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Minute of the Chief, entered in Consultation the
29th March 1793.

I regret very much that so much time has been lost in the transaction of our business with the Rajah Vizianam Rauze, but I trust it will appear that every Effort in my power has been made towards the expediting of it

On the 28th of last Month, I wrote a long Letter to the Rajah, in which I noticed the Resolution of Government respecting the Discharge of his Arrears, I also desired, he would acquaint me, in what proportions, and at what periods he would pay the two Lacks of Rupees which are to be added to his Summabundy, during the present and next Phasly, and I required him to discharge the amount of the first Kist being Rupees 2,25,000 then become due.

I further called to his Mind the Contents of a letter written to him by Mr Brown on the 18th January, wherein mention was made of a Report that he had the intention of putting the Management of his Country under his Brother Sitteram Rauze, and a desire

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given of any such Management — I observed to the Rajah, that it did not appear, either that he had replied to Mr Snows Letter, or attended to its Contents, and I called upon him for an explanation of his Conduct in this particular.

I also remined the Rajah, that Mr Snow as well as myself had written him fully respecting the Conduct of some Individuals, who had been concerned in the purchase of Slaves and in the exporting them from Bimilipatam and I desired he would acquaint me what steps he had taken for the prevention of so pernicious a practice —

On the 5th of the present Month I wrote to the Rajah, stating that a Person who had stolen Cloth from the Company's Washing Green, was protected by one of his Renters &c. &c. —

On the 11th, no Answer having been received, I wrote again to the Rajah acquainting him with the steps which the Chief and Council has been obliged to take regarding the exportation of Slaves at Bimilipatam &c &c. and desiring

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On the 14th Instant no answers having arrived, I again wrote to the Rajah, referring him to the Letters already written, and expressing my apprehension that they had not been delivered — I directed my Hircarrah to deliver this Letter into the Rajahs own hand, and to wait, and bring back to me his Answer.

It is here necessary to remark, that, altho' it is by no means an unusual thing for the Rajah to delay replying to publick Letters, the present cause of delay, probably in great measure existed from the unsettled state of Politicks at Vizianagrum, Sitterama Rauze is indeed said to be the Dewan, but his Power must in that case be much fettered, for I cannot learn that any business is going on — I understand that this may be attributed to the influence of the Dantla Family, who still maintain such great weight in the mind of the Rajah, that Settarama Rauze is unable to adopt any Measures which might militate against their Interest —

On the 18th I received two Letters from the Rajah dated the 17th — In one he

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of the 28th January, and your letter of the 27th January, on the Subject of placing My Brother into the Management. – In your Letters of the 25th August 11 19 and 31st October last, leaving, after Making a strict inquiry wrote Me, that the Managers on whom I have placed Confidence are greatly deceiving Me, and thereby My affairs are much injured. – Considering you as my greatest friend, who wishes for my Interest, I thought proper to take strict Notice of it, as otherwise it would have been difficult to pay the Company's Money, and to support the expences here, and I have therefore employed My Brother to transact the Management. –

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Rob Alexander
Secry

(A true Copy)
/Sigd/ John Read
Dep. Secry.

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

Gentlemen

We have been honored with

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the receipt of your Letter under date the 28th Ult.o
in which you are pleased to express "much disap-
-"pointment, that after the representations made
"in our letters of the 30th January and 13th February
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will do us the Justice to believe, that We have
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Information from your Board, in Matters of
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dispatch to you under Date the 29th Ultimo, you
will be satisfied that it was not in our Power
to state at large, what related to the situation
of affairs with Vizianam Rauze, earlier than
We did. —

We have since under Date the
3d Instant, transmitted to you a Copy of the
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Copy of the Chief's answer to the Rajah.-

No Alteration has taken place in the Mode of conducting business at Vizianagrum, since our Communication to you of the 29th Ultimo, and We have therefore nothing to add on that Subject, but since you are pleased to require that We communicate "such propositions as may "occur for the general Welfare of the Zemin=dary, and the Security of the Revenue," we shall with the utmost deference proceed to suggest that We conceive the abovementioned Objects are not likely to be effectually attained by any Measure less than that of Sequestering the Zemindary of Vizianagrum.

We are

Vizagapatam
4 April 1793

Do. Do.
(Signed) John Shannier
" John Snow

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

From the Chief to Viziaram Rauze 2d April 1793

I have received your Letter dated 30th

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of last Month wherein you tell me that in consequence of my acquainting you in several Letters that your Managers are deceiving you and your affairs thereby much injured, you thought proper to take strict notice of it, and that you have therefore employed your Brother to transact the Management.

It is very true, that in several Letters which you mention, I gave you my sentiments as to the conduct of your Servants, and as to the consequences which would result, but I never advised you to put the Management of your affairs under your Brother Sitteram Rauzo, because I knew that such measure would be displeasing to the Governor and Council at Madras - All this you will find on reference to my Letters dated 5th August, 28th February, and 20th of last Month.

You will also find in my letter to you of the 31st October last, the following Words. "Take the Management of this business into your own Hands, and trust to no one at this moment of Danger!"

This is the advice I gave you

when

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when your affairs were in a very critical State,
as they are now in a similar one, I repeat the
advice, and recommend to you immediately to
look after your Affairs yourself, and to pay the
Money due to the Company, without a moment's
loss of time.

I do not hear that you have
inflicted any Punishment on the Renter and
Cutwall at Bimilipatam, nor that you have
dismissed them from their stations - If you do not
punish those who are engaged in Measures which
will ruin your Country, it will be said that
you ought not to continue in charge of it

As there is no order or Regularity
observed at Bimilipatam, and as you are totally
unmindfull of what has been represented to
you, respecting the proceedings at that Place,
it has been judged necessary to send one of the
Company's Officers with a Guard of Sepoys to
reside at Bimilipatam - I therefore desire you
will direct your People to obey the Orders of
Lieutenant Cranston, who will report to me
every thing that passes, and preserve regularity in
that place.

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Be pleased to answer this Letter, and to rely upon my friendship.—

(A true Copy)
(Signed) John Read.
Dep. Secry.—

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Robert Alexander
Secretary

Minutes and Resolutions of the Board on the foregoing subject

It is with very great concern the Board observe that, notwithstanding the measures recently adopted by them to enforce the payment of arrears due to the Company, by the Zemindar of Vizianagrum, fresh cause of complaint has again arisen from the folly and misconduct of Viziaram Rauze — and that, in duty of their trust, they feel themselves obliged to recur to similar measures, as the only alternative left for obtaining Justice.

The Papers before the Board, not only shew the marked disrespect with which the demands of the Company have been treated, but the letters from Viziaram Rauze, contain an explicit avowal of the employment of his Brother Sitteram Rauze in the manage= =ment of the Country, in defiance of their most positive orders to the contrary — The

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The Board therefore see no prospect of bringing back Vizianam Rauze to a proper sense of his duty, while he is indulged in the exercise of his authority — nor any remedy for the existing Evils short of the measure so strongly recommended for adoption by the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam and by the Board of Revenue Viz.t the Sequestration of the Zemindary, on the Event of his refusal to make an adequate assignment of his Country, for the discharge of his Arrears, together with the growing Summas.

Resolved, in consequence, that the Board of Revenue be directed to send — suitable instructions to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam, and to make known to the Zemindar, that Government expect an instant compliance with their orders for securing the — just claims of the Company, as well as for — dismissing Sitteram Rauze from his Service.

As it is, however, highly probable in the present disposition of this Zemindar — that he will not acquiesce in the Board's demands, it is further resolved to solicit the sanction of the Government General to the

force, if necessary, to effect a complete sequestration of his Districts.—

Ordered that copies of all the papers received from the Board of Revenue be sent to Bengal, and that an extract of the letter from the Honorable Court of Directors in the Revenue Department, under date the 19th September last, expressing the strongest disapprobation of Vizianam Rauze's conduct, and desiring in the Event of further disobedience that measures might be taken for procuring ample Justice to the Company, be also transmitted.

Read the following Letters from the Assistant Collector at Dindigul.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honorable Sir,

In the absence of Mr. Macleod the Collector I beg leave to lay before you, an Account of a melancholy transaction which took place here early in the morning of the 29th Ultimo:— as the subject is of a serious and important nature and is not connected with Revenue business I take

From Assistant Collector at Dindigul advising of a Dispute between the People of the Polygars of Pylney, and Mungalum on the Travancore Country has confined the Pylney Chiefs, being the principal Aggressors.—

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take the liberty to write directly to you.—

Pullia Naigue Poligar of Mum-
=galum in the Coimbatore Country, came on the
27.th Ultimo to Pyney, attended by 4 or 500 Peons,
to be present at the annual festival held at the
Pagoda:— on the 27.th and during the day of the 28.th
the most perfect harmony appeared to subsist
between Pullia Naigues people and those belong-
=ing to Vellaida Naigue, the Poligar of this District;
but an unfortunate accident, where no one was
in fault, put a stop to it, and other circumstan-
=ces which occurred in the night of the 28.th caused
the Effusion of much blood:— The accident hap-
=pened to an old Bramin woman of Pyney, who
passing in the rear of one of Pullia Naigues
horses, was kicked by the animal and she expi-
=red immediately afterwards:— a good deal of alter-
cation took place between the two parties on ac-
=count of this accident, and there was a ferment
throughout the whole of Vellaida Naigues people
for some hours, but towards the close of the
day it subsided.—

Pullia Naigues Peons and
attendants, had taken up their abode

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Tope at a considerable distance from Vellaida Naigue's people, and as far as I can learn were perfectly quiet; but about midnight of the 28th they were attacked and plundered of a considerable quantity of Rice and a few pairs of Earrings; the whole of the Plun=derers escaped, except one man, who was taken by Pullia Naigue's Peons, and kept in confinement, but without the knowledge of Pullia Naigue;— Upon this Trimulyangar, the Minister of the Pyney Rajah, assembled 300 Peons, and Ovela Gounden the head Shirewagar of the district, 300 more:— — they proceeded to the house occupied by Pullia Naigue, and insisted, not only upon the release of the man who had been taken prisoner, but that the persons who had seized him, should be delivered into their hands;— to this Pullia Naigue agreed;— four men were given up, one of which was in=humanly put to death by Ovela Gounden; one was wounded, and the other two made their escape; This barbarity naturally threw Pullia Naigue and his people into consternation; they were alarmed and stood upon the defensive, imme=diately; the Pyney people perceiving it, commenced an attack upon them and during the contest upon the spot, and wounded thirty.—

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among the latter was Ninah Gounden the Minister of Pullia Naigue: The Pyrney party had four men killed and two wounded. — Pullia Naigue and his party now made their escape; the former with a few of his attendants to the Village of Jagoody; and the party dispersed different ways. they left upon the ground of action, 2 Palangueens, 13 horses, five thousand seven hundred and seventy eight Verayen Fenams 4 pair of Gold bangles, one Gold chain, with a variety of other Articles to a considerable Amount, all of which the Pyrney people took possession of, and conveyed to the principal Village in the District, where Pullaida Naigue resides. —

It clearly appears to me, from the depositions of persons belonging to both parties, from which I have drawn my conclusions, that the Pyrney people were the aggressors, - and I have in consequence, thought it expedient to seize the person of Trimul Iongar, the Minister, which I shall keep in confinement till you determine what is to be done with him. - This man I have long known to be a dangerous and intriguing character, and if

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great measure owing to him, and Ovela Gounden, that the late unhappy Event took place: - Ovela Gounden aware of the culpability of his Conduct has avoided me, and it has not been in my power to lay hold of him: Vellaida Naigue the Poligar, a simple young man, whose mind has been poisoned by Tremul Sangar, and others about him, is alarmed and will not come to me; - he is naturally of a very timid disposition, and the conviction that his Minister and people have been so much to blame, will, I am sure, deter him from having a personal communication with me on the subject; - it is not however, of much consequence, for I could get no further insight into the business from him. —

Pullia Naigue is still at Jagooby with his wounded people; - I have seen him twice: he modestly demands redress and a restoration of the property which the Pyney party took possession of, on the morning of the Action: Vellaida has promised to send it to me in the course of this day and I shall restore it to Pullia Naigue. —

I have the honor to
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Wyndham

Pyney
3d April 1793.

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

Honorable Sir,

From Ditto - Ditto
the Pylney Poligar -
acknowledges the Mis-
-conduct of his people
on the above occasion,
offers to restore all the
property plundered
and to pay a fine -
his Moochilca -
inclosed.

On the 3d. instant I had the =
honor to address you on the subject of an unfortunate
dispute which happened at Pylney, between certain
Inhabitants of that Pollam, and a Poligar belong-
=ing to the Coimbatoor Country, a Subject of Tippoo =
Sultaun's. - I mentioned to you the unwillingness
of Vellaida Naigue, the Pylney Poligar to see me,
and it was not without infinite trouble, that I
effected an interview with him on the 6th in the
Evening. - I have now the satisfaction to informe
you, that he appears perfectly sensible of the
extreme misconduct of his people on the late un-
-happy occasion, and that he offers to make
every possible atonement for it; - I lose no time
in forwarding to you a written declaration, with
Vellaida Naigues Signature to it, and translate
thereof, wherein he acknowledges the Culpability of his
people, offers to restore the whole of the Articles =
which had been plundered, and in case any
thing should have been lost, that

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make up the deficiency in Money.—

I thought it necessary to inform Vellaida Naigue, that the Company would impose a fine, at least upon him, for the atrocious conduct of his people, and you will perceive in his declaration, that he offers to pay it: should you deem a fine a sufficient punishment, and fix the Amount of it, I will take care that it be immediately paid.—

I am sorry that my avocations, would not allow of my remaining long enough at Pylney, to have witnessed the satisfaction that must be given to the Coimbatoor Poligar, but I have Reason to think that the Apprehen-sions which Vellaida Naigue now entertains, that he will be dispossessed of his Pollam, will operate so strongly upon his mind, that he will endeavour to make an early and ample atonement.—

Dindigul
8th April 1793

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

Signed J. Wrangham
Agent Coll.

Translation

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Translation of a Muchulkee given by Pyney Vellaida Naigue to John Wrangham dated 6th April 1793.-

I acknowledge that in the dispute which has lately happened between Mungulum. Pullia Naigue's people, and those belonging to my Pollum, that the latter have been entirely to blame, and were the aggressors: I promise faithfully to restore, agreeably to the list sent me by Mr. Wrangham, the whole of the property which was plundered, and in case any Articles should be missing, that I will make up the deficiency in money — I willingly agree to pay any fine the Government may think proper to impose, as a punishment, and I promise that my utmost endeavours shall be used to prevent disputes in future, and I hope that as this is my first fault that I shall be pardoned. - I give this Muchulka - with my free Consent

(signed) Sevagerry Mooragan Vellaida Naigue

(Witnesses

Signed { Appoo. -
Callatic. -
Appagee. -

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Private Minute

Agreed to inform Mr. Wrangham that it was imprudent to allow the Polygar of Mungalum to enter the Company's territories with so large a train of armed followers for the purpose of celebrating the annual festival held at the Pylney Pagoda, since nothing was more probable than that differences would arise under such circumstances — and that in future particular care is to be taken, that none of Tippoos Subjects be permitted to come within the Districts of the Company with Arms. —

That the Board in consideration of the circumstances urged in mitigation of the conduct of Vellaida Naig the Pylney Polygar, require only that ample restitution be made to the Combatoor Polygar, for the loss and injury sustained by him — and that he (Vellaide Naig) pay a fine to the Company of five hundred (500) Pagodas —

Read the following letter from the Commandant at Dindigul. —

To
W. C. Jackson Esq.r —
Military Secretary
Fort St. George

From Commandant at Dindigul — the service in the Peraputchu Pollam completed — requests an Allowance for his Extra Expences. —

Sir

I have the Honor to report for the Information

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Fort St. George 16th April 1793.—

Information of the Honble the President in Council, that the Service on which the Detachment was Order-ed into the Verepatchee Pollam being completed, the Troops of which it was composed have this day Arrived at their different Stations, according to the Orders of Government, and that the Pioneers will march on the tenth instant to clear the Tickmally Road.—

I think it my Duty to Mention from what I have Observed of this Jungle what has been cut, and which was chiefly the Cork spur and black thorn, that unless the Cultivation of the Lands are attended to, what has been cut, will, in a few years, grow up as thick as ever.—

As I have been unavoidably Led into a considerable expence, in the command of the Detachment, I hope the Honble the President will be pleased to Order my being paid any Extra Allowance that is usually granted to a Field Officer commanding a Detachment of that strength in the field, and the Staff Allowance to the Officer that Acted in that Station.—

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Stair D. Dalrymple

Dindigul
8th April 1793.

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Resolution thereon

Resolved that a Gratuity of three hundred (300) Pagodas be paid to Major Dalrymple, as an indemnification for the extra expences incurred by him whilst employed in the Veera Patchee Pollam.—

Mr Macleod to give his opinion as to the amount of the Fine proposed to be levied on the Veerapatchee Predaceous

As Mr Macleod is in possession of the circumstances which induced the Board to give orders for the confinement of the Predaceous of Veerepatchee, Resolved that his opinion be taken in regard to the amount of the Fine which it is proposed by way of punishment to levy on the Man for his misconduct, and for the purpose of deterring others from similar acts of irregularity in future.—

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

From Board of Revenue enclosing Mr Rous's reply respecting the six months Stock of Paddy for Tanjore. Sundry answers reply to the President's letter and Papers from Mr Strange on the subject of clearing and deepening the Veeveer River.— —

Honble Sir

Your Instructions under date the 14th Ultimo for providing a Stock of Paddy for the present Garrison of Tanjour were forwarded to Mr Ram and we have now the honor to enclose his Answer for your Information on the

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Subject.

We transmit also an Extract of a Letter from Mr. Strange with an address from Sondiman in answer to the Letter sent to him lately by the Honble the Governor.—

Mr. Strange having stated to us the great advantages which must accrue to the Mannargudy District, by clearing and deepening the Venar River, we beg leave to submit to you his representation on the subject, together with an Estimate of the probable expence, Amounting to Pagodas 4371 " 2 " 4 and for the reasons assigned by him, we recommend that he be permitted to execute the proposed Work

We have the Honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) David Haliburton

" Chas. K. White —

Fort St. George
8th April 1793.—

David Haliburton Esq.r

Acting President and Members of the

Board of Revenue

Fort St. George

Gentlemen

I have received Letter

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Fort St. George 16th April 1793.

Secretary Mr. Harrington under date 19th Instant acquainting me that 500 Pagodas were paid to Mr. Swartz on the 23d January on Account of the Family of the late Rajah: - Likewise enclosing Extract of a Letter from Government directing that six Months Stock of Paddy for the present Garrison of Tanjour be laid in Store. —

It would have been more advantageous for the Company and for the Collection if this notice had been received the latter end of January, or the beginning of last Month; however as the Quantity is not very great, being reported to me at 36,000 Colleums, I believe I shall be able to deliver it to the Storekeeper, at about Star Pagodas 7000 according to the enclosed Estimate. —

I have the honor to be

Tanjour
28th March 1793. —

&c.a &c.a
(signed) G. Rain

/ A true Copy /

/ signed / John Read

Deputy Secretary

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Estimate of half a Years Stock of Grain to be laid in Store at Tanjour 1793

List of Villages within 10 Miles of Tanjour Fort which are to furnish Collums 36,000 to the Company's Stores in Tanjour. —

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Names of the Villages	Distance from Tanjour Malabar Miles	Quantity of Grain Collums	Value of Grain ₶ Chuckrums	₶ C	Pullitude Chuckrums	₶ C	Fixed Chuckrums	₶ C
Goodaloor	5	1000	" 425	" "	26	6 16	451	6 16
Kotungody	7½	1000	" 425	" "	40	" "	465	" "
Tandancotta	7½	2000	" 850	" "	40	" "	890	" "
Davaroyimpatte	7½	2000	" 850	" "	40	" "	890	" "
Ramachundraporam	12	2000	" 850	" "	128	" "	978	" "
Pocade	10	5000	" 2125	" "	266	6 16	2391	6 16
Maratoor	7½	5000	" 2125	" "	200	" "	2325	" "
Maungoody	7½	1000	" 425	" "	40	" "	465	" "
Pinnaloor	5	300	" 127	5 "	8	" "	135	5 "
Rajagurry	10	1200	" 765	" "	96	" "	861	" "
Combinuttum	7	1000	" 425	" "	37	3 8	462	3 8
Seruparumboor	4	1000	" 425	" "	21	3 16	446	3 16
Pulliacgrarum	5	1200	" 510	" "	32	" "	542	" "
Konacurchy	8	400	" 170	" "	17	" 16	187	" 16
Veerandanellour	7½	500	" 212	5 "	20	" "	232	5 "
Southen Coil	7½	1500	" 637	5 "	60	" "	697	5 "
Kullianmaporam	8	6000	" 2550	" "	256	" "	2806	" "
Tengoraculatoor	7	1000	" 425	" "	37	3 8	462	3 8
Yadacody	6	1000	" 425	" "	32	" "	457	" "
Kondaubhullun Cadul	7	500	" 212	5 "	18	6 20	231	1 20
Purangaloor	5	1000	" 425	" "	26	6 16	451	6 16
Calacody	4	600	" 255	" "	12	8 "	267	8 "
Patteeweram	10	1000	" 425	" "	53	3 8	478	3 8
Total in Chuckrums		A 37800	" 16065	" "	1509	7 22	17574	7 22
Total in Pagodas			"	" "	6693	27 "	629 2 42	7322 29 42

Remarks. —

A Collums 36,000
Usual allowance to the Inhabitants for slip in measurement 5% 1800
37,800

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NB I understand it is customary for the Paymaster to furnish the Bullock Hire. It is only here inserted to make the Estimate more compleat. —

Tanjour
28th March 1793
Errors Excepted
Signed J. G. Rainy

A true Copy
Signed

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Extract of a Letter from Mr. James Strange
Dated 30th March 1793

Enclosed in Mr Secretary Hawrington's
Letter to me Dated the 19th Instant, I received
a Letter for Tondiman, which I immediately
forwarded to him; and his reply thereto, addressed
to the Governor, is herewith transmitted.

I have heard nothing from Tondi-
man respecting those Colleries now in his Country,
who assisted in Committing the Murder in the
Polliconah Doubah, on which subject I had the
honor to address you under date the 23d Ultimo;
so soon as I am favored with your further
Orders relative thereto, I shall pay due Obedience
to the same.

A true Extract
(Signed) John Read
Deputy Secretary

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Translation of a letter from Tondiman to the Honble Sir
Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras Not dated
Received 10th April 1793

Letter from Tondiman to the Governor &c

I have been honored with your
gracious letter informing me that some Colleries

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belonging to my country have put to death a man of the district of Petticotah dependent on Tanjore; and you therefore order that the murderers may be taken up, and sent immediately to the Collector at Tanjore - Gracious Sir - the Colleries dwelled in the belonging to Ramnaud and Shevegunga and these very people are constantly committing outrages of various kinds in my country they have often been seized, and had their noses and ears cut for their offences - The matter alluded to, being enquired into it is found to be entirely false that the Colleries belong to my country on the contrary they are constantly raising disturbances in it I have represented the matter fully to the above-mentioned gentleman Mr Strange and shall use my utmost endeavours to punish all offenders of the kind - May your favor towards me continually encrease -

What shall I say more

A true translation

David Walkerton

Persian translator

Extract of a Letter from Mr James Strange dated 30th March 1793

I mentioned

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the 25th Instant my Excursion to the Venar River which I found (as was represented to me) Considerably wanting in repairs - The Necessity of undertaking which will depend altogether on the abundance, or Scarcity of Water on the other Coast which may fall on the approaching Monsoon, if it is abundant, or even if it is not unusually small, the Work may be dispensed with, as the Waters, (notwithstanding the Quantity of Sand and Soil with which the River is choaked up) will force their passage; but if unfortunately there should be a great want of Monsoon, in that case, and in that alone, the District of Managordy will be unproductive, Nine tenths of it being watered by the Venar, I send herewith an Estimate of the probable Expence that will be required to clear and deepen it; The hurry with which it has been made, will not justify me in saying — — — it is perfectly Correct - but if the Board (judging from Circumstances I have stated) think proper to order the work to be undertaken, I pledge myself that the Sum Charged, shall not be misapplied - no time however must be delayed in receiving your Commands, if the Work is to be executed -

A true Extract
(Signed) John Read
Deputy Secretary

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Estimate of Probable Expence of Deepening the Venar River.

To 1st Excavation at that part of the River where it seperates from the Cavere - In length 450 Feet in breadth 450 Feet, and in depth 1½ Feet — 288 " "

Chuckrums Fo. 1 Cad.

To 2d Excavation 900 Feet, in length 630 in breadth and 2¼ in depth — 1249 6 "

To 3d Excavation 900 Feet in length - 540 in breadth and 3 ¾ in depth — 1728

To 4th Excavation 720 Feet in length, 360 in breadth and 4½ in depth — 1105 6

Total Chuckrums 4371 2 "

Errors Excepted

(Signed) Ja.s Strange
Collector

N.B. This Charge is made according to the following Calculation —

To Charges of excavation and removal thereof for 1000 Feet in Legth, one Foot in Breadth and one Foot in Depth. 4 Gold fanams.

(Signed) Ja.s Strange
Collector

A True Copy

(Signed) John Read
Dep.y Secry

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Orders thereon.—

Ordered that the six Months Stock of Paddy for the present Garrison of Tanjore be delivered to the Storekeeper upon the terms stated in the Collectors Estimate.—

Ordered that a Copy of Tondimans Letter be sent to the Board of Revenue for their information.——

For the reasons given by Wm. Strange the Board approve the disbursements of the Sum stated to be necessary for clearing and deepening the Venar River.— Ordered that the work be executed without delay.—

Read the following Letter from Messrs. Chase, Sewell and Chase.—

W. C. Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

Sir,

We have to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of the 11th Instant.—

As the retaining Mr. Crawfords House at Cent, for a longer Period, appears a matter of Public Accommodation we request you will inform the Honble Board, that we have no Objection to the Tanjore Family's Continuing in Possession

From Messrs Chase Sewell and Chase Esqrs. no Objection to Tanjore Family continuing to occupy Mr. Crawfords Garden House provided the Rent be increased to one hundred Pagodas per Month.

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thereof, after the 31st of May next, provided, Government will agree to give a Rent of One Hundred Pagodas ℔ Month, for the same, from that period; which will not, we conceive be more than adequate to the dilapidations, which are likely to ensue, to the Premises from the Occupancy of the present Tenants.—

We have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedt Servts

(Signed) Chase Sewell and Chase,

Attys to Lieut. Crawford Engr.

Madras
16th April 1793.—

the Terms Accepted—

Agreed to accept the terms of Rent proposed in the above letter, for the House occupied by the Tanjore Family.—

Read the following Letter from the Accountant General.—

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir

Accompanying is an Account

From Accountant General enclosing a Statement of the Pagodas due to the Nizam down to 31st March 1792.

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Shewing the Amount due to his Highness the Nizam for Peishcush for the Northern Circars as far to the 31st March 1792, which you will be pleased to lay before the Honble Governor in Council, and to acquaint him, that agreeable to the directions of the Governor General in Coun-
-cil, care will be taken to have the future Sums due for Peishcush, and paid by that Govern-
-ment, duly inserted in the annual Statements, and the general Books.-

I have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Robert Wolf.
Accountant General

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Accountant Generals'
Office - 15th April 1793

Dr

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Dr. His Highness the Nizam on Account of

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July	"	To the Amount of Stores and the Carriage thereof sent to Innaconda Pag.s 3556.14 " at 365 Rupees per 100 Pagodas as per Account	12980. 13 1	
October	"	To Cash Advanced at Ganjam Factory to Rheim Alby the Nizam's Servant	3000 "	
1792 August		To the Amount of Elephants Sold by Lieut.t Sandys to the Nizam Agent	24,530 " "	
1793 February		Ditto Ditto	26,460 " "	
March		Ditto Ditto	2,100 " "	
1793 February		To Cash agreed to be paid by the Governor General in Council to Meer Abdul Lutteef the Nizam's Agent at Calcutta Sicca Rupees 3,09,000 " at 8 per Cent	32,4000 " "	
April		To Ditto paid to Meer Mungho for the order in his favor, as p.r Letter from the Nizam's Minister	15,000 " "	
			4,4,070 13 1	
		To Balance due to His Highness the Nizam	5,61,779 2 11	
			Arcot Rupees 975850 "	

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(Signed) Robert Wolfe
Accountant General

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Peishcush for the Circars to the 31st March 1792 Or

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September 25th By Balance due to his Highness the Nizam to the end of the Phazaly Year 1200 as per Account dated 23d July 1793 ___ } 625850 " "

By the first Instalment for 6 Months Peishcush of the Phazely Year 1201 } 350000 " "

Arcot Rupees 975850 " "

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Order thereon.

Ordered that a copy of the State=
=ment be sent to Bengal and to Hydrabad.

Read the following letter from
Lieutenant Blackburne.

W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary
Fort St. George

Sir

From Lieutenant W. Blackburne enclosing a Surgeon's Certificate and requesting leave to return to Europe.

I have the Honor to enclose a certi=
=ficate of Mr Stuart Surgeon at Tanjore, counter=
=signed by the Physician General, Doctor
Anderson; stating the Necessity of an immediate
Voyage to Europe for the Recovery of my Health. I
beg the favor of you to lay it before the Honorable
Governor in Council, and to request his Permission
to proceed to Europe by the first convenient Opportu=
=nity. Permit me also to express my hope that
the Honble Governor will be pleased in Consider=
=ation of the reduced state of my Health, which com=
=pels me to solicit Leave to proceed to Europe, to
recommend to the Honorable Court of Directors,
that in the Event of my Recovery, I may obtain
Permission to return to India with my Rank
in their Service, and to my

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Mahratta Translator at Tanjore

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I have the honor to be with great Respect &c.a &c.a

/Signed/ William Blackburne.

Tanjore 31st January 1793

This is to certify that Lieutenant Wm. Blackburne of the Honble Company's 2nd Battalion of Native Infantry having suffer'd several severe Billious Attacks and other Complaints incident to Europeans in Warm Climates, by which his Constitution is exceedingly impaired — I do hereby give it as my opinion that a speedy return to Europe is the only likely means remaining for the perfect reestablishment of his Health.

/Signed/ G. Stuart Surgeon

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General

Minute thereon —

In consequence of the certificate laid before the Board by Lieutenant Blackburne it is resolved that he be permitted to proceed to Europe for the re-establishment of his Health and

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and that it be recommended to the Honble Court of Directors to allow of his return to the Service without prejudice to his rank.—

Read the following letter from the Paymaster at Pallamcottah.—

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Secret and Military Department.—

Sir

From Paymaster at Palamcotah—requesting that the Establishment of Coolies and for the Cinnamon Plantation at Tankansey may be fixed.—

In Consequence of Government orders dated in January last, I obtained from His Highness's Cutchery an Order for the Uncultivated Ground near the small Cinnamon plantation at Tancausey, and I am now Releasing about 100 Cauries—to supply this with Cinnamon I have already about 2000 Plants of the first sort, from last Years Seed, ready for Transplantation, some Layers with roots, and many of the Old Trees are in Fruit, It is not my my Intention to plant any in this Ground but of the first Sort, which will keep it quite seperate from the Second when the Cinnamon is prepared.—

We have had this Year an

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uncommon dry Season in the Tinnevelly, but I hope the Rains upon the Malabar Coast, will give the fall at Tancausey, and enable me to send a very good Stock of plants there next Month—
I trust the Honble the Governor in Council will excuse my request, that the small additional Sum He is pleased to authorize in the Hire of Coolies, may be ascertained, or my Ideas of a small Sum in promoting such an Object as a Cinnamon plantation, may possibly be Erroneous—
I have no doubt but it may be rendered Successful, and I hope no moderate Sum will be grudged to Ensure it— The Enclosing of the Plantation has already Costme near 100 Pagodas and for such an Extent as 100 Cawnies of uncultivated Ground I think 30 Coolies Pagodas 1½ each with a Head Gardener at 2 Pagodas are necessary to clear, dig, Water it, and to transplant the young plants from the Palamcotah Plantation which to Tancausey is distant about 36 Miles.

Palamcotah
7th April 1793—

I am
&c. &c.
Signed Geo. Sul. Harten
Pay M. &c.—
Agreed

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Minute thereon—

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Agreed to inform Mr. Warden that the Board approve the proposed monthly establishment of Servants for the Cinnamon Plantation at Tancausey— Viz.t 30 Coolies at Pagodas 1/2 each, and one Head Gardener at 2 Pagodas.—

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel Baird.—

W C Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From Commandant at Saundermalley reporting the probable Expence of building Mud Barracks for his Men—and proposing the Bangalows be built for the Officers, the Allowance of fifty Pagodas being insufficient for covering themselves.—

Agreeable to the directions of the Honble Governor in Council communicated to me by your Letter of the 27th. Ultimo I have now the honor to acquaint you, that I propose building a Bungalo for each Company eight in number, it will also be necessary to build Cooking rooms, a Guard House and Necessaries.—

I have endeavored to get people to contract for those Buildings, but no person will offer: But from all the information I can procure, I suppose the expense will be about two thousand Pagodas.—

Each Bangalo to accommodate

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seventy five Men or One Company.

For the information of the Honble Governor I enclose a Plan of One of the proposed Bangaloes.

I think it necessary that the Governor should be acquainted before I begin those Buildings, that I learn from all the information I can procure, that the Bramins never will be satisfied or content until they get possession of every Choultry that is now occupied by us. They yesterday claimed three Choultries which I of course agreed to give up. It will therefore be necessary to build an Hospital and Quarters for the Officers. —

If the Governor does not approve of cantoning the Regiment near Tondy's bay, which would certainly in my opinion be for the advantage of both the publick and of the Regiment, as the Sea Air is much more healthy for Europeans than an inland Station, and I conceive that temporary Barracks may be built at a very small Expense there, or indeed at any place where wood could be got, as at Mellore sixteen miles on the road from Madura to Trichinopoly. —

But

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But if the Honorable Governor is pleased to determine to build near this place I would propose a spot of ground high and airy about two miles south-east and we should be clear of all the Braminis.—

At the time that I proposed that fifty Pagodas should be allowed to each Subaltern and to the higher Ranks in proportion I then supposed it might be nearly sufficient for repairing the Choultries and building out Houses, but I do not think it possible that Quarters could be built for that Sum — the regulation for Quarters throughout the Army is two Subalterns to one Captain.— From what I can learn it would give more satisfaction, and put the Company to very little more expense, were Bungaloes to be built for the Officers in the same manner as those proposed to be built for the Men — as I would superintend the whole, and give in the Accompts upon Honor —

Secundermally
10th April 1793.—

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
Signed D. Baird
Lieutenant Colonel

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Minutes in consequence

Agreed that Lieutenant Colonel Baird be permitted to erect the Bungalows for the 71st Regiment on the spot recommended by him, Viz. about two miles South-east of his present Station.—

Agreed also in consequence of his representation that the allowance of Fifty Pagodas to each Subaltern for building temporary quarters will not be Sufficient, that Bungalows for the Officers be built under his superintendence in like manner as for the Men— The Board rely entirely upon Lieutenant Colonel Bairds economical management of the public Money, and that no larger Sum will be disbursed than may be absolutely necessary— His Accounts to be delivered upon honor.—

The President lays before the Board the following information given by two Frenchmen escaped from Tipsoo's Service.—

The following is the information which the Fort Adjutant at Trichinopoly has received from Pierre Delane and Pierre Josef Richard; Two Frenchmen who came into Trichinopoly on the Morning of the 11 of April 1793.—

That the said Delane and Richard

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respecting the Prisoners still confined at Seringapatam

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Richard had been in the Service of Tippoo Sultaun, but not being able to obtain their Discharge they took an opportunity, and escaped from Seringapatam, Twenty Four Days since. That Eight days before their departure, two Englishmen, one named Oliver, the other Arnold, (who had been taken Prisoners at Bangalore) made their Escape, Oliver, they understood, belonged to Colonel Floyd's Regiment, Arnold to one of his Majesty's Regiments also:— That in Tippoos Camp on the Island are 24 or 25 English men some of whose Names as near as they recollect are.

Maclean
Munro
Smith 1st
Britin
Ellison
Smith 2nd
Griffiths
Shaw
Drogdee
Dunn
Deter
Loman
Sayer
Hughain

That in the Fort is confined a Surgeon, whose Name is Williams, who they believe was taken Prisoner on the Malabar Coast; this Man is always attended by a Guard, and when any of the Europeans are sick, they are brought into the Fort, and he [illegible]

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Mr William himself they say is almost worn out, and Delane and Richard believe he cannot long survive: Another Surgeon, who they say was taken Prisoner at Bangalore, and who had been carried to Seringapat=
=am, they suppose has been put to Death, as he has never since been heard of.

That besides the 25 Men before mentioned, are some Artic=
=ficers, / Frenchmen / who informed Delane and Richard, that 5 Months since Tippoo gave Orders that all the Euro=
=peans / who had been forced to become Mufselmen / should be put to Death — and that they have no doubt the Order was Executed. —

That the 25 Men before mentioned are under the imme=
=diate Orders of a Monsieur Yeje Nephew to Lally. — That Tippoo has had many Thousand Labourers Employed daily on the Works of Seringapatam, and in making new Works, ever since the

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Departure of the British Army, and that he is strengthening the place as much as possible.

[Signed] A Gibbons

Fort Adjutant

[A true Copy]

[Signed] W.P. Wilson
Secry

Order thereon.—

Ordered that a copy be sent to Bengal

Death of Captain Cotton of the Infantry.—

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Captain Francis Cotton of the 2d Battalion Europe Infantry at the Presidency on the 10th Instant.—

Chas Oakeley

H Fallofield

Lt. Col. Maxwell

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Diary

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Sent letter to the Nabob entered in C. C—"

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

". No 71 requesting a supply of thirty Garce of Paddey for the Garrison of Palamcotah.

18"

Dispatched the following letters.

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis &c.

Governor General in Council

at

Fort William

My Lord

We are concerned to acquaint your Lordship that notwithstanding the measures recently adopted by us to enforce the payment of arrears due to the Company by the Zemindar of Vizianagrum, fresh cause of complaint has again arisen from the folly and misconduct of " Vizianaumiauze, and in Duty to our trust we feel ourselves obliged to recur to similar measures, as the only alternative left for obtaining Justice.

To Bengal Vizeram Vauze again fails in his payment - becomes accessary & assistants to Setteram his Dewan shall therefore sequester his Country, and request sanctions to the employing of a Military force if necessary - papers on the subject inclosed

The papers which we have the honor to enclose will put your Lordship in possession of every — " circumstance necessary for your information - they not only shew the marked disrespect with which the Demands

of

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12. of the Company have been treated, but the Letters from Vizianaumrauze contain an explicit avowal of the employment of his Brother Sitteram Rauze in the Management of the Country, in defiance of our most positive Orders to the Contrary.

We have therefore no prospect of bringing back Vizianaumrauze to a proper sense of his Duty, while he is indulged in the exercise of his authority, and we see no remedy for the existing evils short of the measure so strongly recommended for adoption, by the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam, and by the Board of Revenue, Viz.t, the sequestration of the Zemindary, in the event of his refusal to make an adequate assignment of the Country, for the discharge of his arrears, together with the ensuing Summa.

