall short of the Sums actually expended and as such disbursements of the Military Paymaster General and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions as were occasioned by the War were carried to a Separate head in their Books raised for that purpose, I am led to think the present Statement may be considered as containing every expenditure incurred at this Presidency on account of the War.

The Cause of my not being able to Compleat the General Books for the 30.th April last, is, that I am not yet furnished with the Books to that period from the Military Paymaster General
Commissary General of Grain and Provisions
Agents for Spirituous Liquors
Commercial Department and
Revenue Department, and from the lateness of the Season I am apprehensive they will not be prepared in time for the next dispatch by the King George.

I have the Honor to be
with great Respect. &c. &c.
Signed Robert Woolf
Accountant General

Fort S.t George
Accountants Generals Office
27.th February 1793.

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Statement of extra expences incurred at Fort St. George and its Dependencies on account of the War with Tippoo Sultaun estimated as nearly as could be done from the Accounts of the different Offices.

Military Paymaster General being the whole Expence occasioned by the War in this Department from 1st February 1790 to 30th June 92 for Batta to the Troops, donation to the army &c. and all other extra Charges estimated as per Accounts at . . . . . 29.49.287.10.26.

Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, in his Department estimated.

For the expence of Victualling the Troops, Bullock hire — Arrack for Europeans, Cash made up, Serving Grain to the army gratis, Selling Grain to the Banjaries at a lower Rate than the cost, Grain taken by the Enemy, and every charge from January 90 to 30th June 1792 estimated at . . . . . 31,4992 " — "

Estimated expence for laying up Grain for the return of the Bengal Detachment, for difference of price, wastage, freights and carriage, about . . . . . 1,000 " — "

Bullock bags and saddles received from Bengal amounting as per Account Current received from thence . . . . . 7,4980 " — "

N.B. a further sum of Pagodas 84,323 " 29. 50. was disbursed by the Commissary General for the supply of Bullocks for the Bombay army but this is not extended as it is supposed the amount will be inserted in the Accounts of that Presidency —

The Bullocks sent from Bengal were not received into the Commissary General's Department and the Expence of them is not included in this Account the Charge of feeding &c. of part of them till an opportunity offered of sending them to the Bengal Agent, was about . . . . . 2,500 " — " 32,62,572 " — "

Carried forward . . . . 62,11,859. 10. 26.

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Military Storekeepers Department

Brought forward 621.859. 10. 26.

Estimated as follows.

Amount of 30 months actual expenditure from 1st January 90 to 30th June 92 charged in his Books under the head of "Military Charges" ..... 863487. 4. 49.

Deduct the expenditure for 30 months immediately preceding the War ..... 577526. 22 55.

285.961. 17. 74.

Further amount expended from 1st January 90 to 30th June 92 and carried in his books to the head of War with Tippoo Sultaun ..... 228109. 27. 48.

514.071. 9. 42.

Deduct the amount of Stores returned into the different Garrisons and Stations during the War and at its conclusion ..... 111383. 4. 79.

402683. 4. 43.

Sundry Disbursements at Madras in the Department of the Committee of Works occasioned by the War ..... 5531. 6. 10.

Do as Do in the Garrison Storekeepers Department D° ..... 12558. 20. 75.

18089. 27. 35.

Sundry disbursements at Masulipatam occasioned by the War

Stores Supplied from thence for the Hydrabad Detachment 9011. 29. 73

D° ... D° from Ellore for D° ..... 16452. 6. 79.

Stores delivered at Masulipatam to the Bengal Detachment 3757. 33. 56.

Deduct received from D° ..... 456. 30. 40.

3301. 3. 16.

Expences at Masulipatam for the Troops sent by Sea from Bengal ..... 820. 1. 18.

29585. 5. 56.

Sundry disbursements at Ganjam occasioned by the War ..... 3422. 26. 64.

D° ..... at Nagore .... D° ..... 3829. 22. 18.

D° ..... at Vizagapatam D° Rupees 695 ℔ 5. 11 at 365. ℔ 100 Pagodas ... 1906. 4. 50.

D° ..... at Madras occasioned by the War not included in the above ... 320. 25. 50.

Star Pagodas 667.696. 19. 20.

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Errors Excepted

(Signed) Robert Woolf

Accountant General

N.B.

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N.B. Many of the Sums charged to this Presidency by the Bengal Government may be considered as occasioned by the War, on which I can only observe that such supplies as were received here in the different Departments were regularly brought to the Credit of that Government, and in cases where no Invoices or Accounts accompanied the Stores, they were inserted in the Books at a Valuation and on the delivery or issue of the same they were charged to the heads of "Suspence Accounts" or of "War with Tippoo Sultaun" but for some other of the Supplies such as Bullocks, &c.; as they were not delivered to any Departments of this Government, the expence cannot be ascertained here, and it will therefore remain to be furnished by the proper Officer of the Bengal Government.

The above Statement and Copy of Mr. Wolfs

Minute thereon

letter, are numbers in the Packet per Rose.

Read the following letter from his Highness the Nabob entered also in C. C. No. 47.1.

Translation of a letter from His Highness the Nabob Wallajah Bahadur to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras

Dated 17th Rajeb 1207 Hegera
or 1st March 1793
Received D.. Do

From the Nabob sends the amount of Two Years Salary for Lady Campbell, commencing from 1st January 1792.

In my letter of the 18th December 1792 I wrote you that I had fixed a Salary of One thousand five hundred,

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Hundred Pounds Pr Annum upon Lady Campbell, to Com-
=mence from the 1st January 1792 and that I would send the
Amount of two years Salary to you Accordingly, now avail
myself of the opportunity of a Ships sailing for England, and
send the amount of Three Thousand Pounds /which makes
/500 Pagodas/ in Ready Money for her Ladyships last
and present years Salaries I request you will be pleased
to write the Court of Directors to pay Her Ladyship the
said Sum, on my part.

What can I say more.

A true translation

/signed/ David Haliburton

Sec. to Govt.

Minute thereon

Agreed that a letter be written to the Secretary at the India House, acquainting him for the information of the Hono-
=rable Court of Directors, that since closing the Dispatches of
Rose, his Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic has paid into
the Company's Treasury, the Sum of Star Pagodas Seven thousand
five hundred /7500/ on account of the Pension granted by
his Highness to Lady Campbell, as particularly mentioned
in the Boards address to the Honorable Court, under
date the 30th of January last.

Chas Oakeley

E. H. Fallofield

Ex.d Wallace Secr.

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Diary

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Substance of a letter to the Naval

Sent letter to the Naval Commissioner 66

No 48 enclosing Copy of a letter from the Governor of

Pondicherry, relative to a Mint Established at Arcot

and requesting his Highness to make enquiries on

the subject, and communicate the Result.

Sent also the undermentioned Letters

Entered in M.B. Nos 1.2.3.4.5.6.

To Commissary General of Grains

and Provisions - with an Extract from the

auditors Report on his Estimate for March.

To Military Paymaster General &c

with Ditto - Ditto. -

To Clerk of the Treasury - directing -

him to issue the Amount of Military Charges

payable in March - being Pagodas one Lack

seven thousand, seven hundred and forty

five - Eighteen fanams - and Sixteen Cash.

/1,07,745: 18 16./ -

To the Paymaster to the army

To Mr George Hoar - stating - to him

the Conditions, in respect to Security, on which

he

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Military Storekepers Department

Brought forward 621.859. 10. 26.

estimated as follows

Amount of 30 months actual expenditure from 1st January 90 to 30th June 92 charged in his Books under the head of "Military Charges"	863.487. 4.49.	
Deduct the expenditure for 30 months immediately preceding the war	577.526. 22 53.	
Further amount expended from 1st January 90 to 30th June 92 and carried in his books to the head of War with Tippoo Sultaun.	285.961. 17. 74.	
Deduct the amounts of Stores returned into the different Garrisons and Stations during the war and at its conclusion	228109 27.48	
	514.071. 9. 42	
Sundry Disbursements at Madras in the Department of the Committee of Works occasioned by the War	411.388. 4. 79	102.683. 4.43
Do. at Do. in the Garrison Storekepers Department Do.	5531. 6.40.	
Sundry disbursements at Masulipatam occasioned by the War	12558. 20 75.	18.089. 27.35
Stores Supplied from thence for the Hydrabad Detachment	9011. 29. 73	
Do. Do. from Ellore for Do.	16452. 6.79.	
Stores delivered at Masulipatam to the Bengal Detachment 3757. 33. 56		
Deduct received from Do. Do. 456. 30.40.		
	3301. 3. 16.	
Expences at Masulipatam for the Troops sent by Sea from Bengal	820. 1. 48.	
Sundry disbursements at Ganjam occasioned by the War		29585. 5.56
Do. at Nagore Do.		3.422. 26.62
Do. at Vizagapatam Do. Rupees 695. 5. 11 at 365. 8 f. Pagodas		3.829. 22.28.
Do. at Madras occasioned by the War not included in the above		1906. 4.50.
		320. 25. 50.
Star Pagodas		66.71.696. 19.20.

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Errors Excepted

(Signed) Robert Wood

Accountant General

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2. the Board will consent to his proceeding to

Europe on the Roos

To Military Auditor General

To Military auditor General with

the Board's Resolutions on his audit of Mr Hoare's

accounts —

To Secretary at the India House

To Secretary at the India House —

advising of the Nabob's payment into the

Treasury, of the amount of Two years Pension to

Lady Campbell —

Recived the following Letters

William Collins Jackson Esq.

Military Secretary.

From accountant General with a Statement of the Ward Expences — Explanatory remark. —

Sir, I have the honor to send you, for

transmission to the Right Honorable Governor

† already Entered in Consult 1 Instant

General in Council, a Statement of the Extra

expences incurred on account of the late

War with Tippoo Sultaun, compiled from

the accounts recived from the different

departments — It has not been possible

to draw up the account on the plan laid

down

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I know by the Supreme Government, owing to the
General Books not being in a sufficient degree
of forwardness, - but as the Military Paymaster
General and Commissary General of Grain
and Provisions carried to a separate head
in their books, raised for that purpose, all
such disbursements as were occasioned by the
War, I am led to think the present Statement
will comprise every charge incurred on that
account, and indeed I cannot but entertain
an opinion of its being more likely to
come near the actual amount expended than
by the mode recommended, because, in the
amount of Military Charges for 30 months
services to the War I am pretty well assured
many sums were included therein which
could not be said to belong to the Peace establish-
ment, such as charges incurred by the
expedition to Guntoor &c &c which it would
be difficult if not impracticable, at this
time, to distinguish, - perhaps when the
mode was recommended for taking the
Comparison

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2d Comparison between 30 months of peace and 30 months of War expences, the circumstance of the extra expences being carried in the books to a separate head might not be known or adverted to — You will therefore be pleased to inform the Honorable Governor in Council that when the General books are brought up, the statement can be drawn out in the mode recommended, if it should then be thought requisite. —

Fort St George
Accountant Generals
Office 2d March 1793

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your
(Signed) Robert Woolf
Accountant General

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
President & Governor in Council
of Fort St George

From Military auditor General — requiring Captain Lieutenant Torin's claim to Batta — while employed on the Malabar coast as agent for Stores

Honorable Sir,

As I find the Bills of Captain Lieutenant Torin of Cavalry draw Batta up to January 1793 Inclusive, I request to be informed

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I am informed, before passing them, of the date to which he is to be Considered as an agent for Purchasing horses, Batta having been granted him as a part of his allowances while he acted in that Capacity, and did not draw it otherways. —

In Consequence of my having applied to Captain Torin for information on this point, he addressed me the Letter which is inclosed, and, on reference to the General order of the 22. June last, which does not appear to have been repealed, I find that an agency was considered of for the purchase of Horses at Bombay, Captain Torin having also laid before me your Secretary's Letter of the 5th ultimo intimating to him that it was not your intention to make any purchase of Horses, at Present, on the western side of the Peninsula, I am led to suppose that his Claim to Batta up to the end of the preceding month (January 1793) is admissible, but prayer being honored with your Commands, affecting this point, previous to passing his Bills. —

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

(Signd) Henry Malcolm
Dpty Aud Genl

To
Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George
2 March 1793

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To Colonel Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Fort St George.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose
you my last Letter, and the Hon^ble the
Board's answer, on my representing
to the Governor my intention of
returning to the other Coast for the
Purchase of Horses. —

I must beg leave to observe to you,
that when I delivered over the Bullocks &
employed from the Carnatic, with General
Abercrombie's army, to the Grand army at
Seringapatam, I waited on Lord Cornwallis
for his orders, who, thro' Colonel Ross, ordered
me to return with that army to my former
Station for the Purchase of Horses, or was
I ever recalled, till, coming round here,
to finally settle my accounts, I received
the inclosed. —

I must request you will
refer to the order of Government June 20. 1793.

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2. as a further proof of my being sent as an agent for Purchasing to that Coast.

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14th February 1793

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) John Torin
Capt. 1st Lt Cavalry.

Recieved the undermentioned Letters
Entered in Mil. B. Nos 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. —)

From Persian Translator at Bengal

From Persian Translator at Bengal — inclosing a letter from the Governor General to the Nabob. —

From Secretary at Dº —

From Secretary at Ditto — inclosing a letter for Mssrs Duncan and Boddam on the Malabar Coast. —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — with an Indent of Rice for supplying Angolo — viz — Garrisons in the Guntoor Circar. —

From Collector at Dindigul

From Collector at Dindigul requesting to know whether Lieutenant Parkinson's party of Invalids, are to be considered as Garrison Troops, or as stationed for Revenue Duty. —

From

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From Deputy adjutant General

From Deputy adjutant General
the Commandant of Tripassore requests a
leave to visit the Presidency.

From Chief Engineer

From Chief Engineer — with
Plans of the surveyed Forts in the Baramhaul
Salem and Sankeridroog Districts — a List
Enclosed.

From Captain Loewe

From Captains of the Ship Aurora
requesting to purchase three Barrels of
Gunpowder. —

3.

Dispatched the undermentioned
Letter Entered in Mil. B. No. 14 15 —

To Secretary at Bengal. —

To Secretary at Bengal —
with the accountant General's Statement of
the War Expences. —

To Military auditor General. —

To Military Auditor General —
decision on Mr. Surgeon Millers Bills for
expences incurred at Masulipatam — and
on Captain Lieutenant Torin's Claim to Batta

From Lieutenant James Campbell of the 74th Regiment

Recieved letter from Lieutenant
James Campbell 74th Regiment, entered in
Mil. B. No. 16 enclosing his leave of absence
to

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3d to Europe & requesting an order to be received on board the Rose. —

4th Sent the undermentioned letters entered in Mil. B: Vol 17-18-19-20.)

To Secretary at Bengal — inclosing Copies of the General Letters to England p Rose

To Secretary at Bengal

To Ditto — forwarding a letter from the Nabob — addressed to the Governor-General —

To Ditto

To Masulipatam — inclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Military Stores consigned to that Factory p Bigler —

To Masulipatam

To Mr George Powney — with a letter addressed, and to be forwarded to Mssrs Duncan and Boddam, Commissioners on the Malabar Coast —

To Mr Powney at Cochin

Received the following Letter

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Honble Sir,

From Lieutenant Clunes Rept reporting on the State of the Fort in the Baramahal

I have the Honor to lay before you Government a Report of the several Forts in the Baramahal —

Royacottah.

Royacottah is a good situation as a Post of Information, it Commands the Pass to

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4th so as to have a perfect View on all Sides and
from its Vicinity to Tipsaar Territory may
be very useful in the Command of an "
active experienced Officer well acquainted "
with the Countries Languages. — —

The Place is supplied with Water
from Wells, there is a Rivulet about 2½ Miles
from the Fort and in the Hill there is also
Water. — —

The Rock of Royacottah has about
five Irregular Lines of Works one above
another, all very old, and built of mud
and Stone, the Walls of Communication
are chiefly built of Mud only and very
thin and old the most defensible part of the "
Hill against a regular Enemy, begins at the 3d Gate
" way and upwards. —

The Pettah which is on the Western
Side of the Rock has a common Mud Wall
of a mean height and in many places out
of Repair. the Principal Defence of the Pettah "
is

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4th is the Low or lower Line of Works on the Rock, which Commands it, but there is not a single Building of any kind within this Work, either for the Reception of Troops or Inhabitants. and as Royacottah is situated in the Neighbourhood of Polygars, I conceive a small Building or Two for the Guard required in the lower Line of Works will be found convenient and useful.—

All the Gateways require the Doors to be repaired and refitted, the Doors to the Gateway of the upper Line of Works are destroyed the small Guard Rooms at the different Gateways are very much out of Repair. The Mud Walls of Communication are too high to fire over and have no Banquette, there are in general wanted, however A Loopholes cute lengthwise in the Walls will supply that defect in many places.

The Retaining Wall to one of the Tanks on the Hill has been destroyed by Lightning and requires to be repaired. —

The

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4th The loose Earth on the Rocks at the foot of the Wall in places outside if removed, would give more height to the Wall and add to the Security of the place.—

Vurathbudurra droog.—

Vurathbudurra droog is Situated nearly South West of Kistnagherry, computed distance about Six Miles. It is a Hill Fort surrounded on all Sides by Hills and a very thick Jungle, the Works consist of Seven Lines of Walls of different heights on the Hill, and mostly built with small Stones and Earth.—

Pinagra

Pinagra is a Polygon Fort built on a larger Scale than they in general are, and has been enlarged since its original plan. It consists of small Bastions with narrow Ramparts and high Battlement & Parapets, the openings between the Battlements are too high to afford any regular Defence and it is for the most part without Banquettes, the Interior Revetment is raised with small Stones each course layeing a little within the other like Steps, and is appears

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4th appear to be not very durable, for on parts
of the East face it has given way; the Exterior
Revetment is raised with Stone, to the height
of 6 or 8 feet, and in some places a little "
higher; above which is a Mud Work there
are three Cavaliers built of Mud, and cased
with small Stones in Mud the Ditch is
not completed and is very Rocky.

Shewarghurr — Shewarghurr is a Fort on a Hill
without any Fort below and is about 15 Miles
North of Tripatore, there is upon the Rock a
small Fort within the Walls that Circumscribe
the Crown of the Hill, and there is also a Work
of two small Bastions and a Curtain built
across the Hill from Wall to Wall which "
separates the Steep and low parts from the "
upper and more level parts on the Top of the
Rock. —

The Walls of the Place are built in "
Stone with small Bastions, and, for the most
part, in good order. The Pettah belonging to the
Hill is called Tommara Pette, which is about

Two

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4th Two Miles from it. This Hill Fort is surrounded by other Hills: at Timmam pitte the Country is well Cultivated, and supplied with plenty of Water, and is under the Hongoondie Rajah —

The Post should be occupied by a small Guard for the Purpose of protecting the Country

Mahauraug Ghurr

The Hill Fort of Mahauraug Ghurr is situated N N E of Kistnagherry distant about 8 Miles It is one of the highest in the Baramaul, and has a well built Stone wall of Considerable Extent round the crown of the Hill, the Gateways are at the East and West faces, which are the weakest parts of the Fort, as Troops can approach within 100 yards of the Works perfectly under Cover, particularly at the East Gateway, but the other part of the Rock is Extremely difficult and mostly impassible the walls are high and in an attack of the Place Artillery would be required. —

There

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4th There are two Road ways up to the Western Gateway, one is very difficult and leads directly up to the Gate; the other is a circuitous and long Road winding round part of the Hill, but is easy of ascent, the Roads to the East Gate are winding and troublesome. —

There is no Fort below; the Pettah, to the Hills, is called Anghyanarmalee, which is only a small Village; at the principal Entrance into the Pettah are 3 small Mud Bastions with a small mud Wall but no Ditch or other Works. —

Catoran Ghur

Catoran Ghur is a small Fort upon a Rock, situated on the first Range of Hills between Tripatore, and Hastnaghurry; its distance is about 6 Miles from Northward of Tripatore. The Hill is formed at the Summit by very high and large Rocks, extremely steep on all sides, in particular on the North and South faces, where the Rocks are near 200 feet perpendicular: on the East face the Hill forms an irregular Slope

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4th Slope, and the Roadway up is on this side, but it is difficult, near to the Gateway, at the Gate, is a small Ladder which is moveable and the Door is raised 10 feet above the Rock to add to the difficulty of entering. The Walls of the Fort are built of stone in Mud, the Works at the Gate form a Rampart, and two Bastions 27 feet high Outside, the Walls in general are from 6 to 8 feet high in Stone, with a thick Parapet built of Mud and small Stones, too high to fire over, capped with Sticks fixed on, in Mud cross ways, upon the Wall and projecting a little to throw off the Rain Water, there is a Banquette of irregular height and breadth in some places, and no Rampart any where but at the Gateway; the Monsoon has damaged the Wall very much on the West Face, the Buildings in the Fort are tem= porary, there are the Stone Walls of a Granary standing, but the Roof is entirely rotten and fallen in. —

There

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4th There is no lower Fort or Pettah to this Hill.

Chinna Ryadroog

Chinna Ryadroog is situated West of Ryacotah, about 7 Miles distant, It is a Fort consisting of a Single Mud Wall Circumscribing the Crown of the Hill, it had formerly two Gateways one on the North and one on the South face, the latter is built up; there is also an accessible part on the West face which can be repaired. —

The advantages to be derived from this Fort, are chiefly affording protection to the Villagers living near the boundary of the Sultaunee Dominions, and, as a Frontier post, ought to be retained, being nearest the Pollicode pass. — there is only one heavy Gun on the Hill, which was placed there on the return of the army from Seringapatam, but there ought to be four more Guns, the place should be rendered defensible, and be well supplied with every requisite for a small Garrison for two years. —

The

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4th The Garrison to Consist of half a Company of Artillery with an European Officer in time of War. the Buildings on the Hill are of a Temporary Kind, and not sufficient for the Supplies required. —

Hongoondie

Hongoondie a Hill Fort the Residence of a Rajah, is situated N.E. from the Hill Mahaurug Ghaut, and distant about 22 Miles. —

The Country to the West ward of it is open, and the Post affords Protection to the Neighbourhood against the Polygars. It is a Hill on the high Ground near to the Mysore Lands, and is Fortified after the Polygar Manner, having a Number of Walls one below another, built on the steep projections of the Rock and has Gateways to each work with Walls of Communication built of small Stone and Earth. —

There are five different Lines of Fortification and only one Roadway up to them

—

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4th Thirdly, the Works are built of Stone and
Mud, the Parapets built of small Stones
and Earth, and, in some places, of Mud
only; the Hill is naturally very strong; and
if the Walls had sufficient Banquettes
so as to fire easily over the Parapet, it
would be capable of making a very good
Defence, but there are no Guns and a very
small supply of Military Stores. —

The Fort below, forms three sides
of an Oblong Square, incompassing the "
Roadway up the Hill and the lower Works, it
has four Bastions only, and in the West face,
at a small distance from each other, and there "
are two Gateways. The principal Entrance is on
the North face, which is the Pettah side, the "
small Gate is on the South side, leading to the "
Jungle. The Walls of the Fort are built of —
good masonry up to the Parapet, the Parapet is
built of small Stones in Mud, the Rampart is very
narrow, and the Parapet is so high, that, in its "
present State it is not defensible, for want of
Banquettes

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4th banquettes, all round, to be able to fire over, and the Rampart should be inlarged, the Fort is built on very Rocky Ground, and has no Ditch at any part, the Walls outside measure about 18 feet high. The Jungle and Rocks come near to the Hill, and surround it for several Miles, the Road is difficult, and too Narrow for Bandies &c — on account of the Jungle, which the Polygars consider a great Security; on the N.W. and S.W. Sides the Ground affords great Cover within 100 yards of the Fort, and the Jungle favors the approach to it very much — The Pettah is inclosed by a Stone & Mud Wall about 12 feet high and has very few Houses in it, it seems intended more to secure the Cattle of the Inhabitants in perilous times than for any regular Defence of the Natives, and is commanded by the Works on the North side the Hill. —

Hongoondie appears to have been a very populous Place, from the ruins outside the Pettah. —

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Histnaghurry

4th

The Rock of Histnaghurry is
fortified by a Stone Wall of an irregular figure,
with small Bastions, a Battery over the Steep
Rock on the East face, and a high Cavalier
Battery, the unevenness of the Hill forms the Base,
also of the Wall, into different heights, which is
discontinued, where there are precipices and
steep part of the Rock, the masonry in general
is very good and of durable stone Work, but in
part the works are rather low and easy to get
over. The Rock (outside the Wall) at two places
shews from above, an appearance of being
ascendible, but it is not possible to form a
just opinion, observing only from the Top
of the Hill, as, at any part, the whole face
cannot be seen at one View and the Rocks
seems to be very steep under the most favorable
looking place for an Escalade, the Strength
or weakness of the place will be best Discovered
by the Plans, but a Resolute Garrison with
common Vigilance would render an
attack unsuccessfull. There are Granaries

Store

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4th Storehouse small Guard Rooms & Powder
magazines & Three Tanks containing a
plenty of good Water; but there are no
Expence Magazines which the inconvenience
of going from one part to another over the
Rocks will render very necessary. The
Garrison hutted themselves under the
Rocks, which afford a good cover in
many places. The Roadway up the
Hill is from the Pettahs on the South
side, & near to the Fort below. -

The Fort below is on the South
West face of the Hill, and has only two faces
of Fortification toward the Country; these
consist of a Mud Wall with small Bastions
built on a Stone & Earth foundation, &
there is a small unfinished Ditch
outside, but no Glacis, and the Works
have a narrow Rampart about 5 feet
wide, rivetted with small Stones in mud,
& have a mud Parapet. The Fort has no

Works

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4th Works towards the Hill, and is separated from the
Pettah, on the East side, by a mud Wall only;
there is one Gateway which opens into the
Pettah and all the Works are old and out
of Repair. -

The Pettah is on the South face
of the Rock, and is enclosed by a common
mud Wall with small Bastions near to
each other, and joins the Eastern Wall of the
Fort, it forms three faces of a Square with
a small flank on each, and the Wall
terminates against the Rocks on the South
Eastern side of the Hill. The East Wall has a
small Banquette, but no Ditch in front;
the South and West faces have a plain
Mud Wall between the small Bastions, and
no Work either within or without. There
are two Gateways, one at the East End of
the Pettah, and one in the West face. The
approach to the West Gate is over the Bank
of a Tank, the condition of the Pettah walls

and

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4th

and Gateways is very indifferent and
repairs are wanted. There are no Public
Buildings in the Pettah. In the Fort there
are three small old Circular Mud and
Stone Buildings, used to Contain Grain,
and the Buildings adjacient to the Cutchery.

I have given the Subject my best
and most attentive Consideration, and upon
the important Point of the Selection of a
Place of Strength for a Considerable Depôt
of Supplies for an advanced army, I am of
opinion that the Post of Kistnaghurry
obtains the Preference; for, although it is
not situated on the direct Road from
Chingamah (around the Carnatic) yet Convoys
from Kistnaghurry can proceed to the Top
of the Pass with great safety, skirting
the Varabudra Jungles, from whence the
advanced Post of Diadroog, whose commanding
situation, overlooking the Policode Pass, and

all

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4th. all the Country round can give the earliest Notice of an Enemy being in the Neighbourhood, so that the Convoys may seek their safety in the Jungle and in Tarabahandroog itself, should it become Necessary: from thence they may either pursue their March by Paths leading through the Pollams, or fall back by those to Histnaghurry, and proceed up the Ryacotah pass, should there be more safety in that Quarter. although this Ryacotah Road is not so easy, nor, at all times, so much to be depended on, from the occasional Scarcity of Water, at particular Seasons; it is notwithstanding a very advantageous Collateral Circumstance in support of the Recommendation of Histnaghurry; added to these, the perfect State of Repair of the Fortifications in the Hill of Histnaghurry, which may, at no great Expence, be improved in its Enceinte, so as to recieve Protection to it's Granaries &c. from Redoubted Batteries constructed on the lower Parts of the Hill in Situations

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4th — Situations to be found thereon for them, these together, will serve to protect the Post from Surprize or Assault by Night, and, in the Day there can be nothing to apprehend, from its own Natural Strength and Respectability. —

If the Enemy be not in force in the Country, either the Convoys may pursue the beaten Path by Hoolladroog No 1, or, by striking off to the Right, avoid it altogether, by passing between Chimnaroy Droog and Matchyghurry, two forts in our possession, and rather a better Road No 2. having Reached the Top of the passes, by any of those ways, they may encamp in such a Position between Byacotah and Hoolladroog as will enable them to pass quickly the next March, rendering few marches only Necessary between Kistnaghurry and Goor. —

Cotaar Ghur & Mahaurauze Ghaur. —

The Two Forts of Cotaar Ghur and Mahaurauze Ghaur appear to me to possess

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4th. possess no advantages that should decide us to keep Possession of them. —

Sankerry drog

Sankerry droog is a Hill Fort of great Strength although not without some defects: these however may be easily remedied.

