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Diary

Received the undermentioned letters Entered in MS.

Nos 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. —

From Commissary Genral of Grain and Provisions —

From Commissary Genral of Grain and Provisions

reporting some unliquidated Claims for Grain issued to the Cavalry Regiments — letter from Major Stevenson enclosed. —

From Commandant at Dindigul stating his Reason

From Commandant at Dindigul

for detaying the demolition of the Fort of Pagoody. —

From Commandant in the Guntoor Circar — enclosing a Continuation of his Correspondence with the Masulipatam. —

From Ditto in the Guntoor Circar

From Resident at Poona has referred to that Court

From Resident at Poona

the different Articles of Complaint, preferred by Hyder. —

From Major Tonyn requesting Copies of the —

From Major Tonyn

Proceedings and Report of the Court of Enquiry respecting the 5th Regiment of Cavalry lately under his Command. —

From Commandant of 3d Regiment of Cavalry

From Major Stevenson &c.

his Officers repeat their request for an additional Sum for building, and a monthly allowance, for keeping in repair their Quarters. —

From Lieutenant Hughes requesting to be restored to the Effective List. —

From Lieutenant Hughes of the Invalids

From the Officers Commanding native Corps

From Captains of Sepoy Corps at Madras

at the Presidency respecting an alteration, proposed by Mr. Pemhill in the mode of payment for rice, served to the — Sepoys. —

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From Major A. Langley

From Major A. Langley — repeats his request to be paid his temporary allowance for 1788 and 1789.—

Petition of Gundavady Lashachellum

Petition of Gundavady Lashachellum — requesting payment for the Ground taken from the late P. Manaroc Chetty by the Company in 1781.

From Mr. T. Pelling

From Mr. Thomas Pelling — requesting a Pension for his Daughter the Widow of the late Mr. Rollo Surgeon.—

From Collector the Western Division of Tanjore.

From Mr. Ram — enclosing Copy of his reply to Mr. Vaughans application for Cash for his March and April Payments since receipt of the Orders for discontinuing Advances.—

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Despatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB. Nos. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182.—

To Lieutenant Barrack-Master Clerk

To Barrack Master in the Northern Division — with an Extract from the Military Boards reports of the Number of Cots required to be made up by him and desiring his attention to it.—

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal — forwarding an Address from the Nabob to the Governor General.—

To Bombay

To Bombay — enclosing Invoice and Bill of Lading of Arms, shipped on the Industry for that Presidency.—

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To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with orders for supplying a Store of Provisions for the Garrison of Riacottah.

To Messrs. Roebuck and Abbot

To Messrs. Roebuck and abbot their Proposals for a General Contract for Repairs accepted and consequent proposition to include their present Contract therein.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General the Commandants of Native Cavalry to provide in future Shoes, Heelropes &c. for their Regiments and desiring him to include them in the Arrangement preparing by him: to report whether his proposed Number of Paymasters cannot be still further reduced, before their Salaries can be Increased.

To Ditto

To Ditto a second reference respecting the Payment of Company's allowances to King's Officers from the date of their Commissions issued at the War Office - Colonel Floyds letter, quoting instances of the above enclosed.

To Clerk of the Treasury

To Clerk of the Treasury directing an additional Advance for the Paymaster at Malajabad for march.

To Military Paymaster General

To Military Paymaster General with advice of the above.

To Captain Baillie

To Captain Baillie no Orders have been yet received from England concerning his Suspension.

To Chief Engineer

To Chief Engineer desiring him to propose a fit Officer from his Corps, to serve under Mr. Topping, in his Survey

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Survey of the Rivers Kistna and Godavery.

To Mr. M. Topping

To Mr. M. Topping, advising of the above.

To Captain Good

To Captain of the Ship Industry, directing him to receive on board Musquets for Bombay.

To Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad.

To Captain Dallas permitting him, conditionally, to purchase Horses for the Cavalry Officers and to extend his Purchases of Colts to three hundred.

To Captain Alexander Read

To Captain Alexander Read directing him to send to Captain Boveton, the money and Effects belonging to the Inhabitants of Bangalore and to enquire if any of Golaum Mohi ud dins Family or Effects still remain in the Districts under his charge.

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal with Copy of the Paymaster Generals letter, explaining the difference between the Accounts of Issues to the King's Troops.

To Commandant at Dindigul

To Commandant at Dindigul the fort of the Jagoody Polygar not to be destroyed unless his former Information respecting it be correct to report his progress in laying open the Veerapatchee Pollam.

To Collector at Dindigul

To Collector at Dindigul with advice of the former part of the above orders.

To Paymaster at Gayam

To Paymaster at Gayam censuring his Conduct in refusing pay to the Lascars at Rarampour and directing the immediate discharge of their Arrears.

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25. To Military Auditor General to report whether an advance may be made on account of the late Bullock Contractors.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Board in reply to the several points contained in their last report. further supply of Stores ordered for the Nizam: a letter from Major Stevenson referred.

To Military Board

To Commandant of the Body Guard directing him to ascertain the price at which a Spot of Ground near the present Stabling of that Corps, can be purchased, and sufficient for a new Range.

To Commandant of the Body Guard

To Commandant of 3d. Regiment of Cavalry replying to his request to become agent for supplying his Corps.

To Major Stevenson

To Ditto of the 1st. Regiment stating why the Copies of Papers. requested by him, cannot be furnished.

To Major Murray

To Clerk of the Treasury: the Company's Bond, lodged in part Security for the late Paymaster of Vellore to be given up to Messrs. Chase, Sewell, and Chase, taking their Bond for the amount of it.

To Clerk of the Treasury

Received letter from the Nabob, entered in C: C: N. 59 complaining of the Violences committed by the Europeans ordered by Lieutenant Colonel Baird

22. Substance of a letter from the Nabob

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22d. to take possession of the Pagoda and Choultries at Secundi-
=malley — letters on the subject, enclosed. —

From Collector at Dindigul

Received a letter from the Collector at — Dindigul — entered in W.B. No. 183. stating further particulars respecting the strength of the Fort — or wall surrounding the principal Village, of the Pagoody Polygar, with Copy of Major Dalrymples reply to his request for delaying the Demolition of it. —

Sent the following letter. —

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

Gentlemen,

We have received your letters dated the 12th and 14th instant. —

The Sum due to Mr. Crawfurd may be discharged, and the amount carried to the debit of the Assumed Revenue, under the Head of Charges extraordinary, agreeably to your recommendation. —

We have directed the Military Paymaster General to discharge the amount of the Bill drawn by the late Collector at Trichinopoly on account of advances made to the Housekeepers and Grass cutters sent for the

To Board of Revenue — Mr. Crawfurd's Claim to be paid — as will be Mr. Andrews Bill on the Paymaster — General — the Rices for the Cumboo and Pishanum Crops of Tanjore to be left to Mr. Ram — explanation of Colonel Maxwells — settlement with the — Tinnevelly Polygars for Phasly 1202. —

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22d. use of the Army in October 1791.—

With respect to the opinion offered by Mr. Ram as to the prices for the Sumboo and Peshanum Crops, We agree with you that it will be proper to leave it to the Judgement of that Gentleman to confirm such of the proposed Rates as he may think most eligible.—

In consequence of your letter of the 26th Ultimo, We directed Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to communicate to us the necessary information regarding his Settlement with the Tinnevelly Polygars—and he has stated in reply, that the Settlement for the present Current Fusly Year; for which the Polygars have granted their obligations, payable on the 31st of March, is "for the full amount of the Stipulated "annual Peishcush, as fixed by Mr. Irwin, Viz. 1,03,409.—

"Chuckrums.—

We are,

Sir Sir

Fort St. George

25th March 1793.

[Signed] Chas. Oakeley

Sir Commd

25th Received the following letter

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

Under Date the 14th Ultimo Mr. Gambier notified

From Board of Revenue submitting Mr. Gambier's report on the charges against the late Mr. Vickers Dubash. remarks on the subject.

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Notified to us his having proceeded to Ongole, in Compliance with your Orders, for the purpose of investigating the Charges against the Servants of the late Collector. We have now the Honor to lay before you Copy of that Gentlemans report, stating the result of the Enquiry committed to his Charge.—

The first point referred to by Mr. Gambier, is the deficiency in the Public Cash, which he ascertained, after his — arrival at Ongole, to be madras Pagodas 2896. 29. 16 and which amount we are happy to find has been recovered on Account of the Company.—

We shall call upon Mr. Gambier for his — opinion respecting the Culpability of the Servants concerned, and Submit his answer for your Information, and decision relative to such Punishment as you may think necessary.—

In regard to the other part of his instructions founded on the Complaint of His Highness the Nabob against Juggapah and the Aumil of Ongole, as Mr. Gambier has been very explicit in his report we think it necessary only to remark, that it appears to us the Circumstances were much misrepresented to the Nabob We are of opinion that the 29 Villages, from which the acknowledgements were not taken, should be held answerable for the Balances outstanding according to the List which accompanied the Jumma Wasool —

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23. Batey Accounts of the other Villages, and which appears to have been formed from the Cutcherry Accounts, and to have agreed with the Accounts of the Curnums.—

The full and distinct manner in which Mr. Gambier has conducted the enquiry will, we make no doubt, receive your approbation; and, as he has represented that his Presence is of material consequence at Nuglatore, we recommend that he be permitted to return to his Station with the least possible delay.—

We have the honor to be,

Hon.ble Sirs

Fort St. George
25th. March 1793.

Your most obedient Servants
David Haliburton
Signed Chas. N. White

To David Haliburton Esqre
Acting President &c.a Members of the
Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

I had the honor on the 14th. Ultimo, to inform you of my having proceeded to this place, for the purpose of investigating into the Complaints against the Servants of the late Collector of Angole, as directed by Government, and communicated to me in your letter

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23d.

Letter of the 2d. January — the results of this enquiry I have — now the honor to lay before you. —

The letter from your Deputy Secretary Under date the 15th. ultimo, enclosing Copies of different accounts of the late Collector here, which had been Transmitted to you, as also your Secretary's Letter of the 8th. Instant with its inclosure have been duly received by me from Mr. Crawfurd: I received all the necessary information he was enabled to afford; he delivered to my charge the different Servants of the said Collector's Cutcherry, who had been ordered by Your Board into confinement, as likewise delivered to me the different papers and Accounts in his possession, and — proceeded to the Presidency on the 22d. ultimo. —

The Complaints, as directed for me to enquire into, appeared to be of two distinct points — The one respect- -ing the supposed embezzlement of the public Cash by the Servants of the late Mr. Erskine, and the other respect- -ing the supposed peculation of the Revenue by Juggapal Dubash to the late Mr. Erskine, and by the Aumil of Ongole during that Gentleman's Managements of the — Districts of Ongole and Palnaud for Fuslys 1200. and 1201. —

With Regard to the former, it was —

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23d. Supposed there was an embezzlement of the public Cash from a Deficiency in the Chest at the time of Mr. Perkins' Decease. — On the adjustment of the public accounts, after this melancholy event had happened, by Mr. Crawford, late assistant to the Collector, there was, I observe, from an examination of the Public Papers a "Deficiency in the Cash Chest of about 4,000 Pagodas: that on Mr. Crawford calling on Juggapah and the other Servants for the remainder of the balance of Cash he received from them Different Sums so as to reduce the deficiency and increase the balance in hand to near 6000 Pagodas" on the closing of the Public Accounts for the District of Ongole by Mr. Crawford on the 30th. September 1792, and which accounts were transmitted by him to your Board, the Balance of Cash, agreeably to these accounts, amounted I observe to Madras Pagodas 213. 16. 2½. The Cash which he then had in his hands he afterwards remitted to your Board by a Bill drawn by the Paymaster here on the Military Paymaster General at Madras, Amounting to Madras Pagodas 5519. 2. 11. So that, on my arrival here, after Mr. Crawfords delivering over Charge to me of the different Public accounts in his possession, I found

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that the apparent deficiency of the Public Cash amounted to Madras Pagodas 3694-14-15.—

In this amount was included the Sum of Madras Pagodas 230-9-33. on Accounts of a difference in the Value of the Pagodas which had been taken Charge of by Mr. Crawfurd on his opening the Cash Chest after Mr. Erskines Decease; and which Deficiency in the Value of this money was proved when it was Shroffed, on its being delivered by Mr. Crawfurd to the Paymaster here, as a remittance by the Bill on the Paymaster General as I have before stated. Regarding this Circumstance, I examined the Shroff who had been employed by the late Collector, and, concluding him to be responsible for the loss to the above Amount, as it was, of course his Duty to ascertain the real Value of the money and only to receive such as was good when tendered for payment, I accordingly called on him to make good this loss, he however made various excuses but after my urging him for some time on the matter he requested to give Satisfaction on it by means of Juggapah, to which I consented, after the latter agreeing to this, and I accordingly received from him the above Sum.—

On Examining the Public Accounts for the Palnaud District, I observed that on their being

23d closed on the 30th September 1792, there was a balance of Cash in favor of the Collector Amounting to Madras Pagodas 567. 21. 16. — which had been advanced for the monthly Disbursements in that District as appear on the face of the Accounts This Sum — from there being no Cash in hand in the Palmaud Treasury it had been necessary for the Collector to advance from the — Angole Treasury, and which I find had been the case — so that the deficiency of Cash in the Public Chest at Angole to the above amount of Madras Pagodas 567. 21. 16 is thus — accounted for by that Sum standing as a balance in favor of the Collector in the Palmaud Accounts. —

Deducting therefore the above mentioned Sums of Madras Pagodas 230. 9. 33 and M Pagodas 567. 21. 16, there existed a deficiency of M Pagodas 2896. 29. 16. It would have been a great object with me to have ascertained particularly how this deficiency arose, and for which I have been using my utmost endeavours (and every attention has been exerted,) but which I am concerned to say have been entirely fruitless — Whether this deficiency arose from the money that was received from the Collections made from the Country during Mr Erskines indisposition being with- held by the Official Servants or whether the Cash had, during his indisposition, been taken by any Person — from the Chest, after it had been deposited therein, by

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means of procuring the Key, I am unable to ascertain. But, in either case, from the enquiry I made, I conceived Juggapah to be responsible, and accordingly called on him to make good this money. In the event of this deficiency having arose from the former of the two Causes, which I have mentioned, Juggapah for some time past, may have been examining more into the Accounts; and, on finding this to be the case, may have called on such persons for the money due from them, and from my making him responsible to me, may from any authority, it was natural for him to make use of on such an Occasion, effected a payments of the different Sums from them. this I conceive, very probable to have so happened, in either of which cases, I should imagine no blame may be imputed to him. However this may be, which I also much regreat that I am not able to report to your Board so fully upon, after my close attention on this point for a considerable time, I have at length effected the payment of this Sum from him, amounting to M. Pagodas 2296. 27. 16. I have therefore the great satisfaction to inform Your Board, that I have realized the deficiency of the public Cash, amounting to M Pagodas 3126. 32. 49. The accomplishing of which, from the situation that the busines was in, when I arrived here, I consider to have been a great object, and I have the honor to request your directions concerning this money.

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23. With respect to the other parts of the complaint necessary for enquiry, / the Charges exhibited by his Highness the Nabob against Juggapah and the Aumil of Ongole / I was also engaged in investigating into this, at the same time I was pursuing the enquiry into the cause of the deficiency of the public Cash — Soon after my Arrival, the Nabobs — manager at this place, who acts as such during the absence of Moor Uddeen Mahomed Khan the Fouzdar of Nellore, waited on me, according to my desire — when I communi- =cated to him my having been appointed to make the — enquiry as directed by Government, desired him to lay — before me such Accounts as were necessary to be examined regarding the Charges exhibited by his Highness against Juggapah, and prepare such evidences, and proofs, as were intended to be brought forward on this matter and further communicated to him, that I was ready, to hear from any person what would assist in elucidating these different — circumstances.

Some time after, Nour Uddeen Mahomed Khan, who has also the same authority over the districts of Angole and Palnaud, as Nellore, arrived here for the purpose of supporting the above Charges, on his — waiting on me, I spoke to him to the same effect,

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23.rd as I have, above, mentioned to have also spoken to the manager here: I found from what they mentioned to me, as likewise — from perusal of the paper stating the Complaints as preferred to Government by the Nabob/a Copy of which I had received from you/ that, after the Restoration of the District of Ongole to his Highness the Nabob in July 1792, The Inhabi-tants of the different Villages had represented, that the balances, which had been fixed on them according to the Cutcherry Accounts of the late Collector were not just, that more money had been paid by them than was brought to their accounts, and that different sums had been — extorted from them by the Public Servants. The accounts laid before me by the Nabobs' manager here, specified the fore-going particulars, as also from what Villages the different Sums said to be extorted by the above people had been received, the amounts of which is stated in the Charges against them preferred by the Nabob. These accounts I accordingly examined, and desired that such evidences and proofs, as they had to produce, might be brought forward in support of the justness of their accounts.

I observe, from perusal of the different papers on Record here, that when this district was ordered by

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23rd Government to be restored to the Nabob, Mr. Erskine, agreably to the directions from the Board of Assumed Revenue under date the 16th July 1792 prepard to collect the Toomar or Wassoul — Banky accounts from the different Villages Certified and — attested by the Kurnums and the Revenue Servants, to be — delivered to the Nabobs Manager. From Mr. Erskines letter to the Board of Assumed Revenue under date the 9th August 1792 and, also, from other Information which I have obtained here, I learn "That Mr. Erskine, when employed on the above matter, met with many obstacles from the Nabobs Servants" That out of 143 Villages in the Ongole District, the Toomar Accounts for 114 Villages had been signed and attested by the different Kurnums and Inhabitants "That the Toomar Accounts for the remaining 29 Villages were nearly pre= =pared and ready for Signature and to be delivered to the Collectors Servants, when the Inhabitants were prevented from doing this by the interference and influence of the — Nabobs Servants" That shortly after the Nabobs authority over the District commenced from which, and from Mr. Erskines indisposition he was prevented from finally settling with the remaining 29 Villages so as to procure their Toomar Accounts. It was however from his Cutcherry Accounts which then agreed with the Kurnums Accounts that the balances on those Villages were fixed, a List of which together —

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23d. together with the original Toomar Accounts for the 114 Villages were transmitted to the Accountant to the Board of Assumed Revenue by Mr. Crawford in his letter of the 25th October 1792. These documents for the 114 Villages, now in your Office, must I conclude be considered as authentic and just acknowledgements for the outstanding Balances on these Villages at the time of the District being restored.—

Notwithstanding my Opinion that these foregoing Accounts were authentic and Acknowledged documents Yet at the request of the Nabobs Manager, I consented to hear the declarations of the Inhabitants and Kurnums of some of those Villages whom he wished to appear before me, as the Complaints exhibited by Mooruddeen Mahomed Khan to his Highness the Nabob and also now laid before me stated that all the Kurnums and Inhabitants who had Signed their Toomar Accounts had been compelled to do so by the late Collectors' Servants. These Persons as before mentioned, accordingly appeared before me; when I examined them, in the presence of his Highness's Manager, One of them made no hesitation in asserting this in the presence of the manager "that he had Signed the Toomar Account for his Village from his own free will and consent" and declared, from his knowledge, that this also had been the case with the Kurnums of Ten other Villages who had Signed their Accounts at the Same time that [illegible]

23d was a positive proof of the Contrary to what had been — alledged in the Charges Stated on this point by the Nabobs people One of the above Persons also declared "that no — money had ever been extorted from the Village to — which he belonged by Juggapah or any other Servant under the late Collector" The Reverse of this was however Stated in the Accounts laid before me by the Nabobs people as therein it was particularly Specified that a Sum of money had been extorted from that Village by the public Servants which was another proof against the Charge on this head.—

Some of these evidences declared "that they had been forced to Sign their Toomar Accounts by the Official Servants as they had declined Signing them from the balance therein Stated not being just". Some of these Persons also — affirmed "that they had never Signed any Papers Setting forth a Complaint against Juggapah and the Aumil of Ongole" as is Represented in the Petition said to have been Signed by the Despondiahs and Kurnums and Stated in the Complaint — from the Nabob.

After my examination of the other Accounts for the 29 Villages which had been delivered to me by the — Nabobs' manager, the evidences appeared before me, whom I examined also in his presence "they affirmed that the Accounts which the Official Servants under Mr. Erskine had Stated against them with respect to their balances, were not just, and they had therefore refused to Sign their Toomar Accounts

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agreably to the above Statement, as the Collections from them had been greater than appeared therein" and also said "that Such — extra Sums had been received from them by the Public Servants — and the Tanadars of the Purganahs — altho' it had been alledged by the Complainants that the above Persons had refused to — Sign the Toomar Accounts of their villages, because different Sums had been extorted from them by the late Collectors' Servants, yet Some of these evidences declared "that they had never Signed any paper of complaint against them" others affirmed "that they had been persuaded by Some of the Kannums to Sign a Petition, the Contents of which they absolutely did not know at the time of their Signing; but they afterwards heard that it — contained accusations against the Servants of the late — Collector. To the foregoing effect were the declarations of the different persons whom I examined in the presence of the manager, as evidences in Support of the charges exhibited by the Nabob — but no written Vouchers or any — documents whatever could they produce in proof of their General declarations or of their assertion "that different Sums — had been received from them on Account of the Collections more than had been carried to their Credit.

After my examination of the above — Witnesses, I called on Juggapah and the Tanadars who had been employed during Mr. Erskine's managements

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and examined them with regard to the Accusations preferred — against them. I questioned them very pointedly on that pairt of the complaints of their having forced the Kurnums and Ryots to Sign the Toomar accounts against the consent of the latter: they all denied, in the most positive manner, that any the least — compulsion had been made use of by them or the people — employed under them. but affirmed "that the Inhabitants — had Voluntarily come forward with their Toomar Accounts, after the General Order had been issued in the Purgunahs for a Settlement of their Agreements" That this also had, not only, been the case, but they likewise affirmed "that the Kurnums and Inhabitants of the 29 Villages were prepared to Sign — their Toomar accounts, but that some Servants of the Nabobs' manager, who had proceeded from Angole late in the — evening to the Village, where the above Persons had been assembled, had, by force, and by threats, in holding out to them that they were no longer under the Company's authority, prevented these Persons from Signing such accounts. —

Here I take leave to Remark, that when the late Collector was Settling the accounts of the Districts under his management, in order that they might, at the same time with the Country, be delivered over to the — Nabobs'

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Nabobs manager, that at the time the Inhabitants signed their Toomar accounts, they were in the knowledge of their being, in a very few days, to pass over the Nabobs authority; so that whatever awe they might previously have been under of Juggapah, or the public Servants imployed in the Districts, it is, I think, a very just conclusion to infer, that from their knowing the then — authority over them was so soon to expire, they could not have been induced, by any influence of the Public Servants, to sign their Toomar Accounts, had they not considered such accounts to be fair and just. This may, I conceive, be applied also to the 29 Villages as well as to the 114 Villages for which the Toomar accounts were actually received, for there is every reason to conclude, that the Inhabitants of the former Villages had come forward with their Accounts, but that they were prevented from signing them by the interference of the Nabobs People. In these accounts the Inhabitants Acknowledged the Collections, and balances, as are therein stated, to be just and that no other payments had been made by them to the Collector, or any of his Servants more than what appeared in those accounts. So that, in answer to that part of the Complaints against — Juggapah and the aumil of Angole, alledging "that they had forced the Inhabitants to sign those Acknowledgments, it is very natural, I think, to infer that, could those — Inhabitants have been forced to declare the former —

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23. Persons innocent, they may equally as well have been forced — now to declare them guilty.

From Perusal of the different papers delivered over to me, by Mr Crauford, as also from other information, I find, that the persons who appeared before me as evidences on the — part of the accusations now exhibited by the Nabobs People, are the very same, who, in April last, when a similar Com- plaint was made against Juggapah by the Despondiahs of the Ongole District, signed a Mahazer setting forth, that the complaints against Juggapah was without foundation, and that it had been brought forward without their the Inhabi- tants knowledge or wish. This was a proof of the falsity of the Circumstance stated by the Despondiahs, as the latter — affirmed "they had come forward with the Complaints at the solicitation of the said Inhabitants". The above Mahazer was signed by the Kurnums and the Principal Inhabitants of the District at the same time also, Vencataram Rauze, the — Pensioned Rajah of Ongole, gave a written Paper, in testimony that the declarations of the Kurnums and Inhabitants had been to the same effect, as are stated in their Mahazer, another Paper also, to the same purport, was then signed by three respectable Inhabitants of this place, who had the management of this District previous to its being under the

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the Company's Authority, and one of whom is now manager here, in the absence of the Phouzdar. The same Persons likewise who now appear as evidences to support the charge "that money had been extorted from them by the Public Servants, are such, as had, in the month of July last signed their acknowledgments setting forth "that they never had paid to the Collector, or any of his Servants, more than what appeared in their accounts."

Such are the evidences now brought forward to Substantiate the charges, as exhibited to Government, by His Highness the Nabob against Juggapah Dubash to the late Mr. Erskine, and the Aumil of Ongole, the Testimony they have given, from the consideration I have made on the matter, as also from the Judgement I formed on examination of the Witnesses, I take the liberty of observing, is in my Opinion unsatisfactory, as also invalidated from the declarations so contradictory, which these People have at different times made, and consequently by no means brings conviction to my mind of any part of the complaint having been substantiated. I have presumed to give this my opinion, but, having thus laid before your Board the results of my investigation, which has engaged much attention from me, I wait Your judgement and final decision on the matter.

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

Ongole
15th March 1793.

A true Copy
I Signd John Read
Dy Sec.y

I Signd C. Gambier

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23d. Sent the following Letters

To David Haliburton Esq.

Hon.ble Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

To Board of Revenue in consequence

We have received your Letter of yesterdays' date with Copy of Mr. Gambiers Report on the Enquiry committed to his charge.—

We are much pleased with Mr. Gambiers' success in ascertaining and recovering the amount deficient in the Company's Cash, and approve of your directions him to report his opinion with regard to the Capability of the Servants employed by the late Collector.—

We agree with you that the circumstances which induced the Complaint from the Nabob against the Servants of the late Collector have been much misrepresented to his Highness, and concur with you in opinion that the Villages from which acknowledgements were not taken should be held answerable for the Balances outstanding according to the List in your Possession.—

We shall inform the Nabob of the Result of this Enquiry in the mean time we desire you to express to Mr. Gambier our approbation of his conduct, and of the clear and distinct manner in which he has stated the circumstances of his reports, and the conclusions he has drawn from

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from Facts appearing in evidence before him. —

Mr. Gambier, having fulfilled the objects of his mission, may be directed to return to his Station at Mangalore. —

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We are,
&c. &c.
Signed Chas. Oakeley
&c Council

To Colonel Bruce
Commanding the Southern Division
at Trichinopoly.

Sir,

To Commandant at Trichinopoly stating the Nabob's Complaint — against the mode by which Lieutenant Colonel Baird attempted to take possession of the Pagoda and Choultries at — Secundermally injunctions in consequence the Colonel to explain his Conduct —

His Highness the Nabob having transmitted to Government Copy of a Representation from his Son Mahomed Moulk Bahauder stating that Lieutenant Colonel Baird had, by forcible means, attempted to take possession of the Pagoda at Secundermally for the accommodation of his Regiment — That several of the Bramins had been wounded by the Troops — and that, in consequence of these violences, two Pundarums had precipitated themselves from the top of the Pagoda, and lost their lives, I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to desire you will immediately inform Lieutenant Colonel Baird of the concern which the Board feel at the Nabob's communication, enjoining him, in the most positive terms, to avoid all acts which may tend, in the remotest degree, to offend

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23d the religious principles of the Bramins, and directing him to transmit, through you, a circumstantial detail of the transactions upon which the Complaint is founded, that the President in Council may be enabled to decide upon it. —

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Sam, Kr. Kr.

Signed W. C. Jackson Jur

Received also the undermentioned letters —

Entered in W.B. Nos 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. —

From Collector at Dindegul

From Collector at Dindegul. — Reporting the safe Arrival of the Elephants at Palgautcherry on the 8th Instant. —

From Mr Thomas Cooper

From Mr Thomas Cooper, requesting his Length of Services may be considered, in case a Reduction of the Paymasters take place, as is reported to be the intention. —

From Lieutenant Wm Orrock

From Lieutenant Orrock requesting his leave of absence from Ganjam, may be prolonged. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Showers

From Lieutenant Colonel Showers advising that his Son, N. I. Showers, a Cadet on this Establishment, will shortly proceed from Bengal to the Coast. —

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam requesting that Mr Cooper, lately struck off by the Military Auditor General, may be continued at that Factory. —

24th Dispatched the undermentioned Letter Entered in W.B. No 189. —

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To Captain Knox

To Captain Knox summoning him to the Presidency, to give Evidence in the Cause of the Company against Mr. Ray — and

The same to

To Lieutenant Gahagan at Trichinopoly —

Lieutenant Gahagan — at Trichinopoly

To Lieutenant Watkins at Ellore

Lieutenant Watkins — Ellore

To Mr. Thackeray at Arcot.

Mr. Thackeray — assistant Surgeon at Arcot —

Received the following letter —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Board of Revenue requesting that the Wall surrounding the principal Villages of the Jagoody Polygars may not be destroyed — papers on the subject Enclosed. —

We lose no time in laying before your Honorable Board the accompanying Letter,* and Enclosures received from the Collector at Dindigul. Being uninformed of the arguments adduced by Major Dalrymple in recommendation of destroying the Wall round the Jagoody Village, alluded to Mr. Macleod, we can offer no opinion thereon, but, under the Circumstances stated by the Collector, it is to be wished that such a representation had not been transmitted without a previous Communication with Mr. Macleod, for the purpose of ascertaining whether any, and what detriment might accrue to the Cultivation

* The Enclosures herein are already Entered

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24th Cultivation, or Revenue from the measure proposed. Had Major Dalrymple adopted this line of conduct he would have been apprized of the serious ill consequences that are to be apprehended if the Wall in question is removed; and, unless any political consideration, with which we are unacquainted should render the execution of this measure advisable, we think it incumbent on us to recommend that the Defence be allowed to remain for the reasons stated by Mr. Macleod.

We have the honor to be,

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Sir &c.

David Haliburton
Signed Chas. N. White

Received also the undermentioned Letters —

Entered in MB. P. 190. 191.

From Secretary at Bengal desiring an accompanying Packet for Sir Robert Abercromby may be forwarded.

From Secretary at Bengal

From Commandant at Dindigul the Veratchee Jungle will be cleared by the 10th April requests leave to employ the Pioneers afterwards in clearing the Road from Sukmally that the Tappy to Dindigul may go direct from Trichinopoly, and orders concerning the Veratchee Pudanni, and three Shevagans confined at Dindigul

From Commandant at Dindigul

Sent the undermentioned Letters to the Nabob

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25th Entered in C. C. No. 60. 61.

Substance of a letter to the Nabob -

To the Nabob - expressive of Concern at the Vio-
-lences committed by the European Regiments at Secundermally
and advising of the orders given, in consequence, to Lieutenants
Colonel Baird. -

Ditto - Ditto

To Ditto - inclosing an Extract from Mr
Jambier's Report of his Enquiry into the Charges preferred
by His Highness against the late Mr Erskine's Dubash and
the Gumil of Cngole. -

Dispatched the undermentioned letters -
Entered in W.B. Nos 192. 193.

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal with Intelligence
from Mysore. -

To Mr. Powney
at Cochin

To Mr. George Powney - inclosing the Packet
for Sir Robert Abercromby, and desiring him to forward
it. -

Received the undermentioned letters Entered
in W.B. Nos 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. = 199

From Commissary
General of Grain and
Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and
Provisions - Referring the claims of some Madras Cart -
people, on account of the supply of Draught Bullocks
during the last Campaign of the late War. -

From Ditto

From Ditto - Respecting the supply of
Provisions

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25th Provisions for Piacottah: requests orders may be obtained from the Nabob to his Renters, to assist his people in their purchases of Grain for the Cavalry.—

From Messrs. Roebuck and abbot requesting a Draft of the intended General Contract for Repairs, previous to replying to the proposition made to them.—

From Messrs. Roebuck and abbot

From Hospital Board reporting the Death of Mr. Silverwright as dead and proposing Mr. Trotter to succeed as Surgeon to the 2d Battalion of Artillery also the appointments of Mr. Cole to the 5th and of Mr. Peyton to the 6th Battalion.—

From Hospital Board

From Collector of Southern Pettaish has despatched Ten Thousand Pagodas to the Paymaster at Madura

From Mr. J. Landon

26th Dispatched a letter to Captain Alexander (Entered in W.D. No 199.) advising of the Reference to be made by Tippoo's Vackeels to their Master, regarding the Merchants confined in Narayendroog, and of the return of the Bearers of his letter on that subject, to Kistnaghurry.—

To Captain Alexander Read.—

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Tuesday

26th. March 1793.

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following Letter from the Military Board, with Enclosures Entered in Mss. Nos. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. & 207. 208. 209.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board. Reports on the present State of the principal Forts in the Coast Countries. Suggestions in consequence, and regarding Salem in particular. will shortly Reports on the inferior forts recommendations Concerning the Arrangement to their former and present Sanctary for office Servants and an Encrease of Allowance on that Account. Bills for repairs presented.

We have the Honor to lay before you the present State the Forts of Kistnagherry, Sankeydorgum, Naimcul Salem Attore, Chinroy durgum, and Verabaderdurgum are in, as reported to us by the Chief Engineer, and the Repairs necessary to render them defensible, and beg leave to suggest to Your Honorable Board, that it may be advisable not only to order these to be executed without delay, but also to lay in a Store of Six months Provisions in each post. for which quantity, accommodation may be found at present, and to complete the Store to Twelve Months, as soon as the Granaries are repaired, or in a condition to receive it In Regard to Salem however

We

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We think it necessary to request your particular consideration to the Reports concerning that Fort, for the purpose of determining, whether or not it shall be rendered defensible, by Repairs, in its present form, or by constructing a new but less extensive Fortification, in or near the same Situation, previous to ordering any supply of Provisions or Stores for it. A supply of Stores and Provisions for Ryacottah having been considered in our Reports of the 15th Instant, We have also thought it advisable to lay before you, at this time, the Reports of Repairs wanting to the rest of the Principal Posts in the Baramaul, and Salem Countries, and to acquaint you, that we are now preparing, in order to be laid before you, a Statement of the quantity of Ordnance and Stores which We conceive may be judged necessary for the same Posts, which will be followed soon, by our Report on those of inferior consideration.

We shall give the necessary Orders, in Obedience to your Commands of the 20th Ultimo, relative to the Conicopolies in the Departments of Board of Works, and the Laboratory Lascars, on the Subject of the former, our Secretary has addressed us a Letter, Copy of which we have the honor to enclose, reporting Arrears due to his Predecessor and himself, in the Departments of Works, from the 1st of May to the 1st of January last, also stating the necessity of his being permitted to draw an increase of allowance for the Office Establishments as Secretary to our Board. In consequence of this representation, the Military

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Military Auditor General thought it necessary to give in a Minute, Copy of which is inclosed, stating his reasons for rejecting the Bill drawn by the Secretary of the Military Board under the Head of Board of Works.

We beg leave, on this occasion, to suggest to Your Honorable Board, that, under the orders of the 29th March 1790, abolishing the Board of Works, and Committee of Stores at the Presidency, and transferring the business of those Departments to the Head of Military Board generally, it may be thought regular to destroy the distinction, in subordinate matters, and to regulate the Office Establishments of the Secretary to the Military Board, upon that principal. On considering the Establishment drawn by him at present under different heads, the rates of Wages to Clerks, and other Servants, and the very extensive business of the Office, We take the liberty of recommending to your Honorable Board, the following Establishment as necessary for the execution of the Duty to be performed in keeping the Books of the Office, making Copies of the various papers that are presented, or received, in communication with Government, and to be transcribed, in forwarding the Current business of superintending, and directing matters connected with the receipts, issues and provision of Stores.—

We observe that the Comicoplies in the

Departments

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Departments of Works have been paid by the two Secretaries, long after the Secretaries ceased to be in receipt of the allowances allotted for them; and, as Mr. Brodie has stated the remaining part of the allowance for the Department of Works, to have been disbursed, either by himself or his Predecessor in Office, up to the 1st of January, we beg leave to suggest that it may be considered reasonable to allow the Secretaries, respectively, to draw the Arrear up to that Date.—

Proposed Office Establishment, for the Secretary of the Military Board in all his Departments, exclusive of Salary.—

8 Writers, Pay averaged at 15 Pagodas each pr month	120.	" "
12 Peons at 2 Pagodas each pr month	24.	" "
1 Mootchie	3.	" "
1 Head Conicoply at 4 Pagodas 1 Conicoply at 2. 22. 40	6. 22. 40	
Office Rent	25.	" "
Pagodas	178.	22. 40

We are honored with your Commands of the 9th Instant inclosing Extract of a Letter from your Accountant, and have, in consequence, transmitted to the Military Storekeepers, at the several Stations, Copies of your Orders

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Orders.

Herewith We have the honor to forward Bills laid before us by the Contractors for Repairs, from No. 1 to 14 in the Civil Department, and from No. 1 to 9 in the Military, which having been examined are found properly vouched, and agreable to the terms of Contract, We therefore recommend their being Discharged.

We have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

Henry Malcolm

Thomas Pils

Jn. Richardson

Geo: Maule

George Hall

Signed

The President delivers in the following Minute

In Council the 26th March 1793.

The Chief Engineer having delivered his Report of the State of the several Forts in the Baramaul and Salem Districts, I now beg leave, with the assistance of that Report of Colonel Brathwaites opinion recorded on our Minutes of the 29th January and of other respectable Information which I have received upon this subject, to state my sentiments with regard to the Posts necessary to be occupied on our new

Minute of the President regarding the Posts necessary to be occupied on the new western Frontier and the dispositions of the troops already in the ceded Districts — propositions on the occasion.