We have directed the Board of Revenue to send suitable instructions to the Chief and Council at Vizapatam, and to make known to the Zemindar ye we expect an instant compliance with our orders for sending the Servants of the Company, as well as for dismissing Vizianaumrauze from his Service. But as it is highly probable in the present disposition of this Zemindar, that he will not acquiesce in our Demands, we beg leave to solicit your Lordships sanction to the Employment of

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18th of force, if necessary, to effect a complete sequestration of his Districts. —

Among the papers enclosed your Lordship will find an extract of a letter from the Honorable Court of Directors under date the 19th September last, expressing the strongest Disapprobation of Vizeeramrauze's conduct, and desiring in the event of further disobedience that — measures might be taken for procuring ample Justice to the Company —

We have the honor to be with Respect

&c &c

Fort S.t George
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[Signed] Chas Oakeley
&c Council

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

My Lord

To Bengal Mr Powney recalled from Travancore communication to Bombay regarding that residency the Rabob informed of their Union on his intended measures against the Moogul Tanjore Hall and Pollore Polygars.

1st We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of two letters from your Lordship dated the 31st Ultimo. —

2d Agreeably to your Lordship's recommendation we have recalled Mr Powney from Travancore — and have communicated to the Governor in Council of

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18. of Bombay the substance of the proposition made to the Rajah for the annual 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 we had the honor to report in our letter, of the 19th December 1792.

3

In consequence of the intimation contained in your Lordship's letter of the 16th January last, of your intention to employ Mr. Boddam, the Junior Commissioner from the Supreme Government on the Malabar Coast, to negotiate the arrangement of the Subsidy which the Rajah had agreed to pay to the Company, we advised the Rajah accordingly and since that time we have had no Correspondence with him on the subject.

4th

We have communicated to his Highness the Nabob the opinion given by your Lordship on the subject of the measures he proposed with respect to the Polygars of Moogral Pankhall and Polloor;

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We have the honor to be with Respect
&c &c
[Signed] Chas. Oakeley
&c Council

To

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To the Honorable Major General Sir Robt Abercromby K.B.

Governor in Council

at

Bombay

Honorable Sir

To Bombay advising of the recall of Mr. Powney from Travancore and stating the substance of the proposition made to the Rajah for an annual subsidy Copy of the letter from Bengal inclosed.

We have the honor to inclose for your information, Copy of a letter from the Governor General in Council, and to acquaint you that in consequence of the desire expressed by his Lordship, we have recalled Mr. Powney from his situation, as Resident at Travancore.

In the Month of October last we requested of the Rajah of Travancore, with the concurrence of the Governor General in Council, to contribute a certain proportion of his annual Revenues towards the maintenance and support of the general defence of his own and the Company's Dominions, limiting the contribution to the precise Sum which the Rajah had formerly paid on account of the two Battalions stationed in his Country during the Administration of Sir Archibald Campbell viz. forty two thousand, seven hundred, and sixty eight £42,768 Star Pagodas p.r Annum, commencing from the Month of January 1792, when his late Engagement on account of the War ceased.

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The Rajah having declared himself ready to pay to the Company the proposed subsidy, Mr. Powney was directed to make the necessary Arrangements with his Excellency, but the latter having positively refused to transact any Business with Mr. Powney in consequence of some differences that had arisen between them, the final adjustment was necessarily postponed.

The Governor General in Council has since informed us of his intention to employ Mr. Boddam, the Junior Commissioner from the Supreme Government to the Malabar Coast, to negotiate this Arrangement.

We have the honor to be

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&c. &c.
[Signed] Chas Oakeley
&c. Council

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

Gentlemen

To Board of Revenue with instructions in consequence of the misconduct of Vizeram Vauze – their recommendation regarding Joguapow will be attended to.

We have received your letter, Dated the 13th Ultimo with its respective Enclosures.

Having attentively considered the letters transmitted to your Board by the Chief and Council

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18th Council of Vizagapatam regarding the Conduct of —
Vizianammauze, we are decidedly of opinion that measures —
should be immediately adopted to secure the Company —
against the effects which must result from affording this
Zemindar the smallest reason to suppose that his marked
inattention to our orders, would escape with impunity. —

We have applied to the Governor General in
Council for his sanction to our employing a Military force
to take the Zemindary under the Company's Management,
in case of the Rajahs refusal to assign an adequate —
portion of his Country for the discharge of his arrears, to-
-gether with the growing Summa. and in the event of his
refusal to dismiss his Brother from all concern in the
Management of his Country. —

We would have you write immediately
to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam directing them
to convey to the Rajah our strongest disapprobation of his
conduct — to call for his acquiescence in, and prompt —
obedience to, the pleasure of Government, and to warn him
of the consequences that will inevitably ensue if he do not
without hesitation comply with its requisitions. —

We shall attend to your recommenda-
-tion regarding Jeggy Row in case we should deem it
expedient

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18 expedient to adopt any material alteration respecting the Country.—

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Weare
S.rs &.c
Signed/ Chas.s Oakeley
S.r Council

Substance of a letter to the Rajah of Ramnaud.

Wrote a letter to the Rajah of Ramnad entered in C.C. No.75 desiring him to recall his Vackeel from Madras and in future Communicate with the Government thro. Mr. Pandon the Collector of his Peshcush.

Ditto Ditto from the Nabob.

Received a letter entered in C.C. No.76 from the Nabob enclosing an order and its Translate for supplying 70 Garce of Paddy for the Garrison of Madura.

From Persian Translator at Bengal.

Received the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. No.118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125.

From Persian Translator at Bengal enclosing letters from the Marquis Cornwallis and Sir John Shore to the Nabob, the Omdut and one from himself to Tippoo's Vackeels.

From Resident at Hydrabad.—
/Duplicate/

From Resident at Hydrabad advising that Seyed ud Dowlah will shortly proceed to Madras, to adjust with Tippoo's Vackeels, their Masters Claim to the Peshcush of Hurnoal: requests due attention may be shewn to him.

From

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From Captain Dallas

From Agent for the purchase of horses at Hydrabad — has received the Board's Orders of the 21st March.

From Mrs. M.c Douglas

From Mrs. M.c Douglas — requests leave to embark for England on the King George, and that her Claim to a continuance of her Pension may be notified to the Honorable Court. —

From Commandant in the Guntoor Circar with the Chief-ship of Masulipatam.

From Commandant in the Guntoor Circar

From Commandant of the Nizam's Detachment with Ditto Ditto with Sir John Kennaway.

From Ditto of Nizam's Detachment.

From Military Paymaster General with his Estimate of Cash for May. —

From Military Paymaster General.

From Lieutenant William Brown — advising of an offer being made to him for conveying his Party of Sepoys to Bombay by Sea and which he means to accept. —

From Lieutenant Brown Bombay Establishment

19th

Sent the following letters. —

To the Honorable Captain Monson Commanding at Chingleput

To Commandant at Chingleput requiring a reply to the Complaint of the Dutch Government against him not to quit Fort St. George without Permission. —

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The Governor and Council at Pulicat having

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19th having represented to the Board that in consequence of your orders, the Inhabitants of the Village of Anal Cherry, dependent on Madras, had been deprived of eight hundred Goats and Sheep, and three hundred and forty Lambs by twelve Sepoys belonging to your Garrison, and that upon Mr. Simons, the Chief of Madras remonstrating with you on this occasion, you had given an assurance that you would prevent the Sepoys from carrying off the property, instead of which you had repeated the order for taking it away, the President in Council desires you will lose no time in transmitting your reply to this very serious Complaint of the Dutch Government, in order that such redress may be afforded as the nature of the case will admit, and he trusts you are not without the means of Justification, in a charge which if the facts have been correctly stated by the aggrieved party, involves great culpability, not only as a disobedience of orders (Sepoys being positively restricted from employments of the kind) but as an infringement on the rights and priveliges of a foreign nation.

The President in Council directs me further to express his desire that you will not at any time visit Madras without permission officially communicated

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19th. ted to you.

I enclose Copies of the papers received from

Pulicat and ann.

Fort St. George
18th. April 1793.

S.a &.a
/Signd/ W. C. Jackson Secy

To Colonel Henry Malcolm

Military Auditor General

Sir,

For Military Auditor General respecting the rate of exchange of the Cully fanams and Dubbs paid by the Paymasters at Madura and Ellore

Letters from Captains Croker Waight and W. Neil inclosed references regarding Pay and Allowances to be made to him in future

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to enclose letters from Captains Croker Waight and M.r Neil regarding the rate of Exchange paid by the Paymasters at Madura and Ellore under their construction of the General order by Government Dated the 19th. Ultimo.

It appears that both those Paymasters have misunderstood the principle upon which that order was founded, for, as far as it respects M.r Vaughan, it could not be meant to alter the exchange of the Cooley Fanam established by the Board in their letter to you under date the 5th. November 1792, and repeated on the 19th. of December following, the order itself indeed expressly declares, that the Troops are to be paid in such manner that no loss shall

19. shall accrue to them by the exchange, and consequently, if Mr Vaughan's mode were adopted, of giving the Colley Fanam as an equivalent for three Madras Fanams, and reckoning forty eight of the latter as equal to one Star Pagoda, the inconvenience which the Board have been so solicitous to remedy, would again exist at Stations where the Star Pagoda is current, the order directly applies: but where it is not, the payments are to be made according to the exchange fixed by authority, as in the case of Madura or according to the Bazar Exchange.

With regard to the representations of Captains Waight and Macneil the same observations will hold good. If Dubs are to be issued in lieu of fanams, they are to be calculated upon their relative value to a Rupee, reckoning the latter at twelve fanams that is to say, if one Rupee brings twenty eight Dubs, 6 of the latter will be equal to one fanam, and upon this principle the payments are to be made.

The Board desire that the above may be notified to the respective Paymasters in such manner as will prevent similar references in future, that they may be informed — at the same time, that whenever they require an explanation of a General Order respecting pay and Allowances, the application should be to the Military Auditor,

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To Auditor General and not to Government.

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17th April 1793.

Sam
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Signed W. C. Jackson Secy

Despatched the undermentioned letters entered in MB 8a 126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154.

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal with a Statement of the Amount of Peshcush due to the Nizam on 31st March 1793.

To Ditto

To Ditto with Copy of information given by two Frenchmen lately escaped from Tippoos Service.

To Ditto

To Ditto with Ditto of the latest Intelligence from Mysore.

To Messrs Chase and Company.

To Messrs Chase Sewell and Chase their proposed terms of Rent for Mr Crawfurd's Garden House accepted.

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions may erect the proposed Grain Stores at each Cavalry Station.

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Ditto with a Statement and desiring him to deliver the Grain intended as a Garrison Stock

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19. Stock for Tanjore to the Storekeeper there on the terms therein specified.

To Commandant at Dindigul.

To Commandant at Dindigul three hundred ſ300/ Pagodas will be paid to him for his Extra expenses while employed in the Verapatchee Pollam.

To Assistant Collector at Ditto.

To Assistant Collector at Ditto respecting the late disputes between the Sydney and Mungalum Polygars in future none of Tippoo's Subjects are to be permitted to enter the Company's Districts with Arms the latter Polygar to pay a fine of five hundred Pagodas and to account for all the plundered property.

To Collector at Ditto.

To Collector at Dindigul to report what fine should be levied on the Verapatchee Peedaurs confined at that place.

To Commandant at Ellore.

To Commandant at Ellore the usual Stoppages from the Sick there to be made and paid to the Hospital Contractor. Copy of two Certificates enclosed.

To Resident at Hydrabad.

To Resident at Hyderabad with Copy of the Statement ſabove notedſ of Peishcush due on the 31st March 1792.

To Paymaster at Madura.

To Paymaster at Madura orders regarding the exchange at that place will be sent to him by the Auditor to whom he is to address himself in future on such subjects.

To Military Auditor General.

To Military Auditor General informing

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14th 19th referring the Paymaster Generals Estimate for May —

To Ditto — To Ditto directing the payment of three hundred Pagodas to Major Dalrymple as before mentioned.

To Ditto — To Ditto advising of the Medical Storekeeper being permitted to purchase some Europe Bonjees their price —

To Military Board — To Military Board referring Captain E. Fergusons Claim to an Allowance in lieu of Off Reckonings —

To Lieutenant W. Blackburne — To Lieutenant W. Blackburne permitting him to proceed to England on account of ill health.

To Lieutenant John Meyer — To Lieutenant John Meyer with leave to go to Bengal. —

To Paymaster at Palamcotah — To Paymaster at Palamcotah the proposed Establishment of Servants for the Cinnamon Plantation at Tancansey approved.

To Board of Revenue — To Board of Revenue the Paddy for Tanjore to be delivered to the Storekeeper there on the terms stated by Mr. Ram Copy of a letter from Tondiman enclosed - advances for clearing and deepening the Vennar River approved. —

To Ditto — To Ditto with letters from Mr. Landon regarding the Case of Mooloo Irlah Pillay the late Rammaud Dewan - directions concerning him.

To

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To Mr. James Landon 11th Ly.

To Collector of the Southern Pestricts — directions will be sent him by the Board of Revenue on the above subject with whom he is in future to correspond — a letter for the Rajah of Ramnad and its translate enclosed

To Lieutenant Colonel Baird.

To Commandant at Secundermalley — may erect the Bungaloes for his Regiment on the Spot proposed — quarters for the Officers to be built under his Superintendance and the accounts delivered on honor —

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General advising thereof and directing occasional advance to be made to Colonel Baird by the Paymaster at Madura —

To Commandant at Tanjore

To Commandant at Tanjore may erode occasionally on the sea Coast —

To Ditto

To Ditto — desiring him to afford protection to the Brother of the late Sulatahmade Bhay Sahab about to return to his family at Tanjore —

To Mr. George Powney at Cochin.

To Mr. George Powney annulling his appointment of Resident at Travancore testimony in favor of his general conduct in that Situation.

To Ditto

To Ditto with a letter for Mr. — Duncan one of the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast

To Mr. Langley at Vyagapatam

To Major Langley enclosing Copy of the Paymaster Generals reply regarding the cause of

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11 19 20 of the Certificates for Temporary Allowance not being discharged.

Received the undermentioned Letters

entered in M.P.B. № 155 156 157 158 159 160 161.

From Captain Dallas. From Captain Dallas enclosing a letter from Lieutenant Muthall respecting his Expenses in feeding some horses of the Native Officers of his Detachment.

From Messrs. Topping and Parry. From Contractors for Ordnance Carriages are willing to supply the Articles contained in the list sent them in February last at the prices therein stated enclose another list of work property belonging to their Contract remark on the subject.

From Major Hart. From Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops, with a continuation of his Accounts.

From Military Board. From Military Board reporting on Lieutenant Hendersons Claim on account of the Tents and Carriage shall submit a Clause for the General Contract providing for repairs at Stations in the vicinity of Madras and order a Store of Country Accoutrements as Europe ones are not to be supplied Stores received in January Bills for Repairs enclosed

From Lieutenant Grant of the Body Guard. From Commandant of the Body Guard the Propriety of the Ground required for the new Stabling refused

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20th refuses to dispose of it. his conduct on the occasion reports the valuation of the Ground.

From Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell

From Officer Commanding 1/1st Regiment with a memorial of Lieutenant Emerson regarding the Agents delay in adjusting his Arrack Accounts while on Command of Tripassore.

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam the Paymaster at Chicacole requests leave to visit Madras.

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

Sent letter to the Nabab entered in C.C. No.s 77 stating the substance of the Governor Generals reply respecting His Highness's intentions against the Polygars of Moogiat Pankhall and Pollore.

Sent the undermentioned letters entered in MB Nos 162 163.

To Military Auditor General

To Military Auditor General respecting Major Wards Accounts for Examination

To Commander of this King George

To Commander of the King George with directions for receiving on Board 1 Nº Tossiengs New Covered way Gun Carriage.

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Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB Nos 164 165 166 167

From Mr Paymaster Crofts

From Paymaster in the Ganjam District on the subject of the Exchange of Bullocks at which he has paid the Troops a letter from and to Captain Little endorsed

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21st enclosed.

From Captain R. Mackay detailing his
Claims upon the Service in consequence of the late —"—
appointment of a junior Captain to the Command of a —
Battalion. —

From Commandant at Kytar reporting
his Expenses in removing his Sick from Shevigerry Estimate
of repairing the Pagoda at Kytar. —

From Ditto at Tuchinopoly on the —"—
subject of the Young Nabobs Seizure and confinement of a —
Pensioned Commandant belonging to Madura. —

22d Received letter from the Nabob Entered
in C.C. 78 enclosing Copy of his Order on his Manager
at Tinnivelly to supply thirty Garce of Paddy for the
Garrison of Palamcotah. —

23d Despatched the following letter to —"—
Bengal. —

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

My Lord

We have the honor to acquaint your
Lordship that we have received information from the
Officer,

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25th Officer Commanding at Kistnaghurry that on the 18th Instant, sixteen Camels laden with Treasure arrived at that place from Seringapatam, and that the Person in charge of it had brought two Persian Letters from Tippoo the one addressed to your Lordships which we have the honor to enclose, and the other to our President.

As the letter to Sir Charles Oakeley mentioned only that the 2d Instalment of the 2d Kist to be paid by Tippoo had been sent to Kistnagerry, and as we had not heard from Sir John Kennaway, that the first Instalment had been paid to the Nizam, our President intimated to the Vackeels that he could not receive the Money which their Master had sent, until he had information of the payment to His Highness

We have accordingly directed the Commanding Officer at Kistnagurry not to take charge of the Treasure until further orders, but to leave it entirely in the possession of Tippoo's People and have communicated the Circumstance to Sir John Kennaway for the information of the Nizam.

We have the honor to be with respect

&c &c

Signed Charls Oakeley

&c Council

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Sent

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Sent also the undermentioned letters entered in MB. Nos 168 169 —

To Offiar Commanding at Kistnaghurry

To Offiar Commanding at Kistnaghurry the Treasure arrived there to remain in charge of Sepoys people until further Orders. —

To Resident at Hydrabad

To Resident at Hydrabad advising thereof and that the Treasure would not be received until notice were sent by him of the 1st Instalment being paid to the Nizam.

Received the undermentioned letters entered in MB. Nos 170 171 172 173 174 175 176

From Commandant at Chinglepet —

From Commandant at Chinglepet replying to the charges of the Dutch Government at Pulecat against him. —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions on the subject of providing a Store of Paddy for Chinglepet. —

From Hospital Board

From Hospital Board with a correspondence between the Commandant and Surgeon of 71st Regiment regarding the charge of the Doolies being taken from the latter and given to the Quarter Master — Remarks reference concerning the expence of removing Hospital Cloathing from Arnee to Vellore — letter from the Contractors enclosed Mr Todd returned from a Sea Voyage — request all assistant Surgeons to Native Corps in the vicinity of a General Hospital may be ordered to do extra duty therein. —

From

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From Military Auditor Gen.l

From Military Auditor General reporting on the additional Indent of Cash for the Presidency Paymaster in April.—

From Lieutenant Colonel D. Campbell

From Lieutenant Colonel Campbell requesting Copy of the memorial, respecting his reappointment to the Infantry List.—

From Commandant at Palamcotah

From Commandant at Palamcotah— Lieutenant Preston of the 21st Battalion requests five Months leave of absence to Bengal.—

From Captain Knox.—

From Captain Thomas Knox presenting a Bill for Travelling Charges from Bengal to Madras.—

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor — President

Tuesday 23d. April 1793

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.—

Read the following Letter from Bengal.—

To

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Governor in Council
at Fort S.t George

Hon.ble Sir,

From Bengal.
Instructions regarding the mode of distributing the Donations to the Army will shortly be sent us more than the Orders from England on the subject may be published in General Orders.

We are to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, dated the 8.th of last Month.—

The Instructions of the Hon.ble Court of Directors, in their Dispatches, dated the 19.th of September 1792, relative to the Donations of six Months Batta for additions to the Gratuity allowed by Lord Cornwallis to the Officers and Men, who served in the late War, have been published in General Orders at this Presidency, and we would recommend that the same may be done at Fort S.t George,— with an Intimation that the mode of drawing the additional Gratuity will be notified hereafter.—

We have given the necessary Directions that a Draft of Orders for the Distribution may be prepared and laid before us, and, as soon as it is prepared, we propose to transmit a Copy of it to your Government and to that of Bombay,— recommending it to the adoption of both as

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So far as regards his Majesty's and the Company's Troops, who served in the Army from either of the two Presidencies.—

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

(Signed) Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm. Couper
Tho.s Graham

Fort William
the 5th April 1793.

Ordered in consequence.—

Ordered that a notification be made to the Army of the directions of the Honorable Court relative to the donation of Star Pagodas Batta, with the intimation recommended by the Governor General in Council.—

Read the following Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore entered also in C.C. N.o 79.—

Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Tanjore To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet &c. &c. &c.

Dated 11th April 1793.—

From Rajah of Tanjore requesting the restoration of this Country at the End of the Current Fasly year that advances for Tank repairs be in mean while made and that the Account Collections for 1201 and 1202 be furnished.—

The period, when the Cavery and other rivers of the Country begin to rise is approaching, the banks of rivers, nullahs, Water courses, and dams, ought to be repaired in the Month of Chitry and Wyaskey, before the

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the descent of the Waters. This is customary. The repair of banks of rivers and malahs is not much attended to, and there is a consequent deficiency of Water. Now, in order to ensure the cultivation of the coming year, it is necessary to commence an immediate repair of the banks, Water courses &c.ª. If things be done at the time they are required, the cultivation at the Coundry will follow; but, if the season be suffered to pass away nothing will be done. There remain of the present year one Month and ——— twenty four days: & your Excellency will favour me, and restore the coundry to my profession at the beginning of the next year. The time for making mushumuet will then have elapsed; I therefore request from your kindness and attention, that you will issue order for advancing in ready Money fifteen thousand chuckrums to each Soubah, in all sixty thousand chuckrums to the four Soubahs, in order that there may be no deviation in the business of repairs. I request also that instructions may be sent to the two Collectors for taking my people to attend together with their own at the repair of banks, malahs, water courses, and dams, which I will then complete

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in the months Chitty and coyasey. This work is indispensable; I request therefore your Excellency will take the necessity into consideration, and send the orders, which I have pointed out, to the collectors.

After the Honble Company had assumed my Country, your Excellency sent me the first years accounts of the whole country; but since that your Honor gaveme no information of the accounts collections for the two years 1201 and 1202 fasly. It is impossible for me to communicate any thing more to your Excellency upon the subject of justice; but I shall be much obliged by your giving orders for furnishing me with the particulars which account of those years. As I have been established and supported by the Honble Company, your Excellency will obtain honour and credit by treating me with attention and favour: I have no protection but from the Honble Company upon them I rely in all respects. Believe me always your Excellencys sincere friend. To a friend why should I write more.—

a true translation
Jdgrody J. Wilbe
M.r Transl.r

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Minutes of the Board on the foregoing subjects.

Read the following paragraph of a Letter from the Governor General in Council dated the 30th December 1792, and entered in Consultation the 15 of January 1793.

"We shall therefore approve of your "retaining the management of the Country of "Tanjore in the hands of the Officers of your "Government to the end of the current Revenue "Year - and, before its expiration, the Rajah "and his advisers will not only have time to "re-consider the grounds upon which he refused "to agree to the terms of the Treaty - but you will "also be able to judge whether he has so far recovered "a proper temper of mind as to render it safe, in "the Event of his acquiescing in the conditions "that were offered to him, to put the affairs of his "Country, under his own Control and authority."

The Board are not, from any observations they have yet made, prepared to say that it would be prudent to put the Rajah in possession of his Country, at the expiration of the present year, for altho' his Excellency has not since their last communication with the Governor

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Governor General in Council on the affairs of Tanjore, given them further cause of dissatisfaction, yet he has afforded no such proof of amendment in his temper, or Conduct, as can fairly remove the suspicions which his late excesses were calculated to excite; Has he expressed any sense of his faults, or dismissed from his Councils those Servants who are generally considered unfaithful to their trust, the Board would have entertained better hopes but these marks of improvement have not appeared, and there is no security that the restoration of the Rajah's authority would be followed by a just attention to the welfare of his people, or to the discharge of his public engagements.

The Board cannot therefore under these Circumstances take upon themselves to decide the question in the Rajah's favour at the same time they are sensible of the delicacy of resolving at all on a point of such consequence, where their Judgement is to rest on circumstances of opinion, and of inference, rather than of fact.

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fact. Resolved on this account, that the Rajah's application be referred to the Governor General in Council, and the aid of his Lordship's advice requested, by which the Board will be guided.

Ordered that a Copy of the Rajah's letter be sent to the Board of Revenue, with directions to furnish the Accounts required by his Excellency to the latest period.

Read the following letters from the Board of Revenue.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Hble Sir,

We have the honor to lay before your

From Board of Revenue enclosing Mr. Gambiers report concerning the Embezzlement of the Public Cash at Negole - Remarks and recommendation in consequence - The Tanjore Collectors apply for advances for Tank Repairs - their Letter enclosed - Remarks on the abuse in conducting such repairs. -

Copy of a Mr. Gambiers Report respecting the embezzlement of the public Cash at Negole - We lament that the enquiery has proved ineffectual, in obtaining complete proofs of the culpability of the Native Servants concerned - but from the circumstances stated in the correspondence on the subject and the Opinions offered at different times by a Mr. Crauford and a Mr. Gambier, it evidently

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evidently appears that Juggapaul, the late Collector's Dubash, possessed an entire influence over the rest of the Servants, and that he must be a party in the guilt, and fully acquainted with the particulars of the robbery - Under this consideration, and from the many general bad Character, and a strong suspicion already noticed of his misconduct while serving under the late Collector, we think it incumbent upon us to recommend that Juggapaul and the Sheroff shall receive a corporal Punishment, and that they as well as the Sandars, be declared unworthy of holding any Employment in future under the Companys authority -

We further recommend that the Commanding Officer at Cuddalore, in whose Charge the offenders were left by Mr. Farnham, be directed to cause the punishment to be publickly inflicted, and to notify by beat of Tom Tom that they are unworthy of again serving the Company.

The Collectors in the Tanjore Country having applied for our orders respecting

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Advances for Reparirs of Watercourses &c. and for Cultivation on account of the ensuing Year.

We have the honor to submit to you Extracts of their Letters on the Subject - as the Instructions to be given them on these Points must, we conceive, depend in a great measure on the Intentions of Government in regard to the restoration of the Country, we request to be furnished with your directions for our Guidance. -

It must be a great discouragement to us to propose that expensive works should at present be undertaken in the Carjor Country, under such circumstances as are stated by the Collectors - Both admit that great abuses are practised, in terms which cannot be read without Mortification and exciting a strong wish that the evil should be corrected, without delay - We shall again call upon them to report whether the methods lately adopted by us would answer, or if they can suggest any more effectual mode - The Survey proposed by Mr. Strange may be of use, but we do not see

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We further recommend that the Commanding Officer at Porto Nove, in whose Charge the offenders were left by Mr. Lambert, be directed to cause the punishment to be publickly inflicted, and to notify by beat of Tom Tom that they are unworthy of again serving the Company -

The Collectors in the Tanjore Country having applied for our orders respecting

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Advances for Repairs of Watercourses &c. and for Cultivation on account of the ensuing Year.

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We further recommend that the Commanding Officer at Pugole, in whose Charge the offenders were left by Mr. Lambert, be directed to cause punishment to be publickly inflicted, and to notify by beat of Tom Tom that they are unworthy of again serving the Company.

The Collectors in the Tanjore Country having applied for our orders respecting

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Advances for Repairs of Watercourses &c. and for Cultivation on account of the ensuing Year.

We have the Honor to submit to you Extracts of their Letters on the Subject - as the Instructions to be given there on these Points must, we conceive, depend in a great measure on the Intentions of Government in regard to the restoration of the Country, we request to be furnished with your directions for our Guidance. -

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see that it can alone be the means of preventing abuses in the future expenditure of repairs, which will always require a vigilant superintendance and proper checks - and on this point, we must request your decision.-

Fort St. George
15th April 1793.-

We have the Honor to be
S.r &c. &c.
(signed) David Haliburton
Chas. N. White.

To David Haliburton Esqr.
Acting President &c. &c. Member of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretarys letter of the 23d. Instant, enclosing Copy of your Letter to Government under date the 21st. Instant, which accompanied my report, when laid before them, also Copy of the answer from Government to your Board under date the 22d. Instant, and containing likewise

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your directions that I should state my opinion to your Board regarding the culpability of the Publick Servants now under confinement here, who were employed by the late Collector &c.a...

In my report under date the 15th Instant, I stated that it would have been "a great object for me could I have ascertained particularly how the deficiency in the Publick "cash arose" as it would have afforded me infinite satisfaction, could I have obtained sufficient proofs of the culpability of any of these persons now under confinement, that I might hold them up to your view in order that they might receive such punishment as their offences merited, and which Government might judge necessary to be inflicted on them.

From my endeavour being ineffectual to obtain circumstantial and positive information on the above Subject, I stated the probable causes from which the deficiency in the Publick cash might have arisen;— The one "from the cash being with held by the

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"Public servants after it had been received
"by them on account of the Collections made
"from the Country" — the other from the Impossi-
"bility of the Cash having been taken from
"the Chest during Mr. Erskine's illness".

Of the Public Servants now
under confinement, I suggest, the four
Tannadars, who were employed in the Angole
District, and the Shroff, are the persons against
whom there was in fact any accusation, and
in whom there was any imputation of
guilt. —

The other Servants of the Cutcherry
the Sheristadars, their Assistants, and the
Writers for English Accounts &c., have had
no Crimes alledged against them, and were
free from any imputation of guilt, tho' it was
found necessary that they should be kept
in confinement for the purpose of affording
explanation, or giving evidence, regarding
the persons accused. These men having ben
so long in confinement, have most probably
suffered a good deal, as they have been since

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September last without any allowances for their subsistance.-

In my report of the 15th. Instant I stated "that the Sheroff was responsible for "the loss in the Value of the Public cash as it was his duety to receive such Money only as was good when tendered for Payment- this was the particular duety for which he was employed under the late Collector, and for which he received a Monthly allowance - From having stated this to be the case, and his misconduct being proved from the great deficiency in the value of the Public cash, after being Sheroffed when transferred to the Paymaster here for a remittance to the Presidency, it thereby implied culpability in this Man, which I am of Opinion is the case, and that for such misconduct he is deserving of some punishment.-

Could I therefore have been able to have obtained sufficient proofs of any, or which, the guilt lay with the other five persons under confinement Juggajah and

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The four Jaunadars I wrote to most chearfully and readily have given my explicit opinion on the matter - However altho' there has been no positive yet there has been presumptive proof and suspicions of cullpability in these five persons - In the event therefore that guilt may really exist in them from any misconduct in their several Stations, which they have lately held, the long Confinement they have been under and the disgrace thereby stamped on their characters has operated as a considerable punishment on them - and as a further punishment on them, will of course prevent their procuring any employment in future under the Company's Authority -

I shall agreeably to your directions, deliver over to the Commanding Officer here, the charge of all these persons under confinement, requesting him to wait the orders of Government regarding them.

I have transferred the Cash amounting to Madras Pagodas 3126. 38. 49

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received from realizing the deficiency in the Public Cash /to Mr. Lennox the Paymaster here, and have the honor to transmit herewith a Bill for this Amount drawn by him in your favor on the Military Paymaster General, at Madras.-

Conformably to your Orders, I have dispatched to the Presidency under a Guard of Sepoys the public papers and accounts of the late Collector- and shall now agreeably to the permission of Government, Notified to me in your Secretary's Letter of the 23d Instant return with all expedition to my Station at Masulipatam.-

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

Ongole
30th March 1793.-

/Signed/ Cornish Jamblier

A True Copy
/Signed/ John Read
Dep. Sec.y

Extracts

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Extracts of a Letter from Mr. Strange Dated 2. April 1793.

I have no hesitation in believing that great Embezzlement and Fraud is practised in the Expenditure of those Sums allowed on account of Havannah Charges. nor is it possible for your Revenue Servants effectually to Check the Evil. To Survey, and to measure all the Work, that is annually required to be executed, previous to the commencement of the Cultivation, would unremittingly occupy every Moment of the time of your Revenue Servants, calling them away from their Offices, and from the more important objects of realizing those Balances, which towards the close of the year are invariably outstanding. The only Check therefore, which according to the present System is within the Reach of the Collectors, is to appoint Native overseers, measuring Peons, and Hircarahs; and in what Degree they are to be trusted it is needless for me to say. From these considerations therefore it is, that, I again press on your notice, the benefit which I am decidedly

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of Opinion would follow, from the appointment of an Experienced Surveyor, who having nothing to call off his attention from this Object, would be able to detect and check every attempt at Embezzlement, which in the Expenditure of those large sums charged annually on account of Marament, is, I question not, too often and too successfully practiced. I have now in the Person of Baron Reichel access to the Employment of Talents well suited to such undertaking, and whose Services as a Surveyor and Draftsman, have oftener than once obtained for him the approbation of the Court of Directors. Should the Propriety of employing this Gentleman meet your Concurrence, it is necessary I should observe to you, that the Season is rapidly advancing, wherein work of this kind is required to be executed, and therefore the appointment to which I allude should be made without further Delay.

If the Surveys of the Northern Circars, and of the Company's Jaghire have been attended with beneficial Consequences

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/and doubtless. they have/ the same good
Effects will naturally result from the Survey
of this Country; the resources and Value of
which, are in my belief, very inaccurately
known; many Pretidents, I have reason to
think, being considerably more extensive than
appears from the Accounts of their Produce,
but the Truth of which can only be ascertained
in the way I have suggested. I therefore
repeat, that I am of opinion the greatest
good may results from an accurate Topogra-
phical Survey of this Country; nor do I know
of any other expedient likely to benefit the
Revenue and detect Fraud.—

The total Expenditure on account
of Ordinary Maramut, can, of this Establishment
takes place, be easily ascertained, and the
Charge thereof may probably admit of being
hereafter reduced. The Revenue it is to be
hoped may not for many Years to come be
again so largely burthened with Extraordinary
Maramut but which last year was the
natural consequence of the very destructive

Monsoon

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Honourable Sirs, and which occasioned the great Remission that you allowed for the Damage sustained to the Country — If any argument was further wanting to shew the Policy of such a Survey as I here propose, the propriety of it, would be more strikingly evinced perhaps, by referring you to that part of my Letter to you under Date the 25th Instant, which speaks of the Resistance that was made by the Inhabitants of the Mamargoody Coubah, to the Measurement of their Farms as proposed by the Rajahs Servant in the year 1790.

I beg leave to enclose for your Information, a Statement of the Extraordinary Measurement, submitted to you last year by me, but which, owing to the lateness of the season, and to the filling of the Rivers, it was impossible completely to execute in due time, as you will see by the Disbursements charged on that Account, being somewhat short of half the Estimate, the Damage remains in part yet to be repaired, and if it is your Pleasure that the work be undertaken, it is necessary that

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your Orders thereon be not delayed, many of the Principal Pattuckdars being perfecting with me to commence it.-

I transmit also a Statement of Extraordinary Aarament, requisite to be done, on account of the ensuing Cultivation, But, it is necessary I should observe to you respecting it, that the Work is of such a Nature, that the Execution of it can be postponed to another Season, as the Cultivation may not be materially affected thereby- The probable Consequence however of the Delay, may Cause a Considerable additional encrease in the Expence next Year, and particularly if the Monsoon should fall heavy- If, Considering these Repairs as necessary, you give any Orders in Consequence, I must beg that no Delay takes place in the transmission of them to me; as Materials will be required to be collected, and the work should be completed, so as that it may be sufficiently dried before the coming down of the Rivers, otherwise it will not be durable.-

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I am decidedly of opinion that the next advance of Warrieeum, must be made on like manner as it was last year; admitting even that the Country is restored at the end of this Phasely to the Rajah; for without the security of the Company no Soucar will advance a Pagoda. If the Rajah was at this moment to obtain the surrender of this Country the Company would of Course be released from this Responsibility; for in that case he would have the usual security to tender to the Soucars, and they would not then hesitate to open their Chests. But if the advance is delayed until the Restoration of the Country (supposing that to take place at the end of this Phasely) the Rajah will have just cause to complain that the means of providing in due time for the ensuing Cultivation had been neglected. The Warrieeum should be advanced at two distant Periods, and as the first payment ought to be made long before the close of the Revenue year, Government have therefore the choice of three alternatives. Either to make the advance

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from their own Cash, or to grant as last year their Security to the Soucars for Repayment, or to give the Rajah such an early Assurance of the Restoration of his Country, as that he may be able to quiet the Doubts of the Soucars, and induce them at the proper Moment to come forward with their Assistance, without which forecast and of the advance is too long delayed, the ensuing Revenue will suffer accordingly.--

True Extracts

Signed/ John Read

Dep.t Sec.y

Statement

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Fort St. George 23. April 1703.

Statement of Extraordinary Mararmut for Phasely 1202.

Remaining to be Completed the Lateness of the Season having prevented the Repairs to be fully executed.--

Mannargoody Soubah

To the Repairing of Sluces

Vedapoody Meerzalcum Putakum		150.	
Veeravandy	do	200.	
Agraram	do	250.	
Manacoody	do	200.	
Veeracherry	do	300.	
Cattleara Soondarapurum	do	200.	
Calleecoody	do	100.	
Cilapad	do	100.	
Ponnaveshell	do	150.	
Nagaraswaram	do	200.	
Permalagaram	do	150.	
Shattanore	do	100.	
Permalagaram	do	150.	
Velecoody	do	80.	
Taluvastadel	do	100.	
Lalchmangoody	do	30.	
Cotumgoody	do	50.	
Davara Corda Nellore	do	50.	
Garcan	do	50.	
Vacra Nellore	do	30.	
Sagarajeshwaram	do	30.	
Nallah Lakshs Jagueer		100.	
Trevalore Amanee		250.	3070

Mayavaram Soubah

To Clearing and Deepning the Rivers

Veera Sholen River	400.	
Palavaur ——do	200.	
Cavary -- do	1000.	
Nortapar -- do	200.	
Mordeondan -- do	1000.	
Vidar -- do	500.	
Amiamallar -- do	200.	3500.

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	Brought Over	3500..	3070..
To the Repairing of Sluices			
Paralum	Palakum	1000..	
Manida	do	300..	
Tolumgoody	do	300..	
Pulore	do	200..	
Cockeyore	do	260..	
Yadacoody	do	400..	
Umble	do	150..	
Poolecoody	do	70..	
Nettadu	do	50..	
Conary Rajapuram	do	500..	
Moodecondah Nellore	do	150..	
Taralumdore	do	100..	
Cayenevashell	do	100..	
Trevadotore	do	100..	
Yaloomoogalore	do	50..	
Anumumgoody	do	50..	
Abesaccutty	do	100..	
Velumgoody	do	50..	
Murtga Nellore	do	60..	
Coriumgee	do	30..	
Porumbore	do	30..	
Terumalum	do	40..	
Kelcanore	do	30..	
Malacoody	do	30..	
Conundpitt Amanee		60..	
Trepanumdal Amanee		900..	
		1000..	6090.. 9630..
Tally District			
To Repairing of Sluices			
Sheally	Putakum	250..	
Trivangoa		80..	
Puttaveigum		80..	
Tanjore		80..	410.. ..
		Total Chuckrums	13070..

A true Copy
31 March 1793. / Signed John Read.

Errors Excepted

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Estimate of Extraordinary Warrantied required to be Executed in the Southab of Mannargrady for Pursely 1203.

To repairs wanting at the Salaps or mouth of the Harry Chendra nady Rever		500.	" "
To repairs wanting at the Salaps or mouth of the Anah Meerchalar Rever and for Rebuilding a Sluice which is entirely destroyed		800.	" "
To repairs wanting to the Veerama Callingle Dam of the vettar Rever near the Coigalanjary Village		100.	" "
To repairs wanting to the Callingle Dam and Bridge of the Woratar Rever		500.	" "
To repairs wanting to the aqueduct of the Woraiter Rever		400.	" "
	Total Chuckrums	3200.	" "

Errors Excepted

Do.