The first Wall from below ascends irregularly, and varies considerably in its height which is in general between 25 & 30 feet but in some places much less. It has seven small Four Bastions; the two principal ones cover the Gateway. That on the Right, as you approach the Hill, is built with exceeding good Material — Large hewn Stone jointed with Chunam The Parapet is of Brickwork three Embrasures, too near to each other. — The Space within will not admit the Recoil of a Gun — The rest of this Wall is built of irregular Stones mostly pointed with Chunam. — The Parapet is Narrow, seldom more than eight feet in breadth, and in many parts there is, from the great declivity of the Hill, scarcely any; the Parapet is from one

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4½ and a half to two feet thick, and from 4 to 6 feet high, pierced with small circular Loopholes, of about 4 Inches in Diameter

The Second Wall resembles the 1st former in every respect, only that it has few or no Towers, and is lower in some places, particularly opposite to the Pagoda, where it is not more than 10 feet high. — the materials are the same, and whatever has been said of the first is applicable to the Second. —

The Third Wall is much the same as the two preceding, except that it is much more difficult of ascent. The Gate is exceedingly well covered by a Small Work which has an Embrasure in front, that rakes the ascent to it, and another in Flank. The Parapet is of Brick and Chunam about 5 feet thick. the Revetment Ramparts and Parapets are much the same as those of the 1st & 2d Wall except that the 1st latter are much out of Repair towards the Southend. —

The

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4th The Sawtown Battery, it is imagined, was intended to be connected with the third Wall, but the Planks are not yet fit finished — The East face of this Work is 48 feet long, and has three Embrasures, one in the Middle, and one on each Angle — The Materials are expedient below the Cordon they are Stone laid in Chunam, and the Parapet, which in it's present State, is of Brick and Chunam of it there is not more than eight or nine feet of the Plank is finished. —

The South Wall is, by far, the best, as well on account of Materials, Stone and Chunam, as it's Construction — It has five Bastions three — to the Right and two to the left of the Gate, three of them very Spacious; those immediately on the left and Right of the Gate, and the furthest to the Right have from 29. to 30 feet in the Gorge, and from 33 to 36 feet Capital. The first has three Embrasures, the second five, and the third four. The small Four between the 2d & 3d has only the Parapet of

those

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4th These Bastions are of considerable thickness that of the former is ten feet, those of the two latter between 6 & 7 feet - The Parapets of the Curtains are rather slight, being only from 2½ to 3 feet in thickness, the whole Brick & in Chunam plaistered. The Rampart is narrow, and has a gradual discent by steps, from either end, to the Gate. - The height of these Walls is in the Middle upwards of 30 feet, gradually diminishing towards the Extremities, which are not more than 12 or 14 feet high. The Bastion to the left of the Gate is very low. -

Great part of the Fifth Wall has the appearance of having been lately built, It is very slight. The Rampart not more than 8 feet broad and case altogether about 20 feet to the left of the Gateway; as does the new part of the Wall, the continuation of it thence to the S. E being extremely old, ill built and in a very ruinous condition. the Parapet is

about

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4th about 6 feet high, and 2½ thick, the Road between this & the Fourth Wall is extremely difficult, & not so much by Reason of its Steepness, but because the Steps by which you ascend are so injudiciously laid that there is much more danger of Slipping and falling than on the face of the Rock. —

The Work marked P is on the North face, or Flank, is only a Wall about 8 or 9 feet high and 3 feet thick; the East face of has two Embrasures and Parapet of Brick 10 feet thick; the ascent to this Work, as well as from it to the 5th Wall, is by a Flight of Steps. —

The 5th Wall is very old and low, it has a long Narrow projection to the left of the Gateway, from the End of which another Short Wall is connected with the P; this last might indeed be considered as the 5th Wall, but, being of small Extent, and so immediately connected with P, it has the

been

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4th Curtain Considered as a part of that Work, rather than as a Separate Wall. — The Parapet of the Sixth Wall is about 1½ or 2 feet thick and 6 high — the Rampart where there is any is about 6 feet broad and from 2 to 4 feet high. —

The Flag Staff Battery is a Work at the Extremity of a long projecting Shoulder of the Rock, and Completely Commands the first 4 Walls it has Six Embrasures three bearing to the S.E. one East, and two North by East. The Parapet is of Brick and Chunam 2 or 3 feet thick. The Seventh Wall is of so small an Extent that it hardly deserves the appellation of a Wall of the Fort, it is simply a Cross Wall without any Rampart between two immense Stones, one of which to the left has an unfinished Bastion thereon. this Wall is not Visible from below nor can it be you come within 150 yards of it, The

Gate

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4th — Gate is coverid by a small Traverse; the whole is in much the same Stale of Repair as the Sixth Wall. —

The Eight Wall circumscribes nearly three fourths of the Top of the Hill, it has one Gate to the South, which you approach by an avenue, and up Steps, some of which are laid, and some Cut into the Rock; there is a small Sally port to the Westward, to comu= =nunicate to the lower Western Wall, The Rivitment is in general good, but the Parapets are indifferent; this however is not of the least Conuquence, as almost the whole of it is out of the Range of Cannon. —

Athoor — Athoor is Situated on the S. E. Banks of a Small River, which washes the South Jaw much in the same manner as the Cauvery doth the North side of Seringa= =patam, and there is a kind of Stone Bank or Glacis, Sloping into the River, some what resembling the one at that place, but much inferior to it, being built of large rounded

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4th Round Stones thrown together without any Cement — Indeed it appears rather to be intended to Break the force of the Current, which on Inundation is exceedingly Rapid in the Rainy Season when the River is full, than any Defence to the Place, but notwithstanding the Protection which this Stone Bank affords to the Works against the Violence of the Stream, yet during the last Rains, the River was so full, and the Current so Rapid, that it broke beyond its usual limits, and actually washed away a Bastion or Tower next to the South East angle, which now lies in Ruins, the Gorge being closed up with a Slight Mud Wall — The Fort is of an oblong form, having but a Single Wall, and is about 400 yards in length and half that in Breadth. —

It has two large Square projections, one on the West and another on the East face; That on the East, being the most considerable, forms the Gateway, or Entrance into the Fort, which, as usual, is by a Winding Passage through

4th through 4 Gates. Besides the Gate, there is another opening to the River (whence the Garrison get all their Water) there being none in the Fort, except in a small Tank which contains Coombakie's Garden and that is hardly drinkable. – There are likewise many other Doors or Sally Ports opening to the Berm which are now closed up with Mud and Rubbish – The Walls are built of large Stones put together without Cement in the Manner of those at Bangalore (but they are not pointed) and, like that Place, they are Flanked at the distance of every 150 feet by S. 20 or 25 feet Gorge, and 30 Capital, there are likewise Towers of this Discription at the angles, but the whole of these Walls appear to have been built without much care or Judgment, for in many places they overhang to such a Digree, and particularly some of the Towers of the North face, that it

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4th may be necessary to pull down and
Rebuild them. — The Curtains are in general
much more free from this defect than
the Bastions, the whole is surrounded by
a Berme from 10 to 15 feet in Breath,
or by a Ditch about 10 feet deep, which
varies considerably in its Breadth and is
in general dry, though there is Water in
some places, particularly on the West face,
where it is said to be near 8 feet deep, Beyond
the Ditch is a Coverture and Glacis. The Cover-
-way is in tolerable order, and, in most places,
has a Banquette, but the Retaining Wall of
the Glacis, & indeed of both the Scarp and
Counterscarp of the Ditch, are in a very
ruinous condition, and have fallen in
many places; in short all these Walls
are exceedingly ill built. The materials of
being chiefly small round Stone & mud,
which the Weather has entirely washed out
of the joints — The Glacis (excepting on the
East face) is, in every respect, extremely defective

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4th The Slope being so very sudden that any number of men might lie concealed under it in perfect Security from either the fire of the Works or that of the Covertway, should the defenders be hardy enough to remain in it. The Covertway has Embrasures small Circular places of ammunition in the Glacis, but not being there at Bangalore but so few & of small Embrasures that the inside is entirely exposed. There are on the Saliant angles & there is one in the Middle of the North face. The Rampart is in general of a good breadth, from 25 to 30 feet and upwards, only on the East face, and in some few places on the South, where it is not more than from 8 to 12 feet; there are no Banquettes to the Parapet, which is built of Brick and Mud, Chunamed over, and is from 2 to 4 feet in thickness, and 6 in height, very thin full of Loop holes, and small Embrasures, at moderate Distances, The Gates of which are so high, and the Gorges so very narrow, in some, that they will hardly

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4th answer for any thing else than Jingal Pieces. The Parapets of many of the Towers are destroyed, or they have never had any, those that have them are the greater Part. There is commonly from 3 to 5 Embrasures in each of them, but three would be quite sufficient; for there is not Room to work more than one Gun in the largest of them In the angles, and in the middle of the South and West faces are the Remains of some high Cavaliers, for they have so fallen into decay that they can only be termed the Remains, that however in the South West angles, which is by far the weakest part of the Fort, for Reasons which shall hereafter be assigned, is much more spacious, and in some what better repair, than the rest, and may be converted into a very good Gun Battery, with a Parapet of a proper thickness, that likewise in the middle of the South face is in tolerable repair, and capable of great improvement; The rest are of

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4th of such indifferent Materials and are so Con=
=fined in their Dimensions that they should
be pulled down rather than repaired. The
South West angle, which was Breached by
Colonel Wood when he attacked the Place in
the year 1759, is, as it is already observed, in
by far the weakest part of the Fort; it has
no Ditch for the Ditch ceases near the angle
on account of its Vicinity to the River, and
Commences nearly in the Middle of the
South face, and is so little covered by the
Stone Bank or Glacis, that it may from the
opposite side of the River, which is not more
than 150 yards Broad, be breach'd down to the
very foundations, and so, during three
fourths of the year, there is not three
inches water in the River, It cannot be
considered as any great obstacle to the
approach of an Enemy. The Ground on the
opposite side of the River is exceedingly
advantageous for an Enemy, being pretty
high though not more so than the Fort

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4th and very where intersected by small Ravins, it is also very ill flanked, it can hardly be said to be flanked at all, except by the small square projection on the West face, but notwithstanding this defence, when once an an Enemy has attained the near Bank of the River, it is so steep, that he is perfectly under Cover from the fire of any part of the Fort, and may from thence ascend the Breach at leisure. In fact the whole River face is more or less liable to these objections. With regard to the Public Buildings there are in the Fort, and in particular three remarkable fine Granaries with arched Roofs, each capable of containing Ten or 1200 Bullock loads of Grain their Dimensions are nearly the same 80 by 20 by 20 feet, besides the Vacant arch or half cylinder of the above Dimensions. The Foundations are Stone and the Walls Brick and Chunam, about 4½ feet thick; there are likewise two small Pagodas

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4th or Sammy Houses which might be convert-
-ted to some use, The rest of the Fort excepting
a Clear space of about 200 by 150 yards
at the West End, is occupied by Malabar
Houses, in some of which the Officers now
reside, but these, though very good tempora-
-ry habitations, would yet require many
alterations and Repairs to be in
any Degree durable or Comfortable -
The Gentlemen have indeed already made
some alterations for the better, at their own
Expence, as soon as regular Quarters can be
built, I would recommend all the Malabar
Houses to be pulled as they harbour a great
deal of filth, which must render the
Place unwholesome, and, at the same time,
prevent a free passage round the foot
of the Rampart.

Vessels

Of Vessels, neither the Works
or the natural Strength of the Place correspond
with the General opinion that has been formed of
them from its being stiled a Hill Fort. it is
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4th not near so strong as Woolwich, it is much easier of ascent, and there is much less Cover on the Top of the Rock; as the descent is smooth and gradual on every side, from the Summit to the Walls, which, though neatly built, and in good Repair, are too slight to afford any protection against Cannon; and as there are no Cavities or other Place of Shelter from either Shot or Shells, it would be absolutely impossible for any living Being to remain there, were four Guns opened on it from the four Cardinal Points of the Compass — With regard to the lower Fort the Walls are ill built, the Parapets extremely slight and the Ditch shallow being no where more than 6 feet deep, and, what is worse, it would be a work of infinite dispicultly and labour to excavate it more, as the bottom is almost every where a bed of Rock — The Openness of the Country, which is perfectly flat to a

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4th a Considerable distance all round, is
one of the principal advantages which
this Place possesses, for no Enemy can
approach unseen, & a few good Guns
judiciously disposed on the Rock
would greatly annoy and retard one
in any attempt to take it, by increasing
the Danger and Difficulty of getting under
Cover, which, at all Events, would be no easy
matter Considering the Scantiness of the Soil,
through which the Rocks continually shew
themselves.—

The Works on the Hill consist of but
one Wall, varying considerably in its height,
from 8 to 18 1/2 feet, though it is hardly more
than 10 or 7 on the East side. It is flanked
by small Towers or Bastions, but principally
on the north and South ends, where the Walls
are highest. There are two Gates, one to the
South, and one to the north. The ascent to
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South, and one to the north. The ascent to
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4th and easy so much so that the steps that are cut in some places might be dispensed with. —

The Road to the north Gate is ragged, and overgrown with Jungle the Walls consist only of a Parapet and Banquette. The declivity of the Rock rendering a Rampart unnecessary, and useless if they were of double their present heigth. The Parapet is 5½ feet high, and 2 feet thick, indented with Battlements of Brick and Chunam Plaistered. The Banquette is in general 1½ feet Broad, and 2 feet high, the whole of the Wall, excepting the Battlements, is built of Stone, neatly cemented with Chunam. —

The Lower Fort Wall, which is flanked as shewn in the Plan, by square Towers or Bastions nearly at equal distances, is of a very indifferent Structure The Rampart and Retaining Walls are all built of unhewn Stone put together without

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4th without Comment. The height of the Walls &
including the Parapet is from 21 to 22 feet above
the Ravine, which is 5 or 6 feet broad and as
many high from the Bottom of the Ditch x
the Parapets are of Mud and Pierced with 4
Loopholes from 3½ to 6 feet high & as many
4 to 2 feet thick. The Banquettes is about 3½ feet x
broad, and the same in height. The Rampart
is from 7 to 10 feet in Breadth, and from 9 to
10 in height on the inside. The Ditch is of
mostly dry and very Rocky, about 40 feet
broad, though it is less in some places) and
about 5 feet deep — on the South and West
faces the Glacis is raised 4 or 5 feet. the retaining
wall of which, and that of the Counterscarp x
being the same, the Ditch may there be said
to be 9 or 10 feet deep — There are two well
built Bastions in this Wall resembling
those at Bangalore, one on the North face x
near the Pagoda and one on the South side
of the Hill this Wall, such as it is, is on the x
whole, in pretty good Repair. —

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Salem 4th The Walls of Salem are almost entirely of mud and in a most deplorable State - They are continually mouldering away so that in the course of a few years it will scarcely be possible to distinguish what they were. the Ditch however is good and the Counterscarp all round is faced with irregular Stones but in order to render it a defensible place it will require very great repairs if not to be rebuilt altogether

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I have the honor to be,
&c &c
" "
Signed Patrick Ross

Received also the Letters Entered in M.B. Nos 21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-

From Lieutenant
Barrack master
Wilks

From Barrack master at the Presidency — agree to furnish the 4 Barrack articles at the Rates charged by the Civil Paymaster. —

From

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From Commissary Genl of Grain & Provisions —

4th From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions inclosing a Correspondence concerning some Grain issued from the Company's Store at Poonamallee for the 1st Regiment of Cavalry — requesting orders on the subject. —

From Resident at Ganjam

From Resident at Ganjam — has stationed Mr Gibbon, Assistant Surgeon, at Berampore, vice Ainslie removed — and ordered temporary Quarters to be built at that place, and the old Buildings at Taska to be repaired for the use of different Sergeants. —

From Garrison Storekeeper

From Garrison Storekeeper requesting that orders may be given for paying the amount of Stoppages for Rice issued to the Troops, in Pagodas — Same being rejected at the Treasury.

From Hospital Board

From Hospital Board — recommend that Mr Wilson — Assistant Surgeon be Stationed at Samulcotah, as an Assistant to Doctor A Roxburgh — the propagation of the Nopal in the Circars — and that the Bale of new Species of Bark received from him, be distributed as to the General Hospitals. —

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From Major Roberts

From officer Commanding the 1st Nizam's Detachment - with Copies of Letters to and from Sir John Kennaway. -

From Paymaster to 74th Regiment

From Captain William Douglas - enclosing the required apology to Mr Roebuck the Paymaster General.

From Deputy adjutant General

From Deputy adjutant General proposing that Ensign Davies be placed on the Effective List - vice Vivian, whose leave of absence has expired. -

From Major Orr

From Commandant of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry - reporting that the Temporary Buildings are completed - and proposing the monthly allowance of five pagodas to Each Troop for keeping their quarters in repairs. -

From Commandant at Bonamallee

From Commandant at Poo - namallee - in reply to the Complaints

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4th of the Inhabitants of the Jaghire, respecting the prices paid for Sheep. —

From Mr Ram — inclosing

From Collector in the Western Division of Tanjore

Copy of his letter to the Nabob's Manager at Mariarpollam — relative to the depredations of the Patticaid Collector. Remarks on the occasion. —

5th Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in Mis. Nos 32. 33. 34. —

From Monsieur Marigney

From Monsieur Marigney requesting to purchase some Old Drums on account of the Nizam.

From Commandant of the Body Guard

From Commandant of the Body Guard — requesting the Repair of the Barracks and Stables occupied by his Corps. —

From Commandant at Walajabad

From Commandant at Walajabad — has ordered the Sheep taken from the Inhabitants of Munnamiengalum to be restored. —

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor — President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr

Tuesday
5th March
— 1793. —

Minutes of last Consultation read
and approved. —

Read the following letter from
Bengal. —

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal. Still
recommend that a
Surpoge be deducted
on my presumptive Heir
to the Rajah of Tanjore
motive thereto. —
Enquiries will be
made of the Resident
at Benares as to the
just rights of the
present Rajah to
the Succession —
approve the Presidents'
Caution to him against
an adoption at
present. —

We have recieved your Letter dated
the 22d ultimo, and we have taken the
Subject of it under our very serious Consideration

We must confess that Mr Swartz's
Sentiments, in addition to other Circumstances,
have created great doubts in our minds of the
just right of the present Rajah of Tanjore
to

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Board are, upon every account, desirous of
affording the minutest information in their
power regarding the Collections of the Revenue
of the Carnatic during the Assumption. —

Read the following Letter from his
Highness the Nabob (entered also in Lib: No 50)

Translation of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob
Walla Jah Bahauder to Sir Charles Oakley Bart.
Governor of Madras

Dated 16th Rajib 1207 Hegira
or
28th February 1793
Rec'd 1 March "

From the Nabob advising of the Sequel of the unsettled State of Polygars dependent on Chittoor and Chundergherry and the Intention to employ Troops for their Extermination. —

The Pollagars of Moograwl, Paukhaul
and Pillaur depending on the Jaghire of
Chittoor and Chundergerry, avail themselves
of opportunities to be troublesome — at the time
of the Jain at Tripaty they commit various
injuries upon the People who come from
a distance, and plunder them — They
make incursions in the Villages of
Tripaty, as far as the confines of Nellore, and
commit

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commit depredations and assassinations therein, they give Refuge to Thieves and refuse to make their stipulated payments and they are in arrear to a large amount; and what is more surprising is - that they have the Villain Chief Naick who daringly continues to detain the Talooks in the neighbourhood of arcot and to Murder the Ryotts and Travellers under their protection, and, furnishing him with Peons, they cause him to plunder not only the Circars Villages, but also those belonging to the Company on that side; which are under the charge of Captain Alexander Read. -

They are not Polligars, but, having obtained the perpetual lease of small track of Land, they have made a thorny Thicket, and, under shelter thereof, they commit depredations. Have long had it in contemplation to exterpate them, on account of the frequent complaints which I have received of their oppression

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oppression. at this time the Pollagar of Panchaut,
at the instigation of Pettoor Ragnaut Naick, v
treacherously sent for one Venkat Reddy, belonging
to Bommauze, with his Brothers, and murdered
them — Copies of arzidashts which I have repeatedly
received from Bommauze stating these particulars
are inclosed. —

This act of Violence and outrage of the
Panchaut man is highly improper, and as
policy will not suffer such conduct to be
passed over in silence — In case of forbearance
on my part, they will become more audacious,
with the View therefore to the ease of the people,
and to remove these disturbances, I mean to
employ the Circars Troops and Nazeer ud Dawlah
Bahauder for the purpose of exterminating
all the three aforesaid Pollagars; and I shall order
Venkatghurry, Calastry and Bommauze to v
co-operate with the Circar's Troops in v
chastising these Banditti — God willing, they
will be punished and extirpated in v
a very short time, and tranquility will
be

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be Restored to the Ryotts and Inhabitants in the Districts of Tripaty &c. I have written this for your Information.

What can I say more?

A true Translation

(Signed) David Haliburton

Persian Translator

Translation of an Arzdasht from Bom Rauze To His Highness the Nabob Wallajah Bahauder Dated 7th Rajib 1207 Hijery answering to the 19th Febry 1793

After the usual Compliments

- Ragunaut Nair the Pettoor man sent for Venkatreddy one of my principal People and a Man of Character to confer with him, went off - the Reddy accordingly went to Mungapoor, which is near the fort of Chandergherry, and halted for the night - In the Night the Paukhale Man, whose Name is Venkatnair, sent Men, and it Murdered the Reddy, and likewise his Brothers

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Brothers who were at a small distance from
Munga poor. Such being the case, it is
utterly out of my power to manage those
hostile men — The abovementioned act
was unjustly perpetrated, and I have therefore
stated it for your Highness's Information, as
as you are the asylum of all your Servants —

Translation of an arzdasht from Boon Rauze to His
Highness the Nabob Wallajah Bah. dated 9th
Rajib 1207 Hegery answering to the 21. February 1793

After the usual Compliments

Previous to this I have fully stated to your
Highness the wicked practices of the Polligars of
the Chittoor District, in their insulting the Roads,
and murdering Nawat Reddy, together with
his Brothers, whom they trecherously invited,
and shot, and would not suffer the Corps to
be taken away — all which your Highness
will have understood — The next day, at the
Solicitation of the Relations, the dead bodies were
burnt — it is an established usage for the Son to
burn

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burn the Remains of his Father, but the Polligars having placed 50 Pieces over the Corps caused it to be burnt themselves, whilst they made use of very opprobrious and indecent Language your Highness is the Asylum for the support of the People of God. If the Malicious escape with impunity, their arrogance and Wickedness will exceed all Bounds - at present their Disturbances are felt in every Village, and they have made it their common practice to infest the Roads and Murder the People your Highness will please to order such punishment to be inflicted upon them as may effectually deter others from the like practices. —

Resolved that the following answer be returned (entered also in C.C. No 51.)

To

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To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic

&c &c &c &c &c

May it please your Highness!

To the Nabob in reply to the foregoing letter. —

I have had the Honor to receive your Highness's Letter of the 28th ultimo — advising me of certain Irregularities committed by the Polygars of Moogral Paukhall and Pellore, depending on the Sujhire of Chittoor and Chundergerry, and of your Intention to send the Circar Troops against them, and to demand assistance from the Rajahs of Calastry Venkatagherry and Bommauzel, for the purpose of exterminating those people from your Country. —

Tho' your Highness has communicated the above Circumstances merely for my Information, I think it nevertheless incumbent upon me to take the earliest opportunity of giving you my opinion on a subject which involves considerations respecting the internal tranquility of the Carnatic. —

The

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The Employment of Troops at any time is a measure of so much Consequence as to require very serious and mature deliberation. I have no doubt that the Conduct of the Polygars above mentioned has been, in many Instances, very irregular, but I am inclined to hope the evils complained of may be removed, or in a great measure checked by the vigorous exertions of your Managers without having recourse to such an Extremity as that proposed by your Highness.

For some years before, and during the late War, there was a small Garrison of the Company's Troops, commanded by an European Officer at Chundergery, and I think it probable that the presence of this small force may have contributed much to keep those Polygars in subjection. Since the termination of the War, Chundergery was, at your Highness's request, vacated

and

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and given up to your own Servants — By re-establishing the former Garrison of the Company's Troops, that licentious spirit which prevails among the petty Polygars might perhaps be considerably restrained — at any rate, I must make it my particular request that no Movement of Troops, or any other measure affecting the Engagements in force between your Highness and the Company, may be adopted before I have had opportunity of transmitting your Letter to the Governor General in Council of Bengal, and receiving his sentiments on Consequence —

I have the honor to be,
&c &c &c
(Signed) Charles Oakeley

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Resolved that the following Letter be written to Bengal —

To

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

My Lord,

To Bengal — inclosing Copies of the foregoing Letters — Observations on the Subject. —

We have the Honor to transmit to your Lordship Copy of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob, with Copy of our President's answer. —

This the Polygars mentioned in the Nabob's letter be dependant on the Jaghires of Chittoor and Chundergurry, and not among those who pay tribute immediately to the Circar, we do not on that account conceive the Nabob can consistently with his Engagements, adopt the measures of which he has apprised us, or that it would be just, if he had the Power, to proceed to such an extremity with those people however culpable the Behavior of some of them may have been. We hope therefore His Highness will

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will listen to the advice we have given him,
and wait the Result of your further
reference before he takes any further steps
in the execution of his purpose. —

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We have the honor to be
Sir, Sir
&c &c

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
pre Council

Read the following Letter from the
Board of Revenue. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Board of Revenue
- requesting to know if
Colonel Maxwell's
settlement with
the Tinnivelly &
Polygars for the
current Fusly
conforms to the
amount of those
for the three
preceding years. —

We have the Honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter
dated the 20th Instant with its inclosures &
As it does not appear, from
those Papers, what is the amount of the
Settlement with the Tinnivelly Poligars
for the current Fusly, & the we observe
they have stated an obligation for its
payment

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payment by the end of March, and as the Nabob is to be credited by the late Treaty for Chuckrums 103409. 5. or Star Pagodas 57450 on account of the Peishcush, we beg leave to request your Instructions in order that the necessary adjustment may be made in the Books of this Department in case Colonel Maxwell has settled at the rate of the three former years / Chuckrums 84,232. 7. / or for any other Sum differing from the stipulated annual Peishcush.—

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

(Signed) David Haliburton
Chas. N. White

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26th February 1793

Minute thereon

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell be directed to report whether the Settlement made by him with the Tinnivelly Polygars for the current Fasly year be conformable to the Rate of the three former years / Chuckrums 84232-7 /

or

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or for any other sum differing from the stipulated annual Pischcush Vizt 4 Chuckrums 10,3409-5, for which, according to the late Treaty with the Nabob, his Highness is to have credit on that account

Read the following Letter from Major Younge

To William Collin Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 27th Ultimo

Major Younge with Information relating to the mint established at Arcot

I have the honor to communicate to you, for the information of the Honble President in Council, the result of my enquiries, relative to the Mint at Arcot, for the coinage of Pondichonny Rupees.

The Mint has been established from the beginning of January last, in a house, formerly the residence of Rajah Berbul, by order of his Highness the Nabob. — Soffer ally Cawn, Derohgah, is superintendent of

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of the same. — Coopiah, Brahmin, and
Ridderow, his Son, has the shroffing, and
charge of the Coinage. — Mufsedie &
Comeroo, Brahmin keeps the account of
the quantity of Rupees Coined. — &
Yakamberam, a Silversmith of
arcot, made the Dies, and there are
twenty persons besides, employed as
Coiners. A small Guard of the nabobs
Sepoys is over the mint. —

Forty thousand Rupees, has
been coined on account of the Nabob,
and the Silver given by the Merchants
and others, amounts to Twenty five
thousand Rupees more. When Silver
is sent by the Merchants, and other
persons to be coined into Rupees, a
deduction of Nine and half Rupees,
is made by the Amildar for every
thousand Rupees, Coined, and of
Seventeen and half Rupees, by those
belonging

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belonging to the Mint. Fourteen days past, no Coinage has taken place. I am further informed, there is a mint for Copper established at Wallawjanagur.

I have the honor to inclose, one Rupee and half Rupee coined at Arcot

I am,
&c. &c. &c.

