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Peshcush for the Arrears of Chicacole &c of the Fusly year 1200. You will order the payment of the above Sum, taking his receipt, under his Seal, for the same, which with this letter shall be your vouchers for taking credit for it in the Account of Peshcush

10,000 — Rupees

What shall I say more?

Atrue Translation

(Signed) David Haliburton

Persian Tran.

Order thereon.

Ordered that the Amount, in Gold, at the Company's regulated Exchange, be advanced from the Treasury to Shady Cawn, upon his giving a receipt in the manner above specified; and that the amount be carried to the debit of the Nizam, on Account of the Peishcush for the Fusly year 1200, ending in September 1791

Read

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Read the following letter from his Highness the Nabob (entered also in C C N° 136)

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

Dated 14th Zucaud 1207 Hegery

or

24th June 1793

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From the Nabob expressive of his concern that he can only furnish one third of the required Supply of Provisions and Slaughter Cattle for the Army.

I have the pleasure to receive your letter of the 15th Instant, in which you acquaint me that during the Siege of Pondicherry the Army will require Twenty thousand Sheep, and two thousand four Hundred and fifty Slaughter Cattle monthly, and that the Buzar, at the smallest calculation, require every Month three Hundred Garce of Rice

My friendship and the sincere Attachment which on all occasions I have demonstrated in the cause of my frunds the —

Company

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Company, which I have ever regarded as my
own, will I doubt not evince to you the particular
happiness I must feel in rendering every Aid and
Assistance in my power towards the reduction of
Pondicherry, when you recollect, for the fact must
be well known to you, that my father bled and died
under the hands of the perfidious Nation to which
it belongs; But, my friend you cannot be
uninformed of my inability to comply with your
present request — Before my Country could —
possibly have recovered from the Misery and —
distresses into which it had been plunged by the Second
War with Hyder, the War with Tippoo toole place,
and compleated the Calamities his father had begun, my
Ryotts had been driven from their Villages, —
thousands of them were massacred and carried
into Captivity, from whence very few have returned,
their Villages were burnt, and property of every —
discription was either plundered or destroyed — In
the short intervals of Peace my exertions have been

employed

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employed in restoring tranquility and giving
the much wanted and absolutely necessary —
support to those who remain of the unhappy —
Sufferers; and, from these melancholy Truths
you will I am persuaded give me full credit
when I assure you which I do solemnly, that it is
utterly impossible for me to furnish even one half
of the supplies you require without certain ruin
to myself, as my Country would be uncultivated;
and I should, of unavoidable necessity, fail in
the payment of my Kists — such my friend
you well know is a just representation of my —
Situation — all that I can possibly do I will
with chearfulness and Alacrity; and if you will
furnish from the Tagheir and the Guntoor
and other Northern Circars one third, and one third
from the Tanjore Country, of the supply you
require, I will furnish the remaining third, —
although I must, even in that case, be a great
sufferer and very much encrease my present

Embarrassments

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embarrassments —

What can I say more

Arme Translation

Signed David Haliburton

Persian Trans.r

Minutes thereon

Agreed to inform the Nabob that the Board trust he will do all in his power to promote the Service now on foot, as the importance of the object to his Highness is so essential —

Agreed that the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions be informed of the supply of Slaughter Cattle Sheep &c. that can be furnished by the Nabob, and directed to take other means for completing the remainder of the Provision —

Mr Hurdis

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Mr T B Hardis takes the Oath of Secrecy

Mr Hardis Assistant to the Secretary in the Military Political and Secret Departments being admitted — the President administers to him the Oath of Secrecy —

Chas Oakeley

E Wallospeire

George Parry Esqr.

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Diary

27th Received the undermentioned

Letter Entered in C. C. No. 137.—

From Mamoody Chickrail

Substance of a Letter from Mamoody Chickrail of Pooroyoor

of Pooroyoor stating his Exertions for the English Circar, during the late War. Letters from Lord Cornwallis to him enclosed. He requests protection in case he comes down the Ghauts.—

Received also the undermentioned

Letters Entered in M B Nos. 239. 240. 241. 242 243. 244. 245.—

From Secretary at Bengal

From Secretary at Bengal enclosing a letter for Mr. Farmer at Calicut.—

From Ditto

From Ditto with another for Commodore Cornwallis.—

From Resident at Cuddalore

From Resident at Cuddalore with Intelligence.—

From Mr. Paymaster Cooper.

From Paymaster at Ganjam enclosing Copy of his letter of 20th ultimo in reply to Mr. Secretary Jackson's of the 2d Instant.—

From Commander of the Minerva

From Captain Shean requesting to purchase 12 Guns and Shot for the use

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use of the Brig Menish.—

From Commandant at Tanjore.—

From Commandant at Ta
has delivered the Treaty and Letter for the
Rajah.—

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam the B
has arrived, and the troops and Stores land
—are making the necessary preparations
the Expedition against Vizeram Rauze.

Despatched the undermen
Letters Entered in on B. N.s 246. 247. 24
249. 250. 251. 252. 253. 254. 255. 256. 257. 2
259. 260. 261. 262.—

To Messrs. Chase and Company.

To Messrs. Chase Lawe
and Chase. their claim, on behalf of the
Captors of Manarcoil for Horses &c.
inadmissible.—

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Commissary General of
Grain and Provisions. Mr. Michell to be em
to purchase some of the Grain laying a
the Sea ports mentioned by Mr. Strange.

To Ditto.

To Ditto.—the Nabob can on
supply one third of the Slaughter Cattle
required, he must therefore use means fo
providing the remainder.—

To Ditto.

To Ditto.—with Report Surve

of

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27th of the Carts &c under his charge — Orders given for the Repair —

To master attendant.

To master attendant as many Ships Lascars as can be procured to be engaged for the use of the Exeter, Warley and Royal Charlotte —

To military Auditor General —

To military Auditor General — two hundred and fifty Pagodas to be advanced to the Commandant at Pennacoil, in part of the sum authorized for Repairs there —

To Ditto.

To Ditto — to report whether the General Order of 28th March 1790 — may not be again published — for paying a proportion of the pay of the troops to their Families — during absence in the Field —

To Auditor General.

To military Auditor General his opinion in regard to the responsibility of the Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies — approved — as well as that on Mr Lennox's reference regarding the Exchange of Dubs — observations of the Board on both Subjects —

To Mr Thos Pocklington

To Principal agent for Cavalry Supplies — with Copy of the Auditors Report

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Report above alluded to, observations of the Board on the subject. his accounts in this Department to be kept distinct.—

To military Board.— To Military Board the Stores required for the Minists to be supplied

To Paymaster General. To Military Paymaster General Major Nightingale to receive Full Batta.

To Militany Auditor & General.— To Auditor General with the necessary orders.—

To Colonel Brathwaite. To officer Commanding the Army in reply to his letter regarding Clothing for the New Recruits and Native Supernumeraries.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Durand To Lieutenant Colonel Durand the recommendation of the Military Board necessary previous to the appointment of Conductors.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Armstrong of the Infantry. To Lieutenant Colonel Armstrong his application for off Reckoning inadmissible.—

To Lieutenants T. Gray and W. T. Giraud &c. The same to Lieutenants Thomas Gray and W. T. Giraud.—

To Captain Mafsey of Dits.— To Captain C. Mafsey desiring him to take the Pollams of Palastry Veneatchery and Bommaye in

his

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his road to join his corps at Vellore - and to use his Influence with the Rajahs towards Expediting the Supplies of Cattle from those parts. -

To Commandant at

to Captain Digitton.

Shevalapetore - the Subject of his letter of the 13th should be reported by the Collector. -

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt

Governor - President

Ernst William Fallofield Esquire

Minutes of last Consultn

Thursday 27th June 1793

-tion read and approved. -

Read the following letter

From the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis.

To The Honorable The Governor in Council

Madras.

Sir,

I have the Honor to -

from Commodore Cornwallis enclosing a Demd for Ordnance & Stores. -

enclose a Demand of Ordnance Stores for the use of His Majesty's Ship Minerva. which I am to request that you will

be

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be pleased to direct the same to be supplied immediately.—

I have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Cornwallis

Minerva in Madras Road

27th June 1793.—

Ordered to be supplied.—

Agreed that the demand for Ordnance Stores be immediately complied with.—

Substance of the President's Interview with the Commodore on the subject of the preparations for the siege of Pondicherry.—

The President acquaints the Board that he had an Interview with the Commodore this morning, on the subject of the Preparations for the Seige of Pondicherry, and, having explained to him the measures to them by Government to equip the army for this Service, he requested the Commodores opinion with regard to the practicability of preventing Supplies from being thrown into the place by Sea.—

The Commodore observed that having only one Ship (the Minerva) it would not be possible for him singly to perform this Service, nor could it be securely undertaken until the arrival of

some

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some reinforcement from England, but as
that he thought it of so much consequence
to make the attempt that he should
immediately proceed with the Minerva to
cruize off Pondichery, and that it would
tend to promote the purpose in view if
he were assisted with the Indiamen
now in the Road.—

The Board are of opinion
that the object of intercepting supplies
of all kinds going to Pondichery is of so
much consequence to the success of the
proposed operations, that it is incumbent
on them to forward it by every means
in their power.—

Resolved therefore that
the Triton, Warley and Royal Charlotte
be ordered on this service, and that 50
European Invalids / of those now waiting
to go to Europe / be put on Board each
Ship.—

the three
Indiamen in
the Road to attend
to cruize with
the Commodore,
off Pondichery

agreed also that the
Commodore be requested, as soon as the
service of those Ships can possibly be
dispensed with, to send them on their
destination

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destenation to China.—

Letters written in consequence

Resolved in Consequence that the following Letters be dispatched.—

To the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis Commander in Chief of His Majestys Ships in the East Indies

Sir,

To Commodore Cornwallis his Demand for Ordnance Stores ordered to be supplied and the Indiamen to cruize with him off Pondichery request they may be sent on to China as soon as their Services can be dispensed with Copy of P Instructions to Captains Barneyat— enclosed—

We have had the honor to receive your Letter of this date, enclosing a demand for Ordnance Stores for the use of his majestys Ships Minerva, which we have ordered to be complied with.—

Our President has communicated to us your intention of proceeding P with the Minerva to cruize off Pondicherry, and your opinion that it would tend to promote the purpose in view, if you were associated with the Indiamen now in the Roads.—

We are persuaded that the object of intercepting supplies of all kinds going to Pondicherry is of as much consequence to the success of the proposed operations

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operations, that it is incumbent on us to forward it by every means in our power.—

We have therefore resolved that the Triton, Warley, and Royal Charlotte shall be ordered on this Service, and that fifty European Invalids shall be put on board each Ship.—

As soon as the Service of these Ships can possibly be dispensed with, we request you will be pleased to send Instructions to their Commanders to proceed in Company, on their destination to Cheria.—

We beg leave herewith for your information Copy of our Instructions to Captain Barnyeat.—

We expect that the Triton will be in sufficient forwardness to accompany you to the Southward—the other Ships will follow with all expedition.—

We have &c &c

(Signed) Chas Oakeley
&c Council

To Captain Barnyeat
Commanding the Honble Company's Ship
Triton

Instructions to Commander of the Triton to proceed with the Commodore to cruize off Pondichery placing himself under his Orders—Orders regarding the European Invalids and Lascars to be sent on board

Sir,

The Government General of Bengal having ordered Hostilities to be commenced

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commenced against the French in every part of India, the Honorable the President in Council has resolved that the Company's Ships Triton, Warley and Royal Charlotte shall be placed under the orders of the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis for the purpose of cruizing off Pondicherry, and intercepting supplies proceeding to that place.—

You will therefore hold yourself in readiness to proceed to the Southward with his Majesty's Ship Minerva, placing yourself under the ordere of the Commodore, and following all such instructions as you may receive from him.— Fifty European Invalids will be embarked on the Triton, and as many Lascars as can be procured.— The former are to be conveyed to Europe, and the latter landed on this Coast immediately after the Commodore's instructions are received by your for the prosecution of your Voyage to China.—

The Minerva will sail from hence in two or three Days.—

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27th June 1793.

I am &c
(Signed) W. Jackson
Secy

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To Captain Wilson
commanding the Honble Company's Ship
Warley

Sir,

Instructions to the Commanders of the Warley and Royal Charlotte to the same Effect —

The Government General of Bengal having ordered Hostilities to be commenced against the French in every part of India, the Honorable the President in Council has resolved that the Company's Ships Warley, Triton, and Royal Charlotte shall be placed under the orders of the Honble Commodore Cornwallis, for the purpose of Cruizing off Pondicherry, and intercepting Supplies proceeding to that place. —

You will therefore prepare your Ship for this Service with all expedition, and proceed in Company with the Royal Charlotte, to join the Commodore off Pondicherry — as soon as you have fallen in with the Minerva, you will place yourself under the orders of the Commodore, and follow all such instructions as you may receive from him — Fifty European Invalids will be embarked on the Warley and as many Lascars as can be procured — The former are to be conveyed

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conveyed to Europe, and the latter landed on this Coast, immediately after the Commodores instructions are received by you for the prosecution of your Voyage to China.—

Fort St. George
27th June 1793.

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

The same to Captain Pryce
Commanding the Honble Company's Ship
Royal Charlotte

Read the following Letters from the Marquis Cornwallis.—

Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

&c &c &c

From the Marquis Cornwallis desiring that a war with France is inevitable this Ideas relative to the steps to be taken on the notification of that Event.—

Sir,

There being every reason to believe, from the accounts which have been brought by the Ships lately arrived at Bombay, that a war with France is almost inevitable. It is proper that we should consider what steps ought to be taken on the notification of that event.—

Our

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Our main object in a war with France in this Country is the reduction of Pondicherry, and it is as very desirable that no time should be lost in effecting it, that I think if a sufficient Naval force should arrive to render us superior at Sea, it should be attempted by the troops that now can assemble in the Carnatic, even at a season when no supplies can arrive from Bengal.—

As, however, on the contrary, a failure in our attempt on Pondicherry would be highly disgraceful and prejudicial to our affairs, it would not be prudent to engage in it whilst the enemy are masters of the Sea, and by secretly throwing in what reinforcements they please from Mauritius, render the Garrison too strong to be reduced by our weak European Regiments, which are the only Corps that could be depended upon for such a Service.—

I do not mean, by the above opinion, to preclude you from acting

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acting upon any intelligence that you may receive which may place the circumstances in a very different light from that in which I must naturally see them, but merely as a caution, supposing no such extraordinary events not to hazard a failure, when a little time will give us a certainty of success.—

You will be pleased to concert privately the previous arrangements for the movement, with Colonels Brathwaite Gaels &c. &c. that we may be prepared to act whenever it may be thought expedient, and I think that even if the appearance of war should continue it will be proper to order the 71st Regement to return to Warriore, and to bring the 5th European Battalion to the Presidency.—

As soon as you receive the notification that hostilities are to commence I would recommend that Colonel Floyd should encamp with all the Cavalry and a battalion or two of native Infantry at such a distance from Pondicherry, as to be out of the reach of a nights marche

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or a surprize, and that he should send Detachments frequently as near as he can to the Town, to cut off all supplies of Provisions, to pick up straggglers, and to destroy every thing within his reach up to the gates. He will change the place of his encampment as often as he shall think fit and convenient.—

I conclude that the Commodore will be at Madras when this Letter reaches you, and I shall write to him to request that he will either come or send a Frigate to convey me to the Coast as soon as the season will admit of my getting out of this river, provided at that time that any part of the Naval force can be spared from more important operations.—

I am with great esteem and regard.—

Calcutta
June 8th 1793.

&c &c
(Signed) Cornwallis

Honble

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Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Sir,

From Marquis Cornwallis the European Battalion to be encreased to fifty above their Complement from the Recruits for Bengal requests the President's sentiments & regarding the Siege of Pondichery and other matters connected therewith Orders given for the Capture of all the French Factories in Bengal, and conduct of the same has been known on the Coast shall write to Bengal the account of the War meanwhile has Packets to be informed.—

You will please to detain a sufficient number of the Bengal Recruits to increase the battalions upon your establishment to fifty men above their complement, which are as many as you could in any manner render useful, unless you had more officers.—

I have nothing to add to what I have said in my former letters respecting the attack of Pondicherry and my own earnest wish to have an early opportunity of getting to Madras; but I shall be glad to learn your sentiments on the first point, and those of the Officers whom you may consult, and to know whether it is thought practicable to convey the Artillery, Stores and supplies for the Army that would be requisite for a siege of so much consequence by land from Madras to Pondicherry, and if it is possible how soon the means for doing this can be procured.—

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We have given orders for taking possession of all the French Factories in Bengal without affecting private property, and I conclude you will have done the same in regard to those in the Circars and other places within your territories. —

I intend to communicate in a few days to Tippoo the account of our rupture with France, but, in the mean time, I wish it to be mentioned to the Vakeels, and I conclude that in doing so, you will take care to describe the ferocious actions of the present rulers of the French nation in their proper colours. —

I am, with great esteem and regard,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Cornwallis

Calcutta
June 12th 1793.

Resolved that the following letter be written to the Governor General in Council. —

To

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

My Lord,

1st Our President has laid before us the Letters he had the honor to receive from your Lordship of the 8th and 12th Instant.

To Bengal in consequence no apparent intention on the part of Tippoo, to afford the French any assistance in the present War.—

2 We have communicated to the Commanding officer of the Troops your Lordship's Ideas with respect to the movements that should be made, and the points first necessary to be accomplished in the operations against Pondicherry, and directed his particular attention to them —It appeared to us from the Beginning most advisable to provide for the transportation of all the Artillery and Stores by Land, as it was uncertain when we might be able to obtain a safe conveyance for them by Sea, and the difficulty and risk of landing such a multitude of heavy Articles on this Coast were further considerations of great moment in determining the measure. We were sensible indeed that the preference we

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We gave to the Transportation by Land would necessarily involve an extensive demand for Draft and Carriage Cattle, but for this we provided by early advances of money, and our principal agent entertains no doubt of completing the numbers wanted in a very short time we understand from him that a considerable progress has been made already in this necessary supply, and we have directed the Stores to be sent on as fast as Carriage is provided for them, to Chunglepatt, from whence they will proceed forward as soon as the troops advance. –

3 The Commodore arrived here yesterday, and our President has communicated every circumstance to him relative to the state of our preparations. He thinks it of so much consequence, at this Juncture, to intercept any supplies coming from the Islands that he has resolved upon the measure of cruizing for this purpose, near Pondicherry, and as he expressed an opinion that the three China ships now here / the Triton Warley and Royal Charlotte / might be of considerable use to him until the

arrival

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arrival of Reinforcements from England,
we have agreed to put them under his
orders as soon as they can be got ready; P
which we hope, on an occasion so important,
you will approve. we have requested that
the Commodore will detain these ships
no longer than shall be absolutely P
necessary, and that when their service can
be dispensed with he will direct their
Commanders to proceed, in Company, on their
destination to China. –

4 The Commodore captured off
Pondicherry, to Citoyen a private ship
loaded with Toon Brandy and other articles
for that Settlement. –

5 As the Intelligence transmitted
to us by Mr. Baldwin conveyed no authentic
Document of the war, we doubted how far
we might be justified in committing P
any overt act of hostility without your
previous sanction, and on this account
principally we determined to confine our
views to a vegorous preparation for the
siege of Pondicherry, and we trust that
in this essential object not a moment

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has been lost. But another consideration, of some Importance, also weighed with us in this Resolution the safety of Cuddalore, a rich and populous place where the Company had some troops and a large property in Cloth — It appeared highly probable to us that any hostile attack on our part, before the Security of Cuddalore was provided for, would be followed by the Seizure of that Settlement which is within a forced march of the Garrison of Pondicherry — as there was no Post therefore from whence troops could be drawn for Cuddalore nearer than the Cantonment at Trichinopoly, we were particularly anxious, by every means in our power, to avoid giving the French any pretext of hostility until We had completed this object, which was happily accomplished on the 13th Instant —

6th We transmit to the Nabob a particular Account of the Number of Slaughter Cattle and Sheep and the Quantity of Grain that will be required for the Troops and Followers during the Siege of Pondichery — We has declared the

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utter Impracticabelety of supplying nearly the whole from this Country, but promises the utmost exertion in his Power. Foreseeing indeed the probabelity of Failure in this essential article unless other means of were resorted to, we very early directed our Commissary General of Grain and Provisions to purchase all the grain that could be procured in the Districts near Condichirry, and deposit it at Permacoil, and to make similar Purchases in the Tanjore Country to be brought by sea to Cuddalore when the opportunity should be favorable.

7 Our President has communicated to the Vackeels of Tippoo Sultan the Intention expressed by your Lordship of writing to their Master on the subject of the War with France, and took that occasion of speaking in proper Colours of the atrocious acts by which the French have so justly provoked the Resentment of our Nation. They seem to have a strong Impression of these enormities; and, from the tenor of their Conversation, our President infers that there is no Intention

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Intention whatever on the part of their master to afford the French the smallest support or countenance in the present war.—

We have the honor to be with respect.—

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27th June 1793.

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

Resolved that the following letter be written to the Officer Commanding the Army on the Coast.—

To Colonel John Brathwaite
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

I am directed by the Hon^ble the President in Council to enclose, for your information, Extract of a Letter from the Governor General to our President containing his sentiments and Instructions with respect to the first movement necessary to be made in the present circumstances of war between England and France, and to desire that they may be adhered to as far as circumstances will permit.

Commodore

To Colonel Brathwaite communicating the Instructions of the Marquis Cornwallis regarding the first movements in the present circumstances of War and other steps taken to promote the success of the operations against Pondichery

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Commodore Cornwallis has informed the President of his Intention to proceed with the Minerva immediately to cruise near Pondichery for the purpose of intercepting any supplies that may be brought from the Isle of France, and the Board have agreed, at his Recommendation, to assist him with the three India Ships now in the Roads, by which means they hope he may be enabled to keep that station until a reinforcement of ships shall arrive from England, sufficient to give him a decided superiority at Sea —

The President in Council is confident that the utmost deligence will be exerted by the several Departments to forward the Stores and other necessary supplies for the Seige, and, as he has referred to the Governor General in Council your proposition with respect to the Force requisite for this undertaking he expects very shortly to receive the further Sentiments of that Government on this important subject —

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The Nabob has been earnestly requested to exert himself in procuring Slaughter Cattle, sheep, and Grain for the Army, and he promises to do every thing in his Power, but as all his endeavours may prove insufficient for such an exclusive Demand the President in Council has taken measures for obtaining supplies from other Quarters, and no attention on his part will be spared to afford every possible assistance upon this Head

The President in Council thinks it proper to inform you that the Nabob has appointed Mahummed Bukht Bahander Sotar Jung to attend the Army for the purpose of facilitating the supplies of Provision as it may be in his power to furnish —

&c &c

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27th June 1793.

Signed W. B. Jackson
Secy

Resolved that the following Letter be written to Masulipatam Vizagapatam Ganjam Cuddalore and Negore —

To

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To Anthony Sadleir Esqr.
Chief & Council
of Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

Circular to the Subordinacies & advising of the Hostilities being ordered to commence to attend thereto & the Security of the Possessions under their charge

The Honble the Governor General in Council having ordered Hostilities to be commenced against the French in every part of India I am directed by the Board to communicate their Information for your Guidance, and to desire, at the same time, that you will pay particular attention to the Security of the Possessions under your charge.—

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&c &c
(Signed) W. B. Jackson
Secy

The arrangements of the Hospital Board for a General Field Hospital to be published—

Resolved that the arrangements recommended by the Hospital Board (vide minutes of Consultation the 18th Instant) for a General Field Hospital be now published.—

Mr. J. Wynch appointed Paymaster Mr. J. H. Harrison Deputy agent for Bullocks and Mr. W. Hawkins Commissary to the Army in the Field. Their Salary.

The President proposes that Mr. John Wynch be appointed Paymaster Mr. John Humphrey Harrison Deputy Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks and Mr. William Hawkins Commissary of Grain and Provisions to the Army in the Field, with a Salary to each of Six hundred (600) Pagodas P Month in Lieu of all Emoluments whatsoever and that these Gentlemen be required to deliver in their accounts upon Honor.—

Approved and ordered accordingly.—

Chas. Oakeley.

E. Hallopeau

George Parry Esqr

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Diary

Received the following Letters.

28th

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Persian Transl. for at Bengal with letter for the Nabob and Persian Copies enclosed.

I have the Honor to enclose a Letter from the Governor General addressed to the Nawaub of Arcot, acknowledging the receipt of a Letter from his Highness, enclosing his Correspondence with Sir Charles Oakeley, relative to the disturbances committed by Meer Ismaeel, and one from his Lordship to Omdutul Omrah, in Answer to a Letter of Congratulation on the Title of Marquis being conferred by his Majesty on the Governor General. Copies in Persian are enclosed.

I am
Sir
&c. &c.

Calcutta
12th June 1793.

(Signed) G. T. Sherriff
Persian Transl.

Translate

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Translate of Copy Ans.r of a Letter

From the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G

Governor General

&c. &c. &c.

To his Highness the Nawab Walajah Bahadur

&c. &c. &c.

Dated 6.th June 1793.

I had the Honor to receive your Letter accompanyd by Copies of two others which you addressed to Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. relative to the late Disturbance excited by one Meer Imaam, a Zemeendar dependant on Hydrabad, and I made myself acquainted with their Contents.-

The perfect Confidence you repose in my friendship, by the Communication of every Circumstance, is a Source of great Satisfaction to me: I have written this for your information - and have only to add my Request, to be made happy, by the Constant Intimation of your Welfare.-

Above Translation

Signed J. Falconar

D.y P.r Tr.r

Tran.r

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Translation of Copy & Answer of a Letter

From the Most Noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G.

&c. &c. &c.

To his Highness the Nawab Emdad ul Omra, Bahadur

Dated 6th June 1793.

I had Extreme Satisfaction, on receiving the Honor of your Letter, congratulating me on the title of Honor, conferred by my Sovereign, his most gracious Majesty — and I doubt not, from the friendship and unanimity which, (thro' the Blessing of God) is so firmly ratified and so strictly Established between us, — that this addition of Honor done your Friend, was a cause of sincere and Gratification to your friendly disposed Mind.

I derived much Pleasure, from what you were so good to communicate, regarding the Monthly Payment of the Instalments

I hope you consider me interested for your Welfare, and that you will consider me satisfied by the frequent Communication of the same.

What more is necessary.

A true Translation

(Signed) A. Falconar

D.P.S.

To

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Fort St. George 11th June 1793.

To William Collins Jackson Esq.

Secretary in the Military and Political Department.

Sir,

S.

From Captain Doveton enclosing translate of his Note to the Vackeels on Acrording three Extracts from the Letter from the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 19th Instant, with its several Enclosures.

The Khereetahs addressed to Tippoo Sultan transmitted by Sir J Kennaway, I delivered to the Vackeels, requesting they would forward them to their Master without delay, and obtain speedy Answers.

From the Letter of the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast, I made and translated into Persian, such Extracts as appeared to me necessary for the information of the Vakeels, which I accompanied by a Note from myself. Translations of which I have the honor to enclose.

You will observe that in my Note to the Vakeels I have, agreeably to the directions of the Honble the Governor in Council, again mentioned the affair of the Darem Pooney Merchants

and

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-and I beg leave to add that the Vakeels inform me they have themselves, in a Late Argee, reposited this subject to their Master.-

According to your desire I return the Letter &c. Papers from the Commissioners.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George &c. &c. &c.

June 25. 1793. (Signed) Gabriel Doveton

Translation of a Note from Captain Doveton to the Vakeels of Tipsoo Sultaun.-

By direction of the Honorable Governor I have made, and translated for your information, the enclosed Extracts of a Letter from the Commissioners on the Malabar Coast. From the perusal of which you will observe from what occasions those Gentlemen have been, and how anxious they are adopted to remove all the methods they have adopted to remove all tendency to disputes, or disturbances on the Western Frontiers of the Dominions of Tipsoo Sultaun.-

With respect to the restoration of the Rajahs of Veteel Negree, and Cowlade to their

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their former professions, the Commissioners, considering that, by the Blessing of God, the two Nations are now one, and that the advantage of both ought to be and is the object of the well wishers of each, have mentioned what appears to them would be of advantage to the Dominions of Tippoo Sultaun.-

To the last Par of the Extracts I request to call your attention - Lieutenant Emmitt the officer there noticed, was employed in surveying and ascertaining the Limits of the Coorga Country, principally with a view of removing every cause of future disputes on the Frontiers - and in the execution of this Duty was treated as related - The sincere friendship and union between the two Nations require that such a circumstance be candidly related - such actions, distant from the seat of Government, seldom reach the ears of the Sovereign - And the Governor has no doubt that when Tippoo Sultaun becomes informed of this circumstance thro' your communication, he will severely punish the

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28th. the offenders and commediateiately order the release of the Servant who has been captured by them.

Some time ago, by order of the Governor, I mentioned to you the Affair of the Parempoory Merchants, who from Calicut were sent under a guard to Seringapatam, and from thence into confinement at Nargen-droog-in con; sequence you wrote to the Presence Tipsoo Sultan; but as it is probable that the former intimation on this subject may have escaped the recollection of Tipsoo Sultan, from his attendance to other important concerns, the Governor desires me to request that, in your next Letter to the Pre: sence, you will again mention the affair, so that the poor people in question may speedily return to their families, who are alarmed and disconsolate at their absence.

A true Translation

Signed J. Dowdon.

Received the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Pr. B. Nos. 263. 264. 265. 266. 267. 268.

From

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From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions requesting an advance of 5000 Pagodas.

From Paymaster at Madura.

From Paymaster at Madura contradicting the assertions of the Nabob's son in regard to non-payment for Grain formerly received on account of the Company.

From Chief Engineer.

From Chief Engineer recommending the purchase of various Instruments for the use of his Corps offered to sell.

From Lieutenant Dighton.

From Officer Commanding at Vellore stating the Circumstances of a Fray between the Nabob's dismounted Trooper and a Guard of 3 Sepoys.

From Lieutenant Dowse.

From Officer Commanding the Pioneers requesting an advance of 250 Pagodas for the subsistence of the Recruits for that Corps.

From Captains Pryce Wilson and Burneyat.

From Commanders of the Indiamen requesting some powder and Shott for the use of their Ships on the Cruize off Pondicherry.

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.

Sent Letter to the Nabob, Entered in C. C. No. 138. at this his Highness cannot dutifully

Cattle

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28th Cattle, to the extent required - requests he will use his utmost exertions to promote the Service on foot.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mr. B. Vol. 269, 270, 271, 272, 273. 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283.

To Secretary at Bengal - enclosing a letter from Commodore Cornwallis to the Governor General in Council.

To Secretary at Bengal.

To Select Committee at Canton - advising of the French having declared War against England and Holland.

To Dorton.

To Military Board - directing them to arrange the Pioneer Establishment, and the pay and allowances of that Corps - and to report a mode of Cloathing the new Recruits.

To Military Board.

To Ditto - with orders for repairing the Carts lately surveyed - the other Articles to be sold.

To Ditto

To Ditto - referring a letter from Masulipatam about retaining a few Artificers at Samulcotah and Rajamundry.

To Ditto

To Ditto - directing them to supply the three Indiamen with some powder and Shot.

To Captain Lindsay.

To Commandant at Permacoil - the advance requested has been ordered.

To Board of Revenue.

To Board of Revenue - some of the

Grain

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Grain mentioned by Mr. Strange will be granted. -the Embargo however must be continued for the present. -

To Captain Burneyat.-

To Commander of the Britton ordering him to receive Charter Party Passengers on board.-

To Ditto.

