182

3 Ex

The entries made in pencil on the margin in the volume were made with the help of the papers in the bundle at the time of the weeding and destruction of records.

595

Fort St George, January 5th 1794.

Diary

Received the following letters

31st

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George.

Honorable Sirs

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 27th Instant, with the Estimate of the expected Disbursements in the Department of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for the Month of February 1794, and to Report thereon as follows, —

	Pagodas, Fanams, Cash,
Expected Disbursements at Madras	81,56 " 27 " 40
Chingleput, Trincomaleand Pondicherry	173 " 46 " 64
Arnee Vellore and Amboor	110 — 12 — "
Trichinopoly	42 — " — "
Tanjore	16 — 21 — "
Tiagar	22 — " — "
Pallamettah	112 — 11 — 30
Masulipatam	86 — " — "
Vizagapatam	37 — 35 — 77
Baramal	403 — " — "
Ellore	1,650 — " — "
Pagodas	10,819 — 40 — 51

Fort St. George 31st January 1794

31st — From the Total Amount of expected Disbursements as above stated the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions deducts the following Sums as not payable at the General Treasury at the Presidency, but payable out of expected Receipts from Sales &c. in the Departments or from the Subordinate Treasuries for which Bills may be drawn upon him and transferred through the Treasury.

	Pag.s ... Fs.
At Madras	6671 — 11
Masulipatam	86 — "
Vizagapatam	37 — 35
Baramahal	413 — "
Ellore &c.a	1650 — "
Pagodas	8,858 ... 4

Consequently the Amount payable at the Presidency on account of Disbursements in February 1794, as per Estimate of the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, is One thousand Nine hundred Sixty One Pagodas, Twenty Seven Fanams, and One Cash (1961 — 27 — 1)

I have the honor to be with the highest Respect

&c.a &c.a

Signed, Henry Malcolm

Mily Auditr General

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 31st January 1794 —

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Hond.le Sir,

I have the honor to report as follows

Ditto — on Ditto of the principal — agents

597 Fort St. George 11 January 1794

Agent for Bullocks for February.—

31st

Follows upon the General Estimate of expected Disbursements in the Department of the Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for the Month of February 1794 accompanying Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 27th Instant.

	Pag.s	Fan.s	Cash
Expected Disbursements at Madras	819	32	24
Arnee Vellore and Amboor	70	"	"
Trichinopoly	100	"	"
Pallamcotta	23	32	"
Ellore	939	"	"
Chicacole	272	32	40
Hydrabad Detachment	358	38	"
Total Expected Disbursements Pagodas	3084	8	64

From the Total Amount of expected Disbursements as above Stated the Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks deducts the following Sums as not issuable from the General Treasury at the Presidency, but payable from the Subordinate Treasuries, for which Bills will be drawn upon him and transferred through the General Treasury.

	Pag.s	Fan.s	Cash
Trichinopoly	100	"	"
Ellore	939	"	"
Chicacole	272	32	40
Hydrabad Detachment payable by the Nizam	358	38	"
Pagodas	2,170	28	40

Consequently

Fort St George 31st January 1794.—

Consequently the Amount is payable at the Presidency as per Estimate of the Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for February 1794 is (Pgdas 913 " - 22 " - 24) Nine hundred thirteen Pagodas; twenty two fanams; and Twenty four Cash.

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

Military Auditor General's Office Fort St George 31st January 1794.—

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l.—

" Received the undermentioned letters.— Entered in Miscellany Book No. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166.

From Mr. Cochrane.— From Agent for Spirituous Liquors — submitting Lieutenant Emerson's Application to him for a Compensation for the period he commanded at Trippasore in 1790/91 — and 1791/92.

From W.m Hughes From Paymaster at Kistnagherry notifying the want of Cotts for the Artillery ordered to the Ceded Districts.—

From W.m H. Taylor. From Paymaster at Ellore. Ill. Health obliges him to proceed to Sea, or to Madras — shall leave Mr. Asserton in charge of his Office — a Certificate enclosed.—

From Mons.r De Chaternet.— From Monsieur de Chaternet — stating that he has been arrested.—

From Colonel Brathwaite. From Commander of the Army Lieutenant Colonel Gells and Lieutenant Kirkpatrick request leave of absence from their Commands at the Mount and

Rajamundry

Fort St George. January 1794

31st

Rajahmundry — recommends Lieutenant Denton for the temporary Command of the latter place — Cheil Naig Enters the Baramhaul by the Changama Pass —

From Commandant at Pondicherry reporting the Misconduct of Monsieur Dubois and of Laboulay —

Despatched the following letters.

From Commandant at Pondecherry

To Major Roberts

Commanding the Detachment serving with the Nizam —

Sir,

The Resident at Hydrabad having reported that you have a considerable Surplus of Money in your Hands, arising from the balance due on the estimate, and the President in Council having recommended that the Amount might be remitted to the Presidency, I am directed to desire that you will deduct therefrom the Sum required for the payment of the additional Donation to the Detachment, taking Mr Goldsworthy's Bill for the amount on the Military Paymaster General, in favor of Government.

To Major Roberts — the Amount of Donation payable to the Detachment to be deducted from the Surplus in his hands, and the Residue to be remitted to Madras.

The Residue may be remitted to the Presidency agreeably to former orders, provided there be no objection on the part of the Resident at Hydrabad.

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

Fort St George
30th January 1794

To

600

Fort St. George, 31st January 1794

To Mr. Benjamin Roebuck

Military Paymaster General.

Sir,

To Paymaster General with the Board's Orders regarding the Outstanding Balances on his Books.

I am directed by the Hon'ble the President in Council to communicate to you the following resolutions of Government upon the Outstanding Balances reported in your letter of the 24th Instant.

	Pagodas	
Major Sears	4000	To be written off to Bombay Presidency, agreeably to the recommendation of the Military Paymaster General.
Captain Kelly	5000	Do Do Do
Ensign Allan	753 " 1 - "	To be written off to the Head of Second War with Hyder Ally.
Lieutenant Bishop	2000	Do Do Do
Lieut.t Colonel Baillie	1100	Do. Do Do
Lieut.t Francis Capper	2690 - - -	The Explanation given by Lieutenant Capper is by no means satisfactory - He must produce as proper Voucher for the Charge, or the acquittal of the then Government of all further demands upon him, as Commandant of Chillumbrum. The Military Paymr

Fort St George 31st January 1794

Paymaster General will, in consequence, make the necessary Communication to Lieutenant Capper, intimating to him at the same time, that unless satisfactory Proof be given of the propriety of the Charge, he will be held responsible for the whole Amount. —

Lieutenant Wheeler 9462 28 79. — The Court of Directors will be again written to on the subject of the balance standing against Lieutenant Wheeler in the Books of the Superintendent. —

Mr. David Graham 90 73 31 10 — To be written off to Military Charges for the Year 1789.

Mr. Kenelm Legbey 6798 31 71 — The Nature of this balance must be particularly explained by the Military Paymaster General in order to enable the Board to make a proper reference on the subject to the Court of Directors.

Mr. T. T. Tanner 701 — To be written off to Military Charges for 1790

Civil Paymaster General 56,267 3456 — To transferred to the debit of General Books. —

Fort St. George
30th January 1794.

Sam. Do. A. Do. Signed, W. C. Jackson Secry

602

Fort St. George - January 1794.

31st

To David Haliburton Esqr.

&c.a Members of the Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen

To Board of Revenue's conditions on which the Ground has been granted to Mr. Consl- Q. Captain Dove- ton's Claims upon Vizia ram Pauze - orders on the subject.

We have received your Letter dated the 14th Instant. —

For the reasons stated in Mr. Conolly's letter of the 26th instant (copy of which we enclose for your information) we have been induced to grant him the ground for which he has applied, provided he make such compensation to the Inhabitants for the waste land, as you may judge reasonable, and pay annually for the cultivated Ground, to the Renter and the Inhabitants, the Sum you have proposed. —

We also enclose Copy of a letter from Captain Dovetow, on the subject of Arrears of pay due to him by Vizia ram Pauze as some Arrangement must necessarily be made for the liquidation of the Arrears due to this Zemindar's people out of the Revenues of the Zemindary, we would have you send orders to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam to ascertain whether Vizia ram Pauze acknowledge the debt, that, in case he does, it may be put in a train of payment with other Arrears of a similar description. —

We are

&c. &c.

Signed, Charles Oakeley

&c.a Council

Fort St. George
30th January 1794

Fort St George January 1794

16

Despatched the undermentioned letters

Entered in M. B. Nos 167 - 168 - 169 - 170 - 171 - 172 - 173 - 174 - 175 - 176 - 177 - 178 - 179 - 180 - 181 - 182 - 183 - 184 - 185 - 186 - 187 - 188 -

To Civil Paymaster - Lieutenant Doiron's

To Civil Paymaster

Employment of four Conicopolies, approved -

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions -

To Commissary Genl of Grain & Provisions

- ons - No More of Paddy to be laid up at Chicacole -

To Paymaster at Vellore, permitting him

To Mr Taylor

to Visit the Presidency -

To Masulipatam - transmitting the

To Masulipatam -

Opinion of the Attorney General, relative to the Seizure of the Ship Caesar - orders in consequence - the Military Store - keeper to have precedence of the Officer Commanding in the Garrison -

To Military Auditor General - Lieut -

To Auditor General

- enant Mealy allowed five Pagodas pr Month, for Officia - - ting as Chaplain at Vellore -

To Ditto - the - Adjutants and Quarter

To Ditto

Masters of the Kings Regiments to draw the pay of their regimental and Staff Ranks - as also their Arrears -

To Military Board - the Carron to be

To Military Board

supplied with Guns and Ammunition - Mr Boreithaupt to act for Mr Torriano in the Business of the Clothing Contract - Their Proceedings of the 24th approved -

To Military Paymaster General - noti

To Paymaster General -

fying the above orders to Major Roberts -

To Ditto - with Copy of the Auditor's

To Ditto

Report on his February Estimate -

To

Fort St George 31st January 1794

To Ditto.