(Signed) Sa.t Strange

Capt.

Tanjore

31st. March 1793.

A true Copy

(Signed) John Read

Dept. Sec.ry

Extract

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Extracts of a Letter from Mr. Pain Dated 25th. March 1703.

The measuring Pearls were sent in proper time to measure both the Ordenary and Extraordenary Maramut and Loan given in their Reports but here the Inhabitants practiced one of their finesses, and prevaild on the measuring Pearls to set down full double the quantity / taking the Ordinary and Extra together / for this made of arguing, If the Collector allows it, it is for our benefit what is it to you: If he will not, you can but at last give in a Reasonable Account: but if you give in a Reasonable account at first perhaps the Collector will stell insist on an abatement and by this Conduct, you will incur our displeasure which is of more consequence to you than any favour the Collector can confer upon you" There can be no doubt but a Similar train of Reasoning is used, and has been the invariable practice for many years past this has justly authorized the Principal Revenue officer to make every year such abatements on this head as his

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private Intelligence might afford him the
means of doing. The measuring is not however alto-
=gether void of use, as it establishes, with tolerable
accuracy the proportion of Paramut between
different Puttacums and there generally is, on
this, as well as on most other Occasions, a true
as well as an exaggerated account; If the former
can be come at, what is here said, may serve
also as an answer to the 18th Para of the Board's
Letter. I now enclose the Board an abstract of
the first Statement of the measurs and likewise
of the reductions which has been made. I
have reason to think that any further
reduction would occasion discontents of a
serious nature among the Puttacdars, But
whatever further sum the Board may be
pleased to indulge the Puttacdars with,
will be greatfully received by them, and they
are very able to draft such a memorial accom-
=modated to the Occasion. For which reason
it appears to me that their Signatures
to the Vouchers is unnecessary; their

Silent

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Silent acquiescence in the reduction made, is a proof that the allowance granted them is not too little, and their Signature will not prove but that it may be too much. The Signatures of the Marriagers and of any Successful Bustlers Officers shall be annexed to the detail which shall forward along with the abstract to the Accountant, as soon as fully drawn out. The Signatures of the latter may be considered as taking off some of the responsibility from the Collector; but as to the former, they would signe to any accounts that the Collector would suffer them to signe.

The Board in their 21st Para dated 5 Instant desire I would report my Opinion as to the expediency or necessity of giving a Responsibility of any further Salary for Warrants or the Company. The question at first sight suggests, that in case the Cowdoy should be restored to the Rajahs at the Commencement of the year as he will in that case reap the Crop he should accordingly be

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answerable for the advances. But if again it be considered that it may, on this present situation be difficult for them, readily to procure a loan on this account, to a sufficient Amount.

2.ndly That there may be delaiendes of the Government share of the Graine for seed, as in the last year, that an Equivalent for these, if not received out of the Warrieeme may leave a Considerable Balance due to the Company out of the ensuing Crop: That the Rajah may by treaty agree to collect these Balances, yet so many objections may be afterwards started, such as the badness of the season, that the Collectors had overrated the Inhabitants; that the Inhabitants were impoverished &c.a all which might occasion disagreeable altercation, that had better be avoided.

3.dly as there appears little doubt but much the greater part of the Warrieeme will be discharged by the Inhabitants, so that the Company will only be answerable for the remainder and for Wast they may be Treaty settle with the Rajah to become Security and. The

remainder

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remainder in all probability will not only be much less than the Balance; but likewise less liable to Litigations to which it may be added that the Rajah, and the year of the Assumption; having said to the Company with the 10 Interest amounting to 14,204. on the Sum of 125,129. and more than for the whole of this Sum, as good Warrigon, he cannot reasonably Object to paying In- trust on a similar Sum; or it will be at his option to relieve himself of this Burthen, by paying off the whole or as much as he thinks proper and taking up the Contracts so that upon the whole, I must confess it a Subject clearly to me, to be highly requisite that the Company should give security as in the two preceding years but it is not necessary that the whole of the Warrigon should be borrowed at once. If a Third be borrowed in May, a Third more in June and a Third in July or it may be delayed to

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the 15th of August it will be sufficient.

By this mode, the Company will prevent the Complaints of the Rajah, that no steps were taken for an ensuing Settlement and if in the mean time, between any of these periods, the Country should be restored, there will be no occasion for the Company to become Security for the remainder of the Warrium unless they are solicited to do so by the Rajah.

True Extract

(Signed) John Read

Dep. Sec.y

Accounts

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Account of Maramut Ordinary and Extraordinary as

Ordenary Maramut

Combeconum Soubah .....

D° Rokkamahony D°. Fus .....

Tovady Soubah .....

D° Rokkamahony D°. Fus .....

Accrued Almaganum .....

Extraordinary Maramut...

Combeconum .....

Materials .....

10 Managars .....

Tervovady .....

Materials .....

Managars &c.a .....

Accrued &c.a .....

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Errors

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given by the Money agars, and as reduced by the Dustoreen.—

Cowries	Chuck[s]	Pc.	Rs.	f.	Cs.	Cowries	Chuck[s]	Pc.	Rs.	f.	Cs.	Rs.	f.	Cs.
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			1745.	1.	-	727.	4.	40	"					
			1745.	1.	-	727.	4.	40						
												4030.	20.	35.
			2387.	5.	-	994.	28.	40	"					
			2387.	5.	-	994	28.	40				5025.	16.	75.
						21123.	29.	34.						9532. 20. 77.
61380									Ordenary Marcamel					
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			2455.	5.	2.	1023.	4.	47.	"			1317.	7.	16. 549. 2. 20.
			"	"	"	"	"	"	"			90.	-	- 37. 18.
			"	"	"	"	"	"	"			2400.	-	- 1000. - - 1976. 21. 37.
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Excepted

/Signed/ J. A. Ram

A true Copy

/Signed/ John Read

Dep[y] Sec[y]

To

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Fort St. George 23. April 1793.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir.

From Board of Revenue - request to know whether the additional payment to the Tanjore Family is to be debited to the Revenue - Mr Gambier's Bill for Extra Expenses at Ongole recommended to be paid. -

We have been honored with your Commands of the 15th Instant and in compliance therewith the additional Sum of 950 Pagodas has been paid to the Revd Mr Swartz on Account of extraordinary Expences incurred by Serfogee and the Wives of the late Rajah of Tanjore on their Journey to Madras - but previous to carrying this Sum to Account, we request to be informed whether by your ordering it to be charged to the Company, it is your intention the Revenue should be debited with it, or if a deduction to that Amount is to be made from the Rajahs Jaygeer on account of the Revenue of the Country. -

Mr Gambier having laid before us a Statement of Extra Expences incurred by him on Account of the late Service upon which he has been employed at Ongole, we submit the same to your Honble Board.

and

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and recommend that the amount of Pag.s 212.21.
be reimbursed them.

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

Fort St. George
18th April 1793.

(signed) David Haliburton.
Chas. N. White.

Statement of Expences to Mr. Jambier incurred from the Service he was employed in at Ongole.

Travelling Expences &c. to & from Ongole	125	23
Do. and Wages for Writers &c. Servants	34	19
Country Stationary &c.	2	27
Pags.	212	21

Muglatore
3d April 1793.

(signed) Cornish Jambier
Acting Cy
(signed) John Read
Dep.y Sec.y

Minutes of the Board on the two foregoing Letters.

The Board entirely approve the recommendation regarding Juggapah - the Shroff and the four Tannadars employed under the late Mr. Osborne in the Management of the Ongole District, who are strongly suspected of having been concerned in the Embezzlement

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of the public Money - Ordered in consequence that the Officer Commanding at Bogole be directed to cause public punishment to be inflicted on the two former - and to notify by beat of tom tom, that they as well as the Tannadars, are declared unworthy of again serving the Company in any situation whatsoever -

The Board cannot come to any determination regarding the Tanjore Country until reference be had to the Governor General in Council - but whatsoever may be the result of that reference, it will be necessary to make advances for repairs of water Courses &c and for cultivation on account of the ensuing year without delay - Resolved therefore, that proper instructions be sent to the Collector through the Board of Revenue, to cause the repairs to be executed - The Estimates transmitted by Messrs Ram and Strange, of ordinary and extraordinary expences on that account are approved; but the Board cannot acquiesce in the measure recommended by the last mentioned Gentlemen

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of employing Messrs Reichell in making a survey of the Country. They are sensible that abuses will often prevail in the conduct of repairs, but by a vigilant superintendence of the part of the Collectors, and a personal examination of the greater works carrying on, they trust there frauds may be in a great measure, if not altogether prevented.

With respect to the advances of Ammeenum, it must be made in the same manner as it was last year.

Agreed that the sum paid to the Reverend Mr. Swartz on account of the extraordinary expences incurred by Serfogee and the Widows of the late Rajah in their Journey to Madras, be charged to the Revenue.

Ordered that the expences incurred by Mr. Gambier on account of the late Service upon which he was employed at Ongole, be paid.

Read the following letter from Colonel Martiny.

To

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Fort St. George 23. April 1793.

To W. Q. Jackson Esqr.

Military and Political Secretary

Sir,

You will be pleased to acquaint the Hon.ble the President in Council with the following for his Information Viz.t

From Colonel Maclerg – the Rajah of Ramnad quits the Fort with a large Armed Mob- requests order for his guidance in case he should return – Character and good Conduct of Master Island while the late Disorder –

On the 15.th Inst. I received a Message that he was going to the Province on some business for in a few days, I sent him word that he might think proper; according to circumstances if expedient return until he knows the at Madras, both to Jo respecting various valu Landon the Collector put in execution, and avoid them, and this as it is reported, given obtaining countermand to Mr. Landon.

The Rajah that he would return for reasons to do so he left the Fort and me he does not mean to all of this application Durbar. Ramnad pays to the Company about Pag. annual sum besides the Rajah wishes to the Rajah of Madras has a shew good hopes of on these subjects

The Rajah resides at Tondiman the Capital of

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Province, distant about Sixty Miles West from this place, not far from Madura and contiguous to the Tinnivelly Province.-

The Rajah has left here a few Guards about the Place, and has taken all the Armed Mob with him, and I am credibly informed that he has Recruited a Company of Topasses 80 Strong, and means to Recruit more, since Mr. Landon's arrival, these Topasses have been Recruited in different parts of the Country, in order that it might not be know to me or the Collector from Trichinopoly and other places.-

The Rajah was a Minor of about 9 or 10 Years of age at the time of the Conquest of these Provinces in the Year 1792. was conducted to Trichinopoly, where he remained a State Prisoner until the Year 1781. at which time he was restored to his former Possessions, with full Power and Authority, it cannot be expected that a young Man thus deprived of the benefit of Education, and without the least knowledge of the World can be able, or fit to Rule a Province as it ought to be Governed, particularly when the Will of the Prince is the only Law.

Accordingly

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Accordingly, for the first 18 or 20 Months of his Restoration, and during which time, he had two different Ministers, matters went on very badly, the Rajah then thought proper to appoint Mootoo Irulappillah to the Administration of his affairs, which Employ he held for about Nine Years, during which time with a good deal of trouble and address, he kept the Rajah within proper bounds, but on account of some affairs, Mr. Macleod called him to Madura, where he went, and where he fell dangerously ill for several Months, and as the Rajah wished much to get rid of a Man who pressumed to advise him, and oppose his views, thought a good opportunity, and accordingly deposed him, and ever since, the Rajah managed his affairs, appointing a Nominal Minister, and as the Rajah does not know how to Govern, and no one dare to advise or dictate to him except wherein his pleasure and avaritious views may be gratified, the Management of affairs go on worse and worse daily.—

Mootoo

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Mutter Sahasiallah, during the time of his administration never lost sight of the due respect to Government, and to those belonging to Government, he conducted himself and considered himself as the Servant of Government; if the Collector or the Commanding Officer sent a Peon or a Servant to call him to talk on business, he would come immediately, and as he had the power the business would immediately be decided, in the same manner; as he had the power over the Rajah's armed people, no evil consequences could be apprehended from them, but as matters now stand, a Jealousy and Animosity prevail in the Minds of the People, and if a fray should happen, fatal consequences may perhaps ensue before I could possibly prevent it; the ignorant Rajah seeing himself in the midst of an Armed Mob, and nothing but low flatterers and Slaves about him, who agreeing in every thing he says, and in every thing they think will please him, considers himself a very Great Man, his being permitted to keep such Armed Mob about him is attended with many Evils, of which the

Honble

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Whereas the President in Council may form a Judgement as well as of the Necessity and necessity of ordering this little Dispost to dismiss his Rob, allowing him to keep a small number for the use of the Collectors &c. in the Country; the Number of Armed Men for Guards about the Place; and for Parade about the Bazar, ought to be also ascertained, and defined by Government, in order that none above such Number be admitted in the Fort hereafter.-

The overplus European Arms and Military Stores wherever they may be found ought to be taken and lodged into the Worlds Company's Stores, and in order to effect this, and the many other necessary points with Speed and without confusion, I therefore submit to the Judgement of the Worlds Board the necessity of a Detachment being ordered to proceed along with the Collector where the Rajah may be, and settle all matters for General good.-

The disposition and ignorance of the Rajah in such, that no advice or persuasion will

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will have effect with them, strong measures —
therefore must be proceeded with them in order
to make them sensible that the power which
affords them support and protection, has also
the Power to control them in their bad Conduct.

In my Humble opinion, if the
Rajah should alter his fluctuating Mind,
and wish to return into the Fort with his Mob,
he should not be admitted, he may be desired
to remain at Triplany, a large Pagoda five Miles
distant from this, where he often resides for many
Days, and to wait there the arrival of the
Collector, and after all the affairs are settled,
he may then come in, or this Head I wish
much for the orders of the Honble the President
in Council. —

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

Rammad
16th April 1793. —

Signed/ H. Martinz

Minutes in Consequence. —

Agreed that a Copy of the foregoing Letter
be sent to the Governor General in Council, and
that

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That it be mentioned to his Lordship that as the Character of Mootoo Irlapillah the former Minister of Shaylee Pulley is so well spoken of it may be advisable in case the Rajah of Ramnad should proceed to further acts of extravagance to restore Mootoo Irlah Pillah to the Office of Dewan and support him in the administration by the Company's authority.-

Agreed to inform Colonel Martin that no particular instructions can be given to him until an answer has been had to the reference to be made to Bengal. That in the mean time however, he is to observe a conciliating behaviour towards the Rajah - but as it would be unsafe to admit any considerable number of irregular armed People into the Fort, he must tell him that the Rajah should return thither allow him to bring more of his followers than may be necessary as a Guard to attend him.-

Read the following Letter from the Officer Commanding at Vistnaghery.-

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Fort St. George 23.d April 1793.

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

Honourable Sir.

I have the honor to inform
your, that Sixteen Camels loaded with Treasure,
the amount of which is said to be Eighteen lacs,
thirty three thousand, three hundred and thirty
three, and a Quarter Rupees, in different Coins,
have arrived here this evening from Seringapatam
Sultaun; - with the accompanying Persian Letter.
- The treasure shall be detained here, until I am
honoured with your Commands respecting it. -

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

Lieut.t Colonel Agnew
Commanding at Hurryhurry
with advice of the arrival
of the 2.d Instalment
of the 2.d Kist of Tippoo
the Usurper - Two Letters
from him forwarded.

Hurryhurry
18.th April 1793. -

Signed Jno.s Agnew
Lieut.t Colonel
Hurryhurry

Read the following Letter from Tippoo
Sultaun / entered also in P. C. N.o 80 /

Translation

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Translation of a letter from Tipsoo Sultaun to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Madras.

Dated 27th Shaban 1207 of Hegyra or 9th April 1793.

Received 28th Do. Do.

From Tipsoo Sultaun - sends the Hist above mentioned.

The money of the second Hist amounting to Eighteen Lacks Thirty three Thousand three hundred and Thirty three Rupees and six Anas, is now sent by Camels to Veshungheery under the charge of Meer askerry, in the following coins Viz.t

1,000 Gold Mohrs Ten Thousand at 16 Rupees each Mohr	Rupees 160,000.—
Khanar Cash Ten Thousand at 5 Rupees each	50,000.—
Rupees Ten Thousand	10,000.—
Hyderry Pagodas Three Lack ninety one Thousand one hundred and Eleven at four Rupees, and two Anas each Pagoda	16,13332. 14.—
One Abiddy value half a Rupee	"— 8.—
Total Rupees	18,33,333. 6.—

You will please to inform me when it is received, and considering me always friendly disposed, favor me frequently with accounts

of

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of your welfare.-

Above translation

Signed David Haliburton

Persian Translater

Minute thereon

To the Letter from Tipsoo did not express that the first Instalment of the Second Kist had been paid to the Nizam the President immediately upon the receipt of it the 22d. instant informed the Vackeels that the Money sent to Kistnagherry could not be received on the part of the Company, until intelligence of the Payment to his Highness had been obtained- and a Letter was at the same time written to Lieutenant Cuppage to leave the Treasure in the charge of Tipsoo's People.-

Read the following Letter from the Resident at Hydrabad.-

William Collins Jackson Esq.

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo, stating the

From Resident at Hydrabad- copies the Nizam will consent to the terms offered for payment of the Peshcush in Madras Rupees.-

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The delay and loss which the Chief and Council of Masulepatam have represented will occur in discharging the sum ordered to be paid to the Nizams Agent, on account of the Peishcush, or Rupees, unless the amount in that specie be sent from Madras; and also that the uncommon scarcity of Silver at the latter place rendering it impracticable to procure the given number without much loss of time, the President and Council is hopeful that I shall be enable to prevail on the Nizam to take Madras Pagoda

In reply to which I beg you will assure the Board that no endeavors of mine shall be wanting to perswade his Highness to a compliance with their wishes, and, considering the fairness of the request, I shall hope that if a due proportion, and such as may be paid without loss or detriment to the Company, is advanced in Silver, that I shall not find much difficulty in inducing his Highness to take the remainder in Gold.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
[Signed] John Kennaway

Hydrabad
15th April 1693.

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Read the following Letter from

Major Tuft.

To the Hönble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

&c. &c.

Hönble Sir,

From Major Tuft requests to be placed on the Invalid List.

Having for some years been Laboring at various times, under a Liver complaint, which I am apprehensive I shall never be free from, Induces me, from a knowledge of the Inability of Exceeding my Duty in the Effective Line, so as to do myself credit, or the Service Justice, From my not being able to bear the Heat of the Sun, or any Exercise that requires the smallest exertions, I do solicit being removed from the Effective to the Invalid List, and I trust your Hönble Board will deem, a Service of twenty one Years, as an officer, a sufficient recommendation, to the removal I now solicit, being granted in an Honorable way my Constitution being reduced to what it now is, from the Fatigue of various Campaigns and Changes of climate, I have experienced in the

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course of my Service hide, was I enabled to retire to my Native Country. I would most chearfully do it, but not being in a situation to adopt such a Plan, I hope your Honble Board, will as a reward for my past Services, deem my present Solicitation Just and Reasonable, and adopt of my being fixed in a Station, that will enable me to pass the Evening of Life, even in this Country, with ease and Comfort.-

I have the Honor to be
S.r &c.a &c.a
(Signed) R. Tuckt
Majr 2d B.N. Artly

Negipatam
April 27th 1793.

To W.m C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary Military Department

Sir.

From Adjutant General - proposing Promotions, in consequence of the above - the appointment of Lieutenant F. Powell as Inspector at Trichinopoly - also the Promotion of Ensign G. Hamilton and Mr. J. Storey - to Lieut.s

Colonel Braithwaite has desired me to request you will communicate to the Honorable President in Council his recommendation that the following Promotions may be ordered in consequence of the casualties lately reported - Vizt.

[illegible]

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Artillery

Captain George Saxon to be Major vice Tuft Invalided date of Commission 22d. April 1793.

Lieutenant John Campbell to be Captain of Company vice Saxon promoted date of Commission 22d. April 1793.

Lieutenant Fireworker Sinclair Junr. to be Lieutenant vice Campbell promoted date of Commission 22d. April 1793.

Mr. Fredk. Isaacke Cadet to be Lieutenant Fireworker vice Sinclair Junr. promoted date of Rank to be settle hereafter.

Infantry

Ensign Galbraith Hamilton to be Lieutenant vice Blackburne dec. to Cooke date of Commission 26th. April 1793.

Mr. Joseph Morry Cadet to be Ensign vice Hamilton date of Commission to be settled hereafter.

I have further to signify from Colonel Brathwaite his recommendation that Lieutenant Fredk. Prescott of the Corps

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Corps of Artillery may be respectively Inspectors of Stores at Trichinopoly are well qualified in every respect to fill that office vacant by the promotion of Lieutenant John Campbell to the Rank of Captain.

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I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) B. Close
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Major R. Tuft
to be Invalided and.

Agreed that Major Robert Tuft be placed on the Invalid List at his own request after a period of Service of 21 Years.

The other promotions made.

Agreed that the promotion recommended by the Officer Commanding the Army on the Coast be made.

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.

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

From Military Auditor General reporting his opinion on Mr Cockburn's proposed arrangement for Commanding the Agency for Cavalry Supplies, and submitting the draught of a General order on the subject.

Honble Sir.

You Honble Board having adopted the suggestions of Colonel Floyd for providing the Cavalry

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Cavalry with the several Articles which are detailed in his letter of the 22d November last, it is not necessary for me to report upon many parts of the Arrangement submitted by Mr. Cockburn in his letter of the 12th Ultimo, copy whereof accompanied your Commands to me of the 13th but as I received your orders at the same time "to take the subject of that Arrangement under "reconsideration, and if there was any thing "in it which appeared to me to require "Amendment or alteration, to report the "same for your determination" I shall therefore endeavour to state briefly what occurs to me by expressing, that, the Charge of Supplies for the Cavalry being vested in a Principal Agent, the Arrangement submitted in Mr. Cockburne's letter of the 12th Ultimo for carrying on the business under a regulation of which the following is an Extract applicable to the nomination of subordinate agents, one of whom to be stationed with each of the Cavalry Regiments, does not appear to me to be consonant, to the general principle of System which I conceive

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as meant to be adopted at this Presidency.

Extract_ "That subordenate agent attached to
"each Regiment will have the immediate charge of
"and be responsible for the Store of Grain laid
"up for its use_ and of every thing connected with
"the Department, he will keep Accounts of the
"Receipts and expenditure, and transmit to the
"principle agent regularly monthly returns with
"the Vouchers."_

"The Subordenate agents to be considered
"under the orders of the Commissary General of
"Grain and provisions as principal agent, and
"to act upon honor, such salary being allowed
"as Government may deem adequate to their
"trouble and responsibility."_

On considering the above parts of
the submitted Arrangement I beg leave to submit
the following opinions;

First_ That if there are more than one agent for
the Subsistties in question and each having a
separate responsibility, they should not be under
the orders of a principal agent, or be subject to a
communication with an officer of that description

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in conducting the business of the Army: or,

Second. That the Agent to be stationed with each Regiment is placed under the orders of a Principal Agent, that the Accounts should be made up and given in by the Principal Agent and the responsibility be on him, and.

Third. That whether the supplies are provided by one or more Agents, the responsibility of the persons or persons so officiating should be limited to the provisions and delivery at fixed periods of the Year, in the proportions and of the quality ordered, and that the rates shall be reasonable, on considering the circumstances of the service and other matters affecting the supply, and consequently, that the supplies of Grain, whether in Garrison or Regimental Store, should not be in charge of the Agents who are to provide them.

Under these considerations I beg leave to lay before you a draught of a General Order such as I conceive is intended by your commands of the 20th. Ultimo in communication with those of the 13th of the

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same Subject and the nomination, on the 27th
Ultimo, of one principal and two Subordinate
Agents of Supply for Cavalry Gram. -

"The Honble the President in Councell
"is pleased to make the following alterations in
"the Arrangement contained in the Generall
"Orders of the 20th June and 11th July last relative
"to the Cavalry". -

"That one Horsekeeper shall be allowed
"for every non Commissioned Officers horse, and one
"Horsekeeper to the horses of every Four privates
"in the Regiments of European and Native
"Cavalry". -

"That Fourty Nine Jamaars and an
"half (49½) shall be the Proportion allowance
"for Account of each horse in the severall Regiments
"for Head and Heel ropes and pegs, Nose bags, Curry
"Combs and Brushes, watering Bridles, Drum Combs,
and pickers, Physic, and Medicine. Gram Kettles,
"or potts. Firewood, Horse Clothes, and Surcingles". -

"It is further published in order that
"the Officers appointed the Subordinate Agents
"before the New System of Subsisting Gram for the

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"The Gomeds of European and Native Cavalry being
"placed under the orders of the Commissary General
"of Grain and Provisions as the Principal Agent
"they shall consequently obey the Principal Agent
"in making the purchases required and in all
"other matters connected with their duty as subor-
"dinate agents for supplying Grain for the use
"of the European and Native Regiments of Cavalry
"and shall render their accounts to the Monthly
"or as often as he shall direct.-

"That all advances of Cash from
"the Treasury on account of Cavalry Gram shall
"be made to the Principal Agent through the
"Office of the Military Paymaster General."

"That each Regiment shall Indent
"on the Subordinate Agent stationed with it
"for the quantity of Gram required for one Year
"for the use of the regiment in the following
"Manner".-

"For 7/8 part deliverable immediately
"For 2/8 deliverable on the 25th of May
"For 2/8 deliverable on the 25 of June
"For 2/8 deliverable on the 25 of August"

That

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"That the quantity to be so indented
"for shall be at the rate of Five seers (5 Seers)
"(5 Seers) for the full establishment of the Corps with
"the exception of the number of horses for which
"Gram is provided in the Monthly allowance
"granted in Money to the Commissioned Officers
"of Cavalry and to the Quarter Masters of the 19th
"Dragoons.-

"That the subordinate agents shall
"be Instructed by their principal to comply with
"the Indents on their being passed by the Military
"Board under the signature of their Secretary
"and that the Indents so passed together with
"the receipts from Corps for the quantity delivered
"shall be considered necessary Vouchers to the
"Accounts of the principal Agents-

"That the Military Board shall
"check the Indents for Gram in such manner
"as shall appear expedient for the Service on
"considering the Strength in horses with each
"Corps and the probable means of their being
"completed to the Establishment within the
"period for which the Sufficiency of Gram is thus
"required."-

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"That whatsoever Governour shall
"see it necessary on account of the low price of
"Grain at any particular period or from any other
"cause to direct the Principal Agent to lay in a
"store over and above what may fall to be indented
"for by Corps in the course of a Year, the supply
"will be ordered in communication with the
"Military Board that the distributions and issue
"of Cavalry Grain there provided for the service
"and placed in Store may be regulated on the
"same principle as other Stores for the use of
"the Military Establishment."

"That neither the Principal Agent nor
"any of the subordinate Agents shall be considered
"Officers in whose Custody the Cavalry Grain is to be
"placed, and that the quantity they respectively are
"to be delivered once to the Storekeepers of the
"Stations where the Grain is to be lodged and to
"the Regiments of Cavalry respectively."

"That the Quarter Master of the Cavalry
"Corps shall be in charge of and be held res-
"ponsible for the quantity of Grain delivered
"once to them by authority and shall grant
"receipts for the same."

That

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"That there Quarter Master shall
"likewise be considered as checks on the quality
"of the Grain sent for the use of the Regiments to
"which they belong and shall accordingly report
"the quality of the Grain to their Commanding
"Officers and specify in ther as well as the quantity
"on the receipts they grant to the Agents".

"That the Quarter Master shall issue
"the Grain in Regimental Store upon daily Indents
"signed by Officer Commanding Troops and Coun-
"tersigned by the Officer Commanding the Corps
"and shall keep a Book in which shall be
"entered the receipts issues and remains of
"Grain delivered to them for the use of the
"Regiment".

"That the daily Indents for Grain in
"Regiment Store shall specify the number of
"Horses for duety in each Troop and the number
"sick, lame or sorebacked with the quantity
"drawn for on Account of each discription four
"Seers to a horse being reckoned a full feed for
"those fit for duety".

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"That the account of Receipts
"Issued and remains to be kept by the Quarter
"Masters shall be examined and transmitted
"Monthly by the Commanding Officer of the
"Regiment to the Military Board".-

"That such public buildings
"as are commodious for holding Grain at the
"Stations of the Cavalry Regiments, and can be
"spared, shall be allotted for the purpose".-

"That in the event of detachments
"marching from the Cavalry Regiments the
"Carriage for the Grain shall be provided in
"the same manner as for other Articles of public
"Store".-

Beg leave to add that I conceive the
Principal Agent should give in his Accounts
quarterly commencing on the 1st of August next
for the first quarter, and that in regard to the
rule by which his Charges are to be judged
/exclusive of the check that will be forthcoming
by means of the authority for making purchases
and of the Indents and receipts for the quantity
issued/ it may be directed by his Accounts

being

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being delivered in upon Honor or Accomptained by Certificates of the Current prices at the Stations where the purchases fall to be made and by bills for freight or other Charges according by as may appear most proper to your Honble Board.-

It occurs to me, on Mr. Cockburn's suggestion of entering a head for Cavalry supplies in the books of the Commissary & General of Grain and provisions to which all charges whatever incurred on that account shall be carried in order to ascertain the expence of the Systems, that so far as regards the Grain, which he is to supply as Principal Agent, together with the charges attendant on it, the expence will appear sufficiently on the credit of his Accounts in that Capacity.-

In detailing the periods of delivery of Grain intended for by the Regiments you will observe that I have been guided by Mr. Cockburn's suggestion on that point on a supposition of the Contract Grain being supplied by Contract; but if

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I beg leave to submit to the Consideration of your Honble Board whether or not it would be better to store all Grain required for the service immediately after Corps are gathered in and to distribute it in the principal Magazines or Storehouses contiguous to the Cavalry Stations with the exception only of such proportion of the Store as it might be advisable to issue at the time an Indent to each Regiment.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 23. April 1793.

[signed] Henry Malcolm
Mily Aud.t Genl.

The General order to be published.

Resolved that the General order recommended by the Military Auditor General required the Cavalry be published to the Army.—

Read the following Letter from the Comptrollers Paymasters on the Coast.—

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor &c Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Company's Paymasters on the Coast requesting Salaries in lieu of the advantages arising from the difference of Exchanges.

The Consequence of the Order of the 15th Instant, are so immediately interesting to us, that with submission we take leave to state the Situation in which it places Servants many of whom are among the oldest upon the Establishment. By this Order we are deprived of our last remaining Advantage, and whether it has been occasioned by Representations of Misconduct individually or otherwise we are all equally affected, and we consider it our indispensable duty to state our case to Government, lest we should appear to our Brother Servants as well as the World to lie under the Imputation of unjustifiable and illicit Conduct.

The Individuals of Corps and Followers of every Discription have ever received the Pay stipulated for them on the part of Government when they entered the Service. That of the

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The European Soldier whether King's or Company's was originally settled in English Money and the same prevailed till by the Regulations published in May last; his Pay calculated at 8 Shillings the Pagoda appears to be 2½ Pagodas per Month. Thus the Fluctuations of Exchange can in no degree affect him, forty Shillings, the Pay of two Europeans Soldiers being exactly five Pagodas; whilst each Native Individual, whether Sepoy Lascars or Pallies the Cavalry excepted receives a Ratio of his Subsistence in Fanams, a Sepoy for Instance 1 Pagoda and 24 Fanams p Month...

The fixed Exchange on the Company's Books is 42 Fanams the Pagoda, and hitherto when a considerable Sum has been advanced in Fanams and brought to account in Pagodas, the difference between 42 the Exchange of the Company and 45. or 46 which is the general Rate of the Bazar at the former of which we also receive them from the Company's Treasury has been allowed to the Paymaster by the Company; for, with submission, we can not suppose that after repeated Statements

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of our Accounts transmitted to Europe the Court of Directors can be ignorant of the Fluctuation of Exchange, and of the Differences there has ever been between the Company's and that of the Bazar. — It is the same cause that we beg leave to offer our acknowledgements of the Indulgence hitherto granted us, we are constrained to lay great Stress on this Point in Order to avoid the appearance of Infringement on the Claims of the Serjeant, Lascar, or Follower who receiving his stipulated Pay could never accuse the Paymaster of withholding any part of it. — This we presume to represent in justice not only to ourselves but to all our Predecessors, and we can not help seriously lamenting that so necessary a Body of Men as the Native Military are derive only the very trivial Advantage of £ 7 5 6½ each from the new Mode of Payment, whilst the loss of this small Sum falls in the aggregate so extremely heavy on sixteen Servants on the Civil Establishment.

As Storekeepers we heretofore derived some Emolument from the making use of different Articles bought for several Years past the supplying any but from the Presidency, has been prohibited, and

we

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we have little more in this Line to do, but to receive and issue them..

The Order of a late Government deprived us of such advantage as might arise from supplying the European Soldiers with Posts Pans, &c. & which the Company exclusive of their Pay furnish them with.. These Articles with the addition of Cots are now altogether in the Department of Barrack Master, and what till their Appointment was reckoned one of the Chief Perquisites of our Office is now divided (with Exceptionously of the Provideney) among three Gentlemen, Subalterns in the Army..

* We trust Honible Sir we have stated our case with candour, and as little more than two years have elapsed since we lodged great Securities in the Hands of Government for our good Conduct in Office which no other Disposition of Servants have done, we have no doubt but that in lieu of those Indulgences we have till now enjoyed, an adequate allowance will be made us suitable to our Rank and Responsibility, in like Manner as to the Paymaster

in

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in Bengal.

We have the Honor to be
&c &c &c

30th January 1793

Signed Robt. Hughes
Comptr. Hastings W

" Thos Coosnes
Paymr at Gobyarn and Boka

" Ed. Garrow
Paymr Tellicherry

" Basil Cochrane
Paymr Fort St George

" J. H. Brandon
Paymr Chingleput

" H. Vaughan
Paymr of Madura

" G. Thompson
Paymr Vizore

" Wm Taylor
Paymr at Ellore &c

" John Wynch
Paymr Hall Magistrate &c

" Geo. Webster
Asst Paymr Madura

" John Lennox
Paymr at Conjeveram & the Southern Carnac &c

" George Wilson
Paymr at Chingleput

" Geo Lake Maiden
Paymr Salt

" Wm Pearce
Paymr of Tanjore

* NB By Order of Government dated 6th March 1793. Lieutenant Mark Wilks the Barrack Master of Fort St George &c was ordered to provide the Pole Pans &c &c from the 1st April 1793 so that the Paymaster of Fort St George is also deprived of the advantage hitherto derived from dispensing those Articles.

Signed Basil Cochrane.
Paymr of Fort St George

Pay for the full Strength of a Battalion of Native Infantry consisting of 8 companys.-

		P	Fs	C		Pagodas	Fanams	Cash
8	Subadars	P	12.	"	"	each	96.	"	"
8	Jamadars	P	6.	21.	"		48.	168.	"
32	Havaldars	P	2.	31.	40.		64.	992.	40.
32	Naigues	P	2.	7.	"		64.	224.	"
8	Puckallies	P	3.	2.	72.		24.	23.	16.
544	Sepoys	P		1.	24.		544.	13056.	"
50	Boys	P	"	"	34.		"	1650.	"
							840.	16113	56.

Fanams as above ---- 16113 @ 42 ℔ Pagoda is ---- P 383. Fs 27. C 6 ---- As charged in account with the Company

16113 @ 46 ---- D° ---- 358. 3. " ---- As Issued from the Treasury.-

Paymasters Advantages on a Battalion Pagodas 25. 24 " ℔ Month

Gain to each Sepoy when the Exchange is at 45. under the Order of the 15. Instant -- Fs 0 C 56 3/4 ℔ Month.

Fanams as above ---- 16113 @ 42 ℔ Pagoda is ---- P 383. Fs 27. C " ---- As charged in account with the Company

16113 @ 46 ℔ ---- D° ---- 350. 13. " ---- The Fluctuating Price in the Bazar at the Presidency and out Garrisons.-

Paymasters Advantages on a Battalion Pagodas 33. 14 " ℔ Month.-

Gain to each Sepoy when the Exchange is at 46 under the Order of the 15th Instant is -- Fs 2 C 23. ℔ Month

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Copy of a Letter dated 30th January 1793

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Order to lie on the Table.-

Ordered to lie on the Table

until the Military Auditor General -

further report regarding Paymasters be

received.-

Petition of Persons on behalf of the Weaver Cast, praying as per Minute.-

Read a petition from

persons on behalf of the weaver cast entered

in M.C.B. N°577 / praying that the

Board will be pleased to order that the

sums due on account of Grain purchased

from the Cast for the use of the In-

-habitants of Hog Hill be discharged

-and stating that they have been

directed by the Military Board, to make

the present application to Government

Their Claims ordered to be discharged.-

The Board having -

resolved on Consultation the 2d. November

5792. That the claims of the Weaver Cast

should be discharged as soon as the

state of the Treasury would admit of

it. Ordered that it be now paid

being Pagodas four Thousand and

eighty

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eight nineteen seventeen and eighteen
Pags. £4080-19-18/.-

Death of Mr R.
Pollhill Cadet.

The Secretary reports
to the Board the death of Mr
Richard Pollhill, Cadet, of the 1st
Battalion European Infantry at
Trichinopoly on the 13th instant.

Read the following Letter
from Mr Alexander Brooke, Cadet.-

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

Honoralle Sir.

From Mr A. Brooke
requesting to resign the
Service.

I have to request permission
to resign the Honorable Companys Service,
to return to Europe on account of ill
Health.

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

April 22d 1793.

Signed Alex.r Brooke
Cadet.

agreed

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permitted.

Agreed that Wm. Brooke
be permitted to resigne the Honorable
Company's Service. Chas. Bakeley.

E. Harrison

Ed Harrison

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Diary

25th Despatched the undermentioned

Letters Entered in MB Nos. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182.

183. 184.—

To Military Auditor General

Six months Subsistence to be advanced to Mr.

E. Morton—Assistant Surgeon permitted to go

to the Cape.—

To Military Auditor General

To Ditto

To Ditto—Captain Bowers—

Expences in removing his Sick from Mevighenny

to be paid, as well as the Amount of Repairs to

the Pagoda at Kytar for the accommodation of

his Battalion.—

To Ditto

To Lieutenant Preston—granting

To Lieutenant William Preston at Palamcotah

him Five months leave of absence to Bengal.—

To Commandant at Angole.

To Commandant at Angole.—

Juggapah, the Shroff, and for Sannadars in

Confinement there, to be proscribed from

any Employment under the Company's

Authority, and the two former to receive

corporal punishment.—

To Commander of the King

To Commander of the King George.—

George—permitted him to receive Mr. James

Cake on board.—

To

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To Clerk of the Treasury. — To Clerk of the Treasury the amount of Mr. Cockrane's additional Estimate of Cash for April to be issued. —

To Military Paymaster General. — To Military Paymaster & General advising him thereof. —

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189.