To Ditto - to receive Lieutenant St. John, 36th Regiment on board being in charge of Invalids.-

To Paymaster General.-

To Military Paymaster General Passage Money to be advanced to him.-

To Mr. Powney & Cockin.-

To Mr. G. Powney, with a letter for Mr. Farmer.-

To Clerk of the Treasury.-

To Clerk of the Treasury - five thousand Pagodas to be advanced to Mr. Cockburn.-

To Military Auditor General.-

To Military Auditor General enclosing the same.-

To Ditto

To Ditto - with Copy of Lieutenant Douze's Letter, above noted - 250 Pagodas to be advanced to him.-

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Received the following Letters entered on M. B. Nos. 284, 285, 286, 287.-

From Secretary at Bengal.-

From Secretary at Bengal - with Duplicate of the Letter to Mr. Farmer.-

From Resident at Ganjam.-

From Resident at Ganjam - has authorized the Building of a Boatch Shed for the Cantonment Guard

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29th Guard at Bolca.—

From Resident at Poona.— From Resident at Poona.— with advice of an action between Scindia and Holcar.—

From Captain Kirkpatrick From Commandant at Permacoil —with Intelligence from Pondicherry—

" Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in M. B. Vol. 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296.—

To Mr. J. Wyeth. To Mr. John Wyeth—appointing him Paymaster to the Army—his Salary, and the attestation to be made at the foot of each account.—

To Messrs. Sheardon & Hawkins. The same to Mr. J. H. Sheardon as Deputy Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks —and to Mr. W. Hawkins as Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Secretary at Bengal. To Secretary at Bengal—with Intelligence from Pondicherry—

To Hospital Board. To Hospital Board—with Copy of the General Orders respecting a Medical Field Arrangement.—

To Resident at Hyderabad. To Resident at Hyderabad the Bill in favor of Shaedy Khan has been duly honored.—

To Master Attendant. To Master Attendant—each of the Captains of Country Vessels To be desired to give up a few Lascars for the Lascamen for the present Service—

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To Auditor General.-

To Military Auditor General notifying the appointment of Messrs Wynch Skeaton, and Hawkins.-

To Lieutenant H. Nash of the Infantry.-

To Lieutenant H. Nash - in reply to his Claim to Prize Money - and to share in the Donations to the Army.-

To Mr. G. A. Ram.-

To Mr. G. Powney at Cochin.-

To Mr. G. A. Ram - no intention at present to appoint a Resident at Tanjore.-

To Mr. G. Powney - forwarding Duplicate of the Letter to Mr. Farmer.-

Received the following Letter.-

To the Honble Sir Charles Pakeley Bt.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Braithwaite - has ordered Colonel Floyd to move from Wallajabad - details the State of preparation for the Siege of Pondicherry - requests the Commissary and Paymaster may be appointed and Authority to order Colonel Floyd to act hostilely against the French - hopes to join the army about the 20th July.

I have the honor to inform you, that I have ordered Colonel Floyd to move from Wallajabad with the Corps assembled there, viz. Captain Carlisle's Company of Artillery and the Lascars attached to it, and five Brigades of 6 pounders; his Majesty's 19th Regiment of light Dragoons, the Honble Company's 4th Regiment of Native Cavalry; his Majesty's 71st and 72d Regiments; and the Honble Company's 6th 8th and 19th Native Battalions, and to take up ground near Chinglepet, to which place about fifteen

hundred

Fort St. George, June 1793.

29th hundred Cart load of Stores have already been advanced, and more are daily going. Nothing prevents my pushing Colonel Floyd forward, but the uncertainty of Supplies when advanced. I therefore request you will be pleased to appoint the Commissary and Paymaster to the Army in the Field, that they may join Colonel Floyd with their departments: and I shall be obliged to you for your authority to give Orders decidedly to Colonel Floyd to act hostilely against the French, and distress the Garrison of Pondicherry by intercepting, by every means in his power, their communication with the Country, or drawing any Supplies from it: also that I myself may, under your sanction, be authorised to possess myself of Pondicherry, by summoning the Garrison to surrender, or by employing the Force collected, to compel them.

You already know that the two flank Companies of the Honorable Company's 1st Battalion of European Infantry, and the 25th Native Battalion are arrived at Cuddalore, the 23d Native Battalion is now on its march thither from Attore, with the Pioneer Corps.

And the whole Force ordered by you

&c &c

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Fort St. George 29th June 1793.-

29th To assemble to the Southward, viz.t the Flanks Companies of his Majesty's 75th and 76th Regiments the 2d Battalion of East Artillery with four 18 pounders, and 14000 Shot, the 1st 2d 3d 4th and 7th Native Battalions have crossed the river, and are encamped at Meenseputtah with twenty days Provisions, and only wait Orders to march; but from these as Lieutenant Colonel Gaile cannot possibly spare any body from the Guard, I have ordered one Company of the 2d Battalion of Artillery, with all the Gun Lascars that can possibly be spared, with one Native Battalion to proceed to Vellore directly, to bring up the 18 Battering Guns that are to come from there; at which time also the Flanks Company of 3d European Battalion will move with them.-

Tents have been sent down to the Royal Artillery at Negapatam, and they will have Orders to move so as to fall in with, or immediately follow the other Troops moving from the South.

In short every thing now is ready for assembling the greater part of the Force in the neighbourhood of Pondicherry, and the sooner this can be done the better, on account of the advancing Season, and the probability that we shall be obliged

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to advance our Stores by Trips for want of Carriage, which must occasion some delay, and we cannot venture to advance the first Trip till a Force is assembled for their Protection. Engineers are hastening to the place of destination, and as the entrenching Tools will be first advanced, we can be doing something, and I should hope that every thing will be in such forwardness in the Carriage and Provision Departments, that the last movement of Troops from the Presidency, the Mound, and Pondaveddie, may take place about the 15th or 20th of next Month at farthest, with your permission, I mean to join the Army.

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

Military Head Quarters
Madras June 28th 1793.

Signed John Braithwaite

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

I have had the honor this moment to receive Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter dated the 27th Instant, which consequently was written before you could have received mine dated

From Colonel Braithwaite transmitting Board's order of 27th upon the advance of Colonel Floyd to Pondaveddie requesting instructions in particulars

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Fort St. George, June 5th 1793.

29th. dated yesterday, in which I send the honor to detail to you the whole State of Preparations as it then stood, and by it you would see that Colonel Floyd was ready to take a Position near to Pondicherry, with a Force much superiour to any thing that could be sent out against him from that place, and that he would also be joined on his arrival, by the two European Flank Companies and the 25th Native Battalion now at Cuddalore and the 23d Native Battalion and the Corps actually on their March from Arcot, which would render him very strong, and that the whole Southern Force was ready to March...

So much time will be gained by this Force moving up to the Frontier without delay, as we can then begin to send Stores thither by Ships, and as every thing is in order for carrying I request to know whether these Circumstances, whether it is your intention, that the plan contained in the Letter of the Marquis Cornwallis under date the 8th Instant, of which you have done me the honor to send me an Extract, should be adhered to, and Colonel Floyd leave behind him the five Brigades of Guns and two European Regiments, and move forward with the Cavalry

and

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29th and Native troops only, with which alone, in my opinion, he will not be able to annoy the Enemy, and cover the arriving Stores at the same time, as with the whole Force which he now has with him, and with which he has already made one March to Chingleput, and which his Lordship did not probably think would be so soon equipped.-

I request also to know whether it is your intention to act as having received Notification that Hostilities are to Commence, as according to his Lordship's letter, such Notification is to precede any movement towards Conducting, and such Notification appears to me to be contained in the Calcutta Gazette Extraordinary under date June 12th, and which has been circulated here this day.-

I have the honor to inform you, that I transmitted to his Lordship in Duplicate a full report of all our Preparations here, with a detail of the Ordnance and Stores to be employed, and Copies of the Orders I had the honor to suggest to you to publish on this occasion, with my opinion, that we should be before the place sooner than we were in 1/78

which

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Fort St. George June 5th 1793.

29th which was the 5th of August. The Copy of his dispatches by Tapsyal would reach his Lordship the 24th Instant.

Military Head Quarters
Madras June 29th 1793.

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

30th Sent the following Letters.

To Colonel John Braithwaite
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

To Colonel Braithwaite with Instructions in consequence of the two preceding letters.

I am directed by the Worlle the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of the 28th and 29th Instant and to inform you that in the state of preparation to which the Equipments are advanced, he entirely approves your reasons for recommending the advance of Colonel Floyd's with the Force detailed by you, and desires you will give him such Instructions as may appear to your prospect on this occasion, enjoining him of course to take every means in his power to distress the Garrison of Pondicherry by cutting off that communication with the Country, keeping strong bodies from the Fort, and preventing any attempts to

Honor

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30th Throwing in provisions or stores of any kind whatsoever.

With regard to the further movements necessary to complete the Junction of the Army the Board desire you will issue such Orders as may appear to your expedient.

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

(Signed) W.C. Jackson Sy.

Fort St. George
the
June 1793.

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

My Lord,

I have the Honor to transmit to your Lordships Copy of a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite of the 28th Instant, detailing the State of the Military preparations for the Siege of Pondicherry.

2 For the Reasons assigned by him we have directed the Movement of the Force under Colonel Floyd for the purpose of distressing the Garrison of Pondicherry, and effectually covering the transportation of the Ordnance and Stores necessary

Bengal advising the orders given to Col. Brathwaite

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30th necessary for the Siege.

We have the honor to be

Fort St. George &c. &c.

30th June 1793.

Signed Charles Oakeley

&c. Council

To Anthony Sadleir Esq.

Chief &c. Council at Masulipatam

Gentlemen.

To Masulipatam stating the substance of letters to and from Sir John Shoreditch relative to the sum payable for Pishcash at that place.

We have received your letter dated the 15th Instant.

We wrote to Sir John Shoreditch in consequence of your letter of the 21st March last, stating, that, as the present circumstance / scarcity of Rupees at Masulipatam rendered it impracticable to procure the number required for the payment of the Nizam's Pishcash without much loss of time, we hoped he would be enabled to persuade the Nizam to take Madras Pagodas, which were probably current in the District where the Madras Detachment was employed, and might therefore be useful in the pay of these Troops or that if this were objectionable, and he / Sir John / could suggest any mode of remittance by which Government might be subjected only to the Payment of

Gold

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Fort St. George. June 4th 1793.

30 Gold we could procure Bills either here or at Masulipatam; and would chearfully submit to pay the Bearers any premium that might by them be deemed reasonable for negotiating such remittance.-

In reply, Sir John Kennaway observed, that, considering the fairness of the request, he should hope, that if a due proportion, and such as may be paid without loss or detriment to the Company, were advanced in Silver, there would be no difficulty in prevailing upon his Highness to take the remainder in Gold.-

We have received no further information from Sir John Kennaway on the subject.-

We are

Gentlemen

&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

2d June 1793.

(Signed) Charles Oakeley

& Council

Received the following Letter-

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir.

Town Board of Revenue with a report of the grain at the two Ports in Orr. Mirangi's Division of Tripatty and the Names of the Proprietors.-

We have the Honor to lay before your a report of the Grain at the different two Ports in the

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Fort St. George 30th June 1793.

The Eastern Division of Tanjore, and of the Names of the Merchants to whom it belongs, which has been furnished by the Collector, in Compliance with your Orders of the 12th Instant.

Fort St. George
27th June 1793.

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) David Haliburton
Cha.s N. White
Tho.s Cockburn

To David Haliburton Esq.r
Acting President & Members of Secured Revenue
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

It is with infinite Satisfaction I this day received Mr. Deputy Secretary Reads Letter of the 15th Instant, enclosing Extract of a Letter from Government to you, approving of the Measures I had taken for the protection of the Grain Lajeing for Exportation at the Ports of Vaipauggerry and Tranquebar. I shall be attentive to observe the Commanders Orders given to me for the protection of it.

In

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Fort St. George 11 June 1793.

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In obedience to the orders of the Honble Board, I now enclose, for their information, a Report of the Grain at the different Sea Ports of the Eastern Division, which I state with tolerable Precision, the present Quantity of Grain for Exportation, and the Names of the Merchants to whom it belongs.

It is with regret I have just now heard, that Colonel Maxwell has judged proper to withdraw one Company of Sepoys from each of the Ports of Vaipeer gerry and Trinchinopoly although the mention of this Determination on his part, did not come to me officially yet I have thought it my Duty to state my Objections to the Measure, and to request Colonel Maxwell to suspend the order for their recall, because I am decidedly of Opinion, from my knowledge of the situation of these Ports, that a single Company of Sepoys, with one Officer only to direct, would make a very feeble Resistance, against any attack that might be made by an Enemy whose greatest Force is at this Moment the Store now lying at these Ports.

I have not yet received Colonel Maxwells reply to my Letter, but I trust my reasons will operate to induce him to suspend the recall of these very necessary Troops.

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

Tanjore
the 19th June 1793.

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

Signed James Grange
Collector

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Report of Grain and other Stores for Exportation at the different Sea Ports under the Collector of the Eastern Division.

Paddy Stock at the Sea Port of Vaspanjary

Veerah Naeeken	Paddy	6756.	2.	2.
Nanalivien	D°	6380.	"	"
Serekeel Shevarew	D°	2970.	"	"
Sambasiva Shetty	D°	1200.	"	"
Dasa Moodelly	D°	1810.	"	"
Apipu Shetty	D°	350.	"	"
Ramaswamyen	D°	54087.	11.	1.
		73554.	1.	3.

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Goodalore Coopie naieken	Paddy	9000.	"	"
Sedambara Vencatachelly Shetty	D°	10000.	"	"
Shenniapatam Chinnapa Shetty	D°	5000.	"	"
Woolore Corine Naeeken	D°	14000	"	"
Woolare Vencataramah Shetty	D°	3000.	"	"
Woolare Settarasnapelly	D°	3000.	"	"
Sheally Calastry Shetty	D°	5000.	"	"
Trecarragawore Settapetty	D°	6000.	"	"
Ramaswamyen	D°	3000.	"	"
Vencataramyen	D°	8000.	"	"
Tanjore Coopie Shetty	D°	5000.	"	"
Ooh Moodely	D°	9000.	"	"
Imenlien	D°	11000.	"	"
Valore Pannaiapelly	D°	11000.	"	"
Woolore Meeram Shetty	D°	1500.	"	"
Sheally Mootien Valayda pelly	D°	1500.	"	"
Vedenadencovel Coravapha Moodely	D°	1500.	"	"
		107000.	"	"

Carried Over 180554. 1. 3.

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Brought Over ---------- 180554. 1. 3.

Mutteputtah

Vaseanum Vedelingapelley ---------- Paddy -- 8775. " "
Vaseanum Vedelingapelley ---------- Do. -- 20812. 6. "
Shanmegallahpelly ---------- Do. -- 10125. " "
Lanniapa Chetty ---------- Do. -- 1575. " "
Ingratien ---------- Do. -- 3825. " "
Verradatty pelly ---------- Do. -- 5250. " "
Otapalam Vaeapoo Reuten ---------- Do. -- 3937. 6. "
Nagore Ajoona Maracaien ---------- Do. -- 1687. 6. "
Nagore Nagalinga Moodely ---------- Do. -- 2812. 6. "
Pradeapa Moodely ---------- Do. -- 562 6. "
Seikeel Shevarayer ---------- Do. -- 11312. 6. " 71175. " "
Verradatty ayer ----------

Neenda Cavatora

Ingranadapatam
Veerah Naiken ---------- Paddy -- " " " 11610. " "

Jagadapatam

Veerah Naiken ---------- Paddy -- 3881. 3. "
Gopallo Naiken ---------- Do. -- 5625. " " 9506. 3. "

Shumbo Mahadavapatam

Sheelacara Abdul Cauder ---------- Paddy -- " -- " " 3600. " "

Orjee Palam

Chennapatam Mokokistna Naiken ---------- Paddy -- " " " 4500. " "

Total Cullums -- 28045. 4. 3.

Mottepettah

Nagore Ajoona Merecan ---------- Rice 2812. 6. "
Nagore Nagalinga Moodelly ---------- Do. -- 562. 6. " 3375. " "

Total Cullums 3376. " "

Mutteputtah

Tajagar Java Rowten ---------- Horse Gram " " " 900. " "

Adrampatam

Chengarien ---------- Horse Gram -- 1237. 6. "
Ramaswamien ---------- Do. -- 281. 3. "
Vestrah Reddy ---------- Do. -- 157. 6. " 1676. 3. "
Veerah Naiken ---------- Horse Gram -- " " " 1372. 6. "

Total Cullums -- 3948. 9. "

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Mutteupettah

Serkeel Shwaroyer ---------- Candolos -- " " . 182. 6. "

Adramfialam

Kistna Reddy ---------- Candolos -- " " . 2747. 4. 3.

Nundacarattora

Veerah Naiken ---------- Candolos " " . 2520. " "

Total Cullums 5380. 3. 3.

Nundacarattora

Veerah Naiken ---------- Black Gram " " . 1136. 3. "

Total Cullums 1136. 3. "

Mutteupettah

Nagore Lovendalingapelly Different Stores of Grain - " " . 1687. 6. "

Total Cullums 1687. 6. "

Vaiapiyary

Dry Cocoanuts ---------- Catchah - Leers - 2312. - -

Tremalawashall

Dry Cocoanuts ---------- Catchah - Leers - 5794 3/4 - - - 2076 3/4 " " 2076 3/4 - - -

Porjei Palam

Veerah Naicken Tamarends Bullock loads - - 670. " " - 670. " "

Abstract

Paddy Cullums 28094. 4 3/4 A 137 Cullums 6 P
Garce is 2050. 270.

Rice Cullums - - - 3376. - - - D° - - - 24. 254 1/2

Horse Gram Cullums - 3948. 9. - - - D° - - - 28. 330.

Candolos Cullums - - 5330. 3 3/4 - - - D° - - - 39. 110.

Black Gram Cullums 1136. 3. - - - D° - - - 8. 118.

Different Sorts of Grain } Cull^s 1687. 6 - - - D° - - - 12. 128.

Tanjore 10th June 1793

[Signed] Ja^s Strange
Collector

A true Copy

[Signed] John Read
Dep^y Sec^y

Received

Fort St. George. July 1793.

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in P: B: Nos. 1 2 3.

From Resident at Tanjore.

From Resident at Tanjore has permitted Captain Wilson to purchase some Shot powder and for the use of the Bangalore - and ordered the Sugars of the French Property in the Seats in that district. Captain Little requests a few Lascars for the care of the Buildings at Ashor.

From Military Board

From Military Board with a list of Stores, required from Bengal - Remarks regarding the Article of Gun powder - Opinions on the Estimates of Works performed by the Commandants of the Ceded forts - and on Captain Evans's Plan of Fortification. Minutes of Major Hall and Chief Engineer, enclosed.

From Postmaster General.

From Postmaster General has established a Tapaul to Camp, at the instance of Colonel Floyd.

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered, in C. C. Nos. 139. 140.

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.

To the Nabob in consequence of his Explanation regarding Hushem Bow - requests His Highness will furnish a Copy of the acknowledgment declared by the Cerrah Mutsaddies to have been given by him.

Substance of a letter to Ditto.

To Ditto - no assistance yet given by His Highness's Servants in supplying the Camp Bazars - and requesting him to repeat his Orders

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on this Subject, and that he will furnish Duplicates for the Brenjarries, to facilitate their purchase of Rice and Paddy.-

Sent also the following Letter.-

To W. Hugh Boyd

Master Attendant.

Sir.

To the Master Attendant - ordering him to proceed on board the Danish Ship Christianaes Septimus, and seize the French property on board.-

In consequence of the Information you have communicated relative to the Christianaes Septimus, I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to desire you will proceed on Board that Vessel, and call upon her Commander or Supra Cargo to produce the Bills of Lading and other necessary papers relative to the property of the Ships and Cargo, not suffering any part of the latter to be sent on shore until you have made your Report to the Board and received their Orders in consequence.-

A guard will be directed to accompany you on Board.-

I am
Sir,
&c. &c.

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1st July 1793.

(Signed) W. Jackson Sec.y

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Received the following Letter.-

To W.m C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort S.t George.

Sir,

From Persian Translator at Bengal enclosing a Packet for Tippoo's Vackeels and copy of the Letter from the Governor General to the Sultaun.-

I have the pleasure to transmit you a Packet addressed to the Vackeels from Tiepoo Sultaun, Containing a Letter from the Governor General to Tiepoo Sultaun, and a Copy of it, for the Information of the Vackeels.-

A Copy in English and Persian characters is sent, for the Information of the Honble the President.-

I am Sir

&.ª &.ª &.ª

Calcutta

17.th June 1793.-

[Signed] J. F. Sherry

Persian Trs.

To Tippoo Sultaun

Written 17.th June 1793.

From Marquis Cornwallis to Tippoo Sultaun - advising of the Declaration of the King of France, and the war between that Nation, and England.-

The Friendship and Intimacy which subsists between us, altho' it gains daily Strength by acts of Sincerity and good Faith, and becomes permanent in proportion as we mutually experience the Benefits of it, yet it can not fail of receiving additional Force, and of becoming more the subject

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of admiration in the Eyes of the world, when a Conduct is pursued on both sides replete with Confidence and a Reciprocal communication of occurrences without reserve.-

Under this Impression, and considering you the Friend of the English Nation, I think it incumbent on the Confidence established between us that I should communicate to you any Material Information of Events in which the English are in any respect concerned; and altho' these occurrences may take place in Europe, and are not likely to have any great Effect on the Peace now prevailing in India, yet to have neglected to notify to you such Events would Manifest an inattention to our Friendship and would be incompatible with the Sincerity and good will that prevails between us.-

You cannot but have been informed that, for some years past, a Friendship has subsisted between England and France to the Prosperity and Interests of both Nations; but within these few years the lower Class of the People of France, instigated by Seditious and evil minded Men, have set aside all order and Regularity in their Country, and having driven away the Nobles and Peers of the

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Kingdoms they confined their King and at length put him to Death. Thus, without any Government to guide the Nation within, or any Councils to conduct its affairs with Neighbouring States on the Principles that have prevailed for ages, it can be no wonder that their Conduct towards other Powers should be equally unwarrantable and outrageous. I have now been informed by advices from Europe that, notwithstanding the confusion and anarchy which prevail in France, the People of that Country, have declared open Hostilities against several powerful States in Europe, and although their Finances have naturally diminished, and their army and navy, from a want of due subordination and of Resources are in a disabled State, yet they have also commenced war against England in addition to the several other Powers with whom they were already in a State of Hostility. The English Nation, whose earnest desire was to preserve the System of Peace which existed with all the Neighbouring States, cannot silently submit to so wanton a Breach of it, and have accordingly taken the steps necessary to punish it both in Europe and in India. I have

in consequence

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inconsequence availed myself of this Information by depriving the French of their Settlements in Bengal, and trust that my Exertions will hereafter prevent them from disturbing the Tranquillity which prevails in the other parts of India Knowing me earnestly desirous to hear of your welfare, I trust that you will make me happy by frequent Letters.-

Attest Co Jnss

(signed) J. F. Cherry
Secrt to Govt

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos 4, 5, 6, 7.-

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.-

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions- requesting an Advance of 5000 Pagodas for the Commissariat Department-

From Captain Robertson-

From Acting Deputy Adjutant General to the Kings Troops- with an Indent for Stationary for that Office.-

From Adjutant General.-

Lieutenant Strange requests to resign the quarter-mastership of the 3d European Battalion.

Lieutenant H. Hall recommended to succeed

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2d Hereto xrod Lieutenant N. Forbes, to the
Adjutantcy of the 16th Battalion.-

From Commandant at Permacoil with Intelligence from Pondichery.-

From Captain Lindsay.-

Dispatches the undermentioned Letters Entered in M:B: Wt 3.9.10.

To Secretary at Bengal with Intelligence from the Mysore Country.-

To Secretary at Bengal.-

To Ditto- with Copy of the above Letter from Permacoil.-

To Ditto

To Board of Revenue.-

To Board of Revenue.

Major Stevenson has confirmed the Etiapore Polygar in the possession of the Village of Mawellaura. Copy of his Letter Enclosed.-

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor — President

Ernst William Tallofield Esqr.

Tuesday
2. July
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Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Horble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Horble Sir.

From Colonel Brathwaite enclosing the Proceedings of the General Court Martial held on Captain Beale with the Sentence passed upon him.

I have the honor to inform you, that I have directed the Adjutant General to lay before you, for your information, the Proceedings of a General Court Martial, held on Captain Beale in obedience to your Commands under date the 22d of May, with the Sentence and recommendations of the Court, my confirmation of the former, and declaration in consequence of the latter.

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

Military Head Quarters
Madras June 26. 1793.

I signed as John Brathwaite

Sentence

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Sentence on Captain Beale

The Court is of opinion that the Prisoner Captain Anthony Beale did, while in the Command of the Fort of Tennecotah, leave the same without having first obtained the permission of Government, through its Secretary, for so doing, in conformity to established Orders; and that during his absence, the said Fort of Tennecotah, which was left under the charge of a Native officer, was taken and plundered by a party of Freebooters, on or about the 22d of April 1793. The conduct of the Prisoner being, in that respect, contrary to the rules and Articles of War established for the Government of the Honorable Company's forces wherefore the Court adjudges that he shall be suspended from Pay and Rank for the space of Six Months. But, in consideration, that as the Prisoner was at the time in extreme bad health, and as no medical assistance was to be procured at his station or at any place nearer to it than the Fort of Engole, and as it appears that he had, on former occasions, removed to Engole for similar reasons of bad health, which had been reported to Government without meeting any blame, and

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and also in regard to the Prisoner's former meri-
torious conduct as an Officer, which has been amply
certified by the Commander of the Army, the Court
finds it a duty incumbent upon itself, to express a
wish that Captain Beale's case may meet the
favorable consideration of the Commander in Chief.

/Signed/ Dugald Campbell
Lieut.t Coll.e & President

/Signed/ Andrew Wright.
Judge advocate

I Conform the foregoing sentence
/Signed/ John Boathwaite

The Commander of the Army having read
with deliberation the Proceedings of the General
Court Martial held at Fort St. George the instant
for the trial of Captaine Beale, and the sentence
passed, has confirmed the said sentence, and
having also well considered the recommendation
of the Court accompanying the said sentence, finds
it his indispensible duty to declare, that the Nature
of the Charge of which the Prisoner has been found
guilty and the mildness of the sentence duely
compared, do not admit of his paying that attention
to the recommendation of the Court and the
established good Character of the Prisoner, which
a more rigorous sentence might have inclined him to

Head Quarters
June 26th 1793.

/Signed/ John Boathwaite

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The Secretary lays before the Board the following Sentence of the Court Martial, held on Shaick Murah, Subadar of the 10th. Battalion of Native Infantry, who was in charge of Timmericotah at the time of its Capture.-

Sentence against Shaick Murah Subadar of the 10th. Battalion of Native Infantry

The Court finds, that the Prisoner Shaick Murah Subadar, did not neglect to post such guards into the Fort of Timericotah as had been customary, and as he had been directed to post there, and that when the Fort and Pettah were surprised and attacked, he made all the resistance, with the number of Sepoys under his Command, and the Nature of his Situation, enabled him to do, therefore acquits him of the neglect of duty and failure in making resistance of which he stands accused.-

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Ammeed Cawn Subdr. Pnt.

Sentence of the Court Martial on the Subadar, Tuticorin and of Timericotah.-

Signed. Andrew Wight
Judge Advte.

Head Quarters
July 2. 1793.-

I approve and Confirm the foregoing Proceedings and Sentence.-

Signed John Braithwaite

Read the following Letter from the Commodore Cornwallis.-

To

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To the Honourable the Governor in Council

Madras.

Sir,

From Commodore Cornwallis has received the Boards Letter - will certainly dispatch the Indiamen to China, as soon as possible -

I have had the Honour of receiving your Letter enclosing a copy of the orders given to the Commander of the Triton.-

You may be assured that I shall only detain the India Ships until I am joined by some of the King's Ships, or that the Service may require their assistance, and that I shall take the very first opportunity of sending them upon their Voyage.-

Minerva
Madras Road
28th June 1793.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) W. Cornwallis.-

Read the following Letter from
Captain Barrington.-

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

Honble Sir.

From Commander of the Triton - stating his Sentiments to his sailing with the Commodore and his opinion of the dispatch of Despatches from the Pondicherry -

I this moment received a Letter from Mr Boyd, Master Attendant, saying that if I continued in the opinion I expressed to you this morning

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morning, that there was some risk in my going alone, it was at my option to wait for the other Ships.—

I certainly do think there is a risk in my going alone, and wait your further order.—

He also desires me to explain the reason of my not proceeding agreeable to my instructions—

The moment I received your instructions I made every exertion to obey them and Yesterday Morning waited on Commodore Cornwallis to inform him that I was unfortunately delayed by an accident of one of my Guns being spiked, and that I could not get French Colours, which were necessary, agreeable to his instructions; the colours with difficulty I got this afternoon; and for this reason have been on board laying at half cable the Wind so far to the Eastward could not get underway.—

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Philip Burneat

Triton
Madras Road
June 30th 1793.
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Minutes and Resolutions on the subject.—

The President informed the Board that finding, on Sunday Morning, that Captain Burneat had not acted with the Commodore, agreeably to the instructions sent to him on the 27th Ultimo, he (the President) directed the

Master

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Master Attendant to write to Capt.re Burrowes for an Explanation of the reasons, vested with directions to said immediately, unless he conceived there was danger in proceeding alone to Pondicherry, in which case, it was left to his discretion to wait for the Royal Charlotte and Warley - The Commodore had Sailed on Saturday Night and was out of sight the next Morning -

Agreed that a Letter be written to Captain Burrowes expressing concern that any circumstance should have happened to prevent the execution of the orders communicated to him on the 27th Ultimo, and directing, in consequence of the opinion given by him, that he remain until the Royal Charlotte and Warley sail for the Southward, when he is to accompany them -

Read the following Letters from the Commanders of the Royal Charlotte - Warley and Triton -

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Fort St. George

From Commanders of the Indiamen regulating to know in what manner Prize Money is to be shared -

Honble Sir,

The Commanders of the Ships Royal Charlotte, Warley and Triton having been ordered by your Honor in Council to Cruize off Pondicherry

under

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under the Orders of Commodore Cornwallis, and wishing to instill their Zeal for the good of the Service into the Minds of their Officers and Seamen, request you will be pleased to inform them, what encouragement they are to hold out to their Ships' Company, and in what Manner Prize Money is to be shared.-

As much Dissatisfaction and Controversy may be prevented by having this point clearly understood before the Fleet sails, hope your Honor will be pleased to take it into Consideration.-

We have the Honor to be,

&c.ª &c.ª

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Signed Josiah Coyce
Henry Wilson
Philips Burneyeat

Minute thereon.