To Ditto - with Ditto on Mr Cockburn's Estimate for February -

To Colonel Brathwaite -

To Commander of the Army - the Claim of the Adjutants and Quarter Masters of King's Regiments admitted - the Opinion regarding Major Lowdie's Off Reckoning approved, and former Opinion on Lieutenant Mendham's Claim confirmed. -

To Ditto -

To Ditto - with Extract of a letter from Captain Dallas - the people in charge of the Horses on the Road to Arcot not to be detained there. -

To Chief Engineer

To Chief Engineer - to Estimate and report the Repairs necessary to the Presidency Hospital. -

To Lieut. Dowse at Pondicherry -

To Commandant of Pioneers - orders given for paying the Tonicaplies employed by him

To Ensign Ryves - Infantry.

To Ensign Ryves - no objections to his resigning the Service - Information previous to publishing the same in General Orders.

To Mr Skardon

To Paymaster at Pondicherry - with orders to pay the Tonicaplies abovementioned - also their Arrears. -

To Lieut. Colonel Maxwell -

To Commandant at Tanjore - his Application for Table Allowance will be recommended to the Honble Court -

To Town Major

To Town Major Twenty discharged Europeans to be embarked on the Carron, provided that Number are willing to go home by the way of Bombay -

To Ditto -

To Ditto - all the Huts surrounding the Walls of the Presidency Hospital to be removed.

Fort St George 11 January 1794

3rd

To Clerk of the Treasury

To Clerk of the Treasury Amount of Military Charges payable at Madras in February, to be advanced to Mr Roebuck

To Ditto

To Ditto — Advances for Mr Cockburn's Employ for February onward

To Lieut Col. Ellis

To Commandant at Vellore the allowance requested for Lieutenant Healy, granted

February 1st

Substance of a letter from the Nabob

Received letter from the Nabob Entered in C. C. No. 11. has paid the last due this day.

3d

Received the following letters.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor &c. &c. &c.

in Council

Honble Sir,

From Lieutenant Deane — reporting his Progress in carrying the Works of Pondicherry

Since I received your Commands to furnish a Report of the Progress of the Work every Fortnight I have endeavourd as much as possible to bring into one point of view the Labours of the different Parties who were before generally dispersed along the North and South Faces of the Fort — I have succeeded as far as the Nature of the Service I am employ'd on will admit, and am, in consequence, enabled to make a more distinct Report of the state of the work than hitherto.

I have the pleasure to inform your Honble Board that there is now no Water to be seen on the North Side and on the South as far as the Sally Port in the Hospital Curtain, only a very narrow Channel, which I have been obliged to have open, that the Water

may

Fort St George. February 1794

3.

may past off without interruption from the West Sea.

After destroying the Defences, I made it my first object to fill the Ditch, as in the opinion of Lord Cornwallis it formed the principal strength of the Place my next is to level the Rampart entirely along the North and South sides, and to destroy as much as possible the Glacis, which has been made with infinite Pains and Labour. With this view I propose to employ a large proportion of Coolies during the present Month in throwing down what yet remains of the Rampart, and in raising the Earth above the highest Water mark. This appears to be a very useful and necessary Work, for though the Ditch is already filled above the natural Level of the Water, an Enemy in possession of the Place has it still in his power, by means of Dams and Sluices, to introduce two feet of Water, or more, from the great Inundation.

The completion of this Work on both Sides in the course of the present Month (of which I have no doubt) will justify the opinion I ventured to give in my Letter of the 5th Ultimo "that the principal Parts would most certainly be destroyed in two Months, and I can now with more confidence repeat that the whole will be completely demolished within the time I then mentioned, as I shall also, in the course of this Month, have Parties considerably extended along the West Face.

The Madras Gate in which I include the Gate of the Ravelin and the Bridge, is already in Ruins, and I am making every necessary Preparation

607 Fort St George. February 1794.

3.

Preparation for the Destruction of the Villanour Gate which I hope will be effected in ten Days.

I enclose a Return of Coolies employ'd daily since the 20th of January.

I have the honor to be

V. V.

(Signed) W. Dowse Lieut.

Comm: Pioneers.

Pondicherry February 1st 1794

Return of Coolies employ'd in destroying the Fortifications of Pondicherry in the Month of January 1794

Month and Day	Conicopolies	Head Masons	Bottoes	Men Coolies	Women Coolies	Total of Coolies
1794						
January 20th	4	6	60	2285	710	2995
21st	"	6	60	2290	706	2996
22d	"	6	60	2300	690	2990
23d	"	6	60	2300	705	3005
24th	"	6	60	2306	695	3001
25th	"	6	60	2300	705	3005
26th	"	6	60	2290	706	2996
27th	"	6	60	2292	705	2997
28th	"	6	60	2297	704	3001
29th	"	6	60	2294	716	3010
30th	"	6	60	2292	710	3002
31st	"	6	60	2295	708	3003
Total	4	72	720	27541	8460	36001

(Signed) W. Dowse Lieut.

Comm Pioneers

608

3:

Fort St. George. February 1794

To William Collins Jackson Esqr:

Secretary to the Secret and Political Department

Sir

From Paymaster at Palamcottah with more specimens of the Cinnamon of that place) Doctor Anderson's Opinion upon them proposes a pepper Plantation. —

In consequence of the Papers I received with your letter of the 23d December 93, I brought with me to the Presidency fresh supply of Cinnamon from the Plantation at Palamcotah, which, by the Honble the Governor's directions I sent to Doctor Anderson, with an Explanatory Letter, a Copy of which I have the honor to enclose, with the Doctor's reply, and it convinces me, that this Spice is of the superior Quality and either the Report made to the Honble the Court of Directors by the Cinnamon dealers was erroneous, or that the Samples I sent to England being packed in the same lose way, as those lately received from thence, had Equally suffered in Quality.

Accompanying are also Samples of the Pepper and Cinnamon I sent to Doctor Anderson, and if the Honble the Governor in Council thinks proper I will send by the first Opportunity, after the Season for preparing it Commences, a larger Specimens of the Cinnamon; and attempt to form a Pepper plantation near that of the Company's Cinnamon at Tankassey.

I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

(Signed) Geo. Sul: Martin

Paymr

Madras
27th January 1794

60j Fort S. George February 1794

3

To Doctor James Anderson

Physician General

Sir,

Last year I sent 3 Musters of the Palamcotah Cinnamon to the Honble the Court of Directors, Nos. 1 and 2 were from the actual Trees brought from Ceylon by Mr. Ansley and denominated the 1st and 2d or Valley and Hill Cinnamon, but No. 3 was from a Young Tree of the Hill Kind raised at Palamcottah, from Seed which I then cut down to make the Spice within two Foot from the Ground, and I was much disappointed at the Information lately received from England that by the Merchants in London none of the Cinnamon was thought good, and their Estimation seemed to be in proportion to their Numbers and No. 3 was thought the most inferior; It has however occured to one that either it was the Interest of the Cinnamon Dealers to discourage any Importation of that Valuable Spice by the Honble Company, or what is very possible, from some fault in my mode of preparing it, the Aroma might have evaporated previous to its receipt I was therefore induced to bring up a Sample of Cinnamon taken from Shoots that have struck out from the Identical Tree that I cut down to make the Specimen (No. 3 sent to England last year and having shown it to the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley, He has directed me to send it as I now do, to you with the Specimen sent from England, and to request you will be good Enough to give your Opinion upon its quality. This is Marked, A, that from England, B, and the Specimen Marked, C, is

taken

610. Fort St George February 1794

3.

taken from a young Tree of the Valley Cinnamon raised from seed in the plantation: it is one more that just to say they were taken when I determined on coming to Madras, and at the most unfavorable time of the year, immediately after the rains.—

I likewise request you will favor me with your Opinion on the accompanying very small quantity of peper which I gathered myself from the uncultivated Vine, and which must evidently in my Opinion overset the Assertions that have been made, that all the peper on this side of the Ghauts are of the Male Species The Vine from which the peper I now send was gathered was growing within a short distance of the Company's Cinnamon plantation at Tunkassy, and altho' many Vines were in Blossom this as the only one I saw in Fruit and they were green when gathered, I mention this that some allowance may be made if they are Inferior to the Travancore peper which grows on the West side of the same hills, and I cannot imagine any reason why its Value should be greater, except from the greater Attention paid to it; I brought many Vines from the Top of the Hills and planted them in the Plantation beneath when they had begun to vegitate—

Madras
Janry 25th 1794

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

(A true Copy) (Signed) Geo Sule Marten
Signed Geo. Sul. Marten

611 Fort St George 1. February 1794

My Dear Marten

Whatever may have been the quality of the Sample of Cinnamon you send me from Europe it is now quite Vapid and tastless and therefore I can only draw a comparison with yours in regard to form as in that respect it corresponds with your No. 8. both being equally thin and Slender and roll'd up in the manner of a Scroll.—

You may acquaint Sir Charles that the Cassia which bears a high price amongst the distillers in England is not near so delicate and well flavored as either of your Specimens and as far as I can judge the first Cinnamon of Cylon, where it is an Ancient practice to cure this Bark for the Market is not in any respect superior to yours— that the Samples, however, are too small to pass a Serial Judgement on as in a Chest of Cinnamon there will be found pieces better than others in the same Package but in case any fault could be found with yours it might be Rectifyed by farther practice.—

The finding Pepper Plants bearing without culture is a sure Criterion of a proper situation for its Culture, as you observe it has not been quite ripe but the grains possess Virtue enough to show it is of the same plant as that cultivated in Travancore.