From Secretary at Bengal. — From Secretary at Bengal & enclosing a letter for Colonel Cherwont. —

From Major Roberts. — From Commandant of the Nizam's Detachment. reference, in consequence of the General Order of the 15th January last, relative to the mode of payment in future —

From Storekeeper at Dindigul. — From Store Keeper at Dindigul stating that the Keys of the Store houses have been forcibly taken from his Servant, by order of the Commandant. —

From Military Board. — From Military Board & submitting the proposed additional clause to the Contract for Repairs. suggesting however that it be drawn out in general terms. —

From Officers of Artillery at the Mount. — From Officers of Artillery at the Mount. stating the Loss they will sustain by the Building of godowns for them raised at

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26th Despatched the following letter

to Bengal.—

To the Most noble the Marquis Cornwallis Kg.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

My Lord,

We have the honor to inform your Lordship that the Rajah of Tanjore has made an application to us, to be put in possession of his Country at the end of the present Fasly—p year.—

In the consideration of this subject, we referred to your Lordship's letter—p under date the 30th December last, wherein you are pleased to observe that by retaining the management of the Country of Tanjore in the hands of the officers of this Government to the end of the current Revenue year, we should be able to judge "whether the Rajah had "so far recovered a proper temper of Mind as to "render it safe to put the officers of his Country "under his own Control and authority."—

We confess that we are not from any observations we have yet made—p prepared to say that it would be prudent to

To Bengal—intimating regarding the restoration of the Tanjore Country—Remarks on the subjects—Colonel Fraser's letter concerning the misconduct of the Pännad Rajah, enclosed—proposes that his former—p Dewan be—p reinstated.—

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to put the Raja in possession of this Country at the expiration of the present year, for as this list of Excellency has not, since our last communication with your Lordships on the affairs of Tanjore, given us further cause of dissatisfaction, yet he has afforded no such proof of amendment in his temper, or conduct, as can fairly remove the suspicions which his late excesses were calculated to excite. Had he expressed any sense of his faults, or dismissed from his Councils those Servants who are generally considered unfaithful to their trusts, we should have entertained better hopes, but these marks of Improvement have not appeared, and we see no security that the restoration of the Rajahs authority would be followed by a just attention to the welfare of his people, or to the discharge of his public Engagements.—

We cannot therefore under these circumstances, take upon ourselves to decide the question in his favor. at the same time we are sensible of the delicacy of resolving at all on a point of such consequence where our Judgment is to rest on circumstances of opinion and of

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inference, rather than of fact we request on this account the aid of your Lordships advice, by which we shall be guided. —

We have the honor to transmit to your Lordships copy of a letter to us from Colonel Martin, the Officer Commanding the Troops stationed in the Ramnad District, respecting the irregular conduct of the Rajah Shaytor Putty, and the disorder into which the affairs of the District are thrown by his mismanagement — We have also received similar accounts from the Collector, representing the character of the Rajah in the most unfavorable light. —

Mootoo Irulah Pillah the former minister of Shaytoopuitty is said to have conducted himself through the whole of his administration with great prudence and discretion — The Rajah at length became jealous of his authority, and removed him from his Office under a charge of embezzlement which we do not find he has been able to prove — as the character of this minister is so well spoken of, it may be advisable in case the Raja should proceed to further

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acts

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26th acts of extravagance that Mons.r de la Pilla be restored to the office of Dewan, and suspended in the administration by our authority.—

We have the honor to be with respect.—

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Lt.r Lt.r

[Signed] Chas Oakeley
Lt.r Council

Sent the undermentioned letters
entered in Mss Nos. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195
196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201.—

To Commandant at Chinglepat.

To Commandant at Chinglepat
his Reasons for urging the Sheafs near Madras,
by no means satisfactory—orders in consequence
may visit the Sea Coast, but leave must be
previously obtained.—

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Commissary General of
Grain and Provisions—the Store of Paddy, for
Chinglepat, may be provided.—

To Ditto

To Ditto with Copy of a letter
from the Auditor General regarding Cavalry
Supplies.—

To Mr. Paymaster Cooper.—

To Paymaster in the Ganjam
District—the mode of Exchange the adopted
in paying the troops—approved—directions
in case

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in case of any future occasions of reference regarding pay and allowances, and points connected with the Store Department.—

To Auditor General.— To Military Auditor General noteifying the former part of the foregoing Letter.—

To Major Roberts.— To Commandant of the Nejam Detachment in reply to his Letter already noted hereon.—

To Military auditor General To Military Auditor General stating the substance of the above reply and enclosing Copy of Major Roberts's Letter.—

To Ditto To Ditto with directions for paying Lieutenant Henderson's Bill for Tents, Carriage &c.—

To Lieutenant Thomas P Henderson. To Lieutenant Henderson noteifying the above.—

To Lieutenant Colonel D. Campbell of the Infantry. To Lieutenant D. Campbell —acquainting him that the Original memorial from the Infantry officers was forwarded to England—without a Copy of it being taken

To Colonel marting.— To Commandant at Ramnad with instructions for his guidance in case the Raja should return to the Fort.—

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To Commandant at Trichinopoly

To Commandant at Trichinopoly — his conduct on the Seizure of the Commandant by the Nabob's Son, approved — his release applied for, to the Nabob.—

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M B N° 202. 203. 204. 205 & 206

From Secretary to Hospital Board.—

From Secretary to Hospital Board — Duplicate Indent for Medicines &c enclosed — requests an order for receiving on board the King George a Box of unserviceable Surgical Instruments, and permission to Doctor Gahagan to visit the Presidency.—

From Military Board.—

From Military Board — with papers relating to some repairs ordered to be made at Tanjore and Vellore — Gun Carriages &c

From Secretary to Ditto.

From Secretary to Ditto — with Bill of Lading of Stores, shipped on the Minerva for the Royal Artillery at Negapatam.—

From Lieutenant John Sinclair

From adjutant to 1st Battalion of Artillery — presenting an Indent for Stationary.—

From Mr. London & Collector.—

From Collector of Southern Pettahs — advising of the Rajah of Ramnad

26th having abruptly quitted the Fort.—

27th Sent Letter to the Nabob &

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.— Entered in C. C. No. 81 advising of his dismissal and confinement of a Poussion— Commandant at Trichenopoly— and & requesting he will order his Release.—

Sent the following Letter—

To David Haliburton Esqr.

&c. Members of the Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

We have received your Letters dated the 15th and 18th instant.—

We approve your recommendation regarding Suggapah the Sheroff, and the four Tannadars employed under the late Mr. & Erskine in the management of the Ongole & District, who are strongly suspected of having been concerned in the Embezzlement of the & public money— and we shall in consequence direct the Officer Commanding at Ongole to— & cause public punishment to be inflicted on the two former, and to notify by beat of Tom Tom that they, as well as the Tannadars, are & declared unworthy of again serving the Company in any situation whatsoever.—

Board of Revenue— Suggapah, the Sheroff and the Tannadars confined at Ongole will be prosecuted and the two former punished— & reference made to Bengal & regarding the Tanjore Country advances for Tank Repairs and of Warrioum to be made in the meanwhile sentiments in regard to the & conduct of the former Certain accounts to be furnished the Rajah— the Sum paid for travelling Expences to Mr. Goix to be charged to the Revenue— Mr. Gambois Bill also to be paid.—

We

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We cannot come to any determination regarding the Tanjore Country, until reference be had to the Governor General in Council, but whatsoever may be the result of that reference it will be necessary we conceive to make advances for repairs of water Courses &c. and for cultivation on account of the ensueing year without delay we therefore desire you will send forward instructions to the Collectors to cause the repairs to be executed. Their Estimates of ordinary and extraordinary expences on that account we approve but we cannot acquiesce in the measure recommended by Mr. Strange of employing Baron Reichelt in making a Survey of the Country. We are unable that abuses will often prevail in the conduct of repairs, but by a vigilant Superintendence on the part of the Collectors, and a personal examination of the greater works carrying on, we trust these grounds may be in a great measure if not altogether prevented.

With respect to the advance of warricoon, we desire it may be made in the same manner it was last year.

We enclose for your information Copy of a Letter from the Rajahs of Tanjore and

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27th direct that his Excellency be furnished with the accounts be requiries to the latest period.—

We would have the Sum paid to the Reverend Mr. Swartz on account of extraordinary expences incurred by Serfoge and the Widows of the late Rajah in their Journey to madras, charged to the Revenue.—

We desire that the expences incurred by Mr. Gambier on account of the late Service upon which he was employed at Ongole, may be paid as you propose.—

We are &c. &c.

(Signed) Chas. Oakeley

&c. Council

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To the Honorable Jacob Kilbracht Esq.

Governor &c. Council
at
Pulicat

Honble Sir & Sirs.

To Pulicat stating the substance of the Reply to their Complaint &. against the Commandant of changlepat and the orders to him in Consequence.

In consequence of the Complaint you were pleased to prefer against the officer Commanding at Changlepat, we called upon him for an explanation of his conduct and he has assured us in reply, that the moment he learnt from the Chief at Sadras that the Sheep & Goats belonged to the

Inhabitants

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27 Inhabitants of the Village of Aroil & Chowry, they
were restored, of which M.r Seniors advised
you on the 5.th Instant.—

We have given the most positive
orders to Captain Monson to guard against
a similar transaction in future, under pain
of our severest displeasure and directed that
if his occasional residence at Sadras should
be objected to by the Chief, not to proceed
thither on any account.—

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

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.—

Received Letter from the Nabob
Entered in C. C. N.o 82 requesting to know the
Settlement made by Colonel Maxwell with
the Feuriedly Polygars.—

Received the undermentioned
Letters Entered in M. B. N.o 207. 208. 209. 210.

From Secretary at Bengal.—

From Sub Secretary at Bengal
enclosing an account of the Process &c.a of
making Gun powder there — with Plans and
drawings of the Buildings and for that

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From Secretary at Bengal.—

From Secretary at Bengal.— with advice of the Lascar Recruits embarked on the Swallow for Madras.—

From Ditto.— From Ditto with Copy of the Instructions to Captain Curtis regarding them.—

From Military Paymaster & General.— From Paymaster General cannot close his Books for 1791/92 from want of the Books of the late Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops.—

Sent the undermentioned letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 211. 212. 213. 214. 215. 216.

To Accountant General.— To Accountant General enclosing Copy of a Letter from Bengal regarding his Statement of the War Expenses directions in Consequence.—

To military auditor General To Auditor General with another Copy thereof and directions for preparing a Correct Statement by the 1st July next.—

To Paymaster at Kistnaghery To Paymaster at Kistnaghery directing him to receive charge of and forward to Madras the Treasure arrived there from Seringapatam — Instructions for his guidance.—

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To officer Commanding at Ristnaghurry

To officer Commanding at Ristnaghurry - directing them to furnish an Escort for the same. -

To Resident at Hydrabad

To Resident at Hydrabad - Advising of the Orders sent to the Paymaster at Ristnaghurry. -

To Board of Revenue. -

To Board of Revenue - desiring a Statement of the Net Collections from the Ceded Countries during the War. -

Substance of a Letter from the Nabob. -

Received Letter from the Nabob Entered in Lb. N° 83 acknowledging the Justness of the Remarks of Marquis Cornwallis and the President - regarding the Polygars of Mograll &c. Observations. -

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M.B. N°. 217. 218. 219. 220. 221.

From Commandant at Chengleput.

From Commandant at Chengleput - concerned that his Explanation is not satisfactory - requests to know how the Garrison is in future to be supplied - & with Sheep. -

From Adjutant General. -

From Adjutant General - submitting Colonel Frasers proposed distribution of the Troops in the Manilipatam Distrinct, in consequence of the reduction of

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the Revenue Corps Colonel Braithwaite requests it may be ordered to be adopted — letters on the subject. —

From Captain Chalmers of the Infantry.

From Captain J. C. Chalmers — requesting the Command of a Battalion on the first Vacancy. —

From Commandant at Secunderabad

From Commandant at Secunderabad — pointing out another spot, whereon he wishes to build the Bungalows for his men, in case no water be found on that lately approved. —

From Ditto at Chevalapetore

From Ditto at Chevalapetore stating the annual Expence of Half Mounting for the Company under his Command. —

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Despatched the following Letter to Bengal. —

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

My Lord,

To Bengal. Sippoys first dist for the Nizam in course of payment not arrived at Vizianagherry therefore been ordered to be received. —

We have the honor to acquaint your Lordship that we have received a Letter from Sir John Kennaway, informing us that the first Dist from Sippoys for his Highness the Nizam had arrived at Kurpa, and was in the course of payment. —

We have in consequence sent directions to the Paymaster at Vizianagherry to

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30th to take charge of the Treasure which arrived at that place on the 13th Instant from Seringapatam and to forward it under an Escort to the Presidency.—

We have the honor to be with respect.—

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28th April 1793.—

&c &c
(Signed) Chas Oakeley
&c Council

Sent the undermentioned letters
Entered in M. B. Nos. 222. 223. 224.—

To Commander of the Ring George

To Commander of the Ring George—directing him to receive on board 250 Surgical Instruments.—

To Ditto.

To Ditto—permitting him to carry persons to be received at Pagoda for England.—

To Clerk of the Treasury.—

To Clerk of the Treasury directing him to issue the amount of a Dividend, payable on 1st Instant to the Nabob's Creditors.—

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 225. 226.—

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions—enclosing his Estimate

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may be allowed his Deputy Commissary at
Masulipatam.—

From Military Auditor General

From Auditor General —
reporting on the Estimate of the Paymaster
General for May, and on that of the Commissary
General of Grain and Provisions for April.—

At a Consultation
Present
The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor — President
Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.
Minutes of last Consulta-
tion read and approved.—

Tuesday
30th April 1793

Read the following Letters
from Bengal.—

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

From Bengal with observation on the Account — and General Statement of the Extra — Expences of the War — the Military Auditor General — and certain Explanations to be required for the former. —

Honble Sir,

On the 16th March last we
received Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter, addressed
to Mr. Secretary Hay, dated the 2d of that —
month, enclosing Statement of extra Expences
incurred at Fort St. George and its Dependencies

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"on account of the late War with Tippoo
"Sultaun, estimated as nearly as could be
"done, from the Accounts of the different
"Officers".— That paper bears date the 27th
February last, is signed by your Accountant
General, and was accompanied by a Letter
from him to Mr. Secretary Jackson dated
the 2d. of March.—

2d. On the 9th of May 1792, we
sent the most particular instructions
to your Presidency for making up &
with all possible dispatch the Accounts
of the Extra Charges of the War, distinguis-
hing the extra Expence on account of the
Kings Troops & of the Troops of your own
establishment, and of Detachments
from other Presidencies, paid by any
of your departments.— A similar Letter
was written to the Government of Bombay,
and Orders to the same effect were issued
at this Presidency on the same day.—

3d. By your Letter of the 20th
of May 1792 we were informed that your
Accountant General had been instructed
to transmit the Statements called for: &

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be prepared, on the principles laid down
in our said Letter of the 9th of that month,
especially as our Military Auditor General,
who had been directed to prepare the
War-Accounts, so far as regarded this
Presidency, imagining that Colonel
Malcolm had been employed in the
like work at Fort St. George, and wishing
to facilitate it, sent to him, on the 19th
September 1792 a sketch of the plan
adopted in the Military Auditor Generals
Department here, in Literal Conformity
to the directions contained in our said
Letter of the 9th of May.-

4th In your Accountant
General's Letter of the 2d of March
to Mr Jackson, he says that it had
not been possible to draw up the
Account on the plan laid down by the
Supreme Government, owing to the
General Books not being in a sufficient
degree of forwardness, but as the Military
Paymaster General, and Commissary
General of Grain and Provisions,
carried to a separate Head on their Books
raised for that purpose, all such

disbursements

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disbursements as were occasioned by the War, I am led to think the present statement will compreize every charge incurred on that account, and indeed I cannot but entertain an opinion of its being more likely to come near the actual amount expended, than by the mode I recommended, because in the amount of Military Charges for thirty months I perceived to the War, I am pretty well assured many Items were included therein, which could not be said to belong to the Peace Establishment, such as Charges incurred by the Expedition to Guntoor &c. and which it would be difficult, if not impracticable, at this time, to distinguish.

5th. The Accounts of the extra Expences occasioned by the War, both here and at Bombay, were made up by the Military Auditor General, from the Disbursements of the several Paymasters in detail, agreeably to our instructions of the 9th May 1792. We are inclined to believe that you were not apprized of

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the deviation made by your Accountant-
General from our said instructions, until
you received his address of the 2d of last
month, and we are willing to suppose that he
conceived the plan which he adopted would
answer the intended purpose equally well, &
but we are sorry that he did not enable
you to give us an earlier Opportunity of
judging of the Reasons which induced him
to depart from the plan laid down.—

6th Upon inspection of the
Statement, we find that it does not contain
any of the distinctions Recommended in our
Letter of the 9th of may 1792, recapitulated
in the 2d paragraph hereof— The first
Article is for the "whole expence" occasioned
by the War, in the Department of the
Military Paymaster General, from the
first of February 1790 instead of the 1st
January 1790 and the 30th of June 1792 for
Batta to the Troops, Donation to the
Army &c., and all other charges estimated
as per Account Pagodas 29.49287.10.26.—

7th It is impossible to
ascertain from the above Statement what
part

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part of this Gross Sum was issued on account
of His Majesty's Troops, how much for those
of the Madras Establishment, or for such
part of the Bengal, or Bombay Forces as
were paid by your Government, which Renders
it impracticable to state with Accuracy,
in the General Account of the War, the
proportion of the extra expence belonging
to each Presidency, and leaves it possible that
some part of the Expences may be, more than
are stated in the General Account, which
must be necessarily made up from Materials
furnished by the three Presidencies, neither
can we avoid observing that notwithstanding
the time taken to prepare this Paper, it
exhibits, instead of an account of Actual
Charges, a mere Estimate, unaccompanied
by any of the documents, in detail, on
which it is founded. —

8th The next Head in your
Accountant Generals Statement, amounts
to Pagodas 32,62,972. said to have been
"disbursed in the Department of the Commissary
"General of Grain and Provisions" of which
Pagodas 31,76,000

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of "Victualling the Troops, Bullock hire,
"Smack for the Europeans, Carts made up,
"serving Grain to the Army gratis, selling
"Grain to the Benjarries at a lower rate
"than the Cost, Grain taken by the Enemy,
"and every Charge from January 1790 to June
"1792" This Article, the most considerable of all
your War charges, which, from its size seems
to merit strict investigation, is like the
first, only estimated, and the data upon
which the Estimate was framed, have not
been explained, nor any distinction made of
the sums incurred under the several Heads
above specified, composing the said aggregate
Amount.—

9th The 2d. Article, composing
part of the Disbursements in the department
of the Commissary General of Grain and
Provisions is "about Pagodas 400, estimated
Expence for laying up Grain for the Bengal
detachment, for difference of price, Wastage,
Freight, and Carriage;" but an account of
the actual Expence incurred ought to
have been furnished to us, as the
Ground of that Article of charge.—

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10th The 3d Article composing part of the said aggregate Disbursements in the Department of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, is, for Bullock Bags, and Saddles, Received from Bengal, Amounting as per Account Current Received from thence to P Pagodas 74080 This seemed to be a heavy charge for such Articles, and upon P reference to our Accountant General, it does not appear that the Account P Current sent to Fort St. George, Contained Charges to the above Amount, for the P Articles mentioned. The Account in P which Bullock Pads were charged, P having been inspected, it is found, not only that, instead of the above number of Pagodas, the statement should have expensed nearly the same Number of Rupees, but also, that the Price of 1227 Bullocks, with all charges on account of them such as Boat hire, from the several stations, Food for the Cattle previous to their embarkation, and for the Voyage

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Drivers, &c. Amounting to Rupees 56,515. made
part of the Bill, which was passed for
about Rupees 78,000 It will be seen from
a Copy of the Bill, herewith sent, that the
charge for Bullock pads and Saddles, only
Amounted to Rupees 21,590. 12. 4. We are
willing however to believe that Satisfactory
explanation will be hereafter received
of this Article, as it would be particularly
desirable to see the Accuracy of your
Accountant Generals Statement
established, considering that the Chief
Expence of the War was necessarily
incurred under your Presidency

4th With respect to the Circum-
stance of the General Books of Fort Saint George
not being in a sufficient degree of forwardness
it is to be observed that the General Books
do not exhibit the details of the several
Departments and therefore the backwardness
of those at your Presidency, could not have
impeded the Statement of the War Expence
so far as regarded Military Charges, because
these ought to have been, and could only be
collected out of the Disbursements of

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the Paymasters, from which instead of the
estimated Sums, the actual amount might
have been abstracted, and in case your
Auditor General could have finished the
audits of those accounts before it became
necessary to make up the Statement of the
War Charges, the only difference that could
result therefrom, would have been
between the Amounts of the Sums drawn,
and of those that might be afterwards
allowed on Audit.—

12th We are sorry, that your
Accountant Generals Remark, that the
Charges of the Guntoor Expedition could
not now be distinguished, is expressive
of the intricacy of your Military Accounts.
but we trust that your adoption of the
Systems so often Recommended from hence,
will render them, in future, simple and
perspicuous. With regard to the alledged
difficulty of executing our instructions
of the 9th of may 1792 founded on the
Observation that the expence of the
Guntoor Expedition was not proper by a
Peace charge, it does not appear of much

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weight, both because there have seldom been any thirty Successive months in which extra Charges for small expeditions have not been incurred under your Presidency, but also, because it is evident that an Estimate of the Charge under that one Head, if the actual Amount could not be ascertained, would have been more acceptable than a Statement of the War Charges made up entirely of estimated Sums, as the Statement Received from your Presidency is declared to be.—

13th In the question from your Accountant General's Letter, of the 2 ultimo, it is said, that the Military Paymaster General, and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, carried to a separate Head, all such Disbursements as were occasioned by the War. It would have been satisfactory, of the detail by which these Gentlemen separated the War, from the Peace charges, had been explained; for this seems to indicate, that they brought into Comparison, the Peace with the War Charges for equal periods

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periods, and deducted the one from the other, as recommended in our said Letter of the 9th May 1792, and if they had the means of distinguishing, in every instance, the War from the Peace Expence, the materials by which they made their Constraint should have been explained, or Communicated, in Order to shew that their Statements had been framed upon Solid principles.—

We do not find that credit is given in your Accountant Generals Statement of the War Accounts, for any of money, collected during the War, from the conquered districts, and the interest of the money that was borrowed by your Government on account of the War, should have been included in the Statement.—

14— The Observation, contained in the Postscript of your Accountant Generals Statement, "that the Charge for Bengal Bullocks is not included" is, in some degree effected by the circumstance, relative to Bullocks, which we have noticed in the 10th Paragraph of this Letter and we have desired Your Accountant General to

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take the necessary steps for adjusting with yours, all Articles carried to Suspense P Account alluded to in the postscript of your Accountant Generals Letter, because if any Articles chargeable to the War, remain in that state, the War Accounts are incomplete.

Having now offered some of the Observations that occurred relative to the Statement received from your P Presidency, we are satisfied that the War P Accounts can be best made up at Fort St. George, as they have been, at Bombay, and here, by a Correct attention to our instructions, dated the 9th. of may 1792. the 8th. Paragraph of which was all that related to the Department of your Accountant General, and as your Military Auditor General, to whose Office the Disbursements of all Military Paymasters must Necessarily have been sent for Audit, is in our Opinion the proper Officer for preparing these P Accounts, we Request that you will be pleased to forward to him our said P instructions, with directions to carry P them into execution in such time as

that

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that they may be forwarded to Europe by the
earliest dispatch — We shall nevertheless,
for the reasons mentioned in the latter
part of Paragraph 10th be glad to see such
explanations and Documents, as your your
Accountant General may furnish to
establish the accuracy of the Statement
prepared by him —

We have the honor to be
Honble Sir
your most Obedient
humble Servants

Fort William
the 11th April 1793.

Signed Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm Cowper
Thos Graham

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary at

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Bill which should have accompanied the letter under date the 11th Instant from the Governor General in Council to the Governor & in Council at Fort St. George.—

From Lt Secretary with the Bill omitted to be sent with the foregoing letter

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) J. Lambelle

Sub Secy

Fort William

the 18th of April 1793.

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The Honourable Company ..... Dr.

To the Agent for the Contractor, for draft and Carriage Bullocks—

For the following Purchases and Disbursements made by them as per accompanying Abstract and Vouchers Sign.

Bullocks belonging to the Contractor 459 @ 30/ 1378 "

Deduct for 1 Bull unbilled

376 " 1280 "

83 2490 "

Bullocks purchased for Government ... 1,354

Deduct received from Mr. Harrington 343

Do ... received from Mr. Fraser ... 301

Do ... received from Mr. Prathers ... 52

Do ... received from Mr. Ward ... 14 702 446 Mds £25,740

1227 Bullocks 28230 " "

Boat hire from Chunar to Cojeimbajar River, with 106 Bullocks as per Copy of B. D'aguilars Bill, Dept.

4 Boats with 38 Bullocks,

1 @ 700 Maunds with 1 manger 1 Gelya & 16 Dandies for 1 Mo @ 19 Days ... 115 4

3 @ 900 Maunds each with 1 manger 1 Gelya 43 Dandies for 1 Mo @ 19 Days @ 145 4 ... } 435 12 "

Sa. R. 551 " "

Boat hire with 39 Bullocks ... at 14 R. Danabore 365 8 "

Do with 18 Do ... 261 " "

Do with 11 Do ... 159 8 " 1537 " "

Boat hire with 83 Bullocks from Dinapore & Chunar to Cojeimbajar River, 1 Mo. 12 Boats 2496 maunds @ 3 per % and 166 14 "

12 mangers. 4 each ... 48 " "

92 Dandies. 3 each ... 276 " "

1 Gelya for Boat ... 1 " " 489 8 " 3176 5 "

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees		30256 5
Straw Boat hire, with 1003 Cawns from Dunlop & Willoughby	1 4 "	"
1808 Bales.		
56 Provided by mr. Cochrane		
1752 Bales. } 447 Bags of cut } containing 1003 Cawns at 2/8 per Cawn		2507 8 "
447 Bags for Do. @ 9/ per Do		40 3 6
Coolies cutting the Straw		10 3 4
Do. landing — Do. from the Boats to have it packed		74 4 4
Boat and hackery hire, with the Bales from Balliaghaut to the Company's warehouse to have them secured		164 3 3
Cooly hire for Do. and unloading Do.		105 3 4
Packing 1752 Bales with gunny rope &c. each Bale measuring 24 Square feet @ 14 annas per Bale		1533 " "
Do. — 447 Bags with twine &c. @ 6 per Bag		13 15 6
2 Peons and 1 Sircar's Wages, to attend to this business alone		64 " "
Cooly hire, loading the Boats		82 4 4
Oil for the Screws		3 " "
Boat hire with 602 Bales on board different Ships at Calcutta		32 " "
Demurrage for Boats waiting along side — Do.		64 " "
Boat hire with 1330 Bales, to Diamond Point @ 12 per 30 Bales		798 " "
Do. — with 447 Bags to Ditto @ 12 per 200		26 13 1
Demurrage for 12 Boats with Straw to be 5 per, waiting for the Henry 210 days @ 2/ per day		420 " "
Do. for 26 Boats — ditto at Diamond point 217 @ 2/		434 " "
Peons sent down with Ditto		34 6 4
		6581 " "
Carried Forward, Sicca Rupees		36837 5

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees . . . . . 26,837 5 ,

Tubs, Buckets &c.

20 Butts } cut up into 89 Tubs @ 12 per Butt and 5 per hogshead 365 " "
25 Hogsheads }

185 Buckets with rope @ 1/4 . . . . . 231 4 "

20 Large Pans . . . . . 16 per 100 . . . . . 3 3 2

718 Baskets . . . . . 6/4 per 100 . . . . . 44 14 "

2293 Grass Bags . . . . . 6/8 per 100 . . . . . 149 " 9

66 Measures . . . . . 9/8 per 100 . . . . . 6 4 4

52 Knives for cutting Straw /8 each . . . . . 26 " " 825 10 3

Pads, Picket Ropes &c.

251 Pads lined with Blanket, Muffed with cotton &c @ 2/12 690 4 "

2293 Picket Ropes, and Bridles, weighing 2,293 Lbs @ 6 per Lb 343 15 2

2293 Pcs in all . . . . . @ 7/8 per 100 57 52 1091 8 4

Salt

31 Bags weighing 63 Maunds . . . . . @ 2/12 . . . 724 "

31 Bags for Ditto . . . . . 9/8 P 100 . 2 12 8

Cooley hire with Ditto to the Boat 3 4 4 879 5

New Pads

200 Bales containing 10,000 lined with Blanket @ 2/ . . . 2,000 " "

Packing Ditto with gunny Rope &c . . . @ 1/4 P Bale 175 " "

Hackery hire with do to the Company's Godowns to have the Bales tied 10 " "

Cooley hire loading the Boats with ditto . . . . . 25 " "

Boat hire with do on Board different Ships at Diamond point 120 " "

Demurrage for Boats Waiting at Diamond Point . . 30 " "

Ditto for 1 Boat Waiting at Diamond and following the Ship Fowles to Ingellee } 24 " "

Peons sent down with ditto . . . . . 13 4 " 2049 4 "

Carried Forward Sa. Rupees 59,433 " 7

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees 59432 . 7

Drivers Provisions —

79 Maunds of dry Sirewood cut		@25 fan/Md.	19 12	"
10 Ditto of Flour		2/2 Do	21 4	"
2 Bags of Salt weighing 1.36.2		2/2 Do	5 3	9
194 Ditto of Fried Rice measuring 362 M.s 8 w 588.10 1/4 Do			735	5
35 Ditto of Jaghery weighing 68.19.8		@2/ Do	136	15 7
35 Ditto of Dal Do	57.34	@1/7 Do	83	2 6
5 Dubbers of Ghee Do	11.25.12	13/ Do	15	5 10
5 Bags of Tamarinds Do	27.19	1/2 Do	30	14 7
95 Ditto of Rice	Do 187.25	1/2 Do	211	1 3
378 Bags for the above		9/ C/o	34	" 4
5 Dubbers for the Ghee		/5 each	1	9 "
963 Pots for the drivers		/2 each	57	14 "
Cooley and hackery hire, with the above things from the Bags			38	4 4
Boat hire 2 different times with the above things to Dam.d Point			102	2 3
Peons sent with ditto			9 4 4	16 38 2 10

Scales & Weights —

4 Pair complete		24 "	"
20 Seers new Rope		3 4 "	27 4 "

Grain —

	M.ds		
2014 Bags weighing 4,180. 5 @ 1. 3. 6			5094 8 5
Bags for ditto	@ 9 per C/o		181 4 2
280 D.o le Gunny Bags	@ 22 per C/o		61 9 7
Boat hire with the above quantity of Grain on board different Ships at Calcutta, and at Diamond Point			464 4 4
Demurrage for Boats do Diamond Point			128 " "
Matts sent down with do			19 4 6
Hackery hire with do from the Water side to the Godown and from thence to the Boats			288 4 3
Peons sent with do		19 3 4	625 6 7

Carried forward 673 5 4 14 "

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees 69354 14 "

Demurrage of 4 Boats, shipping off Bullocks at Diamond Point, from Nov.r 30th to April 3d being 125 days each 500 days } 1000 " "

Ditto of 2 Pinchaways attending with my Assistant and Servants and to procure Provisions for the Divers 125 days in 250 days } 312 8 "

Boat hire with 52 Bullocks from Pumlock purchased by Mr Brothers } 84 " "

Damaging the Boats and 2 Peons sent with Do 46 ..... 153 4 1610 4

2 Servants wages attending at Diamond Point to look after the Divers 120 " "

4 Peons wages Do ..... Do ..... 80 " " 200 " "

Cooly hire, loading and reloading 2 Chests with 18 Sheets and 22 Bales of Cavalry Stores ..... } 24 " "

Boat hire for the same on board the Le Soutan ..... 4 " " 28

Paid for building sheds for the Bullocks on the Coast " " " 400 " "

Divers

For the following advance of Pay to Tindals & Divers Viz.t

Ships Names	from	to	Tindals Days	Divers days	Dollars	Fanams
Ships Henry	from December 25th	to Janry 31st	6.	222.	108.	3996
Mr Cockrane	" January 1st	to Feby 28.	1	58.	26.	1508
Le Soutan	Janry 4th	to Do	1.	55.	22.	1188
Spake	Janry 5th	to Do	5.	270.	90.	4360
Queen	Janry 10th	to Do	3.	147.	50.	2650
Hebernia	Janry 5th	to Do	1.	54.	20.	1080
L'Hermoine	Janry 27th	to Do	2.	64.	22.	704
Calberbabah	Janry 21st	to Do	"	"	4.	152
Sugermankoo	Janry 28th	to Do	"	"	3.	114
Soobermanny	Janry 22d	to Do	"	"	3.	111

Carried forward 19. 870. 358. 1613 Sicca Rupees 69392 2 "

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		Indian days	Divt days	Sicca Rupees	Fanams
	Brought forward	19.	870. 348.	16163	Sicca Rupees 69393 2 "
Soobermauny	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3. 111	
Unnapurnoo	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3. 111	
Cuddalorecandy	from Jany 9th to Feby 28th	1.	50. 19.	950	
Fowles	from Jany 11th to Feby 28th	2.	96. 48.	2364	
Resolution	from Jany 23d to Feby 28th	2.	72. 42.	1513	
Patriot	from Feby 1st to March 31st			3. 174	
Friends adventure	dr Feby 11th to March 31st			2. 96	
Anne & Eliza	from Feby 14th to March 31st	1.	45. 12.	540	
Nancy Grab	from Feby 15th to March 31st	"	"	2. 88	
Fatta Saldam	from Feby 23d to March 31st	1.	36. 25.	900	
Fortitude	from Feby 25th to March 31st	1.	34. 15.	510	
Sydney medows	dr March 1st to March 31st	1.	30. 25.	750	
Lucknow	from March 10th to March 31st	3.	63. 50.	1650	
Henry	from March 21st to March 31st	6.	120. 110.	2200	
Prince of Wales	dr March 23d to March 31st	3.	24. 45.	360	
		40.	1439. 753.	27819	
Deduct for 1 Vessel charged twice Soobermoney				3. 111	
		40.	1439. 749.	27708	

40 Sardars from the time of their Embarkation 1439 or 47 24 @ 8/ P. Month 383 11 9

749 Drivers ditto . . ditto . . . . . 27,708 - 923, 18 @ 5/ Do 461 8 " 384 11 9

789

Boxes to 789 Drivers and Sardars for Incouragement @ 1/ each . 789 " "

Increase of Pay to Sardars and Drivers, during their detention at Diamond Point, the Contractor being allowed 5 Rs P Month for Sardars, and 3. 12 for Drivers, which has been drawn for in his Monthly Accounts.—

Sardars 40 - 2080 days or 69-10. @ 3/ exce/ is 30 Rs P Mo. . 208 " "

Drivers 749. 38,948 d. or 1298. 8. 5/ Do 1. 4 Do 1622 10 4 2,619 10 4

Carried Forward Sa Rupees 77014 8 1

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees 69354 14 "

Demurrage of 4 Boats, shipping off Bullocks to Diamond Point, from Nov.r 30th to April 3d being 123 days and 500 days } 1000 " "

ditto of 2 Patcheways attending with my Assistant and Servants and to procure Provisions for the Dimr 125 days and 250 days } 312 8 "

Boat hire with 52 Bullocks from Pamlook purchased by Mr Brothers } 84 " "

Damaging the Boats, and 2 Peons sent with do. 138 4 } 160 4

2 Lascars wages attending at Diamond Point to look after the Provisions 20 " "

4 Peons wages Do Do 80 " " 200 " "

Cooley hire, loading and reloading 2 Bhoras with 16 Chests and 22 Bales of Cavalry Stores } 24 " "

Boat hire for the same on board the Le Soultan 4 " " 28

Paid for building sheds for the Bullocks on the Bounce " " " 400 " "

Drivers—

For the following advance of Pay to Lascars & Drivers Expt Ships Henry from December 25th to Janry 31st 6. 222. 138.3996 (Lascars Days / Drivers Days)

Mr Cockrane " January 1st to Feby 28. 1 58. 26.1508

Le Soultan " Janry 4th to Do. 1. 55. 22. 1188

Spake " Janry 5th to Do. 5. 270. 90. 4560

Queen " Janry 10th to Do. 3. 147. 50. 2650

Hibernia " Janry 5th to Do. 1. 54. 20. 1080

L'Hermoine " Janry 27th to Do 2. 64. 22. 704

Calberlubah " Janry 21st to Do " " 4. 152

Jugernaunkoo " Janry 28th to Do " " 3. 114

Soobermuny " Janry 22d to Do " " 3 111

Carried Forward 19. 870. 368. 1663 Sicca Rupees 69392 2 "

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		Lenders days	Drivers days		
Brought forward		19.	870.	348.	1615 Sicca Rupees 69373 2.
Soobermauny	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3.	111
Muneperumoo	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3.	111
Cuddabreeandh	from Jany 19th to Feby 28th	1.	50.	19.	950
Fowles	from Jany 11th to Feby 28th	2.	96.	48.	2304
Resolution	from Jany 23d to Feby 28th	2.	72.	42.	1512
Patriot	from Feby 1st to March 31st			3.	174
Friends adventure	dr Feby 11th to March 31st			2.	96
Anne & Eliza	from Feby 14th to March 31st	1.	45.	12.	540
Nancy Grab	from Feby 15th to March 31st			2.	88
Fatta Saldam	from Feby 23. to March 31st	1.	36.	25.	900
Fortitude	from Feby 25th to March 31st	1.	34.	15.	510
Sydney Medows	dr March 1st to March 31st	1.	30.	25.	750
Lucknow	from March 10th to March 31st	3.	63.	50.	1050
Henry	from March 11th to March 31st	6.	120.	110.	2200
Prince of Wales	dr March 23 to March 31st	3.	24.	45.	360
		40.	1439.	752.	27819
Deduct for 1 Vessel charged twice Soobermoney				3.	111
		40.	1439.	749.	27708

days

40 Lenders from the time of their Embarkation 1439 or 47 24/30 @ 8/ P. Month 383 11 9

749 Drivers ditto ditto 27,708 - 923,18 @ 5/ P. 4618 " " 5301 11 9

789

Boxes to 789 Drivers and Lenders for Encouragement @ 1/ each 789 " "

Increase of Pay to Lenders and Drivers, during their detention at Diamond Point, the Contractor being allowed 5 P. C. P. Month for Lenders, and 3. 12 for Drivers, which has been drawn for in his Monthly Accounts.—

Lenders 40 - 2,080 days or 69-10. @ 3/ each is 3 P. C. P. Mo. 208 " "

Drivers 749. 38,948 d. or 1298.8. 5/ do 1. 4 Do. 1622 10 4 2,619 10 4

Carried Forward Sa. Rupees 77014 8 1

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees 67354 14 -

Demurrage of 6 Boats, shifting off Bullocks & Drivers Point, from Nov.r 30th to April 3d being 123 days and 570 days } 1000 - -

Ditto of 2 Panchways attending with my Assistant and Servants and to procure Provisions for the Divers 115 days in 230 days } 317 8 -

Boat hire with 52 Bullocks from Pamlook purchased by Mr Brothers. } 84 - -

Damnaging the Boats, and 2 Peons sent with Do. 133 4 160 4

2 Sircars wages attending at Diamond Point to look after the Divers 180 - -

4 Peons wages Do Do 80 - - 200 - -

Cooley hire, loading and reloading 2 Shroffs with 16 Chests and 22 Bales of Cavalry Stores } 94 - -

Boat hire for the same on board the Le Soutore 4 - - 98

Paid for building sheds for the Bullocks on the Coast 400 - -

Divers —

For the following advance of Pay to Cutlan & Divers Chief Ships Henry from December 25th to Janry 31st 6. 222. 138 3996

		Cutlan Days	Divers Days	
Mr Cockrane	Janry 1st to Feby 28.	1	58.	26.1508
Le Soutore	Janry 4th to Do.	1	55.	22.1188
Spake	Janry 5th to Do.	5	270.	90.4560
Queen	Janry 10th to Do.	3	147.	50.2650
Hebernia	Janry 5th to Do.	1	54.	20.1080
Le Hermoux	Janry 27th to Do.	2	66.	22.744
Culberchubah	Janry 21st to Do.			4.152
Sugermankoo	Janry 21st to Do.			3.114
Cookermany	Janry 22d to Do.			3.111

Carried forward 19. 870. 358. 1463 Sicca Rupees 69392 2 -

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		Sailors days	Drivers days	Sicca Rupees
Brought forward		19.870	3/8.1613	Sicca Rupees 69393 2.
Soobermauny	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3. 111
Unnuperroo	from Jany 22d to Feby 28th	"	"	3. 111
Cuddabeecenah	from Jany 9th to Feby 28th	1.	50.	19. 950
Fowles	from Jany 11th to Feby 28th	2.	96.	48.2304
Resolution	from Jany 23d to Feby 28th	2.	72.	12.1512
Patriot	from Feby 1st to March 31st			3. 174
Friends adventure	dr Feby 11th to March 31st			2. 96
Anne & Eliza	from Feby 14th to March 31st	1	45.	12. 540
Nancy Grab	from Feby 15th to March 31st			2. 88
Fatta Saldam	from Feby 23d to March 31st	1	36.	25. 900
Fortitude	from Feby 25th to March 31st	1.	34.	15. 510
Sydney Medows	dr March 1st to March 31st	1.	30.	25.750
Lucknow	from March 10th to March 31st	3	63.	50. 1050
Henry	from March 11th to March 31st	6	120.	110. 2200
Prince of Wales	dr March 23d to March 31st	3.	24.	15. 360
		40.	1439.	752. 27819
Deduct for 1 Vessel charged twice Soobermoney				3. 111
		40.	1439.	749. 27708

40 Sirdars from the time of their Embarkation 1439 or 47.24 @ 8/ P. Month 383 11 9

749 Drivers ditto ditto 27,708 - 923.8 @ 5/ Do 4618 " " 59,01 11 9

789

Boxes to 789 Drivers and Sirdars for Encouragement @ 1/ each 789 " "

Increase of Pay to Sirdars and Drivers, during their detention at Diamond Point, the Contractor being allowed 5 Rs P Month for Sirdars, and 3.12 for Drivers, which has been drawn for in his Monthly Accounts.—

Sirdars 40 - 2,080 days or 69-10. @ 8/ exceeds it 30 Rs P Mo. - 208 " "

Drivers 749. 38,948 ds or 1298.8. 5/ do 1. 4 Do 1622 10 4

2,619 10 4

Carried forward Sa Rupees 77014 8 1

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Brought forward Sicca Rupees 77044 8 1

Cash paid Lieutenant Downie going to the Coast with 463 Bullocks as Per his Receipt } 1000 0 0

Ditto. paid Lieutenant Duff. do. do with 50 Bullocks do 102 12 0 1102 12 0

Sicca Rupees 78,147 4 1

I do hereby declare upon honour, that the foregoing statement is a true and just Account of the Disbursements made by me, and that I have not directly or indirectly made any charge but what has actually been paid, except for the Contractors Bullocks the price of which was fixed by Government.—

Fort William April 26th 1791

Errors Excepted

(Signed) G. Kerr

Agent to the Contractor

for furnishing Draft and Carriage Bullocks

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Minute on the two foregoing Letters.—

Copies of the foregoing Letters have been already transmitted to the Military Auditor General, and to the Accountant General, with directions to the former, to prepare the Statement called for by the Governor General in Council, according to the prescribed form, and to lay it before the Board on or before the 1st day of July next and to the latter to give the explanations required on the Statement prepared by them, and some time since transmitted to Bengal.—

The Board of Revenue having been directed to state the sums collected during the war from the Conquered Districts, the following answer has been received from them.—

To

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Fort St. George 30th April 1793

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

Board Board of Revenue regarding the Statement required of the net Collections from the Conquered districts during the War

In consequence of your Orders of the 27th Instant, we called upon our Accountant to report to us whether, in his opinion, the Statement enclosed to you with our letters of the 9th October, contained the Information at present required by you — We have the Honor to lay before you Mr. Place's answer and to observe that as the Papers lately delivered in by Mr. Corbett, and our Audits, are very voluminous, it is probable some time will elapse in further references and explanations, before we shall be prepared to come to a determination respecting his Charges and what part of those objected to amounting to between 15,000 and 20,000 Pagodas, he should be held answerable for to the Company. —

We have the Honor to be

Hon. Sir

Your most obedient Humble Servants

(Signed) David Scott

Chas. Oakeley

Fort St. George
29th April 1793.