Agreed to inform Captain Coyce, Wilson and Burneyeat that the Board are unacquainted with the proportion of Prize Money falling to the Share of the Company's Ships in any Captures made in concert with the Ships of his Majesty; and that the question can only be determined in England.-

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.-

Hospital

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Hospital Board
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From Hospital Board. - proposing appointments to fill up the Vacancies caused by the Field arrangements - Mr. Thackeray recommended for the Body Guard - Minute of the Physician General on the necessity of restoring the appointment of Medical Storekeeper and of stationing a Head Surgeon at each General Hospital - Mr. Hoevenaris statement of his claims on the score - Want of Capital Surgical Instruments. -

Approved

Government having been pleased to approve and confirm the Medical arrangement for the Field, the Hospital Board proceed to fill up such of the Vacancies, occasioned by the removal and promotion of those Gentlemen ordered on Field Service, as are most immediately indispensable; They therefore recommend that Mr. Pontan, assistant Surgeon, be appointed Medical Storekeeper to the Presidency General Hospital, vice Baillie; That Mr. Williams Jackson Todd, be appointed to do duty with the 87th Battalion of Native Infantry, vice Mackenzie; and Mr. Mac Phillace, to the 29th Battalion of Native Infantry (vice Pontan) - With respect to the Surgeons

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of Condapilly, and Chicacole, the 2d. Regiment of European Infantry, and the Collector of the Polygar Peschcush, it will not be possible to furnish them with assistant Surgeons at present.-

Mr. Thackeray, Assistant Surgeon, having presented a Letter to the Hospital Board, stating that his present state of health renders him unable to take the Field, they recommend, that he be appointed to the duty of the Governor's Body-Guard at the Presidency --

To lie on the table.-

The Head Surgeon to the Army will be enabled to Station with the 5. Battalions of Artillery, one of the Assistants, who accompany the Flank Companies from Trichinopoly to Cauvepo.-

Approved-

The President desires, that the following Minute be

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be inserted in the Proceedings and the other Members of the Board perfectly coincide with him in opinion, that the suggestions therein stated are extremely necessary and would be highly conducive to the welfare of the Service.-

"The Physician General thinks it a duty incumbent on him to represent to Government that, in consequence of the Death of Mr. Binny, not only the General Hospital at Masulipatam, but the whole Department of the Northern Circars, has been left without any person to attend the Returns, or to attend to, and be responsible for, the distribution and care of the Europe Medicines and Medical Stores, since the Office of Medical Storekeeper has been abolished; And it is his opinion also absolutely necessary, that this

a person should

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"appointment should be
"restored at each of the General
"Hospitals of Masulipatam
"Vellore, and Trichinopoly; to
"prevent the great confusion
"that must arise on the event
"of a similar circumstance
"taking place in future, and
"the actual loss that must be
"always sustained from the
"want of such a Station."

"It is likewise the
"opinion of the Physician
"General that a full Surgeon
"should be Stationed at each
"of the General Hospitals, as well
"to assist the Head Surgeon, as
"to act for him in case of Sick-
"ness or otherwise; for as regularity
"in Charge as the care of two
"or three Hundred Europeans,
"should never be entrusted
"to the sole Management of
"young and inexperienced Persons".

Should

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Situation in Garrison will admit of their dispensing with them on the present exigency.-

Read a Letter from Mr. Walker, Surgeon at Chingleput, stating that there are accommodations for a considerable number of Sick in that Garrison, which he wishes may be communicated to Government.-

Signed Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colley L. Lucas
W Raine,
Head Surgeon

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

Gentlemen,

Being ordered, and on the march with the two flank Companies, which at present compose the most important part of the 75th. Regiment to join the Army assembling for

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For Service in the Carnatic. I take the liberty of submitting to your Consideration that my Commission bears dated the 3d. of January 1782. that I have upon every occasion uniformerly and consistentry steadily done duety in the Field from the commencement of the late Hyder's War 1780. and justice in attending to my Rank and Services, when making out your General Field Arrangement.

As the Kings Order published by Marquis Cornwallis may never have appeared before your Board. I now do myself the Honor of sending a true Copy, by which I hope it will seem to you evident, that the two branches are considered united. I further take the liberty of troubling you with the decision of the late Governor and Commander in Chief relative to my Rank, in consequence of a reference which it was necessary to make to him nearly three years ago. From which, as well as what I have above stated, I have every confidence that you will be pleased to attend to my claim in a favorable manner. Should you however, conceive my application to you too late, or, from particular circumstances which I may be ignorant of entertain any doubt. I beg leave to request, that my Letter with its enclosures, may with as little delay as possible, be laid before the

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Honble Governor in Council for their determination.

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Willm. Horsman
Surgeon 71st. Regiment

Camp near Madura
22d. June 1793.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) V. Conolly
Sec. to Govt.

G. O. By Earl Cornwallis. Dated
Fort William 30th. July 1788.

Earl Cornwallis has in command from the King to notify to His Majesty's Troops now serving in India, that His Majesty has been pleased to grant Kings Local Bank in India to all Officers in the Service of the Honble East India Company of the same degree as they now enjoy in the Company's Service, or as they may attain from time to time by regular promotions on the Establishments to which they respectively belong, the period for the Commencement of such Rank extending in no case whatever beyond the day of the cessation of Hostilities between England and France in India Viz.t 9th. July 1783
It is also His Majesty's pleasure that such of his Officers as may have Local Rank in India shall waive the exercise of it from the 29th.
September

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September 1780, and from that time they shall rank only according to their respective Regimental Commissions or their Brevets of General Rank in the Army, and His Majesty has no doubt of their readiness and alacrity with which their Zeal for his Service will prompt such officers to make this sacrifice in order more completely to effectuate the purposes of a measure which is so essential to the welfare of the interests of Great Britain in India, by tending to unite the two Branches of the Military Service more and more into one, and thereby to remove all grounds of Jealousies and uneasiness between them for ever.-

I signed A. Ross
Adjt. Genl.

Captain Dalrymple
Commanding His Majestys 71st. Regiment

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs me to acquaint you in answer to your Letter respecting the Bond of Mr. Thorneman Surgeon of the 71st. Regiment, that, his Commission being dated in 1782, there can be no doubt of his being Senior to any Surgeon of a Regiment in the Honble

Comphany's

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Company's Service, as the earliest period from which their officers can rank with those of His Majesty's Service has been limited to the 9th July 1783.

Camp

Daraporam

13th July 1790.

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

(Signed) Alex.r Dirom
Dep.y Adj.t Gen.l

Read the following letter from the Military Board.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board stating their remarks and opinions upon the suggestions of Colonel Floyd regarding the Cavalry Regulations orders given for the demolition of the inferior forts in the Barramahal.

We are honored with your Hon.r
of the 2d Instant, and, in consequence of your assent
of the check We had the honor to submit to you on the
Contractors for the Works and reservoirs, have given
the necessary directions to the Honorable Company's
solicitor to prepare the Contract.

Agreeably to your recommendation We
have passed the Grain Indents on Pondicherry for
the present Strength of each Corps and have apprised
to the Agents employed in the purchase of Horses

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to give us all the information they can with respect to the Number of Horses they have purchased, or on the road to the principal Cavalry Stations, as well as to bargains actually made with the Dealers, and the probable number to be expected in consequence - Till their answers are received, We shall continue to pass the Indents for Gram in the Manner you have directed. -

With respect to the Extract from Colonel Floyd you enclosed for our opinion offering some remarks on the late Cavalry Regulations, We have the honor to acquaint you that we conceive, in regard to Horsekeepers and Grasscutters the pay and batta now allowed is sufficient, and that it is their duty to bring Water for Sick Horses and to boil the Gram. -

That one Maistry Horsekeeper and one Maistry Grasscutter may be allowed for each Troop of the Mounted Regiments at two and a half Pagodas each per Month, and one fanam batta per day when the Regiment is on that allowance: that the full feed of

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five Seers being allowed for each Horse the suggestion relative to food for sick Horses may be carried into execution in each Troop without any public order or arrangement; that Short Cut Grass ought to be allowed, and that the Carriage of Grain for Horses on Detachment may be arranged internally in each Troop adequate to any purpose applicable to single Horses being detached; which we conceive can happen but seldom; that paying the Horsekeepers and Grasscutters of Cavalry in advance, is inadmissable as advertising to the practice of the Service in issuing pay to the Natives in general; and, from the movement lately made by his Majesty's 19th Regiment as well as the Company's 1st Regiment of Native Cavalry with a certain supply of Grain, We conclude that the agent take the proper precaution in regard to bags as well as Carriage and that therefore it is unnecessary to make any new Regulation in regard to bags.—

In regard to the Subject of Doctor Corrie's Letter to Colonel Floyd We are of

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of opinion that, however Meritorious the exertions of Doctor Lorrie may have been, and however Zealous he may have been to procure information for the Veterinary Society, and although he appears to have bestowed his attention on the sick Horses of the Corps, We, as a Military Board, are not authorized to recommend any allowance that would add to the Establishment rate of difference of pay, or of Company's allowances as now ordered for the King's Troops.-

We have likewise the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Letter under date the 10.th Instant, and have, in consequence, been favored with our President's Opinion relative to the Baramahal and Salem Districts, and, entirely coinciding with Him, We came to the Resolution of referring the whole of the Business to the Chief Engineer, in order that he might take the most expedient, and advisable measures to demolish the Forts which your

Honorable

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Honorable Board have thought proper to destroy.-

We have the Honor to be

Honorable Sir,

Your Most Obedient

Humble Servant.

Fort St. George
the
25th. June 1793.-

/Signed/ John Braithwaite

Henry Malcolm

Thomas Dalls

John Richardson

Barry Close

George Maule

George Hall

Minute thereon

Agreed to approve the remarks of the Military Board upon suggestions of Colonel Floyd regarding the Cavalry Regulations.-

Read

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Read the following Letters from the Military Auditor General.—

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

Honble Sir.

I do myself the honor of reporting as follows in consequence of your Commands signified in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letters of the 23d Ultimo and 2d 12th & 14th Instant, accompanied by Estimates of Cash required in the Department of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for the Months of May, and June, and advising me of Advances made to him in June, which will be detailed in this report.

P. F. C.
May 1793/4 - Total of the Estimate ------ 21505. 3. 28.

Detailed as follows.

Receivable by the Commissary General on account of Sales ---- 2400. ---

Receivable from Sir John Hennaway on account of Bullock Agent Nogan's Detachment 1121. 4. ---

3521. 4. ---

Receivable from the General Treasury 531. 21. 47.

Receivable by Bills on the Commissary General in favor of the Military Paymaster General and to be transferred to the Debit of the Commissaryjen General Books ---------- 17452. 19. 61.

17983. 41. 28.

21505. 3. 28.

and

From Military Auditor General reporting on Mr. Lock. Estimate for Bullock agency &c. and the advances made to him and the Military Storekeeper - proposition for separating the accounts of the Bullock and Grain agency and Grain and Bullocking Department.—

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and consequently the two last sums in the detail of the Estimate, amounting to Seventeen Thousand Nine hundred and Eighty Three Pagodas, Forty one Fanams and Twenty Eight Cash / Pags. 17983. 41. 28 / falls to be carried to the Debit of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions in General Books for May 1793/4.

June 1793/4 – Total of the Estimate – 31146. 22. 51.

Detailed as follows.

Receivable by the Commissary General on account of Bullocks	14295. – –		
Receivable by D.o from Sir John Kennaway on account of Bullock Agent, Nizams Detachment	1121. – 4. –	15416. 4. –	
Receivable from the General Treasury	2762. 40. 24		
Receivable by Bills on the Commissary General in favor of the Military Paymaster General and to be transferred to the Debit of the Commissary in General Books	12967. 20. 27.	15730. 18. 51.	
		31146. 22. 51.	

and consequently the two last sums in the detail of the Estimate amounting to Fifteen Thousand seven hundred and Thirty Pagodas, Eighteen Fanams and Fifty One Cash / Pagodas 15730. 18. 51 / falls to be carried to the Debit of the Commissary General

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of Grain and Provisions in General Books for June 1793/4. as p Estimate, exclusive of which he is to be Debited in General Books in the same Month for the following Sums.

Pag.s 30325.—— advanced as p Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 15th Inst

9155.—— Advanced as p D.o —————— of the 16.th D.o

which makes the Total to be carried to the Debit of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions in General Books for June 1793/4 amount to Fifty Five Thousand Two hundred and ten Pagodas, Eighteen Fanams and Fifty one cash (Pag.s 55210. 18. 51.) as p Estimate for ——— and advanced separately ordered as above.—

I have further to report that as it appears by the Letter of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions under date 31.st Ultimo that he has advanced to the principal agent for Grain Supplies the Sum of Twelve Thousand Nine hundred and Forty Nine Pagodas, Twenty Three Fanams and Forty Cash (Pag.s 12949. 23. 40.) previous to the Order for drawing the Funds for that purpose through the Military Paymaster General, this proceeding renders it necessary that the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions shall be credited and the Military Paymaster General be Debited for the same amount in General Books and

consequently

consequently that the Military Paymaster General shall carry the said sum of Pagodas 12969. 23. 40 to the Debit of the Principal Agent for Grain Supplies -observing, in making these transfers, that the Credit in General Books is to be given to the Commissary for 1792/3 and the Debits on the same account for for May 1793/4.-

The Military Paymaster General having been directed to advance the sum of Eight Thousand Pagodas /8000/ to the Principal Agent for Grain Supplies in this month, I beg leave to recommend that the said sum, together with the amount of Mr. Cochrane's additional Estimate for June, viz.t Pagodas 6452, making in all the sum of Fourteen Thousand four hundred and fifty two Pagodas /14452/ may be advanced and Debited to the Military Paymaster General for June 1793/4 in addition to his General Estimate reported upon for that Month in my Letter of the 27th Ultimo.-

Having thus laid before you the several details necessary to be reported upon, according to the orders contained in the Letter above mentioned from Mr. Secretary Jackson, with the exception of what relates to the Arrears

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previous to 30th April 1793 in the Department of Commissary General of Grain and Provisions as stated in the Estimate for June and in Mr. Jackson's Letter of the 2. Instant, I shall now beg leave to suggest the expediency, without waiting for the intended arrangement of all the Military Offices on the Coast, of giving the following Orders concerning the advances and Account Disbursements of the Department of Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, by separating the Bullock Agency from those which properly belong to the Grain and Victualling Department, exclusive of the separation of the Account in Agency for Cavalry Grain, and that these Accounts shall accordingly appear separately under three heads.-

2. That the advances already made for the current Year shall be brought to account on the above principle, and the future Estimates be transmitted through the Channel of the Pay Office General, specifying the sums required under each head at each Station, in three separate Estimates, in order that the Paymaster General may be guided thereby in forming his General Monthly Cash Estimate, from the amount of which he will then be enabled to make the advances required at the Presidency and to grant Bills to the extent necessary under each head of Charge at the Outstations.

For

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In case Your Honble Board shall be pleased to issue Orders to the above effect, it will only be necessary, in carrying them into execution, that Mr. Cockburn shall state the part of the advances for May and June, as already detailed, which will fall to be brought to account under each head in the Books of the Military Paymaster General, who will be Debited for the whole in Cash Books in addition to the advances he has already received for the corresponding Months.

This arrangement appears to me essentially necessary, at this time for the purposes of discriminating the several Accounts in question, and of expediting them in a distinct and satisfactory manner: on considering the present preparations and the large Disbursements under each head of charge which will fall to be made in the course of this and some succeeding Months, and as the principles of System intended to be established will be thus so far in practise, in addition to what has been already directed it appears to me that the adoption of the Orders now submitted to your Consideration will tend to facilitate, and, at all events, cannot impede, whatever alteration may take place applicable

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to a separation of Offices under a new System, as if it shall be found necessary to transfer the Stock (which will probably be the case on the Bengal System) as well as the advances and accounts from General Books to those of the Paymaster General from whence it will ultimately be brought into General Books, the proceeding may be adopted, I conceive, without Material inconvenience, after receiving an answer from the Government General on the subject of the late Report.-

M.r Secretary Jackson's separate Letter of the 12.th Instant having notified to me an Advance of Ten Thousand Pagodas to the Military Storekeeper, I beg to express, that the same rule as proposed above, in bringing to Account the Advances which have been made, or are in future to be made, to that Officer for the Current Year will likewise be attended with similar advantages in proportion to the extent of his Duty.-

In regard to the Arrears prior to 30.th April 1793, as stated in the Estimate of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for this Month, I must delay reporting upon them until I am in possession of the several accounts

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accounts of his office up to that date from the last audit, and have had sufficient time to Examine them; and this will soon be the case in regard to the Accounts being given in, as I understand they are in great forwardness in the Commissary Generals Office, and, no delay, that it is practicable to avoid, shall be admitted, on any, part, in auditing them.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
2d. June 1793.

[Signed] Henry Malcolm
Milit.y Aud.r Gen.l

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

Honble Sir

From Military Auditor General reporting on the Paymaster Generals Estimate for July - has reconsidered the arrangements last proposed by him, recommends accordingly

I beg leave to recommend after examining the Military Paymaster Generals Estimate for this Month, that the Sum of Two Lacks Ten Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Seven Pagodas Eight Thousand and Nine Hundred Fanams and Sixty Six Cash [Pag.s 210377. 8906. 36.] as per enclosed Statement, may be advanced to him for the Month of July 1793. the total retrenched from the Estimate as per particulars in the Statement being Pagodas 9186. 17. 58.

On

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On considering more maturely the recommendations contained in my Letter of the 21st Ultimo I beg leave now to suggest that it may be most advisable, until a compleat arrangement of the different offices takes place, to allow the advances to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions in that capacity and as Bullock Agent, and to the Military Storekeeper to remain, as at present, in communication with the General Treasury, and only to direct the discrimination in regard to the Estimates, Advances and Accounts from the Commencement of the current Year as recommended in my Letter of the 21st Ultimo, which will be the means of rendering the audit of the Accounts less complicate, and leave the other parts of the System to be settled after an answer or the late report is received from Bengal.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
2d July 1793.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Milit. Aud. Genl.

Directs on the foregoing Letters.

Agreed, at the suggestions of the Military Auditor General, That until a compleate arrangement of the different offices take place, the advances to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, in that capacity, and as Bullock

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Bullock Agent, and to the Military Storekeeper do remain as at present, on Communications with the General Treasury, but that the Discrimination in regard to the Estimates, advances, and accounts be attended to, from the commencement of the current Year.-

Ordered that the Advances of Cash to the Military Paymaster General and to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions be made as recommended by the Auditor.-

Read the following Letter from Colonel Braithwaite

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Braithwaite has ordered Colonel Floyd and the Southern force to move forward to the Red Hills - a Bazar and Tappy to Camp necessary - preferring that Captain Douglas be appointed Aide de Camp and Lieutenant Nightingale, Secretary to Colonel Maxwell - and that an Assistant Surgeon be stationed at Nabajabad.-

I have the honor to inform you, that in consequence of Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 30th June, I last night dispatched Orders to Colonel Floyd to move forward to the red Hills, immediately, with his whole Force, if he was so provided with all Necessaries as would enable him so to do: and I also dispatched Orders to Colonel Bruce, to send the Troops assembled to the Southward also directly forward to the red Hills. I have however this day

received

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received a Letter from Colonel Floyd, an Extract of which I have the honor to enclose, and request your attention to what the Colonel says in regard to the necessity of the Bazars, and with regard to the establishment of a Tasseal direct to his Camp, to be continued as it may advance, and where arrived at its destination.-

I have also the honor to enclose to you the Copy of a Letter I have received from Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell; he had before written to me, desiring me to recommend Captain Douglas for his Aid de Camp, and Lieutenant Nightingale as his Secretary, and, in consequence of my reply, he has written the Letter I have the honor to enclose, and as he has repeated his request, and seems particularly anxious that Lieutenant Nightingale may be his Secretary although Brigade Major, and has stated an instance of your having assented a similar appointment, I am induced to recommend that Captain Douglas may be appointed Aid de Camp to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, and Lieutenant Nightingale his Secretary.-

As some convalescent men of each Corps European and Native, and an officer of his Majesty's 72d Regiment, are left in charge of the

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the Cantonments at Wallajanabad to take care of the buildings and Cattle, and as these men, though not in such a situation as requires them to be sent to a general Hospital, are yet such as are not likely soon to be able to join their Corps, and require Medical attendance, for which purpose an assistant from one of the Corps marching has been left who can be ill spared; I request that a Surgeon assistant may be sent to attend the convalescent men left in charge of the Cantonments at Wallajanabad.-

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

Military Head Quarters
Madras July 6th 1793.-

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Floyd to Colonel Braithwaite, dated Camp at Mayoor June 29th 1793.-

I have the honor of your letter of the 27th by the way of Wallajanabad, and I judge all the other Letters for this Camp have been sent to Wallajanabad by the Hospital of the 28th as none are arrived here by the Chinglipet Hospital- I cannot help thinking but

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but the publick Service will be retarded if a Dafpfal is not established direct to this Camp.—

Doolies, Arrack and Rice are arrived.—But, so far from receiving afsistance from his Highness the Nabob, not a Creature has afpeared, on his part; and I beg leave to offer it as my opinion that the only way of dispatching this Corps, and the Army about to assemble, with abundance, and with certainty, is for his Highness to give an order, without delay, for Bingarries to pass all his Chokeys, free from Tax, in their way to the Army.— To give orders for the sale of Rice and Paddy in his Country, by dispatching several Dustucks to the Commanding Officer in Camp, for the Bingarries to produce in the District to which they are addressed.— The Bingarries also require a Sum of Money, as Lord Cornwallis could to advance, to make purchases.— The usual Security will be required, but Government only can do this.— It seems the Bingarries are more Carriers than Merchants.—

A Sum of Money, too is required for the Butchers, which the Authority of Government only can provide.—

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It is, no doubt, very essential for the Troops to block up Pondichery, on the Land side, but I am tied by the leg by want of supply to the Bazar, as much as if there was no provision for the Troops.-

It is probable Mr. Wynch will enable me to move with 20 days Provision of all Sorts.-

A true Extract
I Signed W. Wilson Jun.

To Colonel Brathwaite
Commanding the Army.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your letter dated 24th. Instant. I understood from yours of the 15th that I probably would be allowed an Aid de Camp and Secretary, but not certainly, as these appointments had not then obtained the sanction of Government.-

The Officers in Command of Wings during the Mysore War had no Secretary, but they were allowed two Aid de Camps, and on the death of Captain Clerk 74th. Regiment and Lieutenant Young 72d, the Vacancies in the Families of Colonel Stewart and myself were immediately filled up, by Lord Cornwallis.-

I recommended Lieutenant Nightingale for my Secretary, on a supposition that he was eligible

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eligible to act as a particular Staff tho' Brigade Major to the Kings Troops in India, because he was attached to a particular Brigade during the whole of the late War, and on account of the Madras Board having approved of Captain Barnerman's being appointed my Secretary, while I commanded the Southern Detachment, tho' he was Brigade Major to it. I also recollected that Major Skelly when A. D. C. to the commander in Chief, commanded a Brigade of the Army. Had I foreseen any difficulty when I proposed Lieutenant Nightingale, for my Secretary, I certainly would not have mentioned him, but as he has now arranged all his Matters on a supposition that he is to be one of my Family, I request the favor of you to recommend him to the Madras Board as a proper person to be appointed my Secretary, if I am allowed one, and if not, as my additional A. D. C provided it is determined that the Officers Commanding Wings shall be on the same footing they were last War.-

I beg that Captain Douglas 74th Regiment may be recommended as my Aid de Camp.-

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

Tanjore
27th June 1793.-

(Signed) Hamilton Maxwell
Lieut. Col. Comm.g

A true Copy
(Signed) W Wilson Lieu.t

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The Board have already written to his Highness the Nabob very particularly in regard to the Safety of the Camp Bazars - and it is now resolved that Captain Alexander Read be directed to send for the principal Bunjarries residing in the Barramahl, and engage their service, if possible, with the Army during the Siege of Pondicherry -

For the better regulation of the Camp Bazars, it is agreed to recommend to Colonel Braithwaite to appoint some trust worthy Man to superintend them -

On referring to the Accounts of the late War the Board find that officers Commanding Wings were only allowed one aid de Camp in the pay of the Company - and, as they must adhere to the practice then in force, they can only give their sanction to the appointment of one aid de Camp, without any Secretary, to the officers Commanding Wings. The instance quoted by Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell is by no means similar to the one in question - the Nature of the two Services being totally distinct from each other -

Agreed that the Hospital Board be directed to recommend an assistant Surgeon to attend the Convalescent Men left in charge of the Cantonment at Walaujanbad -

Read

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Read the following Letter from the
Resident at Hydrabad —

W. C. Jackson Esq.
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Sir.

From Resident at Hyderabad
Upon receipt of the despatch
of the dawk of last to Cuddapah
Copy of this Letter ordered —

I have the pleasure to enclose for the information of the Board a Copy of a Letter, just arrived, from Tipsoo Sultaun to the Nizam's Minister.

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

Hydrabad
19th June 1793.

[Signed] John Kennaway

Translate of Copy Letter
From Tipsoo Sultan
To Azeim ul Omra Bahadur.
Dated 10th Shawal A.H. 1207
or
May 22nd A.D. 1793.

The full Amount of the first Kist, which I some time ago dispatched to Cuddapa accompanied by the honorable Hyder Ale Beg, has doubtless, been received by your illustrious Sirkar.

I now remit the second Kist and hope you will enjoin the Talookdar of Cuddapa to receive and pass a Receipt for the same, sealed and

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and signed by the illustrious a Nawab, to the Officer of the Mysoree State.-

I hope, (God willing,) to be able to send off the third Kist also, in a short time.-

Considering me at all times assiduously solicitous for your Welfare and Happiness, I request that you will do my Satisfaction and Pleasure, by the earliest intelligence.-

May your Prosperity Endure!

A true Translation,

(Signed) J. Falconar
Dep.y P.r S.r

Read the following letter from the Accountant General.-

William Collins Jackson Esq.r
Military Secretary

Sir.

From Accountant General with Comparative Statement of the proposals for Cloathing the Army.- Mr. Torriano's the lowest.-

Conformable to your Letter of the 19.th instant I have now the honor to send you a Comparative Statement of the five proposals of Contract for Cloathing the Honble Company's Troops, which you will be pleased to lay before the Honble Governor in Council.

It will be seen that the greater part of Mr. Torriano's proposals are the lowest,- in one Material article however

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however that of the private dresses cloathing Mr. Tulloh is the lowest being 2 farrams 12 cash below Mr. Torriano, but this is more than compensated for by the difference in the exchange of farams the latter agreeing to account for them at 45 farams and the former at 42 farams the Pagoda.— As Mr. Torriano also proposes good security and offers to account for the cloth at what appears a reasonable valuation I am clearly of opinion that his proposals are most advantageous for the Honble Company.—

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

Fort St. George
Accountant Generals
Office 29th June 1793.

Signed Robert Woolf
Accountant Genl.

Mr. Torriano's Proposals accepted Minute in consequence.

Agreed that the proposals of Mr. Torriano be accepted, and that the Military Board be directed to prepare the Contract and call upon Mr. Torriano to give Security for the performance of his Engagements.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Storekeeper.—

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The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor &c.a in Council

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Honble Sir.

I have the honor to lay be-
fore you an Estimate of Sundry Articles Spec-
ified in the Enclosed Indent Ordered by the
Military Board, in part of which have
received Pagodas 20,000 and have to request
you will be pleased to direct the remaining
Balance to be advanced when I shall have
Occasion to apply for the same.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
29th June 1793.

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Jos: du: Pre Porcher
Military Storekeeper

Indent

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Indent on the Military Storekeeper for Articles required to fit out the Field and Battering Train and Magazine require for the Army in the Field exclusive of what Remains in Store at Fort St. George 20th. June 1793.

			Estimate	Price	
Tarred Bags large of Gunny		24,900.	933.	31.	40.
Small D°		13,000.	495.	"	"
Gunny Bags for packing		5000.	162.	21.	"
Bellows Smiths Country	Pairs	250.	31.	10.	40.
Painting Brushes Hair		12.	3.	"	"
Barrier White	Pieces	5.	35.	"	"
Long Cloth of 30 Cubits each	D°	650.	2,193.	31.	40.
Blue Cloth of 30 D°	D°	100.	200.	"	"
Waxed Cloth	D°	3000	4,500.	"	"
Dammer	Candy	1/2	6.	10.	40.
Files of sorts	Dozens	25	50.	"	"
Grease	Barrels	7	63.	"	"
Iron flat	Bars	400.	870.	"	"
Square	D°	250			
Bolt	D°	25			
Rod	Bundles	5.	21.	18.	"
Knives Laboratory		300.	321.	18.	"
South Europe	Candles	24.	15.	"	"
White Lead	M°	10.	25.	"	"
Leather Hydes Country		100.	15.	"	"
Line Hambro'	Nº	30.	15.	"	"
Hand	D°	30.	25.	"	"
Log	D°	100.	17.	36.	"
Nails Iron of sorts	H°	250.	"	40.	"
Needles Gunny		200.	5.	15.	"
Sewing		3000.	57.	6.	"
Coconut Oil	Mea.s	400.	80.	"	"
Linseed Oil	D°	200.	2.	36.	"
Portfire Paper Country		30.	30.	"	"
Portfire Paper Country		40.	40.	"	"
Iron Screw Plates small		10.	60.	"	"
Rope Country 5 Inch	Coils	10.	450.	"	"
1½ D°	D°	600.	30.	"	"
Coir Loose	Candies	2			

Carried Over Pag.s 10,756. 22. "

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			Brought over Page		10756.	22.
Salamoniac	lb	50.			14.	" "
Scales and Weights Small	Set	5.			42.	24. "
Sheep Skins with hair		40.			1.	38. "
Solder Pewter	lb	130.			16.	10. 40.
Handles for Grinding Stones		2.			1.	" "
Tacks Copper	lb	100.			28.	24. "
Sponge	lb	50.			12.	24. "
Thread Silk for Plummet	Sks.	10.			2.	24. "
D. Cotton	lb	100.			25.	" "
Axes Pick		1200.			561.	27. "
Bill hooks		1300.			211.	30. "
Hand Hatchets		1500.			220.	13. 60.
Rattan Baskets		3000.			285.	30. "
Mamotties		3700.			925.	" "
Helves for Pick Axes		1200.			81.	" "
D. for Mamotties		3700.			46.	10. 40.
Twine Europe	Sks.	500.			83.	14. "
D. Gunny	N.	10.			7.	24. "
Vices Bench		10.			15.	" "
Hand		20.			10.	" "
Vinegar	Dozn	1.			1.	36. 60.
Timber Teak Artes		50.			450.	" "
Sisu beam		100.			1000.	" "
Sheathing Boards		500.			200.	" "
Trincomallee Joists		20.			15.	" "
Axes Brass Cooper		20.			20.	" "
Axletrees Teak for heavy field Large		20.			70.	" "
D. Iron for 6 Pdr. Guns & Tumbril		10.			100.	" "
Bags Gunny for Powder		3000.			1350.	" "
for Shot and Shells		7000.			1400.	" "
Blocks purchase of Sizes		12.			1.	" "
Boxes Tin Tube to Bx.		70.			14.	11. "
Buckets Guy Leather		300.			30.	19. 40.
Collars Bullock Leather		1000.			52.	24. "
Hogs for Tar and Grease		150.			60.	" "
Drivers brass Cooper		20.			15.	" "
Match Country	Sks.	500.			34.	5. 20.
Cotton	D.	300.			110.	" "
Priming Pouches		100.			25.	" "
Goes Irons		50.			7.	1. 30.
			Carried over Page		15454.	7. 50.

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	Brought Over Pags.	18,454	7. 50
Glasses time two Hours	4	2	" "
Ditt D.	8	2	" "
Handspikes Gun spare	4	1	24 "
Purchasing	300	90	" "
Haversacks Leather	100	25	" "
Ammunition Barrels	2000	200	" "
Vices Brass Cooper	20	2	" "
Yokes Common Pole	300	450	" "
Quadruple D.	50	150	" "
Trace	200	600	" "
Gunny Bags for Ammunition	2600	1040	" "
Candy	1	40	" "
Tent Rope	300	24	" "
Tape for Tents	25	10	" "
Reels	4	392	" "
Field Officer Tents	200	9400	" "
Officers Tents	68	723	34 20
Necessary Tents	100	875	" "
Bell Tents			
	Pagodas	33,021	26 70

/ Signed George Hall
Commissary Genl. of Stores
/ Signed John Braithwaite
Provid. Milit. Board.

Agreed.

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Ordered.-

Agreed that the balance be advanced to the Military Storekeeper, at such time as he may apply for it.-

Read the following Extract of a Letter from the Board of Revenue.-

Extract of a Letter from the Board of Revenue
Dated 25th. June 1793.