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Frontier.—

In providing for the security of any Country against Invasion, two objects seem essentially necessary to be attended to one is, to establish, on the Borders, the best defences that the Situation will admit. The second is to provide Security, in the interior parts, for the Persons and Property of the Inhabitants. This last object becomes the more important in a Country, where the mischiefs of War fall with peculiar weights upon the poor and industrious classes of the people.—

The Barramaul and Salem Districts happily appear to furnish the means of accomplishing both these points in a very eminent degree—and, tho', in some of the smaller posts, the artificial Defences are insufficient to sustain any Regular and Skilful attack, their natural Strength, from situation, is undoubtedly such as to afford a very considerable degree of Security to the Inhabitants against the incursions of Horse.—

My opinion therefore is, that, besides the principal Forts, which are necessary to be kept up and amply provided for their Defence, it will be adviseable to retain several of the smaller Holds, but not to put valuable Stores in them, or any other Troops than a few native Invalids, under Officers of that description who have manifested their attachment by long and faithful Service to the Company.—

The Forts, which it may be proper to garrison and provide

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provide with regular Supplies, are

Kistnaghurry

Ryacottah

Veerabadroog

Chinroy durgum

Congoondy

Sinagra

Salem

Attore

Sunkery durgum

&

Namcul

The inferior places which ought, in my opinion, to be retained for the purpose of affording Security to the Inhabitants and Cattle, and for preserving a Communi=cation between the greater Forts in the Barramaul and Carnatick are, Maharauzedurgum, situated to the North ward of Kistnaghurry, and Malicaudurgum, Sheewargur, Cata=rgoody, Bojingur, Pegadive, Punganagurry and Tadcul, which form an interior Line of Posts nearly parallel to the Frontier=

With respect to the disposal of the troops now in the district. I approve the Proposition of Colonel — Brathwaite for stationing a Complete Battalion at Kistna=ghurry, and another at Sunkerydurgum, and recommend

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that the remaining Troops be divided among the other Forts — agreeably to his suggestions. —

On the authority of an opinion communicated to me by the Marquis Cornwallis, I advise that no considerable Depôt of Stores or Grain be advanced beyond the Forts of Vellore and Arnee; and I am glad to observe by the Report of Lieutenant Colonel Maule, who was lately sent to survey the last mentioned Place, that there is ample space, within the Body of the works, for Barracks and Storehouses to almost any extent that can be required. —

If the Board approve the Sentiments I have laid before them, I would propose, that the substance of this Minute be communicated to the Military Board, with directions to take measures, without loss of time, for completing the Forts in the ceded Districts with a due proportion of Stores and provisions, and making the necessary repairs to the works, but as it is proper that the Sanction and Concurrence of the Governor General in Council should be obtained to every part of an arrangement so important as that of establishing our Frontier to the westward, I am of opinion that a Copy of our Minutes of the Chief Engineers Report, and of Colonel Brathwaites Letter entered in Consultation the 29th January should be sent to Bengal. —

The Military Board, in their Letter of the 15th Instant, having stated the ruinous condition of the Fort of —

Salem

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Salem, and transmitted the Engineers opinion, that it would not be more expensive to erect new defences on the same site than to repair the old walls, I recommend that they be directed to call for the Engineers Plan, with a detailed Estimate of the expence of such new works as he proposes, and that, in the mean time, no other Provision of Stores be made for Salem, than such as may be necessary for the current wants of the Garrison. —

I Signed Chas. Oakeley

The Presidents Propositions regarding the ceded Forts approved and adopted. —

The Board entirely approve the President's sentiments contained in the foregoing minute, and resolve to adopt the several propositions recommended therein. —

Resolutions on the other subjects contained in the foregoing letter from the Military Board. —

Resolved, that the Arrears due to the former and present Secretary of the Military Board in the department of Works, be, for the reasons given, discharged, and that, on the same grounds, the proposed Office Establishments for the Secretary to the Board be approved. —

Ordered that the Bills of the Contractors for repairs be discharged. —

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue

From Board of Revenue respecting an advance to Sherfoge and the Widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore. —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

The Reverend Mr. Swartz has made application to us for an advance of Pagodas 3,200 on account of the

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the allowance to Shurfoji and the widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore - but as it appears, from the Accounts transmitted by Mr. Ram, that they were overpaid on the 15th instant in the amount of Pagodas 950 we beg leave to request your Instructions on this subject.-

We have the honor to be,

&c &c

David Haliburton

Signed Chas N. White

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Minute thereon

Resolved that the amount of the Sum overpaid by Mr. Ram on account of the allowance to Shurfoji and the widows be deducted from the advance applied for by the Revd Mr Swartz.-

Read the following Letter from Colonel Braithwaite with Enclosures as Entered in W.B. Nos 210. 211. 212. 213.-

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From Colonel Braithwaite forwarding an Address from the Captains of 1st Battalion of Artillery respecting the Payment of the Pay Lascars Two from Major Hale regarding House rent for the Officers of the 2d Battalion, and the Arrears of Pay due to that Corps at Madura, and one from the Captains of the Sepoy Corps at Madras respecting their Off Reckonings -

Honorable Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you an address to you Signed by the Captains of the 1st Battalion of Artillery on the Subject of which I think it necessary to observe, that it appears to me, that the Battalion Orders issued by Lieutenant Colonel Pitts, and which are therein stated, do not militate with the letter of any existing order of Government, and are strictly

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Strictly conformable to the spirit of all late regulations for the payment of Natives in the Honorable Companys Service, and appear to me judiciously framed to insure a regular and Uniform compliance with the principle on which they have been founded, and it does not appear to me, that, under existing regulations, there is any thing in the Order of Lieutenant Colonel Peile which ought to alarm the Captains Commanding Artillery Companies as threatening their consequence, or tending to lessen their Authority over the three Companies of Lascars attached to each European Company.

To ensure an uniform and correct attention to the principle which no doubt influenced Government in the regulations for the payment of Native Troops, requires a scrupulous and minute attention, which is well secured by the detail and division ordered by Lieutenant Colonel Peile, which attaches an immediate charge of inspection to an Officer superintending the payment of each Company of Lascars.

By giving less to each Officer to do, there is a greater probability that each can more minutely look to what he has to do, and it certainly increases the number of Checks, for each of these Subalterns is still, as far as I can perceive, under as much check and

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Controul of his Captain as before, to whom he is to report all —a
matters that occur, nor does the Captain less superiorly Command
the three Companies of Lascars attached to his Company, tho'
one of the Subalterns of his Company is appointed to the immediate
superintendance of each Company of Lascars, than before this —a
arrangement took place, while at the same time he is relieved
from that Minute attention which Lieutenant Colonel Pitts has
thought it necessary to order to secure to each Lascar the full of
his Pay, and to prevent any possibility of fraud by Conicopies,
or others concerned in the distribution of it. I must own therefore,
that I greatly approve the object of Lieutenant Colonel Pitts's —
Battalion regulation in regard to the Lascars comprehend-
-ed in the detail of the Battalion he Commands.—

The mode of Payment of the Lascars —
instituted by Lieutenant Colonel Pitts is founded on a principle
of strict justice to that Body, nor can I perceive in it any
thing so injurious to the Consequence of the Captains as they
apprehend; For they have not vested in them, as the Captains
Commanding native Battalions have, the responsibility —a
attached to the signing of Abstracts, and they should have
recollected that the whole responsibility in respect to the
money drawn and disbursed for the payment of the 1.st
Battalion of Artillery, including its Complement of —a
Lascars, is vested in Lieutenant Colonel Pitts.—

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Under these Ideas I should not have troubled Your Honor with this representation of the Captains, but that they seem to conceive it to be the intention of Government, that they should in regard to the Companies of Lascars attached to their several Companies, be considered in point of responsibility as standing upon the same ground with Captains Commanding Native Battalions, and as their representation only goes to solicit Government to explain its intention on this head, I have not refused to forward their letter, my own opinion I have stated, formed under the belief that Government did not mean this but rather uniformly meant, that Officers Commanding Corps who sign the abstracts should be solely ultimately responsible for the disbursement, and that therefore Lieutenant Colonel Pitts stood authorised to appoint one of the Subalterns of each European Company in the Battalion under his Command, to the immediate Superintendance of one of the Companies of Lascars attached to such European Company with an immediate charge respecting the Payment thereof, merely as a matter of internal Regimental detail, not repugnant to any General Order, for his own satisfaction, and as a check on the Conicopolies, nor does such arrangement, in my opinion, deprive the Captain either of consequence or authority, so long

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as all matters are reported to the Captain; But, as the Captains have entertained a different Idea, I do not object to their deriving by the means of this address, an explanation from the authority which issued the order on which they found their pretension, I shall however add that, in the event of your determining, that Lieutenant Colonel Gils has followed up the intention of Government in respect to his regulation for the Payment of the natives attached to his Battalion, I shall nevertheless recommend it to Lieutenant Colonel Gils, that the Subaltern, altho' held responsible if called upon by him, should not ordinarily report immediately to him, except when Command-ing Companies of Artillery, that is, that when the Captain is present doing duty with his Company, all reports made by Subalterns respecting the Company, or the Lascars attached to it, should be made to the Captain, and by the Captain only to the Officer Commanding the Battalion, as the more re-gular and delicate way of answering the same good purpose which Lieutenant Colonel Gils appears to me so honorably to have had in view. —

I have also the honor to lay before you two letters from Major Sale, the Commandant of Madura, forwarded to me by Colonel Bruce Commanding the Southern division of the Army. —

The letter in regard to the Arrears due to the

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the Troops, it is not necessary for me to give any opinion upon, with respect to that which states the expences which Officers have ban, and are still at for the repair of their Quarters, I believe it to be very fairly stated, a long time ago, a representation was made to the Military Board of the State of the Officers Quarters at Madura, and the Military Board replied, that Government had it in contemplation to erect Substantial Quarters every where, that plans and estimates were preparing for that purpose, and that, in the mean time, it would be well, that each Quarter was made barely tenantable on the strictest rules of economy, and this, no doubt, has subjected each Officer to some continued expence.—

I have also the honor to lay before you, an address from the Captains Commanding native Corps at the Presidency on the subject of their Offreckoning.—

Government did, as I recollect, deliver an opinion on the subject of the late Agency to the Military Board, in consequence of Proceedings arising from a representation made by Captain Bruce, on behalf of Captains Commanding native Corps; I had therfore some doubt whether to forward the present address to your Honor, or not, and was rather disinclined to renew the subject, but as, on mature reflection, I do not feel myself authorised to promulgate to the Captains Commanding native Battalions, the records of the Military Board, even did they extend to the full information solicited

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for, by those who have signed this letter. I have therefore thought it my duty to forward it, and have the honor to be, with respect.

&c. &c.

Sankerry Droog
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I signed John Brathwaite

Resolutions of the Board on the foregoing letter from Colonel Brathwaite

Agreed to inform Colonel Brathwaite that his interpretation of the General Order of the 9th of January last corresponds precisely with the meaning of the Board in regard to the Lascars comprehended in the detail of the two Battalions of Artillery. That the Board agree with him that the Battalion orders issued by Lieutenant Colonel Gells are founded on a principle of strict Justice to the Lascars and that the Appointments of a Subaltern to the immediate superintendence of each Company is neither an infringement on the rights nor injurious to the Consequence of the Captains, who have not as in the case of Commandants of Native Corps any responsibility in the public disbursements — that being exclusively vested in the hands of the Officer signing the abstracts.

Resolved, in consequence of the representation of the Officers of the 9th Battalion of Native Infantry, that they be permitted to draw the usual allowance of House rent from the 1st November 1792, and continue so to do, until quarters are provided for them.

Resolved, that the Captains Commanding Native

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native Corps at the Presidency be acquainted with the Sentiments of the Board, entered in Consult. the 28th. December 1792., regarding the cause of the diminution of the Stoppages in the years 1788 and 1789. and the charges of the late Agency.—

Read the following letter from Captain Dallas Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Sir,

From Captain Dallas suggesting his Ideas regarding a Plan for the Establishment of a Nursery for Horses in the Carnatic.—

As Government seem inclined to try the Rearing of Colts for the Cavalry, by placing them in the Pollams until fit for the Regiments, or, whilst a plan is determined on for the establishing of a Nursery for that Corps. I hope you will not think me too forward in offering, for your private observation, my sentiments on the subject, also what appears to me the most likely mode to insure success at the least expence to the Company.—

Should no part of my Plan be adopted, but set aside for a better, which, I have no doubt is in agitation, I shall be happy, however, when an Establishment of this nature, is forming, the more suggestions that are started the better, as they must all be intended for the good of the service, and such selection may be made as will render it permanent without being liable to frequent changes, which, to my certain Knowledge, have operated considerably towards the ruin of the

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I have had the honor of serving these 18 Years past. —

I shall commence by objecting to fixed Stations for the Colts, as a long stand, on the same Ground, may occasion disorders and Epidemical distempers, also, because it is contrary to nature that they can be so well Foraged as when moved from Place to Place, which Poligars will never do if left to themselves, it is well known they allow their own horses to stand in the Streets of Villages until they rot from Mastiness, a horse is an animal they have no attachment to, particularly if he is not their own, therfore, I must confess trusting them entirely in the Pollams, — without Cavalry people to look after them, will not be giving the Experiment a fair trial — That these movements, which ought to be made according to the different Seasons of the year, as well as on account of Forage, may be effected at the least possible — Expence to the Company, I shall propose that the present — Establishment of 12 Boys to each Regiment be increased to 50, as in the Battalions, that they be stationed at the different — places, with the Colts, under the care of some trust worthy Invalids of the Corps, or Effectives from the Regiments, who are to see the boys perform all the duties of the Stable, and be answerable they play no tricks with the Foals a Farrier — might also be stationed at each place, the whole reviewed monthly by an European Officer, and their State re- = ported by him to the Commanding Officer at Arcot who

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native Corps at the Presidency be acquainted with the sentiments of the Board, entered in Consult.n the 28th December 1792, regarding the cause of the diminution of the Stoppages in the years 1788 and 1789. and the charges of the late Agency.—

Read the following letter from Captain Dallas Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Sir,

From Captain Dallas suggesting his Ideas regarding a Plan for the Establishment of a Nursery for Horses in the Carnatic.—

As Government seem inclined to try the Rearing of Colts for the Cavalry, by placing them in the Pollams until fit for the Regiments, or, whilst a plan is determined on for the establishing of a Nursery for that Corps. I hope you will not think me too forward in offering, for your private observation, my sentiments on the subject, also what appears to me the most likely mode to insure success at the least expence to the Company.—

Should no part of my Plan be adopted, but set aside for a better, which, I have no doubt is in agitation, I shall be happy, however, when an Establishment of this nature, is forming, the more suggestions that are started the better, as they must all be intended for the good of the Service, and such selection may be made as will render it permanent without being liable to frequent changes, which, to my certain Knowledge, have operated considerably towards the ruin of the Corps in which

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I have had the honor of serving these 18 Years past. —

I shall commence by objecting to fixed Stations for the Colts, as a long stand, on the same Ground, may occasion disorders and Epidemical distumpurs, also, because it is contrary to nature that they can be so well Foraged as when moved from Place to Place, which Peligas will never do if left to themselves, it is well known they allow their own horses to stand in the Streets of villages until they rot from mastiness, a horse is an animal they have no attachment to, particularly if he is not their own, therfore, I must confess trusting them entirely in the Pollams, without Cavalry people to look after them, will not be giving the Experiment a fair trial — That these movements, which ought to be made according to the different Seasons of the year, as well as on account of Forage, may be effected at the least possible — Expence to the Company, I shall propose that the present Establishment of 12 Boys to each Regiment be increased to 30, as in the Battalions, that they be stationed at the different — places, with the Colts, under the care of some trust worthy Invalids of the Corps, or Effectives from the Regiments, who are to see the boys perform all the duties of the Stable, and be answerable they play no tricks with the Foals a Farrier — might also be stationed at each place, the whole reviewed monthly by an European Officer, and their States re- -ported by him to the Commanding Officer at Arcot who

will

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will transmit it to the Presidency— By the above Plan a —
Complete Nursery of man and Horse will be Established together,
and the Boys get accustomed to Horses when young, also, be
instructed in the care of them, the most essential part of a —
Troopers duty, and will help to keep them up during a Cam-
paign more than any thing else that can be devised, besides,
I have no doubt of the Boys becoming hardier and, Stronger
from it, of their getting the better of all prejudice of Cast, and
being more attached to the Service owing to their never having
known another, should this part of the Plan be adopted, I
think the Boys of the 1st and 2d Regiments ought to be kept
near Arcot it being the principal Cavalry Station and —
centrical to Joniatium Policunda, Chittore, Sholinguer and
Covrypaute which places, with their adjacent countries or
Villages, will, I am convinced, be found the most suitable
for the purpose— Keping the Boys of different Corps separate
may have a good effect, by occasioning emulation and a
desire to turn over at the day fixed for drafting the greatest
number of the fattest and best kept Colts— as the same boys
may be employed in carrying the horses drafted into their
Regiments to its station, their Pay (33 fanams pr. month) —
might be increased to One Pagoda, to defray extra expence
on the road— There is another circumstance to recommend
this mode, in preference to trusting the Polygars entirely,

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which is, in case a body of the Enemy's horse enter the Country these boys can join the Cantonments at Arcot or ride into Vellore without waiting for positive instructions if the Polygars might delay, on such an occasion, and perhaps lose the Colts or, say they have;—

With regard to feeding them it will be necessary to allow some Gram; the Dealers often give small Grains reduced to flour and made into a Cake or Paste, with Water and a little Jaggery, in cold or rainy weather they allow some Turmeric Black Pepper, Green Ginger and Garlic which cost a trifle in the Carnatic, and may not be so necessary with Gram, two or three Seers of which will be sufficient, and, if the Villages round them are ordered to furnish Grass for the consumption of the nights and such horses as are not able to Graze during the day, I should imagine the following Estimate for 100 Colts will be nearly just.

To the Village people for Grass at 1 Fanm per Bundle to serve two Colts		1	8
To three Seers of Gram each at 100 p.r Pagoda		3	
To Turmeric Pepper Massauls Dr.a Dr.a Dr.a		4	6
Daily Expence		4	14
		130	
To 10 Horsekeepers for Cutting Wood, boiling Gram Dr.a Dr.a at 1½ Pagodas each monthly			15
Total monthly Expence			145

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Expence of each pr. Month L. 13.7½ Consequently supposing the Colt to have been bought at 18 months and fit for the Service at 3 Years old, his Expence will have been for feeding	26. 4. 16.	
Prime Cost at 100 Rupees	27. 16. 5½	53 30. 70
or allowing him to cost 150 which is more than they can average at, according to what I have already sent	13. 18. 6½	66. 29. 57

The expence of the Boys is not included in the above, as it may be supposed the Service will reap a benefit equal to their Pay, as is allowed to be the case in the Infantry.

On reflection it occurs to me that it will come to the lot of Officers, frequently, to inspect the Stations, who are in no manner capable of judging of Colts, or what may be requisite for them; I therefore think an experienced Officer should be appointed particularly to this Duty who will be able to perceive any change that may happen between his visits and have it in his power to alter their situation whenever he thinks proper, mentioning his having done so, on his return to Arcot The person most fit for such a duty is certainly Lieutenant Shiriff who has been

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long in the Service and had greater opportunity of gaining experience amongst young horses than any Officer in the Corps, others may suppose themselves equally experienced, but you are the best judge.

I am so confident the Plan of purchasing Colts will answer, and of its being the only mode likely to offer for completing the Cavalry that it ought to be adopted without hesitation if it is the intention of Government to have them completed, and, I also perceive it will be very difficult to procure a number of Grown horses incase of an Emergency, which makes me think it my duty to be so explicit. The Prime Cost of Colts will be trifling and their monthly expence ought not to exceed my Statement, in which case the re-mounts of the whole will not come to more than 50 or 60 Pagodas each horse, and should 10 of each 100 die the Colts is only 1,000 or 1,500 Rupees the price of three or four at the present rate of purchasing, which are liable to death in the same proportion.

I have received a letter from the Subadar who is gone towards Chaundkury, it gives me little hopes of seeing him before the end of May. I intend sending him an order to bring on Colts to the Number 100 already ordered to be purchased, provided he can prevail on Dealers to come, he has no money with him, but vents

merely

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merely with the Passport for such as chose to bring horses under his protection and, at the same time, to gain insights and information regarding Horse Dealing in that Country. —

Hydrabad
26. March 1793

I have the honor to be,
&c.a &c.a
Signed Tho.s Dallas
agent at Hydrabad

Minute thereon

The Board approve generally the plans submitted by Captain Dallas for the establishment of a Nursery of Horses for the Native Cavalry, and resolve that the Colts, about to be purchased, be put under the charge of Lieutenant Montgomery upon their arrival at Arcot, and that he be directed to follow up the Ideas of Captain Dallas as far as may be practicable, while the Colts are under his charge. —

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Montgomery. —

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

From Lieutenant H. Montgomery on the same Subject. —

Honorable Sir,

Although Government have not found it — expedient to adopt the plan which I had the honor to submit to their consideration in my letter of the 24.th November 1792, yet as the measures subsequently adopted tending to procure

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Young Colts for the future Service of the Cavalry, seems to indicate a desire of facilitating, by every practicable means, the increase of horses in the Carnatic, I beg permission to suggest to your Honorable Board the out line of a plan which appears to me well Calculated to promote this object, as well as to increase the population, and culture of the Country, in a degree proportioned to the extent to which it may be adopted: having in my former addresses taken the liberty of submitting such reasons, as appeared to me to support the expediency of encouraging the breeding of horses in the Company's territories, it may be unnecessary on this head, further to trouble your Honorable Board than, in general, to suggest the decided disadvantage in eventual warfare, that nation has to contend with, that is dependant upon its neighbours, possibly its rivals, for this part of the equipment of an Army necessary under all circumstances, but essential to the efficiency of Offensive operations.

There is a description of Mussulmen of respectable family and reduced circumstances, dispersed in small numbers over the Carnatic, but procurable in greater, by proper encouragements, from the neighbouring Countries, whose prejudices render them averse to the restriction of regular Military discipline, but whom from habits and inclination, would be disposed, altho of little use as

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at present and even burthensome to the community / to pursue their favourite occupation of rearing horses, provided portions of land were allotted them under the Company's Government on terms of greater Security and advantage, than they usually met with under the management of the Nabob or the — neighbouring powers, and it is through the medium of this class of men that I suggest the practicability of encreasing the rearing of horses to any extent required. —

With regard to the allotment of ground, the conditions, and restrictions under which it might be — confined for these purposes, I do not presume at present to offer any specific opinion; but should the general out line, be thought worthy of being brought to the test of experiment all the details of the plan would no doubt be regulated with facility in communication with the Revenue Depart= =ments. the allotment of ground would of course be propor= =tioned to the number of brood mares each person or family should engage to produce and maintain, the — tenures would necessarily depend on the nature and state of the soil. but the neighbourhood of Ramanchoory, to the west of Tripassore, appears to me better suited to the purpose than any other part of the Company's Jaghire. —

It might also be expedient to offer a —

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Moderate bounty for all colts &c.a of the Company's
Standard produced for inspection in the years 1797 and
1798. with proper certificates of their been actually
and reared within the territories dependant on this Presidency,
and for the purposes of Genral encouragements as well as to
insure a superior race of Cattle that the Company should
be at the expence of purchasing and keping a few fine
horses as Stallions for the Public use.

Should your Honorable Board see it fit
to encourage the prosecution of a plan of this nature, I
should be well pleased not only to undertake such
Superintendance of the establishment as you might
judge useful or necessary, but likewise to undertake, on
my own accounts, and at my own risque, with due
support from your Honorable Board, a Stud of a
certain extent, for the purpose of ascertaining and de-
monstrating the practability of an establishment, which
I humbly conceive to be so essentially promotive of the
Public interest.

I have the Honor to be
with great respect.
&c.a &c.a
Signed H: C: Montgomery
Lieut.t Native Cavalry Agent for
purchasing horses

Agreed

Madras
19th March 1793.

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Agreed to inform Lieutenant Montgomery that if any one of the discription he mentions will come forward with proposals for the rearing of Horses for the Cavalry such proposals will be referred to the Board of Revenue for their consideration, and, if there be no particular objection to the measure, orders will be given for allotting portions of Ground in the Jaghire for the prosecution of the Scheme, when the other parts of his plan will properly fall to be considered.

Read the following Letter from Sir John Kennaway

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Sir,

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From Resident at Hyderabad has directed the discharge of the Arrears of Rice money — & requests to know from what period — Lieutenants Orr and — Malcolm are to draw the allowances granted to — them —

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Letter of the 25th Ultimo, conformably to which I yesterday wrote to Major Roberts to pay off the Arrears of Rice money to the Detachments, and have the pleasure to inclose a copy of my Letter, for the Boards information.

Major Roberts, in a Letter which I received from him under date the 27th Ultimo, having requested to know from what period Lieutenants Orr and Malcolm are to draw the allowances granted to them under the new Estimate, I beg leave to recommend to the Board to fix the period from which these allowances are to be paid as well to those Officers, as to any others coming under a similar —

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description, and to issue their orders to the Commanding Officer and Paymaster of the Detachment accordingly. If the Board see no objection, I conceive, the allowances in question may take place from the period when the new Estimate was agreed to by the Nizam.

I have the honor to be,

Hydrabad
12.th March 1793.

&c.a &c.a

I Signed John Kennaway

Major George Roberts
Commanding the Ellore Detachment
Kurpah

Sir,

The Board having come to the resolution of the Arrears of Rice Money being paid to the Sepoys of the Detachment, you will be pleased as the State of the money Tumbril will conveniently admit, to issue it to them, observing, as far as possible, the recommendation contained in my letter of the 28.th December to keep a Months pay constantly in the money Tumbril, to guard against cases of emergency and issuing the Arrears at such periods as you may think will conduce to the Public Service, by guarding against the Sepoys receiving too much at one time, and granting it to them under such circumstances as may tend to their relief, when Rice is dear and difficult to

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be procured.

I have the pleasure to enclose a corrected account drawn out by the Military Auditor General, by which you will be guided in the above payments, after deducting the excess of one Seer charged for Syrangs 1/2 Tindals of Pun= Peascars, and Subadars and Jemadars of the Native Batta= lions, they not being entitled to receive more than the non Commissioned and Privates of their Corps, as also what= ever amount may have been charged for Deserters during the period included in the Statement you forwarded to the Board; a general account of which, including each Corps and Department, you will please to transmit to Govern= ment and favor me with a copy of.

The Board deeming that it will be proper to continue the indulgence of Rice money to the Sepoys, and that the difference between the Company's and Bazar= price at the rate of half a Seer a day per Man will be both a reasonable and economical allowance parti= cularly when Jonaloo and other day Grains are to be= purchased at a cheaper rate than Rice, you will please to pay them their arrears from the month of September at the above Standard instead of the former one of a Seer a day under such reservations as I have recommended in the former part of this letter.

Since

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Since writing the above I have been favored with your letter of the 27th. ultimo. You will find what goes before to contain an answer to that part of it which concerns the Rice money to the Sepoys: with respect to allowances to Lieutenants Mackenzie, Orr and Malcolm, I had already written to the Board concerning those to Lieutenants Mackenzie, and shall do the same without delay on the subject of those to Lieutenants Orr and Malcolm.

I think it proper to remark to you that the Accounts of the Detachments are in Arrear from the month of June inclusive, and should be glad if you would prevail on Mr. Brown to bring them up as quickly as possible

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Kennaway

Hydrabad
11th. March 1793.

True Copy
(Signed) Wm. Stewart
Assistant

Resolution in Consequence.—

Resolved, at the recommendation of Sir John Kennaway, that Lieutenants Orr and Malcolm be entitled to draw the allowances granted to them under the new Estimate, from the Period when the Nizam signified his acquiescence in it, and that this Rule be observed in the case of all other Officers coming under a similar discription.

Read the following Letter from

Mr. Cherry.

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To W. C. Jackson Esqre

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Persian Translator at Bengal inclosing a Packets addressed to Tippoo's Vackeels - inclosing one letter from Marquis Cornwallis to Tippoo, and Two from himself to the Vackeels Translations enclosed.

I have the honor to transmit a Packet addressed to Golaum ally Khan and ally Reza Khan, vakeels on the part of Tippoo Sultaun, containing as follows - A Letter from Marquis Cornwallis to Tippoo Sultaun. -

Two Letters from myself to Golaum alli Khan and alli Reza Khan, written by Order of the Governor General, and enclosing a Copy of his Lordships letter to Tippoo. an Extract of a Letter from myself to them dated 23d August 1792, and the Copy of a second Letter written 26th November 1792. -

Of these Papers I have the pleasure to enclose - Copies in English and Persian for the Information of the Honorable the Presidents in Council and am. -

Calcutta
11. March 1793.

Vr. Vr.

Signed G. F. Cherry
Secy.

To Tippoo Sultaun

Written 11th March 1793.

From the Governor General to Tippoo Sultaun advising of the appointment of a successor to the Supreme Government does not however intend to quit India for some months - trusts that by a full performance of

The friendship which now happily subsists between the two Governments and the friendly Correspondence which has hitherto been kept up between us both, contribute to impress me with the Conviction that the utmost Cordiality and Unanimity are now stablished between the States

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of the Articles of the Treaty he may have the — Singular pleasure of Returning the young Princes to his presence before his Departure to England refers for further particulars to Mr Cherry's letter to the Vackeels

States on a firm Foundation, and that every Endeavour will be used to preserve them inviolate.

Desirous on my part to promote a mutual good understanding with your Government and with all the Powers of India, I embrace every Opportunity that offers to cement it, by Communicating without Reserve on points — appearing to bear, in any shape, Relation to the union between us, or that can tend towards mutual confidence, the Foundation of Friendship and Harmony.

Thus influenced I feel it incumbent on me to inform you that having made Application that a Person might be nominated to take charge of the Government of the Company's affairs whenever I should embark for — England I am informed by advices just received that my Request has been complied with, and a Person is appointed to succeed me in the Government whose arrival in Calcutta is daily expected.

In consequence however of many Circumstances I shall not quit the Government for some months, during which period I shall be actuated by the same — friendly Principles towards all the Powers of India as have hitherto influenced my Conduct, and, in particular, towards the good understanding Subsisting between us and I embrace this Opportunity to assure you that my Successor will pursue the same friendly Steps. It will afford

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me particular Satisfaction on my Arrival in England to express the System of Friendship so happily established between this Government and yours, which, as the Disposition of the English nation incline them to the Preservation of Peace with all mankind, it will be their Pleasure to increase, and to render Serviceable to the Subjects of both States. From the repeated assurances which I have received from you, I am confident that you will contribute towards the accomplishment of these wishes of the British Nation, and, by a steady adherence to the Engagements existing between us confirm the confidence mutually entertained. It is the desire of my nation, as it is the uniform tenor of the Commands from his majesty my Sovereign, to impress the Powers in India with the good Faith of the Company's Government, by a rigid adherence to Treaties and by a Cordial and friendly Interpretation and Execution of their Stipulations. To the attainment of this Object all my Endeavors have been directed, and I have derived infinite Happiness in observing that the Steadfastness of the English to their Engagements has impressed the minds of those Powers with a just sentiment of their Faith and Sincerity. But it is a still greater source of Happiness to me to see established during my administration a Friendship and union with your Government; and, from your Correspondence, I flatter myself that it is your

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desire to strengthen it by acts of good Faith, and by a due —
performance of the Articles of the Treaty recently concluded —
between us. I trust that such parts of it as are yet unexecuted
will be fulfilled, and that I may have the unspeakable —
Pleasure, before my Departure, of returning to you the young
Princes now at Madras. I have directed Mr. Cherry, who is in the
Habit of Correspondence with Golaum ally Khan and ally Reza
Khan, to write to them on the Points to which I wish to call
your attention, and beg leave to refer you to that Letter for
further Particulars relative to the Residence of the Princes at
Madras, and to the articles of the Treaty still unperformed. —

A true Copy

Signed J. F. Cherry
Sec. to Lt.

From Mr. Cherry to Golaum ally Khan and Ally Reza Khan Vackeels from Tippoo Sultaun

Written 11th March 1793.

From Mr. Cherry to Tippoo Vackeels advising of the Appointment of a Successor to the Marquis Cornwallis, treats fully of his Lordships reason for wishing to return the Hostage Princes to their Father before his departure from India — engages the Exertion of the Vackeels to obtain the full discharge of the Kists the release of all Prisoners, and the — exchange of Countries Strictures on the Insinuation of Tippoo to that

I have now the pleasure to enclose a Letter from the Marquis Cornwallis addressed to Tippoo Sultaun, and a Copy of it for your Perusal you will observe from it that his Lord= =ship, in consideration of the Friendship happily subsisting between him and Tippoo Sultaun, and conceiving that it may be considerably increased by acts of mutual — Confidence

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those points, and to the Settlement of the Pavanese claims on the Districts of Parour Alinghur and Kurrucknair.

Confidence and by a frequent Intercourse, has Communicated to him the Intelligence which has received from Europe, that his Request for a Successor to be nominated to take Charge of the Government of the Company's Affairs on his Lordship's Departure has been complied with. Independant however of this Confidential Communication which his Lordship is induced to make to Tippoo Sultaun, merely on the Conviction that the Unanimity and Cordiality subsisting between them will be considerably Strengthened by a disclosure of this Information, which, in other respects, Relates only to the Affairs of his own Government, his Lordship has notified to Tippoo Sultaun that he does not intend to quit the Government for some Months, and States that, among other Reasons which have led him to form this Resolution his Lordship is anxious to have the unspeakable Pleasure of Returning the young Princes to the presence of Tippoo Sultaun before his Departure for England, and of being able on his Arrival there, to add to the Universal Pleasure which the English nation have received on hearing that Friendship was established between the Governments in India, by Representing that this System encreased daily in Strength by the due adherence, on the part of Tippoo Sultaun, to the Engagements which laid the Foundation for it, and in the performance of Acts of Confidence and

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mutual Advantage. —

Notwithstanding that these Expressions in his Lordship's Letter speak pointedly to his disposition that the Unanimity and good will now prevailing between the two Governments may last for ever, yet I must notice to you that, independent of this Inclination towards Tippoo Sultaun in particular, and his Steady Adherence to his Engagements subsisting between the Company and the other Powers in India in General, his Lordship is influenced by the Private feelings and personal Regard, which you are Witness have always actuated him towards the Young Princes, and he cannot without great uneasiness submit for a moment to the Idea of leaving them to the Care of his Successor. You are well informed of the Charge entrusted to his Lordship by Tippoo Sultaun, when he received the Young Princes at Seringapatam; and you have seen his uniform Friendly and kind conduct to them since — and, altho' he is well convinced that his Successor will pursue the same friendly Conduct towards Tippoo Sultaun as has hitherto been observed by himself, and in Conformity to the desires of the English nation, he will do his utmost that the Harmony subsisting may prosper; Yet, as that Successor has not the pleasure of so intimate a personal Acquaintance with them, nor has been in the Habits of Intimacy or of unreserved Correspondence either with Tippoo Sultaun, or with the Young Princes or

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with you, his Lordship would feel great reluctance in being compelled to leave them in a situation in which they might feel Doubtful of being Treated with the same attention and — Kindness which they have hitherto experienced. He is, at the same time, aware that Tippoo Sultaun will be actuated by similar Sentiments, and that he will enjoy a particular — Satisfaction in receiving back his Sons from the Hands of the Person to whom he himself entrusted them. —

Thus Situated in Regard to the Princes, and desirous, on his part, to promote the mutual good under- =standing with Tippoo Sultaun which it has ban his — Satisfaction to see established during his administration, he has directed me to express his Sentiments on both Points to you: for, confident of your Zealous wish that this — Intimacy which you were materially engaged in — promoting, should encrease, and of your attachment to both Governments, he flatters himself that your Inclination coincides with his, and that you will exert yourselves to promote, what all Parties have so much at heart, the Return of the young Princes to the Presence of their Father. —

With this view therefore he has directed me to write to you on the present Situation of Affairs, and to refer you for his Sentiments on the Connection with Tippoo Sultaun in particular to the accompanying

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Letter to his addrs.

My former Letters to you have contained every thing that has occurred on the subject of the Treaty of Seringa= =patam, several parts of which a mutual Confidence in the Parties to it, and that Friendly will which they bear to each other, induced them to leave to Time and local Circumstances to execute. I beg leave therefore to refer you to those Letters, in which you will find that the Principal Points yet unsettled are, first, the full discharge of the Sum agreed to be paid to the allies. Secondly the release of all the Prisoners that may be detained by either party, and thirdly the Exchange of Country that may be necessary for a full performance of the articles of the Treaty relative to the Cession of Country, where, on local Experience and enquiry, it shall be due to the Justice of either side.—

On the Subject of the first of these Points, his Lordship directed me to call to your Recollection the article of the Treaty, by which you will observe that the Period for the discharge of the whole Sum to the three States in alliance is arrived. That hitherto Tippoo Sultaun has paid very little attention to this Stipulation, which relates to each of the three Powers equally as to one, and that while his Lordship receives every assurance of a Steady adherence to the Treaty from Tippoo Sultaun, he is

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under the necessity of remarking that these Assurances are not fulfilled in this Respect after the repeated Instances of — Sincerity and Candor which his Lordship has displayed — towards Tippoo Sultaun and towards the Allies, which you are equally well informed have been productive of a steady Friendship between them, he is not inclined to Suppose that Tippoo Sultaun can entertain a different Opinion of their respective Dispositions than that which he has hitherto had on sufficient Proof of its Existence.

In behalf of the Prisoners, after the repeated Letters which have been written to you and the positive Facts, with the most Circumstantial Evidence of Time, Place and Situation, of Several Europeans still confined, and of the Persons from whom this Evidence was obtained, all of which has been written to you by his Lordships Commands, it is some what extraordinary that you — Should reply to these observations by the Argument — Contained in your Letter to me (Vide Letter Received 18th February 1793) that the Information of a Prisoner, arising from Revenge was not to be credited, nor is it the act of a Friend to pay attention to it. Had the — Intelligence, in this respect, been from one person only, his Lordship would have paid little attention to it, but the Facts are so circumstantially related by Several Persons who have made their Escape, and,

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as I mentioned in a former Letter, are so corroborated by Events prior to the late War that there remains no room to doubt that several, both European and native are still confined, and his Lordship repeats the purport of his wish, as contained in my Letters to you under date 23.rd August 1792 and 26.th November 1792, Extracts from which I enclose herein and I am further directed to inform you that until he shall receive a Satisfactory answer on this Subject, his Lordship will consider the Second act of the Treaty not executed on the part of Tippoo Sultaun, and will act accordingly.—

I have likewise by his Lordship's Commands written to you frequently on the Subject of the Exchange for part of the District of Cauveripoor, situated within the Boundary of Tippoo Sultauns Dominions; and have, at length, been favored with an answer / vide Letter received 11.th February 1793, wherein, instead of noticing the mode by which his Lordship proposes to settle this matter by a Convention of Aumeens from both Parties, on the Spot, you Consider a few Villages too trifling for Consideration where matters for Crores of Rupees have been settled. Orders have been issued for Aumeens to be deputed by the English to settle the Cauveripoor Exchange, whither

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by the Shaw of Caroor, which you have suggested, or by Vinkatghury which his Lordship proposed to you some months ago, and also to meet any Person who may be deputed by Tippoo Sultaun to — ascertain the Nature of the Claim made by the Rajah of Travancore to the Districts of Paroor, Alunghar, and Kurrutnayer and I request You will inform me whether Tippoo Sultaun will appoint Persons to meet those on the part of the Company to settle these Matters. —

You have been furnished regularly with Copies of the Letters which his Lordship has, at different Times, and on several Subjects, addressed To Tippoo Sultaun They contain every Matter, and I have only further to observe to you that such Points as have been referred to his Lordship by Tippoo Sultaun have been strictly attended to, and he has, by means of his personal acquaintance with the Chiefs of the allied States, and by the — Friendship so happily subsisting between the Company and those Powers, Communicated his Sentiments to them, and has experienced in return the most Satisfactory Assurances of their Readiness to perform the Treaty in all its parts The same Friendship will — continue between those Powers and the Successor to his Lordship. —

Having myself been Witness to the happy Effects of a Friendship between Tippoo Sultaun and the allied Powers, I cannot but be interested in its increasing Strength and — permanency, on this account I have troubled you with these Sentiments, and I doubt not that you will Consider the propriety of my observations on the present and on the future State of —

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affairs, that you will in consequence exert yourselves for a full performance of Engagements subsisting between all the Powers, and that you will be convinced that the allied Powers will perform their share in their own Engagements, and of those subsisting with Tippoo Sultaun.—

Complimentary Message to the Hostages.—

To the Same, from the Same

Written 11.th March 1793.

Acknowledging the Receipt of the Letter from Tippoo Sultaun to Lord Cornwallis, and one from themselves to his Lordship, with one to M.r Cherry received on the 11.th February 1793. and informing them that the Presents therein mentioned have been sent for, and that the Letters will be more fully answered hereafter.—

A true Copy

Sign.d J. F. Cherry P.r S.d

To Gholaum ally Khan and ally Reza Vackeels from Tippoo Sultaun from the Persian Translator.

Written 26.th November 1792.

As this Time sufficient has not elapsed to receive an answer to the Letter which I had the pleasure of writing to you on the 25.th August last, on a Variety of subjects, and Lord Cornwallis

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is confident that in due time an Answer of satisfactory tendency to every Point particularly relative to Prisoners, will be received, yet in Order to give every Information towards the release of these unfortunate Men, and to prevent, what his Lordship apprehends is the Case, the delay which the evil disposition of the Subordinate Officers under Tippoo Sultaun's Government may occasion, contrary to Tippoo Sultaun's own wishes, by concealing Prisoners whom he has Ordered to be released, he has been pleased to direct that the Intelligence obtained within these last two Months from a Man who escaped from Hurrial Sumrany on the 12th September 1792 be sent to you, and to request that you will forward it to Seringa-patam without delay, accompanied by such Arguments from yourselves in your Arzie to Tippoo Sultaun as shall make known to him the apparent disobedience of his Orders on the part of the Khellahdars &c., and shall induce him to use every necessary measure to procure the release of all the Prisoners pointed out to you in my Letter abovementioned; among whom are those named in the Accompanying Paper. I need not urge to you how futile must all the Arguments prove in the Eyes of the World that were formerly, and have hitherto been uniformly urged by Tippoo Sultaun, that it could Answer no purpose to detain these Men, when the Information every day obtained by the Escape of several,

even

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even after the Conclusion of Peace, will convince you that those Arguments are ill founded the Intelligence now sent to you cannot be doubted, as the man who furnished it is alive, and as it is strongly corroborated in regard to names and the places of Confinement of several more, which were communicated by Prisoners who made their Escape from Cheitledroog and appeared before Lord Cornwallis at Seringapatam.