Signed / Wm: Young e
Major Commanding

Cavalry Cantonment
Near Arcot
March 4th 1793

Ordered to lie on the Table, until the nabob's answer to the Letter written to his Highness on the 26th Ultimo - be received. -

order thereon

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Sandys, Superintendent of the Company's Elephants. -

To

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

From Lieutenant Sandys — enclosing another Receipt from the Nizam's agent for the purchase of five Elephants

I have the honor to enclose you a Receipt from the Nizams agent amounting to arcot Rupees Eight thousand one Hundred / Ar.t 8100 / being for the purchase of five Elephants, and to be forwarded to Sir John Kennaway as the agreement between him and the Nizam's Ministor. ——

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I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c

(signed) W Sandys
Lt Agnt

minute thereon

Agreed that the acknowledgment from the Nizam's agent for the sum of arcot Rupees eight thousand one hundred / 8100 / be transmitted to Sir John Kennaway; and that the accountant General be informed thereof. Read

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Read the following letter from
Mr. George Hoar, late Paymaster to the
army

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley &c.
Governor in Council

From Mr Geo: Hoar
requesting of this Institution
to remain in the
Country, until
his accounts are
finally adjusted

When I made application
to you under date 1st Instant for per-
mission to proceed to England on
the Rose Indiaman, now under
dispatch, I had flattered myself with
the hope, that I should have been
able to effect such an adjustment
of my public accounts previous to the
sailing of that Ship, as would have
proved equally satisfactory to Government,
and to my own Feelings, but, in this
expectation, I am disappointed, and,
tho your honor in Council has been
pleased to acquiesce in my request,
under certain specified conditions, for
which I beg leave to offer my best
acknowledgments,

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acknowledgment, I am unable it
is a justice I owe myself, as well as
my employers, not to leave this country,
'till I have completely settled the
accounts of my late extensive and impor-
tant trust, the Voluminous details
of which necessarily requires a longer
period to bring them to a close, than
I had reason to apprehend when I expressed
a wish to avail myself of the present
opportunity of returning to Europe. —

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

(Signed) Geo: Hoare

Madras
2d March 1793

The President lays before the Board Copy
of a note from Tippoo's Vackeels to Captain
Doveton, accompanied by a copy of the 8th article
of the Treaty of Seringapatam. —

Translation

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Translation of a Note from Seid Golam ali Ilhaun and ali Reza to Captain Doveton

Note from Tippoo's Vakeels to Captain Doveton - relative to the Duration of the 8th article of the Treaty, in regard to the Counterpart Copies thereof to be delivered by the Nizam and Peshwah. *

You write that the Treaty is with the Seal and Signature of the Nawab Asoff Jah Bahadre has arrived from Hyderabad, and is in the possession of the Governor - that we should acquaint the Purport of this circumstance, and, having sent for and delivered back the Treaty bearing the Seal and Signature of the Nabob Azeem-ul-Omrah Bahadre, we would receive, in return, the present Treaty executed by His Highness the Nizam - our friend. - a Copy of the 8th article of the Treaty is transcribed and sent - from the perusal of which it will be understood whether the present Treaty which has arrived, bearing the Seal and Signature of the Nabob Asoff Jah Bahadre, is to be received, and the Treaty with the Seal and Signature of Azeem-ul-Omrah Bahadre to be given back - or what,

according

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acknowledgments, I am sensible it is a justice I owe myself, as well as my employers, not to leave this country, 'till I have completely settled the different accounts of my late extensive and important trust, the voluminous detail of which necessarily requires a longer period to bring them to a close, than I had reason to apprehend when I expressed a wish to avail myself of the present opportunity of returning to Europe. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Geo: Hoare

Madras
2d March 1793

The President lays before the Board Copy of a note from Tippoo's Vackeel to Captain Doveton, accompanied by a copy of the 8th article of the Treaty of Seringapatam. —

Translation

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Translation of a note from Seid Golam ali Khan and ali Riza to Captain Doveton

Note from Tippoo's Vakeels to Captain Doveton - relative to the Exchange of the 8th article of the Treaty, in regard to the Counterparts Copies thereof to be delivered by the Nizam and Peshwah. *

You write that the Treaty with the Seal and Signature of the Nawab Asoff Jah Bahadre has arrived from Hyderabad, and is in the possession of the Governor - that we should acquaint the Prince of this circumstance, and, having sent for and delivered back the Treaty bearing the Seal and Signature of the Nabob Azeem-ul-Omrah Bahadre, we would receive, in return, the present Treaty executed by His Highness the Nizam - Our friend. - a Copy of the 8th article of the Treaty is transcribed and sent - from the perusal of which it will be understood whether the present Treaty which has arrived, bearing the Seal and Signature of the Nabob Asoff Jah Bahadre, is to be received, and the Treaty with the Seal and Signature of Azeem-ul-Omrah Bahadre to be given back, - or what, according

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according to that article, it is necessary to act

We understand also the contents of the Translation of the Letter from Sir Charles Ware Malet at Poonah addressed to his Excellency Lord Cornwallis — with respect to the Treaty from the Pushwah Bahadre, we make the same answer viz: That what is expressed in the Eighth article of the Treaty should be performed

What can we say more?

a true Translation

/signed/ G. Dowdeswell

Translation

Copy of the 8th article of the Treaty —

Whenever three Copies of this Treaty, consisting of Eight articles, bearing the Seal and Signature of Tippoo Sultan, accompanied by three Schedules under the Seal and signatures of the said

Tippoo

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Tippoo Sultan specifying the Districts ce-
ded to the three Sirkars, shall be deli-
vered, viz.t one Copy with the Schedule
to the English Company, one with the
Schedule to the Nabob Asoph Jah Bahadre,
and one with the Schedule to Row Pundit
Purdhan Bahadre, three Counterparts
of the Treaty and Schedules shall, in the
like manner, be delivered to Tippoo
Sultan from the allies. - that is to say,
(one Counterpart with the Schedule) from
the said English Company with the Seal
and Signature of the Right Honorable
Charles Earl Cornwallis Bahadre Ge-
vernor General, (one with the Schedule)
from the Nabob Asoph Jah Bahadre
bearing the Seal and Signature of the
said Nabob and of the Nabob Azim-ul-
omrah Bahadre, - and (one with the
Schedule) from Row Pundit Purdhan
Bahadre bearing the Seal and Signature

of

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of the said Row and of Hurry Ram Pundit
Tatiah Bahadre. –

a true Translation

(signed) G Doveton

Minutes thereon

On Comparing the above article with the Persian copy of the Treaty received from the Governor General, the Board observe a Material difference Viz.t that in the latter the Seal of the Peishwa and the Signature of Hurry Punt are only expressed – agreed that this Circumstance be Communicated by Captain Doveton to the Vackeel, and that he be directed to furnish them with a persian Copy of the article as it stands in the Treaty lodged with the Government.

Agreed that Copies of the foregoing papers, with the observations of the 8th Board, be transmitted to Bengal, and to the Residents at Poona and Hyderabad

Read the following letter from his Highness the Nabob (entered also in C.C. No 52.)

Translation

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Translation of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob
Wallajah Bahauder To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor of Madras.

Dated 17th Rajeb 1207 Hegery
or
1st March 1793

Received 4th Do —

From the Nabob — advising of his payment of the Kistpaul on the 1st Instant.

By the blessing of God the Kist of one Lack and fifty thousand of Pagodas Star, is payable on the 1st March, how this day been fully received by the Company, and Mr Secretary Clarke has furnished me with the Receipt for the same. —

I write this for your Information

What can I say more?

A true Translation
(Signed) David Haliburton
Persian Translator

minute thereon

The Board are extremely well pleased to notice the punctuality which his Highness continues to observe in the payment of his Monthly Kists. —

Read

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Read the following letter from
Mr Michael Topping with Enclosures &
Entered in M.B. Nos 35.36.)

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

Honble Sir,

From Mr Michael Topping advising of his Covered way Gun Carriage being left behind notwithstanding the orders for its being received on board the Rose

I am under the necessity of acquainting the Honble Board that, notwithstanding the orders of Government to Captain Dempster for his receiving on board the Rose the Covered way Gun-Carriage, it has been twice sent back from the Ships, and is finally left behind at this Place.

The last time it was sent off, was at the desire of Captain Dempster himself, with a promise that he, being on board himself, would give immediate directions for its being received and properly secured.—

But

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— But I enclose the original letters I received on both occasions, from Captain Dempster and the officer commanding in his absence. —

Sam

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Minute thereon

Ordered /Signed/ Mich.l Topping

Agreed that the above be mentioned to the Honble Court of Directors by the next Dispatch

Read the following letter from Mssrs Porcher, Redhead and Co

From Mssrs Porcher, Redhead & Co offering Security for the Sum payable by Kistna Row, in behalf of the late Master Mr Samuel Johnston

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
President & Governor &c. in Council
Fort St George

Honble Sir,

At the particular Request of Kistna Row, and in order to relieve him from the Situation into which he has thrown himself by becoming Security to the Honble Company for Samuel Johnson Esquire, late Paymaster

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of Trichinopoly, in the Sum of Star Pagodas
Nineteen thousand five hundred and
Sixteen, thirty fanams, and Sixteen Cash,
we take the liberty to tender our Bond
endorsed, payable in Six Months from this
Date, on the Conditions
provided you are pleased to accept thereof,
We Request that the Paper given by Hastna
Row making himself answerable for the
above Sum, may be restored to us with
a Discharge, and we trust you will
deem it reasonable to engage, in the Event
of any part of the above Sum of Pagodas
Nineteen thousand five hundred
and Sixteen, thirty fanams and Sixteen
Cash - being paid by or allowed in
account with Mr Johnson previous
to the expiration of the Six Months, or at
any Time after, that in such Case any
Sum so paid may be deducted from
the amount of our Bond if not discharged,
and, if discharged, that the same shall

be

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be repaid to us for account of Hiatna Row. —

We are with great Respect

&c &c

Fort St George

28th February 1793

(Signed) Porcher Redhead & Co

The Board accept the Security

Bond tendered by Messrs Porcher, Redhead

& Co. under the conditions therein recited. —

Agreed that the promissory

Note given by Kiana Row, making himself

answerable for the sum due by Mr Samuel

Johnston to the Company, be returned

to Messrs Porcher Redhead & Co, and that

he / Kiana Row / be permitted to leave

Tranquebar, if he think proper to do so. —

minute in consequence. —

Read the following Letter from

Sir John Hennaway. —

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council

Fort St George.

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to inclose

two letters from Azeem-ul-omrah to Tippoo

Sultaun

Letter from Resident at Hyderabad Enclosing two letters for Tippoo Sultaun — with English and Persian Translations

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Sultaun, with Copies and English
Translates for your information and
that of Tippoo's Vakeels, who I beg leave to
request may be desired to forward and
obtain speedy answer to them. —

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(signed) John Hunnaway

Hydrabad
21st February 1793

Translate of Copy of a letter from Azeemul
Omrah to Tippoo Sultaun

From the Nizam to Tippoo relative to the Protection given by the Talookdar of Goote to Kishnuppa Nair, Zemindar. —

I was some time ago informed
by a letter from mulie Esau Khan
that Kishnuppa Nair adopting the
practice of wicked disturbers of Peace
had employed himself in laying
waste and in stealing the Cattle and
effects of the Ryots in the Talook of Tummy,
otherwise called Sumunder Gur, and, in
consequence of this, orders were issued
by the Nizam to the said Khan to proceed

(and

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and punish him: accordingly, having obtained notice of his abode, that Chief marched against him with his forces, and, falling upon the miscreant, killed and took many of his followers, and obliged him to fly in distress to the Hills near Goote, where he concealed himself: having sent a party in pursuit of him, the effects, Horses and Cattle, belonging to his Highness's Talooks, were recovered from the miscreant's followers, but the Zemindar himself escaped singly. The above party, on their way back to their own District, having been induced to separate from each other by the idea they firmly entertained of the Nizam's Talook and that of Goote being one and the same, the people belonging to the villages of the latter molested and seized the recovered property from them, in consequence of which Mutie Eswar sent repeated representations to the Talookdars of Goote on the subject, and obtained an order from them for the restoration of the whole, which, however,

proving

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proving of no use, nothing was returned
- Besides the above, the said Zumindar, after
having set himself down under protection
of your Talooks, again assembled a force
and proceeded to, and encamped at the village
of Murgaw Dumunde, on the farther side
of the Tank of aneuttpoor, on hearing
of which Mudie Esqr set out with his
Troops to punish him; but, on coming
to the above place, observing that the Tank
prevented all means of attack on three
sides, and that the only way of getting
at him would necessarily lead thro' the
Town of Murgaw-Dumunde, which
fearing might be plundered by his
Troops in passing thro' it, he thought it
proper in consequence of the Nizam's injunc-
tions to forbear from molesting your
Talooks, to shorten his reins of victory, &
and to return to his own District. - as it
is inserted in the Treaty that no protection
should be given to Zumindars, disturbers

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of Peace, on either side, doubtless that,
afforded to the above person, by the Talookdar
of Goote, is without your knowledge: "
Send such orders to Hiem and other places
on your frontier as shall prevent in future
any disturbers of peace belonging to the "
Nizam's Talooks from being allowed to
remain in yours, or to cause any "
disturbance in those of the Nizam. many
evil minded Zemindars of your Talooks,
with offers of sums of money to the "
Nizam's Talookdars, request protection, but,
the Nizam's orders to do nothing contrary to
Treaty being very strict, the Talookdars
cannot possibly attempt to disobey them.
friendship and good understanding
is in no degree neglected, and will not
be so, on the part of the Nizam, it is necessary
that you also should be careful in enjoining
the observance of the same on your part
in a matter of this nature. - considering
what

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what I have written too evident to require explanation or further argument, it is unnecessary to urge more on the subject: undoubtedly a proper arrangement will be made in this business on your part, and the sooner it is effected the more will disorder & disturbance be prevented. —

True Translate

(Signed) Wm Stewart

Assistant

Translate of Copy of a letter from Azeem ul Omrah to Tippoo Sultaun

From the Nizam to Tippoo - concerning a demand made by the Talookdar of Goote, of the Village Nuddim Dooby - requests the matter may be adjusted by means of amicable or such part. —

At this time I have been informed, by a letter from the Talookdars of Gooty dum and the village of Nuddim Dooby as appertaining to the your Talooks, and that the Zemindars of Sungum-malla represent that the said village belongs to those of the Nizam: I have likewise been informed, by a letter from

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from his Lordship, that you have written
to him concerning this village. — as with
a view to the adjustment of matters of
this Kind, it was inserted in the Papers a
containing the decision of Country at the
time of settling the Treaty; that the Village
of each Talook should be given up or a
ascertained after an investigation on the
spot, I therefore request that you will appoint
some person on your part to ascertain
to which side Neddim Doody belongs, and
a person on that of the Nizam will also
be sent hereafter to Jungum Nulla,
so that both persons may investigate
the matter fully and equitably on the
spot, and make their report to their
respective masters, after which, agreeably
to what may be clearly ascertained, the
delivery or retention will take place on
both sides. It is certain that no delay will
be made by either party in agreeing in a
matter

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matter of equity. - Six copies some of
person for this business, and impress me
thereof, that the person who has been
nominated here may also be immediately
dispatched.

True Translate

(Signed) Wm Stuart

Assistant

order thereon

ordered that the letters from the
Azeem ul omrah to Tippoo, with copies and
English Translation, be sent to Captain
Doveton to be delivered to the Vakeels

Read the following letter from
Mr. Cherry

To W. E. Jackson Esq.
Secretary at
Fort St George.

Sir,

From Persian Translator at Bengal inclosing a letter from Lord C. Cornwallis to Tippoo Sultaun - with Translations. -

I have the pleasure to transmit
a Letter from the Governor General addressed
to Tippoo Sultaun, accompanied by one
from

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from myself to the Vakeels by order of Lord
Cornwallis containing a Copy of the Letter to
Tippoo Sultaun, of which a Copy in English
and Persian is herewith sent, for the Infor-
mation of the Honble the President in Council

Calcutta
18th February
1793

I have &c
(Signd) G. F. Cherry
Sec. to Govt

To Tippoo Sultaun

Written 18th February 1793.

From Lord Cornwallis to Tippoo Sultaun — in reply to the Letter relating to the French claims in the Vicinity of Mahe — and the Talooks said to be still detained by the Peshwa and Nizam — former Suggestions for settling the Boundaries repeated — Surprize at the Request regarding the Troops stationed in Sunda — Cheriar by the Government at Goa — Nizam — written to the Nizam concerning the Honourable Restoration of Bercher from Seringapatam to Tellicherry, noticed — also the Conduct of the Nairs towards the Polygar

I have received your Letter Explain-
ing the Subject of the French claims in the
Vicinity of Mahé, on which I wrote to you;
I have accordingly notified to the Chief of that
Nation at Mahe the Reply which you have
made to my application, and have desired the
Government of Bombay not to Molest the three
Villages which you have named in your Letter.
On the Subject of the Talooks of
which you represent to be still detained by the
Peshwa

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Pishwa and by the Nizam, I am compelled to observe that the accounts which I receive from those Powers on the Situation of Talooks, many of which they state to be still in the possession of your officers, notwithstanding that they are particularly exempted in the Schedule to the Treaty of Seringapatam as ceded to them, differ so widely from the Representations which I receive from you, that I cannot pretend to form any decision on the Subject. It is my earnest wish, as I am confident it is the desire of the Pishwa, the Nizam and yourself, that these Boundary arrangements should be settled in an amicable Manner, and as it can answer no useful purpose to continue a Correspondence, replete with unpleasant alterations, on Subjects which, in many Instances, owe their rise to the litigious disposition of Amils and subordinate officers on both sides, and which, until the Boundaries are finally settled, must occur, I recommend, as the most likely mode by which these unaccountable

Talooks

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Talooks can be decided on, that in your corres-
pondence with either of those Powers on such
subjects, you adopt the measures, which I have
suggested in my former Letters to you relative
to the Boundaries at Canouripoor, of deputing
intelligent and experienced persons to the
Spot, who will make the necessary investigations,
and will conform to the articles of the Treaty
of Seringapatam, expressly invented to answer
the End of deciding the Claims of the respective
Powers to the Talooks on the Boundaries. —

I am surprized at the request
contained in your Letter, relative to the
Garrison Stationed in the Fort of Sudasseagher
on the part of the People of Goa — you are doubtless
well informed that the English Government
have no authority over the Government of
Goa, which is a Settlement belonging to
the Portuguese, and the Fort of Sudasseagher
was not taken by either of the Powers in alliance
It is therefore a subject in which I cannot
interfere, and I can only observe that your
application

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application for the particulars of this —
Transaction should be made to the —
Government of Goa, on whose part you
state that the Garrison is placed in that
Fort. —

With respect to the Subject contained
in your letter relative to the Peshwah from
Hurnoul, I have already communicated
my Sentiments to Sir John Kennaway,
for the Nizam's Information, and I have
no doubt that this matter will be adjusted
in a manner that shall be consistent
with the Justice due to all parties, and
conformably to the friendly System existing
between each other. —

I trust that Golaum ally Khan
and ally Reza have transmitted to you
the Copy of a letter which I directed should
be written to them, stating the Intelligence
which I have received of Prisoners still
detained within your Dominions contrary
to the Treaty, which stipulates that they shall
be

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be released - I have not yet recived any
Reply to it, but I should consider myself
deficient on my part, if I did not inform
you of such accounts as I have recived
of Prisoners still detained, and of some that
are even at Seringapatam - a Person named
Beechin was taken Prisoner on the Sea Coast,
and was sent to Bednore near three years
ago, and from thence to Seringapatam, from
whence he made his Escape in November
last, and arrived at Tellicherry, where he
informed General Abercrombie that there
are still several Englishmen and some
Women as well as Native Tradesmen, who were
taken Prisoners with General Mathews. I will
not trouble you with the Enumeration of
the names of those People who have made
their Escape, after the repeated assurances
which were made to me on your Part that there was
no Persons detained within your Dominions, but
their Escape tends to confirm the apprehension
in my mind that this article of the Treaty

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of Seringapatam has not been executed. —
I request that you will give immediate orders
on this Subject, that the Doubts which, from
these circumstances, must arise in the
Minds of the Peshwa, the Nizam and the
my own, of your Intentions towards the
Treaty, in this respect, may be removed —

The Conduct of the commanding
of Annacourchy, who has, as he represents,
by your orders, taken possession of Villages
belonging for 50 years and upwards to the
Poligar of Veripatchie, a Subject of the
Company, has been communicated to you,
and has been made known to your Vakeel
at Madras. It is not possible that his
conduct, in this respect, can have been
in consequence of your orders, for while
Friendship subsisted between us, how can
such hostile measures be adopted in
pursuance to the orders of either Government,
I have that confidence in your friendly
Disposition as to hope that you will apply

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The necessary remedy to this Evil, so that the property in the Villages in Dispute may be ascertained by amicable Intercourse:- while I am confident that the declaration of the Council of a evacuation by us void of it does to me, that this is an Instance where the disinclined Temper of the Council to adjust matters in an amicable manner, as they occur, is so evident, as to strengthen my recommendation that Gumeens be deputed to inquire into the respective claims of each party in disputed Places, and I must regret that my Letters on this subject, which is for the mutual good of both parties, have not yet been answered. -

A true Copy

(Signed) G: T Cherry
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Ordered thereon

Ordered that the Letter from the Governor General to Tippoo be delivered to the Vakeels, to be forwarded to their Master. -

Read

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Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council.

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite - inclosing a general return of the army - and reporting his progress in reviewing the Troops - remarks relative to Kistnagherry and Ricottah as places for a Dépôt - recommends that Guns and Stores be sent to the latter place, and its works repaired. —

I have the honor to inclose to you a general return of the army under this Presidency for the month of January last, and to inform you that, in my route, I have reviewed his Majesty's and the Honble Company's Troops in their several stations at Pondamalé, Wallajanbad, arnee - Conatore, arcot, Velore, ambour, Kistnagerry, and this place, and it is with great satisfaction I can report the whole to be in excellent order.

I have examined with much attention the ground close to the hill of Kistnagerry on all sides, and am of opinion there is no ground below which could, at any justifiable Expence, be endowed with any work to render it as tenable as it ought to be for a place of dépôt: by what I have seen of this place,

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place, I think it more practicable to fortify
here there is an elevated spot which is on
fact the Case of the hill on the South side,
which might be rendered very tenable,
and it is the only spot which I think
could, it includes good water sufficiently
above the general level to give it a
Command, and not so much as
as to be inconvenient even for a depôt,
but the Construction of such works &
as would securely include it and
attach it to the hill Fort, would be
attended with a very heavy expence,
so heavy, in my opinion, that I am
inclined to drop all thoughts of
Ryacotah also, as a place of depôts;
and I still adhere to the opinion
that, if it is thought necessary (and
which I would recommend) to
Establish a Capital for these ceded &
Countries, =

= and

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=and to make it a place
of depôt, which appears to me almost
indispensibly necessary as our
Frontier is now so far removed from
our resources that a first campaign
will be lost solely in making
preparation for the next, that
a Compleat Fort, adapted to the
purpose, should be built at
Cavaripatam — but I shall revisit
that place in a few days, after
visiting Chinaroydroog and Nara-
:Cudurdroog, in my way to Pinagra
SanKeridurgum &c., and shall
have the honor to address you
again on this subject, when my
tour is over: in the mean time I recommend
that the works on this hill be put in
a better state than they are, and that
some guns and stores be sent to it without
delay — I would recommend, in particular, as

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a 12 and a 9 Pr on depressing Carriages;
and two three Pounders Eight feet Shaves
and two Howitzers nearly similar to this
to his Excellency Earl Cornwallis, and
I have the honor to be, with great
respect
&c &c &c

Ryacotah (Signd) John Brathwaite
March 1st 1793.

minute thereon

agreed that orders be sent to the Military
Board, in conformity to the recommendation of Colonel
Brathwaite, regarding the works at Ryacottah, and
the Guns and Stores necessary to be sent thither

vide Cons: the 22d January

The President informs the Board
that the Elephant lately presented to him by Tippoo's
Vackeels on the part of their Master, has been sold,
on the Company's account, to Gyangoor Soobaroo,
for the sum of fifteen hundred Rupees, who
has given a promissory Note for the amount,
payable on the 30th instant; and that the Horse
presented at the same time, has been dropped into
the Governor's Body Guard. —

Ordered.

information of the President relative to the sale of the Elephant and the disposal of the Horse presented to him by Tippoo. —

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orders in consequence. –

Ordered that the note be sent to the Clerk of Treasury. –

Ordered that the Expence of feeding the Elephant and Horse, amounting to Pagodas 37.8-66, be paid by the Civil Paymaster. –

Chas Oakeley

E. Hallifax

George Parry Esqr

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Sent the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43.—

From Lieutenant Barrack master Dyce.—

From Barrack Master in the Southern Division—requesting permission to provide Cotts for the 71st Regiment at Secunder-Mally and that his charges for the Troops at Negapatam may be paid monthly.—

From Resident at Cuddalore—advising of the Death of Mr. Surgeon Rolls.—

From Resident at Cuddalore.—

From Colonel Floyd—requesting leave to visit the Presidency.—

From Colonel Floyd.—

From Paymaster at Madura—on the subject of the arrears of pay due to the Troops in that Garrison, and of his own advances for the Company.—

From Paymaster at Madura.

From Military Paymaster General presenting an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster at Ellore for march.—

From Military Paymaster General.—

From Ditto—with Ditto Ditto for the Paymaster at Walajabad for march.—

From Ditto

From Deputy adjutant General requesting leave of absence to Bengal for Lieutenant Fireworker Russell.—

From Deputy adjutant General.—

Wrote

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Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Tanjore.

Wrote letter (entered in C.C. N.o 53) requesting he will permit Lieutenant Brown and the Sepoys under his Command to pass thro' his Country to Anjengo.—

Sent the following Letters.—

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

My Lord,

To Bengal with copy of the Proclamation declaring the Succession Presumptive this to the Raja of Tanjore, and of the President's letter to the Rajah.—

We have had the honor to receive your Lordship's letter dated the 11th ultimo, and, in consequence, have sent to the officer Commanding at Tanjore a Proclamation to be published on the occasion of declaring Serfogee Presumptive Heir to the Raja, of which we enclose a copy for your Lordship's information, with copy of our President's Letter to the Rajah.—

We shall consult with the Reverend Mr. Swartz, who is now at the Presidency, in regard to the best mode of proceeding for the purpose of ascertaining whether the opinions of any of the Tanjore Pundits were obtained by undue means.—

We have the honor to be
Signed &c.
Chas Oakeley
for Council

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To The Right Honble Earl Cornwallis K.G.
Governor General in Council
at Fort William

My Lord,

To Bengal giving marks of the Court's desire to afford every possible information to the Nabob, regarding his Revenue accounts — reference respecting the Peishcush — Execution of the Treaty of Seringapatam

1 We have been honored by the Receipt of your Lordships Letter dated the 12th instant. —

2 We long since informed his Highness the Nabob, that we had given directions to our Board of Revenue, to permit his Highness's Servants to take copies of all the papers he had required; and, with a view to accommodate the people whom he might send, — apartments were hired for their use, but his Highness has not to this time sent a single person to the Revenue office — we beg leave to assure your Lordship that we are, upon every account, desirous of affording the minutest information in our power regarding the Collections of the Revenue of the Carnatic during the Assumption. —

3 Having received from Sir Charles Malet an Extract of his Letter to your Lordship under date the 8th ultimo, on the subject of the Execution of the late Treaty on the part of

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of the Peishewa, we directed Captain Doveton to communicate the same to Tippoo's Vackeels, from whom, in answer, he received a note accompanied by a copy of what they stated to be the 8th article of the Treaty, and from which it would appear that both the Seal and Signature of the Peishewa, as well as of Hurry Punt Tatia were necessary. But, on comparing this part of the 8th Article with the Persian Copy of the Treaty received from your Lordship, we observed a material difference viz. that in the latter the Seal of the Peishewa and the Signature of Hurry Punt were only expressed. We have desired Captain Doveton to inform the Vackeels of this circumstance, furnishing them with a Persian Copy, as it stands in the Treaty lodged with us. We enclose translations, with Persian copies, of the note and article delivered to Captain Doveton by the Vackeels.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley

&c. Council

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To Sir Charles Warre Malet Bart.

Resident at Poona

Sir,

To the Resident at Poona on the same subject

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 8th. ultimo, and to inform you that a copy of the extract of your letter to Lord Cornwallis in regard to the execution of the late Treaty on the part of the Peishwa, having been delivered by Captain Doveton to Tippoo's Vackeels, he received a note from them, accompanied by a copy of what they stated to be the 8th. Article of the Treaty, and from which it would appear that the Seal and Signature of the Peishwa, as well as of Hurry Punt Tattia were necessary.— part of the 8th. Article with the Persian Copy of the Treaty received from Lord Cornwallis a material difference was found — Viz.t that in the latter the Seal of the Peishwa, and the Signature of Hurry Punt were only expressed — Captain Doveton has, in consequence, been directed to inform the Vackeels of this circumstance, and to furnish them with a Persian Copy, as it stands

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Extract of a Letter from the Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George to the Secretary to the Board of Controul, dated 6th March 1793.

Extract stands in the Treaty received from the Governor General.—

Copies, with translations, of the note and article delivered by the Vackeels to Captain Doveton are enclosed for your information.—

Fort St. George
6th March 1793.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) W. B. Jackson
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To Sir John Kennaway Bart
Resident at Hydrabad

Sir,

To Ditto at Hydrabad on the same subject—and enclosing Extract from the Bengal Report for the purchase of Elephants.