From Board of Revenue - respecting the Enormities committed by Parkhall Vencatresa-nair - and an Encrease of Salary to Mr. Balmain, Assistant Collector of Polygar Peshcush.-

Cavit raze, the Son of Bommaraze, having addressed us a Second Letter represen-ting several enormities lately committed by Parkhal Venketresa-nair, we have the honor to submit his Representation to you.-

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ J. Stebbe
Dept. Sec.y

Translate of a Letter
From Cavet Räj
To David Haliburton Esqr.
&c.a Members of the
Board of Revenue
Dated 15th
Received 19th } June 1793.

I lately represented to you the contu-macious and disorderly conduct of Parkhal Venketresa Nair - the murderer of Venket-Reddy

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Reddy and his Brother - the Burning of their young Wives - and the Dispersion of the author of all this mischief, you have become informed, doubtless, of the same -

About four Days ago the said fugitive Nair put himself in the Protection of Bhurgary Poligar, &c. Poligars of the Talooks of Chittore, where he remains having assembled a Body of Peons he sent them during the night, to the Village of Anantgurepilly adjoining my Boundaries, here they killed 3 unfortunate Peons - set fire to the Village, and burnt all the Grain, Cattle &c. nothing was saved -

Three of these unfortunate Peons have fallen into my Peoples Hands, and are confined by S. M. Pakhal - The Inhabitants of all the adjacent Villages of my Talooka, are terrified and inclined to run away -

In short - owing to the unfurnished Licentiousness of this Vagabond he has excited unusual Tumult, and now this recent Commotion: it is very necessary, that he meet with his Desert -

It was incumbent on me to inform you of these Circumstances -

I entreat that your Favor, in every situation, and on every account, be kindly extended towards me, however unworthy of it - and I pray that your protection

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protection be lastingly prolonged, for the Happiness and safety of the People.-

I add no more,

Than my Wish that your Prosperity may be permanent.-

a true Translation

[signed] A. Falconar
Dep.y Pr.e Sec.y

a true Copy

[signed] John Read
Dep.y Sec.y

Extract of a Letter from Mr. James Sandon Dated 3. June 1793.-

The tributaries, whose Peshcush I collect being scattered in different provinces, in an extent of near three hundred miles, prevents my having any fixed Palace of a Court, and renders it necessary for me to be constantly moving from one province to another, in order to effect the object of my mission - as this continual travelling is attended with a considerable expense, I hope your Board will permit me to entreat your Indulgence towards Mr. Balmain, my Assistant, by making such an addition to his present Monthly allowance, as may enable him to bear the extraordinary expenses, to which his situation Subjects him; I am further induced to make this request

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requested in behalf of Mr. Balmain in consideration of the unremitted attention he pays to his Duty, and I urge it with the greater confidence as the assistants employed formerly under Mr. Irvine, at the time he superintended the Southern Revenue, were each allowed a hundred Pagodas ℔ Month, which I trust Mr. Balmain may be considered as much entitled to from his Situation as they were.-

A true Extract

[Signed] John Read
Dep.t Sec.y

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Agreed that a Letter be written to the Nabob on the subject of the enormities committed by Pakhat Venkeetrest- Naier- and requesting his Highness will give orders to the Jaghiredar of Chittoor, to secure the Person of this Man-

For the reasons assigned by the Collector of the Southern Peishcush, it is resolved that Mr. George Balmain, his Assistant, be permitted to draw fifty [50] Pagodas ℔ Mensem, as additions to his present allowances.-

Read the following Letter from Messrs. Tulloh Jervis and Brodie.-

To

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Messrs. Tulloch, Jarvis and Brodie - requesting a Letter of Marque for the Ship Ramsay -

In behalf of Captain Shore of the Ship Ramsay Burthen 500 Tons or thereabouts, mounting ten Carriage Guns - We have the honor to request that you will be pleased to furnish him with a Letter of Marque to enable him to proceed to Sea on the arrival of his Ship at Madras, which is hourly expected -

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) Tulloh Jarvis & Brodie -

Fort St. George
29th. June 1793 -

Minute in consequence -

On referring to Beawes's Lex Mercatoria Rediviva, the Board find the Forms of a Commission for private Ships of War - the Instructions to the Commanders and the Bond of Security to be taken from them; but not being thoroughly assured whether this Government have authority to issue such Commissions &c. it is resolved to take the opinion of the Attorney General on the Subject. -

The following Drafts, proposed by the Secretary from the Book abovementioned are now Read -

The

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Draft of a Commission for Private Ships of War Instructions to the Commanders and Bonds of Security - and ordered to be sent to the Attorney General for his opinion. -

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The Commission

The United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies by their President and Council of Fort St. George, to all People whom these Presents shall come. -

Greeting.

Whereas, Advices have been received from the British Consul at Alexandria under date the 10th April 1793, setting forth that the National Convention of France had declared War against Great Britain and Holland some time in the Month of February last - And Whereas, the said United Company, in virtue of several Charters to them in that behalf granted by the Crown of Great Britain, have full power and authority to raise and maintain such a number of Seamen and Ships of Defence as shall be necessary for the Safeguard of their Inland Settlements, and to nominate and appoint such and so many Commanders as to them shall seem meet and requisite, with full Power and authority to such Commanders, in time of War, or open Hostility, to take and surprize, by allways and means whatsoever, all and every such Person and Persons, with their Ships, Armour, Ammunition and

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other Goods, as shall in hostile manner attempt the Invasion or annoyance of the said Settlements or the Lives of any of his Majesty's Subjects, and, upon just causes, to invade and destroy the Enemies of the same and whereas the most noble the Marquis Cornwallis K.G. Governor General in Council of Fort William in Bengal, has been pleased to direct that Hostilities shall commence against the French Nation in all parts of India, Know ye Therefore, that We do by these Presents grant Commission to, and do licence and authorize to set forth in warlike Manner the Ship called the under his own Command, and therewith, by force of Arms, to apprehend, seize, and take the Ships Vessels, and Goods belonging to the French Nation, or the Vassals and Subjects of the said Nation, or others inhabiting within any of their Countries, Territories, and Dominions, to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as are or shall be liable to Confiscation, pursuant to the respective Treaties between the British Government and other States and Governments, and to bring the same to such Port belonging to the East India Company, as shall be most convenient for

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for them, in order to have the same legally adjudged before such Commissioner or Commissioners as shall be duly authorized to hear and determine all matters relative to Ships or Goods taken as Prize, Provided the said give sufficient Bail, with Sureties, according to the effect and form set down in our Instructions made the day of in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and ninety a Copy whereof is given to the said Captain And provided always that the said Keep an exact Journal of his proceedings, and therein particularly take notice of all Prizes which shall be taken, the nature of such Prize, the times and places of their being taken, and the Values of them as nearly as he can judge, as also of the Stations, Motion, and Strength of the Enemies, as well as he or his Mariners can discover by the best intelligence he can get, and also of whatsoever else shall occur unto him, or any of his Officers or Mariners, or be discovered or disclosed unto him or them, or found out by examination or conference with any Mariners or Passengers of, or in, any the Ships or Vessels taken, or by any other person or persons, or by any other ways and means whatsoever,

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whatsoever, touching or concerning the designs of the Enemies, or any of their Fleets, Vessels or Parties, and of their Stations, Ports and Places, and of their Intents, and of whatsoever Merchant Ships or Vessels of the Enemies bound out or home, or to any other place, as he or his Officers or Mariners shall hear of, and of what else material in those cases may arrive to his or their knowledge; of all which he shall, from time to time, as he shall or may have opportunity transmit an account to us, or to any other of the Company's Presidencies in India as may be most convenient and to keep a correspondence with us or them by all opportunities that shall present. And further provided, that nothing be done by the said or any of his officers, Mariners and Company, Contrary to the true meaning of our aforesaid instructions, but that the said instructions shall be by them, and each and every of them, as far as they or any of them are therein concerned, in all Particulars well and duly performed and observed. Given under our Hands, and the Seal of the Honorable Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, in Fort St. George this day of in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety

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Instructions to Commanders of Private Ships.-

Instructions for the Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels as may have Commissions for Private Men of War against the French Nation, or others inhabiting within any of the Countries Territories, or Dominions of the said Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, by Virtue of our Commission granted under the Seal of the Honorable Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies- Given at Fort St. George the day of in the year of our Lord 1793.-

First That the said Commanders of Merchant Ships and Vessels licensed by Commissions for private Men of War, be authorized to set upon by force of Arms, and subdue, and take, the Men of War, Ships, and other Vessels whatsoever, as also the Goods, Monies, and Merchandizes, belonging to the French Nation, their Vassals and subjects, and others inhabiting within any of the Countries Territories and Dominions of the said Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as are, or shall be, liable to confiscation, pursuant to the Treaties between the British Government and other States and Governments, But so as that no Hostility be committed, nor Prize attacked, seized, or taken, within

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the Harbours of Princes and States in Amity with Great Britain, or in their Rivers or Roads, within Shot of their Cannon ..-

Second That all Ships, of what Nation soever carrying any Soldiers, Arms, Powder, Ammunition, or any other Contraband Goods, to any of the Territories, Lands, Plantations, or Countries of the French Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, shall be seized as Prizes.-

Third That the said Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels shall bring such Ships and Goods as they have seized or shall so seized, and take to such Port belonging to the English East India Company as shall be most convenient for them ..... in order to have the same legally adjudged before such Commissioners or Commissioners as shall be duly authorized to hear and determine all matters relative to Ships or Goods taken as Prize ..-

Fourth. That after such Ships shall be taken and brought into any Port the taker shall be obliged to bring or send, as soon as possibly may be, three or four of the principal of the Company whereof the Master and the Pilot to be always two of every Ship so brought into Port, before such

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Persons as shall be authorized by us or by the East India Company's representatives at Bengal or Elsewhere, to be sworn and examined upon such interrogatories as shall tend to the discovery of the truth, touching the Interest or Property of such Ships or Ships, and of the Goods, and Merchandizes found therein, and the Taker shall be further obliged, at the time he produceth the People to be examined, to bring and deliver into the hands of the Persons so authorized all such Passes, Sea-Briefs- Charter Parties, Bills of Lading, Cockets, Letters, and other Documents and writings as shall be delivered up, or found on board any such Ships; the said Taker, or one of his Chief officers, who was present, and saw the said Papers and Writings delivered up, or otherwise found on board at the Time of the Capture, making Oath, that the said Papers and writings are brought and delivered in as they were received or taken, without any Fraud, addition, Subduction, or Embezzlement.-

Fifth That such Ships, Goods, and Merchandizes, taken by Virtue of Commissions for Private Men of War, shall be kept and preserved,

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and no part of them shall be sold, spoiled, wasted, or diminished, and that the Bulk thereof shall not be broken before Judgement be given, that the Ships, Goods and Merchandizes are lawful Prize; and that no Person or Persons taken or surprized in any Ships or Vessel, as aforesaid, though known to be of the Enemy's Party, shall be, in cold Blood, killed, maimed, or, by Torture or Cruelty, inhumanly treated, contrary to the common usage and just Permission of War, and whosoever shall offend in any of the Premises, shall be severely punished.-

Sixth That the said Commanders of such Merchants Ships and Vessels who shall obtain such Commissions, as aforesaid, for private Men of War, shall not do or attempt any thing against the true meaning of any Article or Articles, Treaty or Treaties depending between the British Government and any of its allies, touching the Freedom of Commerce in the time of war, and the authority of the Passports or Certificates under a certain Form in some one of the Articles or Treaties so depending between the British Government and its allies, as aforesaid, when produced and shewed by any of the subjects of the said allies, and shall not do or attempt any thing against the subjects of

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of our Lord the King, or the subjects of any Prince or State in amity with us, nor against their Ships, Vessels or goods, but only against the French Nation their Vassals, and subjects, and others inhabiting within their Countries, Territories or Dominions to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, their Ships, Vessels, and Goods, excepted as before excepted, and against such other Ships, Vessels and Goods, as are or shall be liable to Confiscation.-

Seventh That after condemnation of any Prize, it shall and may be lawful for the Commanders of such merchant Ships or Vessels, or the owners of the same, to keep such and so many Ships, Vessels, Goods, and Merchandizes, as shall be condemned to them, for lawful Prize, into their own possession, to make sale or dispose thereof in open market, or otherwise, to their best advantage, in as ample manner as at any time heretofore has been accustomed in cases of just Prizes in time of War.-

Eight That if any Ship or Vessel belonging to our Lord the King or his subjects, or to his Majesty's allies or their subjects, shall be found in distress, by being in fight, set upon, or taken by the Enemy, the Captains, Officers, and Company, who shall have such commissions,

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as aforesaid, shall use their best endeavours to give aid and succour to all such Ships and Vessels, and shall, to the utmost of their Power, labour to free the same from the Enemy.

Ninth That the Subjects of his Britannic Majesty, and all other Persons whatsoever, who shall, either in their own Persons serve, or bear any charge or adventure, or in any sort further or set forward the said adventure, according to these Articles, shall stand and be freed, by virtue of the said Commissions, and that no Person be in any wise reported or challenged for an Offender, but shall be freed from all Trouble and Vexation that might in any wise grow thereby.-

Tenth That the said Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels, or their owners or Agents, before the taking out Commissions, shall give Notice in writing, subscribed with their Hands, to the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, or to the Secretary in the Military Department, of the name of their Ships, and of the Tonnage and Burthen, and the names of the Captains, owners or setters out of the said Ships, with the number of Men, and the Names of the Officers in her, and for

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what time they are victualled, and also of their Ordnance, Furniture and Ammunition, to the end the same may be registered.-

Eleventh That those Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels, as aforesaid, shall hold and keep, and are hereby enjoined to hold and keep, a Correspondence, by all Conveniencies, and upon all occasions, from time to time, with the Governor and Council of Fort St. George aforesaid, to any other of the Company's Presidencies in India, as may be most convenient, so as, from time to time, to render and give, not only an account or Intelligence of their Captures or Proceedings, by virtue of such their said Commissions, as aforesaid, but also, of whatsoever else shall occur unto them, or be discovered and declared unto them, or found out by them, by examination of, or Conference with, any Mariners, or Passengers of or in the Ships or Vessels taken, or by any other ways or means whatsoever, touching or concerning the designs of the Enemy, or any of their Fleets Ships Vessels, or parties, and of the Stations, Seas, Ports and Places, and of their Intents thereof and of what Merchant Ships or Vessels of the Enemy, bound out, or home, as they shall hear of

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and of what else Material in these Cases may arrive to their Knowledge, to the end such course may be thereupon taken, and such orders given, as may be requisite.-

Twelfth That no Commander of a Merchant Ship or Vessel who shall have a Commission as aforesaid, shall presume, as they will answer it at their peril, to wear any Jack, Pendant, or any other Ensign or Colour usually borne by the Kings Ships, but that, besides the Colours borne usually by Merchant Ships, they do wear a Red Jack with the union Jack, discribed in the Canton at the upper Corner thereof near the Staff.-

Thirteenth. That such Commanders of Merchant Ships and Vessels, who shall obtain such Commissions, as aforesaid, shall obey from time to time, upon due Notice being given them, observe all such other instructions and orders as the Governor in Council aforesaid shall think fit to direct, for the better carrying on of this Service.-

Fourteenth That all persons who shall violate these instructions shall be severely punished, and also required to make full reparation

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reparation to Persons injured, contrary to these instructions, for all damages they shall sus=tain by any Capture, Embezzlement, Demur=rage, or otherwise. -

Fifteenth That no Commander shall ransom, or enter into any Contract or agreement for ransoming his Ship, or any Merchandize or Goods on board the same which shall be captured by the Enemy. -

Sixteenth That before any such Commissions are issued under Seal, Bail, with Sureties, shall be given before the Governor in Council of Fort S.t George aforesaid, in the sum of three thousand Pounds Sterling, if the Ship carry above one hundred and fifty Men, and if a lesser Number, in the sum of fifteen hundred Pounds sterling, which Bail shall be to the effect, and in the form following. -

Which Day, time and Place personally appeared

who, submitting themselves to the Jurisdiction of the Governor in Council of Fort S.t George, obliged themselves, their Heirs, Executors, and administrators, to our Sovereign

Lord

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Lord the King in the Sum of
Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain, to the
Effect; that is to say, That whereas
is authorized by a Commission for
a private Man of war, to Arm, equip, and set forth
to Sea, the Ship called the
of the Burthen of about Tons, whereof he, the
said goeth Captain, with Men,
Ordnance, Ammunition and Victuals, to set upon
by Force of Arms, and to subdue, seize, and take
the Men of war, Ships, and other Vessels whatsoever,
together with the Goods, Monies, and Merchandizes
belonging to the French Nation or to any of their
Vassals and Subjects, or others inhabiting within
any of their Countries, Territories or Dominions
whatsoever, to the Eastward of the Cape of Good
Hope, and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as
are or shall be liable to Confiscation, excepting only
within the Harbours or Roads, within shot of the
Cannon, of Princes and States in amity with the
British Government. And whereas he the
said has a Copy of certain
Instructions, as approved of, and Sealed by the
Governor in Council aforesaid, delivered to him
to govern himself therein, as by the Tenor of the
said

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said Commission, and of the Instructions thereto relating, more at large appeareth, Wherefore nothing be done by the said or any of his Officers, Mariners, or Company, contrary to the true Meaning of the said Instructions, but that the Commission aforesaid, and the said Instructions, shall, in all Particulars, be well and duly performed and observed as far as they shall, the said Ship, Captain and Company, any way concern; and they, or any of them, shall give full satisfaction for any Damages or Injury which shall be done by them, or any of them, to any of his Majesty's Subjects or Allies, or Neuter, or their Subjects, and also shall duly and truly pay, or cause to be paid, to his Majesty, or the Customers or Officers appointed to receive the same for his Majesty, the usual Customs due to his Majesty, of and for all Ships and Goods, so as aforesaid taken and adjudged for Prize, and moreover, if the said shall not take any Ship or Vessel, or any Goods and Merchandizes belonging to the Enemy, or otherwise liable to Confiscation through Conduct, or clandestinely, or by Collusion, by Virtue, Colour, or Pretence of this said Commission

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Commission, that then this Bail shall be void and of none Effect, and unless they shall so do, they do all hereby severally Consent that Execution shall issue forth against them, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Goods and Chattels wheresoever the same shall be found, to the Value of the said Sum of

Pounds beforementioned, And in Testimony of the Truth thereof, they have hereunto subscribed their Names.-

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.-

The Bond

Bond of Security.-

On the Day of

in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Ninety personally appeared before the Governor in Council of Fort St. George in the East Indies

who submitting themselves to the Jurisdiction of the Governor in Council aforesaid, obliged themselves, their Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, to our Sovereign Lord the King in the Sum of

Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain, to the Effect

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Effect, that is to say, That whereas

is authorized by a Commission for a

private Man of War to arm, equip, and set forth to

Sea, the Ship called the of the

Burthen of about Tons, whereof he the said

goeth Captain, with Men, Ordnance,

Ammunition and Victuals to set upon by Force of

Arms, and to subdue, seize, and take the Men of War,

Ships, and other Vessels whatsoever, together with

the Goods, Monies, and Merchandizes belonging

to the French Nation or to any of their Vassals and

Subjects, or others inhabiting within any of their

Countries, Territories or Dominions whatsoever, to the

Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, and such other Ships

Vessels, and Goods, as are or shall be liable to Con-

fiscation, excepting only within the Harbours or

Roads within Shot of the Cannon of Princes and

States in Amity with the British Government.

And Whereas he the said

has a Copy of certain Instructions, approved of,

and praised by the Governor in Council aforesaid,

delivered to him, to govern himself therein, as by the

Tenor of the said Commission, and of the Instructions

thereto relating, more at large appeareth. If therefore

nothing be done by the said or any

of his Officers, Mariners, or Company, contrary to

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the true Meaning of the said Instructions, but that the Commissions aforesaid, and the said Instructions, shall, in all Particulars, be well any duly performed and observed as far as they shall the said Ships, Captains, and Company any way concern; and they, or any of them, shall give full Satisfaction for any Damages or Injury which shall be done by them, or any of them, to any of his Majesty's Subjects or Allies, or Neuters, or their Subjects, and also shall duly and truly pray, or cause to be paid, to his Majesty, or the Customers or Officers aforesaid to receive the same for his Majesty, the usual Customs due to his Majesty, of and for all Ships and Goods, so as aforesaid taken and adjudged for Prize: And moreover, if the said shall not take any Ship or Vessel, or any Goods and Merchandizes belonging to the Enemy, or otherwise liable to Confiscation through Covert, or clandestinely, or by Collusion, by Virtue, Colour or Pretence of this said Commission, that then this Bond shall be void, and of none Effect: And unless they shall so do, they do all hereby severally consent that Execution shall issue forth against them, their Heirs, Executors

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Executors, and administrators, Goods and chattles, wheresoever the same shall be found, to the value of the said sum of Pounds before mentioned. And, in Testimony of the Truth thereof, they have hereunto subscribe their Names.-

Resolutions thereon.-

Resolved that copies of the above be sent to the Attorney General

As the three Indiamen now in the roads are to be employed for a time offensively against the Enemy, it is resolved that the following Commission be delivered to each of the Commanders.-

Form of a Commission to be delivered to the Commanders of the Indiamen about to cruize off Pondicherry.-

To Commander of the East India Company's Ships the

Whereas it hath been judged fit and expedient by us, the Governor in Council of Fort St. George in the East Indies, to employ your Ship the under the orders of the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis, Commander in Chief of his Britannic Majesty's Ships in India, to cruize off Pondicherry, and to intercept all Supplies proceeding to that Port. Be it therefore known, that while the said Ship

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Ships is employed under the orders of Commodore Cornwallis as aforesaid, we do hereby authorize you Captain to seize all Ships and Vessels belonging to the French Nation now at War with Great Britain, and for so doing this shall be to you sufficient authority.

Be it further known that as soon as the said Commodore Cornwallis shall give you instructions to prosecute your Voyage to China, then this Commission shall cease to have effect, and be no longer in force or Virtue. Save and except for the defence of your said Ships or of any other British Ships which may be attacked by the Enemy in your presence, in which case you are hereby authorized to engage take and seize any Ships or Ships of the Enemy so attacking your said Ships or any other British Ships in your presence as aforesaid.

Given under our Hands and the Seal of the Honorable Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, in Fort St. George this Fourth day of July in the year of our Lord 1793.

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Signatures of the Board

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Read the following Letters from the Master attendant.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Honble Sir.

From Master Attendant reporting French property on board the Christianus septimus under Danish Colours.

I have the honor of enclosing to you a Letter from my Deputy, and another from Captain Garden commanding a Country Vessel in the Roads, relative to the Property on board the Vessel under Danish Colours called Christianus Septimus, alledging that the Property or a consiederable part on board, is French Property according to the proofs they have seen and heard from the Bill of Lading and the declaration of the Captain.

Give me leave to add that, as to the Property of the Vessel herself, there appears much ground of collusion.— She is known to most of the Captains and Seafaring people here to have been within a few weeks past a French Vessel, and it is stated in the Passport and Certificate of the Captain, that it was on the 6th of June that they were obtained from the Government of Tranquebar, five days after

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a French Prize was brought into these roads by the Drake, Bombay Cruiser.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed H. Boyd
Secretary Attendant

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H. Boyd Esqr.

Sir,

I saw reason to believe that the Ship under Danish Colours, has much french Property on board— among many reasons for thinking so the Captain of her, in the course of an altercation at my office with some Gentlemen that were present, produced a bill of lading for much treasure consigned by a French House at Pondicherry to a Black man at this place, and this bill of Landing I pursued in part— the reason assigned for producing the bill of Landing was to prove that he was not french Property, but simply a carrier of french Goods— Captains Garden and Taylor were present when the Bill of Landing was so produced.—

I am
&c. &c.
Signed H. Gould
Dep. Secretary

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Hugh Jones Esq.

Dear Sir,

This is to certify that I have seen a Bill of Lading for Cash Shipd on board the Danish Ships by some Merchants at Pondicherry in French.—

Your Obedient Servant

1st July 1793.

[Signed] G. H. Gordon

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Hble Sir

From Master Attendant has procured on board the Ships enumerated the original Bill of Lading and other papers regarding the property and cargo— further Information on the subject.—

I have the honor of enclosing to you Copies three Bills of Lading for Treasure and Goods freighted from Pondicherry to Madras, verified on oath by Captains Mennemarre, Commanding the Ships Christianus septimus, as per Affidavit enclosed. In addition to the information I had the honor of enclosing to you yesterday, towards preserving the said treasure and goods to be French Property, I beg also to acquaint you that, from all the observations I could make when I proceeded on board the said Ships yesterday, and from my conversation with

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with the Captains and other persons well ac=
=quainted with the Ships and the persons con=
=cerned, there arises still stronger and fuller
proof of collusion as to the late purchase of
the Danish Flag and Passport for the vessels
lately a French Ships, for the purpose of conveying
and consigning French Property to Madras.
Among other circumstances I beg to state one
particularly clandestine and collusive, which
I have learned from perfectly good authority:
viz: That Captain Neumann is not the real
Captain, but only what is called the Captain
of Colours; but that there is an old French Captain
on board, a man of Property, well known, who
is the real Commander, and in charge of the
French Property on board. It is remarkable
that this Person whose name is Warnet, is not
named in the List of the Persons on board,
made out by the nominal Captain, but only
enumerated as "a Passenger." This Person,
a little unguardedly as it would seem, made
use of an expression, to my Deputy on board,
amounting to a pretty plain confession of the
finesse and concealment endeavoured to be
carried on:- he said that they had yesterday

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contrived, on board, before I repaired thither, to convey away the chest of Treasure. But there is some reason to believe, on the other hand, that this was a pretext, and intended as a dispersive from the attention and active measures which he saw taken.-

I shall endeavour to obtain every particular possible towards condemnation of the Property, as belonging to the Consignors, and I beg leave to add from all circumstances and proofs that I have been able to collect, I am satisfied the Consignees can by no means prove it to belong to them.-

I have the honor to be
&c &c

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Signed H. Boyd
Mar. Attent.

Affidavit of Andreas Clemmensen Commander of the Ship Christianus Septimus.-

This Deponent maketh Oath, and saith, that the three annexed Papers, in the French Language, are true Copies of three original Bills of lading, the one bearing date the twenty seventh Day of June of the present year, one thousand, seven hundred, and ninety three, and purporting to be for two Chests of Coral and Laundry Chests

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of Treasure, consigned by Carpenaar and Company of Pondicherry Merchants, to Nagapah Chitty of Madras Merchant, and another, bearing Date the twenty eight Day of the said Month of the said year, purporting to be for fourteen Bales, and fourteen half Bales, Consigned by Rajapa of Pondicherry, to Sawmey Chitty of Madras, and the third bearing the same Date of the one last abovementioned, purporting to be for eighth hundred Bags of Pepper Consigned by Messieurs Condon, White, Gestin and Company of Pondicherry, to Francis Lavelour of Madras, and this Deponent further saith that he received the Articles specified in the three annexed Papers from the aforementioned Persons of Pondicherry on Freight, from thence to Madras.

[Signed] Andries Stamperman

Sworn to before me this
Second Day of July
one Thousand seven
hundred, and Ninety three

[Signed] Jno. Mitford
Mayor of Madrasapatnam

A true Copy
[Signed] W: C. Jackson Jun.r

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

Honble Sir,

From Master attendant reports French property to be on board the Liverpool.-

I beg leave to lay before you the following information I have received relative to French Property now in the Roads.-

Captain Mayo, commanding the Ship Liverpool, left Calcutta 14th of May last, bound to Pondicherry with a valuable Cargo on freight for that place, and afterwards for Madras, with Cargo on freight also. Hearing of the War, at Trangueba, he came on to Madras, without touching at Pondicherry. She tells me that his Cargo for that place, which consists of 70 Bales, is French Property, as far as he can form any judgment or decision upon it: That he had every reason to conclude so, and none whatever to suppose the contrary:— That he was freighted by a French House at Calcutta, Fissenet and Grillard, and consigned to Condon Jeskin and White at Pondicherry, where he was to be paid his freight by them: That no other person was at all mentioned or understood, nor any other name in the Bills of Lading which he signed and which were sent to Pondicherry.-

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Under these circumstances, I beg to be honored with your instructions, as to furnishing the Lion=ness with Boats, as there is much other property on board, and as to securing the above mentioned property which Captain Maya represents to be entirely French.-

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed H. Boyd
Mast. Attend.

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Proceedings and resolution of the Board upon the foregoing subject.-

The President reads to the Board an extract from the L. Volume of Magens on Insurances, pointed out to him by the Attorney General, in which the question relative to the Goods of an Enemy's found on board the Ships of a Friend, is fully argued pro and con, in the great Silesia Cause between Great Britain and Prussia, in the year 1752.-

It appears from this Extract that the question was referred on the part of Gt. Britain to Sir George Lee, Judge of the Prerogative Court- Doctor Paul, the King's Advocate General- Sir Dudley Ryder, the Attorney General and Mr. Murray afterward Lord Mansfield, the Solicitor General, who declared the Law of Nations

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Stations to be fixed Page 487 "That the Goods of an Enemy, on board the Ships of a Friend, may be "taken".-

The President observes, that, in conse=quence of the above authority, directions were yes=terday, given to the Master Attendant to proceed on Board the Christianus Septimus, and to call upon her Commander or Supra Cargo to produce the Bills of Lading and other necessary papers relative to the property of the Ships and Cargo, not suffering any part of the latter to be sent on shore until report had been made to the Board, and their orders received in consequence.-

Resolved, That the Treasure and Goods stated in Captain Stemmermann's affidavit to have been shipped on the Christianus Septimus by French Merchants at Pondicherry be immedi=ately landed- That the Coral and Treasure be delivered over to the Clerk of the Treasury- and the Bales and Pepper to the Sea Customer.-

Resolved that the Master Attendant be directed to call upon Captain Mayo to produce such Papers as he may be possessed of respecting the French Consignement on board the Liverpool

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informing him, at the same time, that he (Captain Mayo) must make affidavit before a Magistrate, stating all he knows or believes regarding that property.-

Read the following Letter from Masulipatam.-

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

Honble Sir and Sirs,

From Masulipatam advising of the Detention of a French Snow at that port laden with Rice for Pondicherry request Orders.

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your Letters of the 12th and 14th Instant; but, before these reached us, we had addressed you under date the 14th enclosing Copies of Letters from Major Wynyard and Lieutenant Riddell, whereby you will have observed, what has passed at Coringa and Yanam, and the reasons which induced the Resident of Yngeram, and Officer Stationed at Coringa, to act against the French. Mr. Seale has also furnished us with a Copy of his Letter to your Honor &c. of the 13th Instant, communicating the same particulars.-

On the evening of the 25th Instant, a French Snow named La Catherine, came into

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These Roads. She left Bengal on the 11th Ultimo, and is laden with Rice for Pondicherry, as will appear by the enclosed Copy of a Note sent on Shore by the Commander. We found ourselves somewhat at a loss how to act upon this occasion; but thinking we might reasonably conclude, that at the time your orders to us of the 8th and 14th Instant were dispatched, your Honor &c. could not be in knowledge of the attempt made by the French to seize the Minerva, of the Brig Phenix having actually been cut out and carried away from Coringa Roads, and of the Report made to Mr. Yeats of three French Privateers being cruizing off Point Gravelines, we thought it most proper to detain the Snow Catherine, until we could be honored with your Commands, more particular, as we did not think it would be justifiable in us, to permit a Supply of about 2000 Bags of Rice to be conveyed to the Pondicherry at this time— A Guard was accordingly sent on board to detain the Vessel, and bring the Europeans on Shore, with orders, however, not to hoist any Colours upon her, or meddle with the Cargo. The Commander has been informed, that she will not be considered a Prize without your express orders, and, in the mean time, that he

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may keep a Person on board in his own behalf to see that the Cargo is not touched...