January 25th.

Yours

, Signed, James Anderson

A true Copy

(p.3) Geo. Sul: Marten.—

Received

612

3.

Fort St. George 11 February 1795

Received the undermentioned Letters
Entered in M. B. Nos 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12.-

From Paymaster at Vizianagherry—
From Mr. Hughes complaining of Lieutenant Godfrey's Conduct in forcing by means of Sepoys, a Bricklayer from the Public Works at the Mint— Correspondence between him and Lieut= =enant Cuppage on the occasion enclosed.—

From late Hospital Contractor at Trichinopoly.— From Lieutenant Urquhart— repeats his Request that his Hospital Bills may be paid.—

From Major Roberts From Commandant of the Nizam's Detachment— Captain Wilson Brigade Major; requests an Allowance for performing the Duties of Deputy Cast= =master.—

From Ditto. From Ditto— enclosing his Correspondence.

From Lieutenant M: Wills.— From Secretary to the Male Asylum— requesting that orders may be given for the reception into the Hospital, the Boys prepared for Inoculation.

From Lieutenant Montgomery. From Agent for Horses at Arcot— reports the purchase of Sixty Horses at Cochin thro' the means of Major Stevenson— purposes going to Cochin to prevail on the Dealers to bring their Horses to Arcot

From Ensign Ayres From Ensign Ayres— requests his resigna= =tion may be accepted— and permission to remain in India two Years to settle his Affairs

From Mr. Martin. From Paymaster at Palamcotah— with explanations relative to the mode of paying the French Prisoners there and the Charges for Medical Assistance.—

From

Fort St George. February 5th 1794

From Lieutenant Colonel Clarke

3° From Commandant at Ditto — representing the very high price of Grain there — Captain Campbell's letter on the subject enclosed.

From Capt.n Simpson

From Commander of the Carrore — repeats his request for Troops.

From Mr. Strange

From Paymaster at Sangore — on the subject of paying the Allowance to the Relations of Sherfojee on Pagodas as before ordered.

From Mr. Hawkins

From Ditto at Trichinopoly — requests leave to visit Madras.

To Commandant at the Mount —

Sent letter to Colonel Gent — entered in W.B. N.13 granting him leave to be absent from his Command. —

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bar.t
Governor — President

Ernst William Fallofield Esquire

Tuesday 4th February 1794.

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following Letter from Lt Captain William Macleod. —

To

614

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary &c. &c.

Sir,

Please to acquaint the Honorable the Governor in Council that I have since the 25th Instant at Moggarvoor

Having yesterday finally settled with Syd Mahomed Cawn Tippoo's Agent, agreeably to the Governor's instructions, every point which has hitherto occasioned regarding the Bounds of the Countries ceded to the Honorable Government by Tippoo Sultaun I have the honor to transmit you the agreements signed by Syd Mahomed Cawn with a translation. A Copy and translation of that which I gave him shall be forwarded you hereafter - as I wish to lose no time in communicating the exchange of certificates which has taken place

From Captain Macleod - Finally settled with Tippoo's Agent, every point regarding the Boundaries. Agreement of the Latter inclosed - Observations and suggestions regarding the Encroachments of Swamy Naigue and persons claiming under 7th Article of the Treaty.

I have the Satisfaction to say that the persons employed by Tippoo on this business Viz. Syd Mahomed Cawn, Sher Cawn, the manager of the Countries below the Ghauts, and Shinava Row, the second Braamin of Tippoo's Durbar, seem very sensible of the liberal manner in which the English have acceded the claims relative to the Bounds. They are however very anxious about an enquiry and decision taking place regarding the encroachments represented to have been made by Samy Naigue the Poligar of Ramgerry. They are also solicitous about the apprehending some persons, claimed thro' them and the Vakeels at the Presidency, who having, by their account, committed Crimes and betrayed their trust, had fled to and are protected by the

Tippoo

615 Fort St George 4 February 1794

Polygars of Ramgeery and Dindigul.

Altho I am well convinced that many of the persons they claim may be innocent of crimes, and that it would be a degree of severity to give up all discription of deserters or emigrants they might demand, yet I am persuaded there are some Characters among them who merit capital punishment for having repeatedly committed murder and plundered Villages. The most notorious among these is Tomba Gour, who had a few weeks ago sallied out at the head of a Gang from some of the Polliams dependent on Dindigul plundered several Villages in the Darapooram Country and murdered several Inhabitants. - If such Miscreants were apprehended they appear to be fit objects to be given up: and even one instance would convince Tippo of the intentions of the English in not suffering protections to be given to Robbers whose Chief Places of refuge, I am led to believe are Ramgeery and the Polliams depending on Dindigul.

It might prevent many similar applications from Tippoo's Government if all the Poligars bordering on his country, but depending on the English, had positive injunctions that in the event of receiving or protecting Refugees from Tippo's Country, an immediate report be made to the Collector, to whom they should be answerable to produce such persons whenever called for. The giving them up to Tippo afterwards might depend upon the proof of their crimes.

All Polygar Chiefs have a propensity to Robbery and Plunder, from which nothing short of a

dread

Fort St George 4th, February 5/94

dread of rigourous punishment will ever deter them. It is their practice to sell protection to the most abandoned Plunderers, who have no other mode of subsisting than by rapine and murder. The Polygars bordering on Tippo's Country have a particular antipathy to his Government, and probably consider it as desirable if by their transgressions, a difference could be occasioned between the two Governments. —

Syd Mahomed Caun has declared his intention of remaining at Carroor untill the encroachments represented to have been made by Swamy Naiques shall be decided upon. — The ground in dispute is situated South of the Caveri, as well as all the Country comprehending the Polliam of Ramgeery. —

I sent a Peon five days ago requesting by letter that any intelligent Inhabitant from that part of Swamy Naiques country might come to me to relate the circumstances relative to the ground in dispute But the Peon not being yet returned, altho the distance from Moganoor is only twenty Miles, I conclude he has been detained for the sake of unnecessary punctilio or procrastination. And, not having heard the state of the case from both parties, I cannot venture to give an opinion on the claim which should be determined upon the spot. —

Having explained the Honble the President's sentiments regarding the Watercourse passing thro' the Carroor District for the cultivation of lands belonging to Cutlah in the Trichinopoly country Syd Mahomed Caun was fully satisfied with the o-

first

Fort St George 4th February 1794

propriety of the reply on that subject, and remarked that his Master has not an idea of depriving our subjects of any benefit they at present enjoy — That what he had said of that Watercourse was the result of his own information, not the Orders of his Master.

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

Signed, William Macleod.

Varncul
30th January 1794

Translation of a Certificate given by Tippo Sultaun's Asof, regarding the Bounds of Countries to the Madras Government.

"I, Asof of the Presence, Syd Mahomed
"Cawn Servant of the Shmudee Sircar being appointed
"from the Presence to settle matters relative to the Bound-
"-aries (between the Countries) of the Shmudee Sircar
"and the English Government Bahadar conformably to
"the orders of my present Great Sovereign, do agree to
"this effect."

"That Caverypoor with its Villages situated
"on the South and West side of the River Caveri, &c,
"according to the Treaty, in the possession of the Shmudee
"Sircar — and that in lieu of it the village of Coltpatoor
"from the District of Carroor and Coliamputty and
"other Villages from the District of Andoor, which are
"situated on the North and East side of the River Caveri
"and the village of Bordipooram, and Gootum and
"Calwarputty and Gootumcotta and Woolumputty with
"the smaller villages depending upon them from the
"Districts

Fort St. George 4th. February 1794.

"Districts of Aruvacourchy and Bellumpilly from the
"District of Soolargeery, are entirely with their Dependen-
"cies relinquished by the Ahmudee Sircar to the English
"Government.— No cause of claim remains or exists to be
"made by the Ahmudee Sircar from the English Govern-
"ment, for relinquishing or possessing Districts or
"Villages depending upon or connected with the Boards
"of (the territories) of both Governments in virtue of the
"Treaty of Peace."—

"Wherefore these lines are given by way
"of agreement."—

"Written the 28th. Day of Rymanee in the
"year of Mahomed 1221. Corresponding with the 27th. Day
"of Jumadee-ul-Sanee in the year of the Heidjiree
"1208."

In the Village of Wangle.—

(Seal) (Signature)

Namcul
30th. January 1794.

A true Translation
(Signed) William Macleod
29th. January 1794.