I trust that more is not necessary to induce you to use your utmost Influence to procure the release of all the Prisoners, Europeans, Persees and Natives of all Descriptions, and thereby convince the world and the Friends to Tippoo Sultaun that he is studiously inclined to fulfill every Item of the Treaty.

Complimentary Message from Lord Cornwallis to the young Princes.

Enclosure

Extracts from the narrative of William Lee, enclosed in a Letter from the Resident at Poona under Date 13th October 1792

William Lee Named by Tippoo Sultaun, Dillaun-ur Beg formerly in a Cushoon Commanded by Zein ul abud Dein, was, after the war with the Mahrattahs and Nizam at Adoni, sent with 28 other Europeans to Bednore, where, on his arrival, he was put into the Cushoon Commanded by Daoud Khan. He continued at Bednore 3 years, and was there when the late War broke out. He reports to have been at Bednore with him, George Hooper and William Skinner who were

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Starved there William Lee was one of the Number delivered over by the French to Hyder ally, and had been employed by Tippoo in different Situations. He relates the untimely End of many Europeans, and from his Narrative it is evident that many are still alive and confined in different Forts in Tippoos Country. He was sent to Bednore, and from thence marched with a Detachment under the Command of Roshun Khan to Hurryal Sumrany, from whence he effected his Escape on the 12.th September 1792, and arrived safe at — Poona, where he related the Circumstances of his Confinement and other particulars of the Europeans still detained. He — reports that there were in Camp at Hurryal Sumrany, when he left it, the following Europeans, John Kelly Mahomed — Beg. Jos: Mackenzie, no name, Arthur Ross, Kauder Beg, and at Bednore the following Europeans, James Walker, — Soliman Khan, Frank Hornsby, no name James Edwards, no name. La Tra a Frenchman, with great numbers of Persons who were taken in General Mathews Army. —

A true Copy

Signed J. F. Cherry

Pr. Sec.t

Extract of a Letter from M.r Cherry to Gholaum Ally Khan and Ali Reza — dated 23.rd August 1792.

It is with great concern that Lord Cornwallis finds himself obliged, by the repeated disavowals on the part of Tippoo Sultaun of Prisoners still detained, to state that the same assertions were made at the Close of a

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former war, which have been regulted by the Escape of several
from Chittledroog and other places, and by the release of many
from Shihr Gunjam, and he regrets that he should be compelled
to remark also that several Prisoners belonging to the Rajah of
Travancore, were at the close of the present war declared to have
been released, but of whom no account has ever been received
He is equally surprized that Tippoo should demand men
from the Rajah of Travancore, when he shews so little Inclina-
-tion to release those belonging to the Rajah. Lord Cornwallis —
therefore demands an account of the Prisoners taken with General
Matthews in Bednore, with Colonel Baillie, and particu-
-larly of the 52 Young men who were sent from Bangalore,
and compelled to embrace the Mahommedan Faith, and a
number of mechanics, who were selected and detained when
the other Prisoners were released, as well as of the rest of the
Prisoners delivered over to Hyder ally Khan by Monsieur Suffrein,
and of the two Officers of Cavalry taken at Coveripatam, and a
Surgeon taken by the Byde Horse in the vicinity of Bangalore-
He trusts that on motives of Humanity to the Families of
these unfortunate men, as well as on the Grounds of good —
Faith, Tippoo will transmit this account, specifying the —
Time and place of the death of those who are dead, and that
he will immediately release those who may be alive in any
part of his Dominions. — A true Extract

Signed J. F. Cherry B.t F.

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Order thereon

Ordered that the packets addressed to Tippoo Vackeels be sent to Captain Doveton to be delivered to them.

Read the following letter from Mr. Cherry.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

of

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Persian Translator in Bengal inclosing three letters from the Governor General to the Nabob and one to the Omdut.

I have the honor to transmit, by the orders of the Governor General, the accompanying Letters addressed to the Nawaub of Arcot, and one to his Highness's Son Omdut ul Omrah, and I am directed to request you will forward them to their address.

an English and Persian Copy are also inclosed for the Information of the Honorable the President in Council

I am,

&c. &c. &c.

Signed G. F. Cherry

Sec. to Govt.

Calcutta

7th March 1793.

To the Nawaub of Arcot.

Written 7th March 1793.

From the Governor General to the Nabob acknowledging the receipt of various Letters.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Highness's Letters, vizt Letters received 26th November 1792, and 30th December 1792 the first accompanied by the accounts between the Company and your Highness, to the Time of the Departure of Mr. Moubray, and the second enclosing your Highness's Correspondence with Sir Charles Oakeley relative to Cloths, and informing me of the payments of the Rents for November 1792 I need not assure your —

Highness

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Highness that a strict performance of the Engagements subsisting be-
tween us shall always be the first object of my attention, and while
I am confident that your Highness will be disposed to conform to
Your Share in them, I have no doubt that they will, in every Instance,
as well with respect to the Treaty which I had the Happiness
to conclude with your Highness as in regard to the matter of
accounts in agitation between your Highness and the Company, be
duly executed.—

I flatter myself that your Highness will always
consider me your Sincere Friend and favor me with Letters.—

A true Copy

Signed G. F. Cherry
Secy. to Govt.

To the Nawaub of Arcot

Written 7th. March 1793.

From the Governor General to the Nabob first received his correspondence with Sr. Charles Oakeley relative to the Polliam of Shevegerry. Sentiments on the Subject cannot admit that his Sovereign rights have been infringed. Orders given for furnishing Copies of his Revenue Accounts. Surprize at the repetition of his Highness's claim to a Share of the Ceded Countries remarks on the occasion.—

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt
of Your Highness's Letters vide Letters received 27th. November
1792, 7th. January and 8th. February 1793 with the several Papers
enclosed in them.—

I have paid particular attention to your High-
=ness's Letter to me, and to the Correspondence which passed
between Sir Charles Oakeley and your Highness relative to
the Polliam of Shevegerry.— It cannot be unknown to your
Highness, for while I had the pleasure of a more speedy —
Intercourse with you than at present this Subject was fully
discussed, that the refractory and turbulent Conduct of the
Polygars

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Poligars was the immediate motive that induced me to suggest to your Highness the measure which you were pleased to approve, (convinced as you were of the Expediency of it) that the Poligar Peishcush should be collected by the Company at their own risk and Charge. By a reference to the Treaty, You will observe that no arrears from them can be charged to your Highness, nor can any Expence incurred by the Company in punishing their rebellious Behavior be claimed from your Highness. Thus while there can on account happen any Diminution in your Highness's Credit for the Peishcush from the Poligars, but, on the contrary, all failures in their Payments and all Expences of whatever nature incurred on Account of the Poligars are by Treaty to be borne by the Company, (I suppose it should be thus) have an unlimited Power to determine on the means, whether Rewards or Punishments, by which the good conduct of the Poligars shall be secured. nor can this be construed into an Infringement of your Highness's rights of Sovereignty the Conduct of the Poligar of Shevegherry has been fully investigated, and after mature deliberation of the Enquiry, the Supreme Government has thought proper to notify to the Government of Madras, that, as there appears to be strong Ground to believe that the Guilt of the Shevigherry Poligar had not been of so atrocious a nature as was represented, they are inclined to believe that he may be punished in a manner

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that will tend to deter him as well as the other Poligars from a repetition, in future of those acts of violence and rapine, which seem to have been of late so common amongst them, without totally depriving him of his Pollam. I need not point out to your Highness that a just discrimination of the Conduct of Subjects, and a conformable determination of Rewards and Punishments are the surest Grounds on which a Government can form Hopes of obedience and attachment But, independent of these arguments, which occur as well from the Responsibility which the Company have taken on themselves for the Collection of the Peishcush from the Poligars as from the dictates of Sound Policy, which inculcates in the first Instance the Expediency of every Endeavour to reclaim these Poligars from the conduct which they uniformly observed towards Your Highness's Government, I am surprized that your Highness, after having admitted the necessity of making over the Collection of the Peishcush to the Company, on the Principles which have been fully explained in our former Correspondence on this Subject, should now express a Desire to involve yourself again in the difficulties and Failures which heretofore attended your Exertions in this respect. your Highness may rest assured that in all Transactions arising from the Treaty with your Highness, the Company will pay due attention to your Sovereign Rights.

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In reply to your Highness's Letter received on the 8.th February last, and containing your Correspondence with the Government of Fort S.t George concerning the Collectors who had Charge of the Country during the Period that it was under the managemens of the Company, I shall only double your Highness with my Belief, founded on the favorable accounts which we have received of several of the Gentlemen who were employed in that Duty, that their Conduct in it will bear the Strictest Investigation, and with this Conviction I have requested the Government of Fort S.t George to furnish your Highness, upon your Requisition, with Copies of all the accounts that may have been kept by the Collectors employed in the different districts of your Highness's Country in their Mofussil Cutcherries.

I entertained sanguine Hopes that my Reply to your Highness's Claim for a Share in the ceded Countries would have carried with it a Conviction in your mind that there were no just Foundation for it. Judge then of my Surprize when, on receipt of your Letter on the 27.th November 1792, I found, on the Contrary, that your Highness repeats the Claim, or, that the money which you furnished towards the prosecution of the war should be refunded. I shall not dwell on the appearance of such a Claim among those whose mutual

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Support and Protection are derived from their mutual Exertions. I beg leave to refer your Highness to the Arguments which I urged in opposition to the claim which you made to a Share in the ceded Countries, and which were contained in my Letter on this Subject. The Company and your Highness had a mutual Interest in the Success of the War, and are of Course bound to Contribute mutually towards its' Prosecution. But from whence were the Exertions made to carry on the War with Vigor, the greatest Exertions were made from the Company's Possessions in Bengal, and your Highness's Territories were defended by them. There are many other Arguments adducible to the present Point, but I do not conceive it necessary to enter into them I leave the Subject to your Highness's Discrimination, for I am confident that on giving full attention to the mutual advantages that have resulted from the War, to the proportionate Share in the Exertions made by each towards its' successful Issue, and to the Inconveniences which the Company have sustained singly by a large accumulated Debt in Consequence of it, your Highness will be sensible of the propriety and Justice of my former Reply to these Claims.

For the rest I hope that your Highness will be convinced of my determination to adhere rigidly to the Engagements subsisting between us and to the dictates of Friendship and good Faith in all Points that may

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may occur between your Highness and the Company. —

A true Copy

Signed J.o F. Cherry Sec.y

To the Nawaub of Arcot

Written 27.th March 1793

From the Governor
Jenvis to the —
Nabob advising of
the Appointment of
a Successor, and of
his Resolution to —
Remain in India
for some months.
Anxious that his
Accounts with the
Company may be
finally adjusted be-
fore his departure
and that his High-
ness should Settle
the Remainder of
the Depts upon
them. —

The mutual Confidence reposed in each other,
particularly since I had the Happiness of seeing your Highness
when last at Madras, has at all times induced me to endeavor
to preserve it inviolate by the free Communication of my Senti-
ments, and I have hitherto the Satisfaction to acknowledge that
Your Highness has contributed your Share towards the —
attainment of an Object so desirable as the preservation of our
Friendship and personal Intimacy. —

Having some time ago made Application that
a Person may be nominated to take Charge of the Company's
affairs, whenever I should embark for England, I am informed
by the advices just received that my request has been —
Complied with, and M.r Shore is appointed to Succeed me
in the Government, and is expected to arrive here daily — I
have thought it incumbent on my personal regard for
Your Highness to give you immediate Information of these
advices; but, in consideration of the particular Situation
in which I am — placed by virtue of the Treaty which I
had the Happiness to conclude with You, and from the
Trust —

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Trust reposed in me by your Highness, when, in order for the more friendly and amicable adjustment of the accounts between you and the Company, you thought proper to withdraw the suits instituted by your Orders in the Courts in England for this purpose, I consider myself in Justice bound to be more explicit in communicating to you my resolutions, in consequence of this acquiescence to my request for a successor.

It has been my uniform Conduct to adhere to the Engagements I have made, and to consider my public Faith as my first Object while I have the singular Happiness to learn by Letters from Sir Charles Oakeley, as well as by your Highness's Correspondence that hitherto the Stipulations of the Treaty have been fulfilled on both Sides, and I have every reason to conclude that hence-forward your Highness, giving a deaf Ear to all the Instigations of self Intersted and designing People, will execute all the Stipulations of that Treaty with the same Sincerity and good Faith that I have no doubt will influence the Government of Fort St. George in their share of this duty. I do not feel myself in any respect uneasy in regard to the Treaty, but, having pledged my word to your Highness to spare no Pains towards the final adjustment of the accounts unsettled between you and the Company, I am anxious that such adjustment, with several other matters, should be accomplished prior to my departure: with this View therefore, I have resolved not to quit the Government for several Months, and I have accordingly written to Sir Charles Oakeley requesting him to enjoin the Persons

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Selected by him to meet those appointed by your Highness for the purpose of drawing up a report upon these unsettled accounts, to lose no time in the Execution of this Task and I embrace this Opportunity to express my wish that your Highness will urge their Point to your Officers nominated to this Duty.—

It will afford me inexpressible Pleasure on my arrival in England to represent the Cordiality and Harmony prevailing between your Highness and the Company's Governments in India, which cannot fail to exist so long as the Engagements between you are rigidly adhered to, and are executed with Sincerity, and Friendship, and I shall have no less Happiness in communicating the Intelligence that these accounts, which have for so long a Period remained unsettled, are amicably adjusted. I have already acknowledged the Receipt of a Statement of them to the Period of M.r Moubray's Departure for Europe, and have now only to request that your Highness will hasten the remainder of the report upon them, that I may accomplish this desirable Object without loss of time.—

To Emdut ul Omrah

Written 7.th March 1793

From Pitt to the Nawab. the letter for Mr Pitt received, and will be forwarded.—

Acknowledging the receipt of his Letter on the 16.th February 1793, and informing him that the

Letter

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Letter therein inclosed to Mr. Pitt would be forwarded to its address,
and transmitting a Copy of the foregoing Letters.

A true Copy

I Signed G. L. Cherry Sec.

Ordered that the letters for the Nabob be sent to

Minute thereon

his Highness.

Read the following letter from Masulipatam.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir, & Sirs

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt

From Masulipatam apprehend much difficulty in collecting the number of rupees ordered to be paid, on account of Peishcush, to the Nizams Agents suggestion in consequence

of your letter of the 13th Instant directing us to pay the Sum of
350000 Rupees to his Highness the Nizam, on account of the
Peishcush. The great scarcity and high price of Rupees, make
us very apprehensive, that it may be impossible for us to
collect the number above specified within any reasonable
time, and that the Company will be liable to considerable
loss in the exchange, in case Rupees are to be purchased, the
greatest part of our Silver Currency having been carried out
of this District, during the Famine, by the Vessels which brought
Grain for the relief of the Country.

The last time that the Peishcush was paid from
this Treasury, the Nizams agents absolutely refused payment
thereof in Gold, and in the last instance of the payment

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thereof in Gold, and in the late instance of the payment thereof having ..... been made by remittance from Bengal, it is particularly specified that the Nizam shall receive Rupees. For these reasons we are induced to recommend it to the consideration of your Honor &c.a whether it might not be more certain, and also more beneficial for the Company, if Rupees were to be sent us from the Presidency for the payments intended, than to trust to our being able to procure a sufficient number of Rupees, which must both require a great length of time and be done at a considerable loss in exchange.

We have the honor to be,
very respectfully.

&c.a &c.a

Masulipatam
21st March 1793.

Anthy. Sadlier
Signed W. A. Dobbyn
Andrew Scott

Minutes in Consequence

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing letter be sent to Sir John Kennaway, and that he be informed that as the present uncommon Scarcity of Rupees at this place, renders it impracticable to procure the given number without much loss of time, the Board hope he will be enabled to persuade his Highness the Nizam to take madras Pagodas, which are probably current in

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in the District where the Madras Detachment is employed; and — might therefore be useful in the pay of those Troops, or, if this be objectionable, and he can suggest any mode of Remittance by which Government might be subject only to the payment of Gold. the Board could answer Bills either here or at Masulipatam, and would chearfully submit to pay the Sowcars any Premium that might be deemed by the Resident Reasonable for negotiating such Remittance. —

In the mean time, however, the Board resolve to avail themselves of every Opportunity that may offer for — procuring Rupees. —

Read the following letter from Messrs. Woolf and Place. —

William Collins Jackson Esqre

Military Secretary

Sir, We have had the honor to receive your letter of the 18th instant, and beg you will inform the Honorable Governor in Council in reply thereto that we are extremely concerned it has not yet been in our power to report on the accounts between the Nabob and the Honorable Company submitted to our investigation, the indispensible attention required to our public avocations rendering it out of our power to give more than a portion of our time to this object; but, as he has been pleased to express a particular wish to have it completed before the

departure

From Messrs. Woolf and Place - shall use every exertion to complete their Report on the Nabobs accounts - and Requesting an account of the Stores the property of His Highness Received by Sir Edward Hughes at Trangambar, and of such as may remain on hand. -

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departure of the Governor Genral, we shall use every exertion to come to a speedy Conclusion, and can only hope for some indulgence in regard to such parts of the duties of our Offices as do not press for immediate dispatch; but as the nature of the Accounts is very extensive and requires a reference to the — correspondence between Government and the Nabob as well as to the Consultations for many years back, we cannot — venture to fix any earlier period than 4 or 5 Weeks to give in our Report. —

We find the Nabob claims credit for a Quantity of Military Stores received at Tranquebar by Sir Edward Hughes part of which has already been credited viz.t Pagodas 8362. 29. — as we do not see any Account of the remainder in the Military Storekepers Books we beg leave to suggest that the Military Board may be called upon to give directions for ascertaining the value of any further deliveries of them which may not have been brought to — Account, and of those that may now remain on hand. —

We are,

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25.th March 1793.

Your Hon.ble
Obed.t Hum.ble Ser.ts
(Signed) Robert Woolf
Wm. Place

Minute thereon

Agreed that a letter be written to the Military Board as suggested by Mess.rs Woolf and Place. —

Read

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Read the following letter from the Chief Engineer;—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Honorable Sir,

From the Chief Engineer proposing Lieutenant Caldwell to attend Mr. Topping on the survey of the Rivers Kristnah and Godavery.—

I had yesterday the Honor to receive your—
Commands under date the 20th instant, desiring I would recommend a fit Officer from the Corps of Engineers to accompany and act—
under Mr. Michael Topping, who is instructed to survey the—
Rivers Kistnah and Godavery.—

I therefore beg leave to recommend Lieute.—
=nant Caldwell, and to express my Hopes that you will be—
pleased to permit him to draw Surveyors allowances while he
is so employed.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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Signed Jno: Maule
Lieut. Colonel Chief Engineer

Resolution thereon.

Resolved that Lieutenant Caldwell be appointed to accompany and act under Mr. Michael Topping in his survey of the Rivers Kristnah and Godavery, and that he be permitted to draw Surveyor's allowances while so employed.—

Subordinate agents of Cavalry Supplies appointed.—

The President recommends that the following Officers be appointed Subordinate Agents to act under the orders of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, as principal Agent of Supplies for the Cavalry upon the new System, which

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it to have effect on and after the 1st day of may next, and that a monthly Allowance of fifty Pagodas be granted to each.—

Lieutenant Walter Monteath for the 19th Regiment Light Dragoons
Cornet Charles Dallas . . . Do. . 1. Do. . Native Cavalry
Captain Lieutenant Philip Sullivan Do. 2. Do. . . . Do.
Honorable Lieutenant A. Sentleger Do. 3rd Do. . . . Do.
Lieutenant John Leonard . . . Do. 4th Do. . . . Do.
Lieutenant William Shiriff . . . Do. 5th Do. . . . Do.

Approved and Ordered Accordingly

Read a Petition from Sachy Audeypah entered in M.P.B. No. 214 praying that the Board will be pleased to order that the Sum due to him on account of Ground purchased from him for the use of the Inhabitants of Hog Hill, be discharged, and stating that he has been directed by the Military Board to make the present application to Government.—

The Board having resolved in Consult the 27th November 1792 that the claim of Sachy Audeypah should be discharged so soon as the State of the Treasury would admit of it.—Ordered that it be now paid, being Pagodas thirteen thousand one hundred and eighty four - thirty four Fanams and twenty one Cash / 13184. 34. 21.—

The Chief Secretary's Letter on account of Ground taken by the Company Ordered to be discharged.—

Read the following letter from the Register of the Nabobs Debts.—

To W. C. Jackson Esqre
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir,

The Order of Government directs that the distribution to the Consolidated Creditors of his Highness the Nabob shall be made upon the principle which heretofore obtained.—

From Register of the Nabobs Debts requesting directions relative to the principle upon which the Dividend of the 12 per Cent to the Consolidated Creditors is to be made. Two Statements Ordered.—

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The Proportion of payments to the Cavalry Creditors made since the Commencement of the late arrangement has been on account of the Arrear of Interest due, which is now paid up to the 2.d of March 1791, and if the same mode of division is observed of the Kist falling due in may next, the whole will be paid up to the 31.st December 1792 - It is to obtain the directions of Government on this point that I now addres you - agreably to the usage which obtained during the former arrangiment, the Interest due to 30.th June 1792 only, would have been paid out of the May ensuing 1 Kist, but in that case a part of the principal of the Debt would be paid off by the Interest actually due to the Creditors. -

In order to shew the difference which will arise by paying up the Interest due to 31.st December 1792 I have drawn out the Statements N.o 1 & 2 inclosed - the former shews the difference that will arise on the old Cavalry Loan Pagodas 2311. 28. 28 and the Latter that of the New, Pagodas 1357. 11. 1/-

Sam.

Sir,

your most obedient Servants

Madras
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Signed Tho.s Cockburn
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Calculate Shewing the actual difference or loss which will arise by paying up the Interest of Interest to the

If the Interest to 30th June 1792 is only paid out of the May 93 last the Total Interest accruing upon the Debt till its extinction will amounts to the Sum Specified below.—

Interest on Pags 266,162.35.56. from 2d March 1791 to 15th May 1793 for 805 days at 12 p Cent p Annum	70442. 1. 38.
Do on Pags 247670.4.16. from 16th May to 15th July 1793 for 61 days at Do	4966 35. 3.
Do on Pags 186721.26. from 16th July to 15th September 1793 for 61 days at Do	3744. 23.77
Do on Pags 139320.10.7. from 16th September to 15th November 1793 for 61 days at Do	2794. 1.34
Do on Pags 101813.20.58. from 16th November 1793 to 15th January 1794 for 61 days at Do	2041. 30.49
Do on Pags 80,407.32.58. from 16th January to 15th March 1794 for 59 days at Do	1559. 24.16
Do on Pags 33524.19.3. from 16th March to 15th May 1794 for 60 days at Do	661. 11. —
	86210. 20. 3½
Total Difference or Loss by paying up the Interest to 31st December 1792 instead of paying a part of the Principal with a part of Interest actually due	2311. 25. 28.
	Pagodas. 88,522. 5. 65.

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Interest of the Old Cavalry Debt to 31st December 1792 out of the may 1793 Kist instead 30th June 1792

If the Interest to 31st December 1792 is paid out of the may 93 Kist, the Total Interest accruing upon the debt till its extinction will amount to the Sum specified below.

Interest on Pags 266162.35.56 from 2d March 1791 to 15th May 1793 for 805 days at 12 p Cent p Annum	70642. 1. 38
Do on Pags 263771.5.45 from 16th May to 15th July 1793 for 61 days at Do	5289. 31. 43
Do on Pags 202822.27.29 from 16th July to 15th September 1793 for 61 days at Do	4067. 20 32
Do on Pags 155426.11.36 from 16th September to 15th November 1793 for 61 days at Do	3116. 33. 74
Do on Pagodas 117914.22.7 from 16th November 1793 to 15th January 1794 for 61 days at Do	2364. 27. 14
Do on Pags 106478.29.25 from 16th January to 15th march 1794 for 59 days at Do	2065. 14. 25
Do on Pagodas 59595.15.50 from 16th March to 14th May 1794 for 60 Days at Do	1175. 20 73
Pagodas	88522. 5. 65

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Calculate Shewing the actual difference or Loss which will arise by paying up the Interest to the

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of Interest to the

If the Interest to 30th June 1792 is only paid out of the may 93 Fast the Total Interest accruing upon the Debt till its extinction will amount to the Sum Specified below.

Interest on Pagodas 156.284.20.36 from 2d March 91 to 15th May 1793 for 805 days at 12 p Cent p annum	4136.31.78.
D. on Pagodas 145.425.35.58 p from 16th May to 15th July 1793 for 61 days at D.	2916.17.46
D. on Pagodas 109.638.19.56 from 16th July to 15th September 1792 for 61 days at D.	2198.28.2
D. on Pagodas 81.805.19.63 p from 16th September to 15th November 1793 for 61 days at D.	1640.21.29
D. on Pagodas 59.782.18.18 p from 16th November 1793 to 15th January 94. for 61 days at D.	1198.33.26.
D. on Pagodas 47.213.24.73 p from 16th January to 15th March 94. for 59 days at D.	915.29.26.
D. on Pagodas 19.684.28.78 from 16th March to 14th May 1793 for 60 days at D.	388.10.73.
	30620.28.40.
Total difference or Loss by paying up the Interest to 31st December 1792 instead of paying a part of the principal with a part of Interest actually due	1357.11.17
	Pagodas 31.978.3.57

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The Interest of the New Cavalry Debt to 31st December 1792 out of the may 1793 Kist instead 30th June 1792

If the Interest to 31st December 1792 is paid up out of the may 93 Kist the Total Interest accruing upon the debt till its extinction will amount to the Sum Specified below—

Interest on Pagodas 156284.20.36 from 2d March 1791 to 15th May 1793 for 805 days at 12 p Cent p annum	41361.31.7½
Do on Pagodas 154,880.4.7½ from 16th May to 15th July 1793 for 61 days at Do	3106.3.1?
Do on Pagodas 119092.24.15 from 16th July to 15th September 1793 for 61 days at Do	2388.13.53
Do on Pagodas 91259.25.2½ from 16th September to 15th November 1793. for 61 days at Do	1830.6.79
Do on Pagodas 69236.23.37½ from 16th November 93 to 15th January 94 for 61 days at Do	1388.18.77
Do on Pagodas 62578.29.51. from 16th January to 15th March 1794 for 59 days at Do	1211.27.6
Do on Pagodas 34993.—55½ from 16th March to 14th May 1794 for 60 days at Do	690.9.6?
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	Pagodas 51,978.8.5?

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Solution thereon

as the proportion of payments made to the Cavalry Creditors since the Commencement of the late Arrangements has been on account of the Arrear of Interest, resolved that the same rule be observed in the distribution of the may Rists, which will finally liquidate the whole to the 31st December 1792.

Chas. Oakeley.

E. Wallofield

George Parry Esqr

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Diary

Received the undermentioned Letters &c.

Entered in M. P. Nos 215. 216. 217.

From Commandant at Attore —

From Captain St Campbell — requesting leave to visit the Presidency.

From Quartermaster to the Meyanné Detachment — requesting a copy of the new Establishment &c

From Mr Paymaster Brown — Expenses thereof, and assigning the want of it, as the cause of his Accounts being in arrear

From Deputy Adjutant General —

From Deputy Adjutant General — submitting a letter from Lieutenant Collings — respecting the arrears of pay due to the 13th Battalion &

and two from Lieutenant Colonel Baird — reporting the Circumstances that passed at the Pagoda on his Arrival at Secunder Mulley — mode of quartering his Regiments suggested.

Dispatched the following Letters

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To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis KG. Governor General in Council at Fort William

To Bengal — submitting the Board's minutes and other papers respecting the Fort to be maintained on the Western Frontier, and the disposition proposed by Colonel Kyd Stewart of the Troops now in the Carnatic — also giving for a Supply for Penang and Pulo Sore for all the Forts in question

My Lord,

As we are desirous, that the Sanction and concurrence of your Lordship should be obtained to every part of an arrangement so important as that of establishing one Frontier to the westward, we have judged it proper to transmit a copy of our

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28 ocer Minutes of the Chief Engineers report, and of Lt Colonel Braithwaite's letter on this Subject, and we request to be honored with your Lordships opinion in regard to the Forts which it would be most advisable to Maintain, and also with respect to the proposal of Colonel Braithwaite for disposing of the Troops and for detaching part of our Artillery to the Garrisons in the Barramhal.

We some time ago directed our Commissary General of Grain and Provisions to lay up a Stock of Grain for six Months in all the places now occupied on that Frontier, and we have sent orders to the Military Board to complete the Provision and Stores for all the Forts which appear to us necessary to be preserved, and to cause such repairs as are wanting to be made without loss of time.

We have the honor to be

Sir Sir

Your most obedient humble Servants

(Signed) Chas Oakeley

Wm Comyn

Fort St. George
29th March 1793.

To

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To Lieutenant Colonel Baird

Commanding at Secundarnally

Sir,

The Commanding Officer of the Army has transmitted to the President in Council two Letters from you to Colonel Brace repating to him the circumstances that passed at the Pagoda on your arrival at Seccondennally, and I am directed in consequence to lose no time in expressing to you the very great concern they feel on this occasion, and particularly in observing the consequences, which followed the attempts of your people to take possession of the Pagoda.

The President in Council in sending your Regiment to Seccondennally certainly meant that it should occupy any building there, but with the free will and consent of the Natives, and tho' it appears that Lieutenant Colonel Gompygham's European Corps was lately quartered in the Pagoda, yet as this could only have been with the consent of the Bramins, the same consent should have been considered in the present case as indispensibly necessary before you proceeded to take possession of any part of the Buildings enclosed for their religious ceremonies.

To Commandant at Secundernally expressing the great concern of the Board at the consequences of his attempt to take possession of the Pagoda &c &c &c - his proposed accommodation for his men to be compleat - and his Orders to draw off by Pagoda for covering themselves.

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It may have happened too in the present Instance that the Marines apprized of the Intention of making Saccendanally the permanent Station for an European Regiment were averse to relenquish those accommodations which they had no objection to give up for the temporary convenience of Troops who wanted cover only during the Monsoon.

At all events it would have been prudent, upon the first appearance of difficulty or opposition to have desisted from your purpose and waited further Instructions from Government.

I am now directed by the Presidention Council to desire you will upon no account occupy any building which is used for religious purposes and in order that your Regiment may be covered in the best manner that circumstances permit, he desires that you will complete the accommodations you propose for the Men, with as little delay as and in the most economical manner possible. sending an Estimate of the probable Expence for the Information of the Board.

With respect to the officers, the Board consent to their drawing 50 Pagodas each to enable them to build temporary quarters for themselves which is the same allowance that was made to Major Stevenson and his officers at Tachinore.

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The Paymaster at Madura will be directed to supply you with the necessary advance of money for building the accommodations for the Men.

The President in Council desires me to inform you that it will be proper to apply to the Nabobs Manager whenever you require any assistance, and he recommends it earnestly to you on all occasions to pay every regard to his Highness's Authority in the Country.

I am &c. &c.
Signed W.C. Jackson Secy

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 218. 219. 220. 221. 222. 223. 224. 225. 226. 227. 228. 229. 230. 231. 232. 233. 234. 235. 236. 237. 238. 239. 240. 241. 242. 243. 244. 245. 246. 247. 248. 249. 250. 251. 252. 253.

To Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad - his plan for a Nursery of horses generally approved - Lieutenant Montgomery will have charge of the Colts to their arrival at Arcot.

Captain Dallas

To Ditto ... Ditto - at Arcot - with Copy of Captain Dallas's Letter above alluded to

Lieutenant Montgomery

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to — and directions in consequence — reply to his Suggestions for rearing horses for the Cavalry —

To Captain James Campbell

To Commandant at Attore — permitting him to visit the Presidency —

To Commissary General of Grain Provisions —

To Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — and Provisions — with orders for Storing all the forts in the ceded Countries with Provisions &c. for six months — the districts to be particularized on which he requires the Nabobs Orders towards facilitating his purchases of Grain. —

To Messrs. Roebuck and abbot

To Messrs. Roebuck and abbot — with Draft of the intended General Contract for Repairs. —

To Commandant at Dindigul

To Commandant at Dindigul — replying to the several points contained in his letter, noted in last Diary. —

To Lieutenant Orrock

29 To Lieutenant Orrock — prolonging his leave of absence from Ganjam —

To Garrison Storekeeper

To Garrison Storekeeper — the amount of Rice issued to the Troops to be in future received at the current Exchange in the Bazar —

To Resident at Hydrabad

To Resident at Hydrabad — enclosing copy of a letter from Masulipatam and proposing from the difficulty of procuring Rupees, that the amount of Peshcush be paid in Gold, by Bills on Madras or Masulipatam, at a reasonable premium —

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To Commandant of the Nizams 4th Detachment stating the period from which 4 Lieutenants Orr and Malcolm &c are to draw their allowances.

To Major Roberts

To Ditto 3rd Regiment of Cavalry permitting his Officers to draw house Rent until 4 quarters can be provided for them.

To Major Stevenson

To Military auditor General notifying the Subject of the two preceding letters.

To Military auditor General

To Ditto directing advances of 15 Cash to be made to Lieutenant Colonel Baird, for building temporary quarters for the Officers and Men of the 71st Regiment.

To Ditto

To Military Board stating the substance of the Presidents Minute regarding the Posts to be Maintained on the new Western 4 Frontier Orders in consequence for Supplying them with Stores and Provisions and for estimating the proposed new defences to the fort of Salem the arrears due to their former and present Secretary to be paid, and the proposed Office Establishment approved.

To Military Board

To Ditto referring the Claim 4 of G. Sashachellum on account of Ground purchased in 1781 that of Venkatachelliah not yet reported upon.

To Ditto

To Ditto advising that the Honble Court do not intend to Supply Soldiers accouthrements from England.

To Ditto

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To Military Paymaster General

To Military Paymaster General

desiring him to explain wherefore Major Langley's Temporary allowance bill for 1788 and 1789 has not been paid - copy of his letter enclosed

To Officer Commanding the Army

To Colonel Braithwaite

Colonel Geil's regulation for paying the Lascars of the Battalions of Artillery approved, as well as the Mode proposed for the Subalterns making their reports - the Offices of 9th Battalion will be allowed house Rent - Reply to the Captain's of Sepoy Corps - respecting off Reckonings, enclosed for his perusal.

To Ditto

To Ditto - stating the Resolutions of the Board on his Minute and the Report of the Chief Engineer, regarding the forts to be kept up on the Western Frontier - and a General Depôt of Stores and Grain; advising also of the orders given to the Military Board on the above Subject

To J. C. Young Esq. late Major of Cavalry

To J. C. Young Esq. the Copies of Special Papers, Requested by him, cannot be furnished.

To Major Younge

To Commandant of 4th Regiment of Cavalry - directing him to remit to Mr. Cockburn, the Amount of Grain issued for his Regiment, during the late War

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - advising of the preceding orders to Major Younge - a similar Requisition to Major Stevenson suspended for the present - the Claims of the Madras Cart people adverted

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To Lieutenant Hughes of the Invalids

To Lieutenant A. Hughes – his request to be restored to the Effective List cannot be granted

To Captains Flint Dunwoody and Fotheringham

To Captains of Sepoy Corps at Madras – in reply to their address regarding Off. Rackonings.

To Captain Flint and Dunwoody – 30 advising of the Order above given to the Garrison Storekeeper

To Captain Thomas Parr – returning his address of the 22d Instant, for the purpose of being sent thro' the Officer Commanding the Army.

To Captain T. Parr

To Military Auditor General – with orders for discharging the Arrears due to the Coomer and present Secretary to the Military Board – advice of the new Office Establishment for that Board.

To Military auditor General

To Captain Dowton – enclosing a Packet for Tipsproo's Vacheels.

To Captain Dowton

To Military Auditor General – the usual charge for a Cooper at Vizagapatam to be admitted.

To Military auditor General

To Vizagapatam – advising thereof

To Vizagapatam

To Register of the Nabob's Debts – respecting the principle on which the May Kisth is to be distributed to the Cavalry Creditors.

To Register of Nabob's Debts

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To Mr. Thomas Pelling

To Mr. Thomas Pelling — in reply to his Request for a Pension to his Daughter — Mrs. Rolle. —

To Postmaster General

To Postmaster General — the Dispatch for Dindigul to go direct from Trichinopoly — instead of the Route by Madura. —

To Board of Revenue

To Board of Revenue — the Sum overpaid by Mr. Ram at Tanjore, to be deducted from the advance now to be made to Sherfojee, and the Widows of the late Rajah thereof. —

To Reverend Mr. Swartz

To Reverend Mr. Swartz — advising

To Mr. Mc. Topping

To Mr. Mc. Topping — advising of the appointment of Lieutenant Caldwell, to act under him in the Survey of the Kistnah and Godavery. —

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M: B: Nos. 254. 255. 256. 257. 258. 259. 260 — 261. 262. 263. 264. —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — enclosing his Estimate for April — in which he has included some additional Servants required in his Office. —

From Ditto

From Ditto — particularizing the Districts, in which he intends to purchase Grain. —

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From Garrison Storekeeper — stating the Loss to the publick by the present rate of pay=ment for Rice issued to the Troops — and suggesting a Remedy — a Statement enclosed. —

From Garrison Storekeeper

From Resident at Poona — res=pecting Tippoo's demands of the Janpoltie District, and other allegations relating to that Court. —

From Resident at Poona

From Military Paymaster General — concerning Mr. Gahagan's claim on the late Mr. Leivenright's Estate — for victualling the Sick of the 2d. Battalion of Artillery while in the Vellore Hospital. —

From Military Paymaster General

From Deputy adjutant General — requesting a prolongation of leave of absence to Mr. Henderson — Cadet. —

From Deputy adjutant General

From Ditto — referring a claim of Lieutenant Henderson, for Camp Equipage supplied by him — and requesting that the Paymaster at Palamcotah may be ordered to dispose of twenty Seven horses lately Cast at that place. —

From Ditto

From Chief Engineer — with a letter from Lieutenant Norris stating the necessity of repairs to the Sewers, and hospital and Soldiers Privies at Vellore. —

From Chief Engineer

From

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From Captain Doveton

From Captain Doveton had delivered to Tippoo's Vackeel the packet from Bengal to their address.

From Mr. James London

From Collector of Southern Pettahs requesting orders may be given for the payment of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Steddy's allowances.

From acting Paymaster at Tanjore

From acting Paymaster at Tanjore requesting to be reimbursed his Expences in repairing the Paymasters House at that place.

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Sent the following Letter

To Colonel John Braithwaite

President &c. Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board - reporting the Nabob's claims to Credit in his Accounts for some military Stores received by Sir Edward Hughes at Trangueber

As His Highness the Nabob has claimed credit in his Accounts with the Company for a quantity of Military Stores received at Trangueber by Sir Edward Hughes, and as we do not find that any further sum than Pagodas 8362.29 has been credited in the Military Storekeepers Books on this Account, we desire you will cause the value to be ascertained of any further deliveries not accounted for - and of such as may now remain on hand

We are &c. &c.

(Signed) Cha.s Oakeley

&c. Council

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31st March 1793.