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To David Haliburton Esqr.

Acting President and Members of the

Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

I have had the honor to
receive your Commands of this date, directing me
to inform you whether, in my opinion, the
Statement enclosed in my letter of the 15th. September
last, contains the amount of the Nett Revenue
collected during the War from the Conquered
Districts. –

Nothing within my
Knowledge has since happened to alter that
Statement as far it goes: but to what
Extent it may be affected by the ultimate
determination of the Board, after the
accounts of the respective Collectors in
those Districts shall have been audited, it
is impossible to foresee. However as the
Board have in particular objected to the
exorbitancy of Mr. Corbett's charges for pay
to public Servants, and that Gentleman's
reply has been received, a decision may be
passed so far, whenever they shall think
proper. Should they still object to the
difference

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Difference between the usual rate of Wages and that at which Mr. Corbett has charged, and requires Leave to pay in the balance remaining in his December account Current, that which he has explained to be a balance left in the Purrialdars hands, a considerable alteration will become necessary in the Statement. And these Supposed and the only Circumstances which may produce any material change in it. —

I must beg leave however to observe, that some time after that Statement was made up, Mr. Corbett sent into my Office an account of Grain delivered by the Inhabitants of Poliacatchanny amounting to Pagodas 20.472. 3. 15. ordered by Government to be considered a part of the Conquered Country Collections. This Sum added to the Columns of Nett Collections in the Statement alluded to, will give the Total Nett Collections during the War from the Conquered Districts. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(Signed) Lis. Place
A.A.G.

Fort St. George
29th April 1793.

Stone Copy

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minute thereon

Agreed that copies of the above be sent to the Accountant General, with a copy of the Statement transmitted with the letter from the Board of Revenue under date the 9th October last, and entered on the minutes of the Revenue Department.

Read the following letter from the Resident at Hydrabad.—

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor of Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have the pleasure to acquaint you that the first Kist from Fisspo for his Highness the Nizam, is arrived at Kurpa, and in the course of Payment, so that I imagine the second Kist for the Company may be received whenever it shall be tendered to them.—

From Resident at Hydrabad Appro first Kist in course of Payment to the Nizam. His Highness gave to Bider for change of air

gone

The Nizam marched from hence the 16th Instant for Bider, which is about 75 Miles distant, for a change of air, and it is probable may canton at that place during the rainy season.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(signed) John Kennaway

Hydrabad

19th April 1793.

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minute in consequence

Upon receipt of the foregoing letter orders were sent to the Paymaster at Ristnaghery to receive the amount of the second Kist, and forward it under an escort to the Presidency.—

Read the following letter from the Board of Revenue.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Board of Revenue giving the power of the Collector to interfere in the internal management & welfare of the Polygar District and the disposal of the Balance of Cash in our Landore hands.

We have the honor to transmit you Extract of a Letter from the Collector of Polygar Peishcush dated the 6th Instant reporting several points to be adjusted which must necessarily be submitted for your determination.—

Kist having been discontinued in consequence of our specific instructions in consequence of your address of the 23d November, and conceiving that we are not warranted by any orders we ever have received to authorize the Collector to interfere in any manner to authorize the Collector to interfere in the demands on the Polygars for exacting either undue demands on the part of the Natives dependants, or irregularities on the part of the Polygars we take the liberty of requesting your sentiments and orders on the subject for our guidance.—

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induced to postpone the consideration of the Letters &
from Mr Landon enclosed to us with your Commands
of the 27th Instant, lest any Orders we may give
the Collector respecting the Persons therein &
mentioned, should be construed into an interference
with the authority of His Highness the Nabob.—

The enclosed Extract of Mr
Landon's Letter will also inform you that he
has a considerable Balance of Cash in his hand
and We request your Instructions as to the
disposal.—

Fort St. George
25th April 1793.

We have the honor to be
&c &c

(Signed) David Haliburton
Chas. N. White

Extract of a Letter from Mr James Landon
Dated 11th April 1793

I beg leave to mention, for
the information of your Board, that on the
12th February (as appears more fully in the
Diary of my Proceedings) while I was at
Madura, the Son in law of the Nabob's manager
there, accompanied by his Peshcar and
Interpreter, came to my Cutcherree, and insisted
with

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on the same dotted sheet, as soon as I had which they said they were entitled to, from the Poligars of that Country — as soon which I reminded them that the Nabob had made over to the Company all his demands upon the Poligars, and cautioned them not to interfere upon the pretence as I observed in my Diary / however, I was informed that the Nabobs manager at Madura had despatched some Cavalry & Villages belonging to one of the Poligars, in order to enforce payment of the abovementioned sum upon which I wrote to the Nabobs manager reproving him the impropriety of his Conduct, and desired he would transmit to me an account of his claims, if he persisted in demanding them — When I hear from him on the subject I shall do myself the honor to address you Board again — In the mean time I request your orders in what manner I am to act. —

I have received complaints from many individuals who, upon Coming from the Carnatic cultivated different parts of the Shevagunga Pollams, when it was taken possession of for the Company, that the Shevagunga Pallegar, since his restoration

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has seized the Crops in question, and refuses
to give up the Ryots share, that he has also
taken away the Bullocks from some, and
turned their Families out of his limits. A
some days since, I received a letter (as entered
in my diary) from the Officer Commanding
a Detachment of the 7th Battalion stationed at
Chenalgooty, to prevent disturbances between
the Inhabitants of the Circar Villages, &
and the Poligars, representing that, a party
of armed men, belonging to the Sheveganny
Polegar had plundered a Village of a quantity
of Tobacco and had wounded two people.

On the 9th instant, I received
a letter from Mahomed Litebar Cawn &
Behauder, the Nabobs manager at Tennerby
representing that some of the Poligars cutting
the crops, carry off the heaps of grain, and
molest the Inhabitants, that the Sheveganny
Poligar occasions much trouble to the
Inhabitants of the Talook of Sabon Mundil,
and although he exacts double fees from
them, that he continues to harrass them,
in consequence of which they are so much
ruined, as not to be able to cultivate
in future

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"in future, and requesting of me, as it is not
"prospect for him to write to them, that I will give
"the necessary orders to the Polegars on their
"Subject."

Eclebar Caun also informed me
that he has considerable balances due to him
"from the Polegars on account of his former
"Renters hips of the Tinnevelly Country."

I request to be honored with
the orders of your Board on the above Subjects.

On the 28th ultimo having
been informed by Captain Bowser that the
person who managed the Ruddlumboor of
Pollams, for the Widow of the late Polegar
had been murdered by four men, I issued
circular orders to all the Polegars in the
Tinnevelly country, to have them apprehended
and at the same time requested Captain
Bowsers assistance, I have now the honor to
transmit for your information Copy of a
Letter I have lately received from Captain
Bowser, stating a most glaring mark of
disrespect shewn by the Panjalamcourchy
Polegar, to the Company's authority, by his
attacking a party of their Troops, and

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by rescuing the very men, whom he had
been ordered by me to apprehend.—

Captain Bowser requests
my instructions, respecting detachments
ordered to different Pollams, by Lieutenant
Colonel maxwell, and offers me guards
from different Stations of his Corps. I beg
leave to observe that there are also Troops
stationed at Tachinoor in the Tinnevelly
Country, and Revenue Sepoys at Ramnad,
and Shevelapellore, but not having yet
received Instructions from your Board
respecting them, I am at a loss to know
what conduct I am to observe towards them,
and whether they are stationed at the above
mentioned places, to assist the collections
and keep the Poligars in awe, or not.—

I request to be honored
with the orders of your Board, respecting
the disposal of Cash I have in hand
which amounts to a considerable sum—
Finding the conveyance of it by bullocks
both hazardous and troublesome, as I
am constantly moving about, I have
indented to the Store Keeper at Palamcotta,

for

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For a Tumbril, and pair of Bullocks, which I hope will be approved of.—

A true Extract

[Signed] John Read

Depy Secy

James Sandon Esqr.

Collector &c.

Sir,

Previous to the Receipt of your Letter, I had information of the murderers and in consequence detached a Havildars Guard to Mavaachee, where they apprehended 4 of them — the Guard had the murderers but a very short time in their possession before they were rescued by between Two and three hundred armed men, beat and then ill used, and firing and dispersing the Guard, they then carried off the murderers in triumph. This Party was sent by the Pandalam Koontaky Polygar, and headed by a Sheerwagar. I had given myself a great deal of trouble in tracing the murderers from Place to Place that I might apprehend, and have sent them to you.—

There were several Guards from

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my Battalion ordered by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell to various parts of the Polygars countries, in order to collect money from the Polygars, advanced by a Sowcar, these Guards are not as yet with drawn on account of the Sowcar not having collected his ballance. I therefore request you will be so good as Inform me, if you will permit these Guards to remain longer, and have allowance to the Sowcar, for him to apply to you for your permission. —

You will at anytime be furnished with whatever Guards you may want from the Stations of Veypar, Chenal Goody, and Shankara Coil and likewise any assistance, that Kylar can afford. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Bowser

Captain Comm.g

2d. Native Battl.n

Pallamcotah

April 5th. 1793.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Landon

Lieut. & Pechaud

A true Copy

(Signed) John Read

Depy. Secy.

By

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Minute on the foregoing subject

By the 10th Article of the Treaty lately concluded with the Nabab of the Carnatic it is expressly stated that his Highness is to be respected in the rights of Sovereignty over all the Polygars, and that all acts of authority are to be exercised in his name — The Board do not therefore see the ground upon which the Company's Collector can interfere in any shape with the internal management and police of the Polygar Districts —

At the same time the Letter from the Board of Revenue under date the 3d November last came before the Board, it was resolved to propose to his Highness that the Collector should be vested with his authority to hear complaints and redress grievances among the Tributaries, and that a proposition was made accordingly — but his Highness not acceding to it, Mr Lindow can only be instructed to confine his duties to the mere receipts of the Peishcaush, and to the resistance of any demands made upon the Polygars by the Circar, over and above the amount of their annual tribute fixed by the Treaty — He must also be positively desired to afford no countenance whatever to any

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attempts for the recovery of balances stated by Litabar Cawn to be due to him from the Polygars on account of the former Renterships of the Tinnevelly Country.—

With respect to the balance of Cash in the Collector's hands, the Board observe that orders have been given to him to remit Sixty thousand Pagodas to the Presidency, and that the remainder will probably be required to answer the drafts of the Paymasters at Madura and Palamcotah on account of Military Disbursements.—

Agreed that the foregoing observations be communicated to the Board of Revenue.—

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

From Hospital Board stating the exorbitant demand made by Captain Colvill from Mr. J. Munro's assistant & Surgeon passage to England on the King George—Propose that Mr. J.C. Tennant be attached to the Presidency General Hospital

Hospital Board
29th April 1793

Read a letter from Mr. James Munro Assistant Surgeon accompanied by an address to the Honble the Governor in Council, which the Hospital Board have the Honor to forward,

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and think it a duty incumbent
on them to recommend in the
strongest manner that Government
will be pleased to invest some Person
authority to prevent Mr. Monro's
suffering from the exorbitant
demand of Captains Colnett by
persecuting him a passage
accommodation on Board the
King George for the usual &
regulated price, which they
understand has been established
by the Honorable Court of
Directors at the Rate of £60
for a Subaltern. —

Mr. Jacob Bassevelaere
Surgeon, having arrived
from Europe with Instructions
from the Honble Court of
Directors, as an assistant
Surgeon for the Establishment,
the Hospital Board
recommend that he be

Stationed

An order will be sent to Captain Colnett to receive Mr. Munro on board at the Company's regulated Price. —

appointed.

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Stationed at the Presidency
General Hospital until
further Orders. —

Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colley L. Lucas
W. Racine Headington

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

Nothing but the most urgent necessity could compel me to address your Honorable Board — when I was lately honored with your permission to proceed to the Cape, or eventually to Europe, should my health require it I indulged the anxious hope of being able to embark by the earliest opportunity. —

I now learn with the utmost concern that the compensation demanded by Captain Colnett for a passage on the Ring George is Two hundred and fifty pounds Sterling. a sum much greater than my circumstances will permit me to give. By this demand so much larger than I expected

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I suspected I am reduced to the Necessity of abandoning the pleasing hopes of recovering by a change of climate, and am left a prisoner by your timely interposition, that I may be temporarily accommodated for the usual compensation I must contemplate the Melancholy prospect of remaining in this Country in which the Faculty are of opinion aggravates my disease.—

Though it is with the greatest reluctance that I find myself necessitated to make this application to your Honorable Board, I rest fully satisfied that the justice of Government will never permit the desire of an extraordinary pecuniary consideration in one of your Servants to be the means of injuring the health or perhaps of shortening the life of another.—

I have the Honor to be with the greatest respect

&c. &c.

(Signed) James Mercer
Assistant Surgeon

A true copy
(Signed) D. Carville Secy
Hospital Board

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Read the following letter from the
Military Auditor General. —

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

Honble Sir,

From Military Auditor submitting Draught of a Cuch Advance regarding payment for Horses supplied by the Public to officers of Cavalry the pay &c. of Horsekeepers and Grass cutters and the monthly allowance for Shoes for each Horse. —

On reference to my letter of the 23d. instant I observe that Shoes for the Horses of the Regiments of Cavalry have not been included in the Draught of the Order, I had the honor to lay before you, under that date, although they are an article which falls to be provided out of the sum of Twenty nine and half Fanams P Horse. —

It has occurred to me besides on the subject of the new regulation for the Cavalry, that it will be advisable to establish the Pay and Batta of the Horsekeepers, and Grass Cutters with that body of Troops as the General Orders of July last provide for their being returned and mustered as part of the Regiments respectively, and that it may also be necessary to ascertain and order payment on account of the Horses to the Cavalry Officers which fell to be supplied

under

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under the Orders of last June and your subsequent
Orders applying the same rule to the Quarter
masters of the 19th Dragoons—

Having considered these several
matters I beg leave to inclose a draught of a
General Order to establish them subject to
such alteration as you may judge necessary
in which I have included One Pagoda and
a half pr month as the pay of each Bombardier
and One Pagoda pr month for each Grasscutter.
which I understand to be the rate generally
paid by Individuals with this exception
that when Women are employed as
Grasscutters their pay is no more than
30 Fanams pr month. The Batta at the rate
of One Fanam pr day is likewise intended
as an allowance to be drawn for the
Housekeepers and Grasscutters in addition
when the Regiments to which they are
attached are in the receipt of Batta—the
rate of Pay and Batta I have mentioned
for the Housekeepers and Grasscutters of
Cavalry, appears to be rational, and more, as
I have been informed, than was formerly
paid; but as the number of Housekeepers

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is deminished by the new regulation and as the women Grasscutters are not in general supposed to be equal ~~to be equal~~ to providing a sufficient quantity of Grass, I submit the matter to your determination with the above explanation on the subject so far as it has come within my observation.—

I have the honor to be.—

Military Auditor Generals Office &c &c

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Mel.y Asst Genl.

Proposed Draught of a General Order.

The Sum of Forty Nine and a half Fanams monthly as detailed in the General Orders of the 24th Instant provides for one Sett of Shoes for each Horse monthly as well as for the other articles therein mentioned, but which was omitted by a mistake in the Orders above mentioned.—

The Officers of Cavalry and Quarter Masters of the 19th Dragoons having been supplied with Horses agreeably to the General Orders of 20th June and 21st November last are to pay the Amount without

delay

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delay to the Paymasters respectively of the Stations to which their Regiments belong. the Paymasters are to grant Receipts for the same and to Report the Sums received to the Military Paymaster General on the 1st of June next & together with a List of the officers and Quarter Masters who have paid for their Allowances & supplied under the Orders above mentioned. —

The Pay and Batta of Housekeepers and Grasscutters of the Regiments of European and Native Cavalry are regulated as follow. —

Housekeepers Pay 1. 2. Monthly Batta 1 Fanam 8 Day

Men Grasscutters 1. — Monthly — 2. 4 8.

The Pay and Batta of the Housekeepers to be drawn for in the abstracts of the Regiments to which they belong but the Batta is not to be drawn for them except when the Regiment is in the receipt of that allowance. —

The Order to be published.

Resolved that the order be published to the Army. —

Read

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Read the following letter from
His Highness the Nabob entered above in C. C.
No 84.—

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

Dated 15th. Ramzan 1207 Hegery
or
27th. April 1793

Received 27 Do.

Encloses the Nabob requesting the turbulent conduct of the Tinnevelly Polegars.—

I enclose for your perusal Extract of an Arzdasht from my Naib at Tinnevelly— the turbulent conduct of the Pollagars (which you will see therefrom) occasions the greatest — interruption in the arrangements of the affairs of that Province,— inasmuch that the Tappy from my Circar cannot pass without danger.— several Letters of consequence are seized, and the Tappy Men murdered— Nothing but a severe chastisement of this Banditty can secure the tranquility of the Ryotts and prosperity of the District— It is necessary, according to the terms of the Treaty, that the Pollygars should remain within due bounds and — subjection to me— I have therefore to request my Friend will order the Company's Commanding Officer

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Officer to restrain the said Pollegars from being troublesome or write me, that I may by chastising them, bring them to a right sence of their duty and withhold them from acts of oppression and plunder. –

What can I say more
about translation
(Signed) David Haleburton
Persian Interpr.

Translation

Extract of an Arzdasht from Letabar Cawn the Cawn Nabob at Tennivelly – Dated 7th of Ramzaun 1207 Hegery answering to the 19th April 1793 Received the 12th

It is now near a Months that I have been stationed here, since which I am constantly receiving various complaints and the excesses committed by the Pollegars in the several Districts – There are sixteen Pollagars depending upon Tennivelly which is three days marches from hence – Their Depredations in that District exceed all bounds, – they plunder the Villages, carry off the Cawn's Royts, they Extort Monies more than the Marmool for the

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year by beating the Ryotts - and they even kill and
wound these Poor People. They seize the Stocks of
Paddy belonging to the Circar, and Plunder the
Travellers, so that the Roads are shut up - Owing
to the troubles of this Bandette the Ryotts of the
aforesaid and the adjacent Districts are Obliged
to dispense and some of them have fled to this
place By all this the Circar sustain great loss, for
the abovementioned is a large Purgunnah - the
adminn of Credetors is likewise plundered - the
Pollygars being under the Company's authority
any Orders to them from the Circar would have no
effect - Therefore addressed Mr. Landon (who has
the management of the business and resides at
the distance of two days march from thence) on
my first arrival and hearing the contemptuate
conduct of the Pollygars - He answered me that
he would give orders on the subject - But as the
Complaints still continued I wrote another Letter
to Mr. Landon to which I have yet received no
Reply. -

minute thereon

Resolved that Major Stevenson
be directed to inform the Board whether any excesses
and of what nature have happened within his
Observation

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observation, and whether the personal disposition
of the Troops answers the purpose of affording that
general protection which it is meant to give
to the Inhabitants of Tinnevelly Country.—

Read the following letter from
the Resident at Hydrabad.—

William Collins Jackson Esq?
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Sir

I have received your letter of the
P. Resident desiring to know the exact amount paid
by me, and to whom on account of the Ellore &
Detachment up to the period when the new
Estimate had effect. In reply to which I have to
acquaint you for the information of the Board
that, independant of the sums advanced by the
Sepoys inserted in the account I forwarded
to you under date the 22? December 1792. I paid
the Commanding officer, Major Montgomery
for the use of the Detachment 6000 Rupees
the 12th July 1790 for which I granted a bill
on the Resident at Benares the 13th of the
same month payable at Sixteen days sight

From Resident at Hydrabad reporting the sums paid and to whom on account of the Detachment previous to the period when the new Estimate had Effect.—

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being eight ℔ Cent, also 42,500 Rupees to the same
Officer on the 8th August 1790 for which I passed
a bill under the 2d of that month on the Collector
of Moorshedabad payable at twenty five days
sight for Moorshedabad Rupees 45,900 the ℔
discount being likewise 8 ℔ Cent; the Major's
Receipts for which sums were duly forwarded thro'
the Secretary to the Board in my Letters of the
16th July and 19th August 1790. no other sums have
been advanced by me within the period mentioned
in your Letter, and these are the only ones which
I have at any time furnished on account of the
Detachment beyond the amount paid for it
by the Nizam.—

I have the honor to be

Hydrabad
15th April 1793.

&c. &c.
/Signed/ John Kennaway

minute thereon

Agreed that copy of the
above be sent to the accountant General for
his information.—

Read the following
petition from Venkata Soobiah.—

The

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. &c. &c. &c.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

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The humble Petition of

Sumatah Subbah

From Sumatah Subbah praying his request that the Balance of the Nabob's 4th Fifth may be paid to him. –

That your Petitioner had the honor of addressing your Honble Board so far back as may last on the Subject of his large demands on the Honble Company for money advanced his Highness the Nabob on assurance given by his Excellency General Medows to his Highness under date the 27th of May that the same would be repaid your Petitioner out of the balance falling due to his Highness on account of his Fifth but not hearing been favored with any answer, and having as yet only received 20,000 Pagodas out of the Eighty advanced the Nabob, and hearing learnt that his Highness's accounts with the Honble Company for last year are all settled and cleared with a considerable balance in his Highness's favour your Petitioner being greatly distressed for his money has been induced again to lay his case before your Honor, confident that your

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Balance to be paid agreable to the assurance given by his Excellency General Medows — above mentioned. —

Your Petetioner begs leave to state that most of his money was borrowed from Soucars and Merchants who are very pressing with him for payment, that they have heard of the Nabobs accounts being settled, and so large a balance due to him on account of his Fifths from the Polygars in the Southern Countries your Petetioner can therefore only hope to be relieved from this distressing Situation from the Justice of Government and their fulfilling their engagements with him, for which your Petetioner as in duty bound will ever pray. —

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(Signed) Vencatta Soobiah

Minute thereon

The Secretary is directed to inform Vencata Soobiah that orders were some time ago sent to the Board of Revenue to pay the balance of the Nabobs fifth to him (Vencata Soobiah) agreeably to his Highness request. —

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General. —

The

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Military Auditor General reporting upon Mr. Hoar's accounts in consequence of his explanations on the former Audit.—

Having received Mr. Hoar's Answers and explanations to the Audit of his accounts, since I had the honor of reporting to you on that subject by order date 28th. February last I herewith lay before you a copy of his letter which accompanied them, and also a list of Retrenchments which Mr. Hoar has requested may be sent in reference to your Honble Board in the event of my not considering myself authorized to admit them after having in my perusal of the reasons and vouchers he has produced in their support.—

As I have already laid before you a report on Mr. Hoar's Accounts, for the reasons assigned in my letter of 28th. February, without awaiting to receive his explanations relative to the charges which appeared

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of any deduction, without your Sanction, on account of the seasons and vouchers subsequently produced; although some of them appear to ∧ be sufficient authority for admitting some ∧ part of the retrenchments made previous to their being in my profession: I therefore consider it necessary to frame my present report upon that principle by layeing ∧ before you the following Statement of the audit as it stands just now together with a list of the Retrenchments on which your ∧ decision is required, but excluding entirely the Amount of the Abstracts and Bills of the Cavalry Corps and of part of other Corps the payments in discharge of which ∧ were made by Messrs. Toreanno and Wynch although entered in ∧ Mr. ∧ Accounts, as those paymasters are held responsible for any over charge or ∧ irregularities which may appear in the amount for which they furnished Mr. Boar with copies of the Abstracts and bills they had discharged as above. —

Having

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Having received the Audit the
retrenchment amounts to ..... P. 74.227. 19. 68
In which is included the following
sums retrenched in different months
and for which Credit is given in the Accts.
Hoar's Accounts Current viz.t –
In Account Current Feb.y 1792 for Premium
charged for negotiating Bills 6234. 5. 20.
In Account Current April 1792 for
Payments to Kings Troops ..... 5902. –
In Account Current may 1792 for
the pay & Batta of Sick and
other absentees ..... 23578. 23. 48.
In ditto for different retrench-
ments amounting in all to ..... 612. 41. 20.
36227. 28. 8.
Ballance of the Retrenchment ..... Pag.s 37,949. 33. 60

As the Amount of this Ballance
includes the sum of Eighteen Thousand &
Eight hundred and Seventy seven Pagodas
Thirteen Fanams and Thirty two Cash &
/ Pag.s 18,877. 13. 32 / the Audit on which
Mr. Hoar has requested may be sent &
under reference to your Honble Board
with his explanations consequently the

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total amount of the Retrenchment from Mr
Hoar's accounts will be ascertained as soon
as your decision is passed on the part of the
Audit under reference, and the sum to be
refunded by them will appear by striking a P
Ballance between the Total Amount of the P
Retrenchment, after your decision and the
Ballance in his favor of Sixteen Thousand
seven hundred and Sixty Six Pagodas, Two P
Fanams and Fourty Four and a half Cash P
/16766. 2. 44½/ in Account Current made up
to 30th June 1792.–

I beg leave to mention further
on the subject of Mr. Hoar's Accounts that P
having furnished Messrs. Hoar and both
late Paymasters to the Army with a copy
of the Paragraphs in Mr. Secretary Jacksons
letter of 27th February relative to the P
deficiency of stoppages for Grain which
appeared in their Accounts compared with
Mr. Ring's notes, I received from them the
explanation of which a copy is herewith P
inclosed in their letter dated 1st March on
which I have only further to report that as
it was the duty of the Company of Grain.
and

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and Provisions with the Army to debit the Paymaster for the Amount of Rice issued to the Troops he could not do so otherways than at the regulated Exchange of Forty two Fanams & Pagoda at which rate the value of the Grain so issued was Estimated in the General Orders of 25th May 1790 but that the Paymasters having always been considered as deriving an advantage between the regulated Exchange of the Company and that of the Bazare gave credit for the stoppages at the latter rate under that principle and for the reasons as explained more particularly in their Letter of the 1st March.—

As it is totally impracticable to bring to a close at present the audit connected with the various receipts and issues of Grain during the war and the monies that may fall to be accounted for under that head, it is not in my power to report minutely the further sums for which Mr Boar may become responsible depending upon the audit of Grain receipts and issues—although I am sure they

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prevented from giving at this time a specific report to that effect, I do not conceive from the present stage of the Audit on the Grain Accounts that any material difference can arise of the sum as stated by Mr. Cockburn & that will fall to be accounted for by Mr. Hoar as per the inclosed letter and account Current with which he has furnished the Mess.rs Hoar and Bolt and which they have transmitted to me; by which it appears that the total sum for which Mr. Hoar may be considered accountable in consequence of the difference between the Amount of rice issued to the Troops and the Credits he has given for stoppages is Pag.s 4165. 14. 24.

and that there is besides a difference on short Credit between the Amount of Grain delivered to the Banjaries and the sum brought to account by Mr. Hoar as receipts from Lieutenant Barkly stated to be on their (the Banjaries) account. Pag.s 2343. 2. 41

Total Pag.s 6508. 16. 65

and that a part of this sum depends upon your decision relative to the deficiency & arising

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arising from the different rates of Exchange at which the Stoppages have been brought to Account.—

I have thought it necessary to add such remarks as have occurred to me on the several explanations given by Mr. Boar besides sending in the authorities he has produced in support of the charges objected to, and as the list of references is numerous I have adopted this proceeding by classing and stating in a general abstract the total amount of each description of charge that admits of being usefully seen in that manner, and by affixing the remark under the explanation of the Paymaster concerning the charges of a separate discription, in order that the detail under your consideration may be shortened as much as possible.—

Mr. Boar having admitted in his Answers and explanations the retrenchment of a deduction of ten P Cent from the Account of his purchases of stores, it did not appear to me necessary to include that article in the list under reference, it

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especially as your Honble Board is already
in possession of Mr Hoar's declaration in
in compliance with your first Orders on the
subject, and I only mention the matter in
this place as it forms a part of Mr Hoars letter
herewith inclosed which accompanied his
Answers and explanations to the Audit.—

I have the honor to be with
the Highest respect.—

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 30th April 1793. / Signed / Henry Malcolm
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To Colonel Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have been honored with your
letter of the 28th February 1793, accompanying
your Remarks in audit of my accounts as
Paymaster to the Army in the Field, from
March 1791 to June 1792 inclusive, and have
now the honor to transmit my answers,
accompanied by such explanations, authorities
and vouchers, in support of the charges not
admitted in audit, as I trust will prove entirely
satisfactory.—

I cannot

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I cannot however in justice to
myself conclude a subject which so materially
involves the opinion which may be formed of my
public conduct in this important situation, —
without offering some general observations relative
to the principles which I trust will be found
to have uniformly regulated this difficult and
intricate department, while under my —
direction. —

It is a principle inseparable
from the nature of the thing and has accordingly
been repeatedly recognized by Government
that Paymasters shall be directed in their —
disbursements, by their own conception of the
true import and intention of the Book of
Regulations, resorting themselves when —
practicable, to the office of Military Audit
in cases either doubtful in themselves, or not
provided for by the Regulations of the Service. —

It is perhaps unnecessary
for me to state that these Regulations framed
with a view to circumstances of service,
essentially different from those which
occurred in the late war, were found in
many cases entirely inadequate, and a reference

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the Auditor Generals office generally impracticable
If therefore in some instances comparatively
inconsiderable, and in cases not provided for by the
Regulations, but frequently sanctioned by the
Verbal Orders of the Commander in Chief, I have
discharged demands not litterally authorized, though
essentially promotive of the public service, trust
it will appear, on a comprehensive view of the
nature and extent of my duties, that in rejecting
that minute scrupulousness which impedes the
most important projects by an accumulation
of petty difficulties, I have in no instance whatever
lost sight of the true interests of my employers
or of the honorable discharge of that trust, which
they were pleased to repose in me.—

I have the satisfaction to inform
you that the accounts of Gratuity paid to the
Army by Order of Lord Cornwallis, and Prize
money comprized in my Accounts Current with
the Military Paymaster General the former
amounting to Pagodas 482,649. 33. 40. and the
latter to Pagodas 128,080. 15. 6½ have been finally
closed; and the balances amounting in the former
to Pagodas 225, and in the latter to Pag.s 1956. 13. 67
paid by me, as will appear by the accounts of

the

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The Military Paymaster General.-

I have only to add my respectful yet earnest hope, that Government, in passing an ultimate decision on my accounts, will be pleased to reconsider the Article of Ten Percent on Stores purchased by me for the use of the Army, with which deduction I have in my answers to your Remarks, necessarily acquiesced. In obedience to their requisition, in my letter of the 21st. of February 1793, I have declared upon honor, that the sums which I charged the Company, do not exceed my original costs by more than 10 per Cent, and I beg permission to add, that as I considered the additional Ten Per Cent, an indemnification for carriage, losses, and damage, I kept no detailed account of these incidental expences being precluded by the complicated detail of my principal department as Paymaster, from paying my minute attention to objects comparatively of a secondary consideration and have it not in my power at this period to ascertain them with such precision, as to be enabled to declare their Amount upon honor. I therefore rely on the candor, and indulgence of Government for such indemnification under

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this head, as they may think reasonable and just.—

Should any of the charges preferred in your audit, appear after the explanations I have given, to be of such a nature as to exceed the limits of your own authority ultimately to decide; I have to request that you will do me the favor of making a speedy reference to Government, accompanied by this letter and my replies to those charges and by such information relative to the duties of my office, and applicable to the charges objected to, as your public situation with the Army during the War, enabled you to acquire and I am the more earnest in wishing for a speedy decision on these subjects, having in a letter to the Honble the President in Council under date the 24th of December last, made known my intentions, conformable to the established regulations of the Service, of proceeding to Europe on one of the latter ships of this season.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Madras
5th March 1793

Signed George Boar
late Paymaster to the Army

a true Copy
Signed Henry

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Minutes and Resolutions the foregoing subject.

The Board having attentively considered every item contained in the list of Retrenchments transmitted by the auditor and passed the necessary observations thereon, Provide Book apart; it is resolved to direct the Auditor to regulate the balance of the Retrenchments by those observations, and to report the exact sum for which Mr. Boar will be accountable to the Company, in order that it may be forthcoming previous to the departure of the King George and without which that Gentleman cannot have permission to proceed to Europe.—

The Board in pursuing a division on the objectionable charges, have in every instance, where it could be done without a manifest deviation from the regulations of the Service, acquiesced in the Paymasters remarks for they are sensible that in the multifarious duties of that officer, inaccuracies were likely to occur under the best regulated systems. It is from this consideration, that they now resolved to afford the Paymaster an opportunity of indemnifying himself for the disbursements

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made on account of Laboratory Work &c / on order
on 4. in accounts of March and April 1791 / upon
their producing Vouchers hereafter, containing
a detail of the work performed, and certified
by the Heads of Corps under whose orders it
was executed - and that they also consent to
allow the Paymaster to charge an advance
of five / 5 / Per cent on the total amount
of their purchases of Stores. -

The Board confirm their
former resolution relative to the deficiency
of Stoppages for Grain which appeared
in the Accounts of Majr. Boar and Bolt
on comparsion with those belonging to the
Commissary of Grain and Provisions in
the Field. -

Resolved that the above
observations be communicated to the Military
Auditor General. -

The President recommends at
the suggestion of Colonel Brathwaite, that the
following appointments be made. -

Lieutenant Browne to
the Command of the Fort and Garrison
of Muglatore. -

Lieutenant Browne appointed to command at Muglatore

M.

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Mr Thackeray
assistant surgeon
to the Head quarters
of the army.—

Mr Thackeray, assistant Surgeon
attached to the Head Quarters of the Army.—

approved and ordered accordingly.—

General letters
for England to
King George—
approved and
ordered to be
copied fair.—

The General Letters on the
military and Political Departments to go by
the King George having been read and
approved—Ordered that they be copied fair.—

Chas Oakeley.

W Fallofield

Ct. Secretary

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Diary

Recd the following Letter &

from the Nabob - entered also in C.C. No 85

Translation of a Letter from his Highness the Nabob

Walla Jah Bahaudaur to Sir Charles Oakley Bart

Governor of Madras. —

Dated 30th April 1793

Recd the 1st May &c

From the Nabob advising of the Irruption of a large Body of Plunderers into the Palnaud District, requests assistance in expelling them

I send inclosed for your Information copy of a Letter from my Naib in the District of Palnaud, giving an account of three thousand Horse and some Hone belonging to the Zemeendaries of Wankone and Chitsford dependants of Hydrabad, having crossed the Kistna being led by one Meer Ismaeen and of their having attacked the Mud fort of Kumeraud - & being a Body of men coming with hostile intentions in the Palnaud district has occasioned very great alarm amongst the Inhabitants - for which reason I request you will be so good as to give orders immediately to the commanding Officer at Ongole to send a respectable number

J

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To troops without delay to assist any
arrival at Palnaud in punishing and driving
out of the country those disturbers of Peace and
to take such effectual measures as to prevent
their raising any disturbance in future. —

What shall I say more?

Translation of copy of a letter inclosed in the above
from Mehaby Cauun Naik of the District of
Palnaud. —

Dated 13th Ramjan

Intelligence has been just received
here about Mid-day Wednesday the 13th — of 1st
Ramjan / 24th April / from Nunneaud
that a Body of Peons consisting of about 3000
with some horse had suddenly come there
from the other side of the Kistna and had
invested that Place It is reported that they
are commanded by one Imaum
who is a Notorious Plunderer belonging
to the Zemindarie of Nuckur and Chelpour
under Hydrabad and who last for a
length

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1st Length of time [illegible] rebelled against the
authority of that Circar committing
various acts of depredations in the districts
belonging to it.—

It is not known at this
time at whose instigation he has entered
this country I shall collect all the force
that can be got together here to repel them
—but if God forbid the fort abovementioned
should fall into the hands of these people
it will occasion great mischief for there
is no place of strength in the district and
the troops of the Circar which are free in
number are dispersed and employed in
various business and God knows whether
they can be collected—in time the people
here are greatly alarmed what may be the
consequences I know not.—

A true translation
(Signed) David Haliburton
Persian Transl.