Minutes thereon.

Resolved that the approbation of the Board be
conveyed to Captain Macleod, for the Zeal and Ability with which
he has conducted the negotiation with Tippoo's Agent.

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent
to Bengal and to the Board of Revenue.

Read

619 Fort St George 4th February 1794

Read the following letter from Captain Doveton. ——

To William Collins Jackson Esqre

Secretary in the Military and Political Departments.

Sir.

From Captain Doveton with a Note to and from the Vakeels the latter expressing Hesitance in which Joppoo understands the Translation.

Immediately upon the receipt of your letter under date the 9th Instant. — I spoke to the Vakeels on the subject thereof, and also addressed to them a Note, Translation and Copy of which I have the honor to enclose. — A Copy and Translation of the Vakeel's Note in answer to mine I have now the honor to present.

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) Gabriel Doveton

Fort St. George
January 31st 1794.

Translation of a Note from Captain Doveton to Sied Golaum Ali Khan and Ali Reza Khan. ——

My friends!

A few days ago I received from you a Memorandum of certain persons who, having fled from the Country of the Ahamady Sirkar, had taken up their abode in the Company's Districts. —

That Memorandum I translated and presented to the Honble the Governor, — who, conceiving that the Persons named therein, having held financial Trusts, were claimed by the Ahamady Sircar

620. Fort St. George 4 February 1794

Sirkar under the 7th. Article of the Treaty of Seringapatam as Debtors to the State, agreeably to your request, issued the necessary orders on that occasion.

But as it is not particularly expressed in the Memorandum that the Persons therein named are of the above discription, I now by direction of the Honorable Governor request to be particularly certified of that circumstance, — For it must, to your Justminds, appear evident, that to expel or seize and deliver up any person, not coming under the meaning of the 7th. Article of the Treaty abovementioned, that is to say, against whom no claim of Debt on account of a financial Trust is preferred by the Ahamady Sirkar, who may wish to reside in the Company's Districts, would be contrary to the Rules and Regulations of all Governments, and repugnant to the Principles of Justice and Humanity. —

What more ?

A true Translation

(Signd) G. Doveton. —

Translation of a Note from Sied Golaum Alli Khan and Ali Reza Khan to Captain Doveton. —

Received the 28th. January

Several Pattels, Zemindars and others with out standing accounts of the Country of the Ahamady Sirkar, having wasted and carried off considerable Sums, have fled for protection into the Districts of the Company's Sirkar and there remains

— In like manner certain villanious Robbers, after committing depredations in the Country of the Ahamady Sirkar, and injuries to many Ryotts have gone to, and remain in the Company's Territories — All those people are servants or Officers of the Sirkar, and have accounts to settle therewith — The demand for them therefore is preferred by the Ahamady Sirkar in consequence of the Treaty — And sometime ago a List of them specifying their names and places of abode which was transmitted from the Presence, was delivered to you — It is necessary then agreeably to Engagements that those who have fled, being in charge of certain Trusts (under Government) should be apprehended and delivered to the Officers of the Ahamady Sirkar — such procedure is handsome and tends to the encrease of mutual Friendship — and the expulsion of such villains as these who create disturbances and discord is necessary —

What more ?

A true Translation

(Signed) G. Doveton. —

Minutes and Observations of the Board on the above Subject

As the paper from the Vakeel expresses pretty clearly the sense in which Tippoo understands the 7th Article of the Treaty, and as the Board are doubtful how far the Governor General in Council may think it conformable to his interpretation, it is resolved to send Copies of the papers, to and from the Vakeel, to the Supreme Government, and to Desire their sentiments before any further

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

further steps be taken to comply with Tippoo's requisition.

The Board are of opinion that it might tend to prevent some embarrassment on this head if the persons liable to be claimed under the 7th Article were discribed by their official characters. The Treaty does not mention, and the Board know not how far it might have been intended, that any sort of proof should be required of the circumstance under which the claims are made. If it be thought inconsistent with the dignity and independence of the contracting powers to call for and examine such proof the necessity of defining by official Name, and even limiting as far as may be practicable such definition appears the greater, from the disposition evinced in the paper of the Vakeels to extend Revisions to Persons of almost every discription wholly from the Mysore Country.—

Agreed that the above be communicated to the Governor General in Council.—

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

From Hospital Board regarding the Carriage of the Hospital Stores of the 19th Regiment Dragoons to Waniore and Mr. Walkers Charges for Europe Invalids sick of Kings Regiments sent into Chingleput

Hospital Board
3d February 1794.

Read a letter from the Surgeon of His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons requesting

Junior of Mr. Todd's Services at Negapatam

623 Fort St George 4th February 1794

W. I. F. Made an proposal for 1 Battalion Artillery Mr Colhoun for the 1st and Mr Deeks for the 3d of European Infantry. —

requesting that an allowance might be made him for the Carriage of 30 Hospital Cotts and two hundred suits of clothing, from Arriancopong to Warriore, to which latter place the Corps is about to March. —

The Military Board will receive the necessary orders upon this Subject. —

We recommend that Mr Mayd's Hospital Stores be carried in the same manner as the other Stores of the Regiment, As it does not appear that any European Corps is to be stationed at Arriancopong for whose use they would be wanted there, — otherwise an exchange between the Surgeons should be made. —

Read a Letter from Mr Walker, Surgeon at Chingleput representing that the Paymaster General had objected to a charge which he made for European Sick of His Majesty's Regiments sent into the Garrison of Chingleput, and treated agreeably to the terms of the late Contract.

A provision was made for Sick of a similar discription by the General Order of the 11th July

Fort St. George 4th February 1794.

July 1793, authorizing the Surgeon at Cuddalore to furnish such Men with Victualling and Clothing on the terms drawn by the Contractor to the Presidency General Hospital.—

We therefore recommend that Mr. Walker's accounts may be also admitted agreeably to this order from the commencement of the late Contract.—

In consequence of the desire of the Honble the President in Council, the Head Surgeon of the Circars has reported that Mr. Todd was engaged in attending the Nizzeed Committee from the 1st. of September to the 10th of January 1793

We recommend that Mr. J. F. Maclean Asst. Surgeon be appointed to the 1st. Battalion of Artillery—Mr. William Colhoun to the 8th Regiment of European Infantry and Mr. John Deeks to the 3 Regiment of European Infantry.

(Signd) Jas. Anderson. Physician General
" Colley L. Lucas Ch. Surgeon
" W. Raine — Head Surgeon.—

Approved.—

Approved. The Military Auditor General will be directed to pass the Accounts.—

Mr. Todd will be allowed to draw Batta for this period.—

(Read

625 Fort St George 4th February 1794

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.—

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

Honble Sir,

From Military Auditor—referring particular Cases relative to payment of additional Donation and to the mode of paying that due to the European Invalids, Pensioners, and discharged Men present in India, and relative Invalids and Pensioners—Correspondence enclosed—

I beg leave to lay before you Extracts from Correspondence in the Military Auditor General's Office relative to the payment of the Additional Donation in consequence of which I request your decision on the following matters.

1st Whether or not I am authorized to comply with the Claim made by Captain Ross Commanding the Detachment of Royal Artillery; and,

2d Although it may not appear proper to comply with the Claim so made, Whether or not it will be adviseable to pass the Additional Donation of the deceased Men on Abstracts to be signed by Officers Commanding Corps or Companies, for the reasons Specified in the Letters of Lieutenant Colonel Baird, Major Gowdie, Captain Wight and Lieutenant Mc Rae.

3 Whether or not the Additional Donation due to the Estate of Lieutenant Nicol Young shall be paid in the Abstract of Captain Brown, as Official Administrator, for the reasons he has signed.—

The following Observations occur to me on the subject.—

1st That it may be necessary to take a Law

626.

Fort St. George 4th. February 1794

Law Opinion in regard to the Claim as it stands preferred by Captain Ross Commanding the Detachment of Royal Artillery.—

2d. That in the event of the Claim made by Captain Ross being found inadmissible, it will greatly facilitate the Payment of the Additional Donation in India if it shall appear proper to Government to authorize the Military Auditor General to discharge Abstracts signed by Commanding Officers of Corps for such portion of it as has not already been paid and is due to the Estates of Deceased European Non Commissioned Officers and Soldiers who may have either died intestate or concerning whose Estates Probates of Wills or Letters of Administration have not passed the Mayor's Court.—

In regard to both these points it becomes necessary to add that there is no more specific rule laid down by the General Order of 18th. last June for the payment to the Officers and Men ordered to be included in the Abstracts of the fourth description in the said order except in so far as regards the Commissioned Officers in the 11th. and 12th. Paragraph of the Order, and, in regard to all others in the 14th. and 15th. from which two last named Paragraphs it would appear that the payment of the Shares of the Deceased Europeans of every description can only be made, under the Orders of the 18th. June to their Heirs Executors or Administrators in consequence of which the Orders of 20th. November last appear to have been issued; and therefore the Matter to be

determined

62

Fort St. George 4th February 1796

determined on supposing Captain Ross's claim to be found inadmissible is, how far it may be adviseable to authorize payment on the Abstracts of the Commanding Officers for the shares of the deceased European Soldiers to whose Estates it has not been found convenient to take out Probates of the Wills that have been executed under the Forms explained by the Officers or under any other form — the only way that occurs to me by which the Abstracts of the kind may be passed with least apprahension of risk is by authorizing the Military Auditor General to pass them under the principle of Government holding the Officers who sign the Abstracts responsible to the Heirs under some Obliga= =tion or Security to be expressly specified in Orders, provided Government shall be induced, for the conve= =nience of the Service, and the parties concerned, to war= =rant any deviation from the rule expressed in the General Order of 20th November last. —

3 That if the suggestion of Captain Brown shall be complied with it may be thought adviseable to order the same rule to be followed regarding the Donation due in cases similar to that of Lieutenant Nicol Young, but that the Lists I am preparing to be trans= =mitted home being published as intimated in the Orders of the 18th June last will afford an opportunity, to the heirs of the deceased Officers, whose Names fail to be inserted in them, to apply for and receive at the Sums respectively due. —

I also beg leave to lay before you in a separate Paper marked B, the Papers trans= =mitted

Fort St George 4th February 1794

transmitted to me relative to the Payment of the additional Donation in Four cases which if admitted and the Amount is paid to the Claimants here in consequence, it is not probable, I conceive, that the proceeding will be attended with any future inconvenience, altho' perhaps, the strict letter of the Orders under date 18th June last will not be followed which is the cause of my taking the liberty of requesting your Sanction previous to passing the Bills in question, the several Claims thereon mentioned having been made in due time.