When this was done, our Chief happened to be absent, owing to ill health occasioned by the excessive heat of the weather; but as the distance is only a few Coss, we thought it proper to consult his opinion, before we addressed your Honor &c. on the Subject, and are glad to find, that he concurs entirely with us, in the propriety of what has been done, and of detaining the Vessel until we receive your orders..

We have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c.

Masulipatam
24th June 1793.

/Signed/ W. Dobbyn
And. Scott..

Sir.

The Snow La Catherine coming from Bengal and bound to Pondicherry, with Rice, I left Bengal the 15th. May, there is no news at all..

I am Sir
&c. &c.

In the Offing
21st June 1793.

/Signed/ Wetzell

A true Copy
/Signed/ R. Malcolm
Sd.

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Minute thereon

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The Board approve the detention of French Ships at Masulipatam, which is now of course become a Prize, and the Chief and Council must therefore dispose of her at Public Sale, with the Cargo, to the best advantage for the Company.-

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam.-

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From Vizagapatam requesting to know what allowances are to be made to the French Captain officers and Seamen of the Brig lately seized at that place. The Dutch at Bimlipatam request that the Military Party there may be continued.-

We did ourselves the honor to Report to Government under date the 11th. Instant our Proceedings relating to the Seizure made of a French Brig in our Roads, and We requested your Orders thereon.-

We beg now to solicit your Instructions as to the allowances to be given to the Captain, Officers and Seamen of the above Vessell.- The Latter are in confinement together with three French Seamen, landed from an English Country Ship.-

We should be very glad to be furnished with your Orders for the removal of these People, but if they are to remain here, We beg to know what allowance should be made to each discription of them.-

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The Chief and Council at Bimlipatam have written to us, desiring that Lieutenant Cranston, with the Party of Sepoys doing Duty there, may not be removed, as they depend upon them for protection in the Event of any hostilities from the Frenchmen, who are resident at Bimlipatam.— of the latter, there are many in the Character of private Merchants who should, we humbly conceive, be removed, or subjected to some restrictions.— Upon this point also we beg to be favored with your Instructions, and have the honor to be with great Respect.—

Honorable Sir
&c. &c.

Vizagapatam
15th June 1793.—

[Signed] John Shaw
John Snow

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

Honorable Sir.

From Vizagapatam — reference regarding the right of property to the wreck and stores of a French Vessel abandoned by her Commander at Bimlipatam.

We had the honor to Report to Government under date the 9th and 11th Instant our Proceedings relative to the Capture of a French Snow in these Roads, We have now to acquaint you, that having,

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On the 16th. Instant, received Intelligence of the arrival at Bimlipatam of a Ship and a Ketch whose Commanders had given such ambigeous answers to the usual Enquiries made, as to have no doubt of their being the French Ships, which had cut the Ketch Phoenix out of Coringa Roads, and the Ketch herself, We determined upon attempting the Recovery of the Ketch, and the Capture of the French Pirate.-

We, in consequence, sent a Detachment of Europeans on Board the Ship Chichester, whose Commander, Captain Blake, had offered his Ship for the Service, and the Chichester accordingly sailed for Bimlipatam.-

Previous however to her arrival, the French Captain (who had put into Bimlipatam on account of his own Ship being so Leaky that he could not continue at Sea until Repairs were made) Shifted all the Valuable part of his Cargo and Stores from the Ship to the Ketch, and, after transferring the Crew of his Ship to the Ketch, he abandoned the former, and made sail to the Eastward on Board the Latter.-

The French Ship that has committed the above act of Piracy is called L'Auguste Victoire,

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and was Commanded by Mr. de Simitiere; She was the Property of French Merchants, and was bound from Pondicherry to Pegue.-

These Particulars have been obtained by the means of Lieutenant Dick of his Majesty's 75th. Regiment, and Captain Oglevey of the Country Service who were on Board the Hetch when she was cut out of Coringa Roads, and who were left in the Auguste Victoire when She was abandoned by her Commander and Crew.- The last mentioned Vessell was obliged to be run a Shore to prevent her foundering in deep water, and She is totally Wrecked.-

Lieutenant Dick, Captain Oglevy, and the people left on Board the French Ships, have been safely Landed and some Stores &c. were, by the Exertions of Lieutenant Carnaton, saved from the Ships before She went to pieces.- The Commanders of the Chichester and Brig Active, then at Bemlipatam, also got possession of some Stores from the French Ships in consequence of which a Dispute has arisen as to the Right of Property, and We beg Leave to request your Honor in Council will

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will decide to whom the Wreck, and Stores of the Vessell abandoned belong.-

The Troops sent on the Chichester were landed at Bimlipatam, and immediately Marched back to this Place.-

We have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter Received from the Dutch Chief and Council at Bimlipatam, and to desire Your Orders upon the Request Contained therein.-

We have the honor to be
Dr. Sirs Your
Signed. John Shamier
" A.W. Gregory
" John Snow

Vizagapatam
20th June 1793.-

Translation

To John Shamier Esqr.
Chief &c. and to the Gentlemen of Council
at Vizagapatam

Gentlemen,

We have the honor to receive your Letter of the 15th. Instant, and beg that you will accept of our greatfull thanks for your friendly support and offer of further assistance, which affords us the greater tranquility as we had

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an opportunity since to experience how much Lieutenant Cranstoun's detachment was necessary for the Security of the place during the appearance in the Roads of a French Pirate especially as we apperceived, at the same time, how much several of the Frenchmen residing here were disposed to cooperate with any hostile attempts, thinking themselves safe by living on the Territory of the Rajah of Vizeriagrum, and as, thereby, in case of future hostile occurences, all efforts of Mr. Cranstoun for the protection of the place will be rendered ineffectual from the smallness of his Detachment, we request, since the Rajah is a Tributary of the English Company, that you will be pleased to order the removal of these frenchmen, so that it may be put out of their power to do any Mischief.-

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

(Signed) P. H. Hesthuysius
Joh.s Mark.s Dorniceus

(A true Copy of the Translation)

(Signed) Rob.t Alexander Jun.r

Agreed

Bimlipatam
the 27th June 1793.

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Agreed to inform the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam, That as War has now commenced in India against the French, the Ships captured by them in the Roads of Vizagapatam must be considered a Prize, and disposed of with her Cargo, at Public Sale, to the best advantage for the Company.-

With respect to the application of the Gentlemen at Bimlipatam, the Chief and Council are to inform them that whatever Measures they may think it necessary to adopt regarding the French Residents at that Place, Lieutenant Grantoun, who is Stationed there for the purpose, will, of course, afford his best aid in carrying them into execution.-

Agreed that the Attorney General be directed to communicate his opinion regarding the French Ship wrecked near Bimlipatam.-

Read the following letter from the Town Major.-

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

From Town Major requesting order regarding the subsistence of the French Prisoners landed by the Commodore.-

Honble Sir,

The Honorable Commodore Cornwallis having

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Having yesterday sent on shore Twenty Fourth Prisoners taken in the Citoyen.— I have confined them under a Guard in one of the outworks and beg leave to request your orders concerning them.—

During the last War, Regulations were framed by Government for the subsistence of the various descriptions of Prisoners —The lower sort, as Private Soldiers, Seamen and the like, were subsisted by contract, but Captains and Officers &c. &c. had a Monthly allowance, which, as it was regulated by the allowance they received in their respective Stations when taken. I think it my duty to lay before you the Monthly allowance of the Captains and Officers of the Citoyen, in case you should be pleased to adopt a similar system with regard to them.—

François Marchand Captain — 200 Livres p. Month
Julien Jouanderjardien 2d — 180 D.°
Louis Leure Master — 3d — 160 — D.°
Louis Malvesi — 4th — 50 D.°

With respect to the Seamen I am subsisting them in the same manner

as

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as Soon directed by the Regulations to subsist Recruits, &c.a the first three days after their arrival from England, which is at the rate of 3 Fanm. — 30 Cash — 5 day for each.-

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

Fort St. George
4th July 1793.-

Signed A: Beaton
Town Major

Resolution in consequence.-

Resolved that all descriptions of Prisoners of War, consider the rank of Gentlemen, be subsisted both at the Presidency and at the Subordinate Settlements at the Same rate as the Company's Recruits Viz.t 3 Fanm. — 30 Cash — 5 p.r Man 5 day, which is considerably cheaper than the terms of the Contract during the last French War.-

Resolved that French Commanders and Officers at the Presidency do receive the following Allowances Monthly.

To

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To a Commander - - 40. Rupees

Second Officer - - - 30. - - D°.

Third Officer - - 20. - - D°.

Fourth D°. - - - - 15. - - D°

And at Masulipatam and

Vizagapatam.-

To a Commander - - - 30 Rupees

Second Officer - - - 20. - - D°

Third & Fourth D°. - - - - 15. - - D°.

Chas. Oakeley

Elk Fallofield

George Parry

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters —

Entered in Ltrs Nos 11.12.13.14.15.16.17.18.19.20.21.22.23.
24.25.26.27.28.

To Attorney General — referring forms of a Commission, Bond of Security, and Instructions and — desiring to know whether they can be legally issued by Government to Captains of Country Vessels for cruizing against the French a question also referred regarding the rights of property to the Wreck of a Vessel abandoned by her Commander and Crew at Bimlipatam. —

To Attorney General

To Commissary General of Grain and — Provisions notifying the appointments of Messrs Skardon and Hawkins, as Deputy Agents for Bullocks and Commissary to the Army — and of Lieutenant Henry — Williamson as Deputy Gram Agent to the 2.d Regiment of Cavalry. —

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions —

To Resident at Cuddalore with an — Invoice of Flags sent there. —

To Resident at Cuddalore

To Ditto at Ganjam the Building of the Shed for the Cantonment Guard at Barrampour, approved. —

To Ditto at Ganjam

To Master Attendant the Treasure and goods stated in Captain Flemmermans Affidavit to

To Master Attendants.

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to be landed the former to be lodged in the Treasury and the Pepper and Bales, with the Sea Customer. —

To Master Attendant — To Ditto with orders regarding the — French Consignments on board the Liverpool. —

To Sea Customer — To Sea Customer ordering him to receive Charge of the Bales and Pepper from the Master Attendant. —

To Clerk of the Treasury — To Clerk of the Treasury with similar orders respecting the Treasure. Captain Stemmermanns' affidavit and three Bills of Lading enclosed —

To Ditto — To Ditto 5000 Pagodas to be advanced to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Military Auditor General — To Military Auditor General notifying the Expense to be incurred at Barrampaur for a Shed. —

To Ditto — To Ditto with directions to purchase — various Instruments for the use of the Engineer Corps. —

To Chief Engineer — To Chief Engineer advising thereof

To Military Board — To Military Board referring Captain Little's Request for a few Lascars at Aska. —

To Post master General — To Postmaster General advising of the appointment of Lieutenant Bellasis, as his Deputy in Camp. —

To Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with the Auditor's Report on his Estimates for May and June — his different Recommendations to be — attended to. —

To —

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To Paymaster General

3.d To Military Paymaster General with Ditto on his July Estimate orders on the Treasury have been issued.—

To Clerk of the Treasury

To Clerk of the Treasury ordering Advances for Mr. Cockburns Employ for may and June.—

To Ditto

To Ditto with Similar Orders in regard to Mr. Roebucks Estimate for July.—

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MS. Nos 29.30.31.32.33.34.35.36.—

From Paymaster at Kistnaghierry

From Paymaster at Kistnaghierry referring a Correspondence of Dispute between him and Lieut.nant Johnston of the Engineers respecting the Authority over the District mastry Artificers Remarks on the intemperate Conduct of that Officer.—

From Commandant at Dindegul

From Command.ant at Dindegul respect.ing the insufficiency of force for that Garrison, after detaching three Companies of the 19.th Battalion to Pylney.—

From Major Roberts

From Officer Commanding the Nizams Detachment requests to know whether the native non Commissioned Officers may be drawn for, as Privates in regard to Rice. Correspondence with the Resident Enclosed.—

From Masulipatam

From Masulipa.tam forwarding a letter, under a flying Seal, from Yanam to Government regarding

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Regarding Captain La Rode, a Frenchman, and the Seizure of his Vessel at Baroun Information regarding him.

From Captain Anderson of the Infantry

From Captain W.m Anderson applying for — Half mounting money due to 2.d European Battalion for 1792.

From Chief Engineer

From Chief Engineer proposing the purchase of the Catamaram Timbers near Cuddalore, for use at the Siege of Pondicherry.

From Lieutenant P. Bore.

From Adjutant to the 2.d European Battalion requesting the allowance of Beasties for the Recruits placed under his Charge.

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam respecting the — Appointments of a Quarter masters and Adjutants and a Quarter master Serjeants, to the Detachment formed at that place and the allowance of an Interpreter and Vercarrahs for the same.

4.th Dispatched the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Ltrs. Nos 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45 46. 47. 48. 49.

To Captain Alex.r Read

To Commandant in the Ceded Districts with directions for Engageing Brinjarries to Supply the Army before Pondicherry and repealing the orders for sending to Captain Doveton the Property of the Bangalore Inhabitants Recovered by him.

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal with an Indent of

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4th of Stores required from thence Sulphur and Saltpetre — a particularly necessary.

To Hospital Board directing them to — name an Assistant Surgeon, to attend the Convalescents left at Wallajabad.

To Hospital Board.

To Masulipatam the French Vessel and her Cargo, Seized there, to be sold for the benefit of the Company the monthly allowance to the Commander and Officers and the Rate at which the Seamen are to be victualled. —

To Masulipatam.

To Vizagapatam with similar directions regarding the Prize made at that place the question respecting the Wreck at Bimlipatam referred to the Attorney General. —

To Vizagapatam.

To Town Major with orders for victualling the French Prisoners and at what Rate allowance to those in the ranks of Gentleman. —

To Town Major.

To Military Auditor General notifying the Orders sent to Masulipatam, Vizagapatam and to the Town Major on the preceding subject. —

To Auditor General.

To Ditto Lieutenant Bellasis appointed Secretary to Colonel Floyd, during his Command of the Troops in the field. —

To Ditto.

To Military Board — Mr. Torriano's proposals

To Military Board.

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A.r proposals for Cloathing the Army, accepted: Security to be accordingly required, and that Contract. — prepared.—

To Colonel Burt — private

To Officer Commanding the Army advising of the Appointments of Mess.rs Gordon J. Wynch, and Hawkins Dustucks for the Bunjarries enclosed. a Superintendants of the Buzar Should be appointed only one Aid de Camp can be allowed to Com.- -manders of Wings an Assistant Surgeon will be Stationed at Wallajahbad.—

To Captains Pryce Wilson and Bunyon

To Commanders of the three Indiamen the question regarding Prize Money can only be decided in England.—

To Captain Bunyon

To Ditto of the Triton may remain, until the Royal Charlotte and Nancy Sail for the Southward.—

Received the undermentioned letters —

Entered in MB. Nos 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55.—

From Secretary at Bengal

From Secretary at Bengal enclosing a letter from the Governor General to the Nabob.—

From Mess.rs Chase & Company

From Mess.rs Chase Lewell and Chase requesting that the Boards decision against their claim on the part of the Captors of manarcoil Vn.a may be reconsidered.—

From Resident at Nagore

From Resident at Nagore requesting that two independent Companies of Sepoys may be

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4th. be raised for the protection of that Town only. -

From Captain Lindsay

From Commandant at Permacoil with — a Intelligence from Pondicherry. -

From Captains Pyce Nelson and Barneyat. -

From Commanders of the Indiamen - requesting Commissions to act against the French. -

From Commandant at Tegar

From Commandant at Tegar with advice of a French Officer - on his road from Seringapatam to Pondicherry - has sent a Guard to make him a Prisoner.

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam - with a report of their Committee of Stores on the Consignments for Bengal. -

5th. Sent the following Letter to the Commodore. -

To the Honorable Commodore Cornwallis

Commander in Chief of his majestys Ships in India

To Commodore Cornwallis - cause of the detention of the Triton. -

Sir, The Commander of the Triton, not having been in sufficient readiness to proceed with you to the Southward, has been detained 'till this time, in consequence of the opinion given by Captain Burn- =yeat that there would be great risk in his — =going alone. -

On the 1st and 2nd Instant, a Ship was seen off this Port - In the morning of the latter day, she gave chase to a small Vessel, which had tacked and taken a N°. E. course to avoid her - From this Circumstance, we judged it

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5th prudent to acquiesce in the opinion given by Captain Burrows, and the three Indiamen therefore now proceed together to join you off Pondicherry.

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3d July 1793.

We have the honor to be,
Yrs &c &c
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
Vr Council

Dispatched the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65.

To Civil Auditor — To Civil Auditor advising of the Increase of the allowance to the Assistant to the Collector of Polygar Peishcush.

To Colonel Floyd — To Officer Commanding the 19th Regiment of Dragoons with the Boards Resolutions on his Remarks upon the Cavalry Regulations.

To Military Auditor General and Principal agent of Cavalry supplies — To Auditor General, and Principal agent of Cavalry Supplies notifying the above.

To Ditto — To Auditor General the Expenses incurred by the Commandants at the Ceded Forts for Buildings, to be reimbursed.

To Lieutenant John Dighton — To Commandant at Nellore in reply to his letter, reporting the disturbance between his Sepoys and the Nabobs' Troopers.

To Board of Revenue — To Board of Revenue the Nabob written

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5th Written to, regarding the outrages committed by Pankhall Vincatapa Nair—The Encrease to Mr. Balmains allowances admitted.—

To Captain Wilson — To Commander of the Warley ordering him to receive Charter Party Passengers on board.—

To Captain Pyce. — The same to the Commander of the Royal Charlotte.—

To Captains Pyce Wilson & Burnyeat. — To Commanders of the Indiamen enclosing the Commissions applied for.—

6th Received the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74.—

From Commandants at Attore — From Commandant at Attore advising of his detention of the French Officer before mentioned—requests orders regarding him and encloses a letter from him to the Governor.—

From Bombay — From Bombay advising of the Accounts received there of a War with France.—

From Secretary at Ditto — From Secretary at Ditto with a letter for the Rajah of Travancore and others for the Malabar Coast—requests they may be forwarded.—

From Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. — From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with an Indent of Stationary for the Deputy Agent for Bullocks.—

From Resident at Poona. — From Resident at Poona has received the Boards' letter of the 1st Instant.—

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From

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From Adjutant General

From Adjutant General requesting the Payment of the usual Extra pay, to the men who served as Artillery men during the late Alarm at Cuddalore.

From Captain A. Brown

From Captain A. Brown requesting that the Debtors to the Estate of the late Colonel — a Brown may be placed under restraint until their Debts are paid — List thereof inclosed.

From Captain C. Mapey

From Captain Mapey reporting the Extortions of Bonnauze to supply Cattle and Sheep for the Army.

From Captain Lindsay

From Commandant at Permacoil with Intelligence from Pondicherry.

Substance of a letter to the Nabob

Sent Letter to the Nabob entered in C: C: No 161. stating the substance of Lieutenant Dighton's Complaints against the Conduct of his Highness' Troopers at Nellore and requesting that all the Circar troops in that Fort may be withdrawn also that he will order the Seizure of Pankhall Venkatapah Nair that he may be brought to punishment for his Offences.

Sent also the undermentioned letters Entered in C.B. Nos 75. 76.

To Secretary at Bengal

To Secretary at Bengal with Copy of the above letter from Permacoil.

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To Colonel Pratt. 6

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To Officer Commanding the Army desiring his opinion on the recommendation of Lord Cornwallis that the Battalion Companies of the 71st & 74th Regiments be called to the field the detail of native troops proposed to be employed, approved by his Lordship. —

7 Received the undermentioned letters entered in Cs Cs Nos 142. 143. 144. 145. —

Substance of a letter from the Nabob

From the Nabob — expressing his thanks for the orders given, to prevent the Demolition of any of the forts in the Ramnad Country. —

Ditto Ditto

From Ditto — sends a Translate of the Acknowledgement of the money due by Kishenrow. —

Ditto Ditto

From Ditto — enclosing Translate of Complaints of his Son against the Conduct of Colonel Bruce at — Trichinopoly. —

Ditto of a letter from Bomrauze

From Bomrauze — has received the Residents letter trusts his Exertions for supplying Cattle and Sheep will give satisfaction. —

8 Received the following letters. —

To W. C. Jackson Esqr

Secretary to the Government

Fort St. George

From Persian Translator at Bengal inclosing a letter and its Translate from the Marquis Cornwallis the Nabob expressing his Acknowledgments for his Suggestions regarding Pondicherry.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Letter from the Governor General, addressed to the Nawaub of Arcot —

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Copies in English and Persian Accompany.

for the Information of the Honorable the President.

Calcutta
24th June 1793

I am,
Yr a Jr a
J. Cigney J. F. Cherry
Secy of St.

To the Nawaub of Arcot.

Received 24th June 1793.

I have the pleasure to Acknowledge the
receipt of your Highness's Letters recapitulate the
Letters received on 15th 19th and 20th June 1793.

I have already done myself the Honor of
addressing your Highness on the subject of the Hostilities
between England and France. However I regret Cir-
cumstances which are, likely to disturb the Tranquility
and Quiet of Mankind, yet I trust that the measures
which I have pursued, in consequence of the Informa-
tion received from Europe, will prevent Occurrences in
that Quarter from Having any material Effect on
the Peace which prevails in India. I must nevertheless
request that your Highness will accept my thanks for
the Suggestions Contained in your Letters Relative to
Pondicherry and to the steps necessary to prevent the
Garrison from procuring Supplies. I consider them the
Effects of the same desire for the Prosperity of the English
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nation which has for many years signalized your attach-
-ment — as I shall have the pleasure of paying my respects
to your Highness at Madras on my way to Europe, I —
shall not trouble you with my Sentiments relative to the
points referred to me in your Highness's Letter received
15.th June 1793. But I request that your Highness will
rest assured that I am not at any time desirous of —
adopting measures repugnant to your Satisfaction, and
that I am anxious only in the Steps which I may pursue
to provide effectually for our mutual Security and Protec-
-tion. —

A true Translation

I Signed G.: F.: Cherry

Sec.y to Gov.t

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor in Council

Fort S.t George.

Honorable Sir & Sirs,

From Meer Jaffier in reply to the Insinuations of Meer Cossim against the Conduct of Mr. Ludlow —

We have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 14.th ultimo, with its several enclosures. —

The insinuation contained in the letter from Meer Cossim to Sir John Kennaway, against the Conduct of our Chief, appears to us equally surprising and absurd; and Sir John only does him and us —
justice —

8.th justice in observing, that it is the first time he has heard of any instance of inattention, on the part of Mr. Sadleir, as he must be in Knowledge of many instances to the contrary.—

Meer Imam is a Person we have never known, or had any intercourse with Nelgonda is a place which we understand to be within about 30 Cos of Hydrabad, and about 200 Cos distant from this place Meer Imaums Party in passing from Nilgonda or that neighbourhood to Temury Cotah, neither did or had any occasion to pass thro' any part of the Company's territories. The Nizams managers in the Districts thro' which he passed, might have been in Knowledge of his intentions against Temury Cotah, but we Knew nothing of the matter, or even of such a Person being in arms in the Nizams' Country, tho it has since been said, that he had formed a design of attacking Golcondah and Hydrabad, with which we might with equal propriety have been charged.—

We have in several letters to Government and to the Board of Revenue, represented the necessity of keeping Detachments of Troops stationed on the Borders of the Nizam's Country,

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for the sake of preserving tranquility and preventing the inroads of Plunderers, with which the frontiers are infested, and which the negligence or imbecility of the Nizams' Government, cannot put a stop to, tho' we ascribe it more to the latter, for, when written orders have been received from his Highness, to Zemindars and others under his Government, and forwarded by ourselves, they have constantly been treated with neglect, if not contempt, by those to whom they were addressed.—

One Detachment is at present Stationed at a Village belonging to the Company between this and Hydrabad, for the purpose principally of protecting the Tappy, which had been more than once opened. a Detachment has for several years been stationed on the borders of the Commamett Circar, and our Correspondence with Mr. Kinchant while Resident at Ragapore, and since with Lieutenant Pryce, will evince the pains that have been taken to afford every assistance and support to the Naib of Commamell, and, at the same time, testify, how little he has Cooperated in return. Both Mr. Kinchant and Lieutenant Price have had general Instructions to secure and deliver up the Persons of any refractory subjects of the Nizam, who take refuge within the Company's

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8th Company's Districts which has accordingly been done in different instances, while the Zemindar of Vadrachellum, dependant on the Nizam, has openly, in spite of his Highness's repeated orders, continued not only to protect formerly the late Apparow, and at present his Son Ramachendarow, but also to assist them frequently in plundering the Company's Districts.—

We might adduce many circumstances from our Correspondence and Records to shew how ill founded and unjust Meer Alums complaints is, but this appears to us unnecessary, as your Honor &c.a have been pleased to express yourselves satisfied that his allegations against our Chief are groundless.—

We have the honor to be,

Very respectfully

&c.a &c.a

Masulipatam
4th July 1793.

Signed Anth.y Sadleir
W.m A. Dobbyn
Andrew Scott

Received

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Received also the undermentioned letters — entered in Mil. Sec. Nos. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. —

From Commandant at Attoor

From Commandant at Attoor repeating the subject of his last letter regarding the French Officer. —

From Ditto

From Ditto intends to carry that Officer to Tiagar, whither he is about to march, and where he hopes to receive the Boards orders. —

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions — visions requesting to know whether he may supply — Angola and Garrisons in the Guntoor Circar with rice by sea. —

From Mr. C. Finnicke

From Mr. C. Finnicke with Copy of his letter to the marquis Cornwallis. —

From Lieutenant C. Dighton

From Officer Commanding at Nellore — enclosing Copy of a note from the Cmdat to him Observations in Consequence —

From Commandant at Shevalapetore

From Ditto at Shevalapetore has supplied the Hall mounting ordered for his Sepoys — requests re-imbursement. —

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At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor President

Ernst William Tallofield Esq.re

Tuesday
9.th July 1793

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.—

Read the following letter from Bengal

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t

Governor in Council at Fort S.t George

Honble Sir,

We have received your letter— dated the 4.th Instant, with Colonel Brathwaites address to your Board and other enclosures, and the letter from Mr. Jackson to Mr. Secretary Hay, transmitting the intelligence brought by Captain Vandeville from Pondicherry.—

The Governor General, in a Letter to Sir Charles Oakeley, dated the 8.th Instant, — recommended

From Bengal uncertain when the Marquis Cornwallis can arrive on the Coast, the Seige of Pondicherry not to be delayed on that account. Recommend that Bunjarries be engaged for supplying the Army and that the Battalion as well as Flank Companies of the 71.st & 74.th Regiments be called to the field. Approve the Number of Sepoys proposed to be employed, as also Colonel Brathwaites proposed Augmentation.

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recommended that a Corps of Observation should be
immediately formed, under the Command of Colonel
Floyd, for the purpose of intercepting Supplies and
cutting off all communication between Pondicherry
and the Country, and He likewise desired that all
previous arrangements should be made for assem-
bling a Sufficient force, and for being prepared, in
every respect to besiege the place, doubting, at the
same time, whether it would be prudent actually to
engage in the attack before we could rely on a
naval Co-operation, and expressing his intention of
going to Madras as soon as the Season and other
circumstances should admit of it.

As, however, it may be very uncertain
whether Lord Cornwallis can possibly arrive on
the Coast before the middle of August, we do not
wish that the Commencement of the Operations
should be delayed on his account, if it should
appear to the Satisfaction of your Board, and
of the Military men of most experience, that
the Seige may be undertaken with a rea-
sonable prospect of Success.

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The French regular Troops, to the east-
-ward of the Cape of Good Hope, consist of two
Regiments, of an establishment of about 1000 men
each, with some Artillery; and, as nearly half of
that number are now at Pondicherry, it is not
probable that more than 3 or 400 men can be
sent from the Isle of France, and altho', with-
that re-inforcement, and the Sea open to them for
supplies of provisions, the garison might make
a long and vigorous defence, yet we conceive
that an Army might be assembled of Strength
enough to reduce the place, provided there were
means of conveying by land a powerfull and
well supplied Artillery, and, in order to be prepa-
-red for those disadvantageous circumstances,
we wish you to turn your thoughts seriously
to this Object, lest we may ultimately be
under the necessity of adopting it, and it will,
at all events, be proper that you should engage
a number of Benjarris to attend the Army,
as they will be very useful in Supplying
the followers, even if the communication by
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Sea should be perfectly open for us.—

We approve of the Number of Native Troops which Colonel Brathwaite proposes to employ in the Seige, but we recommend that the Battalion Companies of the 71.st and 74.th Regiments may be added to the European force, and we think that four Companies of the 1.st European Regiment will be sufficient for Trichinopoly; and, by that means, one of the same Corps may be spared for Tanjore, and another for Dindigul, we think that Colonel Brath=waite has done very judiciously in recommend=ing that the Kings Battalions should be employed in the Seige in preference to those of the Company, because the latter have not Officers enough to do the common duties that are required on so active a Service.—

We can at present have nothing to apprehend from Tippoo, or any of the other Country Powers, but if it were otherwise, the more our— force is assembled, the more formidable we— should be.— In regard to the Polygars, we have already expressed our Sentiments against your— having recourse to Arms, except in cases of very

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serious extremity, and if your Servants employed in the Collections, act with temper, moderation, and integrity, we trust that it will be barely necessary; but, if such a Case should occur at this critical period, and any Polygar should be weak enough to take advantage of the temporary absence of our troops to throw off his allegiance, there could be no great mischief in postponing his chastisement for a few months. —

We entirely approve of the extent of the Augmentation of your Native troops, and of the mode of effecting it, that has been proposed by Colonel Brathwaite. —

We have the honor to be

Hon.a Hon.a

Fort William
the 20.th June 1792.