Dispatched

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Dispatched also the undermentioned
Letters Entered in Mr. B. Nos. 265. 266. 267. —

To Military auditor General

To Military auditor Genral — referring the Estimate of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for april. —

To Military Storekeeper —

To Military Storekeeper — repeating a former order for preparing and Submitting to the Military Board, the annual Statement required by the Honorable Court of his Supplies of Stores and their prices in comparison with those formerly charged. —

To Clerk of the Treasury —

To Clerk of the Treasury — with orders for issuing the amount of a Dividend to the Private European registered Creditors of the Rajah of Tanjore. —

April 1st Received the following letter

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

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Braithwaite. enclosing the General Return of the army for February. the Desertions considerable. encloses a letter from Colonel Baird respecting the opposition of the Bramins at Chunder Mally and proposing to quarter his Men at Tondi — his opinion thereon — notices the great want of Spices for Regimental use duty on the Coast. —

I have the honor to transmit to you, the Monthly Return of the army doing duty under the Presidency of Fort St. George, for the Month of February last. —

I am sorry to perceive that there has been considerable desertions since the last return, and in particular a very serious and unprecedented desertion

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desertion from the Honble Company's fourth European Battalion on its March from Arnee to Ellore; I have caused a very particular enquiry to be made, to trace if possible the causes of these desertions, and in particular to know the regulations adopted on the March of the European Battalion, and the steps taken for the recovery of the Men, and I have the pleasure to inform you, that I cannot yet see any cause for professional censure, and that by my last Reports, five of the European Deserters have delivered themselves up to the Corps again, and are now in confinement at Ellore.—

Some days ago, I transmitted to the Deputy Adjutant General two letters from Lieutenant Colonel Baird, to Colonel Bruce, on the Subject of an opposition made by the Bramins at Lecunder Mally, to the continuing of his Majesty's 71st Regiment in the Pagoda there— with orders to wait upon you with them, and to inform you, that it occurred to me, that this opposition arose from the Bramins perceiving that Lecunder Mally was now to become a fixed Military Station— as they had not on former occasions, when it had been necessary occasionally to occupy the Pagoda, made any serious objection— Colonel Bruce did not write any letter on the Subject further

further than to say, that he transmitted two
letters he had received from Lieutenant Colonel
Baird, in order that I might lay them before
Government; and I have since received a Similar
Letter from Colonel Bruce, transmitting another
from Lieutenant Colonel Baird,* which I have now
the Honor to enclose. By it, it appears that
my Surmise in regard to the opposition of the
Bramins was well founded - Lieutenant Colonel
Baird has also transmitted with his last letter,
a report* made by a Committee ordered by him to
inspect the Choultry's &c. delivered up by the
Amildar for Quarters and Barracks, which I have
the Honor to enclose.

The Deputy adjutant General had in-
=formed me Honble Sir, that you wish for
my opinion; I have already stated it in regard
to the cause of opposition now made by the
Bramins, and it must be determined by your
Honor in Council, how far they ought to be
indulged; I think it most probable you will
determine to favor the Bramins so far, as to
restore to them the great Choultry leading to
their Temple for the Sacred purposes for which it
was originally built, as it seems out to be a
matter of such serious consideration to them, and the
Surrounding Inhabitants, as soon as the Corps
can

* enclosed in M.B. N° 268

* Enclosed in M.B. N° 269

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can be otherwise Quartered to your Satisfaction,
in which case I would recommend, that Shed
Barracks be built for the Men, and that the
Officers be allowed house Rent, if for that allowance
they will accomodate themselves, because I am of
opinion, that for some time yet to come, it
will be proper to the [illegible] Corps somewhere
hereabouts, and I know [illegible] no Situation so good as
Seccunderr Malie.

I agree with [illegible] Lieutenant Colonel Baird,
that the Buildings [illegible] joined might be more cheaply
executed at Tondi; but [illegible] I do not think that a
sufficient Reason for [illegible] removing the Corps to that
Station, which I can by [illegible] no means recommend as a
proper Station under [illegible] present circumstances for
an European Corps.

I have the [illegible] honor to inform you that
I have now completed [illegible] my tour of the Baharam
Salem, and Lankeny [illegible] Countries, from the
latter I returned to the [illegible] Presidency
and Attore, I trust I [illegible] shall be at the Presidency
in the course of fifteen [illegible] from after which I
shall have the honor to [illegible] to you what
further occurs to me in regard to the Frontier,
and shall at the same time [illegible] my
Sentiments on the Subject to [illegible]
Marquis Cornwallis having [illegible]

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I lament my inability immediately to furnish more duty Officers for the European Corps at Madras, there is a want of them every where; In a climate like this, where there are so many sick, every Corps should be as fully officered as possible, but on the contrary there is a necessity on this Coast for the employment of so many officers from their Corps, that I till the Honble Court of Directors shall be pleased to encrease the establishment by causing the Staff Officers to be struck off from the effective Strength of Corps and their places supplied, a there needs be an universal Complaint of a want of Officers for Regimental duty.

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

Tiagar
March 30th 1793

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

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to enclose copy of the original Maratta answer that I have received from this Court to the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun's allegations with an English Translation and to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) C. W. Malet

From Resident at Poonah enclosing a copy and an English Translate of the original answer to Tippoo's allegations against the Mahrattas mentioned in his last letter

Poona
18th March 1793

Translate

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Translate of an answer from the Peshwa's Durbar to certain articles of complaint advanced &c. by the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun, received by the Resident at Poona 16th March 1793.

Sanpottee belongs to the Peshwas Circar in the District of Konnapore and is held &c. by a Zemindar dependent on Konnapore, it does not appertain to Tippoo, nor is his Government there, nor has the Zemindar always paid Tribute to Tippoo.

It is written "that a Country of near a Lac of Rahutties in the Talucks of Sounda and Soopa is still unsurrendered by the Peshwa" &c. answer agreeable to Treaty the Country has been long since ceded and Soopa also has been delivered up - It is not in the Circars Peshwa's possession nor are Collections made from it.

It is written "that Turbulent people taking Refuge in the Countries of Sherunt and the Nabob create disturbances in the Country of Fureekyab Hefser Roydroog Hurpunhully &c. and have destroyed a Country of 3 Lacs Rahuttees".

Answer "no such Turbulent people are in the protection of the Circars dependencies, let them punish those who create disturbances they will not be countenanced by the Peshwas Circar.

True translate
(Signed) C. M. Malet

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Recieved the undermentioned letters

Entered in M: B: Nos. 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12.

From Agent for purchasing Horses &c

From Lieutenant Montgomery

Horses at Arcot — stating the difficulty several horse Dealers experience in passing their horses thro' the Nizam's country, and particularly thro' Kurnool District.

From Barrack Master in the Northern Division — has received and shall attend to the Military Board's report regarding the Colts in, and required for, his Division

From Lieutenant Barrack Master Clerk.

From Secretary at Bombay

From Secretary at Bombay — advising of an Enquiry being ordered into the conduct of Captain Wasp, and the Noqueda, of the Fazelleem.

From Commandant at Chingleput

From Commandant at Chingleput — requesting his quarters may be repaired.

From Secretary to the Hospital Board

From Secretary to the Hospital Board — Mr. Bryden assistant Surgeon at Trichinopoly — requests leave to visit the Presidency.

From Commandant of the Nizam's Detachment

From Major Roberts — advising of its arrival at Bednapore and enclosing Copies of letters from and to Sir John Kennaway.

From Deputy Adjutant General

From Deputy Adjutant General — referring Major Young and Murray's request for the distribution of the horses, expected from Hydrabad, between their respective Corps — Remarks on the Subject.

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From Major Jeanys

From Commandant of 4th Regiment of Cavalry - to the Effect of the foregoing.

From Captain Thomas Knox. —

From Captain Knox — shall repair to the Presidency without delay. —

From Commandant at Angole. —

From Commandant at Angole — requests the Paymaster may be ordered to issue the Subsistence, heretofore paid by the Collector, to Ali Saheb, in confinement at that place. —

From Board of Revenue

From Board of Revenue — Sub=mitting Mr. Landon's proposition to withdraw the small guards posted in the Mud fort of Tripavanam, and the Palace at Sheva=ganga. —

Petition of Sumroo Chinna Kistnamah & Chitty. —

Petition of Sumroo Chinna Kistnamah & Chitty — praying payment &c for the Ground taken from him in 1781 — but to which G. Shathachellam & Chitty &c had lately stated his Pretensions. —

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor President

Tuesday 2d April 1793

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation &c. read and approved.

Read the following letters from the Military Board.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From military Board suggesting Regulations for the Charge and Supply of Barrack Cotts under the general principles already published - the immediate saving by the new System noticed -

We have examined the Reports of Survey on Cotts in the Barrack Department, and beg leave to give our opinion that in the present situation of the Service on the Coast it will be proper to arrange as follows, the System for the supply and charge of that Article, under the general principles laid down in your Orders of the 7th December last.

1st That all Cotts in the Barrack Department for the European Soldiery shall be supplied by, and be in charge of, the four Barrack Masters upon the Establishment.

2nd That the Cotts in the Barrack Department, being made the property of the Company, the number to be kept up in each of the four departments

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departments, shall be regulated for a given number of men, for a given period, subject to such alteration in regard to the Establishment of Cotts, as the circumstances of the Service shall render necessary at the expiration of each period.

3d That the first period shall be considered from the 1st of January to the 30th of September 1793 inclusive, and that the number of Cotts to be kept up as the Establishment for the first period, shall be regulated by the number of Men on the Returns for January.

Before we proceed to detail the Sums falling to be paid to the Barrack master, and the number of Cotts that are in perfect repair, and good condition, together with the Establishment required in each Department for the first period, we judge it necessary to explain our reasons for recommending, as above, that the supply and charge of Cotts in the Barrack Department, shall be confined to the four Barrack Masters on the Establishment, by acquainting your Honble Board, that we conceive it would be prejudicial to the Service to admit a division of the business between two descriptions of public officers, having duties essentially different in detail, as well as in matters that fall to be considered of, on first principles affecting the System and Regulations for the Cotts in the Barrack Department, you will observe from our Report that the number of Cotts supplied by the Paymasters is inconsiderable.

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The following details appear on examining the General Report of Survey on Cotts in the Barrack Department laid before us by the Quarter Master General.

First Presidency and the Mount — Lieutenants

Mark Wilks Barrack Master

In perfect repair, and good condition, Two thousand, three hundred, and fifty four /2354/ Cotts, for which the Sum of Pagodas Four thousand, seven hundred and eight /4708/ is payable to the Barrack Master at the rates specified in the General Orders of the 7th December last. the member of Men for whom Cotts are required in this Department, as per Returns of January, is one thousand, four hundred and twenty three /1423/ and the Cotts supernumerary, are therefore Nine hundred and thirty one /931/ but as it appears to us, that a larger proportion of Cotts will generally be required at the Presidency, in consequence of the annual arrival of Recruits for the King's and Company's Service, and as a considerable member of men repair to it during every part of the year, either to renew their time, or to be discharged, and to go home, or on other duties, which occasionally draw the men from all the out Garrisons, to the Presidency, we have averaged six hundred /600/ Cotts to answer these purposes, which if approved of by your Honble Board, the Establishment of Cotts which we propose to be kept up in this Barrack Department, for the first period, will be two thousand and

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twenty three /2,023/ leaving three hundred and thirty one /331/ Cotts supernumerary, out of the number that upon Survey have been found in perfect repair, and good condition.

Second Centre Division. Lieutenant Francis Capper Barrack Master

In perfect repair and good condition Four thousand, one hundred and thirty five /4,135/ Cotts for which the Sum of Pagodas Five thousand, two hundred and Sixty Six /5,266/ is payable to the Barrack Master at the rates specified in the General Orders of the 7th December last, besides which there are at Amboor, a station in the Centre division, /eleven/ /11/ Cotts for which Pagodas twenty two /22/ are payable to the Paymaster, as Amboor is one of the Posts where Barrack articles are supplied by the Paymaster, agreeably to the General orders of 25th January 1788.

The total number of Cotts that are in perfect repair and good condition in the Centre Division, including eleven /11/ at Amboor, is consequently, Four thousand, one hundred, and forty six /4,146/ and the number of Men to be supplied in it, as per January Return, is Four thousand, two hundred and fifty seven /4,257/ of course there is a deficiency of one hundred, and Eleven /111/ Cotts in this Department; but as we learn from the Returns, that the Kings

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Regiments in the Centre are incomplete, and as they may expect Recruits by the Ship's of the Season, we propose that the Supernumerary Cotts of the Presidency department, be delivered over to the Barrack Master of the Centre division, and that the Establishment of Cotts in the latter department for the first period, shall be Four thousand, four hundred, and Seventy seven /4,477/ which although supernumerary, at the present moment, by two hundred and twenty /220/ on comparison with the numbers of Men, can only be so, We conceive, for a few weeks.

In reporting the number of Cotts that are in perfect repair, and good condition in the Centre division, We think it necessary to acquaint you, that we have considered eight hundred and fifty five /855/ to be of that description, concerning which the Board of Survey at Poondamalie has made a distinction, by stating this number to be "Serviceable," accompanied by an explanation; We have no hesitation therefore in stating our opinion, under the explanation given by the Board of Survey, that these Serviceable Cotts should be considered of the number in perfect Repair, and good condition, as most of them are now in use, and as they are of the description which no sum in not having served one year, for compensation is payable to the Barrack Master; and further, because their being so considered, will prevent the expence of supplying an equal

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equal number of new Cotts, as it follows on the new System, that the detail of Cotts found to be in perfect repair and good condition, must be kept up by the Barrack Master, without any charge exceeding the fixed Monthly allowance; we have directed the Barrack Master to lose no time in giving them such trifling repairs as may be required.

Third Southern Division Lieutenant Alexander Dyce Barrack Master

In perfect repair, and good Condition, Two thousand six hundred and Sixty four /2664/ Cotts for which, the sum of Pagodas Two thousand, eight hundred and eight /2808/ is payable to the Barrack Master, besides which there is at Nagore /a Station in the Southern Division/ Twelve /12/ Cotts for which Pagodas twenty four /24/ are payable to the Paymaster, as Nagore is one of the Posts, where Barrack articles are supplied by the Paymaster, agreeably to the General orders already quoted, and there are now [illegible] Cotts in perfect repair and good condition a[illegible]tion, a principal attach, which do not come under the descr[illegible] Board of Service [illegible] for which the Company is to [illegible] the Board of the [illegible] compensation

in the Southern [illegible]dition, as most [illegible] of the descriptive Cotts in perfect repair hundred, and eq[illegible] no sum in two thousand, six number of Men [illegible] Name Division as above, and the January Return, being Two thousand, eight hundred and twenty Six /2826/ including the 9 European

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Battalion, the march of the Corps to the Presidency having been countermanded, it is therefore proposed that the Establishment of Cotts for the Southern Division, shall be Two thousand, eight hundred, and twenty Six /2826/ from whence, if approved, it will follow that the Barrack Master of that Division, is to make up One hundred and forty one /141/ new Cotts, instead of a number equal to the Establishment, of eight Companies of the 71st Regiment, as proposed in the copy of his letter now before us, and we request you will receive this Report as our answer to your Commands of the 13th Instant on that Subject.

Fourth, Northern Division — Lieutenant Thomas Clerk Barrack Master

In perfect repair and good condition in this Department, six hundred, and seventy three /673/ Cotts for which the sum of Pagodas Eight hundred, and fifty four /854/ is payable to the Barrack Master, the number of Men to be supplied with Cotts in the Northern Division, as per January Returns, is Eight hundred and Seventy /870/ the deficiency of Cotts in the same quarter is, consequently, one hundred, and Ninety Seven /197/ and not, one hundred, and twenty seven /127/ as Reported in our letter of the 11th Instant. We therefore consider Eight hundred, and Seventy /870/ Cotts as the Establishment for the Northern Division, and that it will be necessary for the Barrack Master there to make one hundred, & ninety Seven /197/

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/197/ new ones - We beg leave to acquaint you, that the mistake in our first Report now remarked upon, arose from a detail of Pensioners having been included in the January Returns, but that they are excluded in our present Report, as the Pensioners are not to be provided with Cotts in the Barrack Department.

We have only to add that it will be necessary, if our recommendation in the present occasion is approved, to order three hundred and thirty one /331/ Cotts from the Presidency, and the Mount; and Eleven /11/ at Amboor to be delivered over to the Barrack Master of the Centre Division, that the Twelve /12/ Cotts reported at Nagore and Nine /9/ at Lallamcottah shall be delivered over to the Barrack Master of the Southern Division, that the Barrack Masters and Paymasters shall be paid the sums due to them as per our Report from those of Survey; and that the former shall be directed to distribute the Cotts of their respective Departments, in communication with the detail of new ones, recommended to be made up, in order that the Troops at each Station, may be supplied without delay.

We beg leave to conclude by laying before you the following abstract, shewing the Establishments

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Establishment and monthly expence of Cotts in the Barrack Department, the sums payable to the Barrack Masters or Pay Masters in making the Cotts the property of the Company, and, the expence of supplying the new Cotts, we have recommended, to be provided at present.

	Establishment of Cotts	Sums payable in compensation	Expence of the present supply of new Cotts
Presidency and the mount	2023	4708 " " " E. C.	" " " E. C.
Center Division	4,477	5,288 " " "	" " "
Southern Division	2,826	2832 " " "	421 " "
Northern Division	870	864 " " "	591 " "
	10,196	13,660 " " "	1012 " "

The expence of an Establishment of Ten thousand, one hundred and ninety six /10,196/ Cotts in the Barrack Department at three /3/ fanams per month for each Cott, exchange at forty five /45/ fanams per Pagoda, is monthly Pagodas Six hundred, and seventy nine /679/ and thirty three /33/ fanams, and We beg leave to notice on this Subject, from the information acquired in examining the Reports of Survey, that upon the old System of providing Cotts in the Barrack Department, a Sum equal to Pagodas Twenty four thousand, two hundred, and Sixty eight /24,268/ would have fallen to be disbursed the

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end of last year, as there had been found six thousand, and sixty seven /6,067/ Cotts, which at that period, had served three years, exclusive of the expence of new Cotts to be provided in succeeding years, the amount for new Cotts as now recommended, and the Sums payable in compensation, being pagodas four=teen thousand, six hundred and seventy two /14,672/ the immediate saving is consequently Pagodas nine thousand, five hundred and ninety six /9596/ the expence of providing new Cotts, on the old System, in the present, and the following year, we estimate at Pagodas Sixteen thousand, five hundred, and Sixteen /16,516/ which is within a few Pagodas of the annual expence, for two in years of the monthly allowance to Barrack Masters, on Account of Cotts in that Department: it therefore appears evident, that the Saving by the new System, will be very considerable in a few years.

Fort St. George
26th March 1793

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
" Jn. Richardson
" Geo: Maule
" George Hall

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

We are honored with your commands of the 13th 15th & 20th Instant, and in reply thereto, have the honor to inform you, that the following Number of Tents have been received into Store, from the Family of the late Rajah of Tanjore; and the Lascars attached to them, have been ordered back to that Garrison

1 Field Officers Tent
12 Private ——— do
6 Sepoy ——— do
2 Bell ——— do

The necessary directions are given to the Contractors for repairs, for Building a Room — with an open Stony for the Accommodation of one of the Widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore: —

As the Quarters at Connatore, which We understand were formerly occupied by one Subaltern of Native Cavalry, consists of a Hall, a Room, and two Verandas, they are in our opinion, good accommodations, for a Captain, or two Subalterns, and we conceive that if the Number of Officers at Connatore, is more than the Quarters there can accommodate, in the above proportion, those who may be without Accommodation, should receive house Rent. but we do not consider that any mistake, or arrangement, at the time the quarters at Connatore

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From Military Board reporting their compliance with various orders — opinion on the decision for House Rent to the officers at Connatore — report of Remains of Stores, — for supplying the Ceded Tents, and the Nyaues — of opinion Lieutenant Pagets Horse should be paid for — request an order of Stores to may be appointed for the Ceded Countries.

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were built, giving to the Subalterns of the Native Cavalry more Accommodation, than their rank entitled them to receive, is a sufficient cause, for granting to the Officers of the 19th Dragoons, a larger proportion of quarters than is necessary, on adverting to the Number in each Rank, unless your Honble Board should see it proper to continue the Quarters for them, in the same proportion, as was admitted in the case of the Native Cavalry, - in which case however it will fall to be paid to one of two Subalterns, who may live quarted in the same space, formerly allowed to one Subaltern of Native Cavalry at Connatoor.

We think it necessary further to inform your Honble Board, that we understand the Quarters at Connatoor were built on the principle of one quarter, to each Subaltern, instead of their being considered on the principle of one Quarter, accommodating one Captain, or two Subalterns.

We furnished the Chief Engineer with an Extract of your letter of the 26th respecting the Fort of Ricerottah; requesting that he would take the necessary measures to carry your orders into execution, without delay; who has since informed us, that he has detached an Officer of his Corps, to make the preparations requisite for commencing the Repairs of Walls, and Buildings, at that Post, as expeditiously as possible.

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The Articles of Military Stores ordered for the Nizam, shall be held in readiness to be delivered to Monsieur Marigny - and we think it necessary at the same time to acquaint your Honble Board, that after supplying the Nizam, and the principal Forts in the ceded Countries, there will be wanting to compleat the Statement for this Presidency, as per enclosed Report† from the Commissary General of Stores, the following articles included in the Supply ordered for the Nizam

†Entered in Mtb No 13

Round Shot Iron 6 Pdr.	185,668
Pouches Musquet Cartridges Country	11,925
Cartridge paper Europe Reams	810
Gunpowder Coined 60 Lb Barrels	5,143

The necessary Directions are given to the Contractors for Repairs, relative to the Repairs wanted to the General Magazine; on which Subject We have the honor to lay before you, a Minute delivered in by the Chief Engineer,† and to inform your Honble Board, that it was not the intention of the Military Board, to conduct the Repairs irregularly; being convinced, that the Authority for preparing the Estimate, should have been obtained in the first instance, from Government.

†Entered in Mtb No 14

We are of opinion that the Certificate transmitted by Major Stevenson in his Letter under date March 8th should Warrant the payment of Lieutenant Poyson's Horse.

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The Commissary General of Stores, having informed us, that the Returns of Ordnance and Military Stores from the Forts in the Baramahal, are still arranged, and the quality, quantity, and Numbers of each of the articles, so unsufficiently defined, that it is not possible to ascertain what the present remains are, We are therefore induced to recommend to your Honble Board, that an Inspector of Stores should be appointed to for the Baramahal, and Salem Countries, and to be directed to proceed thither without delay.

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29th March 1793

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Henry Malcolm
" Thomas Speke
" Jn Richardson
" Geo. Maule
" George Hall

Minutes and Resolutions of the Board on the two foregoing letters.

Sir

I am for the Board much pleasure to observe that a very considerable saving will accrue to the public by the System detailed in the former of the above letters. The regulations suggested for the supply and charge of Stores in the Barrack Department under the general principles laid down in the orders of Government of the 7th April last,

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last, are entirely approved, and it is Resolved to direct the Military Board to give the necessary orders for the distribution of the Cattle in the manner proposed.

Resolved also, that directions be given to the Barrack Masters in the Northern and Southern Divisions to supply the Cattle deficient to the establishment and to the Military Auditor General to pass the Bills of the Paymasters and Barrack Masters for the Value of the Cattle delivered over by them, and now become the property of the Company.

As the Quarters at Coimatoor were originally built on the principle of one quarter to each Subaltern, it is resolved to continue them for the officers of the 19th Regiment Light Dragoons in the same proportion as was admitted in the case of the Native Cavalry — and of Consequence, that House Rent be paid to one of two Subalterns quartered in the same Space, formerly allowed to one Subaltern of Native Cavalry at that Cantonment

Agreed in consequence of the certificate transmitted by Major Stevenson, that Lieutenant Pogson be paid two hundred Pagodas, on account of his horse

Resolved that Colonel Brathwaite be directed to recommend a proper person from the Artillery to fill the office of Inspector of Stores in the Baramahal and Salem Districts.

Read the following letter from Messrs Roebuck and Abbott.

To

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Contractors for repairs - stating the conditions, under which they are ready to resign their present Contract and to engage in a General one.

We have had the honor of receiving the Secretary Jackson's letter of the 27th. Ult. enclosing Draft of the proposed Contract, to which we have taken the Liberty of suggesting an alteration which we have made in Red Ink; when we delivered in our proposals to your Honorable Board, we stated that we had given them for the whole of the Business, because we should not have any Interference, by which alone we should be enabled to execute the Contract upon the extream low terms we have proposed.

We are at all times happy in obeying your honor's Commands and if the draft of the Contract as altered, meets with your approbation, we shall resign the Contract we now hold at the Presidency, to be included in the present one, to be executed at the same Rates although we must take leave to mention that the rates of our prior Contract are considerably higher than those we have lately offered, and it extends for a longer period.

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(signed) Roebuck & Abbott

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&c
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as Messrs Roebuck and Abbott have stated their readiness to resign the Contract they now hold for repairs at the Presidency, provided the Board agree to include original Buildings as well as repairs in the proposed general Contract for the Coast, and as it appears that the rates in the prior Contract are not only considerably higher than those now offered, but that the Contract itself is for a longer period,— Resolved, that the alteration suggested by those Gentlemen be acquiesced in, and that the Contract be executed accordingly.

Resolution in Consequence

Read the following Letters from the Military auditor General.

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir,

From Military auditor General respecting Mr Vaughan's mode of calculating the Pay in abstract of 1st European Battalion Doctor Millers Bill discharged also Captain Trues arrear reference regarding Full Batta to the Commandant of artillery during the Coloroon, and the Commandant of Marine

I beg leave to acquaint you as follows in answer to your commands directing me "to report whether the mode "adopted by Mr Vaughan in calculating "the amounts of the abstract of pay to the "1st Battalion of European Infantry be conformable

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"Conformable to the Regulations of the Service".

Having explained in my letter of the 11th Instant on the reference from the Military Pay-master of this Garrison, the Matters connected with this Subject, I can only add that the custom of paying the Europeans having given them the benefit of the Exchange, by disbursing the amount of their Subsistence in gold with the exception only of such proportion of the Fanams, as might be under Forty two, the Calculation of Mr. Vaughan, if he meant under them, to pay the old Fanams, otherways, would be contrary to the practice of the Service, and although there is no Regulation which expressly directs the payments to be so made in gold, the General order of the 15th January last appears to me to consider the custom which prevailed as the rule of the Service; and that the mode of summing up the Fanams as I found it in abstracts, could have been intended on adverting to the custom in paying the Europeans, for no other purpose than, as an Example of the mode in which the Fanams were to be entered in the case of such allowances as fell to be discharged by Paymasters without adopting the conversions at the exchange of 42 per Pagoda.

Doctor

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Doctor Millers Bills have been paid agreeably to your order and I have directed Captain Lieutenant Torin[illegible] arrears to be discharged after retrenching Pagodas 4.46.25.16 as he did not appear to be entitled to Full Batta from his situation with the Bombay army after april last.

I was preparing to lay before you my report in consequence of your Commands of the 13th Instant relative to the Gram Agency for the Cavalry when I received your Secretary's letter of the 20th affecting the same subject; as this last order will occasion some alteration and as the whole of the arrangement will require to be closely detailed in communication with the Regulations of June, and July, it will occasion some little delay in submitting to your consideration the draught of an order comprehending the different points.

I shall lose no time in stating my opinion on an Establishment of Paymasters, after reconsidering the letter of the 20th August last.

I request your instructions on the subject of the enclosed copy of a letter from Mr Garrow

Lieutenant Colonel Sanner Commanding the 2d Battalion of Artillery at Trichinopoly and the Artillery South of the Coleroon, was I believe the first Officer, in that situation who was allowed to draw Full Batta at the time of Lieutenant Colonel Sydenham's promotion and appointment

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appointment to command the 1st. Battalion of Artillery stationed at this Presidency — the only information I have concerning this Batta in my Office is from the inclosed copies of letters the first of which authorises the Batta to Lieutenant Colonel Tanner but the Second does not appear to be on the same principle that guided in the third unless the Full Batta was confined to a Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the Artillery South of the Coleroon as the arrear of that allowance to Lieutenant Colonel Lydenham, on asserting to the period, must have reference to the time he was Stationed South of the Coleroon previous to his going to Sea for the recovery of health.

In regard to the Claim of Lieutenant Colonel Conyngham, it appears to be founded on the order in the case of Lieutenant Colonel Baird, appointing an Officer to Command Garrison, which although afterwards modified in regard to the point of Command, does not appear to have been considered as affecting the Batta — I have reason to believe although I have no Official copy of the order, that Colonel Brice recieved Full Batta when a Lieutenant Colonel Commanding the native Brigade, the head quarters of which was at Trichinopoly.

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Having no document to guide me in determining whether or not the Batta so granted in either case was meant as an Established rate, payable to the Officer holding the Situation in which it was first drawn, or only for a particular period to the Individual, who first drew the Batta, I use the freedom of requesting if I am to pass Full Batta in the case of Lieutenant Colonel Smith Commanding the Artillery South of the Coleroon and of Lieutenant Colonel Conyngham claiming it as the Senior Officer posted at Manrieve.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mil.y Aud.r General

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St George
26th March 1793.

Colonel, Malcolm
Military Auditor General
Fort St George

Sir,

Lieutenant Colonel Smith has drawn Full Batta since his arrival at Trichinopoly as Commanding the Artillery South of the Coleroon I believe it was done by Lieutenant Colonels Tanner and Lydenham but with to have an Authority for praying it as I see on a order

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I have had it signified to me by Lieutenant Colonel Coxyngham that as Commandant of Marine he considers himself as entitled to Full Batta in same manner as was allowed to Lieutenant Colonel Baird in the same Command. I wish to be informed how far these applications and Payments may be conformable to the Intention of Government.

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
Signed / Edward Garrow
Paymaster

To Lieutenant Colonel Tanner
Commanding the 2d Battalion of Artillery

Sir,

I am directed by the Hble the President and Council to inform you, in reply to your letter of the 15th Instant, that they approve your visiting the different Stations where your Battalion is distributed, in order to preserve an uniform discipline and to prepare it for actual Service, and consent to your drawing full Batta while Stationed to the Southward of the Coleroon

Sam &c: &c:
Signed / John Chamier
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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council &c:

Honble Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to lay before you some Arrears of Batta due to Lieutenant Colonel Lydenham, which have not been drawn, owing to his having been at Sea for the recovery of his health - The Regulations allow of his drawing Batta, during his absence on the Coast for a short period, provided he pays the next Officer in Rank his proper Batta, whilst he remains in Charge and officiates as Commandant of the Station, but as the usual time of three months for drawing this allowance is expired, I request to be favored with your Commands.

I am &c: &c:
Signed Capper
Cont. Genl. &c:

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To Captain Mandeville
Commanding the Artillery South of the Coleroon

Sir,

I could not depend upon me to grant or refuse your Batta, or for the reasons you mention, I should be very happy to comply with your Request - The most I can do is to refer your application to the Government, not that I can flatter you with any hopes of success from such a Reference, for they have lately had in contemplation, and even consulted the Military

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Military Board upon the propriety of taking the Batta away from the Lieutenant Colonel Commanding, Nevertheless, if you please I will apply to Government and acquaint you with their determination

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the 18th May 1791.

I am &c.
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Capper
Compt. Genl. &c.

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

Honble Sir,

In obedience to your Commands I accompanying the Copy of a letter from Captain Shaive Paymaster of his Majesty's 76th Regiment to Marquis Cornwallis under date 24th December 1792 I have the honor to enclose a Statement &c which Shews the allowances drawn on account of the Paymasters of his Majesty's Regiments &c serving on this Coast.

As I have understood, however, that some Charges have been admitted on account of the Kings Regiments serving on this Coast &c which ought to be defrayed out of their standing publick allowances, drawn for in the several Abstracts I have on the present occasion considered it proper not to confine myself, in the enclosed

From Military Auditor General with Statement of allowances drawn by Paymasters to the Kings Regiments on the Coast Remarks on the Subject no authority for paying Company's allowance to Kings Officers from the date of their Commissions — observations —

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Statement, to the allowance to Paymasters, that your Honble Board may have an opportunity of establishing clearly every discription of Charge for those Corps which ought to be defrayed without additional expence to the Company, from the amount drawn for in the abstracts, and of ascertaining the distinction which it may be necessary to observe, in such cases relative to the old Regiments—

The admission of an Extra charge as above mentioned, appeared in the rate of Pagodas 2.12 fanams & Man paid by the Company on the Coast on account of the funeral charges of the non Commissioned and privates of his Majesty's Regiments, but which Charge was considered by the Commander in Chief in India, as payable out of the standing allowance, and he would not therefore admit it after December 1791, when it first came within his observation, and only up to that period, under the form and attestation which you will observe has been followed, in drawing the enclosed copy of the Bill for Funeral Charges in the 36th Regiment, equally to which form I propose to pass the Charge of a similar description from the rest of the Kings Regiments up to December 1791 inclusive, as Marquis Cornwallis has admitted the payment for the 36th Regiment to that date in consequance of the Custom that prevailed before the Charge was objected to.—

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Military Board upon the propriety of taking the Batta away from the Lieutenant Colonel Commanding, Nevertheless, if you please I will apply to Government and acquaint you with their determination

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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Capper
Compt. Genl. &c.

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President, and Governor in Council
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as Marquis Cornwallis has admitted the payment for the
36th Regiment to that date in consequence of the Custom that pre-

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I observe from the General Orders of the 31st last January "that the Colonels of His "Majesty's Service, although not Colonels of Regi= "ments, shall be on a footing of equality with "Officers of the same rank in the Service of the "Honble Company in all future distributions "of Gratuity to the Field officers serving on "this Establishment."

This increased distribution therefore can only commence I conceive in the payment of that allowance to the Field officers for the year 1793/3, during which period Lieutenant Colonel Stuart of the 72d Regiment has been promoted to the Rank of Colonel; in consequence of which you may think it necessary to determine whether he is to be allowed the Gratuity of Colonel from the date of his Commission which is the 1st August 1792 to the day he embarked for Europe; as if the receipt of the allowance is to be regulated by the date of the General Order in India notifying the promotion, Colonel Stuart will not be entitled to receive it in a higher Rank than that of Lieutenant Colonel for any part of the year 1792/3 the order as above being dated 12th Instant and Colonel Stuart having embarked near two Months ago.

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The rule for the Company's Service on the Coast is, that in the case of promotions or appointments the pay of the new Commission commences only from the date of the Genral Order announcing it, which regulates also the commencement of other allowances; and as it appears to be the rule of his Majesty's Service to draw the difference of pay or other allowances from the date of the new Commission although the order announcing the promotion may not be received for a considerable time after, your Honble Board may see it proper to establish the principle on which the period of Commencing the payment of the Company's allowances to the King's Troops, is to be regulated, in the case of their serving in India for a time, in a Rank inferior to that which they actually held by a date of Commission subsequently notified, as there is no Regulation at present on which provides specially on this head

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed Henry Malcolm
Mily Asst. Genl

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Allowances

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Allowances drawn by Kings Corps serving on the Coast of Coromandel exclusive of the Subsistence and the allowances granted to place the Kings Troops on an equality with Corresponding Ranks in the Company's Service.

Amount drawn for Annually in Madras Currency

Detachment of Royal Artillery

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In the Distributions commencing the 1st January and the 1st July annually the following Charges are drawn by the Detachment of Royal Artillery serving on the Coast—

	£	s	d
To each Captain commanding a Company in lieu of Effective Fund £20 p Annum Viz.t 2 Captains at £20 each is 40 or		100	" "
To each Captain Commanding a Company, 2 Non Effectives pay at 1 Shilling each p day Viz.t 2 Captains at 2 Shillings each p day is £73 or		182	21 "
To each Captain Commanding a Company for Stationary and Postage abroad £9 — Viz.t 2 Captains at £9 each is £18 — — or		45	" "
To the Paymaster — p annum £120 — — or		300	" "
To the Surgeon termed "Medicine Money" p annum £120 — — or		300	" "

The following Charge is drawn from the Paymaster of Company's allowances to the King's Troops—

Paymasters extra allowance p Month Pagodas 10 — — or		120	" "
	Pagodas	1047	21 "

19 Regiment Light Dragoons

In the Distributions commencing the 25th June and the 25th December annually the following charges are drawn

	£	s	d
To the Commandant of the Regiment for Recruiting and other incidental Charges for each Troop £23 6 p annum Viz.t 6 Troops at £23 6 each is £139 16 or		349	21 "
19 Regiment Light Dragoons Carried over		349	21 "

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19th Regiment Light Dragoons brought over	349	21	"
To every Captain Commanding a Troop in lieu of now Effectives £30—			
pr Annum Viz. 6 Captains at 30 " " each is £180 " " or	450	"	"
To the Paymaster pr annum £120 " " or	300	"	"
To the Surgeon pr annum £48 " " or £ 1 D.	120	"	"
To each Effective Dragoon's Gratuity pr annum 1 " 11 " 10 as the Number of Effectives is contenually varying, this allowance is calculated for the Establishment Viz. 444 Dragoons at £ 1 " 11 " 10 " " each, is £ 652 " 19 " — or	1647	15	60

The following Charges are drawn from the Paymaster of the Company's allowance to the King's Troops.

By the Proceedings of a Board of Offrs assembled at Fort St. George on the 29th November 1786 to ascertain the Contingencies to be paid to his Majesty's Regiments of Cavalry and Infantry, which proceedings were confirmed by the Madras Government on the 21st December 1786, the Regiment of Dragoons is authorized to Charge for Stationary and Postage of Letters £50 pr Annum or. 125 " "

By an Extract from the Records of the Military Consultations dated 14th February 1787 the Paymasters to his Majesty's Regiments are authorized to Charge Pagodas 10 pr Mensem for making the payment of the Gratuity which in the Tables of pay &c. to the King's Regiments is termed "Extra "Allowance to Paymasters" 120 " "

By the Company's Regulations published 11th April 1789 the following Peace Establishment of Artificers is allowed to a Regiment of Dragoons when detached from Garrisons &c. where Artificers are kept pr Cap.

	Pagodas	Fs
3 Armourers at 4 " " each pr Company pr Annum	10 4 "	12 "
1 Carpenter at 4	3 4 "	32 "
1 Smith at 4	3 4 "	32 "
1 Cummerman at 3	2 6 "	3 "
1 Chuckler at 3	2 6 "	3 "
1 Chuckler at 3	2 6 "	3 "
1 Bellows Boy at 1	8 "	29 "
	260	30 "

Pagodas 2370 2460

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Foot Regiments

In the Distributions commencing the 25th June and the 24th December annually the following charges are drawn

To each Captain commanding a Company in lieu of non Effectives £ 56 . 10 . ₰ annum Viz.t 106 Captains in each Regiment at £ 56 . 10 each is £ 565 . — . — or ..... 1412 21 "

To the Paymaster ₰ annum 120 . — . — or ..... 300 " "

To the Surgeon ₰ annum 120 . — . — or ..... 300 " "

To the Poundage of each Effective Private at 12 . 2 ₰ annum, as the number of Effectives are continually varying this allowance is Calculated for the Establishment Viz.t 950 Privates at £ 12 . 2 each is £ 577 . 13 . 4 or 1444 33 20

The following Charges are drawn from the Paymaster of the Company's allowances to the Kings Troops.

Stationary and Postage of Letters ₰ annum £ 70 ..... or 175 " "

Paymasters Extra allowance ₰ Month Pagodas 10 ..... or 120 " "

By the Company's Regulations published the 11th April 1789 the following peace Establishment of artificers is allowed to a Regiment of Europeans.

When attached from Garrison where artificers are kept ₰ Day £ 6

3 Armourers	at 4 each ₰ day	104 . 12 . —	
2 Carpenters	at 6	69 . 22 . —	
2 Smiths	at 4	69 . 22 . —	
2 Hammermen	at 3	52 . 6 . —	
1 Chuckledar	at 3	26 . 3 . —	
1 Chuckler	at 3	26 . 3 . —	
2 Bellows Boys	at 1	17 . 16 . —	
		365 " "	

Pagodas 4117 . 12 20

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N.B. The above Charges drawn for half yearly in the Distributions are defrayed in regard to the three Regiments out of the two Lacks of Rupees for each Regiment.