As there is no rule laid down in the Order of the 18th June which applys specially to the Mode of discharging the Additional Donation to the European Invalids, Pensioners and discharged Men of the Company's Service remaining in India, or to the Native Invalids, or to the Discharged Men from the Native Corps with the exception of what is stated in the 11th Paragraph relative to the Men of the last description I take the liberty of acquainting Your Honble Board that I have furnished the Town Major with Abstracts of the Additional Donation to the European Infantry Invalids Pensioners and Discharged Men present in India, and of the Native Invalids as well as of the Pensioners amounting as follows.

European Infantry Invalids Pensioners ...
and Discharged Men present in India ...
(those of the Artillery having been discharged

on

629

Fort St George 4th February 1794.

Cash P. O.

on an Abstract Signed by Major Hall) .. 1296 — " — "

Native Invalids and Pensioners .... 2552 — 22 " 40

Total Pagodas .. 3848 . 22 " 40

in consequence of which I beg leave to recommend to Your Honble Board to issue an Order, a draught of which I use the freedom of submitting to your consideration, concerning the Payments in question including those to the Discharged Natives now living who have not yet received their Additional Donation

The Additional due to Discharged Natives has in general been claimed, but the Orders not being specific in regard to the mode of discharging the Claims many yet remains unpaid, as the Auditor, being ordered to pass all Bills for Additional Donation, both the Certificates required by the 10th Para. of the General Orders of 8th last June as well as the appearance of the Parties became necessary — the dispersed state of the Discharged Natives at a distance probably from the Officers ordered to sign the Certificates has occasioned delays which I conceive to have been unavoidable in those Mens procuring the necessary documents for which reason I have taken the liberty of suggesting another Order on the subject and fixing a period after which the Claims of the Discharged Men now alive are to be finally rejected. —

I have the honorble to be with the highest Respect

&c. &c.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm

Asst. Auid. Genl.

Military Auditor Generals Office — Fort St George 4 February 1794.

630. Fort St. George 4th February 1794.

A

Extract of Correspondence in the Military Auditor Generals Office re-
=lative to the Additional Donation. —

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel David Baird Comma-
=manding 71st Regiment to Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor
General. —

I have the Honor to transmit Copies of the
Wills now in possession of the Soldiers of the 78th Re-
=giments, signed by the Officer commanding compa-
=nies and myself, as some of those Soldiers have lost or
mislaid their Wills, I have granted Certificates
to them signed by the Officer commanding Companies
and by Myself as Vouchers that it appears by the Com-
=panies books that they received the first Donation
and every other thing due to the Deceased in Conse-
=quence of their having presented their Wills signed
Agreeable to the Regimental Standing Order on that
subject Viz.t to be presented to an Officer before the
Death of the Person and to be signed by the Officers if
it appears to be just — as the time will not permit of their
Wills going through the forms of Law, and as I should
be Obliged to give Leave to every person concerned in
those Wills to proceed to Madras to prove them which
would be most inconvenient both for the Service and
for the Soldiers besides the Expence, I beg leave to remark
that it has never been considered necessary in order
for a Soldier to receive payment of a Brother Sol-
=diers Will to prove them in a Court of Law, I therefore
hope and trust that Government will be pleased to

Order

631 Fort St. George 6th February 1794

Order payment to be made.

The General Orders of the 22d. respecting the proving of the Wills only arrived here on the 26th. so that it was impossible to send them sooner

The Detachment under the command of Captain Ross not having arrived, I cannot as yet ascertain whether they have any Wills or not, if they have any I will forward them to you.—

/Signed/ D. Baird
Lieut.t Col.l Comm.g 71st Regim.t

P.S. no Wills or Claims have as yet been made from Dindigul, should any arrive they will be forwarded to you.—

Copy of a Letter from Captain Thomas Ross commanding the Royal Artillery to Colonel Malcolm Military Auditor General

Enclosed is the Wills of the Non Commissioned Officers and Private Men belonging to the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery being in Number twenty five /25/ with a List of their Names, in whose favor; and where proved &c. in Compliance with the Order of Government the 20th Ultimo I have in Conformity to your last letter, as far as has been in my power - wrote to J. Stewart Hall Esquire Attorney at Law in Madras - for the probates of Major Scott and Lieutenant Hunters Wills to which I have Administered above twelve Months ago - but have not yet received them, when they reach me I will forward them to You; I have

heard

630 Fort St. George 4th February 1795

A

Extract of Correspondence in the Military Auditor Generals Office relative to the Additional Donation. —

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel David Baird commanding 73d Regiment to Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General. —

I have the Honor to transmit Copies of the Wills now in possession of the Soldiers of the 73d Regiments, Signed by the Officer commanding Companies and myself, as some of those Soldiers have lost or mislaid their Wills, I have granted Certificates to them signed by the Officer commanding Companies and by Myself as Vouchers that it appears by the Companies Books that they received the first Donation and every other thing due to the Deceased in Consequence of their having presented their Wills signed Agreeable to the Regimental Standing Order on that Subject Viz.t to be presented to an Officer before the Death of the Person and to be signed by the Officer if it appears to be just — as the time will not permit of those Wills going through the forms of Law, and as I should be Obliged to give Leave to every person concerned in those Wills to proceed to Madras to prove them which would be most inconvenient both for the Service and for the Soldiers besides the expence, I beg leave to remark that it has never been considered necessary in order for a Soldier to receive payment of a Brother Soldiers Will to prove them in a Court of Law, I therefore hope and trust that Government will be pleased to

Order

631 Fort St. George 4th February 1794

Order payment to be made.—

The General Orders of the 22d. respecting the proving of the Wills only arrived here on the 26th. so that it was impossible to send them sooner

The Detachment under the Command of Captain Ross not having arrived, I cannot as yet ascertain whether they have any Wills or not, if they have any I will forward them to you.—

/Signed/ D. Baird
Lieut.t Col.l Comm.g 71st Regim.t

P.S. no Wills or Claims have as yet been made from Dindigul, should any arrive they will be forwarded to you.—

Copy of a Letter from Captain Thomas Ross Commanding the Royal Artillery to Colonel Malcolm Military Auditor General

Enclosed is the Wills of the Non Commissioned Officers and Private Men belonging to the Detachment of the Royal Regiment of Artillery being in Number twenty five /25/ with a List of their Names, in whose favor; and where proved &c. in Compliance with the Order of Government the 20th Ultimo I have in Conformity to your last letter, as far as has been in my power - wrote to J. Stewart Hall Esquire Attorney at Law in Madras for the probates of Major Scott and Lieutenant Hunters Wills to which I have Administered above twelve Months ago - but have not yet received them, when they reach me I will forward them to You; I have

heard

Fort St. George 1st. February 1774

been Obliged to desire said Attorney to Apply for Letters of Administration in my favor to the Effects of Lieutenant Robert Clark deceased, as Senior Captain Officiating as Major to the Corps, the probate for which shall be sent to you as soon as possible and I now formally and legally Claim the Donation due to each Commissioned Officer and private Man who has died entitled to the same in my Company, conformably to the Articles of War made by Virtue of several Acts of Parliament, wherein the Captains of Companies are made responsible to the Heirs of the Deceased men for what each person may have died possessed of or entitled to - There are four men of the Corps gone to England to be informed of who are entitled to the said Donation. Viz.t Archd. Willis - Jas. Sharpe - Josh.a Taylor and James Malash - they left a power of Attorney in Mr. John Sharpe Merchant in Madras possessing to whom I paid their Gratuity - There is one Widow in this Country of the Man who has died. Intestate in my Company, her name is Pattigrew she stands in as much need of the Donation as any person but cannot recover it without the Expence of Administering which was not the case before relative to the Gratuity.

(signed) Thos. Ross

Captain Commanding the Royal Artillery

633 Fort St. George 4 February 1794

Extract of a letter from Major Gowdie Commanding the 4th Battalion of European Infantry dated 28th November 1793 to Colonel Malcolm Military Auditor Generals.—

I really do not know what to make of that part of the order respecting the Wills, Govern-ment surely cannot mean that all the Soldiers that have Wills are to be sent to Madras to prove them before the Mayor's Court.