Recd

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1st Received the undermentioned
Letters entered in M.B. Nos 1.2.3.4.

From Commandant at Dindigul

From Commandant at Dindigul
requesting an Interpreter, Writer and two
Hircarrahs -

From Colonel Fraser

From Commandant at Ellore -
in reply to the complaint of the Contractor
regarding the Exchange at which Stoppages
are to be made for the Sick in Hospital -

From Officer Commanding the
Army - encloses his Report to the Marquis
Cornwallis - as containing his Ideas concerning
the Western Frontier - of opinion the inferior
Posts should be dismantled, and that Invalids
are annexed to Hill Stations - Utility of
Country Boats in each - other Suggestions
relative to the Detail of Troops for the
Baramhaul - Store and Ry Magazines
proposed for the Garrisons therein. -

From Colonel Floyd

From Ditto 19th Regiment Light
Dragoons - referring an application from
Mr. Mayde, Surgeon's Mate, for the allowance
for

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1st for treating the Sick in Hospital — Remark thereon —

2d Received the following letters — that

from the Nabob, entered also in C.C. no 86 —

Translation of a letter from His Highness the Nabob Walla

Jah Bahaudur to Sir Charles Oakley Bart Governor of

Madras —

Dated 19th Ramzan 1207 of Hegyra

or 1 May 1793

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From the Nabob with further accounts of the — Capture of Tinnivelah &c. &c. — & that there may be no delay in affording him assistance — and writing to the Nizam, Meer Imaum, the Leader of the Mahratta being a Dependant of Hydrabad.

I gave you information yesterday of one Meer Imaum, having attacked the fort of Tinnivelicotah in the Palmed district, with 3000 persons belonging to the Zemindars of Nagoor and Chetpot — I now send you the copies of two letters I just received from my Naib at Palmed giving an account of the above fort being taken by those people who have possessed themselves of the Stores and effects and put to death the Company's people obtained there

The inhabitants of that district are greatly alarmed, and if the punishment of these

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2d That Candidia is delayed there is reason to
fear they may plunder the districts of Angole
and Nellore – I therefore request you will
immediately give strict orders to the Commanding
Officers at Angole and Guntoor to collect a
respectable number of the Troops with them
who with the assistance of my Naick at
Palnad may chastize Meer Imaum and
his party, and drive them out of the country,
so as to pursue them into their own districts,
that in future no disturbances may be
committed by them in the villages in this
side of the Kistna – The people of Palnad
are reduced to such an extremity that the delay
of one moment in punishing this banditty
may be the cause of the inhabitant being
plundered of all that they possess – Here
Garrison stores guns and fireworks, of
which I had a great quantity at Tripperciotah
have all been plundered – It was my intention
to have sent my Aumil at Nellore with a
body of Sibbendy to chastize Meer Imaum
but

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2 but as he is a dependent of Hyderabad I considered it afterwards best to suspend my intentions — you will be so good as to write to the Commanding Officer at Angole to punish him, with the assistance of the aumil of Palmud — and also to write to Sir John Kennaway that notwithstanding the great force both of horse and foot kept in the Nizams country this man Mier Imaum is allowed through the neglect of the servants of that Government to plunder the districts in the neighbourhood of Hyderabad — and not satisfied with that, that they have plundered the neighbouring districts belonging to me — which is a strong proof of want of Government. —

While Rucnun ul Dowla, the Dewan of the Nawab Nizam ul Dowla lived, I had peopes garrisoned in the fort of Sherum on the other side of the Kistna, by which means nothing of the kind above mentioned happened — but there have been frequent troubles since the death of Rucnun ul Dowla when my peopes were removed

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2. removed from that fort - if the Companys
Troops were not there now it would be
the means of preventing all future ill
Mischief - What shall I say more.

abree Translation
(Signed) David Halliburton,
Persian Translator

Translation of Copy of a Letter
From Meher Ali Khan Jamel of the Talooka of Palmaud
To His Highness the Nabob inclosed in the above
Dated 25th April
Recvd 2d May } 1793

I wrote before, about 12 o'Clock A
regarding the Particulars of the attack of the
Insurgent Meer Imaum Reino on the Nabob
of Tenner Guer -
Just now, viz. 5 o'Clock P.M. I have
received a Writing of Veerna the Desapoondeah
of Tenner-Guer, was at the Village of
Pudway, together with a Letter of the
Aumil of Machenlah, brought me by a Man
of

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2. of the above Village. I send the original Enclosed for your Perusal. —

It should appear that a Party of the Insurgents having entered the above Nuabab, possessed themselves of the Fort, and as they have so surrounded it, that not a man of the Place has been permitted to pass out. There was in this Place articles of Stores belonging to the Sirkar Viz.t four Guns — Firelocks and Bullets and Bundoo.s &c.a Likewise some belonging to the Company, and other peoples Effects and property to a considerable amount Besides Grain belonging to Dobbashies, for Sale, also Granaries for the Troops — a prodigious Quantity — all this have they got hold of — We have no other Resort, or Place of safety in the District, whereby we might endeavour to punish and expel these Rebels — Hence great Misfortune would, and the people disheartened, fly away — The Force with me is very inconsiderable, and moreover we

have

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2. have not two Days Subsistance.

I have represented these Circumstances
for your Information. —

a true translation

(Signed) David Haliburton

Persian Translator

Translation of a Letter

From Meher Ali Khan, Nemick of the Talookah of Belgaum

To His Highness the Nabob enclosed in the letter to the Governor

Dated 26 April
Rec.d 2 May } 1793

Yesterday I hastily informed you
of the Situation of the Fort of Timeri Gur, you
then was one Guard in the Fort, but all
the People were outside cutting wood &c.
Suddenly towards the latter part of the Night
a Body of the Rebels approached and having
prepared Ladders, possessed themselves of
the Fort. they then completely surrounded the
Town, and suffered not even an Individual
to

2d to Escape Having bound the Arms of the
Dobhassies and respectable People, they went
them within the Fort these chief People were
beyond Measure surprised: The Rebels
possessed themselves of all the money in
the Town — there were many People of
Consequence; and every House was
dug in order to get at the concealed money.
It is reported that what with the money
of Dobhassies, of Mr. Bird of the Paymaster,
of Merchants &c — they must have carried
away Treasure nearly to the amount of
80,000 Pagodas besides the Sirkar and
Company's Stores such as Guns, Firelocks, Powder —
Balls, with all which they were ready to fight — any overplus
or Articles, whether Effects, Firelocks or money &c,
they sent to the other Side the Kristna — the Zemindars
the Kristna are Confederated with them in this Business —
they have strongly fortified a Place to defend themselves,
and they do not permit a single Person to pass, to give us
any Information they from the circumjacent Villages,
and having seized the Merchants they confine them
in the Fort — collect money, and the whole vicinity,

The

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2. The Company's Guard did not permit the People of the Sirkar to be in the Fort —

I have very few Troops with me, after deducting the Sick and those who are gone, not even a Thousand men. The Sibbendies are dispersed an over the Purgunnahs. The Inhabi-tants of the Purgunnahs are all fled, not a man remain-ing. I am at present in Dachy Pillay I was twice on the Point of repairing thither whenever an opportunity might of-fer. The People are quite intimidated by the multitude of the Force of the other Party and the small number of ours — Besides all this there is no Place of water 'twixt this and Timer Pore all the well are dried up. —

I communicated the Particulars relative to Timer Pore to the Commander of Palnee Condah and Delle Condah and also to Mr. Bird who is at Ongole, I inform-ed Mr. Bird that if he came quickly with two or three Companies of Infantry and two Guns, with this Assistance the Enemy might be punished and the Fort retaken, But before he arrive God knows what may occur here. This Night I purpose repairing to Macherla, where I shall exert myself in stopping their Roads If, in the mean time, Assistance arrive, they may be punished otherwise it will be hard indeed I have sent you this Information and the sooner you relieve us the better I am ready to exert myself even to death. —

Kumar Verma has threatned a Revolt for some

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2 Some Days. We was under the Protection of the Dolphosie as Timer Gurr I called him repeatedly, but in vain If he be not in Timer Gurr. God knows what has become of him. If any body arrived thence, we might learn.

I will trouble you no further

Translation of Copy of the Arzie of Venkiah Sumil of Machurlah the Original in Jentoo.

Yesterday J. Subiah coming to this Place — a carried along with him to Timer Gurr one Aznegie who having returned Reports, that this Night, Meer Imam — a from the other Side of the River approached with a Body of 2000 Peons and 100 Infantry, and about 4 Clock of the morning attacked the Fort of Timer Gurr ravaged the — a surrounding Country, and, killed two Gunners on the — a Ramparts of the Fort, all this Aznegie himself saw and has informed us. —

On hearing this all the Inhabitants of the Purgunnahs round about run away. Here are we with 10 Peons, not a Sufficient Force to chastize them.

Since the other Fort is taken, it will be extremely difficult for the Fort of this Purgunnah to hold out and this Place is of great Consequence to the Affairs of the Sircar.

Topiah Vr. Poligars are Scatter'd abroad in the uninhabited Party of the Country. I have sent orders for their

Return

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2. Return, but they delay it I am informed that a Force is assembled at Timir Purr, I have therefore detailed this Information. If a Force be sent to check them, this Purgunnah will still remain in our Possession, and we also may continue to reside here, but if not, I know not what we shall do.

A true translation

Signed David Haliburton

Persian Trans.r

To W.m C. Jackson Esq.re

Secretary to the Military Department.

Sir,

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with Explanations on the remarks of the Auditor General on his Suggestions regarding Cavalry Supplies - Reports his Advances for Grain.

I have received your Letter of the 25.th Instant, together with Copy of the Military Auditor Generals' address to Government Containing his remarks on the Suggestions detailed in my Letter of the 12.th March last, upon the Subject of Cavalry Supplies, and Draft of a General Order for the regulation thereof, for my information and guidance.

I have agreeably thereto given directions to the Subordinate Agents of Regiments, but I think it necessary to say a few words in Explanation, in consequence of the Military Auditor Generals Remarks.

He States that the arrangement Submitted by me applicable to the Nomination of Subordinate Agents does not appear to him Consonant to the "General Principle of System" which he conceives is meant to be adopted as this Presidency

If the principle here alluded to be, that no Agents purchasing any articles of Store shall also have

Charge

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2. Charge of them, I was perfectly aware of, & in my address above-mentioned having proposed, that the Grain on account of its being too late to form a General Contract; which I stated to be in my opinion the best mode of provision should for the present be provided by the Principal Agents and the Subordinate Agents were to be held responsible for the same when delivered into their charge, as the Quarter Masters now are by the regulations adopted.

I take leave further to observe that it would appear from the Second position in the Military Auditor Generals Letter that a responsibility is fixed upon the Principal Agents which cannot in my opinion attach to him. The Subordinate Agents I consider on the footing of Commissaries of Grain at Stations responsible for their own acts, and, standing in relation to my Office as the Paymaster of a Garrison does to that of the Military Paymaster General who is not held answerable for Advances made to the Accountable Officers of Government.

Upon this point I beg to be favored with the resolution of Government.

In Compliance with the directions Contained in your letter to me under date the 13th March last authorising me to purchase Grain I advanced for the Supply of the Cavalry

at Arcot Pagodas	3600	— —
" Cunnatore	2500	— —
" Cuddalore	1800	— —
" Palamcottah	2000	— —
Pagodas	9900	— —

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I have in Compliance with the Orders directed my Agents to desist from purchases, to make up their Accounts to the 30th April and to deliver over to the Subordinate Agents the Grain on hand on the 1st of May next together with the Balance of Cash in hand, and the Agreements made for deliveries not fulfilled on that day.

Being apprehensive from the information I received that the Supplies of Grain which might be collected in the Country surrounding the Western Cavalry Cantonements, would fall Short of the quantity required, I entered into a Contract for 100 Garce to be delivered at Cuddalore at the rate of 70 Pagodas p.r Garce, as a certain Store in case of need, and at the same time in a situation where if not required, it Could be brought to the Presidency and disposed of without loss, probably to advantage 3000 Pagodas have been advanced upon this account and the Contractor has bound himself under a penalty of 15 p.r Cent upon the Advance for the due performance of the Contract.

I request to be informed whether I shall endeavour to get the party to Consent to annul the Contract or as the terms are very favorable to receive and deliver the Grain to the Storekeeper at Cuddalore.

In my Estimate laid before Government for the present month I stated that the Amount required for immediate Advances for the Provision of Grain was Pagodas 12,000, but the Actual Advances made amounts to

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2d to Pagodas 12900 and as this Sum has been advanced out of the Balance in hand and receipts Stated in that Estimate I — request to be informed whether I am to Consider that part of the Order which directs me to draw the Cash necessary on this — account from the Military Paymaster General to be in force — from the 1st Instant or from the 1st of May next. —

Madras
29th April 1793.

I am,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Thos Cockburn
Commy Genl & Govr & Co.

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB. No. 5.6.7.8.9.10.

From Mr. Samuel Young

From Mr. Samuel Young requests his Bond of Security for Mr. Paymaster Hughes may be delivered up he having provided other Security. —

From Mr. Paymaster Brown

From Paymaster to the Nizams Detachment — requesting to be exempted from sending more than one Set of Accounts to the Presidency. —

From Secretary to the Military Board

From Secretary to the Military Board enclosing the Statement required by the Honorable Court, of Military Stores provided under the former and present System shewing the advantages arising from the latter. —

From Adjutant General

From Adjutant General Mr. Kelso Cadet, requests to resign the Service, and Lieutenant Thomas Hart, — the Adjutancy of the 20th Battalion and Lieutenant Simpson.

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2. Simpson recommended to succeed thereto.—

From Chief Engineer

From Chief Engineer with a List of the Plans, copied for transmission to England.—

From Commandant at Vellore

From Commandant at Vellore respecting Depredations committed by the Charged Polygar in the Talook of Vincatgherry—Papers on the Subject enclosed... Sent the following Letter.—

To Colonel Henry Malcolm

Military Auditor General.

To Military Auditor General transmitting the Board's Observations on his audit of Mr. Hoar's Accounts—Instructions former—decision regarding—Stoppages for Grain, Confirmed—

Sir, I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 30.th ultimo, and to transmit herewith the observations of Government on your audit of Mr. Hoar's Accounts.—

Having regulated the Balance of the Retrench=ment by those observations, you will report to the Honorable the President in Council the exact sum for which Mr. Hoar will be accountable to the Company; in order that it may be forthcoming previous to the departure of the King George and without which he cannot have permission to proceed to Europe on that Ship.—

The President in Council in passing a decision on the objectionable charges, has, in every instance, where it could be done without a manifest deviation from the

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2d the regulations of the Service, acquiesced in the Paymasters remarks, for, he is sensible that in the multifarious duties of that Officer, inaccuracies were likely to occur under the best regulated System. It is from this consideration, that he has afforded the Paymaster an opportunity of indemnifying himself for the disbursements made on account of Laboratory work &c.a/ Vide order on Mt. 4 in the accounts of march and April 1793/ upon his producing Vouchers hereafter "containing a detail of the work performed, and certified by the "Head of Corps, under whose orders it was executed" and that he has consented to allow the Paymaster to charge an advance of five /5/ ℘t Cent on the total amount of his purchases of Stores.

The President in Council confirms the former Resolution of the Board relative to the deficiency of Stoppages for Grain which appeared in the accounts of Mts. Hoar and Colt on comparison with those belonging to the Commissary of Grain and Provisions in the field.

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1st May 1793.

Sam, &c. &c.

I Signed W. C. Jackson Secy

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in MSS. Nos 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20.

To accountant Genral

To accountant Genral with Copy of Sir John Kennaways report of the amount of his Issues and to whom, on account of the Nizams Detachment.

To Agent for Spirituous Liquors

To Agent for Spirituous Liquors referring Lieutenant Emersons Memorial, complaining of delay in adjusting his Arrack accounts, while Commandant of Tripassore.

&c.

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To Mr. Hugh Boyd — To late Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops to explain the cause of delay in delivering his Accounts to the Paymaster General Mr. Roebuck's letter enclosed —

To Auditor General — To Military Auditor General referring the — Estimate of Cash required by the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions in May —

To Mr. Paymaster Wynch — To Paymaster at Arcot &c. directing the disposal by outcry, of fourteen Horses cast from the 1st & 2d Regiments of Cavalry —

To Major Grant — To Commandant of the Cantonment at Arcot directing him to deliver over the horses to Mr. Wynch —

To Resident at Nagore — To Resident at Nagore with a Bill of Lading of Stores, shipped on the Minith for the use of the Royal Artillery at Negapatam —

To Collector of Southern Pedcauth — To Collector of Southern Pedcauth stating for his guidance, the Instructions to Colonel Martin, in case the Rajah of Ramnad return to the Fort, with his Armed mob. —

To Commander of the King George — To Commander of the King George noticing his demand on Mr. Munro Assistant Surgeon, for a Passage to England directions in consequence —

To Ditto — To Ditto with a List of Charter Party Passengers, to be received on board for England —

3d

Received the following Letters —

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From Mr Samuel Young requesting a Passage to England on the King George offers security for payments of the Sum, that may be retrenched on the final Audit of his Accounts the delay in their Adjustment noticed.

Finding that the Accounts of my late Paymaster-ship will not be finally adjusted by the sailing of the King George and the length of time I have been detained in this Country by the delay of their Settlement having already much impaired my Health and Fortune, I am under the necessity of offering the Security of Robert Gardiner Esqr and Major Francis Fowdie for the amount of the Sum total of the Retrenchments appearing against me by the Military Auditor Generals Report to that when Government shall think proper to decide on the Audit, the whole or whatever part may ultimately stand against me shall be made good by those Securities Such is the State of my Health and the necessity on that account for my proceeding without delay to Europe, that I am obliged to make the above offer, tho' greatly detrimental to my Affairs, trusting that you will accept thereof and order me a Passage on the King George.

I take the Liberty also of requesting the favor of an Order for a Passage for Miss Mellicent Fowdie Daughter of Major Fowdie proceeding under my Charge.

I have

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Fort St. George
2 May 1793.

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c &c
Signed Saml. Young

William Collins Jackson Esqr
Secretary to the Governor in Council Political Department

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From President &c — Hyderabad — relative to the Tippoo proposition to pay the Kists due to the Allies at Kistnaghery on the plan of delays and Counsel, in running and paying receipts for the same.

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of the 10th Instant, enclosing Extracts from the Cummhoors of Tippoo Sultaun to his Vackeels, copy of which I have forwarded to the Nizams Minister.

I should have been glad to know what answer was returned by the President in Council to Tippoos proposal of remanding back the first Kist for the Nizam and paying that and the remaining ones to the Allies as usual at the Company at Kistnaghery, a place far distant from their frontiers and of course one that would be very inconvenient to them, instead of the places prescribed for it by the Treaty of Seringapatam, thereby to have regulated the communication to the Nizam which should follow the intimation of such a proposal having been received.

The Board must be aware from what has passed on the subject of the Nizams receipts in my Correspondence with Major Roberts that the premises on which

3d which the proposal is founded namely - "delays and excuses
"of the Servants on the Coast respecting receiving the same
"and the giving Receipts with the Seal and Signature of
"the Nabob Asoffjah and Seremunt Behauder" are false,
"as far as they relate to His Highness: it will also be doubtless
have occurred to them that it could not be
without the consent of the Allies, and that the obtaining
this consent, should the President in Council think
proper to recommend its being applied for, must be
a matter of uncertainty and delay, which Tippoo may
attempt taking advantage of to protract payment to
us as well as to them

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most
/Signed/ John Kennaway

Hyderabad
26th April 1793.

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

Honble Sir,

From Military Auditor General - reporting the full amount for which Mr Hoare should be held accountable - other Explanations.

I have had the honor to receive Mr Webbs
Secretary Jackson's letter of the 5th instant accompanied by
the observations of Government on the audit of Mr Hoares
Accounts and "directing me to report to the Honble the
"President in Council the exact sum for which Mr Hoare
"will be Accountable to the Company, after having regu-
"lated the Ballance of the retrenchments by their observa-
"tions in order that it may be forthcoming previous to
"the departure of the King George without which he cannot
"have permission to proceed to Europe on that Ship".

I have

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I have the Honor to report as follows:

Retrenchment on Auditor's Report Pag.s 5. & 6 of the 30th ultimo	346.19.68
Credit given by Mr. Hoare in account Current as per same report	3632.28.8
Sums admitted under the authority of Government as per Secretary Jacksons letter of the 1st Instant and the observations of Government which accompanied that letter	1038.12.8
Five p.Cent allowed on the purchase of Stores as per authority in Mr. Jacksons letter of the 1st Instant	1233.24.2½
Credit given to Mr. Hoar as per said letter on account of his under charge in the payment of Lieutenant Lennons Corps of Pioneers	139.36.—
Balance in favor of Mr. Hoar as per account Current to 30th June 1792	1976.2.11½
	6777.19.8
Balance of Retrenchment as above Pag.s	657.8.60

Your Honble Board having further signified to me in Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the 1st instant that you confirm your former resolution relative to the deficiency of Stoppages for Grain which appeared in the accounts of Mr. Hoar and Colt on Comparison with those belonging to the Commissary of Grain and provisions in the Field in

which

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3 which resolution is as follows:- "The President in
"Council observe in a letter to you from the late
"Paymasters to the Army that rice issued to them
"by the Agent and brought to Account in his Books
"at the exchange of Forty two fanams ℔ Pagoda had
"been credited for by them at the rate of Forty four,
"this requires explanation, for the Board cannot
"admit in a matter of Account between two
"Departments that any difference ought to exist".
I therefore beg leave to observe that the only further
explanation in my power to afford has been com-
municated in my letter of the 30th Ultimo to which
I use the freedom of requesting your Honble Board
will refer and that you will determine whether
it will not be expedient, in the present stage of
Audit on the Grain Accounts that Mr. Hoar
shall be held responsible for the Sum of Six
Thousand five Hundred and Eight Pagodas Sixteen
Fanams and Sixty five Cash, in addition to the
Ballance already Stated, as explained in my letter
of the 30th Ult. and for whatever other sum shall
appear against him in communication with the
Grain Accounts, when finally Audited, and those
of Lieutenant Bushby in regard to the difference, in
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the former, between the Account of Cash issued to the Troops and the Credit Mr. Hoar has given for Stoppages, and the difference, on the latter, between the Account of Grain delivered to the Bangarries, for which Mr. Hoar stands debited, and the Sum he has brought to Account as received from Lieutenant Bushby on Account of that Grain

It becomes necessary for me to explain, in answer to the observations on the allowance of 10 rupees to Mr. Fitzgerald, that I found it had been admitted on the explanation given in Credit of the former Months, and on that Account appeared admissible in those which came under Controul since I have been Auditor, and that there is reason to believe the Signature to the Bill of Lieutenant Lewis for Batta was omitted through accident, the former circumstance should have been explained in my Report and both these charges have been admitted in my present one in consequence of the discretionary power relative to them conveyed in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 1st Instant

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Milty Audr Genl

Military Auditor
Genls Office
Fort St George
3d May 1793

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council &c: &c: &c:

Honble Sir,

I this morning received the subjoined communication from Captain Beale Commanding Tonnerecotah, and have in consequence thereof, ordered three Companies of the 16th Battalion and two Field Pieces (2 Pounders) with their necessary Camp Equipage to be kept in readiness to move at the shortest warning - I should have directed this Detachment to proceed immediately towards the Palnaud but that I apprehended such a Step might not be approved of by you - In expectation of your Commands on this Subject I have the honor to be

W&: Wa:

(Signed) Wm Shepherd Lieut.

Comm.g Ongole

From Officer Commanding at Ongole with a Letter from Captain Beale advising of the Capture of Tonnerecotah by a large party of Plunderers, from the opposite side of the Kistnah - requests orders

Ongole
28th April 1793

To Lieutenant William Shepherd

Commanding Ongole

Sir,

Having just received intelligence from the Shoudar of the Palnaud that on the night of the 22d Instant three thousand Chintewars (Plunderers) with their followers from the opposite Side of the Kistna had attacked the Village of Tonnerecotah and Seized upon the Fort which they now hold in possession,

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For the farther particulars of which being straitened
in time I must refer you to the Phoudar's letter,
I have to make application to you for assistance
in recovering the place and driving these freebooters
out of the Country from a knowledge of which I
can confidently say not less than three Companies
and two Guns ought to be detached which if you
think can be spared from the Garrison of Angola
I would recommend moving off with the greatest
expedition. —

Angola
28th April 1793

I am &c: &c:
(Signed) A. Beale
Captain

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council &c: &c: &c:

Honble Sir,

I have the Honor to inform you I
have this day received Intelligence from the Shiezdar
of the Polonaid, that a large body of Plunderers to the
Amount of three thousand with their Followers under
a Moorman named Mohen Imaum on the night of the
22d Instant suddenly passed the Kistna at the distance
of two or three Miles from Timmyeddah, which
place they came upon by Surprize, Plundered and
forced their way into the fort against the Guard that
encamped there, the Barracks being without, and that they
are now in possession of the place. —

From Captain Beale
to the same effect —
supposed cause of this
predatory Irruption

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I have addressed Lieutenant Sheppard who Commands here in the absence of Captain Knox for assistance in repelling these freebooters, and restoring peace to the Country, which for the most part is extremely close and jungly and it will require at least three Companies and two field pieces to act with any Effect— If the Service would admit of such a detachment for this duty, or were I permitted, I would recommend the number of the Companies to be doubled.—

Lieutenant Sheppard informs me he will take measures for putting in Execution such orders as you may think proper to give him on this head, and as the Plunderers are in possession of the place it will not be possible for me to move up but in force, I shall therefore wait here until I have the honor to receive your directions— I must beg leave to say that my bad State of Health having rendered it necessary to repair to the Seaside I obtained permission to do so, which is the cause of my having the honor of addressing you from this place.—

The Shoosdar informs me he has assembled a few Sebundies with whom and some of the Sepoys he has taken post in the Jungle.—

I have

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I have it from very creditable authority that the cause of these predatory Measures originated in the treacherous Conduct of Vasier Reddy the Chintapilly Zemendar, who lately assinated a Considerable Number of the Chintzmaths - the Gemdarous of Vonnacondah Soon also told are concerned in these Measures so that it is probable, I think the Guntoor will be in the same state of confusion and distress it had so lately emerged from. —

I have the Honor to be
&c: &c:
(signed) Art. Beale Captain

Angole
28th April 1793

Received also the recommunications Letters entered in Mr. B. Nos. 21. 22. 23.

From Mr. Hugh Boyd.

From late Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops - in reply to Mr. Roebucks Complaint of delay in delivering in his Accounts. —

From Lieutenant James Cunningham - enclosing a Surgeons Certificate - requesting leave to go to the Cape on the King George and

From Lieutenant Cunningham of the Infantry:-

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an advance of Six Months pay —

From Commandant at Pettacotah — requesting House Rent, and the usual allowance for a Puckally — Sweeper &c. &c. —

From Commandant at Pettacotah —

Despatched the following letters —

To M. Samuel Young

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date and to acquaint you, that, in consideration of the ill State of your health, and your offer of Security for the Amount of the Retrenchments that shall stand against you, He will grant you permission to proceed to England on the King George, on your producing the written Engagement of the Gentlemen you have named, to pay, on demand, the Sum that Government may adjudge

To M. S. Young in reply to his letter above entered —

to

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To be due on the final Audit of your Accounts with the Company.

Fort St. George
2d May 1793.

Sam, &c &c &c

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

To Sir John Kennaway Bart.

Resident at

Hydrabad

Sir,

To Resident at Hydrabad advising of the Capture of Tumreedah by a Bandilla belonging to the Nobobs and Chittpol Zemindars, and desiring him to solicit the Nizam to check their misconduct.

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to transmit for your information Copies of two letters from his Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic, advising that a party of armed Peons belonging to the Zemmindars of Nesseur and Chittpol headed by one Ismaun a dependent on the Nizams Government, had suddenly entered the Palnaud District, and taken the Fort of Tumreedah, which was garrisoned by some of the Company's Sepoys.

The President in Council has called for the opinion of the Officer commanding the Army, as to the Force that should

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should be sent to assist the Aumil of Palnaud.
In the mean time he has judged it proper
to communicate the circumstance to you,
with his request that you will solicit the
Nizam to take such Steps as may appear
adviseable for checking the misconduct of
the Zemindars abovementioned. —

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George — &c. &c. &c.

2d. May 1793. — (Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

To Colonel Brathwaite with similar advice — to report the force necessary to be sent to Tennecotah —

His Highness the Nabob having informed the Board that, about 3000 Armed Peons belonging to the Zemindars of Nescour and Chittool on the Borders of the Nizam's Country, had suddenly entered the Palnaud District, and taken the Fort of Tennecotah which was garrisoned by some of the Company's People, I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to

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desire you will furnish him with your opinion as to the force that should be sent to assist the Admiral of Palnaud, and from whence it should be taken. —

Fort St. George
2d. May 1793. —

Sam, &c.d ... &c.d

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Lieut

Sent the undermentioned letters. Entered in Mil. Nos. 24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32. —

To Doctor Gahagan.

To Head Surgeon at Vellore - permitting him to visit the Presidency.

To Captain C. Pighton -

To Commandant at Sholapore - may provide Half Mounting for the Troops there, on the terms offered - Cloathing will be supplied by the Company. —

To Colonel Martin. -

To Ditto at Ramnad - on the same subject. —

To Military Board.

To Military Board - the Contractor to be ordered to provide Cloathing for the Troops at the above Stations - Copy of Captain Pighton's letter, enclosed. —

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To Ditto. To Ditto - with Papers received from Bengal - regarding the process in manufacturing Gunpowder there, and Plans of the Buildings used - an Indent of Stationary for the 1st Battalion of Artillery - also referred. —

To Military Auditor General. To Military Auditor General - notifying the terms on which the half Mounting above mentioned is to be provided, and that Cloathing will be supplied by the Company. —

To Clerk of the Treasury. To Clerk of the Treasury - directing Advances to the Paymaster General and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - to the former for May and latter, for April. —

To Military Paymaster General. To Military Paymaster General - with extract from the Auditor General's report on his Estimate for May - and advice of the above orders to the Treasury. —

To Vizagapatam. To Vizagapatam - regarding W. G. Wilson's application for leave to visit

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3d. the Presidency. —

4th Received the following

letters. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

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Honorable Sir,

From Commandant at Ongole with letter from Captain Beale detailing the particulars of the attack and Capture of Timmercottah. The Stores of Ongole insufficient to equip any detachment for service. Artillerymen and Bullocks also wanting.

I am very sorry to acquaint you that the intelligence transmitted by Captain Beale and Lieutenant Sheppard, respecting the Capture of Timmycottah, is confirmed. —

I have the honor to enclose you the copy of a letter addressed to me from Captain Beale, which details the particulars as far as they are yet ascertained, and I shall lose no time in communicating any further information that may be procured, as well respecting the Capture, as the future designs of the Plunderers. —

Returns of the Military and Ordnance Stores of this Garrison

being

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being before you, it is unnecessary to
remark upon the deficiency of equip-
ment, in the event of a Detachment
being ordered from hence - There are
no Tents in Store, and it will be very
difficult to collect a sufficient number
of Draft and Carriage Bullocks, almost
the whole Cattle of the Country, having
been driven to the southward on account
of the scarcity of forage and want of
water. -

There are no Effective
Artillery men to work the four small
pieces of Brass Ordnance which are in
this Garrison, and which probably may
be wanted on the present occasion - I
must at the same time observe that I do
not consider the Carriages and Tumbrels
of those Guns as fit for field service, in
consequence of having stood for some years
exposed to the weather, altho' the necessity of
building a shade for their protection has
long been suggested, and an estimate of
the

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the expence transmitted agreeable to form
&c. &c. &c.

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

Arigole
1st May 1793. (Signed) T. Knox Captain
Comm.t

Captain Thomas Knox

Sir,

Lieutenant Sheppard will
have communicated to you my addresses
to him of the 28th and 29th ultimo in the
former of which I acquainted him with
the Capture of Tinniycottah by a large
Body of Bandetts and in the latter I
enclosed a list of such Stores as I thought
would be necessary to be taken up with
the Detachment which will probably be
ordered to the Palnaud for the purpose
of restoring Tranquility to the Country.
In addition to which I have now to
inform you that I have received Intel-
ligence that the number of Plunderers
amounted to 4000, besides which there

were

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were 2000 more who did not cross the
River, and that there are 300 Horse
under Meer Imaum - That they took
the Fort by Escalade, having brought
Eight Ladders for that purpose - That one
Havildar and four Sepoys were killed
being Supprehend part of the Guard of the
Fort - That the remainder of the Company
who slept in their Barracks without ran
to their Arms and took post in a Walled
Pagoda in the Pettah which was attacked
in the course of which Report says, about
20 of the Plunderers fell - A parley took
Place in which the Sepoys insisting
upon retaining their Arms and being
sent hither, agreed to relinquish their Post.
- in compliance with which agreement
they were permitted to proceed hither on
the Evening of the 25th - I understand there
are 8 Wounded with them of which One
Serjeant of Invalid Artillery, One Invalid
Subedar and that there are two Invalid

Artillery

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Artillery men Killed — I have sent out Harcarrahs to bring me in Intelligence which I shall communicate to you as soon as I obtain. —

I have the honor to be

Orrgole
1st May 1793. —

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Ant. Beale
Captain

A true Copy
(Signed) T. Knox

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite - remarks concerning the Capture of Tinnicottah - his surprize thereat - considering the Strength of its Garrison - wishes to defer giving the opinion required of him, until further accounts are received. —

I had the honor last night to receive a Letter from M. Secretary Jackson dated the 2d instant, informing me that you had received intimation from his Highness the Nabob, that about 3000 Armed Peons belonging to the Zemindars of Nesoor, and Chetpol, on the Borders of the Nizam's Country, had suddenly entered the Palnaud District, and had taken the Fort of Tinnicottah, which was garrisoned

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garrisoned by some of the Company's —
People, and that you desered my opinion
as to the Force which should be sent to
afsist the Aumil of Paulnaud, and from
whence it should be taken. —

I must own that I never
was more surprised than I was at the
hearing of this news, not only because
I had no report of any thing of the kind (
nor have I yet) and because the Garreson
determined by Government for Tinni=
cottah, was such as I should have thought
very equal to meeting such a body of such
Peons, in the Field, and of course much
more so to defend any fortified place from
their efforts, the garreson of Tinnicottah
consisted of one European Officer (Captain
Beale) one Company of the 10th Native
Battalion which by the last Returns
wanted only two Privates to compleat it;
one Subadar, two Jemmadars, ten Havildars,
Six Naigues and twenty five Privates of

Native

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Native Invalids. If such a Force has been captured there must have been great neglect or treachery somewhere, I cannot but be very uneasy till I receive some regular information and indeed without some farther materials I am rather puzzled to give to you such an opinion as I could wish to give. I am at a loss to know what are the objects the Rajah has in view, that is, whether his views are to retaliate upon these Bermudans and recover from them at least as much as they have taken, which might render it necessary to cross the Kistna, or whether he means simply to be protected, from a second visit, nor do I know whether these Peons remain in possession of Immediate if Protection is only meant, I think three Companies sufficient, and two may be drawn from Trinconda and one from Ongole.

Military
Head Quarters
Madras
May 14th 1793.

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite
Deputy Adjt

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Despatched the following

letters. —

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at

Fort William

My Lord,

To Bengal - advising of the Capture of Tinnevelah - letters from Ongole enclosed - Steps taken in consequence - Captain Beale will be required to account for his absence. —

1 We have the honor to transmit to your Lordship, Copies of two letters from his Highness the Nabob to our President, advising that a party of Armed Peons belonging to the Zemendars of Nesaur and Chittpol on the borders of the Nizam's Country, had suddenly entered the Palnaud District, and taken the small Fort of Tinnevelah garrisoned by some of the Company's Sepoys. —

2 We have also the honor to forward Copies of letters from Captain Beale and from the Officer in charge of the Garrison of Ongole — The former stood appointed to the Command of Tinnevelah and as he had no authority from us to be —

absent

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I have the honor to be, &c.

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absent from his Station we shall immediately direct the Commander in Chief to call upon him for an explanation of the Cause of his being so absent at a time & when his service was so particulars & required. -

3 We have desired Colonel Brathwaite to give us his opinion as to the force that should be sent to clear the Palnaud District of the Bandittii that have infested it, and shall inform Sir. John Kennaway of the contents of the Nabobs letters, desiring him to request such assistance from the Nizams Government as may appear to him & adviseable for removing the Cause of & these disturbances. -

We have the honor to be,

Fort St. George

3d May 1793. - (Signed) Chas Oakeley

&c &c

&c

Lt Council

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To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

To Colonel Brathwaite - in reply to his last letter - letters from Ongole Enclosed - remarks regarding Captain Beale's Conduct - an explanation thereof to be required. -

Since my letter to you of the 2d instant, the Honorable the President in Council has received letters from Captain Beale and the Officer in Command of the Garrison of Ongole confirming the intelligence communicated by his Highness the Nabob of the Disturbances in the Palnaud District. -

The President in Council is desirous of taking the necessary measures in consequence with as little delay as possible. With respect to Captain Beale the Board do not think it will be adviseable to employ him on this occasion as they are not satisfied with regard to the cause of his being absent from his Command - In the month of May 1792 Captain - Dunwoody who then commanded at - Ongole informed the Board that Captain

Beale

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Beale had been compelled by Indisposi-
tion to come down to that garrison for
Medical assistance, but as Captain Beale
made no application to them for leave
of absence at that time, or since they
supposed of course that he was at his station.
The President in Council therefore
desires you will call upon Captain Beale
for an explanation of the reason of his
being absent from his Command the time
he has been so absent, and by what authority.

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letter to the Board of
this date and to acquaint you that in con-
sequence of the official Intelligence received
of the Capture of Tennessee, the President
in Council desires you will frame your
opinion with a view to the recovery of that
place and to the expulsion of the people
that have entered the District.

Fort St. George
4th May 1793.

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

To

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To Mr. George Hoar

late Paymaster to the Army

Sir,

The Military Auditor General having reported upon your Accounts as Paymaster to the Grand Army, the Honorable the President in Council has passed the following resolutions. —

That the Sum of Pagodas - 6571. " 60

being the Balance of the -

Retrenchment of your Accounts as Paymaster be accounted for by a deposit of Cash to the - Amount. —

That the Sum of Pagodas - 6508. 16. 65

on account of the deficiency in the Stoppage of Grain, be accounted for by a Deposit of - Cash to the Amount. -

That, in addition to the above you are to be held accountable for whatever further Sums shall appear -

against

To Mr. G. Hoar stating the Sums for which he is to account by a Deposit of Cash - and to find Security for those which may be due on the final Audit of his Grain Accounts. -

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against you on the final Audit of the Grain Accounts, and those of Lieutenant Bushby. —

The President in Council will grant you his Permission to proceed to Europe on the King George, provided the Sums abovementioned be paid by you into the Company's Treasury, and that you give good and sufficient European Security for the repayment of whatever Sums shall appear against you on the final audit of the Grain Accounts and those of Lieutenant Bushby. —

Fort St. George 3d May 1793. —

I am, &c.ª &c.ª

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

To Colonel Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Sir,

To Military Auditor General notifying the substance of the foregoing letter.