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acquaint you that upon receiving the Treaty executed by their Highnesses the Nizam—Captain Doveton was ordered to inform Tippoo's Vackeels that it would be delivered to them, so soon as they should have procured and returned that executed by Syeed ul Ameerah Bahaudur.—

In answer to this intimation the Vackeels sent a note, accompanied by a Copy of the 8th Article of the Treaty, to Captain Doveton, by which it would appear that they wish

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wish to be furnished with the Treaty bearing the Seal and Signature of his Highness the Nizam, and of Azeem ul Omrah Bahauder.—

Copies, with Translations, of the note and article delivered by the Vackeel to Captain Doveton are enclosed for your information.—

Herewith you will receive an acknowledgment, for the Nizam's agent, delivered to Lieutenant Sandys, Superintendant of the Company's Elephants for Arcot Rupees Eight thousand one hundred (8100) agreeably to a form settled between you and his Highness's Minister.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. B. Jackson
Secy

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Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mr B No. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72.—

To Accountant General

To Accountant General.—

advising of another acknowledgement being given by the Nizam's agent for the purchase of

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of five Elephants and —

To agent for Elephants. — To Lieutenant Sandys — advising of his being forwarded to the Resident at Hydrabad. —

To Lieutenant Barrack master wilby. — To Barrack master at the Presidency — directing him to supply the Barrack Articles from the 1st of April. —

To military auditor General and Civil Paymaster To military Auditor General and Civil Paymaster, advising thereof. —

To Lieutenant Brown of the Bombay Establishment. To Lieutenant Brown with Instructions for proceeding to Bombay — via Angengo, with the Depoys under his Command. —

To Ditto To Ditto — with a letter for the Rajah of Travancore — Orders. —

To Garrison Storekeeper. — To Garrison Storekeeper — Orders have been given for receiving the Sarrams at the Treasury — in future, Pagodas to be required in payment for Rice issued to the Troops. —

To military Board. — To Military Board with orders for Repairs, and building an additional Medicine Godown at Vellore. —

To Ditto To Ditto — directing the issue of some Drums for the Nizam, and Gunpowder

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7th Gunpowder for the Ships Aurora.—

To Military Paymaster General

To Military Paymaster General enclosing an apology from Captain Douglas for the offensive Stile of his letter of the 4th 8th December.—

To the Military and Sepoy Paymaster at Fort St. George directing the full Amount of the Sepoy abstracts to be issued in order that the Rice supplied them may be accounted for in Pagodas instead of Fanams.—

To Commandant of the 1st Regiment of Cavalry directing the immediate payment to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, of the Amount of Rice issued to his Regiment at Coonamallee.—

To Major Murray

To Ditto 5th Regiment of Cavalry the Balance of Cash in his hand to be paid to the Paymaster at Cuddalore Repairs to the Quarters built by them, will be made when required in place of any allowance for that purpose.—

To Major Orr.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General noteifying the former part of the preceding order.—

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To Chief Engineer.—

To Chief Engineer—repeating a former Order for arranging, and depositing in the Consultation Room Copies of all maps and Plans belonging to the Company.—

To Ditto.

To Ditto—directing him to Survey and Estimate the Repairs of the Barracks and Stabling of the Body Guard.—

To Messrs. Porcher Redhead & Co.

To Messrs. Porcher Redhead and Co. their Security for Kistna now accepted and the promissary note formerly given by them returned.—

To Collectors in the Western Division of Tanjore.—

To Mr. Ram directing him to report the proper time for taking possession of the Villages of Puttucond and Saringapet—his suggestions for restraining the Collectors—approved.—

To Reverend Mr. Swartz.—

To the Reverend Mr. Swartz with Copy of a Letter from Bengal, Relative to the Tanjore Succession—and desiring his opinion as to the best mode of ascertaining whether the Declarations of the Tanjore Pundits were obtained by undue means.—

To Commandant at Tanjore.—

To Commandant at Tanjore—enclosing a Proclamation to be read at the head of the Troops in Garrison.—

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To Ditto at Trichinopoly

To Ditto and at Trichinopoly and Resident at Nagore.—

—and Tanjore, and Resident at Nagore—

—annulling the former Orders for apprehending Kistna Row, the late Dubash of Mr. Samuel Johnston.—

To Commandant at Tripassore permitting him to visit the Presidency.

To Commandant at Tripassore.

To Resident at Ganjam.—

To Resident at Ganjam—approving the proceedings reported in his letter of the 22d ultimo.—

To Colonel Floyd—permitting him to visit the Presidency.—

To Colonel Floyd.—

To Military Auditor General referring for his Examination Two Additional Estimates of Cash, required by the Paymasters at Illore and Walajabad for March and Arrears previous to the 28th February.—

To Military Auditor General

To Military Board—with Orders for Estimating the Repairs of the Works at Ricotah, and for supplying it with Ordnance and Stores a letter from Mr. A Brodie—regarding Revenue Cloathing—referred.—

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To Colonel Brathwaite

7th. To Officer Commanding the Army notifying the preceding orders of Lieutenant Parkinson's Party of Invalids at Dendigul to be considered as stationed for Revenue Duty.-

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell desiring Information relative to the Amount of this Settlement with the Zemindar of Polygars for the Current Fasly.-

8th. Received the following Letter.-

The Honourable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council of

Fort St. George

Honourable Sir and Sirs

From Pulicat - shall certainly exert every means to prevent the Traffic in Slaves.-

I favoured with your Honours Letter of the 26th. Instant, we cannot indeed express sufficiently our Indignation and Aversion with regard to so horrible an Event as the Exportation of 180 Natives from Vizagapatam, as Slaves, on a French Brigantine, bound to the French Islands; which however, according to the Declaration that came inclosed, was surprized and taken at Sea by the Malays, who killed all those that were on Board of her, and did not escape

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escape out of their Hands.-

To shew, how much the P
Exportation of unhappy Creatures merits
our Disgrace, we shall renew, in the strongest
manner, our Orders to our Northern Factories
to oppose such inhuman Practice not only
in our Subjects, but also with all possible
Diligence in Strangers, in case they should
think our Territory a safe place for it with
a Charge to deliver the unhappy Creatures out
of the Hands of those, who will not desist
but are refractory, either by good or forcible
means, and to send them to one of your Agents
there, for the Protection of their Liberty and
the Benefit of their Support.-

We feel the Propriety of
Your Honour's Resolution, that such
Kidnapping may be prevented, to check
it with exemplary Punishment; and,
in Case any of our Subjects transgress the
Orders instituted against it, they shall
be seized and delivered over to the Justice,
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of the Case.—

We have the Honor to be with
the profoundest Respect.—

Publicat
in Fort Geldria
the 14th February 1793.

&c &c
(Signed) Jacob Kilbracket
J. J. Weinekelmann
Jk Wm Bloeme
Jn Jr Hasz
J. L. Canterweischer

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary &c
Sir,

From Lieutenant Macleod enclosing Intelligence from Mysore.—

For the information of the Honorable the Governor, I transmit you the inclosed report made to me by Veerabad whom I sent into the Coimbatoor Country.—

I received your letter of the 13.th of February, and I shall, in future, attend to the directions contained in it, viz there being no necessity for incurring additional expenses in gaining intelligence from the Mysore Country in the manner suggested.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) William Macleod
Seleam

Seleam
4.th March 1793.

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From the Report of two Harcarahs who were dispached from Parnutty about the 15th ultimo, went to Coimbatoor by Carroor & Erroad Satimungulum - and left Coimbatoor on the 27th of last month, returning by Daraporam. -

The Rumour which prevailed in Carroor and Erroad respecting Orders having been issued for cutting Hedges burning straw, and poisoning wells appears to have been confined to those two Districts only - The Hedges in general Bordering upon the high road between Carroor and Erroad are cut down, and, as they have desisted from cutting any more, it seems the order must have been countermanded. -

The report of a Party of Horse coming into the Coimbatoor country, thro' the Pass of Goyelgutty, originated from only thirty Horse coming, about a month ago, from the Mysore country to attend upon the Dewaun of Coimbatoor, which are the only Horse Tippoo has below the Ghauts. -

The Forts of Carroor Satimungulum

Darapooram

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8th Dancanottah Coimbatoor, Darapooram and Erod are garrisoned by Two or three Hundred Peons each - No steps have been, since the Peace, taken to strengthen those Posts, altho' the three last mentioned Places are still without the Gates and otherwise destroyed. -

The Polygars of Veirapatchy and Delicottah, joined by Peons &c. who deserted Tippoo's Government, still continue to make nightly depredations in the Districts of Darapooram and Aruvallie. -

(Signed) William Macleod

Note - The foregoing is confirmed by a third Express.

(Signed) W. Macleod

Received also the undermentioned Letters Entered in Mr B. Nos. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. -

From Captain Dallas

From Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad - advising of his having sent the Twenty six Horses to Arcot - requests orders as to further purchases. -

From Captain Oliver at Pulney. -

From Captain Oliver - advising of the Receipt of Tippoo's Order for passing the Elephants to Palgautcherry. -

From

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From Mr. Reddick assistant Surgeon on Bengal Establishment

From Mr. K. Reddick requesting an advance of two months pay.—

From Colonel Floyd.—

From Colonel Floyd claiming the difference due for Gratuity, from the date of his commission, as Colonel.—

From Major Ross

From commandant of 5th Regiment of Cavalry—regarding the inadequate allowance for shoeing the each horse.—

From Chief Engineer

From Chief Engineer in reply to the letter already noted herein, regarding the Copies, and arrangement of the maps and Plans in his office.—

From Commandant at Trichinopoly

From commandant at Trichinopoly with a letter from Colonel Conyngham, presenting a Bill for Expences in removing the Sick of the 1st European Battalion from Secondermally no assistance of Doolies &c being furnished by the Paymaster Mr. Vaughan.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Ward & the Invalids

From Lieutenant Colonel Ward—requesting that his and his Son's Pay may be issued to them by the Paymaster at Nagore.—

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Sent letter to the Nabob entered in C. C. No. 54. acknowledging his punctuality in paying his Kists.—

Substance of letter to the Nabob

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Despatched the undermentioned

Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. &

86. 87. –

To Lieutenant Sandys. –

To Agent for Elephants. Those at Chinglepet may be disposed of as proposed – other Instructions regarding the Accommodation and Passage of the Mysoor Drivers &c. Testimony in his favor. –

To Secretary at Bengal. –

To Secretary at Bengal – with Copy of Lieutenant Sandys's letter and of the Auditor's Report on his Accounts – and advising of the Receipts of Tippoo's Order for passing the Elephants thro' his Country. –

To Ditto. –

To Ditto – with a Copy of the last Intelligence from Mysore. –

To Garrison Storekeeper. –

To Garrison Storekeeper – with orders for supplying Provisions for the Mysoor Drivers above mentioned. –

To Paymaster at Madura. –

To Paymaster at Madura. –

Ten thousand Pagodas will be advanced to him by the Collector Mr. Landon, and may draw for five thousand more on the Paymaster General. Instructions in case Mr. Macleod cannot or refuses supply him with Cash. –

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To Collector of Southern Pelicush

To Mr. Landon directing him to make the advance first mentioned and to comply with Mr. Vaughans occasional Indents for Cash.—

To Ditto in the western Division of Sanjore.—

To Mr. Ram and further Remittances to be made to Mr. Vaughan, in consequence of the above measures.—

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Substance of letter from the Nabob.—

Received letter from the Nabob Entered in L6 No. 55. advising of his appointment of Mr. Benny to take Copies of the detailed accounts of his Revenue.—

Received the following Intelligence.—

Selum 7th March 1793.

Extracts from the Report of Ranojie, at Harcarah, who left Cumeer ul Deen's Camp on the 8th of February at Cottoor, sixty Miles South Easterly, having returned by Seringapatam, left that Place on the 28th of February.—

Intelligence from Mysore.

The Fort of Cottoor, was during the late war taken from Tippoo by the Polygar of Harponelli who kept possession of it until about the 30th of January last, that Cumeer ul Deen appeared before it with a Garrison

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4th Garrison was one Thousand Horse and three Thousand Peons— The Polygar made his escape with the Horse upon the approach of Cumer ul Deen, leaving the Fort in charge of the Peons, who surrendered without much resistance, but with a loss of near one Thousand Killed. Cumer ul Deen's Devision consists of seven Cushoons, Twelve Guns and three Thousand Horse— It was reported in his Camp that he intended to march towards Dingoody to reduce some Polygars, who still are inimical to Tippoo's Government, in that quarter.

The Harcarah in returning met one Cushoon, one Gun and three Hundred Horse under Jetinga— which Party was to reinforce Cumer-ul-Deen, to make up for the Garrisons left in the Forts taken from Polygars.—

Cootoob-ul-Deen is at Kargour not far from the Borders of the Balarie country— His Detachment is said to consist of Five Cushoons nine Guns and Fifteen Hundred Horse— and Syd Saheb, with his party, of nearly the same strength at Cootoob-ul-Deen's is at Lempully in

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the Gurroomconda Country – Both these Divisions had been employed in reducing Polygars – But now it seems they have accomplished that service. –

The strength of a Cushoon #

may, at an average, be reckoned at Twelve #

Hundred Men, which will make the Infantry of the three Divisions, which Tippo has at present in the Field amount to Twenty one Thousand Men. –

There are two Thousand #

Recruits encamped upon the Island near Seringapatam, which are intended to complete the Corps in the Field – and at the same place there are Fifteen Hundred Horse which were lately purchased from Maratta Merchants #

Vesiés Corps, # about Eight Hundred Men of different Casts / among whom are only Forty Europeans /, is likewise encamped upon the Island. –

Tippo is at Seringapatam – He is raising the stone Glacis upon the North # Face – completing his alterations to the Mysore Gateway, and raising a large Cavalier upon the South Face of the Fort – for the erecting of which he caused one the Chief

formerly Called Pagoda

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Pagodas in the Fort to be levelled in September last — His Palace in the Fort being higher than the Fortification was exposed from the outside — This has induced them to cause the highest part of it to be unroofed and cut down to the level of the Rampart —

It is reported that Cumr ul Dun Syd Saheb, Cootoob ul Dun and the 4 principal Amildars in this country are ordered to Seringapatam — Some people conjecture it is to be present at the marriage of his natural Son, Futtah Hyder, and others imagine it is either to demand money from them or to give them some particular Orders —

Since the Peace it does not appear that any step has been taken to strengthen any of this Forts except Seringapatam —

(Signed) William Macleod,

Note — The Harcarah who brings the foregoing may I think be depended upon as to the truth of his report — He brought letters from Cumr ul Duns Camp and from Seringapatam from persons to their families

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9th in Selum — another Marcarah who was dispatched with was left sick near Bangalore

/Signed/ Wm. Macleod

11th Received also the undermentioned letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 88. 89. 90. & 91. 92. —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — regarding the old Paddy in Store at Trichinopoly — the Sale of which was lately stopped — and requesting to know if new Grain is to laid up at & Tanjore, the old Stock being sold off. —

From Deputy adjutant & General —

From Deputy adjutant & General requesting the Company of the 24th Battalion at Chingleput may be ordered to join that Corps on its march to Tanjore —

From major Murray —

From Commandant of 1st Regiment of Cavalry, shall pay to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, the Sum ordered — request in consequence. —

From Captain Bowser —

From Commandant of the 3rd Battalion — has commenced his march to & Hytar — requests to be repaid his Expences

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For conveying his Sick.—

From Ditto at Kytar.—

From Ditto — arrives at Kytar —
— sickly stated of his Corps — requests the Pagoda
in that Fort may be repaired and that an
allowance be made for quarters to the Officers.—

12th

Sent the undermentioned Letters
Entered in M. B. No. 93. 94.—

To Secretary at Bengal.

To Secretary at Bengal
forwarding a letter from the Nabob
to the Governor General.—

To ditto

To Ditto — advising of the
Dispatch of the Military and Political
Proceedings of Government from the 30th
March to 29th June 1792 on the
Ship Hercules — List of the Box
Packet to this address — enclosed.—

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor — President

Ernst William Falloofield Esqr.

Tuesday 12th March 1793.

Minutes of last Consultation read
and approved.—

Read

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Read the following Letter

from Bengal.—

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Bengal explanatory of their Intentions relative to the payment of the Peshcush due to the Nizam the Amount to be in future charged in the Estimate of Receipts and Disbursements, the Nizam's Account to be debited for three Lacs of Rupees paid to his Agent at Bengal.—

1st. We have had the Honor to receive your Letter dated the 3d Ulto. inclosing a Copy of a Letter from your Accountant General, and expressing doubts as to our Intentions relative to the Payment of the Peeshcush due to the Nizam.—

2d. We regret that our Intentions were not expressed with sufficient accuracy in our Letter of the 10th of September last.—

3d. We had recently come to a Determination to take upon ourselves to provide for the discharge of the Peshcush, commencing with the next ensuing Payment, becoming due on the 31st of October, on account of the second Instalment for 1201 Fusly, ending in September 1792.—

4th We accordingly advised & you that we had taken means to provide

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Funds for this Payment, as well as for the 1st Instalment of the Current Fusfeally year 1202 falling due on the 31st of march next.—

5th On forming this Arrangement we meant to rely on your Resources for the discharge of all Demands on account of the Peishcaush preceding that becoming due on the 31st of October, which we had undertaken to provide for.—

6th You have therefore to account with his Highness for the Balance due at the close of the Fusfeally year 1200 or 29th September 1791, and also for the first Instalment for 1201 Fusfeally, due on the 31st of March 1792.—

7th When you account with his Highness, you will of course charge him with the Sums standing on your Books to his Debit.—

8th We observe that, since we have undertaken to provide for the Payment of the Peishcaush, you have omitted to insert it in your Estimate of Receipts and disbursements.—

9th As it must still be considered

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as a Charge of your Government we request you will include it in your Sicca Rupees Statements, and that you will direct Credit to be given to this Presidency for its Amount on your General Books.—

We have the Honor to be,

Fort William
15th February 1793.

&c. &c.
(Signed) Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm. Cowper
Thos. Graham

P.S. Since the above was written we have agreed, at the request of Meer abdul Sudeef, the Nizam's agent at this Presidency, to supply him with money to the extent of 3 Lacks of Sicca Rupees, to enable him to make some Purchases of Grain and other articles required to be sent to Hydrabad; so that this Amount is to be set against the Balance payable from your Resources, to his Highness, according to the explanation we have given in the 6th Paragraph of this Letter.—

(Signed) Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm. Cowper
Thos. Graham

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Resolution and minutes thereon.

The Board will particularly observe the instructions given by the Governor General in Council for the liquidation of the arrears due to His Highness the Nizam at the close of the Fusly 1200, and for the first instalment due on the 31st of march 1792.–

In pursuance of that arrangement it is resolved to direct the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to pay immediately to the Nizam's agent at that place the Sum of Arcot Rupees three Lacks and fifty thousand /3,50,000/– Resolved also that the remainder be discharged so soon as it is known from Sir John Kennaway whether the receipts given by the Nizam's agent to Lieutenant Sandys for the purchase of the Company's Elephants, amounting to fifty nine thousand and ninety /59,090/ Arcot Rupees, are to go towards the liquidation of the arrears to be paid by this Government, or of the Peishcush falling due subsequent to the 31st March 1792.–

Agreed that the Accountant General

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General be directed to include the Peishcush-
ies in the future Estimates of Receipts and
disbursements — and to credit Bengal &
Presidency for the amount. —

Read the following letter

From Masulipatam. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs.

From Masulipatam have ordered the Reduction of the Revenue Corps in that district but apprehend a loss of Revenue from the measure unless their a native military force be augmented

The Board of Revenue having transmitted us a copy of your letter to them dated the 21st ultimo, respecting the reduction of the Revenue Battalions stationed in this District, we have, in consequence thereof, written to the Officer commanding the P
in this District, desiring that he will proceed to carry your orders on that P
subject into effect: as we apprehend, P
however, from the manner in which the Revenue Troops are employed, that the recalling them from their present stations, without replacing them with other Troops, might be the occasion of loss of Revenue and other inconveniences, we have thought it

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it our Duty to point out this to Colonel Fraser, in order that he may adopt such means as may be in his Power for preserving the Revenue Depoys & by other Troops; a Copy of the Letter which we have written to him on this occasion is herewith enclosed for your information together with Copies of the Letters from the Officers Stationed at Moonagalah, Nayyapore and Rajahmundry, therein mentioned, by which your Honor &c. will observe, that the present Situation of the Frontiers, from the River Kistnah to the Guadavary is such, as not to admit of the Troops Stationed there being withdrawn; and that there is even the greatest probability of its being necessary to reinforce those Stations. Besides this, we do not think that the Revenue Depoys employed in the Nooged Zemindary, with the different Revenue Collectors, and Several small Guards detached to different parts of the District can safely be withdrawn, while the Troops are upon the ground, exposed

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to be carried away by the Inhabitants, as they must be at the present Season of the Year, and as we are, at the same time, apprehensive that Colonel Fraser may find it impossible to relieve them from the other Military Force allotted for this District, we think it our Duty to state the above circumstances, and respectfully to recommend, that another Battalion, at least, may either be allotted for the Duties of this District, or that we may be authorized to entertain an adequate Sibbendy for the purposes of Revenue, and the other Duties on which Revenue Peons have hitherto been employed. Having already offered our opinion to the Board of Revenue as to the Kind of Sibbendy that we think might answer these purposes, we need not now repeat it; but take the liberty of mentioning, that unless some measures be adopted, either for encreasing the Native Military Force at present allotted for this District, or for substituting a proper Sibbendy in the room of the Revenue Corps about to be disbanded,

we

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We very much fear, that inconveniences will be experienced, which we do not think the Expence of such Corps is to be put in competition with.—

We have the honor to be very Respectfully.—

Our Obt

Masulipatam
6th March 1793.

(Signed) Anth Sadleir
W. A Dobbyn
Andw Scott

To Colonel Charles Fraser
Commanding the Northern Division of
the army

Sir,

We have received your Letter of the 3. Instant, and referred the Indent that came enclosed to the Committee of Stores.—

In our letter of the 9th Instant we requested of you to suspend the Reduction of the Revenue Battalions stationed in this District, until we might receive an answer to a letter which we had written to the Board of Revenue on that Subject—That you may

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may be the more perfectly in knowledge of
the inconveniences which we apprehended
might arise, from the reduction of the P
Revenue Corps, unless some substitute were
first to be adopted for replacing them, we
herewith enclose, N°1, Copy of the letter P
above alluded to — We likewise enclose, N°2,
Copy of the letter from Government to the
Board of Revenue, in answer to the P
reference made to them, by which you will
observe their determination not to make any
alteration in their former Resolution P
respecting the Revenue Corps. —

We cannot therefore take
upon ourselves longer to impede the reduction
of the Revenue Battalions, and leave you to
proceed in this matter as you may see most
proper to do — From the manner, however,
in which the Revenue Corps are at
present employed, we think you will P
join with us in opinion, that they cannot
be withdrawn from their present P
stations without being replaced by other
Troops, and we wish for your Opinion
in what manner you may think this

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can best be effected - The Officers stationed at Nooged, Raggapore, Rajah mundry, and Coranga will be able to inform you of the number of Troops that they may deem absolutely necessary for enabling them and Discharge those Duties with which they are entrusted, and we shall likewise write to the Collectors for information what number of Men may be requisite to replace the Revenue Depoys which have been allotted for assisting them in the Collections, and acquaint you with the answers which we may receive from those Gentlemen -

You must be the best judge yourself of the number of Depoys necessary to be Stationed at Ellore, to prevent that desertion which has lately manifested itself, and to preserve regularity among the Europeans, besides which, we have always been of Opinion, that the Cantonment at Ellore ought to be able to furnish a respectable force for the suppression of any Disturbance that may arise, in the District, or on the Frontiers, the most certain means for preventing

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preventing which, is to be ready at all times,
to meet it: you must know the duties of
this Garrison to be such, that a Battalion
of Sepoys does not furnish a complete relief
for the usual and necessary Guards, besides
which it is absolutely necessary that some
Troops, with one European Officer at least, ||
should be stationed in this extensive ||
Pettah, where there are several necessary ||
Guards, and where there are generally so ||
many Armed Peons belonging to different
Zemindars, that the Property of the Inhabitants
and Peace of the place, cannot be considered
secure without a sufficient Military Force
constantly at hand, the Distance of the Fort,
the Gates of which are also shut at night,
being too great to admit of the Pettah ||
receiving any immediate assistance from
it, in case of tumult. —

The state of the Frontiers,
from the River Kistnah to the Guadavery,
makes it impossible with safety to the ||
Inhabitants or Revenue of those Districts
to withdraw any part of the Troops stationed
there, and indeed we know not how soon ||
reinforcements

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reinforcements may become absolutely necessary
the Slight of the Dermook of Managalah,
a small District belonging to the Company
and repeated complaints of the Tappy being
opened as well as Robberies and other
disorders daily committed on the Hydrabad
road, made it necessary to send a small
Detachment, under the Command of an
European Officer, to that place, and, in consequence
of the Orders for the reduction of the Revenue
Corps, and relief of the other native Battalions
in this District, we were induced to require
Major Burr to order a Jemadars Guard to
Managalah from the Troops stationed in
the Guntoor Circar. The enclosed Copy of
a Letter from Lieutenant Youngson, the
Officer at that station, will serve to inform
you of the state in which he found the
District of Managalah, and the disorders
which prevail among his Highness the
Nizam's Subjects in that neighbourhood,
in consequence of which, we have thought it
proper to desire Major Burr to reinforce
the Detachment under Lieutenant Youngson's
Command, in case it should become absolutely
necessary

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necessary. The Officers at Ryapore and Rajahmundry will, of course, give you every necessary information, but we think it necessary, nevertheless, on this occasion, to send you Copies, N° 3 and 4, of Letters lately received from each of them, by which you will observe how necessary it is to keep Military Posts, at this time, on the Frontiers.—

We are sensible that, under all the circumstances we have mentioned, you may find considerable difficulty in returning the Revenue Troops, in order to their being Disbanded, but the Orders of Government are such that we cannot take upon us to propose any delay in their being carried into effect, at least so far as may be possible. We intend however again to address Government, to whom a Copy of this Letter will be sent, in hopes that they may be induced to order a Reinforcement of Troops for the Duties of this District, or that they will be pleased to permit us to employ some substitute of Sibbendy, to replace those more immediately

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immediately employed on the business of Revenue.-

Masulipatam
6th March 1793

We are &c &c
(Signed) Anthy Sadleir
&c Council

A true copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
a/d. Secy

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief &c Council Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to acquaint you that I arrived at this place yesterday morning with the Guard of Sepoys of the 30th Battalion, agreeable to your Orders, and immediately sent a Hircarrah to Madanarain with a note to Gover Henry Ivig, requesting to speak with him respecting the protection of the Tappal on this Road, but, as the late troubles here had obliged him to return to Hydrabad, the note was forwarded to him by the Tappal, and I hope soon to see him at this Station.-

It is necessary to make known to your Board that five or six days

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days before my arrival here, a considerable body of armed Peons, under Tenica the Desmook of Pammee, and Sadasseevarow the Desmook of Nella Condapelly, two neighbouring Pergunnahs about 6 Coss from this, had marched into this District, burnt several villages, destroyd the Mevices of the Tanks, and drove the People and Cattle into the jungle, so that yesterday morning I found this place with hardly any Inhabitants and all the Cattle driven to a great Distance. – I have however lost no time to induce the People, by every conciliating means, to return to their homes; and have the pleasure to acquaint you that a good number have already come in. I have likewise sent out into the Country to desire the People of the neighbouring villages to return to their homes, and bring in their Cattle. – The number of these armed Peons from the best information I can get is from two to three hundred. They were at this place on the afternoon of the 20th, but suddenly decamped when they heard of my being at the next stage – Where they

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are gone, or whether they are still continuing
their depredations I cannot learn, I have
to day sent out two Guards to some villages
to protect the repairing of the sluices of
their Tanks, but with Orders to join me
every night. Should these plunderers
return, I am afraid it will not be in
my power, from the smallness of my
numbers, to extend protection to the
neighbouring country, permit me
therefore to submit to the consideration of
your Board the propriety of Ordering
the rest of my Company viz. 34 more
Sepoys, with their proportion of non com-
-missioned, to join me as soon as possible
from Innaconda. upon their junction
I think I should be able to Detach
sufficient Guards to the Principal
Villages as well as to attend to every thing
necessary towards the protection of the
Tappal on this Road, both which objects
are really very much out of my power
at present - I have not yet seen the
person whom the Rajah of Chuntapilly
may have appointed to take charge of

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this District, and are a good deal embarrassed even for want of our common necessaries, by not having a person of some influence in this quarter near me.-

I have the honor to be,

with great respect.-

(Signed) Wm Youngson
Lieut.

Munagalah
22d. February 1793.

A true Copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
A.D.C. Secy

Extract of a Letter from Lieutenant Thomas Price
Commanding at Rajapore to Anthony Sadleir Esqr. &c.
Dated 28th. February 1793.-

Yetteraugaloo is in Force at Sandipetta, in the Nizam's Country, about three Coss from this place; he has been very troublesome in that Country, but has done no damage to signify in ours, should you wish me to proceed against him, I wish to be Reinforced with a Company of Sepoys.-

I mentioned my being in want of one to Lieutenant Higginbotham who

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who says he does not think he is authorized to send me one unless it should be against Ramachenderrow; and, if you think proper, I would rather have a Company direct, as it makes an unnecessary Correspondence & Coming thro' that Channel.—

A true Copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
a/d. Secy

To Robert Malcolm Esqr.
Assistant Secretary to Chief and Council
Masulipatam.