(Signed) D. Gowdie.
Major Commanding 4th Batt. Eur. Infy.

Extract of a Regiment to

letter from Captain A Wight Commanding 36th Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor Generals.

Of the Wills made by non Commissi-oned Officers and privates, you will find that four only have passed probate in the Mayor's Court it is customary with the Officer Commanding Companies to pay over the Effects of Deceased them to persons holding Wills that have been honestly made with-out insisting that such Wills should pass probate— in that Manner the Shares of the 1st Donation were paid to the persons holding the Non probate Wills that are enumerated in the Roll enclosed herewith Probate could not now be obtained for those Wills, nor could the persons claiming as heirs obtain Letters of Administration

unless

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

unless the parties, with the Witnesses were to repair, for that purpose, to Madras - nor would the amount of the Donation exceed the expence of obtaining the probates, or Letters of Administration - It is therefore hoped that you will have no hesitation in passing an order for payment of these Claims, for to insist upon the probates being all produced, would be tantamount to a Denial of the Claims Altogether - when the Marquis Cornwallis was last at Madras he told Lieutenant Colonels Maxwell and Baird that he had given an order at Bengal for paying the Donation to Heirs and Legatees, without insisting on their producing written documents from the Courts of Law, and, on their request, said he would give a similar order to the Troops at Madras, it would appear however that it had escaped his Lordships recollection in the hurry of business to give the order he intended -

(Signed) A Wight

Capt. comm. his Majesty's 36 Regt.

Extract of a Letter from Captain A Brown Commanding the 1st Battalion Native Infantry to Colonel Henry Watson Military Auditor General

I have truely said that with the Assistance of the Adjutant of the Corps taking into Consideration the order of the 13 June, and what might be in conformity to

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

be expected from us, it was our joint Opinion that the Six Abstracts or List mentioned in the 3d Paragraph were intended to be made out in the Auditor Generals' office, and this opinion arose from its not being specified in any of the Paragraphs by whom they were to be made out, or to whom they were to be sent, but upon Reconsideration of the order which has been induced by not receiving with your letter and Roll this Morning, an Abstract as a Voucher whereby to draw the Donation due to Lieutenant Nicol Young, to whose Estate I have officially Administered, I now suppose it has been intended that these several Lists and Abstracts should be transmitted from Corps to the Auditor General, and herewith inclose a List and Abstract for Lieutenant Nicol Young, that the Donation for his Estate may be added to the Sum for which the Abstract or Abstracts in Connection with the 1st Battalion will fall to be passed.—

(Signed) A Brown Capt.
1st Batt. N Inf.y.—

Extract of a Letter from Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General to Captain A Brown Commanding the 1st Battalion Native Infantry.—

Your Opinion that the Six Lists or Abstracts mentioned in the 2d Paragraph of the G. O. 13 last June, were intended to be made out in the Military Auditor Generals' Office appears to me very

(very

Fort St George 4th. February 1794

very Correct, and it also appears to me that the Order did not render it necessary or proper to send any of the Rolls and Abstracts, except those of the 1st. Discription to the Commandants of Corps, the others being Returned in the Military Auditor General's Office, in order that they might be Referred to on the Bills or Abstracts being presented for Additional Donation, which fell to be Audited and passed in Communication with the Casualties Contained in the Remaining five Rolls and Abstracts—

In Regard to the Share of Lieutenant Nicol Young, I am not at present Authorized to Consider the Official Administration to his Estate Mentioned by you, as Coming within the Letter or meaning of the 11th. Paragraph of the General Orders of the 13th. Inst, and I am therefore under the Necessity of Returning the Abstract for that Share without passing it, altho' I should be pleased to have it in my power to pass all Bills and Abstracts of the Kind on the Signature of the Officers Commanding Corps, as it would save some trouble on this head which the order involves as it Stands at present—

(Signed) H Malcolm
Mil. Aud. Gen.

Extract of a letter from Captain A. Brown Commanding the 1st. Battalion N. I. Lt. Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General

Should no provision be made by the

General

637

Fort St George 4th February 1794

General Order (to which I have not at present opportunity to refer) for my Case as official Administrator to the Estate of Lieutenant Nicol Young I beg it may be taken in consideration, and that I may be favored with Instructions either by the Orderly book or from your Office to enable me to realize his Claim for the Benefit of his Heirs

(Signed) A. Brown Capt.

1st Battalion N. I.

Extract of a letter from Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General to Captain A. Brown Commanding the 1st Battalion N.I.

It appears to myself, at present, that the Orders already published sufficiently point out how the heirs of Lieutenant Nicol Young may receive the additional Donation but as you appear to think otherwise I shall address Government on the Subject and advise you of the Answer I receive.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm

Mil. Aud. Gen.

Copy of a Letter from Captain A. Brown Commanding the 1st Battalion N. I. To Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General.

On referring to the Orders of the 13th of June I find it is required of me to produce Letters of Administration to enable me to draw Lieutenant Nicol Young's share of the Donation, which I would now do, had I not, from a motive of saving to his Heirs, dispensed with the expensive formality

Fort St George 14th February 1796

formality of taking out Letters of Administration, which the simple state of his affairs did not render necessary— Such Documents I think may probably have been required by Government to check irregular and unwarranted Intromissions that might be productive of Fraud, future Litigation, and trouble; but, as my Credit and Character will no doubt render any of these Considerations unnecessary in Application to me, it may perhaps only require Your mentioning the Circumstance of my not having taken out Letters of Administration, with my motive, to the Governor in Council, to obtain Sanction for your passing in Audit the Accompanying List and Abstract— My being virtually and of Necessity Administrator ex Officio as Commanding Officer of the Corps in which Lieutenant Young died places me differently from Ordinary Administrators, and perhaps may be thought fully to Warrant my Acting without Letters of Administration— Should any Bar however lie against this mode of adjustment if you will be good enough to Acquaint me I will do what is necessary to remove it —

(Signed) J. A. Browne Capt.
1st Battalion N. I.
Official Administrator to the Estate of Lieut. Neil Young

639 Fort St. George 1st February 1794

Copy of a Letter from Lieutenant J. Mac Rae of the 73d. Regiment
to Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General.

From the 1st February 1792 to the time
the handsome Gratuity given by Marquis Cornwallis to
the Army was issued, Fourteen Men and a Serjeant Died
of the Company I commanded of His Majesty's 73d
Regiment, and many of these Men left Wills in
favor of others in the Regiment, which Wills have
paid their full Amount to their Executors, and those
Executors demand payment of the second Dona-
-tion given by the Honble Company to the Army — The
Serjeant has a Brother now living in Bengal Artillery
who is continually demanding payment of the last
Donation as lawful heir to his deceased Brother —
and as the Paymaster of the 73d. Regiment (I believe)
has not Drawn the last Donation for the deceased
men of the Corps I shall be Obliged to you to inform
me how I am to draw it from the Honble Company.

The Rule in the Kings' Service is that Of-
-ficers commanding Companies are Executors to
the Deceased Men of their Companies, and are
Accountable to their heirs at law in the same Man-
-ner as the Major of a Regiment is Accountable
for the Estates of Deceased Officers to their heirs
at law — Six Months batta to one Serjeant and Four
-teen Privates Amounts to Pagodas 216 — I am in this
Fort in Command of the Invalids of the Corps
and shall be glad to know your opinion upon
this

640 Fort St George 4th February 1794

this Subject —

(Signed) J. MacRae
Lieut. 73 Regiment.

True Extracts

(signed) Henry Malcolm
Mily and Sec. Genl

B

Particular Cases relative to the payment of the Additional Donation on which the Decision of Government is requested by the Military Auditor General. —

Extract of a letter from Lieut. Colonel D. Smith commanding the 2d Battalion of Artillery to Colonel Henry Malcolm Military Auditor General Dated 11th December 1793. —

№3 is Register of two Men who are dead but had transferred their Additional Donation to another person in consequence of his having afforded them pecuniary Assistance for the support of large families — His Vouchers Accompanying this Number they were both deserving them. —

(Signed) D. Smith
Lieut. Co. of Artillery

Copy

Register of the undermentioned Men of Captain George Saxon's Company 2d Battalion Artillery entitled to the

Fort St George 5th February 1794

the Additional Donation doing duty above the Chaults on the 1st February 1792 and those of their Claimants.—

Name	Rank	Register of the Cla.s	Remarks
Tho.s Knipe	Matross	Christian Myers.	The Claimant advanced the 2.d Donation to the Deceased after the orders was published for its being Allowed by the Honble the Court of Directors and in Consideration of their Distress with families Certificates Accompanies this Register.—
Jn.o Hoare	Do.		

(Signed) G. Saxon Maj.r Artillery.

I do hereby empower Christian Myers Matross in Captain Campbell's Company 2.d Battalion Artillery to draw my Six Months Batta when drawn for the Honble Company's for Value received by me this 5th day of May 1793.

Witness present (Signed) Robert Wolfendon
" Thomas Knipe.—

(Signed) G. Saxon.