By an order of 27th October 1792 in consequence of a reference the Batta of a Major is allowed to the Senior Captain of a Kings Regiment being in the Command of the Regiment and of a Station to which Batta is annexed provided that the Bill for such Batta be always accompanied by a certificate of the Kings adjutant General specifying the order which gave to the Senior Captain the Command of the Regiment and the duty on which the Field Officers were employed.

Exclusive of the above, the Regulations on the Coast under the head of "Orders respecting the payment of the Kings Troops" provided as follows.

Article 5th When any Regiment, Corps, Troop, or Company, or any Recruits of his Majesty's Forces, arrive from Europe and disembark at the Presidency; the Town Major or Fort adjutant shall indent to the President of the Committee of Works for Lascars to assist them in carrying their Baggage

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Baggage from the Beach to the Barracks, the Number indented for shall be in the proportions of 40 Lascars to every 100 Men, with a Lynary or Tandel, according to the number required, — They shall also be put under the Charge of the Quarter Master Serjeant of the Garrison, who is to report to the Town Major, when the recruits are landed, and the men with their Baggage lodged in the Barracks; after which the Lascars are to be returned without delay. —

Article 6th. As proper Storehouses are not ready procured for keeping the Cloathing belonging to his Majesty's Forces, in order that it may be properly taken care of, Commanding Officers of his Majesty's Regiments are to indent to the Town Major for proper Storehouses, or Godowns for that purpose, who will likewise procure them Lascars to assist in landing and conveying it to the place where it is to be kept; but the Cloathing of each Regiment is to be put under the care of some proper person appointed by the Commanding Officer, who is to be responsible for its being safely kept and in good order — all the expences respecting the Cloathing, excepting those of Storehouses and of Transport, are to be defrayed by

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Article 7th The Honorable Court of Directors allowing 10 Shillings to the Surgeon of the Ship for every effective recruit landed at the Presidency, the same sum is to be allowed to him for every recruit of his Majesty's Regiments when not accompanied by a Regimental Surgeon.

Article 11th With respect to the Carriage of Money as the expence is uncertain, and the responsibility too great for a Paymaster of a Regiment, the Paymaster General, when Specie is required at the out Garrisons, must apply to the Company's Paymaster General for Golah Peons and a proper Escort, specifying the particular Sum put under their care, and these precautions taken, the Risk, and expence will remain with the Company until the Money is lodged in the hands of the Regimental Paymaster, from which time his responsibility commences; the Money being first duly proved in his presence, by a person appointed by the Commanding Officer of the Camp, Garrison, or Cantonment, at which the Corps shall be stationed.

By an order of 16th July 1792, in

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in consequence of a reference, eight Pagodas Monthly
is allowed on Account of carrying in the field the
Regimental Subsistence when issued in Silver to
the Regimental Paymasters of Kings Regiments.—

The Kings Corps on the Coast are
occasionally supplied from the Company's Ms
Arsenals with Ordnance Accoutrements and Small
Stores.— They also receive articles for the repair of
Arms and accoutrements such as Iron, Steel, Ms
Brass, Solder, paddy husk Charcoal, Bees Wax, —
twine, files, smiths tools, &c. and are supplied
with Barrack furniture, in the same manner
as those of the Companys Service.—

Since the 1st. of December last the
General Hospitals on the Coast have been
supplied by Contract with Cots, bedding, Ms
Clothing, and many Articles of Victualling, and
Medicine, on Account of the Sick, except Europe
Medicines; only that the Contract for the Ms
Hospital at the Presidency and for the Corps
at the Mount Poonamallee and Wallajabad,
does not include the provision of Country Ms
Medicines. The Sick of the Kings and the Company
Troops are supplied in these Hospitals, Ms

besides

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besides which the Regimental Surgeons of both Services draw a quarterly allowance of Europe Medicines from the Company's Medical Stores, exclusive of which the Surgeons of the Corps at the Presidency, Mount. Pondamallee, and Wallajabad, draw Country Medicines, as Country Medicines are not included in the Contract for these Stations - a part of the Hospital Expences is reimbursed to the Company by a Stoppage of 2 fanams and 40 Cash pr day from the pay of each man, whether Kings or Companys Soldier, supplied under the Hospital Contract. -

Signed J. Henry Malcolm
Mily Asst. Gen.l

Copy

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Copy — Bill at the rate of Pagodas 2. 12 ₰ Month — for
funeral charge — 36th Regiment —

Months	No of Men died in each Month
September	13
October	15
November	22
December	12
Total	62

The Honble Company ..... Dr

To Cash paid for the funeral of the above Men of His Majesty's 36th Regiment who died between the 2d September and the 31st December 1791 } 150.24 —

I declare upon honor that sum above stated has been actually advanced by me, before I knew that the Charges should have been brought against the Company to which the dead Men belonged — and before notice was given that the Bills would not be discharged by Government as formerly —

(Signed) W.W. Wallace
Pay. 36th Regiment

I believe that the Charge
above stated was actually paid —

(Signed) J. Wright
Captain 36th Regt

The men's names being entered by Corps and Company and the date of each Casualty being Specified, the above is a true Copy of the Bill admitted by the Marquis Cornwallis, in consequence of the usage which had prevailed, up to December 1791 —

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mr Acct Genl

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir,

From Military Auditor General - reporting the Military Charges for April

I have the honor to report as follows in answer to your Commands signified in Mr Secretary Jackson's letter of the 18th Instant, Viz.

That the Sum of two Lacks, Fifteen Thousand nine hundred and eighty Five Pagodas Thirty Eight Fanams, and forty one Cash, as per inclosed Statement, may be advanced to answer the Military Payments in april 1793 / Pagodas 2,15,985.38.41 / the same retrenched, as per particulars in the Statement, being two Thousand Six hundred and Twenty Seven Pagodas / Pagodas 2627 /.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/ Signed / Henry Malcolm
Dpty Aud. Genl

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council of

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to report in
answer to your Commands signified in Mr.
Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 25th. Ult.o that
I see no objection, in the present stage
of Audit on the Accounts of the Bullock
Contractors to the payment of Forty Dn.
Thousand Pagodas / Pagodas 40,000 / to
their Agent — The audit of these Accounts
is going on as expeditiously as the nature
of them will admit and I shall hope
to be able to report finally upon them in
a Short time from this date.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed / Henry Malcolm
Mily. Acct. Genl.

Military Auditor General's Office
Fort St. George
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Sama Military auditor General 40000 Pagodas may be advanced on Account of the late Bullock Contractors

Minutes and Resolutions on the four foregoing Letters from the auditor General

as the mode adopted by Mr.
Vaughan in calculating the Amount of the
abstract of pay to the 1st Battalion of European
Infantry appears to have been Contrary to
the Regulations of the Service, the auditor must
direct

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direct him immediately to pay the difference to Lieutenant Colonel Cosnyngham

The Board observe in the Correspondence between Lieutenant Colonel Cosnyngham and Mr. Vaughan, that there is a Sum due on the abstract signed by the former for the month of December 1792, which the latter refused to discharge - agreed therefore that the Paymaster be called upon by the Auditor for such explanation as he may have to offer - and that the necessary Measures be taken for securing to the Troops and Followers the pay justly due to them for the Month in question.

Agreed that the Bill transmitted by Lieutenant Colonel Cosnyngham in his letter dated the 27th February, and noted in the Diary to Commutation the 12th Instt. on Account of Doolies, and Bearers, furnished by him for the use of the Sick, at the time the Regiments marched from Coundermally, amounting to Pagodas 105 be paid.

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonels Cosnyngham and Smith be allowed full Batta - the former, as the Senior Officer Stationed at Warriore - and the latter, as Commanding the Artillery South of the Coleroon - This allowance having been drawn of late years by Officers holding these Appointments.

Agreed

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Agreed to refer to the determination of the Governor General in Council, the points contained in the Military Auditor General's Letter of the 27th. ultimo.

Resolved that the sum required at the Presidency for the Military Charges of the present Month, be advanced from the Treasury.

Ordered that an advance of Forty thousand (40,000) Star Pagodas be made from the Treasury to Mr. Thomas Cockburn, Agent for the late Bullock Contractors, in part payment of the Balance due to them.

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore (entered also in Cons. No. 62.)

Translation of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjore to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. &c. &c. &c. dated 26th March.

From Rajah of Tanjore — expressive of his surprize and concern at the Proclamation of the Scope of his Presumptive Heir — states Objections to his Right of Succession — and trusts that no Stranger may not be entitled to his Musnud

I have received the letter, which your Excellency did me the favour of addressing to me under date the 6th March together with Copy of the proclamation, and understand their contents.

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+ the paraphrase formerly mentioned is preserved in the original.

your are pleased to write that Sherfoge is[+] presumptive heir to the Government, and this has been cause of the greatest concern and Surprize to me. In a resolution to declare the right of Succession after me, I reputed to have been consulted. As the adoption of Sherfoge by Tulja Maharaz was contrary to the Shaster, Sir A. Archibald Campbell set it aside as of no avail. Tulja Maharaz adopted Serfoge on the 22d January 1787 immediately before his death, at a time when he was afflicted with great bodily pain, his mind dis-composed, and his understanding broken, as the adoption of Serfoge by Tulja Maharaz was contrary to the Shaster, I remained in silent confidence of the English faith and justice. — Tulja Maharaz died on the 31st January 1787, Sir Archibald Campbell remained a month and a half after this Event at Madras, and having informed himself particularly on the Laws of the Shaster, arrived in Tanjore on the 5th April, He assembled twelve pundits and having fully ascertained their report upon the law and custom of the Hindoos as according to the Shaster, did with the approbation of Colonel James Stuart, and the other three English Judges declare Sherfoge's right invalid, and set it aside upon the following Grounds, 1st because a Child to be adopted should be of five years old, whereas Sherfoge was of nine 2d because the adoption

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Should be made with the Consent of all the relations and friends, but this was not the case: 3d because it is expressly written in the Shaster, that the eldest son of another cannot be adopted— and in all these particulars was Sheafoge's adoption deficient, conceiving that your Excellency was well acquainted with his having no right to succeed me, I have hitherto refrained from communicating these matters. When from your favor your Excellency was pleased to send for him to the Presidency, I thought it was your intention to place him in an eligible situation, with freedom to indulge his own inclinations, but I had not the most distant idea that your councils went to declare his right of Succession after me. As your Excellency is wise and just, I trust that you will prevent my rajya and Palace from passing over to the hands of Strangers.

Owing to the various complaints, written and verbal, which have been preferred against me by my enemies, your Excellency's opinion is shaken, and your mind alienated from me, as anxious as I am to explain the truth or falsehood contained in those representations of my enemies, I am totally uninformed of what they have written or said. and your Excellency has not

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not been pleaded to communicate as no answer has been had from me, upon these points, the written and Verbal assertions of my enemies, alone appear true to your Excellency. If however it shall hereafter please you to have these matters communicated to me, you shall be fully informed upon every point. I have no support but from the English: upon them I rely in all respects, it therefore rests with your Excellency to treat me with attention and favor. Believe me always your sincere friend. To a friend why should I write more?

a true translation

Signed J. Webbe

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Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing letter be sent to Bengal.

Read the following Letter from the President at Hydrabad.

William Collins Jackson Esq.r

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From the President at Hydrabad - has received the Letter from Bengal - regarding the arrival of Pechmish - the Principle for the Elephant - is intended to go towards the discharge of those for Pheely-hoo - remarks - respecting the Shawles of Rupees advanced in Bengal

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 13.th Instant enclosing copy of a letter from the Governor General in Council

order

sider thereon

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under date the 15th Ultimo; In reply to which I beg leave to acquaint you for the information of the Board that it is meant that the receipts given by the Nizam's agents for account of Elephants purchased from the Company amounting to fifty nine thousand and ninety Arcot Rupees, are, as is particularly specified in them, to go towards the liquidation of the arrears of Peishcush due for the Fuseily 1th year 1200: being ignorant of the sums already paid to his Highness on account of the above arrears at Madras, I do not know whether any, or a sufficient balance remains to admit of the inclusion of those receipts, and should this be the case, I conceive they should be included in the payment of the 1st Kist for the Fuseily year 1201 due on the 31st March 1792, but that at all Events the Bengal Government should receive credit for their assistance agreeably to the 9th Paragraph of the enclosure abovementioned, the Elephants being the property of that Presidency.

Appearing to me from the 6th

Paragraph

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Paragraph and Postcript of the Governor General's
letter to your Board above alluded to, that the three
Lacks of Sicca Rupees advanced to Meer Abdul
Lutif should be considered as being on account of the
2d. Kist due to the Nizam for the Fasily year 1201,
I send this Letter open thro' the Chief and Council
of Masulipatam that, if they deem it proper,
they may delay the payment of the three
and half Lacks of Rupees, which the Board
have directed them to make to the Nizam's
Agent, on account of the above Kist, till the
receipt of their further instructions concern-
-ing it.

Hydrabad
23d. March 1793

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

Agreed that copy of the foregoing
Letter be sent to the Accountant General, with
directions to draw out the Account with the
Nizam agreeably to the observations therein
contained.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter
from the Persian Translator at Bengal.

To

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr

Secretary to the Government at Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the pleasure to transmit a Packet addressed to Golaum ally Khan, and ally Reza Khan, containing a letter from the Governor General to Tippoo Sultaun, and one from myself by his Lordship's Commands, serving merely as a cover to a copy of the letter to Tippoo Sultaun, for their information.

From Persian Translator in Bengal - enclosing a Packet addressed to Tippoo's Vackeels - and Translates of its Contents.

Copies in English and Persian of the Packet are also sent for the Information of the Honble the President in Council.

I am &c. &c.

Signed / G.T. Cherry Sec.y

Calcutta
19th March 1793

To Tippoo Sultaun

Written 19th March 1793

From the Governor General to Tippoo - enclosing a paper of Replies to each Complaint of Irregularities in the Boundaries, professedly Tippoo and his Vackeels remarks on the occasion transmits further Accounts of Prisoners still Confined at Seringapatam and Reasons in consequent Surprize at their Repeated Assurances to the Contrary -

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter / recapitulate the letter received 11th February 1793 / the Contents of this letter have afforded me great Satisfaction, as they are worded in the Language of Friendship which it is my earnest wish may ever Subsist between us - considering it unnecessary to be

Continually

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continually representing the particulars of mis-
-conduct and disputes which happen on all
sides of your Country, you have desired Golaum
ally Khan and ally Reza Khan to communicate
them to me.

Golaum ally Khan and ally Reza
Khan have accordingly written to Mr. Cherry
and have delivered a paper to Sir Charles
Oakeley at Madras, containing Several Matters
which you had instructed them to
represent.

My friend, I have perused all these
matters with attention, and must observe, that
as they were communicated to me, several of
them in your own letters and all of them in
letters from Golaum ally Khan, and ally Reza
Khan, every attention consistent with a Sincere
friendship has been paid to them, which doubtless
you will have seen by my letters to you, and by
letters which I have directed to be written to
them. I am therefore at a loss to assign a
cause for the repetition of them. But at the
same time it affords me Satisfaction to notice
that not one of these circumstances denote any
deviation from the Treaty of Seringapatam on the
part of the allies. All this every Item has been

Replied

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replied to and the necessary measures adopted, to put a Stop to the Irregularities and misconduct which may occur on the Boundaries, and as altho' in consequence of the undetermined property in several places on the Boundaries, I have so repeatedly recommended that Ameens may be depated on both sides to adjust their points, to which you have in no Instance approved of; yet willing to give due weight to your applications as far as they concern the English Company, I have directed every circumstance in the paper received from your Vackeel to be replied to, and beg leave to refer you to it. — Hitherto the Company have not infringed the Treaty, but on the Contrary they have applied the Events of the year, and I have the happiness to learn that the same earnest desire to maintain Friendship had been shewn on the part of the Nizam and the Peshwa — It therefore rests with you to fulfil the friendly System by a similar Conduct.

It is a matter of great Surprize to me that your Vackeels should have repeatedly informed me before Lt. Col. Read, and Since, that there are no Prisoners detained within your Dominions,

and

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and that notwithstanding the repeated Informa-
-tion which I have received, and have communicated
to you, with particulars that leave no room for
doubt, not a Single person has been released in
consequence, but on the Contrary, this information
is attributed to the Motive of revenge in those, who
have made their Escapes; Several persons both
European, and Native, have effected their liberty
which of itself must appear extraordinary after
the repeated assurances which I have received on
your part, and they have delivered a Statement
particularizing the names, European and Mahomme-
-dan, of Several others still detained.— This informa-
-tion I have immediately sent to your Vakeel
ally Khan and ally Reza Khan, and I now
enclose further Accounts which I have received,
and request that you will order that they be
released immediately, this request is consistent
with good faith and is conformable to the Treaty
existing between us.

Enclosure.

Some time ago, the Information
which had been received from a Person named
Bucher, was communicated to Tippoo Sultaun
by Marquis Cornwallis— since that period, no
further particulars have been received from
the Same person as follows— That the following
persons were still Prisoners, and that he had seen
them

Arthur

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Arthur Nfs - Hoseiu Beg - 6 Sheelas at Bednore
Joseph Mackenzie - Meeah en Beg or Saudor Beg .. Do Do
Francis Ormsby - Ismael Beg - - - - - - Do Do
John Willie - - Mahommed Beg - - - - - Do Do
James Walker - - Ismael Beg or Soliyman Khan .. Do Do
James Edwards - - - in the Sheelas, Bednore
Thomas Ball - Ballan Beg - 6 Sheelas - Seringapatam
employed on the paper Mill. -
Patten, not with 6 Sheelas, Monsieur Vizzy
a Serjeant, a Smith by trade, taken at Bednore
employed in the Karkonnah at Seringapatam
and his Wife a European
an English Woman taken at Periapatam &
in Vizzy's Camp. -
Natives taken with General Mathews.
Dennagee Carpenter
Nafeewanjee - - do
Pestonjee - - - - do
Meancher Pestonjee do
a Servant of General Mathews,
a do of Captain Lumpriere
about thirty Men named unknown, Carpenters,
Smiths, and Servants all from Bombay
Four or five Englishmen confined in a small
Place near the Karkonnah, named unknown,
Seringapatam
Since the Arrival of Bucher, another person by
name James Duncan who was taken with Col
Colonel Baillie in 1780, had made his Escape,
and arriving at Tellicherry has given the following
Information. -

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That he was taken with seven men of his Regiment and was sent with them to Seringa=patam, where they were confined for six months, from thence in Company with 18 Men, he was sent to Chittledroog where they staid 15 Months, from thence to Rydroog where they staid 15 Months, from thence to Gurrum Condah where they staid two years, from thence to Goongycottah 3 Years, from thence to Bangalore 18 Months, from thence to Seringapa=tam where he remained until he effected his escape accompanied by Mostow a Seapoy who was Sentry over him, - He left Seringapatam in September last and reports that there were fifty English Prisoners chained two and two employed to carry loads of Earth &c. among other English Prisoners confined at Seringa=patam he recollects the following Names.

John Jackson taken at Periapatam
William Stone - - - - - - - - Do
William Berry - - - - - - - - Do
Alexander Macneal - - - - - - Do
John MacGlason - - - - - - - Do
John Johnson - - - - - - - - Do
Peter White - - - - - - - - - Do
John Macpherson - - - - - - - Do
James Gordon - - - - - - - - - Do
George Wilson - - - - - - - - Do
John Docherty - - - - - - - - Do
John Windale - - - - - - - - - Do
William Shaw - - - - - - - - - Do
John Hendick taken with Colonel Baillie
Peter Wallace - - - - - - - - Do
John McCay - - - - - - - - - Do
George McCay - - - - - - - - Do
William Shaw - - - - - - - - Do
John Baillie - - - - - - - - Do
George Baillie - - - - - - - Do
William Charter - - - - - - - Do
James Stacy - - - - - - - - - Do

John

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John Stracy ---------- Do
John Evans ---------- Do
alexander Montgomery ---------- Do
George Short ---------- Do
Davy Hughes ---------- Do
John Lyons ---------- Do
Thomas Wilson ---------- Do
Thomas Jones ---------- Do

an English Woman, name unknown taken at Periapatam.

Mattoo Seapoy confirms the Report of James Duncan as far as concerns his accompanying Duncan &c when he was stationed as a Sentry over them, &c and declares that he recollects there were about forty English Prisoners confined at Seringapatam, and that they were made to carry Earth.

The information of Sargur armourer who was taken prisoner with General Mathews and effected his Escape from Bednore about five months ago in August 1792.

He, and two Brothers were taken with General Mathews and confined in the fort of Bednore, from whence during the Mohurrum they effected their Escape to Coondapore and from thence to Mangalore, from whence they went to Tellicherry, where they arrived about 2 or 3 months ago. at Bednore they left the following people in Confinement; they were all taken with General Mathews and are Armourers and Carpenters, Sixteighers and fifteen Carnatic people whose names he does not know except the name of Rama Sing Soubadar.

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Henry an armourer in the Company's Department
Cunnoorum an Armourer in the Company's Department
Wenlow an Armourer in the Commissary's Department
Kumer an Armourer in the Commissary's Department
Kagoo an Armourer in the 5th or late Captain Lamed's Bn N.I.
Wesun an Armourer in the 5th or late Captain Lamed's Bn N.I.
Narran an Armourer in the 8th or late Captain Jamesons Bn N.I.
Wayshur an Armourer in the 8th late Captain Jamesons Bn N.I.
Juram an Armourer in the 8th or late Captain Jamesons Bn N.I.
Narran an Armourer in the 15th or late Capt. M'Cullaughs Bn N.I.
Modud an Armourer in the 15th or late Capt. M'Cullaughs Bn N.I.
Cursoo an Armourer in the 15th or late Capt. M'Cullaughs Bn N.I.
Juram a Carpenter in the 15th or late Capt. M'Cullaughs Bn N.I.
Nunnabhoy a Carpenter in the 15th or late Capt. M'Cullaughs Bn N.I.
Nasserman a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Rustom a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Munchaw a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Athundeah a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Pittums a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Narran a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Lunker, a Carpenter in the Commissary's Department
Byhund a Sicculghur in the Commissary's Department
Lunker a Sicculghur in the Commissary's Department

a true Copy

/Signed/ G.F. Cherry

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Account

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Account of the Depredations committed in the Country of the Hydre Serkar dated the 17th of the Month Jahary, the year Leber 1220 Mahomede sent by Tippoo Sultaun to his Vackeels / Depredations of the Coorga people in the Districts dependant on the Cutcherry of Seringapatam Viz.t

The Coorga people have laid waste a Country of 14,000 Rakties in the Talook of Arkulgoor and Coutoura and in the Remaining part of the Talook are creating Disturbances.—

They have also laid waste the whole Talook of Paripatam of 22000 Rakties, in such a manner as not a single Rakty can be collected from the said Talooks.

The Coorga people have also laid waste the Talook of Gootakhal &c. of 15000 Rakties, so that not a Cash can be collected, and in another Talook of 7000 Rakties they are Creating disturbances and Collecting Money.

In the District dependant on the Cutcherry of Seroolabad for Mangalore.—

Replies to the Representations made by Tippoo Sultaun Vackeels at Madras and transmitted to the Governor General by the Secretary to that Presidency in his Letter dated 26th. ult.o February 1793.—

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Written 19 March 1793.

During the march of the army from Seringapatam the Vackeels delivered a Copy of an Arzie from the Aumildar of Penapatam, and Mangoorabad otherwise Tonekanana Boylor and Mangoorabad, otherwise called Yedl, which was accordingly sent to the Coorga Rajah, and the Reply received for it was communicated to the Vackeels— In the Reply the Rajah denies the Charges brought against him, and declares that he retains Sulle and annual his ancient Possessions— To this point no answer has been made by Tippoo Sultaun, but after the expiration of Several Months the same Complaint is preferred again— The Coorga Rajah has been Cautioned not to pursue a Conduct that shall give rise to Animosity this Injunction will be repeated

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Ramsaw anow, the son of the Zemindar of Mungol is having given protection to a Number of Banditte has laid waste the Talooks of Combah and Melcheiler of 50,000 Rahdies, and is Collects money therefrom not a Cash can be collected on the Sirkar's Account from the above Talooks

This is a Complaint against the Son of the Zemindar of Mungol for giving protection to Banditte. If the Zemindar of Mungol is a Subjick of the Company he will be cautioned not to protect a Banditte at his peril. The Company will not give asylum to Banditti on the contrary, they will punish whoever protects them, but the care of the Country of the above Sirkar rests with Tippoo Sultaun. Orders to this Effect will be immediately issued.

The Nairnars have committed Depredations and are Collecting money in the Talooks of Pookle & Pathed of 15,000 Rahdies, and Vinnoor in the Districts of Calicut.

Orders will be issued to the Nairnars not to enter the Territories of Tippoo Sultaun at their Peril.

The Canara people have committed depredations and are collecting money from the 1st and 2d Talooks of Poolaur and Tejeswar dependant on Mongalor a Country of 12,000 Rahdies.

Vide reply to the 1st 2d and 3d Paragraphs.

The Zemindar of Coat Angria have given protection to Banditte has committed depredations and laid waste the Talooks of Chuckloor and Tondoor, a Country of 40,000 Rahdies and collects Money therefrom. In the districts dependant on the Cutcherry of Bangalore.

Complaint against the Zemindar of Coto Angria for entertaining a Banditte - the English Company will inform the Zemindar of Coto Angria of this Charge and Caution him against making Incursions within the Territory of Tippoo Sultaun

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The Poligar of Vencatighenry Cotah having afforded protection to Bandits has entirely laid waste that Taloork, and Collects Money there from, himself Remains under the protection of Vencatighenry.

The Poligar of Vencatighenry Cotah having sought protection from the Company will be informed that such protection shall be withdrawn from him should he be guilty of improper Conduct. But it is not probable that he can afford protection to a Bandit without the knowledge of the English Government.

Golam Mahomed Dawn has Committed great depredations in the Talooks of Duchemy Cotah & Soulgherry, plundered the Ryotts Cowars, Muckals &c. and Collected the sum of 60,000 Rahtees, and as having placed his family in the protection of Kistnaghenry still creating disturbances.

The Seventh article of the Treaty of Seringapatam Stipulates that Zemindars and Dumildars being in Balance to either party and Repairing to the Country of either party protection shall not be given them, and they shall be restored accordingly Golam Mahomed Dawn has been delivered up.

The Polygar of Soulgherry being under the protection of Kistnaghenry has laid waste a Taloork of 20000 Rahtees and is collecting money therefrom.

According to the English article of the Treaty of the Poligars and Zimindars who in the course of the War shall have attached themselves and have been Serviceable to the allies shall not on that Account be molested or injured by Tippoo Sultaun. The Poligar of Soulgherry and of Gunnaur Pollam and Chumabella poor being under the protection of the Poligars of Cumpanelli and Mygoal, has laid waste a Country of a Lack of Rahtees belonging to the above two Talooks and is collecting Money therefrom.

The Villains of Gunnaur Pollam and Chumabella poor have seized their Wallapoor have seized their Residence in the Country belonging to the Company, they shall be cautioned against Commencing which shall be contrary to the Friendship subsisting between the Company and Tippoo Sultaun.

In the District under the Cutchurry of Suggur for Redemore.

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The Europeans of Goa have possessed themselves of a Country of 60 or 70,000 Pagodas in the Talooks of Angola and Shedasheguedah and have for two years past collected money therefrom besides which they oppress the Ryotts, and collected Money by assessing them — For the fort of Shedasheguedah, they still maintain a Garrison — they have frequently been given to understand that they should quit the Fort of the Sirkar — But it has had no effect, and they have not relinquished it —

This Concerns the Government of Goa, with which the English Government has no concern

In the Talooks of Soonda and Soonpeah, a Country of nearly a Lack of Rakties is in the possession of the Government which he has not yet been given up, and from whence he Collects money — In the Districts dependant on Sankey Kesan / or Chittledroog —

Application has been made by ally Reza Khan to Hurry Punt Tuntea on the 4th Rubbeeulsany 1207 Hegeree, and Hurry Punt has Replied to it in a Satisfactory manner

Bandits

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Bandittis who find protection in the Country of the Nawaub Nizam alikhan and Government having raised disturbances in the Districts of Kanpenelly Raydroog Cuddapah Gunty Gooty Chumlahpoor and Kumbumgond &c. and have laid waste a Taluk of three Lacks of Rahdies, and Collected Money therefrom.

In the District under the Cutcherry of Tiziphoor or Gooty

A Number of Bandittie under the protection of the Zemindar of Adone have committed such depredations on the Taluks of Medgery Cumpelly &c. a Country of two Lacks of Rahdies, that not a Cash can be collected from the above Taluks — and Kuppurtral and the Polygar of Doodgundah having given protection to the Neighbouring Small Polygars are creating disturbances, and themselves remain in the protection of Adoni

Malek Cah a Servant of the Nawab Nizam alikhan having afforded protection to an full Rudde belonging to Yarkie, and the Polygar of Cummelpar &c. Commits depredations in a Country of 60000 Rahdies and Collects money therefrom and the Sirkar will not collect a cash

From the Taluk of Kurnool a Considerable Sum is due to the Sirkar, but on account of the Support given by the Nawaub Nizam alikhan, it is not forthcoming a particular Account is delivered to you.

These are Representations which relate to the Disturbances on the Borders of his Highness the Nizam and the Peishwa, on which Sultaun Tippoo Sultaun has written to the Nizam's Ministers, and proper answers have been written to them, and as probably these disturbances have arisen from the unsettled state of the Boundaries in that Quarter the Arrears are appointed, as recommended by the Nawaub Augeerul ul Omrah to adjust them. The allied powers will use their utmost endeavours to prevent disturbances, and will not give any Asylum to a Banditti.

This subject was cautioned in a letter from Tippoo Sultaun to Lord Cornwallis and has been answered.

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It is easy for the Sirkar to settle the business of the Talooks above mentioned — But in Settling A disputes on the frontiers may arise — In the Treaty of Paar it mentioned that if disputes happen on the Frontiers, an account thereof is to be immediately written and transmitted, and it is agreed that they be settled, and that if any people belonging to the Sirkar take Refuge they be apprehended and delivered up, and if disputes arise on the Frontiers, it is written in the treaty that they shall be settled. Thus therefore, and when the Vakeels of the Sirkar are there present, it is not proper that so much Country belonging to the Sirkar be laid waste — Quickly therefore to settle their affairs, in so proper a manner that no depredations and disturbances be not again Committed in the Country of the Sirkar —

The allied powers have recommended the only means by which the disputes which may happen on the Boundaries can be settled, Viz.t by nominating persons to enquire into them — This Recommendation, notwithstanding that it has been repeatedly Suggested by the English Government, no notice has been taken by Tippoo Sultaun — That they are not settled does not rest with the allied powers — By the 8.th Article of the Treaty Zemindars and Amildars being in Balance and Repairing to the Country of either party shall be given up — By Virtue of this article Golaum Mahomed Khan was delivered up by the English — The Treaty includes only Zemindars and Amildars in Balance, and Consistent with the Sincere wishes of the allied powers that Friendship shall increase daily with Tippoo Sultaun, the articles of the Treaty shall be executed with punctuality, and shall be construed and explained in an Amicable Manner Consistent with good faith and the laws of Nations —

a true Copy
(Signed) Gt. Cherry
P.S.

Agreed

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Agreed that the Packet from Bengal addressed to the Vackeels be sent to Captain Doveton, with copies of the foregoing papers for his information.

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Commissioners for settling the ceded Countries on the Malabar Coast

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Commissioners on the Malabar Coast on the subject of the alledged Complaints of Tippoo against the Coorga People, and stating the Measures they have taken to prevent disputes by fixing the Boundaries — Letter from Sir Robert Abercromby and Extracts from their Minutes enclosed.

In the absence, on different detached duties, of our Colleagues, It remains for us to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 28th Ultimo, with the enclosure it conveyed, containing a General Specification of the alledged Irregularities of different persons, all around the Circuit of the present Dominions of Tippoo Sultaun,

As during the Governor of Bombay's Visit to the ceded Countries on this Side of India, the principal charge of what concerns the Political Interests of this Coast, including the Adjustment of the Boundary devolved on him, we communicated to him accordingly the Information you have favored us with, and have now

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We have the honor to transmit a copy of General Abercrombys answer, which we trust will prove Satisfactory, and enable you to make a full and Sufficient reply to Tippoo Sultaun's Memorial, as far as it Regards the Malabar Frontier.

We may also take this opportunity to add, that, as far as Regards our own endeavours, they have been uniformly exerted towards preventing them as soon as we had notice of their having arisen, in proof of which we enclose Extracts from our proceedings of the 13th and 17th of October and 2d of January last, whence it will appear that we made every advance that depended on us towards having the Koorg-Limits ascertained, and that the neglect of not availing themselves of our overture, will be imputed to Tippoo Sultaun's own Officers: which we think his Vakeel, with you, must be Satisfied of, after he shall have learnt the Contents of these Extracts.

General Abercromby having communicated to Tippoo Sultaun his own and our arrival here, it rested with that Prince to make such applications either to the Governor or to us, as the Circumstances of the case might require, and if he shall now be pleased to appoint Commissioners

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to act with ours / for the Governor of Bombay as
will speedily have left the Coast on his return
to that Presidency / we shall then have an
opportunity to evince the sincere desire we
entertain of cultivating and promoting the
publick harmony. —/

We had expected ere now to have
heard of the measures that Tippoo Sultaun had
adopted, in consequence of the Governor General's
Communications with him on his dispatches
Cessions of the Districts of Coringote, near to
Tellicherry, and of the Districts of Allengoor
Parore and Kottiatnagor now professed by the
Rajah of Travancore, and we shall be glad, if
it be in your power to inform us, whether
any and what Ultimate reply had been
received from that Prince on the Subject
in Question.

We have the honor to Remain
&c. &c.
[Signed] W.m F. Farmer
" Jon.n Duncan

Calicut
14th March
1793

To

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To W.m G. Farmer Esq.r
Jon.a Duncan Esq.r
Wm. Page Esq.r
Chas.t Boddam Esq.r
and
Major Alex.r Dow
Commissioners &c.a &c.a &c.a &c.a

Gentlemen,

I have been favoured with your letter and the dispatches from Madras respecting the depredations said to be committed in the country of Tippoo Sultaun.

My wish to ascertain the boundaries of the ceded Country, so as to prevent future disputes on the borders, induced me to order a Survey of the frontier, and to write to Tippoo acquainting him with my arrival on the Coast. The Surveyors have hitherto proceeded without molestation, and without any objections being made to the boundaries they have ascertained; nor had I reason to imagine there was any complaint on the part of the Mysore Government, as there was no Notice of any in any answer from Tippoo. It is equally as impossible for me now to investigate the truth of the alledged complaints, as the names given by Tippoo entirely disagree with the ancient names of

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places or the names known in Malabar. It is certainly would be adviseable that Commissioners on both sides should be appointed to adjust disputed claims and fix the Boundaries, and this Government is ready at all times to meet any that may be deputed by Tippoo.

As it is my wish however to take every measure possibly can to put a stop to any depreda=tions that may be committed, I have written to the Surveyors, enclosing them a copy of the dispatches with orders to enquire into the truth of the Representation, and Report to me; I have also written to the Coorg, Cherical and Cotiote Rajahs directing them to answer to the Complaints preferred of depredations said to be committed in Tippoo's Country from the frontiers near them.

I shall take effectual measures to so prevent such persons, if any there are, from Sheltering themselves in our provinces after committing depredations in his Circar.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Robt. Abercromby

Calicut
12th March 1793

True Copy
(Signed) W. Handley
Secretary to the Commissioners

Extracts

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Extracts from the Minutes of the Commission
dated the 13th. and 17th. October 1792.

Moodoo Pattenah the Kurnaker
of the Rajah of Coorg, being arrived from Tellicherry
was desired to attend, and being asked from whence
the people of Tippoo came of whom his Master
seemed apprehensive, informs us they are from
Seringapatam, but that part of the Country is
under Lunaulghur, and his Master much wishes
some mode was settled as soon as possible for
fixing the exact Boundary between his Country
and that of the Nabob, in order to prevent
the Constant disturbance and alarm which
he experienced.

The proper mode for arranging
the Boundary would be deputing a Surveyor for
the purpose of ascertaining it, writing at the
same time to Tippoo to desire he would send
proper persons on his part, who together with
those of the Coorg Rajah's might ascertain the
exact Boundary of the Talook Coorg, ceded by
the Treaty of peace to the Company.

The first difficulty however
arises from the want of such a Surveyor, and
the Second from the doubtfulness of Tippoo's
praying

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praying any attention to our letter, as ours powers
have not been announced to him.—

Agreed therefore, that as the Chiefs
of Tellicherry has been in Correspondence with the
Officer at Sunaulghur, he be directed to write to
him making the proposal of deputing persons
on his part to meet others of the Coorg, in order
to ascertain the Boundaries of the two Countries—
This application he will probably refer to
Seringapatam, so that by the time an answer
arrives, a Surveyor may be obtained from
Bombay— this being explained to the Rarriahar
he approved it.—

Agreed further, that we acknowledge
the receipt of the Rajah's letter, explaining to him
the Arrangements taken for ascertaining the
limits between his Country and that of Tippoo.
To the Rajah of Coorg.

We have received your letter
and we have attended to the representation of
your Karriahar Moodr Pallerah— we shall
write to the Officer of Tippoo at Sunaulghur, to
send two persons on his part, and to know they
are ready, we shall send on our part a proper
person to examine and settle the boundaries
between

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between your Country and that of Tippoo Sultaun,
which we hope will put an End to all disputes
as to what Tippoo may write to Lord Cornwallis, so
you need not be afraid to what is false, no regard
will be paid - The Company have saved your
Country, and whilst their friendship lasts, you
have nothing to fear.

/Signed/ William Gamel Farmer
" William Page

Cananore
13th October 1792

Wrote the following letter to the Chief of Tellicherry

Robert Taylor Esqr.
Chief of
Tellicherry

Sir,

We have duly considered the letter to
you from the Coorg Rajah accompanying your's
of the 2d Instant, and also a similar one to us
relative to the encroachment which he had ex-
perienced, and which he still apprehends from
the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun.

As you have already been in
correspondence with the Officer at Tunaulycheer relative
to districts ceded by the Coorg we recommend it to
you to state to this Officer the Complaints of the Coorg
and

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and to propose conformably to the intention
of the 7th. Article of the Treaty with Tipoo, to
to depute two persons on his part to pro-
-ceed with persons on the part of the Coorg,
and point out to a Surveyor to be sent by
us, the exact Boundary of their different
Countries; which being properly ascertained
and marked, will prevent the disputes
which may otherwise be apprehended. —

We presume the Officer will
refer this application to Seringapatam, and
if the mode pointed out is approved, there
may be time before an answer reaches you,
to obtain a Surveyor from Bombay; for which
purpose we shall directly advise the Hon.ble
the Governor and Council of the measures we
have directed you to pursue — We have in
answer to the Coorg acquainted him with our
Decision. —

Tellicherry
27th. October 1792

We are &c. &c.
Signed/ William Jones Farmer
" William Page.

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Extract from the Minutes of the Commission

dated 2d of January 1793.

Read the following letter and enclo=
=sure from the Chief of Tellicherry.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward the Report made to me by the Messenger dispatched to the Officer of Tippoo Sultaun at Lunaulabad on the Subject of the Coorga Rajahs Claims, as directed in your letter to me of the 17th October. as the Messenger is returned without any written answer, I apprehend my letter to the Officer is now with Tippoo Sultaun

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most

Obedient Humble Servant

Signed/ Robert Taylor

Tellicherry
do
31st December
1792

Account given by the Messenger who carried a letter to Lunaulabad, arrived at Tellicherry the 31st December 1792.