Signed Cornwallis
Peter Speke
Wm Cowper
Tho.s Graham

Climate thereon

The Board, in their Letter to the Governor General in Council of the 27.th Ultimo, replied

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replied to the points contained in his Lordship's letters to the Presidents of the 8th and 12th of that month, and explained particularly their reasons for transporting by land, the Stores intended for the Siege of Pondicherry. Resolved that his Lordship be now informed that considerable progress has been made in this important Service, and that the Board hope by the end of this month, it will be nearly, if not altogether completed.—

The Board had, previous to their receipt of the foregoing Letter, given directions to engage as many Bunjarries as possible to attend the army for the purpose of supplying the Followers; and they rely much on the exertions of Captain Alexander Read;— who has been written to on the subject.—

Having communicated to Colonel Brathwaite the recommendation of the Governor General in Council, regarding the Battalion Companies of the 71st and 74th Regiments, the following letter has been received from him.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.—

Honorable Sir,

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From Colonel Brathwaite stating his motives for not recalling the Battalion Companies of the 71st & 74th Regiments to

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From Colonel Brathwaite stating his motives for not calling the Battalion Companies of the 71st 74th Regiments to

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to the field of opinion the measure cannot be adopted without much risk proposed arrangements on the occasion.—

receipt of Mr. Secretary Jacksons' Letter of the 5th instant conveying to me the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, of the detail of native troops proposed to be employed for the Siege of Pondicherry in the Letter I had the honor to address to you on the 3rd ultimo, also his Lordship's sentiments in regard to employing the Battalion Companies of His Majesty's 71st and 72d Regiments on that Service, as well as the flank Companies, on which you desire my opinion

It is flattering to me to be informed that proposed detail of Native Troops has met with his Lordship's approbation, the reasons why I did not call for the whole of the 71st and 72d Regiments were, that the rebellious disposition of the Polygars to the Southward, has ever been such, as to induce them to give much trouble, as often as we have been obliged to draw the Force from those Countries, and because I thought it would impress the neighbouring Countries with a more respectable idea of our military resources and power, when they saw that we could undertake such an important

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important Service as the Siege of Pondicherry without —
calling for either of the three European Corps Stationed
South of the Colleroon, or the one North of the Kistnah,
and I had the means of encreasing my European Force,
if my information from Pondicherry rendered it necessary
the details drawn from the Corps to the Southward —
they would not be competent to judge of, and they
would always remain impressed with the idea that
three Regiments were there, which I trusted would
awe them into perfect tranquillity. The information
I derived from you relative to the state of those —
Countries, when you expressed your wish that the
3rd Regiments of Cavalry might not be drawn from
thence, led rather to a confirmation of the opinion I had
formed than otherwise; but as the information I received —
from Pondicherry induced me to think more European
Force necessary, and I subsequently proposed drawing
the Honorable Company's 3rd European Battalion —
from Vellore to the Siege, which you did me the —
honor to approve, this encreased detail had not been
seen by the Right Honorable the Governor General in
Council at the time he formed his opinion, as that
opinion was formed on my letter of the 3 Ultimo. —

As this is the only one of the Honorable
Company's

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Company's four European Battalions employed, I had an opportunity of selecting Officers for it, which if I could not have done, I should certainly have preferred running some risk to the Southward by drawing one or both of his Majesty's Regiments from thence, as his Majesty's Regiments are, in general, much more fully Officered than the European Battalions of the Company on the Coast, into which most of the Staff Officers are usually thrown; but, having this power, I preferred employing the Honorable Company's European Battalion from Vellore, in preference to weakening the Southern Countries, as by so doing, I obtained an addition to my European Force well Officered, and nearly equal in rank and file to what Returns have obtained by withdrawing both his Majesty's Regiments from their Southern Stations, as may be seen by the following Statements. Remaining in his Majesty's 75th Regiment, after completing the Flank Companies to 100 Rank and file, and detaching men professing the trades of Smiths, Carpenters, miners and Sawyers, and deducting the Sick, these remains

Present fit for duty

Rank and file . . . . . 306.
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Rank and file fit for duty

The Strength of the Honorable Company's
3d European Battalion in Rank and file is 537

I must further observe, that in the Honorable Company's 3d. European Battalion after completing the — Flank Companies, and detaching two parties of Pioneers, — each consisting of thirty men, their Artificers as above discri= bed and deducting the sick, amounting to no less than — one hundred and forty three, there remains no more than one hundred and sixteen of the Rank and file of that Corps present fit for duty at Trichinopoly, which, — considering the great reduction of its native Force is but a slender garrison for that Fort, and indeed was it otherwise, that Corps is not sufficiently Officered to be broken into detachments, but with great disadvan= tage: under these circumstances, I am apprehensive that we cannot, with propriety, adopt the idea of the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council in regard to the distributing of that Corps, so as to furnish out of it the European part of the Garrisons for Tanjore, Trichinopoly, and Dindegul, and of — both his Majesty's Regiments are withdrawn — from the Southward, Madura, a Fort of more than three miles in circumference, which now Chiefly depends for security on the Battalion — Companies

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Companies of his Majestys 71st Regiment, will be left with only two Companies of the 13th native Battalion, as the 9th native Battalion has been withdrawn from it, and is now, with the Southern Troops, well advanced towards Pondicherry, the whole having marched from Mundurpettah on the 6th instant.—

Town however I should be very glad still to increase the European Force employed for the Siege, if it could be done without risking too much the Southern Countries, and if you think it could be done after the Statement I have now the honor to lay before you, I would propose, as a re-inforcement very desireable, though not indispensibly necessary, that the eight Battalion Companies of his Majestys 74th Regiment should be distributed as follows, Viz: four in Tanjore, three in Madura, and one in Dindegul, and, this being done, Major Dalrymple might be ordered to bring to the siege all the Battalion Companies of his Majestys 71st Regiment. I propose this arrangement not only as the 71st is the oldest Regiment, but as we shall, by bring-ing that to the field, have the Services of a most excellent Field Officer in Major Dalrymple: whereas by employing the 74th we should acquire no—

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additional Field Officer, and the 7th. is also some what the strongest, and therefore more equal to this distribution, and I do not think it will be possible, with any security to the Southern Countries, to withdraw both the Corps. I must also add, that whatever Troops now come from the Southward to the Siege, must be late in their arrival, as Tents must be sent from hence for them, and the greater part of them yet to be made up.—

I have the honor to be
with respect—
Sir.a &.a

Military Head
Quarters Madras
July 9.th 1793.

Signed John Brathwaite

Resolution in Consequence—

Resolved, for the reasons given by—
Colonel Brathwaite, and because the Governor—
General in Council was unacquainted, at the
time he wrote, that the 3.d Regiments of the Com-
panys' Europeans, complete with Officers, had
been ordered on the present service, that no further
part of the European Regiments be called from
the Southward, until the Board hear again
from Bengal.—

Ordered that a Copy of Colonel —
Brathwaite's

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Brathwaite's letter be sent to Bengal

Read the following letter from the Hono=
=rable Commodore Cornwallis.=

The Honorable

the Governor in Council Madras

Sir,

From Commodore Cornwallis captures the French Brig Concordia requests twenty recruits may be put on board her, and as many more sent for the Minerva.—

A Vessel appearing to windward of Madras, which I had every reason to believe was a Privateer, I chased Her; it falling little Wind she rowed from me the first day—I took Her the second, but She carried me a long way from the Shore, and has prevented me from getting to windward as I intended, I was, however, very unwilling to leave Her. She is small but seems a good Sailor, and, as I have no vessel of any kind to bring me Intelligence, or to Stop and Search Small Vessels upon the Coast, I have therefore put a Lieutenant on board Her, but the Minerva is so weakly manned, that I cannot spare men. I should be glad that any English Seamen at Madras might be procured, and if you could put twenty young Recruits Lately arrived, it would probably do them no harm, and they might be of great use—Indeed I should be very glad

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of as many for the Minerva I shall send the French Prisoners down by the first Opportunity, but I durst not put them again on board of the Prize. they were very drunk and riotous when taken, and inclined to make use of their Knives. -

I have the Honor to be,

Minerva

at Sea 4.th July 1793.

Sir.a Your.a

Signed Wm. Cornwallis

Minutes in Consequence -

The President informs the Board that, upon the receipt of the foregoing Letter, he directed the Town Major to select from the Recruits of the Season, the Number applied for by the Commodore, and that forty men have in consequence voluntarily offered their Services on the occasion. -

Ordered that the Recruits be embarked on his Majestys armed Brig Concord, and that the Commodore be informed thereof, and requested to return them, so soon as he can dispense with their Services. -

Agreed that a Copy of the Commodores' Letter be sent to Bengal. -

Agreed.

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The Bombay Government to be advised of the intended Siege of Pondicherry.—

Agreed that a letter be written to Bombay advising of the preparations going forward for the Siege of Pondicherry.—

Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakely Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite intends to appoint Lieutenant Colonel Richardson Superintendant of the Camp Bazar— requests Mr. Pollack and Sujant Wynne be appointed Conductors, and that Mr. Pearce's appointment be annulled— Bill for Stationary enclosed— solicits attention to the insufficiency of his present allowances.—

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Jacksons Letter of the 3rd instant, enclosing seven Dustucks from His Highness the Nabob, which I immediately dispatched by Harkarrahs to Colonel Floyd.—

As I find that his Highness now seriously means to send Mahomed Bukshee Bahader Solar Jung to manage the business of the Bazar, as mentioned in Mr. Secretary Jacksons Letter of the 27th ultimo, I shall, with your approbation, appoint Lieutenant Colonel Richardson, who, though Quarter master General, will, in a fixed Camp, have sufficient leizure to attend to that duty, to assist in superintending the Bazar, as I

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I conceive it would, under these circumstances, be indelicate to appoint a Subaltern directly to superintend the Bazars, as was the case when his Highness had no concern with them.

I have been led into a mistake in my Letter of the 10th ultimo in recommending Mr. Pearce to be a Conductor, as the Person under that name strongly recommended by Lieutenant Colonel Gels to me some time since has been otherwise provided for, and as one of our Conductors on whom we had much dependance, is in so bad a state of health as to be supposed past recovery I request that the appointment of Mr. Pearce may be annulled, and that you will be pleased to appoint Mr. Charles Pollock Brother in law to Captain Isacks, and Serjeant Wynne of the 9th Native Battalion, Conductors.

I have been under the necessity of directing my Secretary to purchase some articles of Stationary, which were not procurable by indent on the Office. I have the honor to enclose the Bill, and to request, that

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that you will be pleased to give orders that he may be reimbursed: and being on this subject, I request to draw your attention to my situation, as present subjected unavoidably to an expence far exceeding my means, without wishing to make any particular comparisons I believe I may venture to say, that there are many Servants on this Establishment to whose situations it is not possible to suppose, that either the same trust or consequence can be attached as to mine, whose allowances from the Company far exceed mine. I was assured at the time, if I mistake not by himself that Major General Munro, whose Income far exceeded mine though his necessary expences could not equal mine, as there are now so many more Officers in the Service, was, nevertheless, on a similar occasion to that on which I am now employed, allowed Six hundred Pagodas per month extra, as Table Money. I request you to consider this, and to recollect, that I have inevitably — " incurred a great additional expence — " from the Commencement of last month, in consequence of the great resort of Officers to Head Quarters, and my

preparations

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Head Quarters
Madras July 6th
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preparations for the Field.—

I have the honor to be,
with respect.—
Signed John Brathwaite

Minutes and Resolutions
in Consequence.—

The Board have no objection to the
appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Richardson to the
Superintendance of the Camp Bazars.

The importance of securing ample—
Supplies of Grain, and other necessary articles for the
followers of the Army, renders it highly expedient
that all persons disposed to bring supplies to Camp
should receive every possible encouragement for that
purpose—Resolved therefore, that it be particularly
noticed to Colonel Brathwaite, that the Agents—
deputed by the Nabob to attend the Army, as
well as all other persons, must be prohibited
from levying, or suffering to be levied, under
any denomination or pretence whatsoever, taxes
or impositions of any kind, upon Articles brought
to the Bazars for Sale, excepting only, Spirituous
Liquors or intoxicating Drugs, which may be
put under such regulations as shall appear
to him best calculated to restrain the use of

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them among the Troops.

Agreed that the appointments of Mr. Pearce be annulled, and that Mr. Pollock and Serjeant Wynne be appointed Conductors agreeably to the recommendation of Colonel Brathwaite.

The Board are disposed to pay every possible attention to what Colonel Brathwaite has urged respecting his Allowances as Commanding Officer of the Army - but, as the Court of Directors have so strictly forbidden an increase, under any circumstances, without their express authority, the Board can only promise Colonel Brathwaite that they will take an early opportunity of stating the Subject to the Governor General, and, with his concurrence, the Colonel may rest assured, they will have very sincere pleasure in making such addition to his Allowances, as may appear suited to the increased charge which he must necessarily sustain while in the field.

Read the following letter from the Rajah of Tanjore, entered also in C.C. No. 1166.

"Translation

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Translation of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjour to the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor President &c. &c. Dated 1st July 1793

From Rajah of Tanjore respecting the continuance of the allowance of the late Sultanna Bhaiji Sahib to Shirfoji and the widows Complaints of the Collector having withheld the advances ordered to the Pattuckdars and of their severity towards the Ryots on account of outstanding Balances.

The letter which your Excellency did me the honor of addressing to me under date 13th June was delivered to me in the usual manner by Colonel Maxwell, upon its arrival here the 20th of the same month, together with the counterpart of the treaty signed and sealed, which accompanied it. the contents being understood the Colonel and other Sirdars were entertained: and this I have written for your Excellencys' information.

I have also received the letter, which your Excellency sent to me under date 22d June, through the means of my Vakeel Trimbuck Sombagee, and understand the contents. You write that instead of striking off the three thousand Pagodas, which had been paid for the expence of matoo Stree Soolchna Baie Sahib according to the tenth article of the treaty

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treaty you with are to continue the payment of it in the proportion of two thousand Pagodas to Shirsoje and one thousand Pagodas to the remaining Widows

In the tenth Article of the Treaty between me and the Honorable Company it is stipulated that three thousand Pagodas pr. Annum shall be paid for the expences of each of the Baie Sahebs: in justice therefore the proportion of any of the Baie Sahebs, who may happen to die, should come to me from the time, however, when my elder brother Tulza Maharaj went to heaven, it has been my earnest wish to perform the offices of attention to his widows and to live in domestic concord, but I cannot express the concern, which I have felt since the Baie Sahebs listening to the suggestions of ill disposed persons have separated themselves from me. Whatever is past cannot be recalled. Cherishing the memory of Tulza maharaj, and attentive to the welfare of his widows, I shall ever be ready to remove their distresses and to encrease their happiness.

In consequence of my application to Your Excellency some time since that orders.

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orders might be sent to the Collectors for ensuring the cultivation by repairing the banks of rivers and water courses and by making advances to the inhabi= =tants You were pleased to send permission for expending the necessary sums and for executing the repairs. — upon receiving these instructions the Collectors — neither took measures for executing the repairs properly, nor made advances for sowing the Seed. certain = =sums of money, which were due from some worthless ryots remained uncollected, and be= =came a balance, for which they continue to exercise great severity towards the ryots and pettucdars. If Mr. Ram at the time, when it is necessary to make advances to sow the seed, and to provide for the cultivation distrains the ryots for a past balance that cannot be collected, they will fly from the Country, and no care can be taken for the cultivation of the ensuing year. From these considerations I writ to Mr. Strange and Mr. Ram Separate letters under date 13th June; and, in Consequence of Mr. Rams — answer to me, dated 15th June, I addressed a second letter to him under date 17th of the same month. I have yet received no reply

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from Mr. Ram, who continues a Severity towards the ryots and Puttuckdars, which it does not become me to detail. Your Excellency may perhaps derive information from other channels. If the inhabitants be treated with Severity, at the Season for sowing the Seed and beginning the cultivation, for the balance of some worthless ryots, — they will be compelled to sell their Seed, and grain, Cows, and bullocks. It has been a custom established in this Country, from the earliest times, to collect within the month of may such money as was forthcoming, and to suffer the irrecoverable balances to lie over, to make advances to the ryots, and to Commence the cultivation: as this custom has prevailed, the ryots should not be treated with Severity on account of balances, at the very hour of providing the cultivation. I inclose copies of two letters to Mr. Ram and of one to Mr. Strange, from myself, together with the answers of those Gentlemen. It will be highly useful if your Excellency, after taking them into Consideration, shall send orders to Mr. Ram to desist from oppressing the ryots for balances

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as this time of providing for the cultivation. -

after the assumption of my Country, in the -
year 1791 there remained a balance against some -
worthless ryots, which Mr. Strange made great -
exertions to collect: at that time the ryots of those Aumany
Lands gave in a Memorandum. - As Mr. Strange
has now, too, prest the inhabitants for recovery of the
third years balance, the ryots came to me, and present-
-ed a petition; in consequence of this a addressed a
letter to Mr. Strange, dated 29th June, and inclosed the
petition, to which I received an answer the next day. -
Mr. Strange will doubtless have addressed the Board
of Inumid Revenue at large upon this subject. - I
inclose Copies of these two letters, to which I request
your Excellency's attention. If the worthless Inhabitants
of the Aumany Lands be now distressed on account
of the balance of the third year, they will fly from
the Country. it will therefore be highly proper that
your Excellency shew favour to these poor people,
and send orders to Mr. Strange for suspend-
-ing the collection of the above balance. Believe
me always your Excellency's sincere friend,
and

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and favour me accordingly. To a friend why
should I write more? —

Above translation

Signed J. Webbe

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Minutes in Consequence
of the foregoing. —

The Board are unable to ascertain
from the foregoing letter whether it be the Rajahs
intention to comply with the request made to
him in the Presidents letter of the 13th Ultimo. His
Excellency says, "That he shall ever be ready to
"remove the distresses of the Family of his late
"Brother, and to encrease their happiness" as a
proof of the sincerity of this declaration, it is
resolved to request of him to authorize the
Board to inform Serfojee and the Widows, that
he chearfully consents to add to their allowances,
in the proportion before specified, the Sum which
had been granted to Sulochna Bhaj Sahebe —

The Board are sorry to observe
that his Excellency seems dissatisfied with the
conduct of the Collectors. Their proceedings have
no doubt been regulated by the orders of their
Superiors

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Superiors, and the Board trusts these Gentlemen will be able to reply in a very satisfactory manner to the — representation which has been preferred against them.—

as the Rajah has written Letters to the Collectors in English, and in such English as cannot in several passages be clearly understood, it is re= solved to request of his Excellency to communicate with them in future in the way more agreeable to his own customs.—

Resolved that a letter be written to the Rajah informing him of the war with the French nation, and of the preparations making for the Siege of Pondicherry—suggesting he will continue the Embargo on Grain in the Tanjore Country, and give immediate directions that as large a supply of Slaughter Cattle and Sheep as can be collected in his Country, may be sent forward to the army — where the whole will be purchased at a fair valuation, and desiring he will state the — number which the Board may depend upon from him.—

the Rajah to be advised of the — intended Siege of Pondicherry and requested to assist in supplies of Grain and Cattle.—

Read the following letters from the

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The Board of Revenue.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

From Board of Revenue.
Setteram Nauze has arrived at Vizagapatam and Vizieram expected to follow requests orders regarding the disposal of the former and the allowance to be made him Mr Chamiers minute on the Instructions sent by the Board of Revenue and on the Removal of Juggarow enclosed remarks in Contiguance.

We lost no time, after the receipt of your orders under dates the 22nd and 29th may, respecting Vizieram Nauze and Setteram Nauze, in forwarding the necessary Instructions to the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam, and we also gave such directions relative to Juggarow, as in our Judgment appeared expedient.

We have now the honor to lay before you the answer of the Chief and Council, together with a minute delivered in by the Chief, which accompanied it, and which he has requested may be transmitted to you.

As the Chief in his Minute abovementioned, has commented on the Instructions from this Board, that the Subject may be fully before you, we think it necessary to furnish you with a Copy thereof. The construction put by the Chief on that part which gives a discretionary Authority in respect

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respect to employing Force for the purpose of seizing Sitteram rauze and sending him hither under an Escort we cannot admit your — Orders, which were forwarded to the Chief and Council, were — a Specific for his instant removal, and the latitude given by this Board, above alluded to, was of the same nature as that described in your — Letter of the 22nd ultimo in respect to Vizeram Rauze and, in regard to Joguey Row, the Proceedings of — Government, noted in the margin to which we have referred, will — sufficiently evince, we conceive, the expediency of the measure adopted towards that man.—

It affords us much satis= faction to understand that Sitteram Rauze has so readily acceded to the requisition made of him by the Chief and Council, in repairing to Vizagapatam we request to be informed of your determination as to his future disposal, and the allowance you propose to grant

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From Vizagapatam
In Consultation 13. July 1787
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D.o . . . . 24. Apl.r D.o
General Letters to England
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D.o . 1. March 1788 Para 49
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grant him. .

We have the honor to be,

Gr. &c.

David Haliburton

Signed Chas. N. White

Tho.s Cockburn

To John Chamier Esqr.

Chief & Council Vizagapatam

Gentlemen,

Having laid before Government your Several Representations relative to the conduct of the Vizeram Rauze, and other points concerning the Management and disturbed State of the Country, we lose no time in transmitting you their Instructions for your guidance with a Letter from the Governor, addressed to that Zemindar. -

You will observe that You are thereby directed, in the first place, to demand once more from Vizeram Rauze the immediate payment of the arrears due by him, both Old and new, and the instant removal of Setteram Rauze from all management, and for this purpose, he should, we are of opinion, be ordered, without delay, to -

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Vizagapatam.—

The most eligible mode of carrying these orders of Government into effect, we leave to your Judgement, but, we apprehend it may appear to you expedient to require Vizeram Rauze, previously, to repair to Vizagapatam.—

Should Vizeram Rauze refuse a full and immediate Compliance with the Requisitions above mentioned you will be guided in the delivery or transmission of the Letter to him from the Honorable the Governor in Council, as well as in demanding the Surrender of the Zemindary by the discretionary latitude given you in the accompanying Extract of the Government Letter to us under date 22d Ultimo.—

Should your requisition to Sitteram Rauze to proceed to the Presidency, in the event of the Sequestration taking place, be disregarded, we leave it to you to determine, according to Circumstances, as to employing force for the purpose of seizing his person and sending him under an Escort thither, due regard will of course be paid to his Situation in carrying the measure into Execution.—

The many Representations upon the Records of Government of the intriguing and oppressive Conduct of

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of Goday Joguy Row, and his former Connection with — Sitteram rauze, are Circumstances that Could not escape us upon taking into Consideration so material a — change as the Sequestering of Vizeram Rauzes Country It behoved this Board at such a crisis to suggest every precautionary Step for carrying this object into effect with the least inconvenience; and, as it appeared that the Situ-ation of the District was such as would encourage a Spirit of intrigue, and called for decided measures, we were of opinion that the immediate Removal of — Sitteram Rauze and Joguy Row might produce an effectual check to any designs of an intriguing nature or resistance to the order of Government, which your utmost vigilance could not, on every occasion, guard against— you will accordingly give directions to Joggy Row to proceed to Madras, or to quit the District, but it is not our intention to interdict his return longer than may appear to be expedient or when you may be of opinion there is no danger to be apprehended from intrigues and troubles in the Country.—

You will lose no time in reporting to us the State of the Zemindary, the measures you — propose for the management of the Districts as present under Vizieram Rauze in the event of Sequestration, and you will also ascertain and lay before us, as soon

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Soon as possible, a Statement of the particular Situation of the different Talooks, or smaller Zemindaries dependant on Vizieram Rauze the amount assessed on each the names of the respective Holders, with an explanation of their different Tenures their Characters and Families.

We are,

Fort St. George
5th June 1793

&c.a &c.a

David Haliburton
C. N. White
Thomas Cockburn

A true Copy
J. Signed John Read
Dpy Secy

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

Gentlemen,

We have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 3d instant, with the Several Enclosures, and to report that We are employed in executing the Instructions therein contained, in the order prescribed.

In Conformity to your opinion, our Chief has written to the Rajah Vizeram Rauze, requiring his

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his presence at this place, as a Preliminary step to the demanding from the Rajah the immediate payment of the Arrears, due by him, both old and new, and the instant removal of Sittaram Nauze from all manage-ments.—

Altho' no answer has yet been received to the Requisition, Sittaram Nauze has withdrawn from the management, and arrived at this place. He has waited upon the Chief, and expressed his perfect Submission to the Company, upon which the Chief told him, that he must remain here for the present.

Our Chief has acquainted us that he has great reason to hope, that Vizeram Nauze will shortly come to this Place, and that, in order to accelerate his motions, he has again written to him in the most pointed Terms.

We inclose Copy of a Minute delivered in by the Chief, who desires us to request that you will lay it before Government.

We are,

&c &c

John Chamier

A. Wm Gregory

John Snow

Vizagapatam
23d June 1793

A true Copy
Signed John Read
Depy Secy

Signed

Minute

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Minute of the Chief

in Consultation 23.d June 1793.

When the Letter from the Board of Revenue under date the 3.d instant, was taken into Consideration, I informed the Board of Juggarow's having some time before waited on me, and acquainted me of his having received Intelligence from Madras of what was in agitation regarding him, and that he had determined, in consequence, to quit the District, whether the orders for his so doing was, or was not, sent.—

He has accordingly quitted the District, and thereby rendered it unnecessary for the Chief and Council to send him the orders prescribed by the Board of Revenue.—

In the letter of the 3.d instant abovementioned, the Board of Revenue are pleased to leave it to us to determine, according to Circumstances, as to the employing force for seizing Setteram Rauze, and sending him to Madras under an Escort, which is, eventually, leaving it to us to decide whether he shall or shall not be obliged, to quit the District, when the expected Sequestration takes place. I consider the Confidence reposed in us by this part of the Boards' Letter very flattering, but I am at a loss how to reconcile it to another

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another part of the Letter, wherein the Board in a trifling Concern, compared with the above, do not think it expedient to confide to our discretion, but positively directs, that Juggarow shall be ordered to quit the District.

As no reason is assigned, why confidence is given in a great matter, and with held in a small one, I am not to suppose that there is any particular one for it, or that any reflection is hereby meant to be cast on the Chief and Council, but, as the Circumstance is uncommon, and liable to unfavorable Interpretation, I think it incumbent upon me to state upon Record, the Observations I have made respecting Juggarow, his Conduct here, and the line I have pursued towards him.

I never saw Juggarow until my arrival here, when he presented himself to me; I was soon informed that there was much against him on the Records; that he was a Man of an intriguing Character &c. &c. From this Circumstance it appeared to me necessary to refer to the Records where indeed I found a great deal inserted against him; but, altho' I observed very serious charges of different kinds exhibited, and at different Periods, I could not find, that he had ever been examined upon any

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any one of the Crimes, of which he was accused, or that, he had ever been confronted with his Accusers, ever brought to a Trial, or ever heard in his own Defence But, since all this was a Business in which I had no Concern, as it took place before my appointment, I determined upon the Line I should pursue, which was, to keep a watchfull Eye over his future Conduct, and to afford him Protection no longer than he should appear to deserve it.

This Line I have invariably pursued, and I can with truth report, that, according to my belief and Knowledge, he has conducted himself unexceptionably ever since I have been in the District. His Residence here, has been beneficial to the Poor, of whom he has supported a great Number at his own Expence, By his means, his Relations, who rent several of the Company's Farms, have been enabled to relieve their Tenants, and to pay their Kists with scrupulous regularity to the Company, at a time when all other Renters were in arrears. I can also add, that Juggarow has never obtruded himself upon my Notice, but, when I have sent for him for the purpose of obtaining Information in matters in which his Experience and Knowledge of the affairs of the District might be of use, I have always found him very ready to assist to the utmost of his Power.

Thus

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Thus much I have thought it necessary to say in justice to the Individual who, whatever his former Demerits may have been, which for the reasons already given, I profess myself incompetent to establish from any materials within my Reach, has conducted himself in an unexceptionable manner, since I have been honored with the charge of the Chiefship.

The Board of Revenue, in their Letter of the 3d June, express that it was incumbent upon them to suggest every precautionary step for the prevention of Intrigues at the moment of segquestering the Rajahs Country. On this Subject I have the pleasure to record my opinion, that there is no danger to be apprehended from Intrigues, nor is there any reason to expect resistance to the Orders of Government. It will be found to be very much the wish of the whole Country, that it should be put under the Company's authority, and it will appear that Settiram Pauzis administration is so much disliked by all Parties, that no one will, either overtly or privately, be inclined to attempt

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the maintenance of it. —

Had there been any Reason to apprehend the Effects of Intrigues on the part of Juggarow, it would have been the Duty of the Chief and — Council to have taken measures for the prevention of them; and they would not, I dare say, have — hesitated in obliging Juggarow or any other man, to quit the District in the first instance, and I should have thought them authorized so to do, without waiting for the sanction of the Board of Revenue. —

Having fully expressed my sentiments on the subject of Juggarow as brought before us by the Board of Revenue, there remains only to — record my Opinion, that he might, at present, — without any danger to the Company's Interests, be suffered to inhabit his own House, and to live with his Family; but, since he is at a distance, I shall defer my recommendation that the interdiction to his return be taken off, — until we are enabled to judge how the Business relating to the Vizianagrum — Zemindary is likely to —

terminate

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terminate.—

/ Signed John Chamier
A true copy

A true Copy / signed / Rob.t Alexander Sec.y

/ Signed John Read
Deputy Secretary

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakley Bar.t

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Board of Revenue — request orders regarding the Embargo on Grain previous to the restoration of the Tanjore Country — as well as the outstanding Balances, and disposal of the Cash in the hands of the Collectors — papers on the Subject enclosed...

We lose no time in laying before you a Letter received from the Collector in the Eastern Division of Tanjore, that the Rajah may be furnished with timely notice of your determination or with respecting the Embargo and the Grain under charge of Mr. Strange.

It will be necessary also to come to some determination regarding the Balances — which may be outstanding at the period of — delivering over the Country to the Rajah, as well as in respect to advances on account of mooramut — and warricum for the ensuing year. Copy of our Instructions to the Collectors on these points accompany this for your Information, and you will

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will observe we therein authorized them to grant a release in full to all those who chose to settle Accounts finally for the period of the Company's managements.

We have directed the Collectors to prepare and lay before us a complete List of all Balances for 1200, 1201. and for the Current year, as well as advances for warricum and maramut outstanding in the Country when they surrender it to the Rajah on the 12th Instant, in Compliance with your orders of the 31st May, and to give their Specific opinions as to the Competency of Individuals, from whom such are due, to discharge them - when furnished with this document we shall report to you thereon, and wait your determination what Adjustment is to take place in regard to them.

We request your orders in respect to the disposal of the Balance of Cash which will remain in the Hands of the Collectors at the time of delivery over charge of the Country.

We have the honor to be,

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Sir
Your
Most Obedient
Humble Servants

David Haliburton
Signed Chas. N. White
Thos. Cockburn

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To David Haliburton Esqr.

Acting President and the Members of Honble Revenue

Gentlemen, Fort St. George

As, by the orders of Government, Commu-
nicated by you under Date the 2nd Ultimo, my
Authority in the Eastern Division of Tanjore will
cease after the 12th Instant, it will be therefore necessary
if it is your Pleasure, that, after that Date I should
take any further Charge of the Grain laying for
Exportation at the several Ports in the Eastern
Division of Tanjore, that the same should be
Communicated to his Excellency the Rajah, because,
after the period of your Authority ceases, every Revenue
Servant, now in Office will be removed therefrom,
and, of course, those by newly named will not suffer
any Interference of mine.—

As I shall, at the moment appointed,
be ready to deliver over Charge of my Office to
the Rajah, I beg to know if I am previously to
await any further Commands from you, or if
I am to consider Your Orders of the 2nd Ultimo
as definite.—

As there will probably be a
Considerable

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Considerable Sum of Money in your Treasury you will
therefore be pleased to direct the application of it.

I am with respect
&c &c

I Signed James Strange
Collector

Tanjore
1st July 1793

A true Copy

I Signed John Read
Dpty Secy

To W. G. A. Ram

Collector in the Western Division
of Tanjore

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to transmit,
you for your Information and Guidance, the
enclosed Copy of the Orders of Government, just re-
-ceived, respecting the Advances for maramut, and
Warricum on account of the Ensuing year you
will take immediate measures for effecting the
necessary Repairs, and for making advances for
the Cultivation and the Board will write you
more fully after the departure of the Ship now
under Dispatch for England.

I am
&c &c

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29th April 1793

A true Copy

I Signed Wm Harington Secy

I Signed John Read
Dpty Secy

Extract

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Extract of a Letter to Mr. Strange

Dated 2nd May 1793.

Your application for advances for — Naramut and Warricum on Account of the Ensuing Year, as well as your proposition for making a — Survey having been referred to Government we — forwarded Copy of their Answer on the 29th instant, and we now proceed to reply to some other points Contained in your Letter of the above date.