Sir,

I had the honor of receiving your letter of the 11th Instant, enclosing a Copy of a Representation from the Zemindar of Polavaram, and conveying the orders of the Chief and Council in consequence of it, which I shall strictly attend to; I have sent to inform the Zemindar of my instructions, and shall cooperate with him as far as my instructions, will admit.—

I shall Post Guards in such situations as shall protect the Inhabitants from any future trouble from the Rampath people

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people, but, it is the wish of Mungapatty Doo, to try to recover the cattle and other property of his People, by surprising Veera Boopatty amongst the Hills. you will therefore be pleased to inform the Board, that I request to be informed whether or not, I should give the Zemeindar any assistance in such case, If he should apply to me for it, This man, who was here a few days ago, informed me that the above was his Master's intention if I would assist him. The Hills inhabited by Veraboopatty, are I believe in the Nayam's Country. -

By reducing the Guard of the late Corondah Zemeindar's mother, to fifty Sepoys, which I think will be sufficient, I shall be able to post sufficient Guards on the frontiers of the Company's Country, without calling on the Commanding Officer of Samulcotah for any assistance, as I shall often visit those posts myself. -

If the Board should think fit to have me assist the Polavaram Zemeindar, in the manner I before mentioned, I should then call upon the Commanding officer of Samulcotah for the Zemmindar's Guard. -

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The want of Artificers in this Garrison is attended with great inconvenience and Loss; since my arrival here I have been constantly repairing the Arms at my own expence, and the people who I am obliged to employ understand it so badly that the Arms are but little improved by their attempts to repair them; The Field Pieces likewise have suffered for want of artificers very considerably. This if you will please to lay before the Chief and Council, with my request that they would be so good as to order, from Masulipatam or Ellore, such artificers as they may think necessary.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) H. Evans L. Commanding

Rajahmundry
19th February 1793.

A true Copy
(Signed) R. Malcolm
a/d. Secy

Resolved

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Resolved that the following

Answer be returned.—

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.

Chief &c. Council of Masulipatam.

Gentlemen,

We have received your Letter

to Masulipatam in answer.—

of the 5th Instant, and are concerned to observe that so many difficulties occur in the execution of our orders, for the reduction of the Revenue Establishments.—

In every other District, whether of the Carnatic or Circars, this measure has taken effect without any apparent Inconvenience, and We should hope that, by a zealous exertion on your Part, the same success might be expected in the Dependancies of Masulipatam.—

In the Propriety of reducing the Revenue corps, we have the concurrent testimony of the Commander in Chief of India, and of the Commanding Officer of the Coast, who both think their services, in a military view, may now be dispensed with—as to the ordinary collection of the Revenues, we do not approve the Principle of employing Military Force for such a purpose

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purpose, and tho' it may be difficult, at first, and even attended with some disadvantage, to depart from a system which has been long in use, we are clearly of opinion that the good effects of this change will soon be felt, under the active and vigilant administration of our Collectors.—

Having said thus much, we trust, that a measure which we are so anxious to accomplish, will be supported by the united Endeavours of all persons under our authority, and, as your district will be considerably reinforced by the European Battalion ordered to Illore, and by the invalid Companies of Sepoys now on their march to Masulipatam, we cannot doubt of your proper[illegible] disposition of such forces for the protection of the Country against every attempt to injure the public Revenue, or to molest the persons, or Property of the Inhabitants.—

Fort St. George
12th March 1793.

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

Read

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Six Elephants still remain to be disposed of at Chenglepet; and, as they are the refuse, I have probably estimated their value high at 5000 Rupees—

If the Honble Board will allow me I will prevent their being thrown upon the Disbursements of this Government, take measures for their speedy Sale, and hold myself responsible to the Bengal Presidency for rendering a due Account of them—A copy of this Letter being sent to that Government will consequently effect it.—

By a letter I have received from Colonel Malcolm, on the Audit of my Accounts, I have no reason to suppose that the Honble Board will object to my returning to Bengal by the first opportunity, and I have about one Hundred and Twenty Bengal Drivers and Attendants to take with me.—

They have desired me to represent that they hope for the indulgence of Government in paying their passage, and allowing them some subsistence from the public stores to serve them while on board Ship.—

They ground their hope for
their

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Read the following Letter from

Lieutenant Sandys.—

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary.

Sir,

I have the honor to address you, for the information of the Honble the President in Council and to observe, that,—

By the following Statement you will perceive that Seventy Three of the Public Elephants have been Sold for Arcot Rupees One Lack, Two Thousand, One Hundred and Eighty, (Arcot Rupees 102,180) and that the whole amount has been paid, either into the Honble Company's Treasury at this Presidency, or by the respective Agent Purchasers as per terms of agreement settled between Sir John Kennaway and the Nizams Minister; the amount of such receipts to be deducted from the Poisheush — The Nizam's Agent, being the last purchaser, has had no Competitor; the former Agent on the part of his Son very few, but, notwithstanding these disadvantages, the Sale bears the following Comperison with the Bengal Contract viz.t

The mediem of the present Sale 1399. 11. each Elephant
Contract Price . . . . . 750. " " each Elephant
Profit to the Company . . Arcot Rupees 649. 11. each Elephant

From Lieutenant Sandys reporting finally the Sale of the Public Elephants — & comparison of thereof with the Bengal Contract Prices — proposition regarding Six mauld at chaingle — put — requests the Drivers and attendants may be furnished with a Passage (and Provisions) to Bengal. —

Sir

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this indulgence upon the Consideration, that, by the sale of their Elephants to which their forefathers had probably been attached, they are, with their families, thrown upon the World to search for a new livelyhood — that they have been employed upon extra service, & detained longer upon the Coast than their Comrades, and can produce the strongest Certificates of good behaviour from Colonel Maxwell, and all the Officers they have served under. —

And, that their attachment to the Public Service is best testified by the few desertions — Should this requisition be complied with, it can be effected by allowing me to Indent for the moderate quantity which will be required, as there are many Vendors among the Natives, attention must be paid to their stock of provisions, and it may be considered as measure of Public Utility to conciliate the minds of these people to distant services. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm Sandys
Lieut. & C. Agent employed
on the sale of Public
Elephants. —

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March 7th 1793.

Sale

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Sale of Public Elephants

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August 2d Amount of Receipt from Sadet Cawn, Agent on the part of this highness the Nizam, as p. A.t between the Ministers and Sir J. Kennaway, to be deducted from the Peishcush, and delivered to W. C. Jackson Esq.r . 26530 " "

11th Cash paid into the Treasury as p. receipt from C. N. White Esq.r 11000 " "

18 Cash paid into the Treasury as p. receipt from C. N. White Esq.r 16130 " "

31st Cash paid into the Treasury as p. receipt from C. N. White Esq.r 6000 " "

September 20th Cash paid into the Treasury as p. receipt from C. N. White Esq.r 5100 " "

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January 29th Amount of Receipt from Syed Mooen, Agent on the part of this highness the Nizam, as p. agreement between the Minister and Sir J. Kennaway, to be deducted from the Peishcush, and sent to W. C. Jackson Esq.r . . . . . 26460 " "

March 2d Cash paid into the Treasury as p. receipt from Robert Black Esq.r 4860 " "

5th Amount of Receipt from Syed Mooen, Agent on the part of his highness the Nizam as p. agreement between the Minister and Sir J. Kennaway, to be deducted from the Peishcush and sent to W. C. Jackson Esq.r . . . . 8100 " "

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73 Elephants Sold for . . . . . Arcot Rupees — 102,180 " "

5 Unsold at Chonglepet valued at . . . . . 5000 " "

6 Returned to the Nabob of Arcot
12 — Do. to Rajah Viseram Razue
1 Do. to Lieut.t Col.l Cockerel
} By authority of my Instructions from Earl Cornwallis.

4 At present with the Commissioners Surveying the Boundaries of the ceded Countries on the Malabar Coast

1 Lame and not saleable given to the Brameins at Conjeveram. —

1 Died received as a present from the Mahratta Chiefs in a dying State. —

104 Being the Number as p.r last Return to Earl Cornwallis before his departure from Madras.

(Signed) Wm. Sandys
Lt & A.t
Read

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Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President and Governor in Council
of Fort St. George

Honble Sir.

From Military Auditor General reporting his audit of Lieutenant Sandys's accounts.

Having examined the Accounts of Lieutenant Sandys from the 24th of January 1791 to the 28th February 1793 inclusive in the execution of the Duty to which he was appointed by Lord Cornwallis in the charge and in making Disbursements on account of some Elephants, Camels Bullocks and Horses I find the State of his Account to stand as follows, as per Disbursements and Account Current brought up to the end of February 1793.—

Advances of Cash made to him at sundry Periods — P. 56666. 12. 11.

Amount of Disbursements as p. Account 53997. 31. 35.

Disbursement.

Amount Disbursements on ballance debited to particulars as p. his Cash Account when detached. 1329. 38. 69.

Amount brought to his Credit in account Current April 1791 a transfer for money taken up from the Bengal Paymaster in Camp. 300.—

55627. 25. 4.

Ballance at his Debit on the 1st March 1793 Pag. 1038—24—17

Errors in the additions and Calculations . . . . 20.—76

Total to his Debit on the 1st March 1793 — Pag. 1058. 25. 13.

I observe that the Ballance stated by Lieutenant Sandys to be in hand on the

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The 1st March 1793 is occasioned by his retaining the Gratuity equal to three months Pay, ordered by Lord Cornwallis for the Elephant people and their Servants employed in his Department, to prevent their spending the money previous to their return to Bengal, and that no Disbursement under that head is charged in his Accounts. Lieutenant Sandys will consequently be held responsible to the Bengal Government, on his return to that Presidency, for the above Balance standing to his Debit on the 1st of March 1793 of one Thousand and Fifty Eight Pagodas Twenty five Fanams and Thirteen Cash / Pagodas 1058. 25. 13 /

This Audit in my office does not comprehend any receipts or transfers of Cash on account of the Sale of the whole or any part of the public Elephants under Lieutenant Sandys's charge. —

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

Military Auditor Generals Office &c &c
Fort St. George 6th March 1793. / Signed / Henry Malcolm
Mily Aud Gl

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Minute on the two foregoing letters.—

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The Board have already passed the necessary orders regarding the passage and accommodation of the people mentioned by Lieutenant Sandys— and have transmitted copies of the foregoing letters to Bengal, for the information of the Governor General in Council

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley, Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

We have the Honor to lay before you a Letter from the Collector in the Tanjore Country, with respect to a murder committed in the Pettiecotah District by some Collieries belonging to Tondeiman's

From Board of Revenue submitting Mr. Strange's letter regarding a murder committed at Pettiecotah by some of Tondeiman's Colliers, request the offenders may be demanded.

Country— the Party apprehended has made a full confession of the fact as well as of the names of his Accomplices, immediate application was made to Tondeiman's Agent requiring the offenders to be given up— and we request that your Honble Board will be pleased to take measures for

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for enforcing a Compliance therewith. -

We have the honor to be

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7th March 1793.

&c. &c.
(Signed) David Haliburton
Chas. N. White

To David Haliburton Esqr.
Acting President and the Members of the
Assigned Revenue
Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

The daily Robberies (not unfrequently attended by acts of the greatest cruelty and even murder) which are committed by the Polligars and Polleries of this Country call loudly for the Interposition of Government in favor of the suffering Inhabetants. -

Some Polleries, belonging to Fondiman's Country, lately entered the Pettiecotah District, and attacked the Watcher of a Flock of Sheep whom (in consequence perhaps of meeting with some Resistance) they murdered, and then carried off a Number of sheep - The alarm amongst the Inhabitants, was immediately spread

through

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through the Country, and the usual Expedient of tracking them in their retreat was made use of, and one of them was taken — He has made full Confession of the murder committed, and has given the Names of his Companions who assisted. —

Immediate Representation was made from my Butchery to the agent of Tondeiman, residing in this Place, requiring the offenders to be given up — but the application has hitherto proved ineffectual; and these wretches are suffered to be at large plundering and murdering, perhaps at this moment, in different parts of the Country. —

With due deference, I think this matter calls for immediate notice, and Exemplary Punishment, for as long as Forbearance is practiced, these Polligars and Cavilgars, who share in the plunder, will continue to protect, and shelter from Justice, the wretches so employed. —

I beg to receive your orders how I am to dispose of the men now in Confinement

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Confinement, on account of the Murder
abovementioned.-

Tanjore
23d. February 1793.

I remain &c &c
(Signed) James Strange
Collector

A true Copy
(Signed) John Read
Depy Secy

Minute in consequence

The President is requested to write a letter to Tondiman directing him to deliver up all the Persons concerned in the murder committed in the Pettiacotah District.-

Ordered that the man whom Mr. Strange has in custody be delivered over to the authority of the Rajah of Tanjore, with the necessary Evidence, that he may be tried, and punished, if convicted of the crime imputed to him

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell --

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The Honble. Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

I have had the honor to &

receive Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the

21st ultimo.—

As the several duties intrusted

to me in this quarter are now fulfilled, &

I shall proceed this evening for Tanjore.—

The Shevegerry Polegar has

been reestablished in his Pollam; he has

completed his arrears of Peshcush, amounting

to 22,352 Chuckrums, which sum will be &

paid by the Sawcars at two Payments, one half

in one Month, the other in two, from this

date— He has granted his Promissory note

for this years Peshcush, payable the 31st &

Instant; while under the

Company's management, it appears that &

9,265 Chs. were collected— but the Poleger says

the sum considerably exceeded this, as I have,

throughout, avoided interference with &

Revenue detail, I have not inspected the

accounts, but have assured the Polegar, that

so soon as Mr. Landon, examining the &

accounts

From Lieut Col. Stewart
has reestablished
the Shevegherry in his
Pollam his account
of Peishcush unsettled
recommends that
Sankerlingapa or
any of his Family
be prohibited from
receiving any of the
Polygars emoluments
his Cautionary
letter to the Nabobs
Phoushar.—

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accounts of the Company's Moneyar, that are equitable deduction will be made from this year's Pesheush.-

Immediately after taking possession of the Shevegerry Combey, employed the Peoneers in layering it open, and the roads still continue good, so much so, that the Natives cultivated a crop of dry grain on it this season, it will however be requisite to direct that the Poligar clear the road every year.-

The Shaloor people do not possess any strong hold among the Hills, and their Fort, as well as that of Shevegerry, is in a state of ruin, and totally defenceless.-

I think it necessary to recommend that the Collector is instructed to prohibit Sankerlingum, or any of his family, from being employed by any of the Poligars- he was formerly in Shevegerry's service, and is the person, is often mentioned in his trial, where he is represented to be the dread of the whole Inhabitants of the Country, both Circar and Poligar- he is a man notorious for his intriguing disposition, and used to instigate

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The Polegars in this neighbourhood to all their private quarrels, as well as acts of disobedience to Government - he has of late, on several occasions, shewn an inclination to impede my arrangements -

I have pointedly admonished the Nabobs Choubdar at private to avoid every undue connection with the Polegars - accompanying is a copy of a letter addressed to him on the subject -

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Shevelepetore
1st March 1793.

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell
Lt Col. Comm.g Southn. Distts.

To Mahomet Citabar Cawn
Choubdar to his Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic

Sir,

I am directed by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to acquaint you that he has conversed with, and communicated his sentiments respecting the Polegars and their Countries to, Mahomet Jacob who will inform you of the same -

As the Polegars are now placed entirely under the Company's authority, you must

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must be fully sensible that no interference,
on the part of his Highness's servants will
be allowed of, nor are any of the Circar
Peons to be sent into their Countries on any
pretence whatever: all representations will
be attended to, and redressed by the Company's
representative—

The arrangements made with
the Polegars establish them, as nearly as
possible, on the same footing as when under
the Nabobs Government; they are to receive
the same Coulé Fees as formerly from
the Nabobs Circars; and all Public payments
are to remain as before.—

The Polegars are enjoined by
Colonel Maxwell, in the strongest manner,
in no respect whatever to interfere with
the Circar Countries except when their
duty, as Coulé to the several villages,
requires.—

When it happens that the
conduct of any of the Polegars is so reprehensible
as to render representation requisite, it
is to be made to the Company's representative
who will order justice to be
administered

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administered.—

Shevelapetore
26th February 1793.

I am &c &c
(Signed) J. Bannerman
Secy

minutes thereon

Agreed to express to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell the satisfaction of the Board at the manner in which he has concluded the service lately entrusted to him.—

Agreed that orders be sent to the Collector, through the Board of Revenue, for prohibiting Sunkenlingum, or any of his Family, from being employed by any of the Polygars in the Tinnevelly Country.—

The cautionary letter which Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell judged it necessary to write to the Nabobs Phousdar is approved.—

Ordered that a copy of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell's letter be sent to Bengal and to the Board of Revenue.—

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

Hospital

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Hospital Board

8th March 1793

From Hospital Board - Death of Lt. Robb — recommend in consequence, the appointment of Doctor Harris to Cuddalore the promotion of Mr. Inglis and that Mr. Johnston be posted to the 3d and Mr. J. Martin to the 5th Regiment of Cavalry. —

The Hospital Board are sorry to acquaint Government with the Death of Lt. Robb, Surgeon at Cuddalore, which took place on the 3d Instant. —

At the particular request of Lt. Harris, who has been for some time past in an infirm state of Health, and wishes, on that account to be stationed on the Sea Coast, the Hospital Board are induced to Recommend that he be appointed to the Garrison of Cuddalore. —

approved

They further Recommend that Mr. Inglis, the Senior Assistant Surgeon, be promoted to the rank of Surgeon, and Stationed at Trincomalee, that Mr. Johnson, Assistant Surgeon, be appointed to the 3d Regiment of Light Cavalry

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Cavalry, vice Inglis, and Mr. Martin
Assistant Surgeon at present doing
duty at Dendigul to the 5th
approved Regiment of Native Cavalry, vice
Johnston, — to join as soon as he
can be relieved by Mr. Inglis. —
(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colley L. Lucas
W. Raine Dep. Surgeon

Read the following Letter
from his Highness the Nabob entered also in
C. C. N° 56. —

Translation of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob
Walla Jah Bahauder to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor of Madras. —

Dated 25th Rajeb 1207 Hegery
or
9th March 1793

Received 11th Do — Do

From the Nabob in reply to the President's letter, disapproving his Intentions against the refractory Cavaliers about Pellore. —

I have had the pleasure to receive
your favour of the 5th Instant, in answer to my
Letter of the 28th ultimo, disapproving of my
intentions against the treacherous Cavaliers
of Moograul Peauk Hall and Pellore — allow me
to

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To assure you, Sir, that I have Mentioned time as great an aversion as you possibly can have to make any movement of Troops, and in the present instance it is unnecessary — The Peons of the neighbouring Pollegars, as Venkatagurry, Calestry and Bommauze are amply sufficient to punish the criminals, and restore safety and tranquility to the Country which has long been disturbed by these freebooters as we had already sufficient example by the said Pollegars Peons having chastised the treacherous Chillnaick and also the numerous Robbers that infested Nellore, some of whom have been apprehended and killed; and if an example be not made of them, others may follow the same evil practices, and instead of useful and industrious Subjects, the Carnatic will be infested with a powerful band of Robbers; and therefore, upon reconsidering my object, I hope you will give my wishes your concurrence, and the more particularly as they are perfectly concedent with the 6th Article of the Treaty —

I am sorry you should Imagine

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imagine that I have left Chandergerry without a Garrison, a place I am particularly partial to, there is at present such number of Troops for the defence of the Fort, half of that number were not in it when it was in the possession of my Friends the Company. These Cawleans has been always chastised by the Jaghirdar of Chittoor for their mischief, on account of which mischief, several of whom have been put to death by him and nothing but the extermination of the criminals can possibly prevent a continuation and encrease of their crimes.—

I am sorry you should have thought it necessary to trouble my Honble Friend Lord Cornwallis upon a matter so trifling, because easily adjusted; I would have submitted to much inconvenience rather than have been the cause of giving any interruption to his Lordships, whose time is so much and so very honourably employed in affairs of a greater moment.—

What can I say more?

A true Translation
(Signed) David Dalrymple
Persian Transr
agreed

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minute thereon

Agreed that a copy of the
foregoing letter be sent to Bengal.—

Read the following letter from
Captain Alexander Read.—

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

Honble Sir,

From Captain Alexander Read relative to the confinement of four principal Merchants of the Peramboul at Narayen-drook in Mysore.—

I beg leave to lay before you a representation, with a translation of it, on the part of four merchants inhabitants of this Country, who went with commodities for sale to Seringapatam in September last, and have not only been robbed of all their property, but are detained in a gregorious confinement, without any prospect of obtaining their liberty unless through the means of government. Though their being natives, and settled in this Country ensures them the use of its endeavors, because of entitling them to its protection it may not be unimportant to mention that being principal merchants the loss of their liberty for any length of time will be the ruin of many families.—

I transmit

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I transmit this letter by Pachapa, Coolopa, and Mootoo Sammy relations of those merchants, on account of the particular request they have made to be sent that they may be at hand to answer any particulars that may be desired respecting them. Equally solicitous of procuring their enlargement, and apprehensive for their safety, least Tippoo should deny them existence; and, to conceal a transaction so unjustifiable should order them to be put to death, they are desirous it may be mentioned that one of themselves made their escape from Narayn Droog where they are confined, and that another has been there, and received certain information of their being on the top of it.

I have the honor to be with great respect.—

Dr. & Sr.

Tripatoor
20th. February 1793.

(Signed) Alex: Read

Translate of a Representation from Mootoo Some of Jedere in the District of Coimagre

That he went from Darwar—
—poory, in September last, in Company with Pachepah

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Pachepah and amblatarn of Darrampoory and Pachepah of Inderee, with 100 Bullock loads of Grain to Tippoo's Country that & another 100 Bullock loads followed them a few days after that they sold a part at the Bazar of Gootal, and on the road and the remainder about 100 Gonnies, in Shaker Ganjam at the Mundi of Permal Shetty — That with the produce they returned to Gootal, and purchased Silver and Gold as follows.—

Gold — 2 Seer 16 Rupees Weight

Silver — 11 — 16 Do —

They had also 1183 Rupees —

153 Sultan Pagodas

1066 Canteray Pagodas

3 5 Veray Pag

2 — Anklets

2 — Bracelets Estimate of the Whole Rupees 3,600

That about the 10th of October when they were preparing to return they were detained by the Amildar of Gootal, and informed that they would not be released unless they gave him 300 Rupees — that they refused to comply, on which he wrote a complaint against them to the Sheyzoor, in consequence of

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of which they were ordered under a Guard to Seringa-
patam where they were confined for some days in
the Cavel Cutcherie deprived of their property
and sent to Narayen, where they are now in irons
N.B. Mootoo Samie, who related the above P
circumstances, escaped from Goottal, when the
3 Wastaks who accompanied him were P
confined by the Aveldar. –

Cachapa, the brother of P
Ambalarnie, went from this in quest of his
brother he traced him to Narayen Droog,
and, at last, with great difficulty, got a P
few Lines from him on the rock, saying that
he was in irons, with his two friends and
so ill and that he did not expect to live long.

Signed/ Th. Munro

Assistant

Duwampoory
14th February

Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Doveton
be directed to communicate the contents of the
above to the Vackeels, and to urge the P
necessity of an immediate application to
their master for the release of the people
reported to be in a rigorous Confinement
at Narayendroog. –

Read

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Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob entered also in C. C. N° 57.—

Translation of a letter from His Highness the Nabob Walla Jah Bahander to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras.—

Dated 10th. March 1793

Received 11th. Do.

From the Nabob on the subject of the mint at Arcot.—

I have received your letter dated the 26th. of February last with copy of one from Colonel Charmont, the Governor of Pondicherry on the subject of the coinage of rupees, and I understand the contents—My friend—Rupees have always been coined at my Capital of Arcot, and I gave order that they should continue to be coined as heretofore—I have also given positive injunctions to my Naib not, on any account, to coin either Pondicherry or Madras Rupees or Star Pagodas at Arcot, and only to coin such Rupees and Pagodas as have been at all times coined there.—

What shall I say more

A true translation

(Signed) David Haliburton

Persian Transr.

Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to the Governor of Pondicherry.—

Read the following letter from the Accountant General.—

William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary

Sir,

From Accountant General requesting, for his guidance, Extracts from the Draft of the Tanjore Treaty relating to the Rajah's peculiar Engagements.

I request the favor of you to furnish me with a Copy of such parts of the draft of the Treaty with the Rajah of Tanjore as may be deemed Necessary towards enabling me to make a proper Statement, in the General Book, of His Account with the Honorable Company, and that you will be pleased also to furnish me with the necessary authority from the Honorable Governor in Council for inserting in the General Books the sums contained in the draft of the treaty.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Robert Woolf
Accountant Genl.

Fort St. George
Accountant General's
Office 9th March 1793.

agreed

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Agreed that an Extract of the draft of the Treaty proposed to be entered into with the Rajah of Tanjore be sent to the Accountant General, by which he will perceive the annual sum to be carried to his Excellency's account from the 12th July last.—

Agreed to inform the Accountant General that, as the execution of the Treaty is for the present suspended, the Country remains under the Company's administration and that during this interval it is proposed to carry to the Rajah's former arrears whatever surplus Revenue may arise after providing for the current demands of the Company and the private Creditors according to the Treaty and after deducting one Lack and 1/5 the sum allowed for his personal expences.—

Read the following letter from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Wm. B. Jackson Esq.
Secretary to the Military Department

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions suggesting his Ideas of the most Eligible plan for Conducting the Department of supplies for the Cavalry, also regulations for its detail.

Sir,

I was duly honored with your Letter of the 31st January last, informing me

that

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that Government deemed it expedient to dest ine
the person holding the office of Commissary Genl
of Grain and Provisions the charge of Principal
agent of Supplies for the Cavalry, and to place
under his Superintendance and authority, a co
sufficient number of subordinate agents to be
stationed with the Regiments, and directing me
to lay before the Honble Board my Ideas of
the most efficient and Oeconomical Plan for
the Conduct of this Department. —

I Confess myself not fully
enter upon it with diffidence, but what I
Suggest, if imperfect, Experience will
Correct. —

Upon reference to the
General Order under date 11th. July 1792, it
appears that the articles to be provided by the
Agent are — Horse Gram — Nose Bags and Gram Rents

The most material one,
Gram, may either be procured by the Principal
Agents purchasing it throughout the Country
on the best terms he can, — or by Contracting
for the delivery of the quantities required
at each Cavalry Station, which, in the present
State

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State of the Regiments, will be as follows.—

At Coimatore—allowing full Feed, at 5 Lbs. to each Horse, will be required & annum about . . . } Garce 120.

Arcot . . . Do . . . Do . . Do Do 120.

Cuddalore Do . . . . Do . . Do Do 25.

Tinnevelly Do . . . . . Do . . Do Do 168.—

Total . . . 433.—

By the reports received from the agents I dispatched into the Country, so far as they have proceeded, it appears, that, the Price of Grain this year, bears, in some places, double, and in others nearly quadruple, its usual value, owing to the failure of the Crop—the most eligible mode of Supply will Certainly be by Contracts for the delivery at Stations; but, I apprehend it will not be practicable, from the Circumstance stated, to form them with Advantage for the present Year; in that Idea I have directed the Agents I sent into the Country to report to me the quantity they can purchase at each Village, as they go along, the Price on the Spot, and the price they can agree with the people to deliver it at the several Stations—a work of time, as

they

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They must, in general, make their purchases of
from each individual Inhabitant of a Village—
If however Government think it preferable
to Advertise for Proposals for the delivery of
a quantity sufficient for 9 Months Consumption,
when the period for making the annual Contract
will Commence, it may yet be done,—

1/3d. for 90. Cawe at Connatore
90 Do. at Arcot
19 Do. at the Cavalry Cantonment
near Cuddalore &
126 Do. at the Cavalry Cantonment
near Tinnevelly—

The proposals to be given in on or before the
1st. of April next 1/8th. part to be delivered on
the 25th. April.—
2/8th. Do. on the 25th. May
2/8th. Do. — 25th. June
3/8th. and on the 25th. August

Half the amount to be advanced upon
Signing the Contract, Security for the due
performance being Given, and the remainder
upon producing the Certificates of the Agent
for the other half as delivered in.—

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The Rice Bags are made of Gunney-
and should be of the Strongest manufactured, they
will Cost about 6 Pagodas ₣/6 - Large Gram cloths
made of Gunny, for Cooling the Gram upon, will
also be required. - The Gram Kettles are some of
Copper some of Iron - as those belonging to the
Officers Commanding Regiments will no longer
be of any use to them, I have addressed a Circular
Letter requesting to be informed if they wish
to part with them; and, to send me a return of
the number, and their Valuation, which, when
received, shall be submitted to Government. -

The Subordinate Agent attached
to each Regiment, will have the immediate charge
of and be responsible for the Store of Gram laid
up for its use - and of every thing connected with
the Department - He will keep
the Receipt and Expenditure, and transmit, to
the principal Agent regular monthly returns
with the Vouchers. -

A Head Conicoply to be placed
under the Subordinate agent, and when a Regiment
is Complete or on Service under more under H
Conicoplies may be found necessary. -

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If the Agent is to prepare the
Gram for being delivered to the Horses I calculate
that 42 Wood cutters at least will be required
for a Regiment of 400 Horses — 12 to be Employed
in cutting Wood, and the rest in bringing it —
in — Wood might be brought in at a cheaper
rate with Bullocks — but, in the event of a
Regiment moving, it is of Consequence to have
Men attached to it for the Carriage of the
Gram Kettles, as People of that description
Cannot be Commanded upon Emergency.