The Chief of this Settlement was pleased to dispatch me with a letter to Lunaulabad the 1st November 1792 – the 4th Instant I reached

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I reached Dacul, the Commanding Officer of said
place received the letter from me, and sent it to
his head man, who was at a great distance
in a district of the Canga Lungal – 6 days I
remained at Dacul, the 10th Instant I got the
letter back, and set off to Sumaulabad – 6 days
I reached there, the aval dewan of the Cutchary
was gone to Putton, the Dooyam dewan
received the letter and dispatched it with his
man to Putton, and ordered me to remain
till I received the answer, they ordered a place,
and Provisions to be supplied. I was in vain
to go every day to the Cutchary and desired
an answer, they said they could not give
any answer till they heard from the Aval
dewan at Putton, some time after the
Dooyam dewan had occation to go with his
army into the District, to prevent some
Poligar disturbances, and remained at a
place called Bhattmar from thence the
said aval dewan sent for me, when I got
there he told me that he had received an
answer from Putton to dispatch me
without

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without any letter, only giving verbally as a
Message respecting 3 Villages of the Canga
Country, but not relative at all to Travancore
= lore — That after his return he will write
the Answer of your letter — the 25th of these
Month I left the Bhattwar without receiving
the Answer, only a verbal Message respecting
the 3 Villages, being in all one Month and
29 days.

True Extracts from the Records
of the Commission.

(Signed) A.W. Handley
Secretary to the Commission

Agreed that copies of the
foregoing papers be sent to Captain Doveton,
and that he be desired to obtain information
from the Vackeels on the points mentioned
in the last Paragraphs of the letter from
the Commissioners.

Minute thereon

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,

From Resident at Hyderabad - has received Copy of the note from Tippoo Vackeel to Captain Doveton - regarding the Execution of the 8th Article of the Treaty - Remarks thereon - Encloses Copy of his Letter to Mr Cherry.

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 6th Instant, and last that Tippoo's Vackeel appear from their note to Captain Doveton to be ignorant that the Treaty executed by his Highness the Nizam is also authenticated by the Seal of Azem ul Omrah, I should imagine their objections rather betrayed a disposition to cavil and evade, than an idea that they had any real cause of complaint: the Copy of the 8th Article of the Treaty of Seringapatam transmitted by them to Captain Doveton is an erroneous one, the original of which expressly prescribes that the Treaty to be delivered by the Marattas, is to be under the Seal of the Peishwah, and the Signature of Thomas Henry Pierse.

I have the pleasure to enclose for the information of the Board a Copy of my Letter of this date to Mr. Pierse Resident

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Cherry, and to be.

&c. &c.

Hydrabad
19th March 1793

/Signed/ John Kennaway

C. F. Cherry Esq.r

Persian Translator to the Governor General

Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th Ultimo, enclosing a Copy of the Governor General's letter to Tippoo Sultaun, which I have communicated to Meer Allum, and desired that a person may be dispatched without delay to settle with Tippoo Vackeel the business of the Peishcush from Kurnool, agreeably to the intimation contained in his Lordship's Letter to Tippoo on this Subject.

Hydrabad
19th March
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I am &c. &c.

/Signed/ John Kennaway

True Copy

/Signed/ Wm Stewart

Assistant

Ordered that a copy of the enclosure

order thereon be sent to Captain Doveton for the information of the Vackeel.

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Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.

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

Honorable Sir,

From Accountant General - requesting to know to what Head in the General Books, he shall carry the Amount appearing to the Credit of Resident at Hydrabad in the Paymaster General's Books - Suggestion in consequence.

In the Books of the Military Paymaster General the sum of Pagodas 8,855..30 appearing to the Credit of the Resident at Hydrabad" said to be received from him by the Paymaster to the detachment serving with the Nizams troops, and as I am not able to procure any explanation from the Military Paymaster on what Account, or for what purpose the Sums were received, I request to be honored with your directions to what Head the Amount shall be carried in the General Books, whether to the Credit of the Head of "War with Tippoo Sultaun" or to any other. At the same time I beg leave to Suggest that Sir John Kennaway may be written to for information of the exact Amounts advanced by him, and to whom, as with the dates thereof to the 30th April 1792, being the period to which the Military Paymaster's books can be adjusted.

Accountant
General's Office
29th March 1793.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Rob. Woolf
Accountt Genl.

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that the sums received from Sir John Kennaway, and paid to the Paymaster of the Detachment serving with the Nizam, be carried to the Credit of "Military Charges" of this Presidency, the expence of the Detachment having been brought to account under that Head.

Agreed that Sir John Kennaway be desired to transmit an Account shewing the exact amount paid by him, and to whom, on Account of the Detachment serving with the Nizam, up to the period when the new Estimate by which the whole of the expences of the detachment are to be defrayed by the Nizam shall take effect.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Hble Sir,

Transmit Board of Revenue's reference of Letter from Collector in the Eastern Division of Tanjore proposing prices for the Sambur and Pashamum Bay and a Bill of the Expences of his Assistant Mr. Grant

We have communicated your orders under date the 25th Instant to Mr. Ram respecting the prices proposed by him for the Sambur and Pashamum Corps of the Western Division of Tanjore,

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Sir,

We have now the honor to lay before you a Similar proposition from the Collectors in the Eastern Division together with copy of the Correspondence on the Subject.—

We doubt not your Honorable Board will agree with us in the expediency of requiring the explanations furnished in the Collector's last letter, in calling for which we were particularly influenced by the remarks of Mr. Ram, referred to by Mr. Strange — and as the answer of the latter is Satisfactory we recommend that the rates proposed by him, under date 12th Instant be confirmed.

Mr. Strange having applied to us on the part of his Assistant, Mr. Grant, for reimbursement of the expence incurred by the latter, while employed in dispatching Grain to Madras amounting to Pagodas 372 — We have the honor to transmit the letters received by us on the Subject+ and Mr. Grant occasionally issued for the Space of Six Months on this duty, and as it appears to be an extra expence, we beg leave to propose that Mr. Strange's Recommendation

+ Entered in Mr. D. No. 15. 16.—

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recommendation in his favor be complied with.

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We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) David Haliburton
" Chas. A. White

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

Gentlemen,

I have the Honor to acquaint
you, that Mr. Ram has this day communicated
to me, his letter to you of yesterday's date, wherein
he made known to you, the prices he
proposed fixing for the great Sorts of the
Western Division.

As his rates are the Standard
by which mine are invariably regulated,
I therefore submit the following to your
Consideration. —

	Gold fanams
For the Munnargody Soubah's Collom	4 1/2
For the Mayaveram Soubah — Do	4.
For the Shealley District — Do	4 1/8

Mr. Ram is not altogether well
founded in that part of his Letter wherein he
says,

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say, that the supposed enhanced Price from the great demand for Grain to the Northward, chiefly affects the Soubahs of Mannargoody, Mayaveram, and Shealy - The export of Grain from Combuconum and Pande Mallore being nearly the same as from Mayaveram

Considering however as I do, the very favored Situation of the Shealy District, for the export of the produce, I would humbly propose, that it might this year be rated the same as the Mannargoody Soubah; but this I only recommend with this Proviso, that I could pledge my word to the Inhabitants, that it was not to be a precedent for future Common Seasons, without such an assurance they would dread the ruinous certainty, that it would be henceforth invariably exacted from it, as soon as the Country is restored to the native Government. If it shall please you to authorize me, to pledge myself, that it shall not have this Effect, I am persuaded the Inhabitants of the Shealy District will not resist the proposed Equalization with Mannargoody; without being able to give them such an assurance,

I remain

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I would not take it upon me to require it from them, for Assistance and Tumult from every Individual in the District would follow. I must request to know your pleasure herein, as the advanced Season of the year requires early Decision.

I am &c: &c:
/Signed/ Sam Strange Collr

Tanjore
12th March 1793

a true Copy
/Signed/ John Read
Dep: Sec:

Extract of a letter to the Collector in the Eastern Division of Tanjore, dated 19th March 1793

The Board have considered with attention your proposition of the 12th Instant, for fixing the Prices of Grain in the Districts under your Charge on account of the great Crop - you observe that Combaconum, and Ponde Nellore under Mr Ram are nearly similar to Moyaveram in respect to the Export of Grain - on comparing the prices proposed for the latter, it appears to be at a lower rate, - but the Board see no reason why it should not be Equal if not higher than the former. The other Districts

under

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under your have certainty the advantage of its situation along the sea Coast, yet the prices proposed to be fixed are upon an average somewhat lower than those for the Western Division — the Board wish you to explain the causes before they refer the Subject to the Government for decision.

In regard to the Shelly Districts the Board observe that they could not consider any Circumstances authorize you to pledge yourself to the Inhabitants in the manner you have suggested, respecting the future price of the Grain.

A true Extract

Signed / John Read

Dep.y Secy.

To David Haliburton Esq.r

acting President and the Members of the

Revenue Board

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of Mr. Secretary Harrington's letter of the 19th Instant, and considering the importance of it, I regret exceedingly that an absence

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absence from Tanjore of Twenty four hours, has
delayed my immediate Reply to it. Report was
made to me of considerable Work being required
to be done to the Vennar River, and the distance
not being great from Tanjore, induced me to
make an Excursion there, in order that being
an eye witness to the condition of it, I might
with more Confidence write to the Board, in
respecting the Repairs I thought indispensibly
necessary to be undertaken, on which I shall
immediately address the Board. —

The prices which were mentioned
in my letter to your Board under date the 12th.
Instant, were correctly stated; corresponding
with the prices, which Mr. Ram communi-
-cated to me, as the Rates at which he pro-
-posed settling with the Inhabitants of his
Division. —

The different rates at which
each Soubah in my Division is charged,
bear a due proportion to the prices mentioned
by Mr. Ram for the Western Division, and
have for Generations back been so fixed, by the
Native Government that I dare not with me
to make any deviation therefrom — for the

Inhabitants

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Inhabitants would not acquiesce in any innovation that I should propose.

The Board seem to misapprehend the advantages, which belong to the different Soubahs of this Country with respect to its Situation. It is only written these four years past, that the Native Government affixed a higher value to the Crop of the Mannar=goody Soubah, than it now bears to the Coro=mandel Soubah.

It is necessary I should briefly state the cause which led to this Encrease on the former price. In the year 1790, the Rajah appointed an Annuldar to the Mar=gargoody district, who, on taking charge of his office, proposed a measurement of the Country to be made, Suspecting it in all probability to be more productive than from the Amount produce given in, it was valued at. The Inhabitants hereon took the alarm, fearing I suppose, detection in the Accounts they had given in, of the Quantity of Land Cultiva=ted. The Annuldar persevering in his In=tentions, the Inhabitants almost to a Man fled the Country, and went to Negapatam, Tranquebar,

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Tranquebar, and Karical; the whole Cultiv-
-vation of the Soubah being thus at a stand,
/for they were absent above a Month/ the
Rajah was under the Necessity of giving them
Cowle, desiring their attendance at Tanjore, as
and assuring them that every cause of dis-
-content should be removed - They accordingly
returned and althó a valuable Season for the
Cultivation had passed away unemployed, as
yet by redoubled Exertions of Labor, and additional
assistance from the Circar, the ground was
tilled and planted, and a very good Crop was
produced.

The Rajah from Motives of Policy,
was obliged to conceal that resentment he
naturally felt at the Misconduct of this
Soubah, until the Harvest was got in, when
at the time of assizing the price of the
Crop, he taxed the Soubah with an addit-
-onal Eighth of a Fanam more than the
Soubah of Combaconum; before which year
the price between the two Districts had
from time immemorial been on a Par. -
The Inhabitants as may be supposed, so

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very Reluctantly acquiesced in the payment of this Demand, but there was no alternative and by some it was paid unwillingly, and from others it was taken on Compulsion

On the coming in of the present Crop, a Petition signed by the principal Inhabitants of the Mannargoody, was prepared and intended to be delivered in to me, but, on hearing of it, I gave them to understand, that any Relief it prayed for, should be most strenuously resisted by me, calling to their recollection, the present abundant Crop, and the high prices thereof, and desiring them to hold in Remembrance their present state of ease and prosperity, the many benefits bestowed and that had resulted to the Country at large, & all which they had experienced, in consequence of the Mild administration of the Company's Government - my admonition has the desired Effect, and I heard no more of the Petition

I am now given to understand that a Petition to the same purpose, is ready for presentment, so soon as the price shall be settled, for the great Crop, and I shall be

Certainly

certainly resist it on the same Ground. It is an impossibility, by any act of Kindness or forbearance to attach the Natives of this Country to the Government of it. It is the Study on the one part, how most effectually to swell the Revenue of the Country, and on the other part, how best to defeat that Intention, and even to withhold the just rights of the Government.

The Board seem to think that the Myaveram Soubah, should bear a price equal if not higher than the Combuconum Soubah. This never was the case, nor from their respective situations will it ever be the case. In respect to the advantage of its Export they are nearly on a Par. Last Combuconum has the preference to Myaveram from the Circumstance of its inland Consumption. The produce of Combuconum, is always in Demand from the Territory of the Nabob and the Neighbourhood of Tanjore, and at the Moment when it will there bring 4 fanams ℔ Cullum, the Inland price for the Myaveram Grain will be less by half a fanam ℔ Cullum.

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The prudence of the Incendy Districts
has always been more valuable than that of any
other Soubah in the Country, and is now in consider-
-able demand - I this day waited on Mr Ram, to
ask his opinion whether a higher price might
not reasonably be required from the Inhabitants
of his Division, than that which he had mentioned
to your Board, as being his purpose to fix, but
he informed me, that he would by no means
recommend an encrease thereon, having fixed it,
at as high a Rate as it would bear - I can only
now repeat, what I have before said, that
if your Board are of opinion the rates pro-
-posed by me for any Division are considered
as being too low, any additional Price that
is put thereon, will never be collected, unless
it bears that just proportion to the other
Division, which by the Established Custom
of the Country has ever been observed.

I have the honor to Remain,

Sir
Your most
obedient
Humble Servant
Signed Jas Strange Coll.r

Tanjore
25th March 1793

A true Copy
Signed John Read
Dep.y Sec.y

Received

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Resolved, for the reasons assigned by the Board of Revenue, that the prices as fixed by the Collector for the Sumboo and Pathareem Crops of the Eastern Division of the Tanjore Country, as detailed in his letter of the 12th. Ultimo, be approved and confirmed.

Resolutions thereon

Resolved that Mr. Strange be authorized to reimburse the expence incurred by his Assistant, while employed in the Petticotah District in dispatching Grain to the Presidency.

Read the following letter from the Deputy Adjutant General.

To W. C. Jackson Esq.
Secretary in the Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor to report to you the death of Captain Arthur Stewart late of the 25th. Battalion of Native Infantry which happened on the 28th. Ultimo at Trichinopoly.

From Deputy adjutant General proposing promotions in consequence of the death of Captain Arthur Stewart

Colonel Brathwaite recommends that the following promotions take place in consequence

Lieutenant Arthur Beale to be Captain — vice Stewart deceased date of Commission 1st. April 1793

Ensign

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Ensign James Colebrooke to be Lieutenant vice Beale promoted date of Commission 1. April 1793.—

Mr. Lettonara Cadet to be Ensign vice Colebrooke promoted date of Commission 1. April 1793.—

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I have the honor to be
&c &c.
(Signed) P. Agnew
Dep. Adj. Genl.

Ordered to be published

Resolved, that the promotions recommended in the foregoing letter, be published in General Orders.—

the Officer in Command of the Party stationed with the Tanjore Family ordered to join his Corps.—

It being no longer necessary to have an European Officer in Command of the party of Sepoys stationed with the family of the late Rajah of Tanjore. The President recommends that Lieutenant Thomas Everitt be ordered to join his Corps.—

Approved and ordered accordingly
Chas. Oakeley
W. Fallofield

Lt. Havemajor

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Diary

Received the undermentioned —

Letters Entered in C.C. Nos 63. 64. 65. —

Substance of a letter from the Nabob

From the Nabob advising of his payment of the first due the 1st Instant — Amounting to one Lac and fifty thousand — Pagodas. —

Ditto Ditto from the Rajah of Ramnad —

From Rajah of Ramnad — requesting the Removal of the Guard of Company's Sepoys allotted for the protection of Mootulah Pillah his late Dewan, and stating the impropriety of a Guard of his own people being placed over one of his own Servants. —

Ditto Ditto

From Ditto advising of arrival of his Vackeel Soobramaney Pillah under a Guard and of the payment of his Peshcush to Mr Landon for Fasly 1202. —

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Sent the undermentioned Letters

Entered in MB Nos 17. 18. 19. 20. —

To Military Paymaster Genl

To Military Paymaster Genl enclosing the Auditor Generals report on his Estimate for April and a Statement therein referred to

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To Clerk of the Treasury

To Clerk of the Treasury —

ordering an Advance of one Lac Eleven thousand two hundred and thirty nine — Pagodas twenty one Fanams and forty Cash for the Military Payments in April —

To Mr Bryden Assistant Surgeon

To Mr Bryden permitting him to visit the Presidency —

Mr J C Henderson Cadet

To Mr J C Henderson — prolonging his leave of absence at Bengal for three Months —

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in Mss. Nos 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26 —

From Secretary at Bengal

From Secretary at Bengal inclosing a Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board —

From Mr. Chase and Company —

From Mr. Chase &c — presenting a Bill for the Rent of the House occupied by the Tanjore Family, and requesting to resume possession when the Period for which it was engaged expires —

From Lieut. Shepherd —

From Deputy Judge Advocate North of the Kistna — inclosing a Letter addressed to him by Lieut. J. Pearse — containing reflections upon his Conduct

in

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4th in his official Capacity

From Captain S Baillee

From Captain S Baillee — respecting a Debt due to him from Lieut Emerson of the Kings Service —

From Commandant 4th

From Major Young — Regiment of Native Cavalry - shall — immediately pay Mr Cockburn's demand upon him for Grain —

From Vizagapatam with

From Vizagapatam — an Indent for Stores for the ensuing year. —

Dispatched the undermentioned

Letters entered in MB Nos 27. 28. 29. — 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41 42. 43. 44. 45. 40. 47. 48. 49. —

To Accountant General. —

To Accountant General — Military Charges to be credited for the Amount of Sir John Kennaway's advances for the Nizams Detachment. a Statement thereof will be applied for —

To Resident at Hydrabad

To Resident at Hydrabad — desiring the Statement above mentioned.

To Agent for purchasing

To Lieut Montgomery at Arcot. — Horses at Arcot. - desiring him to correspond with

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with Captain Dallas on the subject
of his last letter —

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal
with Copy of the Translate of the
Answer from the Court of Poonah
to various allegations advanced by
Tippoo —

To Garrison Store Keeper —

To Garrison Store Keeper
— the Company to sustain the loss —
arising by the payment for the
Rice issued to the Troops at the Bazar
Exchange —

To Military Auditor Genl —

To Military Auditor Genl
with the Board's orders in consequence
of Mr Vaughan's mode of calculating the
Amount of the Pay Abstracts of the
1st European Battalion — Lieut Colonel
Conyngham's Bill for Doolies &c
to be paid. He and Lieut Colonel
Smith to be allowed full Batta —

To Ditto

To Ditto — directing him
to send to Mr Brown a Copy of the
detailed Estimate Expence of the —
Nizam's Detachment, and to require
him

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Sum to bring up his Accounts without delay —

To Military Board

To Military Board thier arrangement for the supply and — charge of Coals in the Barrack Departments and the consequent Saving to the Public, very satisfactory. — Directions on the Subject, and respecting Measures to attain Officers of Colo Hayes's Regiment at Canatore as — Inspector of Stores for the Ceded Countries will be appointed — Lieut Henderson's Claim on account of Camp Equipage referred also a Letter from Messrs Roebuck and Abbot stating the Conditions on which they will resign their present Contract for Repairs.

To Military Auditor General

For Military Auditor General with Copy of the arrangements above mentioned — orders in consequence and for the Allowance of House Rent at Canatore —

To Lieutenants Clerk and Dyce

To Barrack Masters in the Northern and Southern Divisions — with Extract from the Military Boards report

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report regarding the Colts deficient to the Establishment and orders for supplying the same — their Bills for the Value of those stated to be in perfect repair and condition ordered to be paid.

To Lieutenants Wilks and Lapper

To Barrack master at the Presidency, and in the Centor Division — with similar Extracts and informing them that their Bills, as above, will be paid —

To Military Board

To Military Board — Estimates of repairing the Sewers &c. in Vellore to be procured, and the Commandants Quarters at Chingleput to be surveyed —

To Military Paymaster Genl.

To Military Paymaster General. the Amount due from the late Mr Sivewright to Mr Gahagan to be stopped in the manner proposed.

To Colonel Braithwaite

To Officer Commanding the Army advising of the orders sent to Lieut Colonel Baird for restoring to the Brahmins at Secunder Mallay all the Buildings belonging to them and for

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For quartering his Regiment to recommend an Inspector of Stores for the Ceded Countries — The dismounted Corps of Cavalry to be completed with Horses to the reduced Establishment, before any are distributed to the 2d and 3d Regiments.

To Officer Commanding the 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons. his application for House rent to certain Officers of his Corps admitted — that for the Company's allowance from the date of his Commission, will be referred to Bengal.

To Colonel Floyd Canatore —

To Captain Doveton

inclosing various Papers and desiring him to Communicate their Contents to Tippoo's Vackeels —

To Captain Doveton —

To Paymaster at Palamcotah

with direction for disposing of 27 Horses cast from the 3d Regiment of Cavalry —

To Paymaster at Palamcotah —

To Commandant at Rammad

To Colonel — Marting —

directing him to withdraw the Guards stationed in the old mud Fort of Tripavanum and in the Palace of Shevagunga —

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To Board of Revenue

To Board of Revenue advising of the preceding order. The Prices fixed by Mr. Strange for the Cumboo and Pychanum Crops in his Division, approved. Mr Grants Expences in [illegible] To Collector of Southern Pycharsh - Mr Hardy Assistant Surgeon to draw his Pay &c from the Paymaster at Madura -

To Acting Paymaster Tanjore

To Acting Paymaster at Tanjore, his Claim to reimbursement for the Expence of repairing the Paymasters House - in adirampatte -

To Lieut Colonel Cunyngham -

To Commandant of 1st European Battalion - advising of the Orders given to the Auditor General for paying the Arrears due on his Drumber Abstract and his Bill for Doolies &c -

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Received and sent the following Letters

Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Dear Sir,

From Lieut Colonel Maxwell advising of some irregularities committed by Ld Thomas Nairn Pulicatt and the Brother of the Nawab giving him suspended Motives thereto - recommendations -

Not thinking myself now perfectly authorized to address the Board

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Board, on matters, relative to the Tinnivelly Palygars, but at the same time, believing it essential, that the contents of the paper sent in this enclosure should be laid before you, I have taken the liberty of transmitting them, with a private letter.

You will observe that the conduct of several of the Polygars has been very reprehensible, a circumstance I cannot account for, except by supposing, that these people conceive Mr Lindsay has it in his power to alter my arrangements. a very natural idea for them to entertain, who / under the Nabobs Government / were constantly accustomed to see the acts of the predecessor in office set aside by the succeeding.

I trust that the Collector has been already instructed to consider all acts of mine in the Tinnivelly Country, that have met with the approbation

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approbation of Government, as valid and final; and that he will be directed to notify to the Polygars in general, that such is the case. His doing so will at once put a stop to all irregularities, which if allowed to go on, or to pass unpunished, may quickly cause a relapse into their former Anarchy and Confusion

The Villages of Mooliore and Arianoollum, were delivered over by me to the Ettiapooram Polygar, by authority — which, at the same time, was signified to Pandalamcourche, with strict injunctions for him not to attempt to obstruct the intentions of Government. I therefore hope his presumption will meet with a marked punishment — at all events, I trust that the Collector will be instructed to see their villages given again over to Ettiapooram, and that he be directed to protect him in the possession of them, should Pandalamcourche or Sooba Moony Pilly, His manager, prove

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refractory ordering surrender provided

they can be made prisoners by the Cavalry and 21st Battalion to the Polygars fort in the night every possible enquiry is observed —

The Audacious conduct of Puli Thaver merits a severe punishment when I delivered over to him the districts of Goodaloor and Panjore, he claimed the Village of Vyby as belonging to them. in order to ascertain the validity of his claim I directed the Head Cungos and several of the principal inhabitants to make — very possible enquiry respecting it when it appeared beyond a doubt that the Village had always belonged to — Shivagherry —

Shivalingum mentioned by Captain Dighton to have taken by force, the Management of Shattore, is brother to Sarveralingum, whom, with his family, Government has interdicted from employment in any of the Polygar Countries.

He undoubtedly was the cause of all the troubles amongst the western Polygars, and was either he, or any of his

connections

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connections allowed to remain at Shattore, a quarrel between that Polygar and the Shevagherry would be inevitable consequence

I am perfectly satisfied that all irregularities will cease the moment it is notified to the Polygars, that my arrangements are to be considered binding on them, and not liable to be set aside by the Collector. should I however be mistaken in that opinion, there is a sufficient force in the Immediate Country to enforce obedience to the orders of the Board, and to ensure tranquility over the whole district.

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I have the Honor to be with unfeigned respect &c &c

(signed) Hamilton Maxwell

Extract from a Letter from Captain Bannerman to Colonel Maxwell

Dear Sir

Some days ago I wrote you that the Managers of the Chiefs Polygar had come to inform me he was prevented taking possession of Mauliore, and that

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that he and the Guard of Company's Sepoys which you sent to see him established in the Village had been driven from the place by a body of Peons belonging to the Pandalam Country and Cadalgoody Poligars. This was so extraordinary a piece of information that I did not credit it, and wrote a note to Lieut Poole, who is stationed within about five miles of the Village requesting of him to go and see the Romans put up, and the Chiaporam People placed in possession, or if any real obstacles occurred to prevent the intentions of Government from being carried into effect, to make me acquainted as soon as possible, but on no account to use any coercive measures without receiving further orders. I received a letter from Lieut Poole, extract from which I now enclose for your information as Mr Landon had informed me that Mr Martin acted for him in this province I sent him the same extract from Poole's letter and directed the Chiaporam people to receive their further orders from the Collector that

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or if any measures have been taken in consequence I know not.

Three Extracts

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell

To Captain Bouser

Sir.

After your Compliments of sending me and six Sepoys for the purpose of protecting the Cultivation of Veley Village, and of cutting the ripe Tamarinds accordingly the Shwighery commenced telling the ground & sowing it in the day time. But the Pookitaren came at night to the ground which had been tilled and destroyed it all and in this manner he renders useless the Cultivation of Shwighery—

This day while the Shwighery people were employed in cutting ripe Tamarinds, there came about 40 or 50 People belonging to Pookitaren with three armed the Sepoys, snatched up their Bayonets, Pouches, Coats, and Turbans, and moreover carried away the whole of the ripe Tamarinds that had been cut, leaving

Their

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their noise I went with a few Sepoys, and released the others from them. Immediately after I sent two Sepoys to Pedetaven to know why he had taken possession to the cultivation of Uchoolum Collam upon which he made answer to the Sepoys that the Colonel had written and granted the Village to him, and told them that they belonged to Shwighurry and not to the Company - and whatever should be cultivated in the Village of Veley he would certainly take the produce -

I have sent you the same Sepoy who was sent away from Pedetaven he will inform you of the whole -

I will do nothing concerning the business of this place without your Orders and am waiting here with the Sepoys for further Commands from your honor -

Veley Village The Cadgaun from Cundapah - Narjaun of the Guard

A true Copy

(Signed) Halmilton Maxwell

Dear

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or if any measures have been taken in consequence I know not

A true Extract

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell

To Captain Bouser

Sir.

After your Compliments of sending me and Six Sepoys for the purpose of protecting the Cultivation of Veliy Village, and of cutting the ripe Tamarinds accordingly the Shunghurry commenced tilling the ground & sowing it in the day time, but the Poditaven came at night to the ground which had been tilled and destroyed it all and in this manner he renders useless the Cultivation of Shunghurry—

This day while the Shunghurry people were employed in cutting ripe Tamarinds there came about 40 or 50 People belonging to Poditaven with their Arms— like the Sepoys, and took up their Bayonets, Pouches, Coats, and Turbans, and moreover carried away the whole of the ripe Tamarinds that had been cut, leaving

their

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their noise I went with a few Sepoys, and released the others from them. Immediately after I sent two Sepoys to Pollitaven to know why he had taken possession to the cultivation of Uchoolum Collam upon which he made answer to the Sepoys that the Colonel had written and granted the Village to him, and told them that they belonged to Shivigherry and not to the Company - and whatever should be cultivated in the Village of Vilay he would certainly take the produce -

I have sent you the same Sepoy who was sent away from Pollitaven he will inform you of the whole -

I will do nothing concerning the business of this place without your Orders and am waiting here with the Sepoys for further Commands from your honor -

Vilay Village The Cadjans from Cundapah - Naigue of the Guard

A true Copy
Signed Hamilton Maxwell

Dear

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Dear Colonel

The Shutoor People that you left in the management of that Country came to Complain to me that Sardengum Petty Sahaderingum Pettys Brother had turned them out, and taken the management himself as I knew you had a particular Objection to this Family interfering with the Poligars and also from a perfect knowledge of their Character, I was convinced it was with no other view than again to involve them and the Shevagherry Poligar in a Quarrel. I thought it my duty for order to prevent Mischief among them, to send a Guard of Sepoys to take Sardingum Petty a prisoner; which they did, and had him in possession when he was rescued by about 200 Peons he had taken with him from Rajakpollam

After the great pains and trouble you have taken to instill notions of regularity among these people Its most heartily lamented should be in the power of so worthless a fellow to

those

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throw all again into Confusion which we must be ever be in dread of while they are at full liberty to go about the Country and practise their tricks—

Should you think to propose to a Foreign Government of the — danger, no doubt some measures will be taken, either to confine them or prohibit them from any — interference with the Zemindary — Poligars—

I shall always remain
&c &c
(Signed) C. Dighton

Shevelaghatore
24th March 1793—

A true Copy
(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell

Extract of a letter from Lieut Poole to Capt. Bannerman — dated Naglepore 13th March

Dear Bannerman,

I am this moment returned from the Village of Mavelliore, on my arrival at that place this morning. I was Surrounded by many thousand

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Thousand Pions well armed with Pikes and English Firelocks, on my informing them of the Business I was come about they told me very plainly that they would not molest me: but solemnly declared they would put to Death every man they saw belonging to Pittiaporam, that came there; and immediately went and took possession of the banks of a large Tank and loaded their guns, fully determined to attack the Pittiaporam Second Rajah who had accompanied me, within one mile of the place, not daring to venture nearer - on my reasoning with them on the bad consequences that would attend their rashness. they laughed at me, saying the Village was their own - they appeared so very formidable and willing to come to blows, that I thought it prudent to come away having only 15 Sepoys with me.

If it is absolutely necessary

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to send a Force it ought to Consist of a —
Battalion and a Troop or two of Cavalry.

A true Copy
(Signed) J Bannerman

To David Haliburton Esq.re
& Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

To Board of Revenue with directions on undersigned of the foregoing resolution

We understand that some of the Poligars of the Tinnivelly Province have shewn a disposition to divorce from the late Settlement made by Lieut Colonel Maxwell, respecting their Boundaries — and as this may probably have arisen in great measure from their not being yet fully sensible of our determination to support in the most effectual manner the Arrangements made by that Officer, We desire you will instruct Mr Landon to take the earliest opportunity of repeating our Intentions on this Head to the Poligars in general, and that we expect on pain of our severest displeasure, that every —

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very order given to them by Colonel Maxwell before his departure, be implicitly obeyed —

It will be proper also, to desire Mr Landon to guard against the Intrigues of Seemaliengum and his Connections, and if he has reason to suspect improper conduct in any of them, we would have the Party suspected immediately seized and put into Confinement —

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We are
&c &c
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
& Council

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis &c
Governor General in Council
at Fort William

To Bengal transmitting the Auditor Generals letter respecting the allowances drawn by the Paymasters to the Kings Regiments on the Establishment on the subject Cole Hoys claims to Company's Allowances from the date of his Commission issued at the War Office, referred. and a letter from Rajah of Tanjore inclosed —

My Lord,

Having referred to the Military — & Auditor General of this Presidency, the subject of Mr Sub Secretary Lumsdaine's Letter of the 14th January last to our Secretary, he has — addressed us a Letter, Copy of which with its enclosures we have the honor to transmit

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Transmits shewing the Allowances drawn on Account of the Paymasters of his Majestys Regiments serving on this Coast.

2 Your Lordship will observe that the Auditor has not confined himself in the Statement accompanying his Letter, to the Allowances to Paymasters, but has included other charges now paid by the Company, which he thinks ought to be defrayed out of the standing publick Allowances, drawn for, Monthly, half Yearly, or Yearly, in the Abstracts of Regiments, on the idea of its being your Lordships intention to regulate the Expences for the Kings Troops, upon that principle—

3 We request your Lordship will be pleased to inform us whether the opinions expressed by the Auditor are agreeable to your intentions, that we may give him our orders accordingly—

4 In consequence of the recommendation contained in your Lordships Letter of the 10th January last, we issued an order directing that "the Colonels of his Majesty's Service

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"service although not Colonels of Regiments should be
"on a footing of equality with Officers of the
"same rank in the service of the Company
"in all future distributions of Gratuity to
"the Field Officers serving on this Establishment"
upon which Colonel Floyd addressed us a
letter stating his claim to the Gratuity of
a Colonel from the date of his Commission
issued at the Select Officer but as it is a
standing rule in the Company's Service, that
in case of promotions or appointments, the
pay of the new Commission is to commence
only from the date of the general order
announcing it, which regulates also the
commencement of other allowances, we have
not thought proper to acquiesce in the
Colonels claim without your knowledge
sanction. especially as it appears from
your letter, that the principle upon which
you have granted the Gratuity of a Colonel
to his Majestys Officers of that rank
serving in India, is to put them on a
footing of equality with the Officers of the same

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5th same rank in the Service of the Honble Company.

5 For your Lordships more particular information in the above point we beg leave to refer you to the accompanying Copy of a letter from the Military Auditor General.—

6 We have the honor to inclose Copy of a letter lately received from the Rajah of Tanjore.—

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

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(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c Council.—

Sent letter to the Nabob entered in C.C. No 66 requesting him to furnish orders to his Managers in the Arcot Chittoor, Trichinopoly, Madura and Tinnivelly Districts to assist Mr Cockburns people in their purchases of Grain for the Cavalry—

substance of a letter to the Nabob

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59.—

To Accountant General—

To Accountant General—
inclosing

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inclosing a Letter from Sir John Kennaway with orders for preparing the Account with the Nizam agreeably to the remarks therein —

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal —

advising of the Record of the Military and Political proceedings of Government from 29th June to the 28 September 1792 being sent to Bengal on the Ships Bounty a List of the Packet inclosed —

To Ditto

To Ditto forwarding a Letter from the Viscount addressed to the Marquis Cornwallis —

To Resident at Cuddalore and Commandant at Tinivanapoly —

To Resident at Cuddalore and Commandant at Tinivanapoly informing them of the intention of the Nizams Vackuls to proceed thither, and desiring them to shew the Civilities usually paid to persons in that Character —

To Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions approving his employment of the additional Servants for his Office —

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General notifying the above —

To

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To Ditto

To Ditto informing him that the paymaster at Angole is in future to pay the daily Subsistence of Ale Saheb in — confinement at that place —

To Commandant at Angole

To Commandant at Angole — advising thereof —

To Major Shaw- son at Tachinore

To Ditto of 3d Regiment of Cavalry - Lieutenant Pagons Bill for two hundred Pagodas ordered to be paid - and — desiring to deliver over to the Paymaster at Palamcotah the horses lately sent from his Regiment.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General with orders to discharge the Bill above — mentioned - and to direct the Paymaster at Madura to pay Mr Steddy Assistant Surgeon his Monthly allowances —

Recd the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB Nos 60, 61, 62, 63 64 65, 66, 67 —

From Secretary at Bengal —

From Secretary at Bengal enclosing Letters for Mons Lescallier and Colonel Chermont to be forwarded to Pondicherry —

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From Commissary General of Grain & Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions on the subject of laying up Six Months Store of Paddy at Madura and thirty Garce at Palamcotah and proposing that it be furnished by the Nabob—

From Military Board

From Military Board—submitting Colonel Gulo's report proof of the Gunpowder ordered from Trichinopoly and Copies of others received from thence - measures in consequence of the difference between them—

From Colonel Brathwaite

From Officer Commanding the Army - acknowledging the receipt of letters, will hereafter state his sentiments respecting the Boramhal Country—objections - to employing Native Cavalier, in the Hill Forts - recommends Cornet J Maclean for the Assistantcy vacated by Cornet C. Dallas - and encloses a letter from Ensign Norris of the Engineers—

From Military Storekeeper

From Military Storekeeper has furnished the Military Board with the Annual Statement required by the Honble Board—

From

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From Commandant at Sheva-
laporo

Salapore respecting Cloathing and Waff — mounting for the Company under his command

From Commandant at Seeunder-
Malley

From Lieut Colonel Baird 71st Regiment

Malley in reply to the Nabob's Complaining of the Violences committed by a party of his Europeans at the Pagoda of Seeunder Malley —

From Ditto at Trichinopoly.

From Commandant at Trichinopoly

with another letter from Lieut Colonel Baird on the Subject —

6th Received the following Letter

from Masulipatam —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council

Fort St George

From Masulipatam inclosing Estimates of repairs required to the civil and Military Buildings at that Factory & other papers on the subject & observations

Honble Sir & Sirs,

With our Address of the 1st November last we had the honor of inclosing Estimates for the Repair of the Publick Buildings in the several out Garrisons, in which we also informed you that the Buildings in this Garrison were not included therein. We have now the honor of inclosing Copy of a Letter from the Committee of Works at this place,

as

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as well as of the Estimates and Engineer's
Minute thereon referred to. by which you
will observe, that the expence necessary for
for putting the Buildings allotted for the
accommodation of the Company's Civil
Servants, and other Publick Buildings in
a proper State of Repair is estimated at
Madras Pagodas 3054. 43. 67, and that
for the Military Quarters and Buildings at
St Thomas 4,905. 30. 62 exclusive of other
Repairs proposed to be made under the
inspection of the Engineer, by the Workmen
kept in Monthly Pay —

This expence may appear
considerable, and yet it does not appear to
us, that any thing unnecessary is included
therein, the Factory House and other
allotted for the accommodation of the
Company's Civil Servants, are of course
necessary to be kept in repair, and
these being mostly constructed of Wood,
require constant attention, without
which the expence to the Company
becomes greater than it otherwise
would have been, if the Repairs had
been

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6th been made in time as by the existing
Regulations, no Repairs can be undertaken
without previous reference to your Honor
& they some times come to be too long
deferred. whereas if occasional Repairs to
a certain extent were to be allowed of
as formerly, we are persuaded that it
would ultimately be a saving of
expence—

Altho' the repair of all the
Military Buildings may be considered —
necessary, yet there are some which we
shall mention more particularly. From
the quantity of Military Stores constantly
lodged in this Arsenal, it is essentially
necessary, in our opinion, that it should
always be preserved in a proper state
of repair. The Arsenal is a Brick —
Building, originally erected by the French
and has hitherto cost the Company but
little expence; but the terraced roof is
now represented to be so much damaged
and the joists so much decayed, that
there seems to be a risk of its falling
in, if not speedily attended to; by which

means

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means the whole Building would of course be rendered useless. The officers Barracks is a Range of Brick Buildings lately erected by the Company at a considerable expence, and the estimate for the repairs at present recommended, is not considerable tho' it may be a necessary means for preserving them. The Soldiers Barracks and Hospital are also Buildings originally erected by the Company as well as two Ranges of Barracks for Sepoys, which if properly attended to, may last for many years, and must be considered essential to be kept up, but if they do not receive the necessary repairs in time they may probably soon go to decay—

Of the other Buildings for the repair of which, Estimates have been given in, are less valuable in themselves, they are also essential to a Garrison, and we shall take the — liberty of observing that the Salt air of this place, has so much effect upon Bricks, that if they become at all

exposed

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exposed to the weather, they decay immediately,
a circumstance which makes it necessary —
that the Chunam Plaister should be —
constantly preserved, and a Latitude given
for this purpose —

Your honor &c will observe
what the Engineer has mentioned regarding
the present State of the Pavilion at the
Company's Gardens, which serves for the
publick Cutcherry. The walls of this Building
being mud only it has already cost more
expence in repair, than if a durable —
Building had at first been erected. It is
at present in so ruinous a state, and a —
Building so essentially necessary in itself,
that we take the liberty of recommending
its being pulled down and another built
upon the Plan proposed by the Engineer,
but at any rate, if this should not be
approved, some thing must be done to
render it weather proof, and making it
answer the purpose for which it is —
employed, there being no other Building
which can be appropriated to the same
use —

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The repair of the Wells and
Pipes by which water is conveyed from
the Pettah to a nearer distance from the
Fort and what the Engineer has further
represented may be done by the 24
Workmen already paid by the Company
we shall give our Sanction to, as not
being very material in regard to expence

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We have the honor to be
&c &c &c
Signed Jas Sadler
Wm Dobbyn
Andw Scott

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Received the undermentioned
Letters Entered in Mlls Nos 68. 69. 70. 71.
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From Mr J Munro
Assistant Surgeon

From Mr James Munro requesting
leave to go to the Cape and Countreally to
Europe —

From Resident at Hyderabad
Resident at Hyderabad

advising of the Nizams appointments of
Seyd Ud Dowlah and Meer Mustafa —
Khan to settle with Appahoo's Vackeels. —
concerning the Rumnaud Peshcush —

From Lieut W Brown
of the Bombay Establishment

From Lieut W Brown advising
of

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of his Arrival at Palamcotah with his party
of Bombay Sepoys

From Resident at Nagore —

From Resident at Nagore

advising of an Increased Rent being required
for the House at Negapatam occupied by the
Royal Artillery, recommends that it be granted —

Petition of Butchoo Tombee

Petition of Butchoo Tombee Chetty —

Chetty praying to receive payment for some
Ground taken by the Company in 1781. —

At a Consultation

Present

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor — President

Tuesday 9th April 1793.