With respect to the outstanding — Balances we only wished that you should ascertain the actual situation of the Inhabitants, and how far they might be enabled, from the resources of the Country, and in consideration of the great Indulgence that had been allowed them, to make good the demands of the Company. —

We have now to add that we expect You will use your best Efforts for this purpose, — consistent with the authority vested in you as Collector, reporting to us the steps you may take, with your Specific Opinion relative to such Balances as you may conceive it — impracticable

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impracticable to realize - This Information is indispensible to enable us to form an Opinion previous to Submitting to Government any Claim to remission -

The Rajah having suggested the expediency of some Persons on his part being present to observe the appropriation of the advances for Maraimut on account of the Ensuing year, We wish to know if you see — any Objection to a Compliance with this measure - We conceive it may be an additional check, and the — means of preventing any Complaint from him respect- =ing the expenditures for this purpose. We therfore — desire, in case you perceive no Material objection, that you will request the attendance of such People as he may be disposed to depute, and that you will allow them to take an account of all Sums expended for — Repairs &c.a under the Denomination of Maraimut -

The present imperfect mode of ascertaining the Expences of Maraimut has attracted our particular attention, and cannot but excite a Strong desire that the Evil should be corrected without delay - You will report to us what is the proper time in the year for adjusting the amounts with the Inhabi- =tants, and whether the Methods lately proposed will be

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be effectual, or what other you consider better calculated.

A true Extract

I Lynch John Read

Dpty Secy

To W. James Strange

Collector in the Eastern Division of Tanjore

Sir.

Under date the 2. Ultimo we explained to you our sentiments and expectations with respect to the outstanding Balances, and desired to be furnished with a particular Report, and your specific opinion on the subject. In consequence of the late orders for the restoration of the Country to the Rajah, we think it necessary to repeat, that we trust to your Exertions for the recovery of such proportion of those Balances as may be consistent with a proper regard to the situation of Individuals and the Interests of the Com-pany. You will however give your particular attention to the realization of the Current Revenue as the first and most important Object, and as an induce-ment to the immediate Settlement of Arrears, either by the payment of the whole or part, you may promise those who owe balances a full discharge after having complied with such an adjustment as

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as you think they may be competent to; which you will accordingly grant them to prevent their being subject to any future demands from the Rajah on account of those years. We are, &c.a &c.a

Fort St. George
13th June 1793.

Signed David Haliburton
Charles Ste White
Thomas Cockburn

A true Copy
Signed John Read
Deputy Sec.y

Minutes and resolutions on the two foregoing letters.

The instructions which were transmitted to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam by the Board of Revenue, were conformable to the orders given by Government, and must therefore be strictly attended to.

The Board are glad to find that Sittaram Pauze has paid so ready an obedience to the requisition made to him, as it affords room to hope that the negotiation with the Rajah, will terminate — without the necessity of coercive means. — with regard to the disposal of Sitteram, and to the allowance to be granted to him, the Board can say nothing, until they know the results of the demand made upon Vizieram Rauze. He must not however, be

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be permitted to leave Vizagapatam until further orders.

Resolved that the same rule be observed respecting the balances outstanding in the Tanjore Country at the expiration of the assumption, as was practised in the case of the Nabob Vizt's — that the whole not received on the 11th July, or provided for by security, be made over to the Rajah.

The Board approve the orders given for granting releases in full to all those who chose to settle accounts finally for the period of the Company's management.

Resolved that the Grain at the Sea Ports of Trincomaleel and Vapsingherry do still remain in charge of Mr. Strange, and that the Board of Revenue be informed that the Rajah has been desired to continue the Embargo for the present.

The Board can give no instructions regarding the Balance of Cash in the hands of the Collectors, until they are informed of the amount.

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board, with Enclosure Entered in W.B. No. 83.

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Hospital Board
8th July 1793

From Hospital Board proposing a General Order respecting the allowance to Regimental Surgeons for Wine and Country medicines, and to Surgeons and their Assistants for Servants — that the Surgeon at Cuddalore do supply and cloth the sick sent thro' from the General Field Hospital, and that Mr. Skippard be stationed at — Wallajahbad and Mr. L. Maurice at Salem — Mr. Thackeray requests Staff allowance recommend the continuance of Mr. Dalton with the 74th Regiment — Mr. Connolly's plan for a Hospital for Insane patients —

Approved

It having been — omitted in the late Field arrangements to specify the allowance to Regimental Surgeons for Wine and Country Medicines, The Hospital Board recommend that the General Order of the 28th March 1790 respecting these — Articles may be republished. — ed. Vizt. —

"Regimental Surgeons
"to draw an allowance of
"60 Pagodas pr month. for
"the purchase of Wine, —
"Spirits, and every other —
"Article which comes under
"the denomination of —
"Country and Bazar —
"medicines." —

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It will be also
necessary to publish a
Genral Order intimating
that "The allowances to
"Surgeons and Assistants
"Surgeons for Servants, is
"to be the same as in
"time of Peace. Viz. fifteen
"Pagodas pr. month to
"Surgeons, and Ten Pagodas
"pr. Month to Assistants
"Surgeons."

Approved

Several men be-
-longing to the Flank-
Companies of Europeans
lately arrived at Cuddalore
have been sent into the
Hospital of that Garrison,
and as many of the
worst cases may be
occasionally sent in there
from the General Field
Hospital

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Hospital. The Board recommend that Mr. Harris be directed to furnish Victualling and Cloathing to such men as may be placed under his care, belonging to Corps in the field, on the same terms as are drawn by the Contractor to the Presidency Hospital.

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson, directing that an Assistant Surgeon be stationed at Wallajaubad, to take charge of the convalescents and others at that Cantonment, during the absence of the Troops.

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The Board recommend that Mr. Shippard, Assistant Surgeon, be withdrawn from the Garrison of Nellore, and appointed to this duty. –

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Secretary Clerk, stating that Government had resolved to Station an Assistant Surgeon at Salem, and directing that a proper person be recommended for that post. The Board recommend that Mr. Le Mesurier, Assistant Surgeon, be appointed to Salem; but, as he is at present in Charge of the Stores at the General Hospital, he cannot be removed 'till the arrival of Mr. Fenton the Medical Storekeeper. –

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Inadmissible Mr. Thackeray having been appointed to attend Colonel Brathwaite, at the request of that Officer, the Presidents in Council had no Idea of considering him either on the Staff, or that, by his Appointment, any extra Expence was to fall upon the Company.—

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Thackeray, Assistant Surgeon at Head Quarters, a Copy of which the Board have the honor to lay before Govern=ment; and, as they believe it is customary to grant—extra Allowances to all Staff Officers, they hope Mr.—Thackeray, as one of the—Commander in Chief's suite, will be entitled to the same privilidge.—

The Physician—General having received Letters from the Com=mander in Chief, and Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, stating that Mr. Dalton, Assistant Surgeon lately ordered to the Field—Hospital, was permitted, by the Marquis Cornwallis, during

during the late war, to act with His Majestys 74th Regiment, and that it would be very inconvenient to remove him from that Corps at this time, the Surgeon having proceeded with the Flank Companies to the Field. — The Board recommend that Mr. Dalton be permitted to continue with the 74th Regiment, as the Head Surgeon will be able to get another Assistant in the field, if he finds it necessary.

The Hospital Board have received from their Secretary an address to the Honorable the Governor in Council; containing proposals for establishing at this Presidency an Hospital for Insane Patients, which he

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The Presidents in Council is persuaded that the adoption of the plan suggested by Mr. Conolly, would be attended with many beneficial conse=quences. But, as the Cost to the Company of such an istablishment has not been stated, and as the present moment is unfavorable for underta=kings of this nature, the Board can come to no immediate determi=nation upon it. They will, however, with pleasure, refer the subject to the favorable Considera=tion

he requests may be transmitted. together with a plan and Elevation of a Building proposed to be erected for the purpose.

The Board have perused the proposals with attention, and think them, as well as the Intended Building, well calculated to answer the laudable purposes for which they are intended. They Therefore have great satisfaction in Recommending to the most Serious attention of Government a plan which, if carried into effect, must be highly pleasing to every person of Hu=manity, and which cannot fail of being extremely beneficial to

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Consideration of the — Honorable Court of — Directors, in case it should suit Mr. Conolly's views to wait the result of such reference. — the Community at large, by securing them against the perpetration of those horrid acts of Violence, which have been so — frequently committed by unrestrained maniacal Frenzy. —

James Anderson
Physician General

Sd Signed

Colley L. Lucas

William Raine
Head Surgeon

Read the following letter from the Military Board.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board submitting Colonel Brathwaite's plan for a Pioneer Establishment their opinion thereon conceive the Company should furnish Cloathing for the Recruits of the present season —

Having taken into consideration your Honors letter of the 26th instant, relative to the Pioneer Corps, our President delivered in a Minute, a copy of which we have the honor to enclose; and, being of opinion that the mode proposed by the President was that which enabled us most speedily to comply with

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with your Orders, the detail of the Pioneer Corps as a Corps not having been before settled, we proceeded to act upon his proposition, and have now the honor to- submit to you our opinion relative to the pay and allowances which the several ranks of the Corps of Pioneers are to draw, in different situations and we will first state, that, on account of their strength and mode of being employed, Puckallies cannot well be attached to Companies, but we think that eight Puckallies should be allowed to the Corps, and one head Conicoply and one Assistant Conicoply.

The Lieutenant Commandants, in our opinion, should be put upon the same footing, in regard to Affreckonings, as the Commandants of the Corps of Native Cavalry, employing the Contractor.

It has been usual for all Officers of Pioneers, of whatsoever ranks, to draw the subsistence annexed to their ranks in the army, and, over and above, an allowance equal to the subsistence annexed to their respective ranks under the head of Pioneer allowance this may be still so continued, on the same principle that Sepoy allowance is paid, or the actual pay or subsistence of a Pioneer Officer may

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may be fixed at double that of an Officer of the European Infantry of the same rank, and, when the very laborious nature of their duty is considered, We think them entitled to be paid, as all Pioneer Officers have, hereto-fore, been. — The pay of an Assistant Surgeon, we conceive, should be the same as that paid to — Assistant Surgeons of all other Native Corps. —

The full pay of a Pioneer Serjeant has always been Ten Pagodas per Month. —

The Jemadar is like the Tyrang of the Gun Lascars, the Native head of a Company of one hundred Men, and we think he should therefore be allowed the same full pay being Seven Pagodas, and ten Fanams per Month. —

The Havildar we think should be allowed the same full pay as a first Tindal in the Gun Lascars, being Two Pagodas, thirty one Fanams, and seventy five cash per month. —

The Naigue we think should be allowed the same full pay as a second Tindal, being Two pagodas, ten fanams, and five cash per Month. —

And the private Pioneer the same full pay as a Gun Lascar being Two Pagodas per Month.

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The stoppages to be made from their Pay to correspond, also, with the established practice in the Gun Lascars.

We are of opinion that this Corps should draw batta in situations which entitle other Corps to batta the batta of the Officers and Serjeants, agreeable to their ranks, and the Natives in proportion to the ranks in the Gun Lascars, by which their pay is proposed to be settled, but that they should never be allowed Working Money except in such cases where premiums are given for services particularly desperate.

And that we may, as far as in our power, give the fullest information we enclose a statement of the Artificers, Carriage and Camp Equipage to be allowed to such a Corps, that, if your Honor is pleased to adopt this proposed Establishment and our ideas on it, the whole may be published in Orders for the information of the Officers of Pay and Controul, and all concerned.

On the subject of your Commands relative to the Cloathing necessary to be furnished to each Recruit from Europe, and the manner

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it should be furnished, we are of opinion that, for this present Season, as the occasion presses, that the Contractor should be ordered to furnish a Coat and Hat or — leather Cap agreeably to the uniform of the Corps to — which such Recruits may be draughted, at the expence of Government, upon Indents, from the respective Com= =manding Officers of Corps — but we propose, shortly, to lay before your Honorable Board a plan to be — adopted for the future Cloathing of the Army, with the Regulation for the Off reckoning Fund in which, perhaps, we may be able to comprise some settled — mode for the Cloathing of the Recruits of each Season —

We have the Honor to be

Hon^ble Sirs

John Brathwaite

Henry Malcolm

Thomas Peile

Jn Richardson

Barry Close

Geo. Maule

George Hall

Jn

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9th July 1793.

Signed

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In consequence of the letter of Government of the 26th ultimo —
relative to the pay and allowances to be allowed to the
Officers &c" of the Corps of Native Pioners in all situati-
-ons, I think it may be necessary to suppose some —
Establishment as fixed for that Corps, and that being
a matter of detail, I offer the following as a supposed
Establishment, in order to save time, and propose that
the Board should act upon it and so refer the
whole at once to Government Viz! the Establishment
proposed by me as Commander of the Army, and
the pay and allowances that fall to be paid to —
such an Establishment, as determined by the Board.—

I propose that the Corps of Pioners be
considered as a separate Corps, the Officers, to which,
are to be supplied from the Officers on the Esta-
-blishment as Vacancies may happen, in like —
manner as in the Native Infantry Corps, and to rise
in the list of the Army in like manner.—

That it consist of One Lieutenant —
Commandant.—

Three Lieutenants,
One Assistant Surgeon
And Six Companies, allowing an
Officer

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Officer to two Companies.—

Each Company to consist of as follows.—

Sergeants	Jemidars	Hauildars	Naigues	Privates
1	1	3	3	100

This is not exactly conformable to the Establishment of a Pioneer Company as before existing, as there was no Jemadar, but four Hauildars and four naigues. One Hauildar and one Naigue are struck off to admit of a Jemidar, as something to excite imulation and the difference of Expence is only four Pagodas for the whole Corps in one year.—

I Signed John Brathwaite

Military Board

July 1.st 1793

A true Copy

I Signed W. Linley

Deputy Secy

Estimate

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Estimate of Tents, Bullocks, Lascars, Coolies, Dooleis, and Artificers for the Corps of Pioneers in the Field.

	Tents	Carriage Bullocks	Lascars	Bullock Coolies	Dooleis	Artificers
	Officers	Private	Sepoys	Puttaars	Bullocks	Mistries
1 Lieutenant Commanding	1	1	1	5	1	2
3 Subalterns			2		6	2
1 Assistant Surgeon & Hospital	1	1	1	1	6	2
6 Serjeants			2		2	1
Spare Tools & Stores					3	1
Spare Bullocks to 6					4	1
Total	4	4	1	2	26	9

	Dooleis	Artificers
	Bearers	Mistries
1 Lieutenant Commanding	3	2
3 Subalterns	4	2
1 Assistant Surgeon & Hospital	3	3
6 Serjeants		1
Spare Tools & Stores		
Spare Bullocks to 6		
Total	10	8

	Artificers
	Carpenters
	Smith
	Armourer
	Bellows Boys
1 Lieutenant Commanding	1
3 Subalterns	2
1 Assistant Surgeon & Hospital	3
6 Serjeants	3
Spare Tools & Stores	1
Spare Bullocks to 6	1
Total	1

The above Corresponds as nearly as possible with the Estimate drawn out for a Corps of Native Infantry in the Book of Regulations as the proportion of Dooleis and Bearers is not included in that Estimate it is also omitted in this.

A true Copy

Signed W. Linley

Deputy Secy

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board still think Artificers unnecessary as Samulcotah and Information regarding the Sums for which the Nabob claims Credit.

1 In reply to your Letter under date 26th ultimo, we have the honor to acquaint you that the necessary directions are given to the Military Storekeeper to repair the Carts reported Reparable, and to dispose of, by Sale, or otherwise, the other articles, agreeably to the remarks of the Committee we had the honor to lay before you on the 25th ultimo.

2 Having duly considered another letter of the same date from your Honorable Board, enclosing extracts of a letter from the Chief and Council of Masulipatam, and the Copy of a letter from Colonel Fraser on which you desire our opinion, We are of opinion that the Artificers attached to Corps are sufficient for the purpose of repairing the Arms issued to such Corps, except in very particular cases, when, of course, application must be had to the Arsenal of Masulipatam, and we still think Small establishments of Artificers as Subordinate Stations, unnecessary.

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3 With regard to the repair of publick Buildings as the whole is to be done by Contract, we conceive it is the duty of the Contractors to keep up a certain number of Artificers in monthly pay, so distributed, as to be at hand for any small repair which does not admit of delay, without a probability of encreasing the expence, and that the Committee of works when there is one, and where there is not the Commanding Officer, should be authorized to order such repairs, provided they do not exceed the Sum of five Pagodas.

4 In reply to that part of your letter of the 6th ultimo, relative to the credit claimed by the Nabob for certain Stores &c. we have the honor to enclose copies of the correspondence between this Board and the Military Storekeeper on the said subject, and of the documents furnished by him relative thereto, and are very sorry we have not been able to transmit to you, earlier information on the subject and we are fearful that the one which we are now enabled to forward, owing to some apparent former neglect in the Store Department, will not prove so satisfactory as we could wish.

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We have the Honor to be,

Fort St. George
5th July 1793

Sir & Mr
Your most obedient
humble Servants

John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Thomas Pils
Signed Jno Richardson
By Close
Geo: Maule
George Hall

The Commissary General of Stores &c.

the Board, in consequence of a letter from Government of the 31st March last referred to him in Meeting of the 6th of April - that the Accounts, in the Books kept in the Arsenal, do not extend beyond the year 1786, at which period a new Arrangement of the Store Department took place, he therefore has not any documents whereby to examine the Nabobs Claim, to be credited for Military Stores in such a manner as fully to afford the Board the information required by Government, in that Letter.

It appears upon the Books of the Arsenal that in may 1790 his Highness the Nabob

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by an Order of Government received from the Arsenal, — 4 Iron Brass 6 Pd.r Guns and Three 3 Pounders being the remaining Guns of that nature and Caliber, that had been received at Negapatam by Admiral Sir Edward Hughes of his Majestys Fleet, and deposited in the Arsenal at the Presidency.

The Commissary Genral of Stores is of an opinion, that if the letter from Government be referred to the Military Storekeeper, for his report upon it, that the Books in his Office will afford the information required, which the Books in the Arsenal, for the reasons above = mentioned, do not. —

April 21.st 1793.

/Signed George Hall

A true Copy

W. Linley
Deputy Secy.

To. Mr. Josias DuPre Porcher
Military Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the President &.c Members of the Military Board to inform you that they approve of the Offer made you by Captain Shean for carrying the Stores to Negapatam for the use of the Royal Artillery, with whom they therefore authorize you to

close

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close: the Commissary General has received directions to Ship the above Stores as expeditiously as possible.

The Board further direct me to enclose a Letter from Government under date 31st March last, with a Remark thereon by the Commissary General of Stores which they request you will return, giving them, at the same time, every information in your Power on the subject.

I am, &c. &c.

Fort St. George
22nd April 1793.

(Signed) James Brodie, Y. M.B.

A true Copy

(Signed) W. Linley Dep. Sec.

Colonel Brathwaite

President and Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen,

In Obedience to your Commands I have the honor to enclose an Account of Ordinance and Military Stores belonging to his Highness the Nabob of Arcot with their Values.

The People in my Office assert, that no official Order was ever received for taking Charge

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charge of the Ordnance and Stores belonging to His — His Highness the Nabob, but that on closing the Books, before the accounts remains were taken, in November 1786. a Quantity of Military Stores were found to have been — issued of a different name to any on the Company's Accounts, and, on enquiry, it was found that some Stores left in the Arsenal by Admiral Sir Edward Hughes, belonging to His Highness the Nabob had been issued by order of the Commissary. In consequence of which Credit was given to His Highness for Stores agreeing with the amounts stated by Government in their Order to the Military Board Dated 31st March 1793. —

I return inclosed the Honorable Board's Letter with the Commissary Generals remarks thereon

I have the honor to be

with much Respect. —

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

humble Servant —

Fort St. George

1st June 1793.

Signed Jos: dupre Porcher

Military Storekeeper

A true Copy

Signed W. Linley

Deputy Secy

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An Account of Ordnance and Military Stores,
& an Account, Remains taken by order of Government in

Brass Ordnance

Mortars 13 Inch .....

Guns ... 6 Pdr .....

" D^o as the Mounts not taken in the account Remains

" 3 Pdr .....

Iron Shells ... 13 Inch .....

" Shott ... 6 Pdr .....

3 D^o .....

Field Carriages for Brass Guns Unserviceable .. 6 Pdr .....

" " 3 D^o .....

Ladles with Worms of sorts .. Unserviceable .....

Tompions Field ..... D^o .....

Limber Boxes ..... D^o .....

Portfires ..... D^o .....

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belonging to His Highness the Nabob, found in the Arsenal,

November 1786 - Fort St. George 29th May 1793. -

			Remains as per Accounts taken in Novr 1786	Issued since by order of Government	Broken up being utterly unfit	Remains as present in the Arsenal and in the Mounds	
							Pags

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To Colonel Brathwaite

President and Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

I have been honored with your Commands, thro' Mr. Secretary Brodie in a Letter dated the 14th. instant, and, in Obedience thereto, beg leave to inform you, that it is not in my Power to furnish a Copy of the Account which appears to have been delivered into Government as mentioned in their Letter of the 31st. March last - having no Original in my possession, nor can I say whether this Account was sent from my Office or not for on enquiry I cannot find a single paper relative thereto.—

Enclosed is a List of the Ordnance and Stores required, extracted from the Books of my Office, with their Value, in which List the purposes for which they were issued will appear

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appear with respect to remains of these Stores before November 1786. I can give no Informa-tion for the reasons assigned in the foregoing Paragraph.

Having before informed you that I have not a single Paper in my Office relative to the ordnance and Stores in question before November 1786 it is of course out of my Power to furnish the information required by the Board in the fourth Paragraph of Mr. Secretary Brodies Letter.

The Remains at the above period the Board is in possession of. It being the first Column of the Statement I had the honor to lay before them in my Letter dated the first Instant.

With respect I have the honor to be.

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient

humble Servant

Signed Jos: de Pre Porcher

Ag Storekeeper

Fort St. George

28th June 1793.

A true Copy

Signed W. Linley

Deputy Secy

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An Account of Military Stores said to belong to His Highness the Nabob, issued from the Arsenal by the Commissary for the Public Service at different periods as undermentioned.—

1782
January 20th 8 Sent to Carongooly as pr Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt 3 . . . . . 10.18.—

31st 12 Sold to His Majesty's Naval Storekeeper

Match Europe . . . Cwt. 1 . . . . . 4.27.—

30 Delivered to Lieutenants Orrs Detachment as pr Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt 2 . . . . . 1.3.55

February 28th 15 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt. 1.24 . . 2.2.65.

Deanish Pouches . . . . 2000 . . 362.—.— 362.2.65.

17 Delivered to the Marlesmen Company as pr Indent

Deanish Pouches . . . . 29 . . . . . 5.2.20.20

29th Delivered to the 1st Battalion of Seapoys as pr Indent

Deanish Pouches . . . . 42 . . . . . 7.6.4.40

31 Delivered to the Out Post as pr Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt. 1.11 . . . . . 1.7.-.70.

March 20th 5 Sent to Chinglaput in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt 2.2.20 . . . . . 9.13.40.

26th 7 Sent to Trincamala as pr Indent

Deanish Pouches . . . . 300 . . . . . 41.8.27.—

27th 9 Sent to Negapatam in part of Indent

Deanish Pouches . . . . 200 . . . . . 27.9.6.—

29th 10 Sent to Tanjore in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Cwt. 2.3.10 . . . . . 12.2.7.7.

Carried Over Pags 1493. 14. 47.

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Brought Over Pagodas . . . . 659.14.47.

March 31st 13 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 5.28 . . 25. 2.45.

Danish Pouches . . . . 1258 . . 2280. 4.40. 2305. 7.5

37 Sold to His Majestys Naval Storekeeper

Match Europe . . . Off 7.16 . . . . . 33.33.35.

April 20th 5 Sent to Chinglepat in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 2.2.10 . . . . . 9.33.60.

30th 10 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 5.2.4 . . . . . 26.10.50.

18 Delivered to the Military in Garrison as per Indent

Danish Pouches . . . . 60 . . . . . 83.27.

24 Delivered to the Out Posts as per Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 1.10 . . . . . 1.6.60.

25 Delivered for Salutes and Watch Gun as per Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 1.2 . . . . . 33.60

34 Delivered to the 26th Battalion of Sepoys as per Indent

Danish Pouches . . . . 545 . . . . . 987.29.20.

May 12th 8 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 2.3.12 . . . 13.20.46.

Danish Pouches . . . . 420 . . 787.18. 801.2.46.

9 Delivered to the Poligar Vencatagerry Rajah as per Indent

Match Europe . . . Off 7 . . . . 10.55.

Brass Drum . . . . 1 . . . 9.27. 10.1.55.

Carried Over Pagodas 871.53.20.38.

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Brought Over Pagodas 8753. 20. 38

May 31st 24 Delivered to his Majesty's 98th Regiment as p. Indent

Brass Drums . . . . 6. . . . . 42. "-"

22 Sent to Ponamalle as p. Indent

Match Europe Off.rs 2. 4. . . . . 2. 1. 26.

44 Delivered to the Military in Garrison as p. Indent

Brass Drum . . . . . 1. . . . . 7. "-"

June 30th 22 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe Off.rs 1. 20. . . . . 35. 10. 22.

Danish Peuches . . . . . 30. . . . . 54. 13. 40. 89. 23. 62

27 Delivered to the out Post as p. Indent

Match Europe Off.rs 1. 20. . . . . 1. 18. "

July 31st 12 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Match Europe Off.rs 13. 2. 12. . . . . 64. 22. 66.

27 Delivered to the Guns at Governors Garden House as p. Indent

Match Europe . . 8. 25. . . . . "- 28. 10.

August 2nd 1. Delivered to his Majestys 98th Regiment as p. Indent

Brass Drums . . . 8. . . . . 56. "-"

14th 8 Sold to his Majestys Naval Storekeeper

Brass Drums . . . . 2. . . . . 18. 9. "

Match Europe Off.rs 15. . . . . 71. 9. " 89. 18. "

31st 19 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Danish Peuches . 139. . . . . 251. 33. 60.

Match Europe Off.rs 3. 3. . . . . 17. 29. 20.

Brass Drums . . 14. . . . . 127. 27. " 397. 18. "

Carried Over Pagodas 9506. 5. 62

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Brought Over Pagodas — 9504. 5. 42

25 Delivered to the 7th and 8th Battalion of Northern Circar Sepoys as per Indents

Brass Drums . . . . . 5 . . . . . 35. " "

29 Delivered to the 12th Battalion of Seapoys as per Indents

Brass Drum . . . . . 1 . . . . . 9. 4. 40

31 Delivered for Salutes and Watch Gun as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls " 2. 14 . . . . . 2. 6. 60

37 Delivered to the Outs Post as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 1. — . . . . . 3. 18. "

September 4th 2 Sent to Pulicate as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 1. 14 . . . . . 1. 11. 20

28th 15 Sent to Southward in part of Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 1. 1. 20 . . . . . 6. 15. 34

30th 17 Sent to Camp in part of Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 1. 16 . . . . . 32. 5. 11

33 Delivered for the use of the Dutch Prisoners as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 2. 14 . . . . . 2. 6. 60

39 Delivered to the Posts at the Mounts as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 1. 3. 10 . . . . . 6. 15. 60.

41. Delivered to the outs Posts as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 2. 14 . . . . . 2. 6. 60

October 6th 5 Delivered for the use of the Bridge of Guns at the Governor Garden House as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 2. 4 . . . . . £31. 40

31st 32 Delivered to the Outs Posts as per Indents

Match Europe . . . . Qtls 3. 26 . . . . . 3. 15. 60

42. Delivered to the Volunteer Sepoys as per Indents

Danish Pouches . . . . 62 . . . . . 112. 13. 40

Carried Over Pags 9722. 12. 47

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October					Brought over Pagodas	9722.12.4
	31st	47	Delivered for Salutes and Watch Guns as pr Indents			
			Match Europe	Cwt. 2.1/2		2.6.6
November	8th	1	Sent to Chingleput as pr Indents			
			Drum Hoops	50		6.9.-
	30th	10	Sent to Camp in part of Indents			
			Brass Drums	7	6231.40	
			Drum Hoops	50	2.12.-	72.7.40
	28		Delivered to the Black Town Artillery as pr Indent			
			Brass Drum	1	7.-.-	
			Match Europe	Cwt. 2.-.-	7.-.-	14.-.-
	28		Delivered to the 2d Battalion of Sepoys as pr Indent			
			Brass Drum	1		9.4.66
	31		Delivered to the Armoury for filling up Arms as pr Indent			
			Drum Hoops	4		.12.-
	38		Delivered to the Volunteer Sepoys as pr Indent			
			Brass Drum	1		9.4.66
December	31st	9	Sent to Camp in part of Indent			
			Match Europe	Cwt. 24.		30.3.-
	26		Delivered to the Out Post as pr Indent			
			Match Europe	Cwt. 1.1.-		4.13.4
	27		Delivered to Lt Orr Detachment as pr Indent			
			Spanish Pouches	36		101.12.-
	29		Delivered for Salutes and Watch Guns as pr Indent			
			Match Europe	Cwt. 1.7		1.3.20
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January	31st	11	Sent to Camp in part of Indent			
			Match Europe	Cwt 6.2.20	30.4.65	
			Drum Hoops	50	8.12.-	38.16.65
					Carried over Pagodas	9932.-.72

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1783			Brought over Pagodas		9982 . 72
January	13	Delivered to the Armoury for fitting up Arms as pr Indent			
		Drum Hoops	8		1 . " . "
	15	Delivered to the 1st Battalion of Sepoys as pr Indent			
		Drum Hoops	2		" 12 . "
	16	Delivered to the 2d Battalion of Sepoys as pr Indent			
		Drum Hoops	8		1 . 12 . "
	30	Delivered to the 7th and 8th Battalion of Northern Circar Sepoys as pr Indent			
		Drum Hoops	2		" 9 . "
	36	Delivered to the Post at the Mount as pr Indent			
		Drum Hoops	8		1 . " . "
Feby	28th 24	Delivered to the Black Town Artillery as pr Indent			
		Brass Drum	1		7 . " . "
	26	Delivered to the Out Post as pr Indent			
		Match Europe	Ct . " 2 . 14		2 . 6 . 60
	33	Delivered for Salutes and watch Guns as pr Indent			
		Match Europe	Ct . " 2 . 14		2 . 6 . 60
March 31st	6	Sent to Camp in part of Indent			
		Match Europe	Ct . 4 . 1 . 24		20 . 3 . 20
	19	Delivered to the 12th Battalion of Sepoys as pr Indent			
		Dcanish Pouches	233		422 . 11 . 20
	24	Delivered to the Mount as pr Indent			
		Dcanish Pouches	38		53 . 1 . 40
' mt	25th	6 Sold to his Majestys Naval Storekeeper			
		Match Europe	Ct . " 3 . 16		4 . 8 . 55
	30th	11 Sent to Camp in part of Indent			
		Match Europe	Ct . 4 . 1 . 24		20 . 3 . 17
			Carried over Pagodas		10517 . 3 . 24

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Brought Over Pagodas 10517. 3.24

July 31st 24 Delivered to the out Posts as pr Indent

Match Europe ..... C. 20 ..... " 22.40

34 Delivered to the out Posts and Black Town in part of Indent

Match Europe ..... C. 1.2.12 ..... 5.22.40

1784 March 31st 10 Sent to Camp in part of Indent

Dcanish Pouches ..... 75 ..... 135.33.60

September 30th Sold to the Military Storekeeper

Wooden Cartridge Boxes .. 800 ..... 56. "-"

1785 February 23 5 Sent to Camp at Arcot for the use of the Troops there as per Receipt

Swivels for Bandeliers .. 207

Deduct belonging to the Honorable Company 84 123 ..... 10.35.42

Pagodas 10726. 9.46

Signed Jos. Du. Pre. Porcher
Mily Storekeeper

N.B. When Military or other Stores are received on the Honorable Company's Books they are valued according to their Station but when Stores are issued for any purpose except the Service of the Company an advance of 30 pr Cent is always charged hence the difference between the enclosed Account and the amount of the same Stores mentioned in the Letter of Government of the 31st March last.