Six Men will be required for
Boiling and measuring the Gram — six Women
for Cleaning it, and one peaculley for bringing
Water — The Followers appertaining to the Agency
to be enrolled, and mustered with the Regiment
— but under the Control of the Agent. —

It might better adapted
to the Service that the Agent should deliver out
the Gram Raw to the Quarter Master of the
Regiment, to be distributed by Order of the Officer
Commanding, or to the Officers Commanding Troops;
the people above mentioned will be attached to
Troops, not under the Agent, and move, at all
times, with them. —

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The regulations which at present appear to me necessary for the detail of the Dispatment are as follows.—

That Gram shall be Issued upon daily Indent, signed by the Quarter Master, and Counter signed by the Officer Commanding, to-wit expressing the number of Horses present in Each Troop, for duty, and the number of Sick, with the quantity of Gram required opposite to Each: The Indent for the 1st May to be delivered in the morning of the 30th April, and so on every preceeding day.—

Upon the distribution that the Gram is to be boiled by the Agent, it will be necessary that the Officer whom the Commanding Officer may appoint to attend the Issue of the Gram from the Agents Store, shall put a receipt upon the Indent for the quantity measured and carried out of the Godown — that the Gram shall be put into the Kettles in his presence, and a Centry or Centries placed over them by him.—

That the Men shall attend at such hour morning and evening, as may be appointed by the Commanding Officer, with the

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the Nose Bags, to receive the Boiled Grain and carry it to the Lines.—

That the Nose Bags shall be delivered out by the Agent, upon Indent of the Officers Commanding Troops, Countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Regiment and are to be Considered under the immediate charge of the Men, in like manner as their Accoutrements, and inspected accordingly— a Weekly Survey also to be made by the Agent, that any necessary repairs may be ordered.—

That when a Considerable party, Consisting of a Troop or half a Troop, is ordered upon Command, a Conicopoly and proportion of Wood Cutters and people for Boiling the Grain to accompany it, and, if Commanded by a European Officer, it should be considered his duty to give every assistance in his power to the Agents' people, and, if necessary, to correspond with the Agent.—

That when a small party, or a single Horse, is detached, an allowance of 60 Cash per day to each Horse be made for the purchase of Pots and Firewood— it may also be necessary, upon such occasions, that it is not

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not Understand usual to allow more than four days Gram to be carried on each Horse, to Entrust the Trooper with the means of Purchasing Further Supplies, and in that Case he must be strictly ordered to render a faithful account to the Agent upon his return — The Commanding Officer will no doubt upon such occasions Select Men upon whom the greatest dependence may be placed. —

It will depend upon Circumstances the necessity of Carrying Gram with Detachments and, when deemed necessary, the number of Days supply must be specially ordered, by Indent of the Officer Commanding. —

That such Indent is to be given in on the day the Detachment appears in Arbor, or earlier if possible, and shall be Considered the Authority of the Subordinate Agents for Hiring the Carriage necessary for the Conveyance of such supply, which, when assembled, must be reported ready (in writing) to the Commanding Officer. —

The Certificate of their Employment to be signed by the Subordinate Agent, and Countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Party. —

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A Guard Consisting of a non Commissioned and four Men to remain under the Orders of the Agent, for the protection of his Store &c., to be relieved agreeably to the wishes of the Commanding Officer.—

It will also be necessary to build a Grain Store as near to the Lines of each Regiment as Convenience will allow; and the Company's Stamped Copper Seer only to be used therein, 4800, making a Madras Garce.—

The Subordinate Agents to be Considered under the Orders of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, as principal Agent and to act upon honor—such Salary being allowed as Government may deem adequate to their trouble and responsibility.—

I take leave also to suggest, in order to ascertain the expence of the Grain System, that a Head of Cavalry Supplies be raised in the Books of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, to which all charges whatever incurred on that account shall be carried.—

When these, or such regulations as may be deemed better adopted, are ordered to be carried into effect, I shall prepare Forms of

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of account to be observed by Subordinate Agents agreeably thereto.—

In regard to arrangements for War, I shall hereafter, when possessed of fuller information upon the subject, be better able to judge what plan will be most eligible.

Madras
12th March 1793.

I am &c
(Signed) Thos Cockburn
C. in C. G.O.

Minutes and resolution in consequence.

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to the Military Auditor General with directions to take the subject under his consideration and if there be aught in the arrangement submitted by Mr Cockburn, which in the auditor's Judgment requires alteration or amendment, to report the same for the determination of the Board.—

As the new System is to have effect on and after the 1st day of may next, there will not be time to enter into a contract for the provision of Gram.— Resolved therefore that Mr Cockburn be authorized to purchase, for the present year, the quantity required, in the way he has proposed.—

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Read the following letter from

the officer commanding the Governor's Body Guard.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

Governor &c. &c. &c. in Council

Honble Sir,

From officer Commanding the Body Guard on the subject of his Establishment and the pay and allowances annexed to that command requests the former allowance of Eight Pagodas for each horse may be restored in consequence of the high price of Grain.

As the period is now approaching when the new System for the Regimented Cavalry of this Establishment, as detailed in the G. O. of the 1st. of July 1792, is directed to commence, I beg leave permission to solicit your attention to the following circumstances.—

Although I was given to understand, on a reference to the then Governor and Commander in Chief, consequent to the publication of this Order, that the Body Guard, being very differently circumstanced, was purposely omitted in the detail, from an intention to exclude it from the Regulation established for the Regimented Cavalry, I nevertheless beg permission respectfully to suggest that it appears, on every account, expedient that the Establishment Pay and allowances of the Guard should be distinctly and separately regulated, in such a manner as to obviate all future doubts and difficulties and, as it is above all things, my desire that no allowances or advantages be supposed to exist but

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but such as are authorised and avowed, I have humbly to request the indulgence of your Honble Board in presenting a candid statement of the present circumstances of the Corps.—

The Troopers of the Body Guard have one Rupee P Month more than the Regimented native Cavalry, which is hardly equivalent to their additional expences from being in a constant state of Parade. But the Commanding Officer is the only person of the Corps, and I apprehend there can be no mistake in adding, the only person in a similar situation in the known world who has no addition of whatever of Rank or pay besides what he is entitled to from his standing in the Service; his simple subsistence as a Lieutenant of Cavalry, the same Batta and distribution of Prize money in war, and eight Pagodas P Month to provide himself with a habitation in Peace.—

Of the emolument to be derived from the clothing I propose no correct information, no distribution of off Reckonings having been made since January 1791, previous to which period the Commanding Officer furnished his own clothing. But, excepting this, my only

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possible advantage is occasionally derived from the allowance for feeding the Horses. How far I may be justified in estimating this among my future advantages may be difficult to determine: For the present I find it encumbent on me to state, as a declaration upon honor, that I lost three thousand Pagodas by the concern during the war, and that, so far from gaining by it since, I have deemed it a fortunate month when I could equalize my receipts and disbursements. Any Gentleman who is at the trouble to examine his Stable Bills may see the insufficiency of six Pagodas a Month to the support of a Horse at Madras in much more favorable times than the present. The former allowance to the Body Guard, and 19th Dragoons, was eight Pagodas p Month, and if when it is considered that the average price of Gram at Madras was 45 Pagodas p Garce previous to the war, and that, since its conclusion, it has been from 130 to 140 Pagodas p Garce, with a little probability of any material fall, I trust it will be deemed no unreasonable expectation that your Honorable Board will be pleased to restore this allowance, if not permanently, at least while the price of Gram continues above 70 Pagodas p Garce; and that you will be

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be pleased to take into your favorable consideration my very singular predicament with regard to rank and allowances. –

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) A Grant Lieutenant
Commanding Body Guard

Resolution thereon

The Board do not mean to alter the Establishment of the Body Guard; but, in consequence of the present high price of Gram at the Presidency, it is resolved that Lieutenant Grant be allowed to draw for each Horse, commencing from the 1st. of April next, eight Pagodas P. Month, until the price of Gram in the Bazar is below seventy Pagodas P. Garce. –

Read the following letter from the Resident at Hydrabad. –

William

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William Collins Jackson Esq.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of the Board, that I yesterday transmitted to Major Roberts the Nizam's orders for his proceeding with the Detachment to the Districts of Kannekgerry and Balkary, to assist in the settlement of those Countries.—

From Resident at Hydrabad with advice of major Roberts Detachment being ordered to the Kanieghery and Balkary districts requests Lieutenant Mackenzie may be Declared in General orders as Field Engineer and Surveyor, and the payment of his Arrears.

Understanding that, in consequence of some irregularity, the appointment of Lieutenant M.c Ingie, as Engineer and Surveyor to the Ellore Detachment, which took place the beginning of April, has not appeared in Public Orders, I beg leave to recommend to the Board that it be regularly confirmed, and that Mr. Paymaster Brown be directed to discharge Lieutenant M.c Ingie's allowances from the above period.—

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

Hydrabad
1st March 1793.

Signed John Kennaway
ag Sec.d

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Minute thereon

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Agreed that Lieutenant Colin Mackenzie be appointed in G. O. Field Engineer and Surveyor to the detachment, and that his allowances commence from the 1st of April 1792.—

Read the following letter from the Military Storekeeper.—

To
The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President and Governor &c. in Council
Fort St George.

Honble Sir,

From military Storekeeper requesting an advance for his Employ and Payment of his Salary for February.—

Permit me to request an advance of two thousand four hundred and sixty four Pagodas, sixteen Fanams and forty Cash to enable me to comply with an Indent for Military Stores Ordered by the Military Board for this month, and the further sum of Pagodas five hundred, being the amount of my Salary for the Month of February.—

I have the honor to be with Respect.—

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I have &c.
(Signed) Jos. Dec. Pre Porcher
M.y Storek.r

Ordered

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Order thereon.

Ordered that the Sum of two Thousand nine hundred and Sixty four Pagodas Sixteen Fanams and forty Cash /2964.16.40/ be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Storekeeper on account of this Establishment.—

As the third Rest to the consolidated Creditors becomes payable on the 15th instant—ordered that the third Payment be also made to the new Cavalry Creditors, amounting per Register's Statement, to twenty Seven Thousand Five hundred and sixty nine Pagodas eighteen Fanams, and Sixty six Cash /27569.18.66/—

a third payment ordered to the new Cavalry Creditors, on the 15th march

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The Paymastership of Vellore annexed to that of Walajabad.—

The President recommends that Mr. John Wynch, the Paymaster at Walajanbad, be appointed to pay the Garrisons of Vellore.—

Ordered accordingly.—

Chas. Oakeley

Cl Ballotpiller

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Diary

Sent the following Letters

To the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William.

My Lord,

To Bengal the arrangements for discharging the arrears of Peishcush to the Nizam will be attended to—evidences sent to Masulipatam in consequence—another letter from the Naib regarding the Nundidroog Polygars—about Vellore—enclosed also one from Colonel Agnew reporting his final Settlement with the Tinnevelly Polygars.

1 We have been honored by the receipt of your Lordship's letter dated the 15th Ultimo.

2 We shall particularly observe the Instructions you have given for the liquidation of the arrears due to his Highness the Nizam at the close of the Fasly 1200, and for the first instalment due on the 31st of March 1792.

3 In pursuance of that arrangement we have directed the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to pay immediately to the Nizam's agent at that place the sum of Arcot Rupees three Lacks and fifty thousand (350000) and we shall discharge the Remainder, so soon as we learn from Sir John Kennaway (to whom we have written) whether the receipts given by the Nizam's agent to Lieutenant Sandys for the purchase of the Company's Elephants, amounting to fifty nine thousand and ninety Arcot Rupees (59,090) are to go towards the liquidation of the arrears to be paid by us, or of the instalments falling due subsequent to the 31st March 1792.

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4 We shall direct the Accountant Genl to include the Pattcoth in our future Estimates of Receipts and Disbursements - and to credit the Bengal Presidency for the amount. —

5 With our Letter to your Lordship of the 5th Instant, we had the honor to forward copies of Letters from and to the Nabob regarding the Conduct of the Polygars dependent on the Jaghires of Chittoor and Chundernaghurry - and having since received another Letter from his Highness on the same Subject, we enclose a copy of it for your information. —

6 We have the pleasure to acquaint your Lordship that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell has fully accomplished the service we had entrusted to him in the Southern Countries, and that he is returned to his Station at Tanjore - a copy of his Letter, communicating these circumstances, we have the honor to enclose. —

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

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To the Honorable Colonel Charmont

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

To the Governor &c. Pondicherry enclosing the Nabobs reply in the Subject of the mint &c. &c. —

Honble Sir,

I had the honor to inform you in my Letter of the 27th Ultimo, that I should write to his Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic on the Subject of your

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your representation regarding the Coinage of the Pondicherry Rupee at Arcot, and make known to you the purport of his Highness's reply.

Agreeably to this intimation, I have now the honor to transmit a copy of the Nabobs answer, by which you will observe that his Highness has given the most positive injunctions to his Servants to prevent the Coinage of the Pondicherry Rupee - and I trust these orders will be effectual.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Chas. Oakeley

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To David Haliburton Esqr
&c. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

We enclose copy of a letter from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, and, in conformity to the recommendation therein contained, we desire you will instruct Mr. Landon to prohibit Lankerlinguem or any of his Family from being employed by any of the Polygars in the Tinnevelly Country on any account whatever.

To Board of Revenue - Lankerlinguem, or any of his Family to be prohibited from serving any of the Tinnevelly Polygars - and writing of Mr. Binny's appointment to take copies of the Revenue Accounts for the Nabob - orders in consequence.

The Nabob having appointed Mr. Binny to attend at the Revenue office, with some of his Highness's Servants, for the purpose of taking copies of the detailed Accounts of the late Collectors in the assumed countries, we desire you will cause Mr. Binny to be informed at what time it will be proper for him to attend.

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We are &c. &c.
(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
&c. Council
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To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief &c. Council at Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

To Masulipatam with instructions to suspend the payment of Arrears of Peshcush due to the Nizam

The Governor General in Council having formed an Arrangement, by which we are to account with his Highness the Nizam from our own Resources for the balance of Peishcush due to him at the close of the Fusly year 1200 or 24th September 1791, and also for the first instalment for 1201 Fusly, due on the 21st of March 1792, we desire you will pray forthwith to the Nizam's Agent at Masulipatam, the sum of Arcot Rupees three Lacks and fifty thousand (3,50,000) towards the liquidation of the arrears for the above period; and we shall hereafter instruct you in regard to the payment of the remaining balance.

We are &c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
Va Council

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To Sir John Kennaway Bart
Resident at Hyderabad

Sir,

To Resident at Hyderabad - advising of the preceding arrangement and desiring information regarding the Amount, to which the Amount purchase of Elephants is to be carried - copy of letter from Bengal enclosed

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to inform you that, in consequence of an arrangement formed by the Governor General in Council, by which this Presidency is to account with his Highness

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His Highness the Nizam, from its own resources for the balance of Pishcush due to him at the close of the Fusly year 1200 or 24th September 1791, and also for the first instalment for 1201 Fusly, due on the 31st March 1792, orders have been sent to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam to pay immediately to the Nizam's Agent at that Pr place the sum of three Lacks and fifty thousand /3,50,000/ Arcot Rupees - and that instructions will be given for the payment of the remainder so soon as the balance be ascertained.

The President in Council directs me on this occasion to enclose copy of the letter from Bengal, and to desire you will inform him, whether it is meant that the Receipts given by the Nizam's Agent /on Account of Elephants purchased from the Company/ amounting to fifty nine thousand and ninety /59,090/ Arcot Rupees, are to go towards the liquidation of the Arrears to be paid by this Government, or of the Pishcush falling due Subsequent to the 31st March 1792.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
/Signed/ W.C. Jackson Secy

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Dispatched the undermentioned letters
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To Accountant General - enclosing
To Accountant General — copy of orders from Bengal regarding the arrears of H.H.
Nizam's Peshcush - and requiring a Statement of the H.H.
Amount payable by this Government, in consequence
orders for bringing the annual Peshcush to account —

To Ditto — the Draft of the proposed Treaty with the Rajah of H.H.
Tanjore - Intentions respecting appropriation of the H.H.
Surplus Revenue during the retention of this Country —

To Captain Dallas — To Agent for Horses at Hyderabad -
directing him to continue his purchases, while the
prices do not exceed the Established rates. —

To Secretary at Bengal — To Secretary at Bengal - with Copy
of the latest Intelligence from Mysore. —

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — To Commissary General of Grain
and Provisions - his report on the Complaints of the
Bullock Masstries who served with the Grand Army,
satisfactory - their Balances to be remitted - and orders
regarding those in their favor —

To Ditto — To Ditto - his letter regarding the H.H.
new System of Cavalry Supplies, referred to the Auditor
General - and permitting him to purchase Grain H.H.
for the present year —

To Military Auditor General — To Military Auditor General - referring
the letter above mentioned, and advising of the per-
-mission to Mr. Cockburn to purchase Grain -
letter from Colonel Floyd suggesting alterations in H.H.
the Cavalry Regulations, and the opinion of the H.H.
Governor General thereon, enclosed. —

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11 To Officer Commanding the Body Guard—

To Lieutenant Grant — the former allowance of Eight pagodas for each horse, is granted—until the price of Grain shall fall.—

To Military Board Major Dirs &c opinion on the allowance, necessary for shoeing &c: the Horses of the Native Cavalry, referred—also Lieutenant Dyce's application to provide Cotts for 7th Regiment at Lecunder Malley.—

To Military Board

To Commandant at Arcot directing the distribution of Twenty six horses sent thither from Hydrabad.—

To Major Lovenge

To Captain Doveton—enclosing papers regarding the Confinement of some Paramhael Merchants in Narrayandroog—directions on the Subject.—

To Captain Doveton

To Resident at Nagore—with orders for discharging the Arrears due to Lieutenant Barrack Master Dyce, on account of the Troops at Negapatam.—

To Resident at Nagore

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell his Mode of completing the Service lately entrusted to him approved—and his recommendation regarding Sunkerlingum, adopted.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.—

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in Mr: P: Nos 108. 109. 110. 111.—

From Masulipatam—submitting Colonel Fraser's opinion regarding the Reduction of the Revenue Corps in that District, in addition to their late address on that Subject.—

From Masulipatam

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From Mr. N. Webb

From Mr. Nathaniel Webb returning the Security Bond on behalf of Mr. Paymaster Hughes duly executed.

From Mond.r Marigny

From Mond.r Marigny requesting a further Supply of Stores for the Service of the Nizam.

From Major Stevenson

From Commandant of the 3.rd Regiment of Cavalry inclosing a Certificate of the Loss of Lieutenant Pigon's horse, and requesting he may be reimbursed. The Sepoy Barracks &.c at Tachinore, completed.

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Substance of letter to Tondiman

Sent letter to Tondiman, entered in C. C. No. 58 directing he will immediately deliver up to Mr. Strange, all the Colleries concerned in the Murder lately committed in the Pettiecotah District.

Sent the following letter to the Board of Revenue.

To David Haliburton Esq.r

&.a Members of the Board of Revenue

To Board of Revenue advising of the letter written to Tondiman ordering in consequence a Stock of Paddy to be supplied for Jaigire by the Collectors there

Gentlemen,

In consequence of your letter of the 7.th Instant, our President has written to Tondiman, directing him to deliver up all the persons

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15 persons concerned in the Murder committed in the Pettiacotah District — The man whom Mr. Stranger has in custody, we would have given over to the authority of the Rajah of Tanjore, with the necessary Evidence, that he may be tried, and punished if convicted of the Crime imputed to him.

The Commissary General of Grain and Provisions having recommended that a Six Months stock of Paddy for the present Garrison of Tanjore be laid in Store, we desire you will send instructions to the Collectors to comply with the Indents of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions for the quantity required, observing only that the Paddy be taken from the Districts nearest the fort, so that the expence of Carriage may be as small as possible.

We are &c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
Wa Cowell

Dispatched also the undermentioned letters. Entered in M: B: Nos. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120.

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — with Instructions for the disposal of the old Paddy in Store at Trichinopoly — orders given for furnishing a Stock of Paddy for Tanjore.

To Commissary Gl. of Grain and Provisions.

To Ditto — desiring that the Public Bullock

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To Ditto

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15 Bullocks with the family of the late Rajah of Tanjore, may be returned to that place and—

To Military Board— with Similer orders regarding the Lascars, and Tents at Mr. Crawfurd's Gardens.—

To Military Board

To Lieutenant Fireworker Dl. Russell permitting him to visit Bengal.—

To Lieutenant Fireworker Dl. Russell

To Colonel Floyd— in reply to his request to draw Colonels Gratuity from the date of his Commission issued at the war office.—

To Colonel Floyd

To Chief Engineer— the original plans of every description to be sent to England, one Set of the Copies being previously taken for the purpose of being lodged in the Consultation Room.—

To Chief Engineer

To Lieutenant Colonel Ward— his pension can only be paid on his order at Madras.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Ward

To Commandant at Kyatar— desiring an Estimate of the Repairs wanting to the Pagoda there— and an account of his Expence for removing the Sick— Government will be allowed his Officers.—

To Captain Brown

To Military Auditor General— notifying the allowance of Eight Pagodas pr. Month, for Each horse of the Body Guard— Same to be sent to be allowed the Officers at Kyatar.—

To Military auditor General

16. Received the following Letter

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have had the honor of receiving your Hs

commands of the 13th. ultimo, thro' Mr. Secretary

Jackson, enclosing a letter from the Right Honble

the Governor General in Council, stating that

Mr. Secretary Jackson had transmitted on the

6th. of april 1791. an Account of Stores for payment

of Subsistence to the British Regiments, serving

under the Parliamentary Agreement between

the 25th. of June 1789 and the 25th. June 1790,

including Pay Office charges amounting to

Pagodas 1,74,257.31.5, Subscribed by the King's

Deputy Paymaster General, and myself; and

that on the 23d. of October 1792, an Account

was transmitted by your Honble Board, signed

by me, of Sums disbursed at this Presidency for

the same purpose, and for the period abovemention-

-ed which including Pay Office charges amounted

to Pagodas 1,49,529.21.4 being less than the Sum

abovementioned by Pagodas 24,728.10.1 wishing

also to receive an Explanation of the difference, &

and to know whether it remained a

Balance in the hands of the King's Paymaster

General

From Military Pay-
master General -
with explanations
on the Accounts of
Stores to the Kings
Troops - furnished by
him in april 1791 -
and October 1792. -

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16 General or is said to have been remitted to England in part of the Subsidy, due by the Company to the Crown on Account of His Majesty's Troops.

In reply to which I beg leave to observe that the Account of Issues signed by the King's Deputy Paymaster General and myself contained the Issues of Fourteen Months, being Subsistence in advance from the 25th of June 1789 to the 24th August 1790 as stated in the Head of the Account transmitted, whereas if the Amount advanced on the 25th of June 1790 being Pagodas 26,473.12.4 the last two Months of the Fourteen be deducted from the above Sum, it will leave an advance during the twelve Months of Pagodas 147,784.19.1 being Pagodas 1745.2.3 less than the Sum actually disbursed during the Twelve Months, For the Account mentioned in the Second Paragraph of the letter of the Right Hon.ble the Governor General in Council, was the Account of actual disbursements to his Majesty's Regiments between the 25th of June 1789 and the 24th of June 1790, including Office charges, being for the Space of twelve Months.

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When I make up the next Six Months Accounts of Advances to His Majesty's Deputy Paymaster General, I shall take particular care to attend to the 5th Paragraph of the Letter of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) P. Roebuck
M. P. G.

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Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M. P. No. 121. 122.

From Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad — requesting to know, if he may purchase Horses for various Officers of the Cavalry, who cannot remount themselves in the Carnatic.

From Lieutenant Dallas

From Officer Commanding Detachment — enclosing a letter from and to Sir John Kennaway.

From Major Blair

Received the following Letter

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W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir,

I am desired to request that you will be pleased to inform the Governor in Council that the Government General have been favored with his letter of the 13th Ultimo, enclosing a translation of one from the Nabob, dated the 5th and a copy of the Board's Minute thereupon; and that the Governor General in Council thinks it only necessary to refer to his letter of the 12th of last Month, as being equally applicable to the Communication now before him and to the letter of the 23d to which it immediately replied.

From Secretary at Bengal - the copy of the Nabob's letter of the 5th February and the Board's Minute thereon received - refer to the Governor General's letter of 12th of that Month, for a Reply

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) G. Hay
Secretary to the Governor

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Received the undermentioned Letters
Entered in M. B. Nos 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130.

From Military Auditor General, reporting on the Paymaster General's Estimate for March, and the additional Estimates of the Paymasters at Ellore and Walajabad.

From Military auditor General

From

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From Military Paymaster General — Enclosing his Estimate for april.

From military Paymaster General

From Captain L. Baillie — requesting to know if any orders have been received regarding him, as by the Packet, reported to have arrived from England.

From Captain L. Baillie

From Commandant of 3d Regiment of Cavalry — offering his Services as an agent for feeding the Corps, and some remarks on the 9th and 12th Articles of the New Cavalry Regulations.

From major Stevenson

From Ditto of 1st Regiment — requesting Copies of Mr Cockburn's and Major Orr's letters — regarding the Claim on him for Grain issued at Ponamallee.

From major Murray

From Captain Doveton — conveying the promise of Tippoo's Vackeel to write to their Master, regarding the persons in Confinement at Narrayen droog.

From Captain Doveton

From Collector at Dindigul — enclosing papers regarding the New Fort, said to have been built by the Lagoody Polygar — Remarks on the Subject and noticing the merits of that Polygar

From Collector at Dindigul

From Mr. Michael Topping — requesting an assistant, on the intended Survey in the Circars.

From Mr. Mr. Topping

At

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At a Consultation

Present

Monday 18th March 1793

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr

Minutes of last Consultation read & approved.

General Letters from England, per Tartar via Bengal read and resolutions passed thereon

The General letters from the Honorable Court of Directors received per Tartar via Bengal, are now read, and resolutions passed thereon

Separate Political Letter 19th September 1792.

Part 1st Intention of replying to that part of the letter from the Governor in Council under date the 18th April 1791, which treats of the private debts of the Nabob of Arcot and the Rajah of Tanjore.

Requires no observation

2d The Nabob may be met on the application from the Subject of this unconsolidated debt, approbation of the dissolution of the Committee.

The Board have so often, and without any Success whatsoever, so requested of his Highness to give a final opinion upon the various unconsolidated claims referred to him, that they are convinced it would be to no purpose to Solicit his attention anew. It was but a short time ago that two applications were made to him regarding the debt due to Mr. Dark's Estate, which remain unanswered - and many others are

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are in a similar predicament —

For these reasons therefore, and because the Honble Court have, in some measure, left it to the option of the Board to make the application or not, as they may deem proper, we have resolved to postpone writing to his Highness, until he shews an inclination himself to take up the Subject.

Para 3. & 13th Orders respecting the Creditors of the Nabob of Arcot and Rajah of Tanjore

As the operation of the orders contained in these Paragraphs rested entirely on the continuance of the assumption of the Management of the Carnatic and Tanjore Revenues, it is only necessary to remark that by the Treaty of the 12th of July last, a permanent arrangement has been established for the gradual liquidation of the Nabobs consolidated debts, which precludes the necessity of making the proposition to the Creditors, as directed by the Honorable Court — and, as this Tanjore Country, for reasons detailed

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detailed on the records, has not yet been delivered into His Excellency's hands, yet, as the arrangements for a new treaty have been sanctioned by the Governor General in Council, and the stipulations in behalf of the Creditors have been notified to them, the Board conceive that the Proposition of the Honorable Court, which originated in the Idea that the assumption would continue until a certain proportion of the war Expences Were were discharged, cannot, under the present change of circumstances, with propriety be made.

The Board will strictly attend to the orders contained in this Paragraph.

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16. Debt due by the Nabob to Lieutenant Colonel Kyd—Arrangement however existent for the liquidation of the Outstanding debts against his Highness to be concluded without the previous sanction and approbation of the Honble Court.

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Para 1. Thanks of the Court to Lord Cornwallis for the Services rendered to the Company by his Lordship.

No remark

On the 2d proposition that it may be the intention of the Governor General to notify to the Army the Sentiments and resolution of the Honorable Court, it is agreed that the publication of them be postponed until advice be received from Bengal of the determination of his Lordship on the Subject.