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, and to inform you that as

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as the explanation of the difference of exchange in bringing the rice to account in the Paymaster's Books is not satisfactory, Messrs. Hoar and Colt are to be held responsible for that difference according to the quantities respectively issued to them. —

Mr. Hoar is likewise to be held responsible for the sum of ÷ Pagodas Six thousand five hundred and eight-sixteen fanams-and sixty five Cash (6508.16.65) and for whatever further sums shall appear against him on the final audit of the Grain accounts, and those of Lieutenant Bushby. —

Fort St. George 3d. May 1793. — Sam, &c.2 &c.2
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

To David Haliburton Esqr.
&c.2 Members of the Board of Revenue

To Board of Revenue-regarding the Powers and duties of the Collector of Southern Peshcush-and the Balance

Gentlemen,

We have received your letter

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Balance of Cash in his hands — a Statement of Colonel Maxwell's settlement on account of Arrears of Tinnevelly Peshcush required for the Nabob —

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Letter dated the 25th instant —

By the 6th Article of the Treaty lately concluded with the Nabob of the Carnatic, it is expressly stated that his Highness is to be supported in the rights of Sovereignty over all the Polygars, and that all acts of authority are to be exercised in his name — We do not therefore see the ground upon which the Company's Collector can interfere in any shape with the internal management and police of the Polygar Districts.

At the time your Letter of the 23d November last came before us we resolved to propose to his Highness that the Collector should be vested with his Authority to hear Complaints and redress grievances among the Tributaries and the proposition was made accordingly — But his Highness not acceding to it, we can only recommend that Mr. Pandon be instructed to confine his duties to the

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more receipt of the Peishcush and to the
resistance of any demands made upon
the Polygars by the Circar over and above
the amount of their annual Tribute
fixed by Treaty. —

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No countenance must
be given by the Collector to the recovery
of the Balances stated by Cutabar Cawn
to be due to him from the Polygars on
account of the former Renterships of the
Tinnevelly Country. —

With respect to the Balance
of Cash in the Collector's Hands we have
to observe, that orders have been given to
him to remit thirty thousand Pagodas
to the Presidency, and the remainder
will probably be required to answer the
Drafts of the Paymasters at Madura
and Palamcotah on account of Military
Disbursements. —

The Nabob having —
applied to us for information regarding

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The Settlement made by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell with the Tinnevelly Polygars on account of Arrears, we desire that a Statement shewing the particulars may be furnished for the inspection of his Highness. —

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3d. May 1793. — (Signed) We are, &c. &c.
Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

To Major Stevenson
Commanding the 3d. Regiment of
Native Cavalry at Tachenore

Sir,

To Commandant of Cavalry at Tachenore - to report whether the disposition of the Troops answers the purpose of protecting the Inhabitants from the Excesses of the Tinnevelly Polygars. —

The President in Council having been informed by His Highness the Nabob that he has received various complaints of irregularities committed by some of the Polygars in the Tinnevelly Districts, he desires to be informed — whether any excesses and of what nature have happened within your observation,

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and whether the present disposition of the Troops answers the purpose of affording that general protection which it is meant to give to the Inhabitants of those Districts. —

Fort St. George 3d May 1793. — (Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

Despatched also the under-mentioned letters, Entered in M.B. Nos 33-34-35-36-37. —

To Resident at Hydrabad

To Resident at Hydrabad advising of the reply given to Tippoo's proposition of sending the second Hosts for the three powers, to Kistnagherry. —

To Ditto at Poona

To Resident at Poona to the same Effect. —

To Auditor General

To Military Auditor General directing an advance of six months pay to Lieutenant James Cunningham, proceeding to the Cape on leave. —

To Military Board

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Mess^rs

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provided

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5th provided for the Temporary relief of Lieute=
nant Pefse in the Command of Bellam=
condah: and that all this being afsembled
at Bellamcondah, that Lieutenant Pefse
should have orders to proceed with that
Force and retake Tinnicottah, drive the
Enemy, out of that Country, and reestablish
order there; and that Lieutenant Pefse
should be ordered to take as many Pri=
soners, particularly of the most conse=
quence among those Plunderers, as he
can, and hold them as Hostages till ſ.
satisfaction is made, and all plunder
accounted for, and I could wish that his
Highneſs the Nabob's Phousdar might
be directed to co-operate heartily with all
the force he can collect with Lieutenant ſ
Pefse, and to adopt Lieutenant Pefse's ſ.
opinion in regard to all Military measures,
as I have a great confidence in the Bravery,
Zeal, and plain good sense which Lieute=
nant Pefse has upon many occasions ſ.
manifested. To put all this plan into the

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that information, may have no doubts:
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they should have official information how
matters are circumstanced, as I have
no advice that they yet know any thing
of the matter, and it may nearly concern
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I have the honor to be,

&c. - - - - &c.

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Despatched

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&c. - - - - - &c.

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Despatched

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Despatched in consequence the following letters. —

To Colonel John Brathwaite

Commanding the Troops on the Coast

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of yesterday's date and to acquaint you that he has adopted your recommendation respecting the Force necessary to be sent to Tirunelveli. —

To Colonel Brathwaite - his recommendations above - approved - and desiring him to carry them into effect - the 8th Battalion will be ordered to hold itself in readiness to march. -

Orders will in consequence be sent to Major Burr, to take his Instructions from you with regard to the detail of this movement and the object to be accomplished by it and the President in Council desires you will send them forthwith and direct that no time may be lost in carrying the measure into execution - Orders will likewise be despatched to Captain Knox to comply with such requisitions as he may receive

from

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From Major Burr during this service.-

The President in Council will immediately order the 8th Battalion to hold itself in readiness agreeably to your recommendation, and write to the Nabob with regard to the assistance to be given by his Aumil at Palnaud, tho' he imagines that little military aid is to be expected from that quarter.-

Fort St. George Sam, &c.a ... &c.a

5th. May 1793.- (Signed) W.C. Jackson Secy

Major Burr

Commanding in the Guntoor Circar

Sir,

To Commandant in the Guntoor Circar with instructions in consequence.-

The late Capture of Timmareccotah by a party of peons belonging to some refractory Zemindars on the Nizam's Country, renders it necessary that vigorous measures be immediately adopted for the Expulsion of this Banditti from the Palnad District - On this subject the President

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President in Council has given his Instructions to Colonel Brathwaite whose orders you will strictly observe on every point relating to the present Service. —

Fort St. George
5th May 1793. — (Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

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

To Captain Knox
Commanding at Ongole

Sir,

To Pitts at Ongole with Pitts. —

The President in Council having directed Colonel Brathwaite to send Instructions to Major Burr for the recovery of Tumericotah and the expulsion of the Banditti who have entered the Palnad District, you are to obey such requisitions as may be made to you by that officer touching the present Service. —

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

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5th May 1793. — (Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

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To Mr. John Lennox

Paymaster at Ongole

Sir,

To Paymaster at Ditto - with orders to afford every assistance from his Department. -

The President in Council having directed a party to march to Tenerecotah for the purpose of dispossessing the people who have captured it, you will furnish the necessary assistance from your Department for this service taking your orders from Major Burr. -

Jam, &c. &c.

Fort St. George

5th May 1793. - (Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

Sent the following Letters to the Nabob - Entered also in C.C. Vol. 87 - 88 - -

To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic

&c. &c. &c. &c. &c.

To the Nabob - assuring him of assistance in recovering Tenerecotah - Sir John Kennaway writes to respecting the Plunderers, and their principal. -

May it please your Highness. -

I have been honored with your Highness's letters dated the 30th

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30th ultimo and 1st Instant, advising me of the disturbances in the Palnaud District, and of the Capture of the Fort of Tunnecotah by three thousand Peons headed by Meer Imaum, one of the Defpendents of the Nizam's Government. —

Your Highness may rest assured that measures shall be taken with as little delay as possible to assist your Aumil at Palnaud and to clear the District of the People that have entered it.

I have called for the opinion of Colonel Brathwaite as to the force that should be sent into the Palnaud District and have communicated the Contents of your Highness's letters to Sir John Kennaway that he may take such measures as may appear most adviseable for stimulating the exertions of the Nizam's Government to check the disturbances complained of. —

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2d May 1793. —

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

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To His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic

&c. &c. &c. &c. &c.

May it please your Highness.

To the Nabob informing from that a force has been ordered to the Palnaud and requesting his Aumil may be ordered to assist with Provisions.

I have sent orders for marching a force to the Palnaud for expelling the Plunderers who have taken Timmerecotah; but as it will be proper that your Highness's Aumil should assist in every respect as far as he is able, and particularly in the Article of provisions I request your Highness will send immediate order upon this head desiring him to attend to such requisitions as may be made by the Officer Commanding the party.

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5th May 1793.

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

Substance of a Letter from the Rajah of Vencatagherry.

Received Letter from the Rajah of Vencatagherry, Entered in C.C. No. 89. complaining of irregularities committed by some Sepoys of Captain Mecat's Battalion

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Battalion when marching thro' his Districts - request in consequence. —

Received also the under-mentioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 42-43-44. —

From Assistant Collector at Pondigul. — From Assistant Collector at Pondigul - retribution made to the Coimbatore Polygar, and a Fine levied on the Pyliney Polygar - states the loss to be expected from preventing Tippoo's subjects from visiting the Pyliney Pagoda with Arms. —

From M. Paymaster Brown. — From Paymaster to the Nizam's Detachment - enclosing Copy of his letter to the Auditor General, regarding the mode of preparing his Accounts. —

Petition of the Vackeels of the Vencataghery-Rajah. — Petition of the Vackeels of the Rajah of Vencataghery, on the subject of the Grievances above complained of by the Rajah. —

Despatched also the under-mentioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56. —

To —

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To Captain Dallas at Hydrabad.

To Captain Dallas — in reply to Lieutenant Nuthall's Representation — and desiring that he will inspect the Horses of the Native Officers of his Detachment. —

To Commandant at Chingleput

To Commandant at Chingleput — Sepoys not necessary, and on no account to be employed in procuring Sheep, as they can be purchased at a fair price. —

To Pedro at Pondigul.

To Pedro — at Pondigul — referring for Explanation a Complaint of Mr Vaughan against him. —

To Masulipatam. —

To Masulipatam — enclosing a Distribution of the Troops in that district, to be immediately carried into Effect. —

To Military Auditor General.

To Military Auditor General — with Copy of the letter from Mr Roar above Entered. —

To Paymaster General.

To Military Paymaster General — Passage Money to be advanced to Lieutenant Bosebitharn of 7th Regiment, proceeding to Europe in charge of the Invalids

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Invalids on board the King George.

To Commander of the King George. — To Commander of the King George - with orders to receive Lieutenant Borebotham on board. —

To Colonel Braithwaite. To Officer Commanding the Army - with Copies of Letters from the Commandant at Ongole. —

To Ditto. To Ditto - in reply to the letter from the Officers of Artillery at the Mount - regarding the building of quarters at that Station. —

To Ditto. To Ditto - Colonel Baird may Erect the Bungalees for his Men on the Spot recommended by him. —

To Commandant at Secunder Malley. To Lieutenant Colonel Baird - advising of the Orders above given. —

To Lieutenant Cunningham of the Infantry. To Lieutenant James Cunningham - permitting him to proceed to Europe on the King George. —

Received the following letters. —

From Resident at Hydrabad enclosing the Extract

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to enclose

1839. Fort St. George. May 1793.—

5th. Extract of a Letter which I have this day received from Meer Allum in reply to mine forwarding the extracts of Tippoo Sultaun's Munshoos to his Vakeels as received from W. Secretary Jackson under date the 10th. Instant, with Copy and Translates of the same, and have the honor to &c.—

Hydrabad &c. . . . . &c.

28th April 1793.— (Signed) John Kennaway

Translate of Extract of a Letter from Meer Allum to Sir John Kennaway Bart. dated the 24th of April and received the 28th.—

Nizam's reply to Tippoos letters regarding the Retention of the Fort and Taloob of Mocha the Peshcush of Mocha and the payment of the Kists for His Highness at Hedna-gherry.—

I have been favored and made happy by your letter enclosing a copy of Extracts from the Munshoos of Tippoo Sultaun to his Vakeels which were sent for his Highness's information. With regard to what Tippo writes respecting the Taloob of Mokha, as you are acquainted with the particulars of the disturbance committed by the Zemindar in the afore-said Taloob, his retaining for a long period

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possession of the Fort and its having at last come into the hands of the Servants of his Highness the Nizam as also the Talook the repetetion of them is unnecessary; and I shall therefore only ask — when did ever the Servants of Tippo — evacuate the place, and when did ever those of his Highness decline taking charge of it? this assertion on the part of Tippo is too glaring to require being disproved, and what might be suggested in reply to it is not decent to be spoken. —

I proceed to what he writes to his Vakeels respecting Kurnool on — which subject, what passed at Seringapatam, at the conclusion of the War was in your presence, and it is therefore — evident that what Tippo has written concerning it is without foundation: but in relation to what is asserted regarding the intentions of the late Rummut Khan to discharge the Peishcush, his Will, the affidavits of respectable people at Kurnool

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concerning it, and the verbal assurances of Alif Khan to discharge the Amount. — enquiries have been made by the Nizam's and Azem ul Omrah's orders of Alif Khan's Vakeel: who on account of Sickness has been alleged to remain in Hydrabad, and the — truth or falsehood of these assertions will soon appear. —

With respect to what Tipu — po writes regarding the Kist and the delay of receipts being granted for it, it has fortunately happened that the Receipt under his Highness's Seal a considerable time ago was sent and remained at Kurpah, afterwards was lodged with you, and in both cases on account of the moneys not arriving proved of no use. Afterwards — Major Roberts was appointed by the Nizam to receive the Kist and deliver the receipt: therefore what doubt can remain of the falsehood of what has been written. At all events as Tippo has now settled to pay the other Kists thro' the Servants of the

Company

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Company there is no objection to it: the object is to get the Money, and what mode of doing it can be preferable to that of receiving it through them, &c although Major Roberts is also of that number. —

True Translate

(Signed) William Stewart
Assistant

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council

Hon̄ble Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of two Letters from Mr Secretary Jackson under date the 5th instant, one enclosing copies of Letters from Captain Knox and Captain Beale, and the other informing me you had adopted my ideas in regard to the Detachment to be sent to the Palmaid Country. In consequence of this information, I immediately despatched Letters to Major Burr and Captain Knox, copies of which I have

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From Colonel Brathwaite — Enclosing Copies of his Instructions to Commandants at Guntoor and Ongole —

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the honor to enclose. I do not expect much military assistance from his Highness the Nabob's Aumil, but perhaps some may be afforded, as it is stated that he had collected some people, and had taken post in a Jungle: at all events I hope he will be able to assist with Provisions. —

I have the honor to be,

&c.ª . . . &c.ª

(Signed) John Braithwaite

Military
Head Quarters
Madras
May 6th 1793. —

To Major Daniel Burr

or Officer Commanding the Troops in the

Guntoor Circar

Sir,

In consequence of disagreeable information received by Government stating that a Body of Armed Peons had crossed the Kistna to the amount of three thousand by some Accounts, and by others to four thousand, and had taken the Fort of Tsmeracotah by Escalade, and plundered it, and all the adjacent Country, and that they still retained that Fort, and had &c.

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put a sort of Garrison into it. Government have directed and authorised me to take the most speedy and efficacious measures for the recovery of the Fort of Tsimera-cotah, and the expulsion of this Banditti, and to restore order and tranquility. —

It occurs to me that the speediest measure I can adopt, and it is one I should hope, that under the information we have, will be sufficiently efficacious, is to form a detachment of five or six Companies of Sepoys furnished with two six Pounder Field Pieces and that the carrying this measure into Execution should be vested in you. Government have adopted my ideas and you either have or will be written to, to that effect, and Captain Knox or Officer Commanding at Ongole has been or will be written to, to comply with such requisitions as you may make to him for this Particular service

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Judging from the returns before me, I have limited the detachment to five Companies, to be drawn from — Ongole and Innaconda, and the Field Pieces from the latter, you will therefore Sir as expeditiously as possible call — upon Captain Knox or Officer Commanding at Ongole for three Companies of the 10th Native Battalion compleated as to Natives, and with at least one European Officer and one Serjeant with them, and these I would have proceed to Bellamcunda with all possible expedition — and you — will require of Captain Knox to send — with these such Invalid Artillery men as he can possibly spare and collect for this Service, which is pressing, and as many Lascars as he can, and you will order Captain Malcot or Officer Commanding at Innaconda to send two Companies of the 30th Native Battalion compleat as to Natives from Innaconda, with at least one European Officer and one Serjeant — with

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with them as Expeditiously as possible
to Bellamcunda; and this force being
assembled at Bellamcunda you are to
cause an Officer to relieve for the
present Lieutenant Pesse in the Com-
mand of that Fortress - and you are to
order Lieutenant Pesse to take the
Command of the aforesaid detachment,
and you must give him orders to use
his most active endeavours to retake
the Fort of Tarrecotta and to drive those
plunderers out of the Country, and to do
his utmost to restore order and Tranquil-
lity in the Country, and to give every
assistance in his power to the Aumil
or Phousdar of his Highness the Nabob,
and to communicate with him as
early as possible, and he will be written
to by his Highness the Nabob to cooperate
to the utmost of his powers with Lieute-
nant Pesse and to adopt his ideas on
all matters merely professional or Mili-
tary - and Lieutenant Pesse will as
speedily

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speedily as possible inform himself, if necessary, what assistance he can derive from the said Aumil or Phousdar in regard to Provisions, and report to you, that in case of failure there, you may as early as possible be able to call for it from the Company's Commissary or his Deputy's which I believe are every where the Paymasters, but this may not be necessary, as I am informed that orders have been already sent to the Commissary, but of this you will be better able to Judge on the spot than I can be at a distance. You will also recommend it to Lieutenant Pesse to secure as many of the ring leaders of these Plunderers as he possibly can — as by the securing such, some restitution of Plunder or a satisfaction may be obtained. —

The Companies of sepoys will of course be sent compleated with Ball Cartridges but you will take care to send with the detachment a supply of

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of musket Ammunition adequate at least to one hundred rounds per man, and spare flints if necessary.

I have limited the Detachment to five Companies, as I have told you from the returns before me, and from these I have determined the places from whence they are to be drawn, but if you from more immediate and local information can make it stronger I shall be better pleased.

And the orders I have prepared for Lieutenant Pesse are founded upon the intelligence I have, which as yet is but vague, If therefore you should be authentically informed that the Force against which Lieutenant Pesse is designed to act, is greater than his force can cope with you will in consequence of such authentic Information, order him to the most convenient situation to act defensively.

and

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and cover the Guntoor Circar, and &
report your information to Government,
and to me. A Battalion is ordered
here to hold itself in readineſs, but I
should hope that there will be no &
neceſsity for its marching - and I should
be very sorry that it did march in con-
sequence of any vague or not very well
authenticated information - but if &
such is communicated, and more &
force is neceſsary, as much as is, &
shall with as little delay as poſsible
be sent. -

I am well aware that
some difficulties will arise in putting
this detachment in motion as quickly
as it ought to be particularly in regard
to Provisions and draught and Carriage
Bullocks, which the State of the Country
of late has rendered scarce, but I have
that dependence on your Zeal and &
exertion, as also on that of the Civil Servants
of the Company, who may be concerned, &

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That I have no doubt of your making such Exertion as will speedily remove or provide against all dessiculties should you requure assistance from the other side the Kistna - or whether you do or not, I think it will be well to transmit Copies of this letter to the Chief and Council of Masulipatam, and to Colonel Fraser - and I have no doubt of your derieving from them every assistance that their circumstances and situation will admit of. I have only to add my request, that you will Keep me frequently advised of your progress, and all other matters necessary for me to Know - you your self will recollect that activity and energy in a Service of this sort is of the greatest consequence - and that any delay may render a Service serious which at present does not promise to be such. -

Head Quarters
Madras
5th May 1793. -

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

A true Copy W. Wilson Jr.
(Signed)

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P.S. It occurs to me that you may want Artillery men and Gun Lascars, and that Colonel Fraser may be able to afsist you, if so, lose no time in applying to him, and sending this; for this is the most pressing service, and we can provide for future exigencies on representation.—

(Signed) John Brathwaite

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Wilson Secy

To Captain Knox
or Officer Commanding at Dugole

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 1st Instant, enclosing the ~ Copy of one from Captain Beale to you, and I have also seen your similar ~ communication to Government. I must own I am sorry to see your Letter so replete with difficulties, when any ~ Service presses we should exert ourselves to remove them, rather than to state ~

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them; and I have no doubt that you will do so, and that on a closer inspection they will many of them vanish - Indeed I trust you will find that nothing will be required from Ongole, but what I trust Ongole will be able to furnish, and I depend that Mr Lennox's Exertion will enable him to collect a sufficient supply of Provisions and Carriage for it - on such a pressing occasion it will be warrantable to use some of the Store Provisions, if he has any prospect of soon replacing it, but on this head I believe he has been written to, and this is I think the Principal difficulty. -

If you have no Tents you cannot be expected to send any: But if there are any belonging to private Individuals which is generally the case at most places, I can have no doubt they will chearfully be furnished to the publick, as the service pressses. -

Government

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Government has adopted my ideas, and you either have or will be written to, to comply with any requisition made to you by Major Burr; as Major Burr receives his orders from me, I can tell you what his requisition will be for— it will be for three Companies of the 10th Native Battalion completed as to Natives, and with one European Officer and one Serjeant at least with them, and as many of Invalid Artillery and Lascars as you can possibly muster for the occasion, to proceed forthwith to Ballamcunda; if therefore you can send off these without waiting for Major Burrs requisition so much time will be saved, and I shall greatly approve of your activity; and I trust Mr. Lennox will be able to send off with them a supply of Provisions for one month at least. The Companies you send will of course be completed with musket ammunition. I am sorry

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by your returns to see that you cannot do more, and am sorry that you have suffered yourself to be reduced so low in musket Ball Cartridges, having so many loose Balls and so much Powder and paper in Store, but as you have the materials this deficiency can soon be supplied for yourself; therefore at all events send the Companies completed with Ammunition and spare flints, and advise Major Burr as expeditiously as possible of what you do. In regard to your own situation, it is not necessary to an Officer of your experience to advise you to keep a good look out, I do not think that any thing but a surprise could give you any serious trouble.

I enclose to you Sir a Statement of Tents for the publick Service in the Ongole and Guntoor Countries, to which I request your attention, and that you will as directed forward it immediately to Major Burr &c &c &c

Head Quarters
May 5th 1793.

Jam. &c &c &c
John Braithwaite

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Return of Tents in the Ongole, and Guntoor Countries, taken from the Returns for March 1793. –

		Tents	Off.rs Tents	Officers	Infantry	Private	Bell	Necessary
Ongole	Serviceable	"	"	"	"	2	"	
	Repairable	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Innacundah	Serviceable	7	3	1	"	1	"	
	Repairable	"	3	7	"	4	"	
		7	6	8	"	7	"	
Unserviceable								
Ongole		"	2	1	2	"	"	
Innacondah		"	"	2	"	15	2	

Arsenal
4th May 1793. –

(Signed) George Hall
Commiss.y Genl Stores

From the foregoing return, I think there can be no reasonable difficulty about Tents, even supposing there were no more [private property] as the Classification of them must not be considered in a pressing Service, there is sufficient cover for the Party, this I desire you will forward to Major Burr just as it is – immediately. (Signed) John Braithwaite

A true Copy (Signed) W. Wilson Secy

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Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

Sent Letter to Nabob

Entered on C.C. No. 90 - informing him

that the Statement of Colonel Maxwell's

Settlement for Arrears of Tinnevelly

Poligarrs will be furnished and that

Major Stevenson has been ordered to

preserve the peace of those Districts -

" Sent the following letter

To the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G.

Governor General in Council

at

Fort William

My Lord,

We have the honor to

To Bengal enclosing Copy of Colonel Brathwaite's Suggestions for Expelling the Plunderers from the Palnaud Districts.

enclose for your Lordship's Information

Copy of Colonel Brathwaite's letter com-

taining his recommendations of the

measures to be pursued for expelling

the plundering Force that has entered

the Palnaud District - We have adopted

the recommendation and left the

detail and execution entirely to his

Judgment -

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The extreme drought which prevails in that Country, and consequent scarcity of provisions and water, may occasion some inconveniency to the detachment, but we have requested the Nabob to send orders to his Dumil in Palnaud to supply its wants to the utmost of his power.

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

Fort St. George
6th May 1793.

(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief &c. Council
at Masulipatam

Gentlemen.

To Masulipatam with advice of the Capture of Tennericotah and of the Orders given to Colonel Brathwaite in consequence

You will probably have received the same Intelligence which has reached us with respect to the capture of Tennericotah in the Palnad District, by a party of peons belonging to the Tennidars of Nesseur and Chatpol in the Nizam's Country.

We

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We have judged it expedient to direct the Commanding Officer of the troops to order a Detachment from the nearest stations to proceed with all expedition to retake the Fort of Tonjore and expel those Marauders from the Country — The Conduct of this expedition will be entrusted to the Superintendance of Major Burr to whom you will afford any assistance that may be required from the districts under your Charge.

The force which Colonel Braithwaite has recommended to be detached is three Companies from Ongole and two from the Guntoor Circar.

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We are, &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
&c. Council

Despatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in Mil. Ltr. Bk. 58

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal forwarding a Letter from the Court addressed to the Governor General —

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To Ditto.— To Ditto — with a Packet addressed to Mr. Cherry — enclosing a — letter from Tippoo to the Governor General

" Received the undermen- tioned letters Entered in Mis. Nos 59-60- 61-62. — From Captain Alexander

From Captain Alexander Read. Read, reminding the Board of the situa- tion of the Merchants confined in — Narrayendroog. —

From Resident at Ganjam. From Resident at Gan- jam — Mr. Paymaster Cooper disclaims his controuling Judicial Authority — —, encloses the Correspondence on the subject, and hopes the Board will reprobate the intemperance of Mr. Cooper's Conduct. —

From Lieute- nant Lowes — of the Bombay Marine. — From Lieutenant Lowes — requesting an Allowance — on account of his Expenses since his arrival on the Coast from Prince of Wales's Island. —

From Com- mandant at Ongole. — From Commandant at — Ongole — has inflicted the punishment ordered; upon Juggapaty, the Sheroff &c. —

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor - President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Tuesday 7th May 1793.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved —

Read the following letter

From Bengal.

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George

From Bengal - approve of retaining some of the inferior Forts in the Ceded Countries - and of making Vellore or Arnee the great Military Depôts - Suggestions in regard to the Cloaths of Armies an augmentation to the Artillery Corps and the raising of two additional Battalions authorized —

Honble Sir.

We have received your Letter dated the 27th ultimo, enclosing Copies of the Minutes of your Board of the Chief Engineers Report, and of Colonel Brathwaite's Letter on the Subject of putting your Western Frontier in a respectable Condition —

We entirely approve of the Sentiments contained in your President's Minute of the 26th of March, and as he has

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has entered fully into the Reasons for
retaining some of the inferior Forts, into
which it would not be prudent to put
good Garrisons or valuable Stores; and as
it must be evident that even if we should
lose those places at the breaking out of a
War, they could be of little use to the Enemy
solong as we preserved the principal Posts,
and that they must fall into our hands
again as soon as our Army should be in a
Situation to act, We think it unnecessary
to add any thing further on this head.

Considering the great
extent of your Frontier, and the dispersed
State of your Army, We cannot think
that it would be prudent to place your
principal Military Depôts in any of the
advanced Stations, where they could be of
no use to you but for the sole purpose of
invading Mysore; and where even if that
difficult measure were determined on, it
might not, from Circumstances at the

Time

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Time, be proper to appoint the first ren-
dezvous of your Army —

The objects of your mili-
tary Arrangements in Time of Peace
should in the first instance be merely
defensive they should be calculated to
enable you to assemble, without hazard,
a respectable force in some central Situa-
tion; and when the necessity of forming
such an Army shall arrive, the further
measures to be taken will depend on the
Strength and nature of our Enemy, and
the Contingencies of the Times. —

The vicinity of Vellore, or
Arnee, and particularly the latter ap-
pears to us the most eligible for the
Purpose that we have described, and
we therefore think those Fortresses the
most proper for the Establishment of
your great military depôts, and we
are glad to observe, from your Presidents
Minute, that there is ample Space

without

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within the Body of the Works at Arnee for Barracks and Storehouses to a very Considerable extent.—

Altho' in a Military point of view, We might wish you to Station as many Europeans as possible in Vellore and Arnee, We are never=theless of opinion that the preservation of the Men, ought in Time of Peace to take place of every other consideration; and as we have heard that the healthe=ness of the Fort of Arnee, and even of the Country immediately adjoining to it, is much doubted, We recommend that you should take the best means to satisfy yourselves on that Point before you incur any Considerable expense in the Construction of new Barracks.—

If the Report of the healthe=ness of Arnee and its environs should prove unfavorable, it may be deserving of your Consideration whether some addi=

tional

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Additional Barracks for Europeans &
might not be constructed in Vellore
without crowding the Fort too much;
But should that measure also appear
to be inexpedient for any reason what=
ever, we think that as the Barracks at
Walanjabad fall into Decay, it will be
advisable in you to erect by degrees
Barracks for two or three Battalions of
Europeans in the Neighbourhood of
Vellore, which we understand to be a
favorable climate for European cons=
titutions, preferring always the parti=
cular Spot that may be looked upon to
be the most healthy; and for the Pur=
pose of rendering such Barracks as little
liable as possible to be destroyed in Time
of War by small flying parties of horse
when the Troops for whose accommodation
they were built may be in the Field,
We think that it should be a principle in
their Construction, to substitute light
masonry Arching in the Room of Roofs

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supported by Beams, whenever it can be done without a Considerable increase of Expence.—

The Governor General having heard that part of the ditch and some of the Works of Arnee are in an imperfect State, we are induced to recommend to you to call upon your Chief Engineer for a detailed Report of the Condition of that Fort, and in the Event of your determining to construct new Barracks and Granaries in that place, it may be particularly desirable that all obvious and material defects in its defences should be corrected.—

We approve of the Disposition of the Native Troops and of the Artillery, proposed by Colonel Brathwaite in our new acquisitions, and although it is deviation from the Orders of the Court of Directors respecting the Military Establishment in this Country, yet as the suggestion appears judicious, and well calculated to add to the

Security

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Security of your possessions, and the Expence very trifling, we shall take upon ourselves to authorize you to make the small augmentation to the latter Corps which is recommended by Colonel Braithwaite in his Minute entered at the Military Board on the 17th. of January last.

We have likewise, on this occasion, taken into our Consideration the probability of the Nizam's Detaining, for a long Period the two Battalions belonging to your Establishment, that are now serving with him according to the Treaty of 1768, as well as the very considerable and judicious Reduction which you have made in your Revenue Troops, and as it appears that you can have but few native Battalions in reserve beyond the number that are required for the various internal duties under your Presidency, we shall be ready to sanction your raising two additional Battalions, if you should think them necessary either for your

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Security, or surrendering your military —
force sufficiently respectable. —

Should you therefore be —
desirous of the immediate adoption of this
measure, we request that you will call
upon the Commanding Officer of the Troops
for a Plan, to be transmitted to us of the —
mode he would recommend for levying and
forming this additional Force. —

We have the honor to be,

&c.ª . . . . &c.ª

Fort William
15th April 1793. —

(Signed) { Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm Cowper
Tho. Graham

The Governor General in

Minutes on the foregoing letter from Bengal. —

Council having concurred in the opinion
expressed by the Board relative to the Forts
in the Baramahal and Salem Districts
to be kept up, as well as the Posts to be —
maintained on an inferior Establishment,
the only point remaining for consideration
is the manner in which the latter should

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be occupied. Colonel Brathwaite's opinion goes to the absolute rejection of Invalids, and to the appointment of a trusty native officer as Commandant with an Havildar's or Naigue's Guard of effective Sepoys to be frequently relieved - In this, the Board now acquiesce, and the more readily as effective Sepoys can be conveniently spared for this duty; in case it should be determined to raise two additional Battalions of Sepoys, agreeably to the permission given by the Bengal Government, and upon which it is resolved to take the opinion of Colonel Brathwaite, that, if the immediate adoption of the measure be judged necessary by him, a plan of the mode he would recommend for levying and forming this additional force may be laid before the Board. -

Resolved that a Copy of the foregoing letter be sent to Colonel Brathwaite, and that he be desired to submit the draft of a General Order including

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the Augmentation to the Corps of Artillery, as recommended in his Minute entered at the Military Board on the 17th of January ult. last, the disposition of the Native Troops proposed by him, and all other points connected therewith. —

The Board agree in opinion with the Governor General in Council that it is an object of particular importance to ascertain whether the report regarding the unhealthiness of Arnee be well founded — and it is resolved accordingly to direct Colonel Brathwaite to obtain the best information he can procure on this point — and in the mean time to give orders to the Military Board for the construction of a Granary within the Fort for 600 Garce, as recommended in Lieutenant Colonel Maule's letter to the Chief Engineer dated the 24th December last, and for the execution of the necessary repairs to the Granaries now there

Resolved also, that the

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Military Board be directed to call upon the Chief Engineer for a detailed report of the State of Arnee, and an estimate of the Expence that will attend the improvement of the defences of the Fort as suggested in his Letter. —

Read the following Report from the Board of Revenue, in the Assumed Revenue Department. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir.

From Board of Revenue reporting the Occurrences in the Assumed Revenue Department since the last General Report. —

Para 1.

We have the honor to report to you the occurrences in this Department since our last General address under date the 28th. January. —

Para 2.

We laid before you Mr. Gambier's Report with respect to the Complaints preferred by the Nabob against the late Mr. Cottrell's Dubash and others. —

Charges preferred against Suppiah Dubash to the late Collector at Ongole and others. —

Vide last Report Para 27. From Mr. Gambier In Cons. 7 May

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To Government In Dft to Cons. 25th March.

and the Council of Ongole, and as Mr. Gambier had been very explicit on the objects of the enquiry, we thought it necessary to offer only a few remarks which met your approval. —

From Gov. In Dft to Cons. 25th March.

From Mr. Gambier 3d In Cons. 5th March.

Mr. Gambier having soon after reported the result of his Investigation respecting the Culpability of the late Collector's Servants in the Embezzlement of the public Cash Mr. White entered a Minute on the occasion, and we recommended to you that Juggapah and the Shroff should be publicly punished, and the other Servants declared unworthy of again serving the Company. —

Mr. White's Minute In Cons. 5th April 93.

To Gov. In Dft to Cons. 15th April.

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To Government In Dft to Cons. 25th march.

You were advised that the deficiency of the public Cash had been recovered on account

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To Mr. Gambier
In Ct do.

account of the Company, and we have expressed to Mr. Gambier your approbation of his Conduct, and ordered him to return to his Station at Mugulatore. —

His Highness the Nabob permitted to take Copies of the detailed Accounts of the late Collectors. —

6th In obedience to your Commands that the Servants of the Nabob should be permitted to take Copies of the detailed accounts of the late Collectors in the Carnatic, we directed our Accountant to furnish Mr Binny, His Highness Secretary, with the Accounts in his profession, and the persons sent for the purpose are now Employed in taking Copies of the Papers required. —

From Gov.r In.a Consn 1st Febry
& In.a & Cons.n 18th Febry
To M.r Hammd.n &c.

Respecting the Statements prepared by the Accountant of the Carnatic Revenue. — vide last Reply Para 12
From Mr Hammd.n In Cons.n 31 Jany
Recd.d &c.
To Gov.t In.a 7th

6th Agreeably to the intimation contained in our General Report of the 28th ultimo, we have transmitted you a Statement prepared by our Accountant of the Carnatic Revenue, with the Copy

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of a Letter from him and our observations on the subject. —

From M.r Place 7th. The Accountant —
In Cons.n 7th March.
From do. do. having delivered in a second —
Statement, which he observed
was more Correct and complete
than the former, We had the
To Gov.r In Dft.o Cons.n 14th March. honor to lay the same before you
accompanied with Copies of two
Letters from him in order that it
M.r Halliburton's Minute In Cons.n 14th March. might be transmitted to the —
M.r Whites In do. do. Honorable Court of Directors —
To M.r Place In Dft.o Cons.n 18th. do. agreably to his Request — Our —
From Do. In Cons.n 28th. do. proceedings on this subject are
To Do. In Dft.o Cons.n 1st April. noted in the margin. —

Tanjore

The prices fixed for the Cuddeys and Car Crops in the Eastern and Western Divisions of Tanjore. 8th. Soon after the close of
our last General Report the —
Vide last Report Collectors in the Tanjore Country
Para 9 d. 10. addressed us fully in explana-
From M.r Ram In Cons.n 4th Febry tion of the prices fixed for the
From M.r Strange Cuddeys and Car Crops in their
do. — do. respective

M.r

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Mr. White's Minute &c. &c.
From Mr. Strange &c. &c.
From Mr. Ram In Cons. 11th. Febry
To Gov. In Dft. 9th Cons. 11th. Febry.

respective Divisions, and on
other points relating to the Revenue
under their Charge. —

9th We had the honor under
date the 9th. February to lay their
Letters before you, together with
an Extract of our Proceedings of the
4th. of the same month, which
contains a separate Minute
delivered in by Mr. White on the
Subject. —

From Gov. In Cons. 25 Febry

10th Having submitted to
you the Settlement of the prices
of Grain, you informed us that
you considered the rates of the
Cuddapa and Cor Crops to be advan-
tageous, but left the final adjust-
ment thereof to the discretion of
the Collectors — Your Orders were

To Mr. Ram In Dft to Cons. 4th March
To Mr. Strange In Dft to Cons. 4th do

communicated to Messrs. Ram and
Strange, and we took that occasion
to offer our Remarks on the late
Letters received from them. — Their

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From M.r Ram Inclos.s 16.th March
From d.o d.o 1.st April
From M.r Strange d.o 8.th d.o
M.r White's minute d.o 11.th d.o

Replies with a further Minute delivered in by M.r White on consequence are entered on our Proceedings, and as these Papers contain various Explanations, respecting their Management and the Revenue of the Country, we request a reference thereto for your full information, & without entering into a detail of them in the present Address.

11.th Our Correspondence with the Collectors having also been laid before you respecting the Scumboo and Pesharam Crops,

The prices fixed for the Scumboo and Peshanam Paddy in the Eastern and Western Divisions of Tanjore.—

From M.r Ram In Cons.n 7.th March
To Gov.t d.o 18.th d.o
From d.o d.o 25.th d.o
To M.r Ram In P.t to Cons.n 28.th d.o
From M.r Strange in Cons.n 18.th d.o
To M.r d.o d.o 21.st d.o
From d.o d.o 28.th d.o
To Gov.t In P.t to 16.th April
From d.o d.o 8.th d.o
To M.r Strange d.o 11.th d.o
From d.o d.o 25.th d.o

you were pleased to acquiesce in the Rates proposed, and the necessary Instructions were accordingly sent to them.— The Prices being advantageous, and as the Season has continued to be favorable, we trust that the full estimated Revenue for the year

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year will be realized, which exceeds considerably the Receipts of either of the two preceding years. —

Repairs ordered to be made to the Vanar River in the Eastern Division of Tanjore

From Mr. Strange In Cons.r 11th April To Gov.r In 1776 do.

8 do.

From Gov.r In Cons.r 22 April. To Mr. Strange In 1776 Cons.r 25th April.

12th. Having submitted to you Mr. Strange's Proposition for repairing and deepening the Vanar River, together with an Estimate of the probable Expence, amounting to Pagodas 4371-2-4. you were pleased to acquiesce thereon, and the necessary Instructions have been sent to him to execute the work as without delay. —

The allowances formerly drawn by the deceased Widow of the late Rajah of Tanjore made over to Serfogee do.