Lond William Talbot Esqr

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved —

The President lays before
the Board the following Translations of —
Munshoors from Tippoo Sultaun to Hes
Vackeels —

Translation — Copy of Extracts from the
Munshoors of Tippoo Sultaun addressed to
Golam Ale Khan and Alle Reza Khan —

From Tippoo to his Vackeels — The Elephants have been forwarded to Rygautcherry — his Troops have taken long marches with Cannon from Cheka desires that the Karnical Peshcush may be adjusted — Complaints of the delay in passing Cowles for the Rice sent to the Rajah of Tegam & Marattas — his Intentions in consequence

Now wrote that four Elephants
belonging

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"belonging to the English Company were going
"from the Durbar of the Hyder Sirkar to
"Palacautchery, but that the people of the
"Sirkar prevented, and would not allow them
"to proceed" I understand this — before the
receipt of your Arzdasht upon hearing
the above circumstance, the strictest
injunctions were dispatched to the Faloukdar
of Coimbitoor, to furnish an Escort for
the said Elephants, and to forward them to
the place of their destination, and in future
also, by no means to prevent or interrupt
the passage of people belonging to the
Sirkar of the English Company through
their Districts." — By the Blessing of God
one authority is over the two Sirkar, and
in such matters no interruption shall
take place on the part of the Servants to
the Hyder Sirkar. Acquaint the
Governor Bahadre, that the Faloukdars
having acted in this affair thro' ignorance,
he should not think more of it. —

I understand what you
write that the Faloukdar of Mauka has not
yet been surrendered to the Sirkar of

Asuf

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Assuff Jah Bahadre — Let it be inquired from other quarters, how many months have elapsed since the garrison of the Sirkar has been removed from Mochaa. If the people of the Sirkar of Assuff Jah do not come and remain there, whose fault is it.[2]

At the time of the division of the Shares of Half the Country to the three Sirkars, it was my desire that the sum of two Lacks of Rupies yearly, being the Peishcush from Kurnoul, should be included in the share of the Sirkar of Assuff Jah upon which, Dilawar Jung Bahadre / Sir John Kennaway Bt. / and the other Vackeels of the three Sirkars observed — "our business relates "to the share of Country, and we have "no business with the Peishcush of Kurnoul. "you and the Zemindar of Kurnoul know "about that, keep it therefore in your own "share" —

After the settlement of affairs a Person of consequence was sent from the Shamiee Sirkar to the late — Nunnuet Khan Bahadre, in order to collect the Peishcush. The said Khan

advanced

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"belonging to the English Company were going
"from the Serkar of the Hyder Serkar to
"Palacautcherry, but that the people of the
"Serkar prevented and would not allow them
"to proceed" I understand this before the
receipt of your Arzdasht upon hearing
the above circumstance, the strictest
injunctions were dispatched to the Faloukdar
of Coimbetoor, to furnish an Escort for
the said Elephants, and to forward them to
the place of their destination, and in future
also, by no means to prevent or interrupt
the passage of people belonging to the
Serkar of the English Company through
their Districts." By the Blessing of God
one authority is over the two Serkar, and
in such matters no interruption shall
take place on the part of the Servants
of the Hyder Serkar. Acquaint the
Governor Bahadre, that the Faloukdars
having acted in this affair thro' ignorance,
he should not think more of it.

I understand what you
write that the Faloukdar of Mocha has not
yet been surrendered to the Serkar of

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Asuff Jah Bahadre — Let it be required from other quarters, how many months have elapsed since the garrison of the Sirkar has been removed from Mochaz & the people of the Sirkar of Asuff Jah do not come and remain there, whose fault is it?

At the time of the division of the Shares of Half the Country to the three Sirkars, it was my desire that the sum of two Lacks of Rupies yearly, being the Peishcush from Kurnool, should be included in the share of the Sirkar of Asuff Jah — upon which Dilawer Jung Bahadre / Sir John Kennaway Bt. / and the other Vackeels of the three Sirkars observed — "our business relates "to the share of Country, and we have "no business with the Peishcush of Kurnool. "you and the Zemindar of Kurnool know "about that, keep it therefore in your own "share" —

After the settlement of affairs a Person of consequence was sent from the Shamiah Sirkar to the late — Kummur ul Khan Bahadre, in order to collect the Peishcush. The said Khan

detained

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detained the deputed Person with him, and en-
gaged, that he would discharge the balance
of Peishcush, part of the same having been
formerly remitted by the Sircar, and that in
future no delay should happen on his part.
Suddenly Rummuck Khan Bahadre died
during his own life known, and in the
presence of many people of consequence, of the
inhabitants of his Zemauts, and also of his
own relations, the said Khan appointed
his Son Allieff Khan in his place, and
declared to him his will that he should
pay the Balance of Peishcush due to the
Shamede Sirkar, and in future be careful
in the discharge of the Peishcush, and of
his obedience to the Sirkar, you will
learn the particulars of this from the
Copy of the Nishan which is enclosed

* A writing signed by a number of People in order to ratify some circumstance

The said Allieff Khan having
succeeded his Father kept with him the Person
deputed by the Shamede Sirkar, and was
adjusting the Accounts of the Peishcush, when
from the Sirkar of Ramgerry Jah Bahadre
an Army being appointed for Ayne
Khan, son of the deceased Rummuck Khan

moved

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moved towards Kurnool with purpose to contend with Asuff Khan. In consequence of these transactions Asuff Khan Bahadre says "In the event of troubles and disturbances without cause, how can the payment of the money to the Sirkar / Khamude / be accomplished— by all means it is necessary to dispatch these troubles— I am ready on the discharge of the Peishcush, and in my obedience to the Sirkar, conformably to the last will and injunctions of my Father."

It is incumbent that you, who know the business of Kurnool from the beginning, and third whose means and knowledge every thing was transacted at the settlement of the Peace, represent this affair to the Governor Bahadre, and write to Lord Cornwallis Bahadre, whatever is proper to be written on the occasion; so that the contentions respecting Kurnool may cease, and that the servants of the Sirkar of Asuff Jah may not grant assistance, contrary to Engagement, lest differences should arise between us.—

Previous to this you have been

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been repeatedly informed of the Nists having been sent to both Parties, of the delays and excuses of the Servants on the Coorders respecting the receiving the same, and the giving Receipts with the Seals and signatures of the Nawab Rowjee Jah, and Dreamunt Bahadre. The cause of these excuses, and delays I do not comprehend. You know when all the Persons employed by their own Sirkars were assembled in one spot, that after paying the half of the Money at Seringapatam, notwithstanding that Lord Cornwallis was himself present, in what manner delays, excuses, and contentions were then brought forward, respecting the receiving the receipts of the Sirkar of the English Company the receipts from the other Sirkars were not obtained until a considerable time had elapsed, and after many conversations on the subject, although Dilawer Jung Bahadre & Sir John Kennaway Bart. interested himself in procuring them from the Allied Sirkars. Consider then that Lord Cornwallis is at

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at present in Bengal, and each in his —
respective Place, what excuses they have made
and will make — The Rest for the Sirkar
of Serunut Bahadre was forwarded to
Darwar according to Engagement in the
month of Rubeeul awul, — and until this
time, which is about five or six Months
no receipt has been obtained — In like
manner it is some Months since the 1
Kist for the Sirkar of Rouff Jah Bahadre
was sent to the Circar — that business
also is not yet settled —

Conceiving it improper
that delays should so often be made —
respecting the granting receipts, altho' the
money should be paid, and thus become
the cause of uneasiness; and having —
fixed my attention upon the due —
performance of Engagement, which by all
means will afford me ease and leisure
I am desirous that the Kists for the three
Sorkars, and also the 1 Kist for the Sirkar
of Rouff Jah being remanded, the whole
be sent at once to Visiapatnam — so that
in the same manner that Peace between

the

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the Dubar was established through the
means of Lord Cornwallis. The Money of the
Kists also, without pains and uneasiness
may, by means of the Servants of the
Dubar of the English Company, be
delivered to the Allied Sirkars, and their
Receipts obtained—

With this view the second
Kists for the three Sirkars have been
forwarded to Bangalore — It is necessary
that you represent this matter to the
Governor Bahadur, and write without
delay, so that the money may be sent
from Bangalore to Kishnagherry— The
second Kist being thus settled in like
manner the third Kists also shall be
forwarded to Kishnagherry.—

A true Translation
(Signed) Gabriel Doveton

Translation Copy of a Part of a Mumohoor
from Tippoo Sultaun / addressed to Golaum
Ale Khan and Ale Reza Khan / dated the 22
Shabaan Reg 1207.—

From Tippoo has
sent a force and
furnished the
Zemindar of
Anagoondy as
stopped by Henry
Ram Pundet.

Some time ago I was written
to

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To Hurry Ram Pundit Perkia Bahadre, that
from the day of the conclusion of the war
until the present time, about two Months.
the Zemundar of Anagoondy under the
auspices of the Polookdars of Seremunt
Bahadre, has been destroying and laying
waste the whole country in that quarter — In the Treaty of Peace it is written
that no protection is to be given to —
plunderers and robbers.

Hurry Ram Pundit in
answer to the above said. "That no protection
was given by him to plunderers — and that
the Shamede Sirkar should send a force
and punish the offenders" — In consequence
of this a small force was detached in —
order to chastise them, which having
arrived at the place above named, punished
in the most exemplary manner, the whole
of these plunderers — Among them were —
nearly two thousand horse belonging to
Purseram Pundit who were engaged with
the Plunderers, and who likewise met
with the most exemplary punishment —

In the Treaty of Peace
it

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It is agreed that protection shall not be given to plunderers and Robbers. Therefore whenever the Talookdars of Sirnmunt Bahaire join with such in order to destroy the Country of the Ahamade Sirkar, themselves receive chastisement.—

It is necessary that you consider this business well, what appearance it bears and what has happened — It is proper that you explain it particularly to the Governor Bahaire, and give his Lordship information thereof.—

A true Translation
(Signed) Gabriel Doveton

Ordered that Copies be sent to Bengal and to the Resident at Hyderabad and Poona —

Read the following Letter from Sir John Kennaway —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council
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from Resident at Hyderabad with advice of a bill drawn by the Nizams Minister on the Government for 15000 Rupees for the payment of the Elephants purchased at Madras.

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you

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you that Azem ul Omra has granted a Draft on you / copy of which is inclosed / for fifteen thousand Arcot Rupees, to be paid out of the balance due to the — Nizam on account of the Peishcush for the Fusseily year 1200 ending in September 1791, in favor of a Merchant named Meer Mungho who has — purchased twenty one Elephants at Madras for his Highness, which I beg leave to request may be duly honored

I have the honor to be

Hyderabad
15th February 1793

&c &c.
/Signed/ John Kennaway

Translation of a Letter from the Nawab Azem ul Omra the Minister of the Nizam addressed to the Governor of Madras —

Not dated Recd 9th April 1793.

An order has been given on you to Meer Mungho a Merchant for Fifteen — thousand Rupees in part of the fixed Rist of the Peishcush for the year 1200 of the Circars of Chicacole, & which sum is for the purchase of twenty one Elephants for the use of the Circars — You will please to

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to pay the abovementioned sum, taking a
receipt under the signature and seal of the
abovementioned person for the same — and this
with the present letter will be the Vouchers
for taking credit for the amount in the
payment of the Pishcush —

A true Translation
(Signed) David Haliburton
Persian Tran.r

Orders in consequence

Ordered that the amount in
Gold at the Company's regulated Exchange
be advanced from the Treasury to Sheer
Mungho, upon his giving a receipt in the
manner mentioned in the Draft, and that
the amount be carried to the debit of the
Nizam on account of the Pishcush for
the Fasly Year 1200 ending in September
1791, agreeably to the request of Sir John
Kennaway —

Ordered that the accountant
General be informed of the above —

Read the following Letter
from Manelpatam, with Enclosures
in Nos 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78 —

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Masulipatam offering further arguments on the expediency of keeping up the Nundue Corps in that District — Letters from Colonel Fraser and the Collectors on the subject enclosed

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letters of the 4th and 12th Instant, the former of which enclosing Bill of Lading of Military Stores shipped for this Place —

We are concerned that the reasons which we urged for increasing the Military force in this District, beyond what is allotted for it by the late orders, should not have proved satisfactory.

We are conscious ourselves of never having employed, or having had a desire to employ, Troops where the Publick Service did not appear to us to require it, either for the preservation of the internal Peace of the District, or Security of the Revenue. It is to be hoped that a time will arrive when the Natives will be so thoroughly Civilized that Troops will not be requisite for those purposes

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purposes, but we apprehend that a considerable change in the habits and manners of the Inhabitants in general, and Moorsah Peons in particular, must take place, before the means hitherto employed can be entirely dispensed with, and that the removing the usual restraints without establishing some thing equivalent in the room thereof, may in some instances revive that kind of anarchy, which frequently breaks out within the Company's Districts, & prevails almost constantly in the Neighbouring Districts dependant on the Nizam, when there is not a sufficient force to curb it.

Since the receipt of your letter of the 12th Instant, we received one from Colonel Fraser informing us of the arrival of the last Division of the 11th Native Battalion at Ellore, and requesting to know whether any reply had been received from your Honor &c to the reference made, at his recommendation, for permitting the 1st/ Battalion to remain in this District. Not having received

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received an answer to our letter of the 8th in which Copy of that from Colonel Fraser went enclosed we immediately acquainted him, that we had no authority, and could not take upon ourselves to impede the March of the 87th Battalion which we conclude will have marched of course, from Allone towards the Place of its destination—

On the 24th Instant, we received a letter from Colonel Fraser, inclosing the Plan proposed by him for the Destruction of the force left in the District, Copies of which we inclose as well as a Copy of our Answer thereto. You will observe, that altho we did not offer any objection to the principle of Colonel Frasers Plan, yet we took occasion to remark, that we thought considerable inconveniences might arise by leaving this Pettah entirely without Troops, and withdrawing the Detachment from Coringa, as also the Sepoys employed under the Collectors, and in other purposes of Revenue. to this Colonel Fraser having again replied, we likewise enclose a Copy of that Letter—

We

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We admit that according to the Distribution proposed by Colonel Fraser, he has attended as far as might be in his Power to the importance of the different Military Stations, but according to this Plan of Arrangement there will not be a single guard left for Revenue or any other occasional purpose. The inclosed Copies of Letters from Messrs Sadler, Scott and Savage — Mr Gambier's Assistants, will shew that those Gentlemen consider the use of Sepoys as absolutely necessary for the security of the Revenue intrusted to their immediate care, and for our own part, we take the liberty of — mentioning, that we are seriously — apprehensive it may neither be in our Power to preserve the Peace of the Country, or to secure the Revenue, if we have it not in our power to employ Military Assistance, or some other, equivalent Means. The common Village Peons are by no means calculated to answer all the purposes of Revenue

for

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for being Natives of the Districts where they are employed, instances but too often happen of their conniving at the tricks of the Inhabitants. The Purrus-hing-Renters and Zemindars occasionally with Sibbendy belonging to the Company, appears to us greatly preferable to affording them a pretext for keeping up an Establishment of Armed People of their own, a necessity which they must otherwise be driven to, and which we have endeavoured as much as possible to discourage; and even the Collectors, if deprived of that Assistance which they have hitherto had of Revenue Sepoys, must we conceive be allowed to substitute some other description of Men in their room—

It is as far from our inclination as it is contrary to our duty in any way to impede Your determinations but it is also our duty to acquaint you when we apprehend any change of System, may be productive of consequences detrimental to the trust reposed in us. Difficulties arise at all times in the Collection

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Collection of the Revenue, and preserving
internal quiet. But these we are re-
sensible must increase, if we are re-
deprived of any of that assistance which
we have hitherto had. Colonel Fraser
informs us that the Revenue Corps are
not to be disbanded until the re-
remainder of the Invalids arrive, which
we hope may admit of time for our
receiving an answer to this letter, as the
discharging them immediately might
be to abandon the Corps in several
Places where part of those Troops are at
present necessarily employed.—

We are sensible that—a
Revenue Corps are unfit for many
Military Services, but the employing a
Regular Troops on Revenue duties is also
destructive of that discipline which they
ought to possess, besides which Martial
Law is but ill calculated for restraining
Troops employed in that manner. Corps of
Silhendy Peons formed in the manner
pointed out in our letters to the Board
of Revenue, would answer all the purposes
we

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we have at present in view, and need not be considered as forming any part of the Military Establishment of the Company, but as set apart for Revenue and other occasional Services, where Military Aid can be dispensed with, and subject to such orders and Regulations as Government may from time to time think necessary. The allotting a few Invalid Commissioned and non Commissioned Officers to act with those People, would be no additional expence to the Establishment, and might tend to preserve more order amongst them.

We have already stated it as our opinion to the Board of Revenue, that 1000 Peons of this kind are necessary for this District, including the Guntoor Circar, and which we are persuaded ourselves, would ultimately be a saving instead of an Expence to the Company.

We must apologize for troubling you again on this Subject, which we have only been led to do, by what appears to ourselves the absolute necessity of the case, and with therefore we trust

be

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be found to merit your excuse, as the
subject of this letter relates in many
particulars to the business of Revenue, some
part of it might have been addressed to
that Board, which we have not omitted to
do from any inattention to them, but
because it appears to us, the less material,
as we have already written them fully
on the same subject, and as it rests of
course with your Honor & to urge this
letter to that Board, for any further
opinion you may deem necessary—

We have the Honor to be
very Respectfully
Anth Sadlier
Wm Dobbyn
Andw Scott

Masulipatam
29th March 1793.

Resolved, that the following
answer be returned—

To Anthony Sadlier Esq.re
Chief & Council of
Masulepatam

To Dated in
answer—

Gentlemen,

We have received your letters
of

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of the 8th and 29th ultimo. which we have carefully perused together with the correspondence that has passed between your Board and Colonel Fraser on the subject of our orders for disbanding the Nuvvus troops.

The doubts you express as to the sufficiency of your Military force, — chiefly relate to the Nuvvus, but we — confess it does not appear to us that there is any just ground for apprehension on this head. From the reports made to you by the different Havildy Collectors we perceive in what manner the Nuvvus troops are disposed of, and the — observation confirms us in the opinion we have long entertained, that the employment of them must be hurtful and oppressive in a much greater degree than it can be beneficial. By the account received from Cuddapah we find that the proportion of the troops allotted to him is scattered in numerous parties

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parties among the Villages, where it is impossible
they can be under any regular controul, and
where from the smallness of these detach-
ments (some consisting of 3. 2. and even 1
Sepoy) it is not likely that they should be
of any service whatever to the Revenue —

The more we reflect on
the subject, the more we are convinced —
that the Authority of a Collector cannot
require this species of support, and that
Renters and Zemindars ought not upon
any account to be furnished by the —
Company with armed people to assist —
them in their management — Common Peons
are in our opinion the only Instruments
that should be employed for the ordinary
purposes of Collection, and whenever, —
from extraordinary resistance or other
causes it becomes absolutely necessary
to use Force, such Force should be —
required from the first stations, and —
employed under the direction of an —
European Officer. This course is the most

most natural, and we conceive the most likely to afford satisfaction to all who are concerned in the management of — Revenues, whether as Superintendants or subordinate agents.—

Having said thus much, we have only to repeat our former — Instructions on the subject of the Revenue Corps, with respect to the substitute you propose of a thousand Peons under the — Command of Invalid Commissioned and non Commissioned Officers: we think this plan would in effect be liable to the same objections as the Revenue Corps, with the additional Inconvenience of them not being subject to Martial Law, which certainly operates as some check upon the behaviour of the Revenue Troops — Zemendars and Renters have no claim upon us for Military Assistance in their Collections, nor ought our administration to interpose its authority but on urgent Occasions and when the Instruments employed for this

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this purpose are altogether under the Controul of the superintending Power

For the Purpose of taking care of the Cash and Papers at the respective Cutcheries, a Naigues guard of regular Sepoys may be allowed, but this is on no account to be employed on any other Service. —

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We are
Gentlemen &c &c
Signed Charles Oakeley
&c Council.

Read the following Letter from Major General Sir Robert Abercromby K.B.
The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
President &c in Council
Fort St George

From Sir Robert Abercromby advising of his appointment of Mr Farmer a temporary Superintendent and chief magistrate of the Province of Malabar

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have appointed William Garnault Farmer Esqr temporary Superintendent and chief Magestrate of the Province of Malabar, and have directed him to assume the executive Government of

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at the termination of the present commission,
and during its continuance to act under the
orders of the Commissioners —

In consequence of his —
appointment the Commission for settling the
ceded countries under the Government of Bombay
consists of

Jonathan Duncan Esqre
William Page Esqre
Charles Boddam Esqre and
Major Alexander Dirom

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Rob. Abercromby

Read the following proceedings
of the Hospital Board —

Hospital Board
8th April 1793

The Hospital Board
have the Honor to forward
to Government an Applic-
ation from Mr Munro
Assistant Surgeon —
requesting permission to

Calicut
13th March 1793

From Hospital Board dt 8th Inst
a Assistant Surgeon Munro
requests leave to go
to the Cape and
eventually to England
Mr Robertson proposed
to be attached to 2d
European Regiment
vice Dunbar —

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Approved—

to proceed to the Cape, or
eventually to Europe for
the re-establishment of
his health: and that
he may be indulged
with 6 Months pay in
advance to enable him
to undertake the Voyage.

As the Hospital
Board are witness to
the situation of Mr
Munro's health, and
sensible that a continuance
in this Climate must
prove fatal to him, they
recommend that his
request be complied
with, and that Government
will be pleased to recommend
to the Honble Court of
Directors that he be
permitted to return to
the

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The service without pre-
judice to his Rank, should
his health permit him
to claim the Indulgence.

The Head Surgeon
with the Nizams Detachment
having reported the
Arrival of Mr Anderson
Assistant Surgeon who
accompanied the Artillery
Drafts under charge
of Captain Reid, the
Hospital Board recom-
-mend that he be ap-
-pointed to do duty with
the 2 Regiments of
European Infantry
vice Dunbar

Approved

(Signed) Jas Anderson
Physician General
" Colby L. Lucas
" W. Raine
Head Surgeon
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Read the following Letter from

Mr Secretary Day —

To W. C. Jackson Esqre

Secretary

at

Fort St George

From Secretary at Bengal desiring information upon a question submitted by a Bengal Pundit regarding the death of the present Rajah of Tanjore and his mother —

Sir

In a Letter which was written on the 11th Ultimo to your Government by the Governor General in Council they were informed that his Lordship without mentioning the Names of the parties, would refer upon learned Pundits in this place, and at Benares, for answers to the substance of the Questions that were put to the Pundits at Tanjore after the death of the late Rajah & this has accordingly been done, but one of the principal Pundits, to whom the Reference was made, has desired some information which I am instructed to request that you will be so good as to send to me, previous to his delivering his opinion. The Question is submitted

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submitted in the inclosed Translation of a
note from the Pundit to Mr Cherry, which
you are desired to lay before the —
Governor in Council at Fort St. George.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
Signed/ C Stacy
Secy to the Govr

Fort William
18th March 1793

From Rada Caunt Furkabarrgue
to Mr Cherry

Recvd 15th March 1793

You have asked a Question —
whether any Rajah during the life of an
illegitimate Brother, can adopt any —
distant relation to the prejudice of the
said Brother, but you have not informed
me of what sect is the Rajah or the
Mother of the illegitimate Brother.
The opinions from the Shastas must
be delivered having due Consideration
to the Sect of the Parties in all cases,
I therefore request to be favored with
the name of the Sect to which the —
Rajah

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Rajah and the Mother of the illegitimate Brother belong. Dated 3 Chuy to 1200 to 13th March 1793—

A true Translation

(Signed) J. L. Cherry P.T.

A true Copy

(Signed) C. Bayley Secy to the Govt

Agreed that a Copy of the enclosure be sent to the Reverend Mr Swartz with directions to obtain the information required by the Bengal Pundit—

Minute thereon

Read the following letter from Bombay—

To William Collins Jackson Esqre

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir,

Sam Secretary at Bombay communicating advisement intelligence from Europe received via Bussora

I am directed by the President in Council to enclose you for the information of the Government at Fort St. George an Extract of a Letter just received from Bussora containing some recent intelligence from Europe—

I have the honor to be, &c &c

(Signed) John Mansell Secy

Bombay Castle
23d March 1793—

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Extract of a Letter from the Resident and Factor at
Bussora, dated the 15th February 1793.

We have determined to —
"employ an express Boat to Muscat in order to
"transmit to the Honble the President, the —
"English news Papers to the 25th October, and to
"communicate to you the following Extracts
"from private Letters to the Resident dated
"London the 10th October and 13th November, and
"Aleppo the 20th January —

October the 10th the combined
"Armies, under the Command of the Duke of
"Brunswick have been from a long continu-
-ance of wet weather, and a want of provisions,
"under the necessity of retreating back to the
"Frontiers: this circumstance have indeed the
"French to exult in the same manner as if
"they had gained a compleat victory. they have
"marched into Savoy and attacked some of
"the sea Towns with success, there —
"Government as a compleat Republic, and
"this sudden and unexpected turn of
Affairs leads the Generality of People to
believe

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"believe that the Royal Party is undone all
"France is in Arms."—

"November the 13th the Affairs
"on the Continent seem to be taking a very
"unfavorable Turn for the Permanency of
"Monarchical Governments. The French since
"the retreat of the combined Armies, have
"carried all before them, and to judge from
"the present Appearances, it is to be feared
"the Emperor will soon be stripped of his
"Dominions in Flanders. The republican
"principles are gaining Ground on the
"Continents of Europe very rapidly and the
"numerous French Armies now invading
"Germany, Flanders and Italy threaten the
"dissolution of many old Governments. we
"shortly may expect a succession of great ev-
"ents from this new order of things whether
"mankind will be benefitted by them, —
"time alone can prove."

"We have just received the
"Intelligence of the total Defeat of the —
"Austrian Army before Mons by the French
which

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"which victory it is supposed will put them
"in Possession of all the Low Countries
"belonging to the House of Austria"

"January 26th By the Arrival
"of Captain Moretti Commander of a
"venetian Ship at Leandroon from Leghorn
"we have Letters here from that Place,
"dated the 13th of December and Gazettes
"Gazettes in Italian as far as the 8th of
"that Month, In these last a Relation is
"given of the Capture of Bruxels and
"all the Low Countries except Namur
"and Antwerp, by the French Army —
"consisting of 80,000 Men commanded by
"the famous Dumouriez, after a smart &
"bloody Action near Mons with 15,000
"Austrians, commanded by General —
"Clairfait, in which the former lost
"10,000 and the latter 5000 Men, on this
"news the Emperor was preparing to
"send 100,000 Men to recover his Losses
"and to drive the French from thence —
"The King of Prussia was at Coblentz
with his

"which Palace was strongly fortified by him and
"where the French Emigrants were assembled,
"and he was preparing to send 9000 Men to
"Assist the Emperor. The Russians were
"likewise sending 25,000 Men for the same
"purpose. Besides the King of Sardinia, the
"Pope, the King of Naples and all the Italian
"Princes were raising great Bodies of Troops, —
"not only in defence of their Country, but
"also to act in conjuncture with the Emperor
"as occasions may require. The French —
"General Custine, has also taken all the —
"Places before him as far as Frankfort, and
"Generals Montesquieu and Anselme, had
"Britain, has been all this time, a mere
"spectator, but the Vienna Gazettes, say a
"respectable Fleet was ordered to be prepared,
"but it was not known for what Purpose.
"The Dutch were much alarmed at the
"neighbourhood of the French. It is said the
"French will be jointly opposed by the —
"whole Continent as the German Princes —
were

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"were also preparing to act against them, and
"as the Spaniards were soon to move"—

True Extract
(signed) John Morris Secy

Read the following Letter from the
Revd Mr Swartz—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council &c &c
Honble Sir & Sirs

I have rcvd your Honors
letter dated March 28th & Mr Ram has paid
the Monthly Allowance to the relations of the
late Rajah of Tanjore, Serfojee and the Widows
of the late Rajah ought to have rcvd 950
Pags. less at the time when the first advance
of 5000 Pags was made to them

But trusting that the expences
of the Journey would be repaid them—a
they spent the ready money they had, in
paying Batta to the Palanqueen boys and
Coolys—

They request therefore that the
950 Pags mentioned by Mr Ram, may not be
deducted from the Stipulated Allowance but
kindly forgiven on Account of the expences
of

from Revd Mr Swartz—before and the Princes request the same over paid by the Mr Ram at Tanjore the Mr Ram at Tanjore may not be deducted from the sums now to be paid them—

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Choultry Plain
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Of the Journey

I have the honor to be
respectfully &c &c
(Signed) C. Swartz

Minute thereon

Agreed for the reasons assigned by the Reverend Mr Swartz that the whole sum applied for by him, on account of Serfogie and the widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore be advanced, and that what they have received over and above this due upon the last Payment be exchange upon the Company, in consideration of the extraordinary expences attending the removal from Tanjore to the Presidency

Read the following Letter from

Major Dalrymple
W. C. Jackson Esqr

Military Secretary

From Major Dalrymple with a description of the Fort built by the Pagoody Polygers.

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the order of Government of the 21st Instant respecting the Pagoody new Fort —

From Mr Macleod's Letters on this subject it appeared to me that this —

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Mud Fort had been represented to him as simply a Wall raised for the protection of the Inhabitants against Elephants and other wild beasts. I judged it therefore necessary to have it measured under my own Eye not only for his information, but that I might be assured of the grounds I went on, in my report of it to Government. In justification of that report, I have now the Honor of laying the discription of it before the Honble the President and Council. I found a regular Basket and Parapet, covered at nearly equal distances, with 25 flanking defences or Bastions. these Bastions run out from the wall from 28 to 33 feet, and are from 11 to 12 feet broad in the inside, the Height of the Wall and Bastions on the outside is from 10 to 13 feet the — Parapet has loop Holes all round, and in four different places, are posts raised with frames for small country guns — I have never looked on it as a Fort of any strength, and I believe it will be of greatness to the — Pagoody Man, in carrying his country, from any future attacks of the Tyllery Poligar

for

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for which purpose it was built, the reason
and principle I went on in reporting it
was it's being built without Permission.

I had the honor of reporting
on the 20th Instant the progress made in
laying open the Vinapatchie Pollams, and
the time it appeared to me would require
to compleat the Service. I hope the Honble
the President in Council will permit
the Pioneers to clear the Tukmally road
before they leave this district as it will
be of great service to this Country.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Alex.r Dalrymple
Maj.r Commg Pion.rs

Minute in consequence —

As the Fort built by the Jaggedy
Man is of no strength, and only calculated
to protect the Pollams from any future
attacks of the Poligar; Resolved
that it be allowed to remain in the state
in which it was found, previous to the
Board's order for its demolition. —

Read the following Letter
from Captain Doveton —

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To William Collins Jackson Esqr
Secretary in the Military and Political
Department

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 4th Instant with all its inclosures —

The Packet from Bengal — addressed to Colaum Ale Khan and Ale Reza Khan I Delivered to them —

Of the Letter from the — Resident at Hyderabad to M.Cherry the Vakeels requested to have a Persian Copy — I accordingly made a Persian Translation thereof and delivered it to them — and in like manner agreeably to their request, I have furnished them with a Persian Translation of the paper transmitted by Sir Charles W Malet Bart from the Court of Poonah

The Letters from General Abercromby, and the Commissioners with the relative papers I fully explained to the Vakeels with the contents of which they were extremely satisfied, and said they would — communicate to their Master the substance thereof

From Captain — Doveton has informed Tippoos Vakeels of the contents of the — Letter from the — Commissioners on the Malabar Coast — their information on the points in the last paragraph — thereof —

thereof as indicating every wish to guard all disturbances on the western frontier —

With respect to the last Par^r of the Letter from the Commissioners I take the liberty to observe, that it appears by Mr Kerry's letter of the 11th ultimo to the Vakeel, that the application respecting the Talooks of Allungoor, Paroor, and Koondmagr has not yet been ultimately replied to by Tippoo Sultaun, the claims which the Rajah of Travancore makes to those Talooks being one of the Points mentioned in the above letter, as yet unadjusted — and a desire is expressed to know whether Tippoo Sultaun will appoint Agents to meet those of the Company in order to investigate that subject —

The subject of Cowgate for Kudaeatah / the District claimed by the French of Mahé, was noticed in a letter from Lord Cornwallis to Tippoo Sultaun dated — who in his Answer says that on the Talooks of Calicut three places only had been formerly granted by the Shamudé Sirkar to the French at Mahé, which were not

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included in the Account of that District — Calicut ceded to the English. The names of those Places are mentioned to the Pultoor, Jalac, and Pundgul — Accordingly Lord Cornwallis in his Letter of the 10th February to Tippoo Sultaun says. "I have notified to the Chief of that Nation 'French' at Mahé the reply you have made to 'my application, and have desired the Government 'of Bombay not to molest the three Villages — 'named in your Letter' —

The above is all the information which the Vackeels possess on the points — mentioned in the last Par.r of the Letter from the Commissioners —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(signed) Gabriel Doveton
Capt.n

Fort St. George
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Agreed that the above be communicated to the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast.

Read the following letter from his Highness the Nabob entered also in C.C. No 67 —

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

Dated 25th Shaubaun 1207 Hegery
or 7th April 1793
Received 8th do do

From the Nabob enclosing a letter from the Governor at Tellicherry requesting that the Treaty regarding the Port of Tellicherry may be executed — request to advise on the occasion

In consideration that my friend in his Letter of the 27th Moharrum 1207 Hegery — answering

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assuming to 15th September 1792 did not assure me to forward the Treaty to the Governor of Columbo on the subject of the Pearl Fishery I deferred it. I have now received a Letter from the said Governor desiring that the Treaty may be mutually exchanged — A Copy of the Letter is enclosed herein and I request you will advise me what answer I should return to it

Governor Sir Archibald Campbell in his Government strongly recommended Mr Buchanan to be appointed by me, as my Ambassador for the purpose of treating a Treaty with the Governor of Columbo, and was in fact, the cause of the Arrangement of the Treaty, as I mentioned to you in my Letter of the 11th January 1793 Regency or 15 February 1793. Mr Buchanan being deceased the Governor of Columbo desires me to appoint some other Person — By the treaty not being sent, the business of the Pearl Fisheries of Manar and Tuticorin is at a stand and I sustain great loss thereby —

What can I say more?

A true Translation

(Signed) David Haliburton A. Secy

Translation

To His Highness the Illustrious Nabob Hallaeyah Ameer ul Hind Umdut ul Mulk Asud ud Dowlah Anwar ud Deen Cawn Bahadur Jung Sepoy Sautar Sovereign of the Carnatic and other innumerable Countries —

Illustrious Sovereign

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Highness has favoured me on the March 1790
I was informed that your Highness was to send —
very shortly the approved Treaty of 7th July 1788 —
under your Highness's Seal and Signature to Mr.
Buchanan on purpose to Exchange the said
Treaty against the ratification of the same Treaty
by His Excellency the Governor General and Members
of the Supreme Council of Batavia

In consequence I have authorised the
chief of Tuticorym Mr Mekern to Exchange the
said Ratification for and on the part of the
Honble Dutch East India Company and to
receive from Mr Buchanan the Treaty Ratified
by your Highness and on the other hand to —
deliver to Mr Buchanan the Treaty Ratified by His
Excellency the Governor and Members of the Supreme
Council of Batavia.

But having received information that
Mr Buchanan is deceased I request that your Highness
will be pleased to appoint another person instead
of Mr Buchanan for Exchanging with Mr Mekern
as soon as possible the reciprocal ratification
of the said Treaty.

I pray the Supreme being to
prolong your Highness days, and continue to
bless and prosper your Highness Glorious
Reign recommending your Highness & Illustri-
ous family to the Almighty's merciful
protection I remain with the best wishes
most

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Colombo
the 5th March

most respectfully

Illustrious Lourenzon
&c &c &c

(Signed) W. I. Vende Graaff

Minute thereon

The Board having long since given
their Sentiments at large upon the Treaty on
question, and of the Line which they thought
it was the interest of the Nabob to pursue, they
can have nothing further to mention to his
Highness, excepting to be to request a reference
to the opinions of Lord Cornwallis and the
Government which were formerly communicated
upon this subject.—

The Revd. M.Kerr appointed chaplain to the 4 European Battalion.—

The President recommends that the
Revrend M.Kerr a respectable Clergyman who lately
belonged to one of His Majesty's ships be appointed
Chaplain to the 4th Battalion of European
Infantry, and directed to proceed to Allowances
all convenient expedition.—

Death of Lieutenants Cottrill & Seale.—

Approved and ordered accordingly by
The Secretary reports to the Board the
death of Lieutenants Cottrill and Seale at
Palamcotah the former on the 29th and the latter
on the 31st ultimo.——

Chas Oakeley.
W Fullerfields

Lt. J Lascelles

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Diary

11th Despatched the undermentioned letters entered on Pub. Nos 79–80–81–82–83–84–85–86 87–88–89.–

To Secretary at Bengal.

To Secretary at Bengal – enclosing Copies of Two Manshoors addressed by Tipsoo to his Vakeels.–

To Resident at Poona – with ditto ditto

To D.o at Hyderabad.

To Ditto at Hyderabad – with Copy of Extracts from the same.

To Commandant at Dindigul – countermanding the Order for the demolition of the fort built by the Jagooby Polygar.–

To Reverend Mr. Kerr – appointing him Chaplain to the 4th European Regiments at Vellore until the Honorable Court's pleasure be known.–

To Officer Commanding the Army –

To Colonel Braithwaite.

Cornet John Maclean appointed Adjutant to the 1st. Regiment of Cavalry – an Establishment of Engineers to be recommended for the Baramhaul and Salem Districts.–

To Captain Baillie.