2. Court's approbation of the Conduct of the Officers and Men engaged in the late War - Six Months additional Batta granted to them.

3. Major General Abercromby not included in the distribution of the additional Gratuity.

Requires no remark

Information of the President, relative to the Intention of Tippoo to send the Hostages for the three provinces to Bombay.

The President informs the Board that the Vackeel of Tippoo Sultaun have represented, through Captain Doveton, that their Master proposed sending the Second

Hosts

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Kist for the three powers immediately to Mr. Kistnaghenny- that, to this communication, the President had desired the Vackeel might be informed that he had no authority to receive any payment but for the Company- and that for them he could not consent to receive the second Kist, until he was informed the first had been paid to the Nizam, of which he had yet no advice.

Resolution in Consequence.

Resolved that the above be communicated to Bengal.

The President lays before the Board the following Translation of an Arzee from Kutbul Mulk Kutbud dien Khan Lagierdar, transmitted by Sipproo to his Vackeels, complaining of some irregularities said to have been committed in the Talook of Amerpeen by people belonging to Adoni.

Translation

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Translation

Copy of an Arzee from Kuttul mulk Kuttub to
ud deen Khan Lagindar
Transmitted by Fiyaz Sultaun to his Vackeels

Complaint of a Inequalities said to have been committed by the people of adoni in the Talook of Anenpum

Three or four hundred
Peadas belonging to Adoni, having
collected themselves together, plundered
the Talook of Anenpum of all its cattle
&c. - In consequence I wrote an account
of the affair to Sufder Jung the Foujedar
of that place, and received from him
this answer, 'I will give strict injunc-
tions to the Peadas, and the like
shall not happen again' - whether
the Foujedar gave such injunctions
or not I am ignorant - The next
time they plundered the Village of
Houseotah dependant on the Talook
of the Lagheir - They frequently
Commit

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Kist for the three provers immediately to Mr. Kistnaghenny - that, to this communication, the President had desired the Vackeel might be informed that he had no authority to receive any payment but for the Company - and that for them he could not consent to receive the second Kist, until he was informed the first had been paid to the Nizam, of which he had yet no advice.

Resolution in Consequence.

Resolved that the above be communicated to Bengal.

The President lays before the Board the following Translation of an Arzee from Kutb ul Mulk Kutb ud deen Khan Lagierdar, transmitted by Sipsoo to his Vackeels, complaining of some irregularities said to have been committed in the Talook of Amerpeen by people belonging to Adoni.

Translation

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Translation

Copy of an Arzee from Kistbut muddk Kistbut to and the Khan Jagirdar transmitted by Tippoo Sultaun to his Vackeels

Complaint of the Irregularities said to have been committed by the people of Adoni in the Talook of Ameerpum

Three or four hundred Peadas belonging to Adoni, having collected themselves together, plundered the Talook of Ameerpum of all its cattle &c. - In consequence I wrote an account of the affair to Sufder Jung the Foujedar of that place, and received from him this answer, I will give strict injunctions to the Peadas, and the like shall not happen again - whether or not I am ignorant - The next time they plundered the Village of Houscotah dependant on the Talook of the Jaghier - they frequently

Commit

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commit such insults and depredations
- To punish these Pendas is no difficult
thing, but they are in dependency on
the Nawab assuf Jah - whatever is
ordered relative thereto shall be
executed. —

about twenty or twenty five
Bayders are stationed, for the protection
of the village, in Nagemunder about two
Cos distant from Tiyhisar - These also plunder,
and rob - and, during the night, come into the
country of the Sirkar, and carry off grain,
cattle &c: In this manner they carried
off cattle from the village of Sunkul in the
Taloob of Auvergoondy - The Sirkar Taliars
traced and discovered the cattle, and saw
with their own eyes / that the Bayders
had tied them at their own houses —
the taliars, making the inhabitants
of that place witness thereof, returned
to the Taloob of the Sirkar - The
Aumil of the Taloob of the Sirkar then
wrote to the inhabitants and Pattels
of Nagemunder informing them, "That
the

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"the Talians having traced and discovered
"the Cattle with their Bayders, and having
"delivered them to their charge, it was
"incumbent upon them to send back the
"cattle in question." The Aumil received in
answer, "The Bayders, who are miscreants
"and robbers, have no connection with or
"dependance on this side, nor cannot therefore
"cause them to restore the Cattle &c. - but
"with thirty or forty Peadas you may come
"and take away the said Bayders and
"Cattle."

What I have related is the
case here - but I cannot punish the Bayders
on account of the apprehension I am
under from the Presence - otherwise the
necessary punishment should be inflicted
in a moment - with respect to this business,
whatever is directed I will execute.

true translation
/Signed/ Gabriel Doveton

Ordered

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Ordered that a copy of the above

Order thereon — paper be sent to Bengal and to Sir John

Kennaway. — Chas. Oakeley.

George Parry Esqr

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Diary

Sent the following Letters

To the Most. Noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at

Fort William.

My Lords,

To Bengal - advising of Tippoo's Intentions to send the second Kists for the three powers to Kistnaghery, and of the President's reply - a letter from Tippoo to the Governor General forwarded - also translate of an Arzee to Tippoo complaining of the irregularities committed on the Talook of Amurpun by the people of Adoni -

We have the honor to inform your Lordships that the Vackeel of Tippoo Sultaun have represented through Captain Doveton, to our President that their Master proposed sending the second Kists for the three Powers immediately to Kistnaghery -

In reply to this Communication the Vackeels might be informed that he had no authority to receive any Payment but for the Company, and that for them he could not consent to receive the second Kist until he was informed the first had been paid to the Nizam, of which he had yet no advice -

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We have the honor to transmit a letter
from Tippoo Sultaun addressed to your Lordship;
which was delivered to our President this
Morning by the Vackeels,—

We have also the honor to forward a
Translation of an Arzee from Rukh ul Mulk
Rukh ud dien Khan Jageirdar, transmitted
by Tippoo to his Vackeels, complaining of
irregularities said to have been committed in
the Talooks of Amerpum by people belonging
to Adoni - a Copy of which we have transmitted
to Sir John Kennaway -

We have the honor to be,
with Respect -
&c. &c.

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(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council &c.

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis &c.
Governor General in Council,
at
Fort William.

To Dr. regarding the Gratuity ordered by the Honorable Court of Directors to be presented to the Army for their services in the late war - Advices of Mr. Benny's appointment to take Charge of Revenue Accounts for the Nabob. his letter enclosed -

My Lord,

1st We have the honor to inform
your Lordship that we have received instructions
from

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from the Honorable Court of Directors, in a letter
dated the 19th September last, to make known to
the Officers and Men, who shared in the Glories of the late
War, the favorable Sentiments entertained by the Honble
Court of their Services and good conduct; and the resolution
of presenting to them six Months' Batta, (in addition
to the Gratuity which had been allowed by your Lordship,)
as a Manifestation of the sense entertained of
their Services.—

2 On the Supposition that it may be your
Lordship's intention to notify to the Army the
Sentiments and resolution of the Court of Directors,
we have judged it right to withhold the publication
of them, until we are honored with your determination
on the subject.—

3 His Highness the Nabob having notified
to us the appointment of his Secretary Mr. Benny
to attend at the Revenue Office, to
Servants, for the purpose of taking Copies of the detailed
Accounts of the late Collectors, we have given the ne-
cessary directions to the Board of Revenue to
permit Mr. Benny to execute the Nabob's Orders
—a Copy of his Highness's letter we have the
honor to enclose for your Lordship's information
We have the honor to be with Respect—
&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley
Council

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To Resident at Hydrabad

Dispatched a Letter, Entered in M. B. No. 131, to Resident at Hydrabad enclosing Copy of Tippoo's Complaint against the People of Adoni—

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Received the undermentioned Letters & Entered in M. B. Nos. 132. 133. 134. 135.—

From Sub Secretary at Bengal

From Sub Secretary at Bengal forwarding a Letter for the Secretary of the Military Board & at this Presidency—

From Mr. Paymaster Cooper

From Paymaster in the Tanjam District —in Reply to Colonel Folson's Complaint of his Refusal to pay the Lascars at Barampour— Correspondence on the Subject enclosed.—

From Colonel Floyd

From Colonel Floyd giving instances of the difference of Company's Allowances being & paid from the date of Commissions issued at the War Office, in support of his own Claim on & this Account.—

From Chief Engineer

From Chief Engineer — submitting an Estimate Expence of the Apartment building for the Elder Widow of the late Rajah of Tanjore at M. Chau Sunds Gardens.—

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Sent the undermentioned Letters Entered in M. B. Nos. 136. 137.—

To Military Auditor Genl

To Military Auditor General referring the Paymaster General's Estimate of Cash for April.—

For

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No 19.

To Messrs. Woolf and Plaw —

To Messrs. Woolf and Plaw desiring to know whether the Examination of the Nabobs Accounts & with the Company is nearly completed. —

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt. Governor President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation

Tuesday 19th March 1793

read and approved. —

Read the following letter from the Military Board with Enclosures entered in H. B. Nos. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

In reply to a Paragraph in your Letter of the 31st January last, which enclosed extract of a Letter from Colonel Floyd relative to the Cavalry in reference, for our consideration to the 12th Article of the regulations of the 12th of last July, & concerning that Corps, we have the honor to recommend

From Military Board. Opinion of the Company to be obtained the Commandants of Native Cavalry for Clothing &c. the Horses of their Regiments — Draft of the Contract for Repairs with Contractors: regulation on the subject Opinion on the Office for making Long Coats for the Battalion of Artillery & Intentions regarding the & Drafting of for Indents sent out for a New Contract for Clothing — orders given for Indenting for the Artillery Coats — Opinion on Lieutenant Clarke's request to be provided with Coats at Ellore and Disposing Horses sent for the Officers of 1st Regiment at Conjeveram — Report on Stores Repairs, Ordnance and Stores — Company for Riccottah recommendation for Naming it with Provisions Estimate Expence of repairing the Fort Magazine — enclosed —

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recommend, in consequence of the computations made by that Officer which have been admitted, that it will be reasonable to allow the Officers Commanding the Regiments of native Cavalry, the following Sums monthly, for providing the Articles as expressed in the 12th Article of the regulations, of the above date Viz.t

Shoes	12..
Head and Heelropes	12..
Curry Comb	1.
Physick	4.
Masaul	4.
	33. Fanams per

Month from the 1.st May 1793 — we have confined ourselves to the Articles Specified in the 12th Article of the Regulations of the 12th July, agreeably to the orders we have received — although we observe that Colonel Floyd has detailed several other Articles as necessary for the horses of the 19th Dragoons —

Agreeable to your orders of the 13th January, we have now the honor to submit the terms of Contract for repairs with Messrs. Roebuck and Abbott; and to suggest that, as the same Gentlemen hold the Contract for repairs at Madras, Poonamalee

and

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and some other Stations, not included in the present
contract, it may be advisable to communicate with
them, in order that the two contracts may be
consolidated, if it shall appear necessary, as a
measure that would be attended with the
advantage of having all repairs performed at
the same Medicum rates.—

We were duly favored with your
Commands of the 13th 20th 21st and 27th Ultimo, 6 and 7th
Instants, and have the honor to acquaint you,
that we consider the rates at which the Contractor
for Army Cloathing has proposed to furnish long
Coats for the 1st Battalion of Artillery very
reasonable, and beg leave to suggest that, as part
of the establishment is to be furnished with
long Coats, it may be expedient to insert a
clause in the ensuing Contract, providing for
that alteration, and also to make up masters
Coats of that description - but that, before
adopting either, we are desirous of having
the Sanction of your Honorable Board.—

Mr. Brodie having represented to
us that his Contract does not expire till the
27th June next, we herewith enclose Copy of his

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this Letter, and conceive you will be of opinion that we shall have ample time to draw out an Advertisement on the subject of a new Contract, after your Honorable Board shall have decided upon the matters connected with it, now submitted for your consideration.—

We have the honor to acquaint you that, on receipt of your Letter of the 20th Ultimo, immediate directions were given to the Contractor for repairs, for Building the several Sheds at Mr. Crawford's Gardens, for the Accommodation of the family of the late Rajah of Tanjore, & desiring them not to exceed the Amount of the estimate forwarded to us by your Honorable Board.—

With respect to the application to provide new Cotts in the Northern Division, it appears, from the report of Survey, that the total Number of Cotts in perfect repair and good Condition in that division is 673, that the total number of Men in the Division is 800. Supposing the 4th European Battalion to

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have joined, and that on this Calculation 127 Colls are deficient; and, as we have come to a determination to report our opinion that the best rule, in the present situation of the Service on the Coast, will be to fix the Establishment of Colls for a given number of p present number of men up to the 30 of September as the first period, it will consequently follow, under this Arrangement, that 127 New Colls will fall to be made up in the Northern Division, in addition to those already in it, part of which it will be necessary for the Barrack Master to convey to Ellore, for the use of the 4th European Battalion.—

Not having it in our power to arrange completely the Report of Colls at this time, we beg leave, in the present state of the Department, to offer to the Consideration of your Honorable Board, the above outline of the principle on which the report will be founded, in answer to the order, previous to effecting the provision of new Colls in the northn Division, and to add that it has been adopted, on observing that part of the European Corps serving under this

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this Presidency are deficient in numbers, while others have supernumeraries, and consequently the difficulty of ascertaining exactly what may be a sufficient Establishment of Cattle on an average, before the Arrival of the Ships of the Season.—

In answer to the reference on Colonel Floyd's Letter of the 15th Ultimo, forwarded with your Commands under date the 27th February, we have the honor to acquaint you that we do not conceive it to be the Custom of the Service to allow House Rent to Officers, provided with Public Quarters.—

On the receipt, on Saturday the 9th instant, of your Letter of the 7th relative to Ricottah, a Meeting of the Military Board was summoned for this day; in the mean time the Commissary General of Stores was requested, by the Acting President, to Indent on the Contractor for one 12 Pounder, and one 9 Pounder, Depressing Carriages, and to make such arrangements, previous to the Meeting of the Board, as might appear generally necessary for supplying Ordnance and Stores for Ricottah, in communication with the Reports transmitted concerning that

post

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post, by the Officers of the Artillery, and Engineer Corps,
who had been sent thither to inspect, and survey
Having requested the Chief Engineer, some time a-
go, to report, in consequence of the orders received from
Government concerning the Baramahal, and Salem
Countries, what works were required to render it
the several Forts therein defensible, and to establish
sufficient Quarters, Magazines, &
store houses, in them - we think it necessary, on
the present occasion, to lay his Report and it
Estimate relative to Ricottah immediately it
before you, and it is accordingly enclosed - In-
Consequence of this Report and your orders of the
9th instant, we request to be informed whether or
not the Engineer is to take the necessary measures
without delay, for carrying into Execution the it
Repairs so stated to be required for Ricottah. -

On examining the last Return of
Military Stores, received from Ricottah Dept for
last Month, we find that there are seven
Serviceable Iron Guns, from eight to Two Pounders,
without Serviceable Carriages, and that the
post is but poorly supplied without Stores, we
have therefore judged it necessary to order from
Vellore, to Ricottah, immediately, the Two
Three Pounders light Guns, thought proper by
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the Officer Commanding the Army, with their proportion of Shot and Stores - to direct 600 Barrels of Gun Powder to be supplied for the post, together with 100 Spare Stand of Arms, a proportion of Small stores, and the musket ammunition to be compleated to 33 Barrells -

We have thought it further necessary to call upon the Contractors, by Letter, to use the utmost diligence in compleating the two depressing Carriages already indented for; and have directed the Commissary General of Stores to hold in readiness one 12 Pounder, and one 9 Pounder / Iron / with a proportion of Shot, and Stores, for them, in order that they may be forwarded as soon as the carriages are finished, on which they are to be mounted -

We have agreed to adopt the enclosed Establishment marked No 1 of ordnance and Stores, for Bencoolah laid before us by the Commissary General of Stores, and beg leave to recommend that Twelve Carriages be made up for the Serviceable Iron Guns there - In the mean time we submit to the consideration of your Honorable Board a

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the above general communication of the measures taken in consequence of your Commands of the 7th instant, and think it necessary to take this opportunity of suggesting, that it may also be advisable to lay in a store of Six Months provisions for Bracottah for the present, and to compleat it to twelve Months, as soon as possible.—

The Military Store Keeper has been directed to supply Monsieur Marigny with Sixty Ala Drums for the use of his Highness the Nizam, when applied for, on receiving payment for the same at the usual rate—and the Commander of the Ships Aurora & with three Barrels of Gun powder for the use of that Ships, on the same terms, the necessary intimation has consequently been given to the above Gentlemen.—

We have the honor to lay before you Copy of a Letter from the Honorable Company's Solicitor respecting the Suit in Court against the Scavanger Contractor, as we do not conceive ourselves authorized to give any instructions on the Subject—but have informed him, agreable to

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to your intimation, in your Commands on that Subject, that the necessary directions would be given by your Honorable Board. —

The Chief Engineer having laid before us an Estimate Expence of necessary repairs wanting to the Grand Magazine, amounting to Pagodas 368.. 9.. 26 we have the honor to lay it before you. —

We have the honor to be,

Yr. Hble. Servts.

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(Signed) Henry Malcolm
" Thomas Teils
" John Richardson
" George Maule
" George Hall

Resolutions and Minutes on the foregoing letter from the Military Board

Resolved, on the consideration that it would be attended with less inconvenience to the public Service to allow the Officers Commanding the Regiments of Native Cavalry to provide all the Articles mentioned in Colonel Floyd's letter of the 31st January last, than to authorize the supply by other means, that, that mode be adopted.

Resolved

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Resolved that Messrs. Roebuck and Abbott be called upon for their acquiescence in the proposition submitted by the Military Board for Consolidating the two Contracts, in order that all the repairs may be performed at the same Medium rate.

As Mr. Brodie's Contract does not expire 'till the 27th of June next, it will not be necessary at this early period to advertize for new proposals — The Military Board must however be careful that sufficient time be given to enable the new Contractor to enter on the business at the expiration of the Contract now in force.

Agreed to inform the Military Board that it will be proper to insert the clause proposed by them in the ensuing Contract, regarding the alteration in the Coats of the 1st Battalion of Artillery; and to make up Musters for the inspection and Guidance of the person whose proposals may be accepted. —

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The Board approve the orders given to the Contractors for repairs for building the Several Sheds at Mr. Crawford's Garden for the Accommodation of the Tanjore Family —

Ordered that the Barrack Master in the Northern Division be informed of the Opinion of the Military Board upon his Application for providing new Cotts, and directed to be guided by it in the number to be made use of. —

The Motion for referring to the consideration of the Military Board the letter from Colonel Floyd of the 15th Ultimo was, that they might ascertain whether the Quarters occupied by two Officers of his Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons, and stated to have been formerly allotted to one Subaltern of Native Cavalry, are properly the Quarters of a Subaltern — and in that case, whether one of the Officers so quartered be not justly

entitled

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entitled to the usual Allowance of House Rent. Agreed that this be communicated to the Military Board, and that they be informed, that until they have replied to it, the Application of Colonel Floyd cannot be decided upon.—

Resolved that directions be given to the Chief Engineer, through the Military Board, to take the necessary measures without delay for carrying into execution the Repairs stated to be required for Ryacottah—the expence of which, according to the Estimate, amounts to Pagodas One thousand six hundred.—

The Board approve the orders given for transporting Ordnance and Stores to Ryacottah, as detailed in the foregoing letter—Ordered that Truck Carriages for the Serviceable Iron Guns at that post be made up, and that duplicates be sent to the Commissary General of Stores and of Provisions

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Provisions for laying in a Store of six Month Provisions, and for completing it to twelve Months as soon as possible —

The Board have no objection to the execution of the Repairs stated by Lieutenant Colonel Maule to be necessary to the Grand Magazine — but, in future, estimates are not to be prepared without the approbation of Government first obtained, and which can only properly be given, after the Military Board have reported their opinion upon the proposed work —

Read the following Letters from the Board of Revenue —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

We referred to our Accountant the Petition of Cavel Ram, Sonar, which accompanied your Commands of the 13th Ultimo and

From Board of Revenue report on the Petition of Cavel Ram, Sonar and of the Amount of Charges payable to Mr. D. Campbell — Reference regarding Bill of Mr. Anderson on the Paymaster General for advances to Rice Keepers and for the Army in October 1791.

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and directed him to examine into the Accounts of the late Collector of the Northern Division of Arcot, and to report if any Sum or Sums appeared to have be collected of the Balances of 1199 on Account of the Petitioner, as represented by him.—

In reply Mr. Place has informed us that he does not find any part of Mr. Rindersley's Collections for 1199 were on Account of Ravel Ram Sonar or even from the districts whose Inhabitants had given their Bonds to him Viz.t. Vellore and Satam.— On the contrary, the whole Sum to have been made from the Arcot Farm and are entered as having been collected from "Abdul Cawder the Manager of" "to that Farm being rented" from Gopaul "Row the Subsequent Renter of Arcot," and "from Runga Row."—

Mr. D. Crawford having laid before us a Statement of his Charges incurred at Angole, where he was detained on the

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the Public Service by your orders, We submit the same, together with this Letter, for your determination; and Recommend that the Amount be Reimbursed him, and carried to the debit of the Assumed Revenue under the Head of Charges Extraordinary —

Mr Andrews, late Collector at Trichinopoly, having left a Bill on the Military Paymaster General for Pagodas 204.. 1.. 10 on Account of Advances made to the Horse Keepers and Grass cutters sent for the use of the Army from Trichinopoly in the Month of October 1791 — We presented it for Acceptance but Mr Roebuck declining to comply therewith being for a contingent Charge which he has not Received your Orders to pay, We Submit it for your determination, as the Expence appears to have been incurred on Account of the Public Service, and at a period of emergency when such an Advance may have been indespensible to induce the People alluded to to engage in the Company's

Employ

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Employ, We recommend that the Paymaster be directed to discharge the Amount.—

We have the Honor to be,

Gentn. Yr. Hble. Servts.

(Signed) David Haliburton

" Charles N. Rhett

Fort St. George
12th March 1793.—

To

Messrs. David Haliburton,
&c. Members of the Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

Upon the Arrival of Mr. Gambier at Engole, I delivered over to him all the public Documents in my Pro-fession, and, according to your Directions, remained with him till he had no further occasion for my Assistance, when I availed myself of your permission to proceed to the Presidency.—

The Board of Assigned Revenue, in their Letter of the 10th October 1792, in Answer to my application for leave to retain a Cutcherry

Fort St. George 19th March 1793.

Cutcherry Establishment to the 16th of that Month, in Consequence of the Palmaud Accounts not having arrived, informed me it was not in their power to allow me to keep open any Accounts after the end of September. but that they would Recommend my charges to Government on my coming to Madras; I therefore have the honor to enclose them, and beg of Gentlemen you will lay them before the Honorable Governor.—

As Captain Knox has no Authority to furnish alle Saib with his allowance. I advanced him the amount, at his request, for this month, and of course it is to be inserted in my Account.—

Fort St. George
5th March 1793.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Dan.l Crauford

A true Copy
(Signed) John Read
Dep.y Secretary.—

The

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The Honorable Company Dr.

			Madras Pay. A. Pgs	F	G.
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October	"	To the following Expences incurred on their Account at Angole. Sal 5 Months	26	12	
		Pay to Cutcherry Servants			
		Batta for Prisoners	13	13	60
		Lamp Oil	2	14	
		Country Paper	2	14	
		Paid Harcarrah to Palmaud	1	12	
November	"	Batta for Prisoners and Att	12	11	40
	"	To a Writer	10		
December	"	Batta for Prisoners	6	34	60
1793					
January	"	Batta for alli Sait	3	32	
		Do Do	3	8	
February	"	Do Do	3	32	
March	"	Do Do			
		Madras Pag.	85		
		at 10 ⅌ Cent			93 18
		To my allowance from 1st October 1792 to February 1793 being 5 Months at 150 Mr Pagodas ⅌ Month	250		
		To my House Rent from Do to Do at 10 Star Pagodas ⅌ Month	50		
		Star Pag.	393	18	

A true Copy
(Signed) John Read
Dep. Secy

(Signed) Dan. Crawford

Fort St. George
10th March 1793

To

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Fort St. George 19th March 1793.

To David Haliburton Esqr.

&c. Members of the,

Board of Revenue

Sirs,

I have had the honor of receiving your Deputy Secretary's Letter of the 16. Instant, desiring to know my Reasons for &c. declining to accept Mr. Collector Andrews' Bill on me for Pagodas 204.1.40 dated the 6th February 1793. I beg leave to State as my Reasons, that the Sum is said to have been paid on account of a Contingent Charge; which I have not received the Orders of Government to discharge; I therefore cannot accept the Bill without their express directions.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) B. Roebuck
M.P.G.

Fort St. George
18th Febuary 1793.

P.S. Mr. Collector Andrews' Bill is herewith enclosed

A true Copy

(Signed) John Read
Depy Secy.

To

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Board of Revenue
inquiring on Mr Ramsbotham
requesting the Prices payable
for the Pulmeer and Peshamum
Grain in the Tanjore Country
Opinion on the subject &c —

We have the honor to lay before
you Copy of a Letter from Mr Ram offering
his Opinion as to the Prices for the Pulmeer
and Peshamum Grains — As they appear
Advantageous, and higher than the Average
Rates of former Years, We beg leave to recommend
that it be left to Mr Ram to confirm such
of the Proposed Rates as he may think most
eligible for the Company's Interest and the
Welfare of the Inhabitants. —

We have the honor to be
Hon.ble Sir
Hon.ble Sir
Hon.ble Sir

Fort St. George
14th March 1793. —

(Signed) David Halliburton
Charles N. White
David

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David Haliburton Esqr.

Acting President and Member of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Conformable to Separate Letter of same date, I herein lay before the Board the Prices at which I think the Sumbaa and Peshamum Grain may be fixed in my Division of the Tanjore Country, if settled Separately as follows

	Tanjore	Fanam
For Combiconum and Pandanelleur Collum	4	18
	11	3/16
For Trivady and Jaguveer Collum	4	3/8
	11	5/16

which prices will give the Amount of the Grain at the highest Estimation upwards of Star Pagodas 16,000, and at the Lowest upwards of Star Pagodas 8000 More than the Amount set down in the Estimate we sent them 23d January last.—

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The great Demand which there apparently is for grain to the Northward must naturally be supposed to enhance the price, but it effects chiefly the Sonbahs of Manargoody Mayaveram and Sheally which lie along the Coast, Combiconum a little, but Scarcily at all Trindy and the Prices before set down are so much above the average of prices during the Rajah's Administration that any thing higher would be a heavy Grievance on the poorer Sort of Inhabitants, who have not the advantage of Exportation but, in general, are obliged to dispose of their Grain before the Settlement of the Price is established. —

I have the Honor to be with great Respect. — Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(signed) J. A. Ram

Tanjour
11th March 1793.-

A true Copy

(signed) John Read
Dep.t Secretary

Resolved

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Resolutions on the Two foregoing letters from the Board of Revenue.

Resolved that the sum due to Mr. Crawfurd be discharged, and the amount carried to the debit of the Assumed Revenues under the Head of Charges extraordinary.

Resolved that the Military Paymaster General be directed to discharge the amount of the Bill drawn by the late Collector at Trichinopoly on account of advances made to the Housekeepers and Grasscutters sent for the use of the Army in October 1791.

With respect to the opinion offered by Mr Ram as to the prices for the Somboo and Pesharum Crops it is resolved to leave it to the Judgment of that Gentleman to confirm such of the proposed rates as he may think the most eligible.

Read the following Letter from Colonel Braithwaite

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council, &c. &c. &c.

Honorable Sir,

Having received a letter from His Excellency Earl Cornwallis, Commander in Chief, in

From Colonel Braithwaite intimating the sentiments of Marquis Cornwallis in the conduct of Captain Arthur Stewart towards Lieutenant James Adams of other charges exhibited against him - recommending Capt. Cameron to the Command of the 25th Battalion of Captain Stewart to command.

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in reply to an address which I forwarded to
His Lordship from Lieutenant Innes of the
25th Native Battalion, and as His Lordship
desires me to communicate his sentiments
to Government, I lose no time in doing so, &
and think I cannot do it more effectually
than by sending to you a Copy of his Lordship's
Letter, which I have now the honor to enclose.