From Gov.r In Cons.r 11 Febry To Mr. Ram In 87 & Cons.r 7 do. From do. In Cons.r 17th do. To Gov.r In 1776 Cons.r From do. In Cons.r 21 do. to 9 March

13th. Agreeably to your Orders, under date the 31st January last, we directed that the allowances drawn by the deceased Widow of the late Rajah of Tanjore might be made over to Serfogee and the surviving Widows

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To Mr. Ram In Pt to Cons. 7th March. From do In Cons. 15th do. To Do. In Pt to Cons. 21 do.

Widows in the proportion of two thirds to the former, and one third to the latter. — We have also desired Mr. Ram to pray to the Relations of the latter at Tanjore Six hundred Pagodas pr. Month, which is to be deducted from the allowances paid at the Presidency. — Your Orders were likewise communicated to Mr. Ram for continuing the same supply of Paddy as was allowed for the preceding year to the Family of the late Rajah. —

The usual supply of 5,000 Cullums of Paddy granted to the Rajahs Family continued for the present year. From Gov.t In Cons.y 15th March. To Mr. Ram In Pt to Cons.y 7 do.

11th. Having approved of our Recommendation for remitting the Tanjore Sunnums and Nagore Sea Customs on Grain exported to Places to the Northward where a Scarcity prevails, we have made public your Resolution, and required the necessary Certificates to be produced by the Merchants. —

The Tanjore Sunnums and Nagore Sea Customs remitted on Grain exported from the Tanjore Country to Places to the Northward where a Scarcity prevails. — To Gov.t In Pt to Cons.y 11th March. From Gov.t In Cons.y do. . . do.

To the Collectors Pt to In Cons.y 7th March.

15th. The Broken Sets of our Proceedings continued from the

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the Date of our last Report to the present
period accompanies this address. →

Fort St. George
29th April 1793. →

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

David Haliburton
(Signed) } Chas. F. White

Remarks thereon. →

A copy of the foregoing report
has been transmitted to England, a number
in the packet for King George. →

Read the following letter
from the Rajah of Tanjore (entered also in
C.C. . F. 91.) →

Translation of a letter from the Rajah of →
Tanjour to the Honorable Sir C. Oakeley
Bart. Governor President Dated 29th April
1793. →

From Rajah of Tanjore - enclosing a letter for the Court of Directors and requesting it may be sent by the King George. →

As it is a long time since
I have despatched a letter to the Court of
Directors, and as I have been informed
that the King George is to be despatched
on the 15th May, I have addressed a letter
to explain to them in a summary manner
my whole situation: I have sent it →

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under a flying Seal together with copies of several other letters to your Excellency; and I request you will do me the favour of having it translated and sent with its enclosure by the present dispatch: — Believe me always your sincere Friend, and continue your undeviating regard and attention. I rely upon your Excellency. To a Friend why should I write more! —

A true translation

(Signed) J. Webbe
Mar: Trans.r

Translation of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjour to the Honorable Court of Directors dated 31st. April 1793. —

From the letter, which I addressed to you under date the 19th. February 1791, your Honorable Court will have been made acquainted with the violation of the Treaty by the Governor and Council of Madras, who being only authorized in the event of a War to send Vackeels into my Country have assumed the manage-

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management of it, and with all the in-
justice, which I have suffered. Did the
Governor and Council without adhering
to the treaty did me the injustice of af-
suming my Country, yet fixing my atten-
tion entirely upon the interest of the Honora-
ble Company I made no opposition to
the demand of their Collectors for accounts;
but delivered the Country, the accounts,
and papers into their possession; and used
every endeavour in my power to encrease
the revenue. As I exerted myself in this
manner to promote the Honorable Com-
pany's Welfare, and as I was well acquainted
with their justice and equity from the
earliest times, I expected, whenever peace
should be established between them and
their enemies, that the country would
immediately be delivered up to me as
without any impairment of my honour
and dignity, but with increase to the
happiness of the inhabitants. I consi-
dered the assumption of my Country as
the

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the consequence of difficulties, in which the Honorable Company were involved by the War; and relied with full confidence that the moment, which should dissipate their own distresses, would be used to exalt the same of their justice and faith, and to increase the friendships between us by restoring the country to my possession. After the return of Marquis Cornwallis Behader to Madras in consequence of Tippoo Sultaun's defeat and the establishment of peace I addressed a letter to him, in which I requested that my country might be restored, before he should depart for Bengal; for Marquis Cornwallis, not bounding his views by present advantages but extending them to future benefits accomodated the Nabob's Khists to the account collections, which was transmitted by the Company's Collectors during their management of the Country. Hence the Nabob's treaty has been established

upon

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upon principles of justice and modera=
tion. Marquis Cornwallis did not re=
store the Country to me while he resided
at Madras; but after his departure for
Bengal Sir Charles Oakeley Bahadar
forwarded to me under date 7th. September
1792 a treaty; and informed me that,
after I should sign it, the country would
be restored. Some conditions of the re=
treaty, which he transmitted, were of
very unjust and improper; particularly,
upon comparing the Nabob's revenue
with mine the payments demanded
of me were proportionably greater than
those demanded of his Highness: I re=
therefore addressed letters to Marquis
Cornwallis and Sir Charles Oakeley
Bahadars. As Marquis Cornwallis was
just and wise, I was confident that the
treaty with me would be settled upon
terms exactly similar to those of the
Nabobs treaty, and that my payment

would

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would be fixed in an exact proportion below those of the Nabob. Owing to the prevalence of my unlucky stars Marquis Cornwallis trusting to the representation of my enemies, and not making any alteration or abatement in the treaty transmitted by Sir Charles Oakeley, desired in his answer that I would implicitly comply with the terms of that treaty. This letter reached me on the 1st January 1793; and having taken it into consideration I informed Sir Charles Oakeley on the 6th of the same month that I consented to the treaty and was ready to affix my Signature. As I was without resource, I agreed from the helplessness of my situation. Trusting to the justice and faith of the Honorable Company I relied on them for the expunction of the inequitable and improper articles, with the fullest confidence of receiving their favour. — I was much surprized and

afflicted

afflicted at the answer, which Sir Charles Oakeley sent to this letter. He writes in terms of much austerity that he has resolved with the full consent of Lord Cornwallis not to restore the country, "until my conduct and temper shall be improved. The reasons assigned are, 1st. the lapse of six months of the current year, and 2d. - the injustice, which I am said to have offered Sherfogee and the widows of the late Rajah. - Thus have been brought against me these two accusations, to which I shall now reply. In the letter, which Sir Charles Oakeley wrote to me in the month of September, he said that, if I would consent to sign the treaty, which accompanied it, he would restore the country to my profession. at that time three months had passed since the commencement of the current year. If the difficulty of adjusting accounts at the time, when I signified my

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absent, he insisted, - I say that whatever
difficulties existed in January, the same
existed in September: there was as dif-
ference - Besides, - whatever losses might
ensure, all would fall on me; but the
Honorable Company would suffer no
damage. They would have made me
no allowance for them; nor indeed
should I have required it. Seeing from
the scarcity of grain in the surrounding
territories that the produce of my country
would bear a very high price, I was wil-
ling to take that loss upon myself. - With
respect to the second complaint of injus-
tice towards Sherfogee and the Widows
of the late Rajah, for which the assump-
tion is continued, - one month before I
was made acquainted with this reason
for withholding my Country, Sherfogee and
the Widows had been forced from my
palace and carried to Madras. In this
situation how could I offer them injustice

after

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after the restoration of the Country. What opportunity could there be. I am fully conscious of never having acted with injustice towards Sherfojee and the Widows; I have therefore inclosed in this letter the correspondence, which passed between me and Sir Charles Oakeley on the subject. If your Honorable Court will do me the favour of considering them with attention, you will learn with surprize and concern the difficulties and disgrace, to which I have been exposed on that account. Of this I am confident. — Sir Charles Oakeley trusting to the representation of my enemies has frequently accused me in his letters of injustice; and in my answers I have often asked to be particularly informed of the instances; but no particular injustice has ever been pointed out. Upon these two reasons as stated above my Country is

withold

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withheld; and yet neither of them are to be found in any of the numerous treaties which have passed between the Honorable Company. By the exhibition of such reasons the Company violate the treaty, which they have made; and by receiving the representation of my enemies as fact, without communicating to me their accusations, and even without making enquiry into them, I have been condemned upon hear-say. — the which is altogether unjust and inequitable. As the Honorable Court of Directors upon a former occasion gave an example of great justice and generosity, I rely with the most unreserved confidence that they will now remove the difficulties and disgrace, under which I labour. I trust to their favour and regard that I shall receive no less justice at their hands, than the Nabob of Arcot, and

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even every Polygar has experienced:
it therefore rests with you to take into
your serious consideration the letter,
which I have now written, and to
extend to me such justice, as my case
may require. I request also that
positive orders may be given for pre-
venting Mr. Swartz, or any other Euro-
pean from interferring in my family
affairs: the humiliation and disgrace,
which I have suffered through their
means, I am unable to describe: So
long, as Mr. Swartz's interference shall
continue, no sincere reconciliation
can take place in my family. When
Sir Archibald Campbell came to
Tanjour in the year 1787, he informed
himself with great care; and having
considered the laws of the Hindoos
shaster he annulled the illegal
adoption which Tuljya Maharaj had
made, and put me in possession of

and

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an hereditary and exalted throne. ~
under these circumstances Sir Charles
Oakeley Bahader without consulting
me or obtaining a knowledge of my
sentiments has caused to be read and
published in the fort of Tanjour a pro-
clamation to make Sherfojee the ~
Successor after me, if things continue
in their present State. Your Honorable
Court will be surprized at this informa-
tion. If even the welfare of my family
and palace should be promoted by this
means, neither the resolution should
have been passed nor the proclamation
issued without consulting me about
the measure. If your Honorable ~
Court will do me the favour of perusing
with attention the letter, which Sir
Charles Oakeley addressed to me on the
6th. March 1793, I am persuaded that
you will from regard to justice and
your own character confirm the settle-
ment

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settlement of Sir Archibald Campbell,
and annull the above mentioned pro-
clamation. —

I am favoured and
upheld by the Honorable Company in
this Country of Hindostan; I therefore
earnestly entreat you, Sirs, to extend to
me your Kindness and protection I rely
upon the English justice and faith: it
remains with your Honorable Court
to enable me to live in happiness with
my family and conduct my Government
under their protection. It is impossible
for me to describe the shades of the
darkness of sorrow, into which I am
fallen: should the favour of the Honorable
Court be opened upon me, even thus
circumstanced, light will succeed and
the darkness of sorrow be dispersed. I
pray that the favour of the Honorable
Company towards me may never be
diminished. To one plunged into such

Distress

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+God Distress, as Jan+ Esther alone can afford relief for myself, I consider the Honorable Company to be Esther. Between whom there is no difference, why should more be written? —

Dispatched from the Fort of Tanjour the 31st April 1793. — (Signed) A true translation
J. Webbe
Maratta Transr.

Minute thereon. —

The letter from the Rajah of Tanjore, addressed to the Honorable Court of Directors has been forwarded by the King George, accompanied by a Translation. —

Read the following letter from the Military Board (with Enclosures entered in MB. Nos 63-64-65 66-). —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Military Board — on the subject of the Reference from Masulipatam regarding — Deposits

We have the Honor to acknowledge your Letter of the 27th — February last, 17th and 20th Instant the first

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Deposities of Stores at Ellore, Rajamundry and Samulcotah - of opinion that Condapilly should be made tenable - and Coneys allowed for the European Barracks at Masulipatam - State of Captain Fergusons claims on account of Off-Reckonings - propose that Captain Read supply himself with the Tents &c. he requires - &c. further papers regarding - The provider of dubious quality at Trichinopoly - suggestion on the subject. -

First enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam, and papers to which it refers. -

We observe that your Honorable Board agrees in opinion with the Chief and Council, in regard to the not laying up any Stores at Ellore, and Samulcottah, except the regimental Stores; and that the Corps at these places should in future be furnished with such Stores, as are necessary to equip them for any Service, or duty in which We suppose a sufficiency of Tents for each Corps included. -

It is not our duty, strictly speaking, to say any thing on a matter which has been communicated to us, merely for our information - indeed we have no opinion to offer, but such as will perfectly coincide with that of your Honorable Board, and the Chief and Council, and shall only observe, that

in

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in the event of this plan, which we
think a very good one, being carried
into execution, the Artillery at each of
these places, and every appuratus of that
sort, should be withdrawn - when the
Storekeeper, and all expences relative to
the Store department, may cease; as they
will no longer be necessary, if no Stores
are sent to those Places, but such as are
issued to Corps at once on Indent, and
consequently lodged in a Regimental
Storehouse, and under the charge of a Re-
gimental Officer. -

It may however be neces-
sary, and of this the Chief and Council
and Officer commanding the Troops in
the District, are the best judges from
present local knowledge - to have a
brigade of Guns always ready at Samul-
cottah for any eventual service on the
otherside the Godavery - but this Weare
of opinion, will not render it necessary

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to Keep up any Storehouse, or establish-
ment of that sort there, as those Guns
with turnbrils compleated, which we
conceive is as much as will be wanted,
might surely be safely committed to the
charge of a non commissioned officer, if
no commissioned officer is at hand for
that duty, and perhaps the same might
be thought necessary at Ellore - this pro-
vision made for Artillery; and every
Corps as well as the Troops at any Station
indenting for a some what extra quantity
of ammunition and Stores, and a few
spare Arms, We think as the Chief and
Council do, that every thing might be
more effectually and timely supplied
from the Arsenal at Masulipatam,
and that therefore all charges whatever
relative to Store House at Ellore, Raja-
mundry, and Samulcottah, may be
saved. -

We observe that nothing
is said concerning Condapilly, but we

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may infer from the Chief and Councils
letter, that it would make no material
resistance, and We hope we shall be
excused, if we offer an opinion, that this
place should be separately considered,
and put into such a State of defence, as
not easily to fall into the hands of any
Country power, in this case, it would be
very troublesome - and it would not
perhaps be very easily retaken: -

As the Corps have an
establishment of Artificers for the repair
of their Arms - We think, by having
a few spare Arms always in Store, they
will at all times be equal to every duty
in the first instance, and may be kept
up by supplies from Masulipatam,
such places as are not the Head
Quarters of any Corps, or are not fur-
nished with any regimental Artificers,
We conceive may require a greater
allowance of spare Store Arms, in

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their own Store, and if they are put on upon that footing, it may be economy to furnish Rajahmundry, as well as Samulcottah, and all small Garrisons, with the Artificers required, on the plan of Regimental Artificers - but if there is any Store establishment at Samulcottah We conceive to think any allowance of Artificers to Rajahmundry, totally unnecessary. -

We are well assured that Goneys are necessary at the Barracks of European Soldiers, in the Masulipatam Circar, during the land winds - and we conceive the supplying them is economical, even did not humanity argue so strongly for it, - As we believe many fevers, disorders of the limbs &c. may be averted by the use of them, - where any Europeans are lodged, in that Circar. -

The Goneys once furnished

By

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by the Barrack Master to a Corps, the Commanding Officer of that Corps would become responsible, that they should be only used; during the proper months, and not abused - and Kept in the regi= mental Store for future use - and we think with attention and economical usage they might last two or three years. -

Having examined into the claim made by Captain Fergusson, we find that the Corps for which Captain Fergusson claims, was raised under the orders of Government by Colonel Bridges in the Month of November 1790 - and the charge and command of it, was given by Colonel Bridges to Captain then Lieutenant Fergusson, but that in July 1791, the command of the Corps was given by Government to Ensign Deighton, and that Colonel Bridges never made any claim for the Off Reckonings,

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From the time of the raising the Corps, Vizt
in November 1790, to July 1791, when it
was given away by Government to
Ensign Deighton - it always having been
the Colonel's intention that Mr. Fergus-
son should benefit by it - but as soon as
Paymaster felt himself authorized to
pay the amount to Mr. Fergusson, who
stood appointed solely under the authority
of Colonel Bridges, the emolument
has never been drawn at all, from
that Corps, for the period above stated,
Vizt From November 1790 to July 1791 -
- We are therefore of opinion that
Mr. Fergusson, is the only person who
is entitled to the emolument, which
however he will not be able to receive,
unless your Honorable Board think
proper to sanction the payment -

We have the honor to
inform you that the establishment
applied for by Captain Read consi-
sting of

consisted

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particularized is as follows.—

Field Officers Marquees	—	4
Officers ditto	—	4
Sepoy Tents	—	4
Private Ditto	—	8
Necessary D°	—	4
Carriage Bullocks including the spare ones usually allowed	—	51
Tindals	—	4
Lascars	—	36
Puckallies	—	4 and

that as there is no establishment yet in the ceded Countries from whence these particulars could be drawn — We know not any mode by which we could order Captain Read to be supplied but by sending them from the Presidency — 5 Tents excepted — which might be furnished from Vellore, and Ambore; which we conceive will be attended with delay, and expence, and therefore

recommend

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recommend that Captain Read should be ordered to provide the whole, and this, we are the more inclined to think expedient, as We conceive it a charge which must ultimately be transferred to the Revenue Department; and as our President informs us, that he has this morning had an explanatory conversation on the subject with the Honorable the Governor.—

We had the honor to inform you in our letter of the 3d. Instant of our having called on Lieutenant Colonel Smith of the 2d. Battalion of Artillery to ascertain the cause of the difference of proof which appeared on the Report from Lieutenant Colonel Geils, and those signed by Captain Mandeville. We have the honor in reply thereto, to enclose you Copy of the Proceedings of a Committee of Stores held at Trichinopoly on the 11th. Instant

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with the Papers referred to, and having thought it necessary to call upon Lieutenant Colonel Geils for his opinion thereon, which likewise accompanies this, We beg leave to recommend that Six Barrels of the same Powder be sent to the Mount in the manner that Lieutenant Colonel Geils has proposed, and that Captain Mandeville be ordered from Tritchinopoly to the Mount to be present at the next proof made of the Powder.

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

John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Thomas Geils
Jn. Richardson
B.J Close
Geo: Maule
George Hall

Fort St. George
26th. April 1793.

(Signed)

The

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Minutes thereon.—

The Board approve the opinions given on the reference from Masulipatam. Resolved that an extract of the letter be sent to the Chief and Council with directions to conform to the sentiments expressed therein.—

Agreed that Captain Alexander Read be directed (through the Revenue Board) to provide the whole of the Tents &c. required by them and charge the Expence to the Revenue.

Resolved that Colonel Bruce be directed to send Six Barrels of Gunpowder to the Mount agreeably to the Recommendation of the Military Board, and to order Captain Mandeville to proceed to that Station for the purpose of being present at the next proof made of the Powder.—

Read the following letter from his Highness the Nabob [illegible] entered

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entered also in C.C. No. 92).-

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

Dated 22d. Ramzaun 1207 Hegery
or
4th. May 1793.

Received 4th do.

From the Nabob - relative to the Confinement of Mahomed Omar at Trichinopoly

I have received your Letter of the 13th. Ramzaun 1207 Hegery answering to the 25th. April 1793, wherein you mentioned, that my Son has put into confinement at Trichinopoly one of the Company's Native Commandants for misconduct at Madura, while in Command of the Troops of the Circar, you request that I would send orders immediately for the release of the man, and, if there be any Complaints against him and I communicate it to you, that it shall be enquired into, - -; which I understand - My Friend Mahomed Omar has been in my Service from his Infancy - I have enclosed for the information

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of my friend Translation of his two
Muchelhas, — I was displeased with
some of his Relations on account of the
great misbehaviour and during the
two years Collections of the Company
prevailed upon the Commanding Offic
at Madura to place him upon the
Company's Pay — when a Servant gets h
pay fixed at another place he is of course
liable to be brought to an account — as
He had transactions in the District of
Madura for many years, the Circar
has claims upon him, therefore my
Nufsaum ul Mulk Bahauder put him
under confinement — I had sent order
release him previous to the receipt of
your Letter, — It was agreed by former
Governors that they would not give pro
tection to my Servants or those who a
indebted to my Circar — I request, that
you will be so good as to direct the Com
manding Officer at Trichinopoly not t
interfere in the business of Mahomed

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Omar who shall remain in my Service
as heretofore. —

What can I say more.

A true translation

(Signed) David Haliburton
Pers. Trans.

No Persian copies of the enclosures men-
tioned above, came with this letter. —

Translation of a Muchulka under the Seal
of Mahomed Omar Son of Noor Mahum-
med Resalden - dated 1st Jemaudesaumy
1201 Hegery answering to the 22d. March
1787. —

I Mahomed Omner
Son of Noor Mahomed Being appointed
and from the liberal and Enlighted —
Presence of His Highness to the Station
of Commandant of the Five Company of
Sepoys in the Service of His Highness
and stationed in the Madura Country
I therefore promise and give it in writing,
that I will never do any thing that is

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forbeddin by the Law I will not Joun myself with the conference of other Servants, and I will keep the Circars Secret, that I shall not entertain useless men in the Service, and if I do so I shall not demand their pray in the time of Review, that I will attend to guard and watch without any excuse and evasion, I will discipline the Sepoys every day, that I will keep & clean the Company's Fire Locks, I will agree without apology, or Excuse to proceed to any other place from Tinnevelly and as far as Shah Jahanabad when I am employed by the Circars Mutteseddies, and I am to receive my pay by the English months, I will agree to receive the Tuntra and Touge wherever the Mutteseddy will grant me, that I will not bring back the Purvanah of the Tuntra and if I do so I shall not demand pay without &

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providing Chuzery vasool under the
Arnildar Seal that in time of War,
I will not make any proposals and
Extraordinary demands, and I will
not avail myself of an Opportunity, I
will not make any excuse in any of
the Circar affairs, and I will not send
for Grass and Fire Woods from the
Circar Country and that if the Jaghire-
dars and Tamadars forcibly without an
Order upon that Account, that, if I do so
I am liable to refund the prices together
with a fine out of my pay agreeable
to the Mutteseddy of the Circar demands,
that if I quit the Service myself I
must give up out of my Account Two
months pay agreeable to the established
Rule for the Leave, I have taken my-
self, that if I quit the Service myself
in the course of three months and
three Days from its Beginning, I will
not demand my pay that I shall not

plunder

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plunder the Cattle, without and if I do
so I must produce them all without
difference before the Mutteseddies,
and I will receive such Sum as they
shall grant me on that Account, If
I neglect to procure them I will give
such a Fine out of my pay as it may
be charged against me, and whereas
the Mutteseddies shall grant me a
Cattle towards the payment of my
allowance, I will receive them at the
rate of every Bullock Ten Rupees, and
every Sheep Eight Annas - I agree to
give up out of my pay the amount of
one Day's allowance if I am absent
from the Savarey as well as the
amount of Seven Days pay if I happen
to sleep upon guard and in case the
same happen in the Batteries, Fifteen
days pay I am to give up out of my
allowance, I call the Almighty God
and his Prophet to be Witness that I

shall

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shall not deviate from this agreement, agreable to His Highness's pleasure I will be devoted to the Circar's business — and manifest my attachment and will Engage my Life in forwarding it. —

Translation of a Muchelkah from Mahomed Omur Dated 1st Jemaudessaany 1201 — Hegery - answering to the 22d of March 1787. —

Being appointed from his Highness the Nabob's presence to the Station of Commandant of the 5 Com= panies of Sepoys in the service of His Highness and employed in the Madura Country, I do hereby promise and give it in writing, that I will attend and assist myself in the Circar's Service agreable to the Amildar's Instructions, without any failure whatever in my duty and obedience, that I will not afford protection to the Inhabitants of the Circar, — I will

not

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not undertake to recommend any one, -
I will not interfere in any Shape in the
Business. I will not receive a Bribe from
any one - I will not make use use of
harsh Discourse on account of my pay,
I will proceed without excuse or evasion
wherever the Amildar shall send me
on the Circars Service, I will not seduce
any Soobadar, Jamadar, Ohdadar or
Sepoys &c. I will not fail on performa-
ing my duty in the Circar's Service, I
write therefore these few Lines by way
of a Muchilkah, of my own free will
and accord, that they may serve here-
after as a Summed. —

Read the following
letter from the Commandant at Trichi-
nopoly. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President in Council &c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

From Commandant at Trichinopoly - stating that Mahomed Omar is still detained a prisoner notwithstanding the orders given for

Honble Sir,

I was yesterday honored with

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with your Military Secretary's letter of the 25th Instant - intimating to me, that an application had been made to the Nabob, for the release of the Company's Commandant confined at this place by his Highness's Son, in consequence of that application I imagine, it was signified to me, four days ago, by his Highness, Omdet ul Omrah (coming through the young Nabob here) that he had ordered the Commandant to be released, notwithstanding this I am sorry to inform you, that he still detains him a Prisoner alleging that he has contrary orders from his Father - It is particularly pleasing to me that you approve of what I have done in the lenient measures that have been observed, I have only to regret that you were not pleased to authorize me to require his enlargement, for however proper conciliating conduct may be in the first instance,

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a contrary on their part when the
parties exhibit so little restitude of
intention, or where so little is to be
expected, that it evinces on the next hore
little they deserve to have that delicacy
extended towards them, to which, it is
not in their nature to shew a proper
regard. — I have therefore to hope for
your particular Orders on the occasion.

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

Trichinopoly
30th April 1793. —

(Signed) Tho.s Bruce

Minutes on
the two foregoing
Letters. —

As the Nabob has repre-
sented that Mahomed Omeer had been
in his service from his Infancy, and
was admitted only on the Company's
establishment during the Assumption
of the Revenues of the Carnatic by the
Commanding Officer at Madura;
Colonel Bruce must call upon Major
Sale to state at what time and by what
authority Mahomed Omeer was placed

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on the pensioned List, and the period of his Services to the Company. —

Read the following

letter from his Highness the Nabob

(entered also in C.C. N° 93.) —

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

Dated 19th Rumzan 1207 Hegera

1st or May 1793.

Received 2d May d°.

From the Nabob prays the Rest, due on the 1st. May. —

By the Blessing of God

the Sum of two Lacks Pagodas Star, being the amount of the Rest due on the 1st May 1793 has this day been received in full by the Company, and Mr. Secretary Clerk has given me Receipts for the same — I have written this for your Information. —

What can I say more?

A true translation

(Signed) David Haliburton

Pers. Trans.

Agreed

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Minute Thereon

Agreed that the
Receipt of the foregoing Letter be acknow-
ledged, and that the satisfaction of
the Board be expressed at his High-
ness's punctual observance of his
Engagements with the Company.

Read the following
letters from the Commandant at Ongole.

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

Honble Sir,

From Commandant at Ongole proposing the removal of Ali Saib from that place.

I have the honor to trans-
mit you a copy of a letter addressed to
me from Captain Beale - I entirely
coincide with him in opinion as to
the propriety of removing the person of
Ali Saib to a greater distance from
the scene of the disturbances; which
probably may be the means of
detaching his Brothers, and their
followers from the Main body of the
plunderers, as it is natural to suppose
they

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they will not persevere in their attempts to effectuate his release, when a removed situation must render their exertions impracticable. —

I have the honor to be,

Ongole
3d. May 1793. —

do. . . . . do.

(Signed) T. Knox
Capt. Comm.

Captain Thomas Knox
Commanding Ongole

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that some of my people have come in this morning with intelligence from the Palnaud, which differs in nothing material from what I communicated to you before. In addition, I learn that Ally Sait, who is in confinement in the Main Guard of this place has two Brothers, principal Men amongst the Plunderers, who have Armed in the hope of releasing their Brother, whose place of confinement

they

they seem to have been ignorant of, &
having enquired for him on entering
Timmycottah, and on being informed
that he was here, declared their intention
of proceeding against Cingole, for
the purpose of releasing him. A Threat
which I conceive they will not have
the hardiness to attempt the execution
of.

But when I consider the
difficulty attendant on his being delivered
up by his Highness the Soubah, and
his powerfull connections on the
Peccan, and at that Durbar, who
whilst there is a shadow of releasing
him from the state in which he now
is will continue to attempt it, I think
it my duty to suggest the propriety of
his being removed to a greater distance
from the scene of those disturbances,
which perhaps may lead to the quelling
them. —

On a representation of

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This statement probably the Honorable the Governor may approve of, and order her being removed to Fort St. George. -

I have the honor to be,

Oregole
3d May 1793. -

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Art. Beale

A true Copy
(Signed) T. Knox

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

Honble Sir,

From Pitts respecting the Seizure and confinement of Juggapah, by the Nabob's Amuldar. -

I yesterday had the honor to acquaint you, that your orders respecting Juggapah, the Shroff, and the four Tunandars, had been carried into effect, and the presoners agreeable to your instructions released - I have now to inform you, that Juggapah - shortly after having been liberated and undergone the Corporal punishment - directed to be inflicted, was seized by orders of his Highness the Nabob - Amuldar, and put into close confinement.

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It being this moment represented to me, that Juggapah is under very serious apprehensions for his personal safety. I have taken it upon me to grant him protection — until I am honored with your orders, humbly conceiving he was at liberty to proceed where he pleased, after — having suffered the punishment — adjudged by Government. —

I shall be happy of my conduct in this instance meets with your approbation. —

I have the honor to be,

Angole
4th May 1793. —

&c.^a ..... &c.^a

(Signed) T. Knox
Captain Comm.^t

Minutes on the Two foregoing Letters.

The Board do not conceive that any risk is to be apprehended at present from continuing Ali Sahib in Confinement at Angole — and as there is no convenient place at the Presidency in which he could be —

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Kept, Captain Knox is to be directed not to send him hither, unless upon further information of the motions of the Banditti who have taken Timmicotah, he shall think the measure of removing him advisable, and in that case he is to exercise his own discretion. —

With regard to the seizure of Juggapah by the Nabob's Amuldar, it is agreed to inform Captain Knox, that as he has granted him (Juggapah) his protection, he is to intimate it to him, acquainting the Amuldar that if he have any charges to prefer on the part of his Highness, he must transmit them in writing for the decision of Government. —

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General. —

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Auditor General - has called for the Books of various offices, in order to prepare the Statement required, of the War Expenses.

I have received Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 27th ultimo accompanied by Copies of three Letters from the Governor General in Council relative to a Statement required of the Extra Expiences of the War and directing that it shall be prepared by me with the correct attention to the Instructions of the Government General and compleated in such time as to be forwarded from hence to Bengal on or before the 1st day of July next. -

It becomes necessary for me to observe upon this subject that although the Disbursements of all Military Paymasters may have been sent to my Office for Audit there is no record in the Office prior to the

year

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year 1792/3 of the amount for which
they have been passed and that a very
large proportion of the Military Expen=
ditures have been paid for directly
from the Treasury to Commissaries
Agents or others. —

Under such circums=
tances affecting the duty I am directed
to perform I have thought it necessary
to address the Military Paymaster
General, the Commissary General of
Grain and Provisions, the Garrison
Storekeeper, and the Agent for Spirituous
Liquors requiring their Books for the
years 1787/8 - 1788/9 - 1789/90 - 1790/91
and 1791/2 to be sent to me with the
Accounts Disbursements - Journal
parcells - Accounts Current - and Gram
Accounts of the several subordinate
Offices in those Departments in order
that I may be able to ascertain as correctly
as possible so far as depends upon these

accounts

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Accounts the actual Expenditures of the two periods from a comparison of which the Extra Expences of the War will be seen in communication with the Separate Accounts of May and June 1792/3 and such Bills on account of the War as have been paid since June 1793, or may still be due. —

In regard to the Expence for Military Stores I shall endeavour to ascertain it as correctly as possible from the Returns transmitted to the Office of the Military Board in communication with the Books of the Military Storekeeper and as your Honorable Board has directed the Accountant General to furnish me with such Materials as may be required from his Office I shall hope that the General Books will afford me the means of entering in the Statement what may be further required to ascertain

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ascertain the Comparative Expences of the periods included in the Orders of the Government General. —

I have only to add that every attention shall be paid on my part to make out the Statement in the manner and by the time ordered and that it shall be as correct as the several Accounts at this Presidency from which it must be drawn up will admit of. —

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

&c. &c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 6th. May 1793. —

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mily. Aud. Genl.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Ram. —

From Collector at Tanjore suggesting measures towards restraining the Collectors of Pettiecauds and Sarengapatt from Irregularities. —

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

Honble Sir,

I duly received the orders of the Honorable Governor in Council —

From

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Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 6th. May 1793. —

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Mily. Aud. Genl.

Read the following Letter from Mr. Ram. —

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

From Collector at Tanjore suggesting measures towards restraining the Collectors of Petticaud and Sorengapet from Irregularities. —

Honble Sir,

I duly received the orders of the Honorable Governor in Council —

from

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From the Military Secretary Mr. Jackson, under date the 6th. March last, approving of what I had suggested in my Letter to that Gentleman of 28th February, touching the most effectual mode to be taken for preventing the Irregularities committed by the Colleries in the Neighbourhood of Peddacad and Serungapatt, and requiring of me to make a report to the Honorable Governor in Council, when the proper time, should arrive for sending an Armed Force for that purpose. -

I have now the Honour to observe, that previous to the sending an Armed Force for the purpose of preventing the predatory Expeditions of the Colleries, it may be highly expedient to send a less considerable detachment of about 300 men, to be posted in the villages which are Arrauni land, and in the neighbourhood of Colleries, as there is reason to

thinks, the Inhabitants of the villages,
will make considerable Difficulties
and delays in paying their Ballances
within the present month: Not that
the Regular Sepoys should interfere
immediately in the Collection; that
to be entirely left to the Sybendies: &
but that by their Countenance they
may check all tendency to opposition
and take into Custody such refractory
Persons as may be pointed out to &
them, by the Puttuckreez, Amildars
and Principal Officers of the Revenue,
under the Correction of the Collector
and his Dubash, to relieve such
as may appear to have been unnecef-
sarily apprehended: likewise to keep
in order some Cavelgars, who instead
of doing their Duty, are raising Dis-
turbances in those parts, the Numbers
and Destination of these Sepoys &
proposed as below —

Village

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Village of Vesiriganad ... 50
5 Nands ... 25
Elangad ... 25
Parumbaar ... 25
Pattiveraam ... 25
Aduruge dy Tarei
calumboor ... } 25
Haridvaramunglum 25 200
Combiconum on account of
Combiconum Havelly 30
Pundanellour ... 20
Vistnopooram ... 50 100
Sepoys 300

Supposing that this Intention may be effected by the 25th. Instant, if the orders are not too long delayed, and that the Ballances, in general, may be got in by that time, and that those (if any) who persist in a refractory Conduct, will have taken Shelter in their fortified villages; I would then propose, the above Detachment to be increased to a thousand men and

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stationed as below, with similar
orders to take into Custody such person
as have been notorious for Depreda=
tions, committed, as well in the Neigh=
touring, as in the Tanjour Countries, -
- Those who have taken Shelter in the
Fortified Villages, which are specified
below, may then be called upon to give
sufficient Security for their future Good
Behaviour, and to alledge their Grievance,
if they think proper. Or in case of refusal,
the Detachment being drawn together,
with the assistance of Guns, if necessary,
may, attack such fortified villages as
the Commandant of the Detachment
or of this Garrison may judge most
proper. -

It appears most probable
that the first Example will be sufficient
and the Commanding Officer having
considered what Fortified villages it may
be convenient to preserve for the Security
of the Country, the rest, being in general

Receptacles

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Receptacles for stolen Cattle, Goods &c.
and Refuge for Delinquents, should
I think be destroyed: —

By this mode of proceed-
ing it is hoped that the Collectors as
well as other Inhabitants will be
taught to distinguish between the
Conduct of the Company's Servants in
respect to inforcing the Payment of
Ballances, wherein the Company are
immediately concerned, and the more
coercive measures, put in practice for
the sake of the public, in general, for
preventing the piratatory Expeditions of
these Collectors, so dishonourable to
themselves, and so Detrimental to the
peaceable Inhabitants under the
Company's Protection. —

If the Honorable Governor
in Council should approve of what is
here in proposed, He will no doubt
communicate it to the Commandant
of the Garrison with such further

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Directions as may appear necessary. —

I have the Honour to be,

Tanjour
2d. May 1793. —

&c.ª . . . . &c.ª

(Signed) G. Ram

List of Collery Districts in Trivady and of such as are expected to be refractory in paying their Ballances in Combiconum, owing to the Licentious Conduct of the Cavilgars and their Seevoy. —

			Seevoys
Vesinganad	2	Fortified Villages	200
Clangad	3	Ditto	100
Panumboor	3	Ditto	100 — 400

These are in the same Neighbourhood

Swarne Malle	50
Patteesveram	50
Hullaunaporam	50
Aulungody Ferocalumboor	50
Haridwaramungloom	50 — 250

All these in the Neighbourhood of Swarne Malle Nine Nauds — 50

Nine nauds in the Neighbourhood of

Puddecotah		
Combiconum Navely	100	
Vistinaporam	100	
Pundanellaur	100	300
		1000

These are in the Neighbourhood of Com = — 1000

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Coconum the Inhabitants trouble some on account of the Navelgars

(Signed) G. Ram

agreed

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Minutes thereon.

Agreed to inform Mr. Ram that if any of the Cavelgars create disturbances or reforce to comply with the just demands of Government he is to state the Case to the Officer Commanding at Tanjore, who will be directed to afford such assistance as he may judge necessary to compel their obedience; and that the Board do not approve of the dispersion of the Sepoys on the manner recommended by him, for - if regular Troops be absolutely necessary to quell disturbances they should be Kept together, and commanded by an European Officer - but for the mere purposes of collection they ought never to be employed, as the common Peons under the Collectors authority are sufficient for that duty.

Death of Captain M. Russell of the Engineers - and of Captain J. Pugh of the Artillery.

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Captain Michael Russell of the Engineers at Pondamallee on the 3 Instant - and of Captain Joseph Pugh of Artillery at the Mount on the 6th Instant

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Instant. —

Read the following

letter from the Adjutant General. —

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary Military Department

Sir.

From Adjutant General - proposing the Promotions of Lieutenant J. Norris - Ensign and Practitioner Engineer G.C.J. Pettman, and Mr. F. De Havilland, Cadet - also of Lieutenants W. Hayes Lieutenant Fireworker S. Mackay - and Mr. D. Ross - Cadet - in consequence of the above Casualties.

Colonel Brathwaite has directed me to request, you will communicate to the Honorable the President in Council, his recommendation that the following Promotions be ordered in consequence of the Casualties lately reported - Viz.t —

Lieutenant John Norris of the Corps of Engineers to be Captain vice Rusel deceased - Date of Commission 3. May 1793. —

Ensign and Practitioner Engineer, G. C. Jones Pettman to be Lieutenant vice Norris promoted - Date of Commission 3. May 1793. —

Mr. Fred De Havilland, Cadet, to be Ensign and Practitioner Engineer - vice Pettman promoted

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promoted. Date of Rank to be settled hereafter.

Lieutenant William Hayes of Artillery to be Captain vice Pugh, deceased. Date of Commission 6th May 1793.

Lieutenant Fireworker Adam Mackay to be Lieutenant vice Hayes promoted. Dated of Commission 6th May 1793.

Mr David Ross, Cadet, to be Lieutenant Fireworker vice Mackay promoted. Dated of Rank to be settled hereafter.

The Colonel has desired me to add for the information of Government, that he has mentioned Mr Tiss De Havilland for promotion on this occasion at the particular recommendation of the Chief Engineer, who has reported him to be qualified to serve on the Corps of Engineers.

I have the Honor to be.

&c &c &c

Fort St George
7th May 1793.

(Signed) By Close
Adt Genl of the Army

Ordered that the promotions be made.

Chas Oakeley
Ch Secretary

Examd Hamilton