Signed Jos: Du Pre. Porcher
Mily Storekeeper

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A true Copy
Signed W. Linley Depy Secy

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board opinion respecting the Hats, Cockades &c. procured by Lieutenant Colonel Geils from England for his corps of Artillery.

Having taken into consideration the — paragraph of your letter of the 6th of June, with copy of the letter from Lieutenant Colonel Geils, and an Invoice of Hats, Cockades, &c. commissioned by him for the 1st — Battalion of Artillery; We beg leave to observe that it does not appear to us, whether Lieutenant Colonel Geils at the time he commissioned the Hats, and Cockades, was the sole proprietor of the Effreckonings of the 1st Battalion, as Commandant of it, or whether he commissioned them, subsequent to the distribution of Effreckonings published under date July 21st 1792. in the first case, the whole expence would have fallen upon himself, but in the latter case, it must fall to be paid proportionably by all Officers in the Battalion entitled to share in the Effreckoning Fund of the Battalion, and, under such circumstances, he ought not, in our opinion, to have subjected them to such an expence, without being either previously sanctioned by an express order of the Commander in Chief to commission such Hats, Cockades &c.

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or after having obtained the Commander in Chiefs consent, by obtaining the consents of all those on whom the expence was to fall, concerning all which we have no information before us.

At all events, however it is clear, that under the present distribution of Effreckonings, the expence must fall proportionably upon all the Shares, and as there is no distinct Effreckoning Fund for the 1st or 2d Battalion of Artillery but simply one Fund for the whole Corps of Artillery we imagine the Contractor cannot with propriety receive these Hats and Cockades, and then issue them to the first Battalion of Artillery, as he can only bring his charge against the Effreckoning Fund of the whole Corps, including both Battalions we are therefore of opinion that these Hats and Cockades &c.a should remain with Lieutenant Colonel Fitz, and that every thing relative to their application, and the payment for them, should be settled by Lieutenant Colonel Fitz in a Regimental Committee composed of the Officers of the 1st Battalion entitled to shares of the Effreckonings.

Having thus delivered the opinion which

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which we feel it necessary to deliver on the subject, in point of strict form, we hope however we shall be justified in stating that this determination may eventually fall hard upon Lieutenant Colonel Geils, who has, from all appearance, acted from a zealous wish that his Corps should be not only timely, but Regimentally furnished with Hats, of which he had no prospect otherwise, as it was known that the Company had no Hats in Store to issue to the Contractor.

We therefore submit it to your Honors consideration whether any irregularity in the proceeding might not be passed over, and Lieutenant Colonel Geils be indemnified, by the express order of Government, to issue these Hats, as they are certainly a convenience to the Service, there being no other in Store, and Government stand to the difference between the price of these Hats, and that of the Hats which would have been furnished by Government, if any had been in Store under which circumstance Government will have to receive from the Effrecktoning Fund.

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Stg. £. 6.

A/c the price of Hats actually furnished by Government . . . 127. 2. 3d

And will have to add 697. 27. 39

As both these Sums together, make out the Sum total of the Invoice price, and Insurance, communicated to us by Lieutenant Colonel Gils.—

We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort S.t George
5.th July 1793.

John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
Jn.o Richardson
B.J Close
Geo.: Maule
George Hall

Signed

Resolutions and Minutes on the three preceding letters from the Military Board.—

Resolved to adopt the establishment recommended by the Military Board for the Corps of Pioneers, and that it be published in orders for the information and Guidance of those concerned.

Resolved that the Contractor for cloathing the army be directed to furnish a Coat and Hat or Leather Cap for the recruits of the season, agreeably to the uniform of the Corps to which such recruits

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recruits may be drafted at the expence of Government upon Indents from the Commanding Officers of Corps.—

Agreed that the opinion given by the Military Board respecting Artificers and repairs of Public Buildings, be communicated to the Chief and Council at Masulipatam. for their information and Guidance.

The Board observe that there are still remaining in the Arsenal Stores belonging to the Nabob valued at thirteen thousand eight hundred and three Pagodas — twenty seven fanams and seventy five Cash, and that his Highness has been duly credited for such as have been issued. Resolved that the Stores remaining be also carried to his Highness's Credit, whenever they are issued for the public Service.—

In consideration of the circumstances — urged by the Military Board in behalf of the claim — preferred by Lieutenant Colonel Geils, it is resolved that the proceeding was irregular on his part to indemnify himself for the Cost of the Hats, Cockades &c. Commissioned by him from Europe for the use of the first Battalion of European Artillery, according to the Invoice, with the addition of Insurance.—

Read the following Letter from the — attorney

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Attorney General

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

Honorable Sir,

I am to acknowledge the receipt of

From Attorney General of opinion Government can issue the proposed Commissions &c. for Private Ships of war and appoint Committee of Condemnation of Prizes &c.

Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of 2nd instant, enclosing draughts of a Commission for a private Ship of war of a Bond for the good behaviour of the Commander and of instructions from your Honorable Board to all Commanders of such Ships, and desiring that I would report my opinion whether they can be legally issued by your Honor in Council.

Having in consequence perused the several Charters granted by the Crown to the Company I have the honor to submit it to you as my opinion that you have full authority to issue these Commissions and Instructions, and to take Bonds for the due observance of them.

Permit me to observe here that possessing full Power to issue these Commissions and Instructions, it necessarily follows that you possess full power to enquire, either by yourselves or by others appointed by you whether, in any Capture, they shall

have

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have been strictly adhered to or not in other words to — appoint Commissioners to determine all matters relative to Ships and Goods seized and taken as Prize, with power to the persons intrusted to appeal from their — decision to your Honorable Board, Yourselves or your Delegates are the natural and proper Judges whether the Authority you granted has been abused or duly executed, and on this point turns the acquittal or — condemnation of the Prize.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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5th July 1793.

Signed Benj.n Sullivan

Minute thereon

Resolved, in consequence of the opinion given by the Attorney General, that the Commission Instructions &c. for Private Ships of war be issued to such persons as may apply for them.—

Read the following letter from the — Military Auditor General.—

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

From Military Auditor General stating the reason why the Estimate of the War Establishment has not been prepared by the time ordered.—

Honorable Sirs,

Having done myself the honor of

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of acquainting you under date the 6th of May last that every attention should be paid on my part to prepare by the 1st of this month the Account of the Expence of the last war, I am under the necessity, at the present moment, of reporting that it is not yet in my power to lay it before you, owing to the Books of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions not being brought up for the year 1791/2; and, as the Charges in that Department from so considerable a part of the whole that will fall to be carried to the account of the war, I have not judged it advisable to enter them by estimate even were the proceeding admissible under the instructions I have received.

The Commissary General of Grain and Provisions informs me that the interruptions he has experienced since the 1st of June in consequence of the increase of important business from that date in his Office is the cause of his not having been able to bring up the Books at the period he gave me reason to expect, and that he is now apprehensive it will be the end of this month before every Charge shall be so clearly ascertained from his Office as to admit of my compleating the Statement before

that

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that period I can only add that having been in daily — expectation of being in possession of the several documents necessary for completing it, has induced me to delay reporting, from day to day, until the present date, my inability to lay the Statements before you at the time directed in your Commands of the 6th May last.—

I have the Honor to be,
with the highest respect.—
&c. &c.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
9th July 1793.

Agreed that Copy of the above letter be sent to Bengal.—

Copy to be sent to Bengal.—

Read the following Letter from the Adjutant General.—

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

Sir, Colonel Brathwaite has desired me to request you will signify to the Honorable the President in Council his recommendation that, as the Adjutant General and his Deputy must be attached to the Head Quarters with the Army in the field, Lieutenant Mark Wilks may be forthwith appointed Assistant Deputy

From Adjutant General Colonel Brathwaite recommends the Appointment of Lieutenant M. Wilks as Assistant Deputy Adjutant General

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Deputy Adjutant General, until further orders, for the purpose of conducting the Duties of the Adjutant Generals Office at the Presidency during the ensuing Service to receive the Salary drawn by Lieutenant Pierce while he held that situation under similar Circumstances during the late War.—

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

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July 5th 1793.

(Signed) B.F. Close
Adjutant General
of the army

Lieutenant Wilks appointed

Agreed that Lieutenant Mark Wilks be appointed Assistant Deputy Adjutant General during the absence of the Adjutant General and his Deputy with the army in the Field and that he be allowed Eighty (80) Pagodas Pr mensem for the time he holds the appointment, to Commence from the day the Officer Commanding the Army quits the Presidency.— Read the following letter from the Resident at Hydrabad.—

W. C. Jackson Esq.
Secretary to the Governor in Council Fort St. George

From Resident at Hydrabad has desired Lieutenant Mackenzie to repair to the Presidency the Nizams Message on that subject.

Sir, I have been favored with your Letter of the 8th instant, and immediately applied to the Nizam

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Nizam on the subjects of it's. His Highness's answer which I have just received, is, that there will soon be occasion for Lieutenant Mackenzie's presence with the Detachment, to assist in the reduction of the Refractory Zemindars in the Kannecksgerry District, that he therefore leaves the matter of permitting that Officer to be absent to my discretion, hoping that should I deem the occasion which the Company have for his Services more urgent than his own, that speedy success will soon enable them to return him to his duty.—

I do not imagine the service in—a Kanneckgherry is of such a nature as to render the assistance of an Engineer immediately necessary, or that the Board—a will hesitate to send one from madras, should there be occasion, in sufficient time to supply Lieutenant Mackenzies place, and prevent any inconvenience to his Highness's—a affairs from his absence. of this I have assured his Highness in reply to the above accommodating message and sent orders to Lieutenant Mackenzie, who has been obliged to halt at Ongole by sickness and deaths among his followers and—a Cattle, to return without delay to the Presidency.—

I have the honor to be,

Hyderabad
25th June 1793.

Sir, &c.

Signed John Kennaway

The Board will pay proper attention to the

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Secretary Minor

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Nizams request in case the Services of an Engineer should be required with the Detachment during the absence of Lieutenant Mackenzie.—

Read the following Letter from the Com=manding Officer at Permacoil.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

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Honorable Sir,

From Commandant at Permacoil enclosing a Bill for Intelligence and repair of a Choultry for the reception of Horses.—

I have the honor to lay before your Honorable Board, a Statement of the money, I have disbursed this month, on the Article of Intelligence respecting Pondicherry. The having paid such a sum as one Hundred Pagodas to an Inhabitant of Pondicherry, for the purpose of obtaining the earliest, and most correct Intelligence, though a Sum entirely unauthorized by your Honorable Board, I however hope will not be deemed by you an un=warrantable use of the Publick money, having incurred it, from the conviction that it was absolutely necessary, by the inducement of a Reward, to ensure, by such a measure, the information required, and though the Intelligence, has hitherto been confined to the common details of the Place, with a few exceptions, it is however correct, and had any occurrence of more

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importance happened respecting Pondicherry. I should have received the earliest information of it. The accompanying charges on the accounts of Intelligence, I give my Honor. I have already paid for, out of my own Funds.—

The accompanying Bill for Pagodas—

98.25 is an Expence I have incurred, in consequence of a Letter from Colonel Brathwaite dated the 21st. inform=ming me, that Military Stores of various kinds, were on their way here for the use of the Army, and to—bestow them in a place of safety. I pitched upon Two Choultreys, for that purpose, which required Repairs, and have incurred this expence in rendering them complete, which they now are, and capable of—Containing in perfect Security military Stores of all kinds, to a great amount for the occasions of the Army.

Mr. Skardon I understand has incurred an expence of near Eighty Pagodas in Repairing a Granary in the same Square, and I do not think it was in such an injured State, as these Choultreys which are now executed, and which I hope your Honorable Board will find a moderate Charge.—

I have the honor to be &c &c

Signed John Lindsay Captain

Pennacoil

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Pennacoil
9th June 1793.

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The Bill to be paid

Agreed that the Bills be paid

Read the following letters

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Honorable Sir,

From Master Attendant with Captain Mayo's affidavit of the French Consignments on the Liverpool.

According to your directions I have the honor of enclosing to you the Affidavit of Captain Mayo, respecting the French Consignments on board the Liverpool. He has not any Papers relative to them, the Bills of Lading having been sent to Pondicherry.

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

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4th July 1793.

Signed H: Boyd
Master Attendant

To all whom these presents may concern. Be it known, that on this fourth day of July of the present year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety three Before me Robert Williams Publick Notary dwelling and practising at Madras on the Coast of Coromandel in the East Indies by Lawful Authority, duly admitted and Sworn, appeared James Mayo, Commander of the Ship Liverpool, now lying at anchor

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Anchor, in the Roads of Madras and declared that He so — appeared by Virtue and in pursuance of an Official Notification from the Master Attendant to state such Circumstances as he Knew relative to Certain Bales on Board his said Ship the Liverpool, and which said Bales were supposed to be French Property. Wherefore he declared as follows. —

That Sundry Bales to the Number of 5 — Sixty or there abouts were shipped on Board the said — Ship or Vessel called the Liverpool at Calcutta in the East Indies aforesaid by a French House of Agency known — under the firm of Gilliard Frijinett and Company — and that the said Bales were consigned to the House of Coulon White Gestin and Company of Pondicherry — Merchants, that the Bills of lading of the said Bales were in the French Language and that the Freight on — account thereof was to be paid at Pondicherry by the — Consignees aforesaid and that he did believe the said Bales to have been French — Property. — for Stag

And further this Deponent saith not. In Testimony whereof I the said [illegible] have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of the Court the day and year first above written. —

Sworn in Court before me this — day of — 1793 — in the presence of John Shaw and — Chinatomby

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Chinatomby Witnesses hereto.—

Witnesses
John Shaw
Signed Chinta Tomby

Signed Ja.s Mayo
Robert Williams
Pubick Notary

The above named James Mayo maketh
oath and saith that the Contents of the above declaration
are true.—

Signed Ja.s Mayo

Sworn in Madras
this 5.th day of July 1793
Before me Signed Jn.o Milford
Mayor of Madraspatam

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

Honorable Sir,

From Master Attendant
advising of one chest
of Treasure, and two
Coral, on board the
Christiana Septimus,
having been delivered
to one Swamy, on
account of Nyapak
Chitty.—

On my repairing on board the Ship
day of
and seven hundre
ing to your Order
by the Captain to
French Merchants at
examination of the First
that a considerable part of
Williams Pub.k
ds yesterday accord-
to the Property stated
delivered to him by
Madras on the
Pondicherry, found on
Quarter, a Frenchman,
perty, viz.t
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(one) Chest of Treasure, and 2 (Two) Chests of Coral had been delivered by him to two black Men who went on board with an order from the Supercargo on Shore, about an hour before I went on board with a Guard to take charge of the Property in the Ship The said Coral and Treasure were immediately taken on board another Ship in the Roads, contrary to the rules of the Port and Customs, which require that no property shall be landed, or transshipped from any Vessel in the roads, without permission of the Sea-Customer, countersigned by the Master Attendant. The three Chests were afterwards smuggled on board a Paddy Boat in the North Road, but I have not been able in a Search of 3 or 4 hours in the Roads to ascertain the Boat.—

I have the honor however of ascertaining the Person responsible for the value, by the enclosed — a original Bill of Lading, and the Receipt endorsed upon it, signed by — for Nagapah Chitty, to whom it was — Consigned — Merchant Pondicherry merchants.—

I have the honor to be,

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) H. Boyd

Master Attendant

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To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

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Honorable Sir. &c.

From Mr. J. Lautour claiming a part of the property seized as French, on board the Christianus Septimus and Liverpool

Having just learnt that a quantity of Goods belonging to me shipped on board the Liverpool as well as some Pepper that I have on board the Danish Ship the Christianus Septimus. have been arrested by the orders of Government under a suspicion that it is French Property, I am under the necessity of troubling you with a few lines, just to state that the Honorable Board have been misinformed: for the property in question is certainly mine, as I shall be able to prove by my books of Accounts as well as by a Correspondence supported by my affidavit if necessary. I am therefore to request that your Honorable Board will please to order the same to be liberated as the detention occasions very great inconvenience to me, and, should an inspection of my books or Papers be deemed necessary to prove the property, they will be laid open to any person your Honorable Board may appoint to examine them, who will see clearly

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that the property is certainly mine.

I have the honor to be with
perfect Respect.
&c. &c.

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2d July 1793.

Signd Fras Lautour

To Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Sir,

From Supra Cargo of the Christianus Septimus - regarding the Detention of that Ship - requests permission to land the property he has on freights not belonging to French Subjects.

Having had the honor to wait upon the Town Major to make him acquainted with my Motives for wishing to speak to you, and that Gentle- man having advised me to make my representa- tions in writing, I take in character of Supercargo of the Danish Ship Christianus the liberty to state to you.

That the said Ship having been 4 days in this road, without having in consequence of the Orders given by you discharged any part of her Cargo, that the Interest of the Concern intrusted to me suffers in- finitely from such detention and that it will be very agreable to me if you condescend to give Orders to the Captain of the Port that the Merchandize I have on Freight, as well as on my own particular account, may be landed, till you may, in the

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mean while have pronounced the fate of that part which may be found to have been freighted at Pondichery, to avoid the necessity of seeing myself obliged in consequence of the Situation I hold to pursue (for forms Sake) judicial Measures.—

2dly That if among the goods shipped on Freight on my Vessel it may appear any belong to Persons residing under the French Flag they might perhaps merit some indulgence on your Part, as being for the most part the property of poor Malabars who certainly are not a—o Party concerned in the miserable French Revolution—o which has occasioned the present war, and who, from their reliance in you Sir, and the English Government, they preferred your Residence to that of the Governor of Trangubar to place their Property in Security.—o particularly after knowing that by your Orders the Inhabitants of Yanam and Karical had their—o Property respected.—

3dly That if, Contrary to my Expectation, the foregoing Arguments are not sufficiently forcible to induce you to permit the Cargo I have on freight to be delivered conformable to the Bills of Lading, I request of you to discharge the Captains and myself, and that a particular Order from you may be given to

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to me to deliver to whomever you may order the goods on freights which the Ship received on board at Pondicherry that the said Person may be ordered by you to give me a Receipt, / without which the Captain and myself will always be held responsible to the Consignees, for the Bills of Lading which they may hold undischarged, and in Limitation pay me the freights of the Goods conformable to the Tenor of the Bills of Lading.

In the expectation &c of your Justice and Goodness. — I have the honor to be with the most profound respect

&c &c

Signed C.s Dasnier

Madras
3rd July 1793.

A true translation
Signed Tho.s Chase
French Translator

Resolved, that Messrs. James Call J. Du Pre. Porcher — and Charles Baker be appointed a Committee for the purpose of determining to whom the property brought hither on the Danish Ship Christianus Septimus and on the private Ship Liverpool, and suspected to be French, belongs — That Copies of all the papers received on the subject be transmitted to them, and that they be directed to call upon Mr. Lautour for such Books and Papers as may have relation to the case, and require the attendance

Resolutions and minutes on the four foregoing letters —

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attendance of such other person or persons as may be capable of giving information thereon, reporting to the Board their Proceedings, & the opinions they may form in consequence

As it appears from the Master Attendant's letter that the Treasure which was brought hither by the Christianus Septimus, with two Chests of Coral had been received in an irregular manner by a person named Sawmy, on account of Negapah Chitty Resolved that the Committee be directed to call both these Persons before them, and, if it be found, upon examination, that the rights to the Property is, in any respect doubtful, that they (the Committee) inform Negapah Chitty he is immediately to deliver over the whole to them in the condition in which it was received.—

Resolved that Captain Mayo, Commanding the Liverpool, be directed to deliver over the property stated in his Affidavit, to Mr. James Call, the Sea Customer.—

Resolved that Mr. Dazier be informed that the detention of the Ship Christianus Septimus arose from circumstances communicated to Government in regard to her Cargo, part of which being suspected

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to be French Property. the Law of nations authorized its
seizure, until it could be fully established to whom it
appertained - That the property being once brought on Shore,
Government had nothing further to do with the Ship, and,
of consequence, that he is at liberty to deliver the remain-
der of the Cargo conformably to the Bills of Lading, and
to act in all other respects as to him may seem fit and
proper. -

The President lays before the Board the following Regulations established at Bombay for the Guidance of the Military Auditor General, which he has received from the Governor General - and recommends that, as these Regulations are formed entirely upon the Bengal System, a Copy be sent to Colonel Malcolm with directions to consider whether the whole, or the most material parts, might not be adopted at this Presidency without material inconvenience. -

The President lays before the Board the Regulations in force at Bombay, and received from the Governor General for the Auditor General's Department - his recommendations in consequence. -

Regulations for the Military Auditor General as his guide in the Duties of his Office - and for the due execution of which he is held res- -ponsible to Government -

It must be an undeviating principle constantly

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constantly impressed on the mind of the Auditor General, that it is his duty to be a disinterested and impartial expounder of the Orders of Government which relate to his Department.—

2d. The Auditor General is not to have any interest in Retrenchments.—

3d. No Fee or perquisite of any kind is admissible to any Person belonging to his Depart=ment.—

4th. Every person employed in the Office to have a particular duty assigned to him by the Auditor General.—

5th. The greatest care is necessary in— Selecting Assistants of Ability and Integrity.—

6th. It requires very constant attention on the part of the Auditor General to give that— degree of general superintendance, that may enable him to see that his Assistants perform the duties allotted to them.—

7th. The Military Auditor General is positively precluded from any participation in Contracts, Agencies, and Commercial Concerns,— under penalty of dismission from the Service.— 8th.

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8th He will be careful to prevent the smallest alteration of established Forms, or deviation from the Orders of Government, and when he may think any such are absolutely necessary, he is, after making every enquiry how far the alteration may be a benefit, or affect the Regulations in force, to state his opinion to Government, with the period from which he recommends it to take place, and which period, it will readily occur to him, where the books of Accounts are concerned, should, without some very material objection, be that of the opening the annual Books for the year.

9th He is to be guided by the Regulations to the Paymaster General, as far as they are connected and dependant on the Office of the Auditor General.

10th It is recommended to him that he should communicate with the Military Auditor General of Bengal and Madras, whenever he may conceive that it can in any way tend to forward the cause, he ought constantly to have in view, namely the public good, or towards gaining, or giving Official Information, for the purpose of effecting the intention of the Appointment.

Regulations

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Regulations for the Military Auditor General

by which he is to be guided in the Audit of the disburse-
ments of the Army both of Established and Contingent
charges, and which Regulations are to be obeyed, as orders,
by whoever they may concern.

1st The Military Auditor General is under the immediate orders of the Board, and to him is committed the controul of all advances to, or Expenditure in the Military Department, not of a contingent nature whether for the Army of the East India Company or for Company's allowances to his Majestys' Forces, and he is responsible, if any charge is admitted which has not the sanction of a general Regulation, or, of the Commander in Chief with the sanction Government.

2nd He is not to consider the Authority of any Officer of any Rank whatsoever, or any plea of usage or Custom, sufficient to warrant any alteration of, or addition to the Establishment, or Standing orders of Government.

3rd It is to be understood that an order of Government, or the countersignature of the Commander in Chief upon a Bill is only to be taken as an Authority

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Authority for the Service, or Subject matter of the charge
The rates of Stores, Boats, Pay. Batta, fixed Allow-
ances, and of every Military Charge whatever, as well
as the additions and Calculations in such Bills,
are, notwithstanding the Authorities abovementioned,
to be examined and checked by the Auditor —
General. —

4 He is not on any account to receive
Bills or disbursements for Audit thro' any other —
Channel than from the Board, Commander in —
Chief, or the several Paymasters and Storekeepers. —

5 He is to make such remarks and
Observations on the disbursements or Bills for the
extraordinary Charges of the Army, as to him may
seem proper previous to their being laid before
the Military Board. —

6 He is not permitted to correspond
with the Officers of the Army, or with their —
Agents, relative to the business of his Department,
All letters on such subjects are to be addressed

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6 the respective Paymasters, who will forward them to the Auditor General, and communicate his Answers.

7 He is to transmit the Paymaster as early as possible the retrenchments or re audits of their Accounts, and also, Copies to the Paymaster General, that he may debit or credit the Paymasters or Officers, as the cases may require.

8 The Auditor Generals Audits or decisions can only be setaside by Government.

9 His Audits are to be irrevocable, unless representations against the Retrenchments be made to him, through the channel of the Paymasters Office, within one month after the Paymaster shall have notified them to the Parties concerned.

10 If the Auditor General shall still think himself obliged to confirm the retrenchments, they must be inforced by stoppages, as directed in the Regulations for Paymasters, unless the Parties shall have desired, in their representations, that of the Auditor General cannot remit the retrenchments, he will lay their appeals before the Board.

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Stoppage to be delayed, till the Board shall have
decided, but the Parties must be very careful not
to trouble Government, with Appeals upon unsufficie-
-ent grounds.

11 The Auditor General is to advise the
Paymaster of all Appeals against retrenchments.

12 He is not upon any account to pass the
seperate Bills of any Officer which ought to be drawn
for in the Abstract of Corps.

13 He will be held responsible for all
unjustifiable disbursements to which he shall give
his sanction.

14 Officers having drawn less than they are
entitled to, or being allowed a re-audit of a charge
formerly retrenched, are, in both instances, to receive
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17 Every Order or Regulation of Government, or Commander in Chief respecting Military Charges by which any expence may be incurred to the Company will be communicated to the Auditor General by the Secretary to the Government, or the Adjutant General.

The President being of opinion that the Service may be promoted by a free correspondence between the Military Auditor General at Bengal and the Military Auditor General at this Presidency, for the purpose of mutual explanations on such points as may require them, further recommends, that Colonel Malcolm be directed to adopt it.

Approved and ordered accordingly.

The President's recommendations approved and to be adopted.

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Lieutenant Lilly Watson of the 2d Battalion of native Infantry at Nagaldinny, in the Nizam's Country, on the 20th ultimo.

Death of Lieutenant Lilly Watson of the Infantry.

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Approved and ordered accordingly.

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The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Lieutenant Lilly Watson of the 2d Battalion of native Infantry at Nagaldinny, in the Nizam's Country, on the 25th ultimo.

Death of Lieutenant Lilly Watson of the Infantry.

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as aforesaid, shall use their best endeavours to give aid and succour to all such Ships and Vessels, and shall, to the utmost of their Power, labour to free the same from the Enemy.

Ninth That the Subjects of his Britannic Majesty, and all other Persons whatsoever, who shall, either in their own Persons serve, or bear any charge or adventure, or in any sort further or set forward the said adventure, according to these Articles, shall stand and be freed, by virtue of the said Commissions, and that no Person be in any wise reported or challenged for an Offender, but shall be freed from all Trouble and Vexation that might in any wise grow thereby.-

Tenth That the said Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels, or their owners or Agents, before the taking out Commissions, shall give Notice in writing, subscribed with their Hands, to the Governor in Council of Fort St. George, or to the Secretary in the Military Department, of the name of their Ships, and of the Tonnage and Burthen, and the names of the Captains, owners or setters out of the said Ships, with the number of Men, and the Names of the Officers in her, and for

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Instructions to Commanders of Private Ships.-

Instructions for the Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels as may have Commissions for Private Men of War against the French Nation, or others inhabiting within any of the Countries Territories, or Dominions of the said Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, by Virtue of our Commission granted under the Seal of the Honorable Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies- Given at Fort St. George the day of in the year of our Lord 1793.-

First That the said Commanders of Merchant Ships and Vessels licensed by Commissions for private Men of War, be authorized to set upon by force of Arms, and subdue, and take, the Men of War, Ships, and other Vessels whatsoever, as also the Goods, Monies, and Merchandizes, belonging to the French Nation, their Vassals and subjects, and others inhabiting within any of the Countries Territories and Dominions of the said Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, and such other Ships, Vessels, and Goods, as are, or shall be, liable to confiscation, pursuant to the Treaties between the British Government and other States and Governments, But so as that no Hostility be committed, nor Prize attacked, seized, or taken, within

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the Harbours of Princes and States in Amity with Great Britain, or in their Rivers or Roads, within Shot of their Cannon ..-

Second That all Ships, of what Nation soever carrying any Soldiers, Arms, Powder, Ammunition, or any other Contraband Goods, to any of the Territories, Lands, Plantations, or Countries of the French Nation to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, shall be seized as Prizes.-

Third That the said Commanders of such Merchant Ships and Vessels shall bring such Ships and Goods as they have seized or shall so seized, and take to such Port belonging to the English East India Company as shall be most convenient for them ..... in order to have the same legally adjudged before such Commissioners or Commissioners as shall be duly authorized to hear and determine all matters relative to Ships or Goods taken as Prize ..-

Fourth. That after such Ships shall be taken and brought into any Port the taker shall be obliged to bring or send, as soon as possibly may be, three or four of the principal of the Company whereof the Master and the Pilot to be always two of every Ship so brought into Port, before such

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Persons as shall be authorized by us or by the East India Company's representatives at Bengal or Elsewhere, to be sworn and examined upon such interrogatories as shall tend to the discovery of the truth, touching the Interest or Property of such Ships or Ships, and of the Goods, and Merchandizes found therein, and the Taker shall be further obliged, at the time he produceth the People to be examined, to bring and deliver into the hands of the Persons so authorized all such Passes, Sea-Briefs- Charter Parties, Bills of Lading, Cockets, Letters, and other Documents and writings as shall be delivered up, or found on board any such Ships; the said Taker, or one of his Chief officers, who was present, and saw the said Papers and Writings delivered up, or otherwise found on board at the Time of the Capture, making Oath, that the said Papers and writings are brought and delivered in as they were received or taken, without any Fraud, addition, Subduction, or Embezzlement.-

Fifth That such Ships, Goods, and Merchandizes, taken by Virtue of Commissions for Private Men of War, shall be kept and preserved,

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and no part of them shall be sold, spoiled, wasted, or diminished, and that the Bulk thereof shall not be broken before Judgement be given, that the Ships, Goods and Merchandizes are lawful Prize; and that no Person or Persons taken or surprized in any Ships or Vessel, as aforesaid, though known to be of the Enemy's Party, shall be, in cold Blood, killed, maimed, or, by Torture or Cruelty, inhumanly treated, contrary to the common usage and just Permission of War, and whosoever shall offend in any of the Premises, shall be severely punished.-

Sixth That the said Commanders of such Merchants Ships and Vessels who shall obtain such Commissions, as aforesaid, for private Men of War, shall not do or attempt any thing against the true meaning of any Article or Articles, Treaty or Treaties depending between the British Government and any of its allies, touching the Freedom of Commerce in the time of war, and the authority of the Passports or Certificates under a certain Form in some one of the Articles or Treaties so depending between the British Government and its allies, as aforesaid, when produced and shewed by any of the subjects of the said allies, and shall not do or attempt any thing against the subjects of

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of our Lord the King, or the subjects of any Prince or State in amity with us, nor against their Ships, Vessels or goods, but only against the French Nation their Vassals, and subjects, and others inhabiting within their Countries, Territories or Dominions to the Eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, their Ships, Vessels, and Goods, excepted as before excepted, and against such other Ships, Vessels and Goods, as are or shall be liable to Confiscation.-

Seventh That after condemnation of any Prize, it shall and may be lawful for the Commanders of such merchant Ships or Vessels, or the owners of the same, to keep such and so many Ships, Vessels, Goods, and Merchandizes, as shall be condemned to them, for lawful Prize, into their own possession, to make sale or dispose thereof in open market, or otherwise, to their best advantage, in as ample manner as at any time heretofore has been accustomed in cases of just Prizes in time of War.-

Eight That if any Ship or Vessel belonging to our Lord the King or his subjects, or to his Majesty's allies or their subjects, shall be found in distress, by being in fight, set upon, or taken by the Enemy, the Captains, Officers, and Company, who shall have such commissions,

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