It is unpleasant to me to report
to you, at the same time, that I have, within
these few days, received from Colonel Brune
Charges which have been exhibited against
Captain Stewart by Lieutenant Kenny of
the 25th Native Battalion, of so serious a
Nature, that Colonel Brune has thought it
necessary to order Captain Arthur Stewart
under Arrest, And I find it necessary to order a
General Court Martial; the Charges are for
various wrongs done to the Battalion by stoppages
of their Pay and Prize money, and it appears
to me, that, if any one of them are proved, there is
great probability that Captain Stewart will be cashiered -

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In case of the 25th Battalion becoming Vacant, I beg leave to recommend Captain Cameron for the Command of it, He is certainly low down among the Captains, but he is an Officer with whose merits and qualifications for such a Command I am well acquainted; He was Adjutant to a Native Corps in the War before last to the Southward, speaks the Language, and is highly respected and beloved by the Natives, He was an entire Stranger to me, but his merits attracted my Notice and recommended him to be my Brigade Major, And as such he was wounded and Captured with him, I was, and I should be happy to give him this testimony of my remembrance of the Zeal and Activity he manifested upon all occasions. –

I have the honor to be with Respect
&c.a &c.a

(Signed) John Braithwaite

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March 11th – 1793 –

To

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To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding The troops serving under the Presidency

of

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have received your letter dated the 16th Ultimo, transmitting with other enclosures, a Copy of the proceedings of a General Court Martial which was held for the trial of Lieutenant and Adjutant James Innes of the 25th Battalion of Native Infantry, upon a charge of irregular and cowardly behaviour exhibited against him by his Commanding Officer, Captain Arthur Stewart.—

The Nature of the charge has attracted my particular attention to the proceedings of the trial; and, as I have seen the clearest ground to be convinced of the propriety and Justice of the Sentence by which Lieutenant Innes is honorably acquitted, the conduct of Captain Stewart has appeared to me in every reprehensible and Criminal light.— Your —

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Your Orders which accompanied the publication of Lieutenant Smees acquittal and your Subsequent letter to that Gentleman shew great feeling for his Situation, and were well calculated to compose the mind of a person who had suffered only a common Injury; But, as it is my duty, on the one hand, to support all the just and lawful Actions of Officers in Command, it is on the other equally encumbent upon me to protect Subordinate Officers from gross outrage and wanton oppression from their Superiors; And, altho Sam inclined to give much weight to Captain Stewart's general Character as an Officer, I must acknowledge that it does not appear to me that, for the purpose of exhibiting an example that may be useful to the Army, he has been sufficiently punished by the Censure Contained in the order for preferring an ignominious Charge against an Officer which proved, upon the Trial, to be totally destitute of foundation —

I must

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I must therefore request that you will be pleased to communicate the above sentiments to the Government of Fort St. George, accompanied with my recommendation that Captain Stewart may, in addition to the censure that you have passed upon his above-mentioned Conduct, be further punished by being immediately removed from the Command of the 2d Native Battalion and appointed to a European Corps; And, that it may also be resolved by Government that he shall neither be reappointed to the Command of a Native Corps nor entrusted with any other Seperate Command until there shall be good reason to hope, from a temperate behaviour on his part of considerable duration, that he would be capable of exercising the authority of Command with propriety and moderation.—

Sam. &c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

/Dated/

Fort William
21st February 1793.—

A true Copy
(Signed) John Brathwaite

Resolved

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Resolutions thereon —

Resolved that the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief in India regarding Captain Arthur Stewart be carried into execution — and that Captain Robert Cameron at the instance of Colonel Braithwaite, be appointed to succeed to the Command of the 25th Battalion of Native Infantry, vacated by the removal of Captain Stewart —

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General —

To
The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
President and Governor in Council
of
Fort St. George

From Military Auditor Genl. proposing an order explanatory of the General Order of the 15th January last, relative to the payment of the Troops, and that the Subsistence to the European and Native Troops, Lascars &c. be paid in Gold at the rate of forty three Fanams & Pagoda.

Hon'ble Sir,

I do myself the honor to lay before you, inclosed, the copy of a Letter sent under reference to me by the Military Paymaster General, which has been addressed to him by the Military Paymaster of this Garrison: The following Observations occur to me in Reporting to your Honorable Board on the Subject —

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The Paymaster is correct in his ⁴ forms
reference to the forms of Abstracts, which provide
for the payments being made agreeably to
the usage of the service at the time, only that
the Subsistence of the Privates in European Corps
was issued, in exception to what appears in
the Column for Fanams, according to the ⁴
forms; it became expedient however to shew
an Example in the forms applicable to the
Entries on account of Batta, when paid in Money
or other Allowances, Subsistence excepted, of
the European Soldiery which might fall to
be rated in Fanams without being converted into
Pagodas otherways than at the Exchange of Forty
Two in entering the Amount of the Abstracts
in the Accounts Disbursement of the several
Paymasters, whereby it followed that the ⁴
Paymasters derived an advantage
in favor of all Fanams, with the exception,
above, of the Fanams in the Subsistence of
Europeans, arising on the difference between the
Company's Exchange of Forty two ⁴ Pagodas and
the value in Fanams for which the Pagoda ⁴
passed

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passed Current in the Bazare, as they have had Opportunities, for many years past of purchasing the fanams at the Rate of Forty five Pagodas in general best at some Stations Perhaps cheaper.—

The General Order of the 8th last January appears to me however, to supercede the inference drawn from the example shewn in the forms of Abstracts in all matters affecting the payment of Subsistence to the Troops mentioned in that Order.—

In regard to the second matter noted in the Paymaster's Letter relative to the mode of extending the odd fanams in the aggregate of pay to each Rank or Class, the contends for the propriety of the Amount of these fanams appearing in the Outer Column of the abstract, without being converted into Pagodas, and a figure, as his reason on this point, that the conversion cannot be made, with effect for the purpose of giving the Men the full advantage of the Bazare Exchange as the Number of fanams is so inconsiderable on

Comparison

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comparison with the number of Men among whom they fall to be divided as to occasion an intricacy and nicety of calculation in making the distribution that but few common Writers are equal to; and that, as the intention of Government will be thus frustrated, in a certain degree, he requests to be informed if whether or not the odd fanams in the aggregate of the Pay to each Rank is to be converted into Pagodas at the Exchange of Forty two, because, if they are so added up and extended, the issue of fanams from this Office will be so trifling as to leave a large Balance of that coin in his hands which will fall to be exchanged at the Bazar rate of Forty five, and the loss thus sustained written off against the Company.

The difficulty of dividing the odd fanams in the aggregate of pay to each rank so as to answer Mr Hamilton's intended by Government is very evident, but the advantage arising from the Exchange on this Amount of fanams, as well as the quantity of this coin which would fall to be issued by extending these fanams

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praised Current in the Bazare, as they have had Opportunities, for many years past, of purchasing the fanams at the Rate of Forty five ℔ Pagodas in general best at some Stations Perhaps cheaper.—

It appears to me however, to supercede the inference drawn from the example shewn in the Forms of Abstracts in all matters effecting the payment of Subsistence to the Troops mentioned in that Order.—

In regard to the second matter noted in the Paymaster's Letter relative to the mode of extending the odd fanams in the aggregate of pay to each Rank or Class, he contends for the impropriety of the Amount of these fanams appearing in the Outer Column of the Abstract, without being converted into Pagodas, and assigns, as his reason on this point, that the conversion cannot be made, with effect for the purpose of giving the Men the full advantage of the Bazare Exchange as the Number of fanams is so inconsiderable on Comparison

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comparison with the number of Men among whom they fall to be divided as to occasion an intricacy and nicety of calculation in making the distribution that but few common Writers are equal to; and that, as the intention of Government will be thus frustrated, in a certain degree, he requests to be informed of whether or not the odd fanams in the aggregate of the Pay to each Rank is to be converted into Pagodas at the Exchange of Forty two, because, if they are so added up and extended, the issue of fanams from his Office will be so trifling as to leave a large Balance of that coin in his hands which will fall to be exchanged at the Bazar rate of Forty five, and the loss thus sustained written off against the Company.—

The difficulty of dividing the odd fanams in the aggregate of pay to each rank so as to answer Minutely the purpose intended by Government is very evident, but the advantage arising from the Exchange on this Amount of fanams, as well as the quantity of this coin which would fall to be issued by extending these fanams in

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in the outer column on the principle suggested by the Paymaster is so inconsiderable, that, as far as I can judge, an Alteration would not be attended with any Advantage of consequence to the Service, while, at the same time, the Individual, whether Paymaster, Commandant or private Soldier can neither benefit nor suffer, in either case, to any extent that is material - in regard to the Soldier in particular it can only amount to a very reduced fractional part of one Cash. -

The Paymaster, on communicating with him on the Subject, has discharged the Abstract according to the form and Additions under which it was drawn out. -

The Subject of the inclosed Letter has, however, brought under notice a matter which may be judged of importance; and therefore I trust I shall stand approved by your Honorable Board in taking the liberty of suggesting that it may be advisable to publish, That, "The "General Order of the 15th January last was meant, "so far as relates to the advantages depending upon the Bazaar Exchange, to extend only to the payment

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"of the Subsistence, in discharging which to the
"privates of European Corps, the conversion of the
"fanams into Pagodas had been the usage of
"the Service, and corresponding to which it was
"the intention of Government to establish the
"rule for the Native Corps and the other discription
"of Natives mentioned in that Order; But as
"there are odd fanams in the Subsistence of
"several Ranks in the Native Corps besides
"the privates, and as it will be proper not to
"allow of any distinction in the mode of paying
"the same description of Allowances, Government
"is pleased to Establish that the Amount of
"Subsistence to the European and Native Corps,
"and to the Lascars and Artificers, shall be
"discharged in Gold, at the conversion of Forty
"two fanams p Pagoda; but that all allowance
"rated in fanams and the odd fanams in
"every allowance, the Subsistence alone excepted,
"shall be paid in fanams, and all Abstracts
"be summed up in the same manner that was
"customary prior to the General Order of the
"15th of last January: that the Paymasters shall
"bring the fanams to account in their Disburse-
"ments at forty two; but that they shall give the

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"the Company Credit, under the head of Battas
"for the difference between Forty Two and the
"Average Monthly rate for which the Pagoda
"passes current in the Bazaree: or between
"Forty Two and the Bazare rate Averaged at Forty
Five, as Government may be pleased to determine;
in case the General principle of the Order shall be
approved; to which I beg leave to add, in case
it shall not be thought proper to Average the
Bazare rate in the Order, that it may become necessary
to establish some rule, by Certificate or otherways,
under which the Average Monthly Exchange of
the Bazare at each Station may be known,
for the purpose of ascertaining that due Credit
has been given for the difference between 42 &
and the Company's Exchange of Forty Two Fanams
for Pagoda. —

I am induced to take the liberty of
suggesting an Order to the above effect, because
I am apprehensive the Order of the 15th last
January may be understood by some as giving
the full advantage of the Exchange to the Natives
described in the Order, in all Allowances, as well

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as in the payment of Subsistence: although the conversion of the odd fanams into Pagodas was the practise in the payment of Subsistence to the European Privates only, and not in respect to other Allowances, whether drawn for Europeans or Natives; and as it also occurs that the Annual Amount of Disbursements for the payments rated in fanams must, in this Service, be very considerable, I beg leave to add, for the information of your Honorable Board, on this subject, that I do not conceive it will appear from a Statement I am now preparing, but which is not yet completed, that the difference of Exchange between Forty two and Forty five fanams & Pagoda in making the payments rated in fanams and in the odd fanams & other Allowances, will be less than Thirty thousand Pagodas Annually, on an Average, in time of Peace, and that it will be considerably more during a period of War; consequently that if you shall see it proper to increase the Salaries of Paymasters & upon a reduced Establishment of Pay Offices, either on account of the additional duty each will have to perform, or in recompence for the loss of advantage they have hitherto derived from the Exchange, the difference brought to the Credit of the Company & under

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under the head of Batta averaging the exchange of the Bazare at only Forty Five, may be found adequate to affording reasonable Salaries to that Class of Officers upon a reduced Establishment of numbers after reckoning the expence incurred under the same head for the present Establishment.

I have the honor to be with the highest Respect — &c &c

(Signed) Henry. Malcolm
Milty. Aud. General

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
11th March 1793. —

To Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

Sir,

In the 2d. Article of the General Order of the 15. Ultimo it is directed "That there "Abstracts for the Pay and Allowances of the 2 "Battalions of Native Infantry shall be drawn "out in Pagodas Fanams and Cash, in the same "manner as is the practice in Stemming up the "Abstracts for the European Corps, and that they "shall likewise be entered in the Account Disburse- "ments of Paymasters, as is directed for the "Abstracts of the European and Cavalry Corps, and the

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"the amount be accordingly received and issued by
"the Officers respectively who sign the Abstracts"

"And in the 4th Article it is directed that
"the same Regulation is to be observed in the Abstracts &
"and in the Issue of Pay or other Allowance to the Revenue
"Battalions, Pioneers, and Artificers, and to the Lascars
"of every description"

"In the 5th Paragraph of your General
Instructions dated 13th April 1792 you mention as
follows—

"You are in future to pay and charge the
"Nett pay to all descriptions of men in the Service
"whatever, without taking any notice of the Stoppages,
"the total Amount of each Abstract, to be paid in
"Pagodas and Fanams, as heretofore."—

And on turning to Nos 12 and 13 the
Forms of the Abstracts of a Battalion of European
Infantry and Artillery it clearly appears that the
Total of the respective Abstracts are added up in
Pagodas and in Fanams viz.—

	P.	F.	C.
Total of the Abstract of the Battalion of European Infantry No 12	710	3384	40
Total of the Abstract of the Battalion of European Artillery No 13	650	1736	9

The intent and meaning of Government
being, as I conceived, to allow every class of men the
full advantage of the exchange, I with the view
that each might know the exact amount that
was

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was issued on their Account, directed that the
Fanams might be brought to Account at the
rate of 42 for a Star Pagoda, but that, in adding
up the Columns of the different Abstracts, the
Amount was to be extended in the Total of
number of Pagodas and in the Fanams as
hitherto has been the practice in the Abstracts
of the Battalions of European Infantry and
Artillery as above pointed out. —

This has been objected to by the Commandg
at the Mount, he urging that, agreeable to the 3d Article
of the General Orders of the 15th Ultimo, it is directed
"that the Total amount of each Abstract, or the
"Outward Columns, is to be added up at 42 Fanams
"per Pagoda" — of course that it supercedes the
"Regulations formerly laid down for the Battalion
of Artillery. —

I wish to have your instructions on
this head; because if the odd Fanams due to the
respective Classes is to be added up at 42 Fanams per
Pagoda, the Amount Fanams that will be
issued by me in the course of the Month will
be trifling - and there will be no way of
expending the number of Fanams that I have

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still on hand from the Advances made to one last
month, and from the Monthly further receipts on
Account of the Stoppages from the Men in the respective
Hospitals, agreeable to the System laid down in
General Orders of the 5th Instant - so that a Considerable Sum
in Fanams will lay dead in the Chest, or must be [illegible]
exchanged into Pagodas, at the Current Rate, which is
now above 15 fanams, and the loss written off against
the Company -

I Each Class receives the full advantage or
resulting from the exchange of the Pagodas drawn on their
respective Accounts, they have no reason to complain:
and to attempt to divide the advantage of the exchange
upon the addition of the different Classes, must be
attended with much intricacy and Nicety of Calculation
that few common writers are equal to -

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

Fort St. George
11th February 1793

A true Copy
(Signed) Benj.n Roebuck
Mily Paymaster General -

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

Agreed that the General order recommended
by the Military Auditor General, be published to the Army -

minutes in consequence

Agreed

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Agreed that Colonel Malcolm be desired to reconsider the Statement submitted with his Letter of the 20th August 1792, and Report whether the Number of Paymasters on the Coast can be still further reduced, than he has mentioned therein.—

Read the following Letter from the Governor of Pondicherry.—

To Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet
Governor of Madras
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to present to you the Thanks of the Nation and of the King, and mine in particular, for the generous Conduct you pursued in relieving the French Ships, the Jean bart & Mercure of Lieutenant has brought back that Vessel into this Road, and it is with much satisfaction that I have expressed to him our Gratitude I have given the necessary Orders for him to be reimbursed every Expence, the particulars of which he has furnished me with, and he has to

From Governor of Pondicherry expressing acknowledgments for the measures taken for the Rescue of the French Brig. seized by the Malays on the Coast of Peru

Agreed

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assured me he is satisfied.—

The Criminals are actually hanging

and I doubt not that the severe example w^h^
which will be made of them will, in future, intimidate
the ill disposed. I shall with infinite satisfaction
seize every occasion to reciprocate the n^r^
generous Conduct of your Nation and for
testify our Acknowledgement and particularly,
for the high Consideration with which w^h^
I have the honor to be

&c^a^ &c^a^

Pondichery
1st March 1793

(Signed) P. Chermont

(A true translation)

(Signed) Tho^s^ Chase
French Int^r^

Minute thereon.

Since that the circumstances
relating to Piratical Capture of the French
Brig by the Malays be mentioned in the
next address to the Honorable Court of Directors

Read the following Letter from

Sir John Kennaway.—

William

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William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Sir,

Jaun's Resident at Hydrabad inclosing a paper in reply to Tippoo's Allegations against the Talookdars on the Nizam's Frontiers

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Ultimo, inclosing a paper delivered by Tippoo's Vakeels containing an account of depredations said to have been committed in the Country of the Hydree Sircar, from which having extracted such Articles as referred to the Nizam's Government, I forwarded them, with a Note, to Meer Allum, the Dunbar Vackeel. Copies and Translates of my Note and his Answer, I have the pleasure to enclose, and to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signd) John Kennaway

Hydrabad
8th March 1793.

Translate of a Note from Sir John Kennaway Bt.
To Meer Allum dated the 5th March 1793.

I inclose, for your information, Copy of part of the contents of a Paper received from the

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the Governor of Madras; doubtless, agreeably thereto, such injunctions will be given on the part of his Highness's Sircar, as shall put a stop to the receipt of complaints on this head from Tippoo Sultaun, in future -

Translate of a letter from Meer Alluminn reply to the foregoing - Dated 8th March 1793 -

I have received your letter with a Copy of the paper forwarded by the Governor of Madras, which was delivered to him by Tippoo's Vackeel, on the subject of the encroachments of the Nizam's Talookdar's; the particulars of which having been explained to his Highness, he observed in reply that you are always duly informed of all such Matters as occur on the borders, & that you are also well acquainted with the particulars of the disputes between his Highness's Talookdars, who, conduct of his in conformity to his orders, do nothing contrary to Treaty, and are extremely careful in not affording protection to Tippoo's Zemindars, and in other frontier concerns: that your

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obtaining a knowledge of matters of this Kind,
and representing them in their true Colours
in reply to Tippoo Sultaun, and his Vaukeels,
is considered as one of the great advantages
attending your Residence here: and that, in
the present instance, the representations
of Tippoo's Vaukeels concerning the frontier
matters mentioned in the papers are totally
void of foundation. You are also well
informed of these matters; however, notwith-
standing this, should you be desirous of
ascertaining who is in the right and who
in the wrong, appoint and dispatch some
person on your part in the Capacity of Amuen
that the complaints may be strictly enquired
into on the spot, where they are said to have
originated —

True Translates

Signed William Stewart

Assistant

Signed

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point.— Resolved therefore that no further Steps be taken in this business, until the Board hear again from the Governor General in Council.—

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.—

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
Governor in Council.—

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that, agreeable to the instructions contained in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 6th Instant, the proclamation respecting the rights of Serfoje was read this day at the Head of the Troops of the garrison, drawn up in the most publick part of the Town of Tanjore.—

From Lieutenant Colo: Maxwell. Serfoje has been proclaimed Peremptorily Hereditary reply requesting the settlement with the Tennivilly Polygars for the Current Fasly

In reply to Mr Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 7th Instant, I have the honor to acquaint you, that the settlement with the Tennivilly Polygars, for the current Fasly year, for which they have granted their obligations, payable

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Harington
Hurd
7/6/76.

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payable 31st March, is for the full amount of
the stipulated annual Peiscush, as fixed by
Mr Irwin viz. 103. 109 Chuckl.

The instructions concerning
Kistna Row, the late Dubash of Mr Samuel
Johnston, shall be attended to. —

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

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell
Lt Col: Commanding

Tanjore
the 12 March 1793

Minute thereon —

Agreed that the Board of Revenue
be informed of that part of Lieutenant Colonel
Maxwell's letter which relates to his
Settlement with the Tinnevelly Polygar for
the Current Revenue year. —

Read the following letter from the Agent
for the late Bullock Contractors.

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

From Mr Thomas Cockburn requesting a further advance on account of the late Bullock Contractors —

Honorable Sir,

I request the favor of you to
direct

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direct a further advance of Forty thousand Pagodas to be made upon Account of the Balance Remaining due to the late Contractors, on their Grand Army Bills Pag.s 82,938.. 38.. 72.—

I have the honor to be.—

Madras
14th March 1793.

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Tho.s Cockburn
for the Contractors.—

Minute thereon

Agreed that the opinion of the Military Auditor General be taken, whether, in the present Stage of the Audit of the Accounts of the late M.r Bullock Contractors, the Advance solicited by M.r Cockburn can with safety be made.—

Read the following letter from Mess.rs Chase Sewell and Chase.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Mess.rs Chase Sewell and Chase requesting to substitute their own Bond for that lodged in part of the Security for the Payments at Velloor.—

We take the liberty to request your Honor will be pleased to direct, that our 8 p.ct Bond for 5 Pagodas 2,000, issued by this Government the 21.st May 1781, and deposited by us

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us, with the Military Secretary the 10th December 1790, in part of the Security required from W. H. Torriano Esqr. Paymaster of Vellore, be delivered to us: having observed a Notification from Government, for the discharge of all Bonds issued during the Year 1781.—

In lieu thereof, we beg leave to tender to the Honorable Board, our Bond for the little Sum, and have the honor to subscribe ourselves.—

Honorable Sir,

Your most Obedient Servants

(Signed) Chase Sewell & Chase

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Minute thereon

Agreed that the Company's Bond be delivered up and that the Clerk of the Treasury be directed to take the Bond of Messrs. Chase Sewell and Chase in lieu thereof.

Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

President in Council

Honorable Sir,

* From this Engineer has arranged the Plotting of the Body Guard but recommends a New Building on another Site, in preference to any repair, and sends a Plan and Estimate &c.

I have the Honor to inform you that

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That in Consequence of your Orders of the 6th Inst.
I have Examined the Stabling for the Body
Guard near the Governor's Garden.—

The Building is in a thorough
State of Decay, the Palmiras being entirely
rotten: I should therefore, in preference to
any Repair, which must be in Effectual, re-
commend that a New Range of Stabling
be erected on another Scite, further removed
from the Governor's Garden, to which the
present Range is undoubtedly too near.—

Captain Grant, Commanding the
Body Guard, has acquainted me that the Owner
of the Paddy Fields between the Governor's Garden
and the House formerly belonging to Mr. Macy,
is desirous of either Selling or letting under
a long Lease, the whole or part of that Ground
Should Government approve of the Idea of
rebuilding the Stabling, I think the N.
Westermost part of these Paddy Fields being
more Elevated than the other will answer
perfectly well for the Stables in two Ranges.

I have

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I have therefore the Honor to lay before you a Plan and Estimate of Stabling for 100 Horses, Amounting to Pagodas 1244.. 31.. 11.

I have not thought it advisable to make any Plan or Estimate of Quarters for Serjeants &c.a as the Orders of Government did not extend to these Points. Should they be pleased however to Adopt what I have now the Honor to Suggest, and these latter shall be deemed requisite in Addition, I will prepare, and lay before you as speedily as possible, Plans and Estimates of such Buildings as you may determine upon executing—

I have the Honor to be,
Honorable Sir;
Your Most Obedient and
Most humble Servant
(Signed) George Maule
Lt. Colonel & Chief Engineer

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Estimate

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Estimate of the Expence of Building a Range of Horse Stables 266 Feet by 21 Ft. 6 In.

Brick Work in Clay Cubic feet 8587 at 1/65 ₰ foot	369.29.55
Do. in Chunam Do. 370 at 2.35 ₰ Do.	21.19.70
Roofing with Palmeras, Rafters, Nails Flat and Pan Tiles and Chunam Borders Superficial feet at 9/ Pagodas ₰ Square	682.12.14
Pointing with Chunam to Brick Work Superficial feet 8460 at 1/9 Fanm. ₰ Square	38.11.32
Teak Lintels Cubic feet 166 at 36 Fanm. ₰ foot	1112.12.-
Floor Paving with 1 Course of Brick on Edge in Chunam and 1 Course flat in Clay under neath Superficial feet 4950 at 4/ Pag.s ₰ Square	210.15.60
	1,464.16.71
Deduct 15 ₰ Cent	219.27.60
Pagodas	1,244.31.11

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(Signed) George Maule
Lt. Col. & Chief Engineer

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The Body Guard be directed to ascertain the price at which the Owner of the Ground will dispose of such portion of the Westermost part of the Paddy Fields as may be sufficient for Stabling for one hundred Horses in two Ranges —

Read

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Read the following Letter from
Captain Thomas Dallas.

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

Fort St. George

Sir.

From Captain Dallas - representing a Petition to purchase a Number of Colts - may be spared for that purpose requesting his request for leave to purchase Horses for the Cavalry Office

I have been honored with the instructions of Government relative to my purchasing One hundred Young Horses; also, desiring them to be sent to Bengal

The only Opportunity I can have of procuring them soon, must be on the return of Dealers from the Chaunakuny Fair which will not bring enough of the description specified, at a reasonable rate, it will be impossible to buy that number before the next Mataguny Fair, in November, when many more may be procured and, as the Scarcity in the Venkatygherry and other Polams, must be over by that time, a and proper arrangements made for their a reception

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reception I could wish to have unlimited &
leave to purchase as many as may &
appear likely to turnout fit for the &
Service. In all probability not above 300
will fall to my Share, however, in case &
more offer I should like to be Authorized
to secure them.—

On the 7th Ultimo I requested permission
to remount such Cavalry Officers as make &
application, which I hope will also be granted,
it will enlarge my Field, now supposed by the
Dealers, to be limited to three or four hundred &
Rupees; this prevents many horses being brought
that might be got within that Sum, by &
explaining the Advantage of selling to me &
where no Customs are collected.—

I have the honor to be,

Hydrabad
4th March 1793.

Sir,
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Thomas Dallas
Agent at Hydrabad

Agreed

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Minute thereon

Agreed that Captain Dallas be permitted to extend his purchase of young Horses to the Number of 300, but not further without the permission of the Board; and that he be also permitted to purchase Horses for the Cavalry Officers, provided such Horses be intended for Regimental duty —

The President lays before the Board the following translation of a paper delivered to him by Tippoo's Vackeels —

Translation

Copy of a Munshoor from Tippoo Sultaun to Sied Golam Ali Khan and Ali Reza Khan. —

From Tippoo to his Vakeels ordering that H. M.'s Army's Effects removed from Col. Hallam's Detach. may be sent to the Presidency of Bangalore. Reciprocity in such. Mr. Saunders, Hyder & Sidi other Relations of Golam Ali &c. remain in the Carnatic — agree to pay any to detained up. Complaint against Company's people —

You write that a certain Dubash without the knowledge of the English Sirdar in Bangalore, had forcibly extorted from Merchants and Inhabitants of that place some thousand Pagodas — that when Lord Cornwallis was made acquainted with this transaction, His Lordship, from a sense of Justice, directed Captain Read to recover the said property from the Dubash, and restore it to the Owners. — That on

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in Conformity to Lord Cornwallis's orders Captain Read had recovered the Sum of near 1700 Pagodas, and had written to Mahomed Abdallah to allow such and people to come to him in order to receive their property — I understand this — It is necessary you inform the Governor that, with a view of enquiring into the condition of the inhabitant of Bangalore, several of the Merchants and Artificers of that place were ordered to repair to the Presence, and that each of them, having received from the Sirkar Khelât and advance of Money, is sent to different places in order to collect and bring together the dispersed inhabitants, and to procure various commodities — Their relations and connections, however, are present, — you should therefore send for the Money from Captain Read, and forward it to the Presence, or to Mahomed Abdallah; and the Owners having received it, their Receipts shall be transmitted —

Mahomed Hyder, Brother in law to Golam Mahi-ud-deen, together with his relations and Effects, have not yet come — He is in the Company's Districts — It is necessary that

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That, thro' Captain Doveton, you do speak to the Governor on this Subject, and send the said person, together with the relations of Golam Mahomed, to the Presence.—

The Depredations of the Corga people have not yet ceased—on the contrary they daily encrease, and the country in that Quarter has been and is so plundered and destroyed by them that the relation thereof is superfluous.— It is matter of surprize that, altho' you are there (at Madras) such should be the case.— It is necessary that you speak also on this Subject to the Governor, and get injunctions written and sent,—so that troubles and disturbances may no more appear.—

To write so often on this Affair is superfluous.—

A true Translation
(Signed) Gabriel Doveton.

Agreed

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Memos in consequence

Agreed, in Conformity to the
Requisition of Tippoo, that Captain
Alexander Read be directed to
send to Captain Doveton the
Money and effects recovered from
Colonel Oldham's Detach, that they
may be delivered to the Vakeels for
the purpose of being forwarded to
Bangalore.-

Agreed also that
Captain Read be desired to
make enquiry and report to
the Board whether any of the
family or effects of Gholum Mohid-
Deen, are in the Districts
under

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under his Authority.

Chas. Oakley.

E. Wallop Pitt

George Perry Lieu.