This is to Certify that I, John Hoare, Matross in Captain Campbell's Company do Impower and Authorize Christian Myers Matross in said Company to receive my six Months batta which the Honble Company has been pleased to allow I being entitled to

642 Fort St George 4th February 1794

to the same

Witness my hand
(Signed) Jno.° his + mark Hoare

Present
Signed, Jnº Buckley -
Trichinopoly
19 May 1793

(Signed, G. Saxon

This is to Certify that I. Hugh Collins Matross in the 1st Battalions Artillery being about to leave the Service of the Honble Company do and by these presents fully and solely Appoint and impower Sergeant Wm Doyle of the Invalid Corps of Infantry to receive the same and for me and in my Name, to sign the required Receipt Books Accounts &c. agreeable to the Nature of the Service and at the same time deliver into his possession a Certificate signed by the Officer to which I belonged at the time of my discharge

(Signed) Hugh Collins

Witness
Signd { George Hoskins
Thos. Wise
Fort St George July 1st 1793

This is to certify that Hugh Collins late Matross in Captain Richard Howley's Company of the 1st Battalion Artillery is entitled to the Honble Company's Donation of Six (6) Month Batta as mentioned in the late G.O for the Troops serving in the Field during the late War

(Signed) R. Howley
Capt. Artillery

Mount
St
1 July 1793.—

643 Fort St. George 4th February 1794

This is to Certify that I John Thompson Matross in the 1st Battalion of Artillery, being about to leave the Service of the Honble Company, do and by these presents fully and solely Appoint and impower, Serjeant William Doyle of the Invalid Corps of Infantry to receive the same and for me and in my Name to sign the required Receipts, Book &c. Accounts &c. Agreeable to the Nature of the Service, and at the same time give into his possession a Certificate signed by the Officer to whom I Belonged at the time of my Discharge.

(Signed) John his + mark Thompson

Witness
Richard Cockerton
Signed { George Hopkins
Fort St George July 1st 1793.

This is to Certify that John Thompson late a Matross of Captain Thomas Hay's Company 1st Battalion of Artillery is entitled to the Honble Company's (6) six Months Batta as mentioned in Orders bearing date the 23d April 1793 –

(Signed) Charles Donaldson
Lieut Com'g Company

Mount
28th June 1793

Know all Men By these presents that I Samuel Warren Matross in Captain Richard Howley's Company of the 1st Battalion of Artillery do by these presents make Constitute Nominate and Appoint John Buchanan Corporal in the

644

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

the 2d Battalion of European Infantry to ask Demand Recover and Receive all my Pay arrears of Pay Cloathing, together with the Six Months Batta, allowed by the Honble Court of Directors allowed to all the Military who ascended the Ghauts prior to the 15th February 1791

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal.

(Signed) Samuel Warren
Captn Rowleys Company of
Artillery. –

This Eighteenth day of
September 1793. –

Witnesses

(signed) William Clarehew
Acting Serjt. Major –

" George Haskins
Matross Captn Kay's Compy
1st Battn Artillery. –

This is to certify that Samuel Warren Matross in Captain Richard Rowleys company of the 1st Battalion of Artillery, served in the Field during the last Campaign and is thereby Entitled to receive the Honble Company's Gratuity in addition to the former liquidated under the Orders of the Honble Earl Cornwallis. –

Fort St George
16th December 1793

(signed) R. Rowley
Captn Artillery. –

True copies
(signed) Henry. Malcolm
Asstt Adjt Genl

645 Fort St. George 4th. February 1794

Proposed draught of a General Order

Fort St. George
4th. February 1794

G.O. By Government.

The Town Major of Fort St. George having been furnished from the Military Auditor Generals Office with Lists of the European Infantry Invalids Pensioners and Discharged Men present in India who are entitled to the Additional Donation as Long Rolls received from Corps and having been furnished with similar Lists of the Native Invalids and Pensioners entitled to the payments of the same description Officers Commanding Stations where the Men so entitled are now quartered, are directed to transmit to the Town Major Lists with corresponding Abstracts of those entitled to each Station according to the ranks they respectively held on the 1st. February 1792 which Lists on being Certified by the Town Major are to be accounted Vouchers to the Paymasters at the different Stations for Discharging the Amount observing however that in the case of the Native Invalids and Pensioners their Certificates must also be shewn at the same time to the Paymasters who are to mark on the back of each Certificate thus presented that the Additional Donation due to the bearer thereof has

646 Fort St George 4th February 1796

has been discharged - The Town Majors is afterwards to make out separate Reports of the Abstracts thus discharged distinguishing the Amounts to the Europe-ans and Natives of each description whose Additional Donation has been certified from his Office as above. -

The discharged Natives now alive who are entitled to the Additional Donation but who have not been paid will receive it at the Presidency on Certificates agreeably to the 10 Paragraph of the General Order 18th last June and the Corps that have not already sent Certificates of the kind to the Military Auditor General Office are directed to lose no time in transmitting them - it is to be published by beat of Tom Tom at every station of the Troops that all Claims for additional Donation to Dis-charged Natives now alive who were above the Ghauts the 1st February 1792 shall be rejected that are not made at the Presidency by the Individual Claimants in two Months from this date the shares of the Heirs will be paid agreeably to the Orders of 29 October. -

By Order &c.

(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Chief Audr Genl

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the Attorney General be directed to state his opinion whether the Shares of the

Fort St. George 6th. February 1794.

the Company's additional donation to the Army serving above the Ghauts in the late War with Sippo Sultaun due to the Heirs of deceased Officers and Soldiers, by being paid to the Officer commanding the Regiments - Troop - or Company to which such Officers or Men belonged, for the purpose of being accounted for to the lawful Heirs, would subject the Honble Company to any prosecution or demand by such Heirs in case the Sums were not duly accounted for by the Officers to whom they were paid, in conformity with the Articles of War.

Resolved that the four Cases referred to in the Auditor General's letter be admitted, for the reasons assigned.—

Agreed that the order submitted by the Auditor be published.—

Read the following letter from the President at Poona.—

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

Honble Sir

From President at Poonah. Receipt hoped for Sippoor's 3. Inst.—

I have the honor to enclose Copy and Translation of an Official Note received this Morning from the Durbar.

and to be with Respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) B. W. Malet.—

Poona
17th. January 1794

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

Translation of a Note from Bekroo Pundit to Sir Charles Warre Malet Bart. Received 17th January 1794.—

Hufsun Ally Khan and Sada Roo, who brought the Treasure from Seringapatam, having counted and paid it in Purwanas, the Sirkar's (Peshwas) Receipt was granted to them on the 28th Jemaud ul Oual / 2d January 1794 and they departed— This is for your Information.—

True Translation

(Signed) J. Ukthoff

Asst. at Poona.

Read the following letter from the Attorney General.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Baronet

President and Governor &c Council.—

From attorney General of Opinion that Government can legally condemn Prizes.—

Honble Sir

Mr. Secretary Jackson has transmitted me under date the 23d Ultimo a letter addressed to you in Council from Mr. Mac Farlane Commander of the Brig La Modée, captured by the Earl Cornwallis Captain Hodgson in the Bay of Bengal, wherein he requests that you would appoint a Court of Admiralty for the purpose of legally condemning the Prize.—

With this letter Mr. Jackson conveys to me your desire that I should state to you my opinion

Fort St George 4th February 1796.

opinion whether by any Authority derived from the Charter you can legally proceed to the Condemnation of Prizes captured on the high Seas.

Before I proceed to offer my opinion upon this question, I think it necessary to observe that it is immaterial whether a Ship, taken as Prize, be captured on the high Seas, or seized on in Harbour for though taking a Ship in Harbour for any other cause than Prize is triable at Common Law to repair the Plaintiff in damages, yet taking her as Prize is triable only pine bellì, and by a Court of Prize.-

On perusal of the several Charters I do not find that in any of them Authority is expressly given for the trial of Prize except in that of 1686 which I apprehend was one of those surrendered to the Crown when the Union between the two Companies took place; but though this power is not expressly given by any of the subsisting Charters it seems to me to be strongly implied in that of 1753.

By that Charter the Company are authorized to surprize and take, within the limits of their trade, all Ships belonging to their Enemies or to the Enemies of His Majesty, and, in time of War and open Hostilities, to use and exercise the Law Martial in such cases as Occasion may necessarily require, and may legally be done.-

Martial Law I need scarcely observe is the Law of War, or that just and absolute power which the King in time of Hostilities, exercises by his royal Prerogative

Fort St George 4th February 8/96

Prarogative, for the general safety.—

It is I conceive by this law that, at the Commencement of every War, he issues his Commission to the Lord High Admiral to proceed on Matters of Prize and Reprisal, the cognizance of which doe not fall under the ordinary jurisdiction of the Admiralty and it is therefore by this law that Prizes are condemned.

By granting this Authority to the Company, it seems to me that the Crown has lodged in their hands within the limits of their Trade, all the powers which it could itself exercise in time of War, and I apprehend they can in no instance exercise it with more propriety than over the Ships and goods of the Enemy, nor do I conceive that any occasion can be more necessary for calling it into use than the condemnation of captured Vessels which otherwise must be sent to Europe for that purpose at the risque of recapture, and at the loss of a great number of Seamen in a moment when their services are requisite here to the protection of Trade.—

Under this Charter therefore I submit it to you as my opinion that you derive sufficient authority to proceed to the legal condemnation of Prizes, and that it makes no difference whether they be taken at Anchor, or captured on the high Seas provided the capture be made within the Company's limits.—

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

(Signed) Benj. Sullivan

Fort St George
3d February 1796

Fort St. George 4th February 1794.