To Captain L. Baillie – returning the papers forwarded by him on the 3d. Instant – their subject being of a private nature.–

To

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To Wm. I. Munro Assistant Surgeon

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To Wm. I Munro Assistant Surgeon permitting him to proceed to the Cape and Eventually to England for the benefit of his health.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General advising thereof and directing an Advance of six Months subsistence to Mr Munro.

To Resident at Nagore

To Resident at Nagore the Encrease of Rent required for the House occupied by the Royal Artillery at Negapatam admitted.

To Military Aud.r General

To Military Auditor General notifying the same and that the Encreased Rent is to commence from 1st. January last. an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Presidency Paymaster for April, referred.

" Received from the Public Department, the following Extract.

Extract of a Letter from Pulicat Dated 3rd April 1793

From Pulicat complaining against the Conduct of the Commandant at Chandgut and Advising that the Boats and Ships, seized by his Orders in the Village of Arnak Chevy may be restored and Captain Monson prevented from stationing any armed Sepoys in the house lately

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11th. Captain Monson, in Consequence of whose orders, the poor Inhabitants of Arial Chevry, by a violent act of his Sepoys, have been robbed of 800 Goats and Sheep, 340 Lambs, all which, to the great Hurt and Chief of those People are carried away to Chingleput, by order of the said Captain Monson.—

We expect of this affair the necessary demanded Evidences, among others a Cadjan of the Villagers of Arial-Chevry in the Form of a Penalty Bond, shewing, that all the small Cattle that was carried away, is their Property, and that they shall pay a Fine of 50 Pagodas, if any be found among them, belonging to other Countrys People.—

We also think it necessary to inform you Honorable Sir and Sirs, of the Intention of Captain Monson to live at Madras, having hired there a House and Garden, which the Chief is afraid he will, with a view to assume Power and authority, furnish with a Military Guard, under Pretence of watching it during his absence, and thus expose our subjects to daily Trouble and vexation, from a People so insolent as the English Seapoys commonly are.—

And at this! the Chief Simons is ordered, by the First Underwritten, not to permit foreign

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foreign armed People, to be placed on the Territory of the Company, but to desire Captaine Monson, and if necessary to order him, to send back the armed Band, representing, that the House and Garden may be guarded by Peons, or if necessary, unarmed Seapoys in Number two or three, and it is not permitted to place them more; yet we find ourselves obliged, in order to prevent all Inconveniences, Jointly to request, that Captaine Monson may be made acquainted with this our Desire, and by an effectual order from you, Honble Sir and Sirs, may be charged to comply with it, because we judge it necessary for the public Tranquility, Safety and Security, and because every one that chooses to reside among us, is also obliged to submit to our orders and Dispositions.

A true Extract

Signed J. Webbe Sec.y

Extract of a seperate Letter written by the Chief of Sadras to the Coromandel Government of 27th March 1793.

On the Night before last when Captain Monson the Commandant of Chinglepat was

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some other English Officers, I received Intelligence from Arial Chevry, that 12 English Seapoys were come from that Place endeavouring to take all the Goats and Sheep from the Inhabitants of that Village. Upon this I made the necessary Representation to Captain Monson, and requested to forbid the Seapoys committing any Violence in the Company's Territorys, which he also promised to prevent, but instead of that, when he departed, he order'd his Seapoys at Arial Chevry to carry the aforesaid small Cattle to Chinglepat. Our People and two unarmed Peons which I sent thither resisted them untill to day when 7 Seapoys more came and in a violent manner beating and Knocking down our People, carried away out of the Company's Limits 800 Goats and 340 Lambs.—

Agrees,

(signed) Jn. Obdam
First Sworn Clerk

" Received also the undermentioned letters
Entered in No. 13 Nos. 90-91-92-93-94-95-96-
97-98.—

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions requesting permission to build Grain Stores

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11.th Stores near to the lines of Each Regiment of Cavalry- their Estimated Expense.-

From Ditto

From Ditto- presenting an Indent for Rice, for Ponnamallee and the Mount- and to complete the Stock before Ordered for Cott- -apalam.-

From Military Board.-

From Military Board- respecting the refusal of Captain Pearson and Lieutenant Hughes to receive the Cloathing for their Corps for 1791.

From Military Paymaster General.

From Military Paymaster General- presenting an Additional Indent of Cash for the Presidency Paymaster for April.-

From Deputy Adjutant General.

From Deputy Adjutant General- proposing the Promotion of Lieutenants A. Lyce, and Ensigns Boardman- Peacock and Ogg- in consequence of the death of Captain Coulson and Lieutenants Seale and Cotterell.

From Ditto.-

From Ditto- proposing the pro- -motion of Pres.y W. Bagster- W. Davis and R. R. Shephard- the Senior Cadets, to complete the Infantry Establishment.-

From Major Stevenson

From Commandant of 3.rd Regiment of Cavalry- forwarding an Address from Lieu- -

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Officers – stating that Head and Heel Ropes &c.a for their Horses cannot be supplied under one Pagoda

J. Mensem.

From Captain Ferguson – preferring a Claim to an Allowance in lieu of Off Reckonings.

From Captain Ferguson of the Invalids.

From Borah Parchitale – stating that Colonel Fraser objects to the stoppage of 2 Fanams 40 Cash at the Contract Exchange, on account of each sick Man.

From Hospital Contractor at Masulipatam.

12th

Received the undermentioned Letters

Entered in W. B. Nos 99–100–101.

From Revd Mr Swartz – the Brother of the late Tulcatchina Bae Saheb intends to return to Tanjore – requests Colonel Maxwell may be desired to protect him from insult.

From Revd Mr Swartz.

From Commandant at Tanjore – requesting leave to reside occasionally on the Sea Coast.

From Commandant at Tanjore.

From Mr George Powney – has received and forwarded the Packet for Sir Robert Abercromby.

From Mr G. Powney at Cochin.

Sent the undermentioned Letters Entered in

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C.C. Nos 68–69–70–71–72.

To the Nabob – noticing with pleasure his punctuality in paying the Kists due the 1st Instant.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

To Ditto – the President can only refer

Ditto – Ditto.

His

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His Highness to the Opinions of Lord Cornwallis and himself — in regard to the Reply to be given to the Governor of Colombo, respecting the Execution of the Treaty concerning the Pearl Fishery.—

Ditto Ditto

To Ditto — communicating Lieut.-enant Colonel Baird's Explanation of his Conduct in the Charge preferred against him by the Bramin at Secunder-Mally.—

Ditto— Ditto—

To Ditto — requesting his Highness's order to his Manager at Madura, to deliver Seventy Six Garce of Paddy to the Storekeeper there, for which payment will be immediately Made.—

Substance of a Letter to the Rajah of Ramnad —

To the Rajah of Ramnad — informing him that the person of Moterlah Pillah can on no account be surrendered to his Authority, until his Charges against him be fully established.—

Dispatched the following Letters—

To Jonathan Duncan Esqr.

&c. &c. Commissioners for inspecting and settling the Countries ceded by Tippoo Sultaun and — subordinate to the Presidency of Bombay

at Calicut

To Commissioners on the Malabar Coast —

Gentlemen,

the

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Fort St. George 10th April 1793.

the contents of the papers forwarded by them explained to Tippoo's Vakeels — their promise in consequence

the 14th Ultimo with its respective enclosures.

The contents of those papers having been fully explained to Tippoo's Vakeels; they expressed their entire satisfaction thereat, and promised to communicate the substance to their Master as indicative of every wish to quell all disturbances on the Western Frontier.

With respect to the last paragraph of your letter, we have to acquaint you, that we are not possessed of any other information than what is contained in the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Officer in charge of the Hostage Princes, to whom we have given directions to ascertain from the Vakeels the measures adopted by Tippoo in consequence of the Governor General's Communications with him on the points alluded to by you.—

We are

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Charles Oakeley

&c. Council.—

Fort St. George
10th April 1793.

To Sir. John Kennaway Bart.

Resident at

Hydrabad

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the President

To Resident at Hydrabad—
Fort St. George

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enclosing Copy of the Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry into Monsieur Mauigny's Conduct in seducing the European Soldiers from their Colours - and a list describing those now missing - He and his Assistant, Peter Guilbert, confined, until the Nizam's Wishes be known regarding them.

President in Council to inform you that upon receiving a Complaint that Monsieur Mauigny (who was sent here by Monsieur Raymond of the Nizam's Service to purchase some Stores for His Highness) had been detected in seducing the European Soldiers of the Garrison from their Colours, he ordered a Court of Enquiry to ascertain the truth of this Fact by an immediate examination, and from the evidence produced on this occasion, he entertains no doubt of the Man's guilt.—

As the Commission given by the Nizam to Mr. Raymond for the Purchase of Stores was notified in a letter from you to the Board and as the President in Council considers the Deputy employed by Mr. Raymond to be the Servants of His Highness, he has taken no further steps upon the information produced against him, than to hold him and his assistant (Peter Guilbert) in confinement, until he can learn from you whether the Nizam wishes to have them sent to Hydrabad to receive the Punishment due to their crime.—

By the Proceedings of the Enquiry of which I am directed to enclose a Copy for your perusal, you will learn that the men were,

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engaged to serve under Monsieur Raymond; and that several Soldiers who are now missing from the Regement in Garrison here, have lately been sent off to the Nizam's Country.— The Town Major has been directed to transmit a description of them to Major Roberts, and I am directed to enclose another for your Information in the hope that the Men may by this means be discovered and sent back to their Corps.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

Fort St George
11th April 1793.—

[Signed] W. C. Jackson
Secretary

Despatched also the undermentioned Letters Entered in No 13 Nos 102–103–104–105–106–107 108–109.—

To Messrs Chase and Company.— To Messrs Chase, Sewell and Chase— expressing the Boards desire to retain at rent for a longer period, the house occupied by the Tanjore Family.

To Master Master at Ellore— disapproving the Style of his letter to the Deputy Judge Advocate at that place.—

To Lieut F Pierce—

To Deputy Judge Advocate at Ellore, advising him of the above.—

To Lieut T Shipley

To Military Board— referring Papers

To Military Board—

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12th Papers, received from Masulipatam, regarding repairs to the Public Buildings at that Factory.

To Ditto.

To Ditto - with an Indent of Stores required at Vizagapatam for the ensuing Year.

To Reverend Mr. Swartz - acquainting him that the whole sum applied for by him on account of Serfoje and the Widows of the late Rajah of Tanjore, will be advanced - and desiring information regarding the Sect of the Present Rajah's Mother.

To Reverend Mr. Swartz.

To Commandant at Shevalapetore.

To Commandant at Shevalapetore - requiring an account of the annual Expense to the Company of cloathing the Sepoys under his Command.

To Mr. G. Powney at Cochin.

To Mr. G. Powney - desiring him to forward a Packet for the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast.

13th. Received the following letter.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council &c.

Honorable Sir and Sirs

From Reverend Mr. Swartz enclosing a letter from the two Widows of the late Rajah and Serfoja to Marquis

The Widows of the late Raja of Tanjore have made use of the permission your Honor gave them, in consequence of its they have

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Marquis Cornwallis with Copies of the Contents - also a paper concerning the Cast of the present Rajah's Mother.

addressed the most Noble Marquis Cornwallis - As they have desired some Pundits to answer some questions from the Shaster, they have sent those Answers to His Lordship - likewise Serfojee's Pedegree - of all which they have desired me to send a Copy to your Honor -

Concerning the present Rajah's Mother, I have endeavoured to get a proper information concerning her Cast, or tribe to which she belong'd - The account I received I take the liberty to enclose on a seperate Paper -

I have the Honor to be, respectfully

&c. &c. &c.

(signed) C. F. Swartz -

Poultay Plain
April 12th - 1793.

To the most Noble Marquis Cornwallis K.G.

the two Widows of the late Raja of Tanjore and their Son Serfojee present their respectful Salam.

By your Lordships strenuous exertion, this Country is blessed with peace - Your Lordship enjoys glory in this all rejoice, and we with them. —

Knowing your Lordships generous kindness towards our Son Serfojee, we have desired

leave

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Fort St. George, April 1793.

Leave to address Your Lordship as our Patron, and Sir Charles Oakeley has readily consented to it.

Tulja M. R. wished to leave a Successor in his government and looking upon Amer Sing as unfit, he called for His principal Priest and other learned men who all approved of Serfojee, being adopted. All the relations rejoiced and payed their respect to Serfojee as their future Rajah and Master.

Having been adopted according to the tenets of the Shaster and Custom of the Country. Serfojees adoption was proclaimed at Tanjore in the most public manner.

Amer Sing M. R. and his adherents, have to our knowledge commonly declared that the principal objections to Serfojee's adoption were his age and being the only Son of his Father. We have therefore desired some learned Pundits to examine those Objections. Their Answer taken from the Shaster we beg leave to offer to your Lordships consideration, as likewise a Paper detailing his Lineage.

We have formerly declared that the 12 Pundits who have given their Opinions concerning Serfojee [illegible] have been moved by

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Hope and Fear. We have been called upon to prove our assertion. As the best part of those Pundits really enjoy benefits from Amer sing M. R. they will hardly confess the truth for fear of loosing the present advantage.

We have therefore proposed another method of proceeding. We imagined it might be proper to call upon those Pundits, whom Tulja M. R. consulted before Serfoja was adopted and who approved the adoption, and to desire them to prove from Passages of the Shaster that their approving of the adoption was agreeable to the Shaster.

Likewise those 12 Pundits who have rejected the adoption, as unlawful, should prove their Opinion from Passages of the Shaster. By this method, we think it would appear whether in giving their Opinion they had been influenced by the Knowledge of the Hindoo Law or by some similar motives, But this we submit to your Lordships better judgement.

Your Lordship's letters testify that You are our Patron. Now we hear that you are to return to Europe and that soon. This grieves us. It would therefore be an unspeakable benefit and Joy

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Fort St. George, April 1793.—

By the last of your Lordship could settle Serfojees Concerns before your departure. Serfojee has been proclaimed presumptive Heir. But though Amer Sing M. R. should have no son by his Wife, how easy would it be for him to take the new born infant of a relation, and to declare him to be his own. This has been once practis'd at Tanjore, therefore it is not merely a Conjecture who could prove the Contrary.—

This we mention trusting Your Lordship will do justice.—

What have we more to write to a benefactor.—

Madras
April 11th 1793

a true translation.
(signed) C. T. Swartz.

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Translation of some Answers given by some Pundits on certain Points.

No 1

Question;— Concerning the age of a Boy or Man who is to be adopted.——

If the Person, to be adopted, belongs to the same tribe or Cast of him who adopts him, he may be adopted to any age. Even if he should have Married a Wife, & have Children,

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This is proved from 2 Dharma Shastr Viz.
Vevahaar Mayook, and kalika puran
From the day of birth to the time of his being Married,
and having Children, a person of the same tribe may
be adopted. —

Another Passage from Koushevan and —
Kalika Puran.

Before and after the 5th Year, whether the Ceremony
of the 5th year has been performed or not a Perso born of the
same tribe or Cast, may be adopted, as he belong-
-ing to the proper tribe or cast, the case of the cere-
-mony does not make any difference - and if the
Person to be adopted had even Married it doth
not hinder the adoption, because he belongs to that
tribe or cast. The point of the 5th Years and the
ceremony, then usually performed, is only then to be
insisted on, if the Person of different tribe or cast
is to be adopted. But a Person of the proper tribe
and Cast may be adopted when he is ten Years
old - and even then the ceremony may be performed.

Passage from Nirnaye Sindu. -

If any one objects to an adoption made after the time
when the ceremony of giving a Name &c. is usually
performed, he must know that the Chettiers Cast
may perform it from the 11 to the 22 Year. -

Passage —

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Passage from Muttera Narendapeacha

If a Person of the proper tribe, who is already Married is to be adopted, it is necessary to repeat the ceremony usually made in the 5th Year; It is therefore certain, that even a Married Person may be adopted

No 2.

Question 2d.

Have the relations consented to Serfojies adoption? When Serfoje was to be adopted the Principal Priest Baba Sewaron, the present Cutkel and the Brannins who had studied the Shaster, were consulted whether the adoption should take place. and then the Omam and other Ceremonies were performed. a Name Serfoje was given to the Young Boy by the late Rajah and the adoption was proclaimed through all streets at Tanjore with great Solemnity - all relations were invited to an Entertainment - all came, brought Presents, were at the Entertainment and received Presents, so that all rejoiced -

According to the Shaster Vez:

Amer Sing is Unfit, Sri Rama Kalpa Drume Firmoye Sinde Mansuside Detta Mamamta -

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The Son born of a Married Wife is Heir of the Substance of the Father, and he is to perform the funeral rites.

If there be no Son, the Sons' Son is Heir. if there be no Sons' Son the adopted Son is to be Heir, and if he is no more, his Son &c.a — The Son of a Concubine is no Heir. — —

Therefore the adopted Son who is born of a Lawfully Married Wife is to be Heir —

true translation

/ Signed / C. F. Swartz

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Fort St George the April 1793

Echoje of the Mahratta Family below was called in to the Assistance
1520 of Tschinopoly. He soon relieved them from the Oppressions of the Madras, but ev
from the moment of his Invitation to have planned the Conquest, and for that pu
Relation Gungajee, to have a Successor in case of failure in his own Family. They were

Mahratta Brethren

Generation I

Kalapad, the elder had two legitimate sons Eilgee and Maulgee

Gropad, the younger having no Children, adopted Maulgee. ——

II

Eilgee had a legitimate son called Trimbagee

Maulgee had two law=ful sons Shahajee and Seevajee. ——

A.D. 1674.

III

Trimbagee, had a legitimate son named Gungajee

Shahajee had a legite=mate son Echoje, the first Mahratta Rajah of Tanjore. ——

Seevajee died leaving a son Sumbajee who was grand father to Poosah —

IV

Gungajee, attended Echoje into the Tan=jore country and had two legitimate sons Eilgee and Bauba=jee

Echoje usurped the Tanjore Country A. D. 1674 reigned 30 or as some say 7 years.

V

Baubajee attended Echoje into the Tanjore country had Lawful Issue

Shahajee I, succeeded his father Echoje, reigned 27 or as some say 32 Years, left no legitimate Heir —

Sherfojee son to Echoje ac==ceeded his Elder Brother reigned 16 or as some say 18 Years died & his Wife and Son to Brahmin Echoje. ——

VI

Gungajee, had Lawful Issue

Hattoo Rajah, pretended to be Son to Raja, Son of Sherfojee's Wife, reigned 1½ Year was expelled by the Marattas, who made Pra=tap Sing Raja. He obtained the assistance of the English in the time of Governor Boyer —

Raja the Son adopted by Sherfojee died soon after his Accession to the Throne of his Father and was succeeded by Sado Modroojee who came with Echoje. His Memorial in favour of Hattoo Rajah on the same subject.

VII

Subajee, had Lawful Issue —

VIII

Subajee now living, aged about 53 has a Lawful Issue.

Shahajee, the second son of Subaja, had Lawful Issue. ——

IX

Gungajee now living 15 Years of Age —

Sherfojee now 16 Years old adopted by Tulja, Raja. —

Adopted by Tulja

A Sheer Baba —

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The Gentoo Rajahs of Tanjore, about the Year of Our Lord 1674 against the Naiddo's the End assassinated the Gentoo Family and made himself Master of the Country, He appears pose brought with him a number of Mahratta and Mussulman Families, particularly this collaterally descended from the Brothers Halapad and Gorapad.—

Mahratta Kings of Tanjore — duration of their Reign

according to Mr Swartz — according to others.

1 Ekojee began his Reign 1674 and reigned	7 Years	5 Years
2 Shahajee	27	32
3 Serfojee	18	16
4 Tuckojee	7	6
5 Baba Saheb	1½	1
6 Ayah Baja Woman Regent	2	2
7 Katto Rajah a Pretender	1	1½
8 Pretap Sing	24	24
9 Tulja	24	24
10 Amer Sing	6½	6½

Tuckojee succeeded his Brother had one son by his Wife and 3 Children by a Concubine reigned 6 or 7 Years.

These were by a Concubine.—

Nanah Saheb, born to Tuckojee by a Concubine died young and had Lawful Issue.

Anna Saheb — second Son to Tuckojee by a Concubine left no Children.—

Pretap Sing was made King on the Expulsion of Kattoo Raja in preferment to his elder Brother, a Gungajee — he left sons — one by his Wife and two by a Concubine.—

Baba Saheb succeeded his father Tuckojee reigned 1½ Years — His Wife Ayjaw Baj being pregnant continued to administer the Government after his Decease — &c. —

Appa Saheb who died young — had a Lawful Wife & daughter and 1 Son by a Concubine.—

Tulja succeeded his father and died without Children

Born by a Concubine Amer Sing was made King and reigns now

Concubine Krishna Swamie died young

Nanah Saheb, still living as a Prisoner in the Palace at Tanjore.

Ekojee died No VII or No VIII Babajee ought to have succeeded. — but as he was a

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Fort St. George ~ April 1793.

13th

Paper delivered by the Reverend Mr. Swartz.

2. ..... Who was the present Rajah's Mother. to what tribe did she belong. ~

A ..... Pretap Sing M. R. Sept 6 Concubines three of them were of the Telunga Cast, three of the Mahratta Cast. None had any honor- which was visible in their Equipage, which differed much from the equipage kept by the Rajah's Wives. - None was suffered to die in the Palace. As soon as they became dangerously ill they were carried to some House. -

The present Rajah's Mother was of the Mahratta Cast, and particularly of that tribe called Kaikkar. Her father served Pratap Sing as a Horse man. Her name was Anne Pauna Bay - Her Character equivocal. The Present Rajah's life was saved by the intercession of the late Rajah's Mother. -

April 19th 1793

true translation

[signed] C. F. Swartz

Dispatched the following letter.

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Fort St. George, April 1793.

To Sir 13th John Kennaway Bart.

Resident at Hydrabad.

Sir

To Resident at Hydrabad advising that Meer Mungho refuses to receive the amount of the draft in his favor in Gold, and at the Company's Exchange.

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 15th February, and to inform you that the draft on this Government in favor of Meer Mungho for the sum of fifteen thousand (15,000) Arcot Rupees has been presented; and Meer Mungho wishing to receive the amount in Pagodas, it was offered to him at the Company's regulated exchange of 365 Arcot Rupees ℔ 100 Pagodas - this he refused on the plea that the Bazar Exchange - which is merely nominal, there being in fact at this time no Rupees at Market) was 347 - As the President in Council cannot with propriety deviate from the rule which has been established in all payments at Madras, and which has for these two Years been invariably observed by the Public and Individuals, he has informed Meer Mungho that he would write to you on the subject, and recommend it to him to waite until the point could be settled at Hydrabad -

For such payments as may be made

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made at any time here, on account of the Pairsh-
=cush the President in Council thinks 365
Arcot Rupees ℔ 100 Pagodas a very just and
equitable exchange.—

Fort St. George
12th April 1793.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson.
Secretary

Sent also the undermentioned letters &c
Entered in M.B. Nos 110–111

To Military Board.

To Military Board—with an
Extract from the Honble Courts Letter of 9th Feb-
=ruary 1792—and acquainting them that the
Military Storekeeper has been directed to sub-
=mit for their Examination the Statement
therein required.—

To Board of Trade.

To Board of Revenue—Directing
the advance of the Whole Sum applied for by
Mr. Swartz—on account of the Family of the
late Rajah of Tanjore.—

14th

Despatched the following letters.

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Fort St George 13th April 1793.

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis KG
Governor General in Council
at
Fort William

My Lord,

In consequence of the request con-
tained in Mr Hays letter to our Secretary under date
the 18th Ultimo, we desired the Reverend Mr Swartz to
lay before us the best information he could collect —
regarding the Tribe or Cast to which the Mother of
the present Rajah of Tanjore belonged. —

Mr Swartz has accordingly trans-
mitted to us an answer to the question submitted by
the Bengal Pundit in his note to Mr Cherry a copy
of which we have the honor to enclose together
with a packet addressed to your Lordship by the
Widows of the late Rajah. —

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

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c Council

Fort St George
13th April 1793.

To Bengal - for-
warding the letter
from the Tanjore
Family to Marquis
Cornwallis and the
other paper delivered
by Mr Swartz
as above Entered. —

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Fort St George 14th June 1793

To Sir John Kennaway Bart

Resident at Hydrabad

Sir

To Resident at Hydrabad - draft in favor of Meer Dreenpha honored, he having at length consented to the terms proposed. -

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to inform you that, since my letter of yesterdays' date, Meer Mungle has consented to receive the amount of the draft in his favor, at the Companys regulated exchange of 365 Arcot Rupees ℔ 100 Star Pagodas

The draft has accordingly been honored, and the amount carried to the debit of his Highness the Nizam, agreeably to your request.

I have the honor to be,

Sir Your

Fort St George
13th April 1793.

Signed/ W. C. Jackson Secy

To Military Board. "

Sent letter to the Military Board (Entered in M.B. No 112) referring Petitions of Seneo Chinna Kistnama Chitty and Butchoo Tombee Chitty - claiming the Ground for which G. Vencatachellum Chitty & Venealachelliah lately required payment -

Received

Fort St. George 15th April 1793.

15th. Received the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Pro. B Nos. 113-114-115-116-117.

From Hospital Board - requesting the

From Hospital Board. — Shed at the Dispensary may be repaired, in order that Chymical Processes may be carried on - the purchase of some Europe Bougies also proposed -

From Military Paymaster General - explaining the reason of Major Langley's Temporary

From Military Paymaster General allowance, remaining undischarged -

From Adjutant General - referring

From Adjutant - General. - letters from Captains Waight and Macneale re- = garding the Rate of Exchange at which Issues are to be made to their Corps by the Ellore paymaster - and another from Captain Crotter on the same subject.

From Officer Commanding the

From Colonel Brathwaite Army - proposing Lieutenant William Cowpland as Inspector of Stores in the Ceded Countries - also an Engineer Establishment for the same -

From Ensign John Meyer - request-

From Ensign J Meyer of the Infantry - = ing leave to proceed to Bengal. -

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Fort St. George. April 1793.

At a Consultation

Present. —

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor. President.
Ernst William Fallofield Esquire

Tuesday
16th April 1793.

Minutes of last Consultation
read and approved. —

Read the following Letters
from Bengal. —

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

From Bengal proposing that Mr Powney be recalled from Travancore pinion on his general conduct there — that Residency to be placed under the Bombay Government

Honble Sir

Altho we see no Reason to be dissatisfied with Mr Powneys Conduct in General or his Deputation to Travancore, but on the Contrary have thought on several occasions, that he has acted with Ability, and shewn much Zeal for the public Service, yet as [illegible]

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Government request in consequence.

between him and the Rajah of Travancore to such a Degree that the Rajah refuses positively to transact any Business with him, we conceive that Mr Powney can render no further Service in his present Station, and recommend therefore that he be recalled.

The Presidency of Bombay is in Consequence of our late Acquisitions more immediately connected than yours with the Rajah of Travancore; and we are inclined to think that one of the Servants on the Bombay Establishment, who may be employed in the Southern Part of the Ceded Country or the Malabar Coast, will have leisure to do all the Company's Business with the Rajah, but if General Abercromby, who has been for several Months on the Spot, shall be of a different opinion, we shall authorize the Bombay Government to appoint one of their Servants to the Residency at Travancore, and we request that you will acquaint the Bombay Government as well as ourselves, whether any agreement has been concluded with the Rajah for the annual payment of a Sum of Money to provide for the general defence of his own

and

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and the Company's Commissions.

Fort William
31st March 1793

We have the honor to be
Gen.l Hon.ble
Sirs
Your most faithful
humble Servants
(Signed) Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm Cowper
Hon.ble Graham.

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

Hon.ble Sir,

From Bengal
opinion on the Mea
sures the Nabob
proposes to adopt
against the Poly-
gars of Moogral,
Paukalle and
Pollore Recom-
mendation to
His Highness on
the occasion.

We have received your Letters dated the 5th and 13th of this Month, and we were sorry to perceive, from the Contents of the enclosures, that the Nabob was so violent in his intentions, of chastising the Petty Polygars, against whom their neighbours have brought criminal Charges, and that he was so little inclined to attend to the prudent Advice which was given to him by Your President.—

In disputes amongst Polygars the gross misrepresentation of facts renders it often so difficult to distinguish the most culpable, that strong Measures

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any of the Parties till a deliberate enquiry had taken place, But on a supposition that the Murders Reported by Bem Raeze to the Nabob have been actually committed without a provocation that could in any degree justify or palliate such outrages, we should utterly reprobate the Idea of the genual extermination of those people, as proposed by His Highness, and we are clear in Opinion that the movement of any considerable Body of the Nabobs Troops, or of Polygars, against the People complained of should if possible be avoided.—

We have little doubt that the re-establishment of a small Garison of the Company's Troops at Chandergherry would prevent, or greatly restrain the irregularities of those petty Polygars; but, as His Highness shews so much aversion to that measure, we should not wish it to be presed upon him, unless the necessity should become extremly urgent.—

We shall therefore at present only request that you will communicate our recommendation to His Highness, that he will in the first instance order an enquiry to be made into the Circumstances of the Complaints that have been preferred to him, and endeavor to

Levy

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bring the real Offenders to justice by the means of the Troops, or Peons, that are usually sta=tioned at Chittore and Chandergherry; and Should it appear upon Investigation, that some assistance for that purpose would be indispen=sibly requisite from the Neighbouring Polygars, who are under the Company's Management, we are persuaded that You will take every Means in your power to prevent the demand of an unreasonable Number of Men, and to induce her Highness to abstain from all acts of cruelty or unnecessary Severity.

It gave us great pleasure to learn that Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell has executed the Service on which he was employed to the Southward in so Satisfactory a Manner.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c

Fort William
the 31st. March 1793

(Signed) Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm Cowper
Hu Graham

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Resolutions on the foregoing letters from Bengal.

Resolved agreeably to the recommenda-
tion of the Governor General in Council, that Mr. Powney
be recalled from Travancore; and that the Governor
in Council of Bombay be informed of the substance
of the proposition made to the Rajah for the annu-
al payment of a Sum of Money to provide for
the general defence of his own and the Company's
dominions, and to which he acceded, as reported to
Bengal in the letter from thence under date the 19th
December 1792.

Agreed to inform the Governor
General in Council, that, in consequence of the
intimation contained in his Lordships letter of
the 10th January last, of his intention to employ
Mr. Boddam the Junior Commissioner from the
Supreme Government on the Malabar Coast, to ne-
gotiate the arrangement of the subsidy which the
Rajah of Travancore had agreed to pay to the
Company, his Excellency was advised accordingly;
and that, since then, the Board have had no
correspondence with him on the subject.

Resolved that the Board be informed
of the opinion given by his Lordship on the subject
of the Measures his Highness proposed with
respect to the Polygars of Moogral, Pankhalle and Polloor

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Pollock.

Read the following Letter and Enclosures from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Board of Revenue reporting Vizeram Rauzes appointment of his Brother to the Management of the Vizianagrum Zemindary and his general Mis-conduct - propose that Sitteram Rauze be ordered to Madras and Soggy low, out of the District - and earnestly recommend a Compleat sequestration of the Zemindary - Letters from Vizagapatam on the subject. ——

The Board at Vizagapatam have advised us of a report, which they had reason to believe was not without foundation, that Vizeram Rauze intended again to employ Sitteram Rauze in the Management of the Zemendary, and that he had neglected to send any reply to an application from the acting Chief on the subject. In consequence gave them directions under date the 25th February to express to Sizeram Rauze in strong terms the Impropriety of his behaviour in neglecting to send any answer to Mr Brown's letter, whose conduct we approved on the occasion and that under the late positive orders of Government he could not be suffered to confer the Management of the Zemindary on Sitteram Rauze.

For your full information, We have the honour to transmit you Copy of a Letter

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Fort S.t George 16.th June 1793.

From Vizagapatam under date 29.th Ultimo with a Minute of the Chief and an Address to Vizeram Rauze — These Papers and a subsequent Letter from them under date 1.st Instant enclosing an answer from the Zemindar, afford but little prospect of his making good the Payments due by him and contains an avowal of his having again employed Sitteram Rauze in the Management of the Country.

We are concerned that the Chief and Council should have acquiesced with the requisition of Vizeram Rauze in sending the Company's Interpreter to Sum at Vizianagram — It is more than probable that he would not have paid a proper Attention to an order from the Chief for the purpose, but in point of propriety and consistent with his situation, the Zemindar should have been ordered to Vizagapatam, or to send some person to explain and account for his conduct — The whole transaction as detailed resembles rather a Negociation with a foreign Potentate, than with a Dependant of the Company, except that far more respect would have been shewn towards the representatives of Government

in India — This infatuated Man —

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not only disregards the Company's authority but neg-
=lects to reply to public Letters from the Chief of great
Importance, and at last dismisses the Interpreter sent
deputed to him by his own desire, without any answer.
The information relative to his engaging the discharged
Sepoys will of course attract the particular attention
of your Honble Board. No arguments that we can
urge would exhibit a more striking picture of the
present incompetent System and total want of
Subordination amongst the Zemindars in the Circars.

We must express our regret that the
Chief and Council did not see the expediency of exerting
their Authority by requiring Sitteram Razu to
repair to Vizagapatam as a necessary Step to sever
the Connection between him and his Brother
and we recommend that they be desired to report
on his proceeding thither immediately or to the Pres-
=idency; - The latter being further removed from the
scene of intrigue might be more eligible, as it may
be very difficult to prevent his interference
while allowed to reside in the District. The
Suggestion contained in the letter from Vizaga-
patam of the 29th ultimo with regard to the pro-
=bability of the Zemindars refusal to acquiesce in
the decision that may take place, makes it

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more anxious for the Removal of Sitteram Cauge - having reason to believe that Soggy Row has held an intercourse in the Country, incompatible with the conditions on which he was allowed to return to the Northward - and in consideration of his intriguing disposition, We particularly recommend that he be ordered out of the District, in case it should be deemed expedient to adopt any materials Alteration respecting the Coventry. -

Having called on the Chief and Council under date 20th Ultimo to report to us on the Subject of Vizeram Cauze's arrears, and expressing our disappointment that they had not furnished us with information regarding the Management of the Zemindary, we have now the honor to submit to you their Answer just received under date the 4th Instant with Copy of a letter addressed by the Chief to Vizeram Cauze. -

The Outstanding balance due by Vizeram Cauze including the Kist which fell due the 25th Ultimo amounts to Rupees 6,26,100 / including 2 Lacks of Rupees of old Ballance payable by Instalment with his next years Summa / and as the Chief and Council are of opinion that the Welfare of the Country

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Country and the Security of the Revenue cannot be effected, without Sequestering the Zemindary, We cannot hesitate in recommending the measure on the event of his refusal to discharge his arrears or to submit to such other determination as may be passed on the present reference.

Fort St George
13th April 1793

We have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
/Signed/ David Haliburton
Chas A. White

To David Haliburton Esqr
Acting President &c Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen

We were duly favored with your Letter of the 25th Ultimo which arrived here the 9th Instant.

We are concerned to acquaint you that the Conduct of the Rajah Vizeram Pouze affords but little prospect of the Discharge of what is due from him to the Company. Our

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Chief has repeatedly written to him and being unable to obtain Payment of the Kist due or to procure any Satisfactory Arrangements, has laid before us the State of Affairs in a Minute of which we beg leave to enclose a Copy for your Information

From a Perusal of the Chiefs Minute and of the Letter addressed by him to the Rajah under date the 28th Ultimo (of which a Copy now waits upon you) we conceive you will be possessed of the Materials necessary to enable you to furnish us with Instructions as to the Steps to be taken, should the Rajah persevere in his present Line of Conduct.

In transmitting to you the Directions of Government on the above Subject, We beg leave to suggest the propriety of having in View the Probability of the Rajahs refusal to acquiesce in the Decision that may take place, and we hope will therefore be provided with Instructions for our Guidance in case of his non compliance within any prescribed Period.—

We are

Fizagapatam
29th March 1793.

&c. &c.
(Signed) John Shore
" John Shore

(A true Copy)
(Sig.d) John Reade
Dep.y Secry

From

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We are

Fizagapatam
29th March 1793.

&c. &c.
(Signed) John Chamier
" John Shore.

(A true Copy)
(Sig.d) John Read
Dep.y Secry

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From the Chief to the Rajah Vizianam Rauze

28th February 1703.

As the Period is arrived when the February Kist becomes due, it is necessary to desire that you will discharge it without loss of time.

During my absence, Mr Thorp addressed to you a letter dated the 9th of last Month, in which he acquainted you with the decision of the Honble Governor in Council, in reply to the requests contained in your letter to me of the 1st December last - Amongst those requests was one of paying off your Arrears in four Years, and another for the alteration of your Kists. Both these requests have been taken into consideration, and Government have thought proper to decline a compliance with them.

Nothing therefore remains, but to arrange matters agreeably to what is contained in my letter to you of the 27th November last - wherein I informed you, that your Arrears amounting to Rupees 40,000 must be divided on the two following years, commencing from the 25th September last, and be paid in Equal

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to the Nine Lacks Current Summa.

I beg leave to refer you to the letter above mentioned dated 27th November last, and to desire you will particularly attend to that part, wherein I acquainted you that, whatever the Arrangement might be, the fulfillment of it would be strictly exacted, and that on your first failure, you would be assessed in the same Proportion of two thirds of Gross Revenue, for which other Zemindars are made answerable, and an Assignment equal to the Payment of the increased Summa, together with such Balance as might be due, would be peremptorily demanded. —

In the same letter I desired you would inform me, in what proportions, and at what Periods you would pay the two Lacks which were to be added to your Summabundy, during the present and next Phasly, and I gave you my opinion fully as to the best mode of arranging this business, and of avoiding any disagreeable consequences, which would result, in case of failure in the required payments. —

Some important time has elapsed since I wrote the abovementioned letter, during which

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which had proper Exertions been made, you might have paid in some Proportion of the additional two Lacks of Rupees which are to be made good, between this time and the 25th September next

I request you will inform me on what day I may expect to receive the amount of the Kist due (being Rupees 2,25,000) and what proportion of the Two Lacks of Arrears you purpose payeing at the same Period. —

As a great part of the Produce of the last Crop must still be undisposed of, I recommend to you earnestly, to pay one Lack of your Arrears at this time, in addition to your Kist which is due. —

In a letter dated the 28th of last Month Mr. Snow acquainted you that he understood from Report, that you had the intention of putting the Management of your Country under your Brother Setteram Rauze, and desired you to give him previous information if any such arrangement, that he might Communicate the same to the Governor in Council — Yet it does not appear that you replied to this letter, or attended to its Contents, for I have been informed that you have —

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actually placed your Brother publickly in the Man-
-agement of your Zemindary.—

This very imprudent Measure has much surprized me, and given me great Concern. I could scarcely believe that you would adopt such a step after reflecting on the Contents of my Letter dated the 5th August last, wherein I particularly desired you on no account to employ your Brother in any public Station, without previously consulting me, who would in such case have obtained the Sentiments of Government on the subject.—

As you have in my absence taken this step, you must suffer the consequences of your own Imprudence, but that I may without loss of time acquaint the Government with the particulars, I desire you will inform me, what were your motives for neglecting the Recommendations contained in my Letter of the 5th August last, and whether you have actually placed your Brother publickly in the Management of your Affairs, after having been told that such Measure would bring upon you the Company's Displeasure.—

In a Letter dated the 12th of last Month Mr Snow mentioned to you the Conduct of the Renter of Bimlipatam, who had permitted some

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some Slaves to be sent on board a French Ships,
it appears that you answered this Letter and I
trust you have given proper orders for preventing a
Measure so injurious to your Country, so inconsistent
with humanity, and so contrary to the Orders of Go-
-vernment. I wrote you fully on this Subject dated
the 8th October last, and I desire you will now acquaint
me what steps you have taken to prevent the
embarkation of Slaves, for if you have not taken
such as are effectual, others must instantly be
adopted, by which we may be certain that nothing
of this Kind can happen in future.

I request you will without loss
of time reply fully to the different matters contained
in this Letter.

Believe me always your Friend
What can I say more.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Robt. Alexander
Secretary

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Solomon Reade