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Mr. Macfarlane be directed to lay before the Board all the papers in his possession in proof of the legality of the capture of the Brig la Medee, that orders may pass for her condemnation, in case it shall appear that she was the property of the French.—

Read the following letter from the Assistant to the Resident at Hydrabad.—

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor of

Fort St. George.

Honble Sir

From Lieut. Stewart the Nizam complains that Nagloo has absconded with the Revenues of several Districts to the Guntoor Circar, and requests he may be seized and given up suggestion.—

I have the honor to acquaint you that during Sir John Kennaways late excursion to Samul Dewi, I was repeatedly desired by his Highness the Nizams Ministers to request that you would cause to be apprehended and delivered to the Officers of this Government, Nagho Row, distinguished by the Title of Rajah Ryan Wunt, who is accused of having absconded to Jijoor, in the Company's Territories, with the Revenue of certain Districts, which he is said to have rented from this Sircar; some of them under his own name, and others as Deputy to his Brother Wenkut Kishen, lately deceased, and also with money and effects belonging to the Family of the latter who are at this Court; but not having been furnished with particulars, or with any satisfactory account of the charge being just

Fort St. George 4th February 1796

just, I paid no attention to it; and here the matter rested, 'till within a few days previous to Sir John Kennaway's taking leave of the Durbar, when his Highness's Ministers having renewed their desire with great solicitude; he desired he furnished with an account of particulars in writing, which was accordingly delivered to him a few hours before he left Camp.—

Since then, the subject has again been started to me, and I have informed Meer Allum who seems satisfied with any answer, that as I am not sufficiently persuaded of the merits of the claim I can only lay the account he delivered to Sir John Kennaway before you with a request that in case you should find any part of the charge well founded you would be pleased to use your good offices towards obliging the said Nagha Pow and others Mutsiddies mentioned in the account as being indebted to this Sircar, to refund the several sums that may be actually due, which might in this case (provided your consent shall be previously obtained) be settled on the spot by persons sent from this Durbar for the purpose.

Accordingly I have the honor to enclose a Copy of the account above alluded to and beg leave to request that the Resident at this Court may be furnished with such particulars concerning the issue of your enquiries, should you deem it necessary to direct any to be made on this business

as

Fort St. George 4th. February 1794

as may enable him to satisfy the importunities of the Durbar.

Near Bider
19th. January 1794

I have the honor to be with respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Stewart
Nizam's Court.

Translation

Whereas Mada Raj Nayo Row (known also by the Title of Rajah Gian Vent) is the Brother of the late Vencat Rishen. During the Life time of Venkat Rishen, the former was appointed to some Talooks of the Sirkar, as Principal and as Naib (for his Brother) to others.

After the Decease of Vencat Rishen, the Talooks were settled on his Son. but by the Permission of the Sirkar and with the Consent of the said Son, Rajah Ginn Vent hath remained, until this time, in the management of those Talooks he was appointed to in the life time of his Brother. the Talooks are specified here under.

Rajah Gian. Vent hath lately eloped, and carried along with him / to the Talooka of Venkat Rama Row Culnakole, in the Kussba of Hejore, of the Guntoor Sirkar, where he at present resides) the Arrears of Money due by himself the Brother and Nephew to the Sirkar. together with the Money and Effects of his other Brothers sent

From

from Hydrabad to be deposited with the said Ra-
=jah Gian Vunt—

These Arrears, Effects and Money he will not give up, nor deliver to the Sirkar the Ac-
=counts, Books &c. Hemlapore Papiah, Narrain Appah (the Stephew of the deceased Brother) Vengeem, Bojena Amrappa, Mada Raj Ven-
=geem, Savery Damasa Goy Sittaram &c. Writers who absconded with Money of the Sirkar, reside with Rajah Gian Vunt in the said Paloka.—

The Village of Bermeil, of the Rajore Pur-
=gunna and Kanol Paloka in the Guntoor Circar was rented to him by the Sirkar. The Rent Accompts Books &c. remain until this Day with him (the Rajah Gian Vunt).—

He was appointed Naik for his deceased Brother, in Curla and Peraram belonging to the Purgunna of Gundikouka in the Cummanet Sirkar and is responsible for the Collections Accompts and Books 'till this Time.

He was Naik for his said Brother in the Collection of the Sayer of the Cummanet Districts. This appointment was given to Nadir Yar Jung from the Fusly Year 1203. But to accountable for the Collections Books Accounts &c.—

He was also his Brother's Naik for Collecting

Fort St George 4th February 1799

Collecting the Sayer of Hurn abad and Shimker Gerg and is responsible for the Collections and Accounts till the present time. —

He was his Brother's Naib also at Penud = = goondapilly belonging to the Commanet Sirkar — Kadir Yar Jung was in Fesly 1203 appointed to this place, but the former is answerable for the Collections &c till the end of Fesly 1202. —

He was himself appointed Tehseeldar of Medhera and the Villages of the Kanat District — and has to account for the Collections and Accounts till this time. —

A true Translation
(Signed) A. Falconar
Depy Pro Sy —

Remarks thereon.

As the Board are desirous of com = plying with the requisition of the Nizam, in case the charge preferred against Nagho Pow and his adherents be well founded, it is resolved to direct the Chief and Council of Masulipatam to inform them = selves of the particulars, and on being satisfied that the complaint is just, to notify to Nagho Pow that he can expect no favor from the Company's Government, unless he agree to the proposal sug = = gested by Lieutenant Stuart, of settling his Accounts with such persons as may be sent for the purpose from Hydrabad.

The Prize Agents of the Army serving above

Company's Moiety

Fort St George 4th February 1794

Moiety of Plunder taken during the late War ordered to be paid on the 15th February 20,000 Pagodas immediately.

above the Ghauts in the late War with Tippoo, having made application for an immediate advance of twenty thousand (20,000) Star Pagodas, to enable them to account with, and discharge the Shares due to Officers and Soldiers about to embark for Europe Ordered, that this Sum be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General, and by him to the Prize Agents of the Army.

Ordered also, that on the 15th Instant, the further Sum of Sixty one thousand four hundred and Ninety Seven Pagodas, none Fanams and Sixteen and half Cash (61,497 . 0 . 16½) be advanced as above stated to the Prize Agents being the whole Amount, including the aforesaid Sum of 20,000 Pagodas, payable at Madras, of the Company's Moiety of the plunder and Booty taken from the Enemy, but relinquished to the Troops by the orders of the Court of Directors under date the 25th June 1793.

Amount payable to the Bengal Troops.

Besides the above, the Bengal Government will have to pay the amount of the Shares of Prize Money payable to the Troops of that Establishment Viz.t Twenty two thousand Eight Hundred and one Pagodas thirty one Fanams, and forty one and half Cash (22,801 . 31 . 41½)

Distribution of

Resolved that, in addition to the

Fort St. George 4th February 1794

of Invalids — Discharged Men — and French Prisoners to be embarked for Europe. —

the invalid or discharged Men sent from Bengal on the Company's Ships now in the Roads there be as many sent from hence as will make up the number forty for each Ship, and that besides, sixty of the French Prisoners be equally divided among the five Ships. —

Secretary's Complaint against a Native Writer who lately quitted his Office without leave. —

The Secretary requests permission to state to the Board that a Native Writer named Francis De Sylva who had been employed for many years in his Office, has lately quitted it without leave, and taken Service with the Military Paymaster General — The Secretary has deemed it his duty to represent this circumstance under the persuasion that if it were allowed to pass unnoticed, he would in a very short time be deprived of the means of carrying on the Business of his department, as the labor is not only less in other Offices, but the pay equal, if not more than what the people under him are restricted to. —

Resolution in Consequence.

Resolved in consequence of the Secretary's representation, that it be a fixed rule in future, that no Native Assistant shall be allowed to quit a public Office, and engage in any other whatsoever under this Government without a Certificate from the Head of the Office granting him permission to do so. —

Ordered that the Military &c.

Pay Mr.

Fort St George 1 February 1796.

Paymaster General be directed to dismiss Francis De Sylva from his Office.

Mr. Buchan appointed Assistant Under the Military Secretary

Resolved that Mr. George Buchan be appointed an Assistant under the Secretary in the Military and Political Departments.—

Major Gowdie appointed to the Command of Madura.—

The President proposed that Major Francis Gowdie be appointed to the command of the Fort and Garrison of Madura vice Dale promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.—

Chas. Oakeley

"

E. Fullerton

"

Exd. George Parry
Wt. Yd.

659 Fort St. George February 1794.

Diary

From Colonel Nixon

Th. 4

Received a letter from the Commandant at Pondicherry, entered in Mr B. No 15 referring a Petition from a French Surgeon Major for a Subsistence.

Th 6

Received the following letter

William Collins Jackson Esqr

Secretary to the Governor in Council

Military Department

From Sir Ca.s Kennaway with Copy of his letter to the Governor General, explain.g his Ideas, relative to the Extent and Meaning of the 9th Art: of the Treaty concerning Emigrants-papers on the Subject enclosed.

Sir,

I have the Honor to enclose for the information of the Hon.ble the Governor in Council a Copy of my address of this date to the Governor General.

I have not thought it necessary to enclose copies of the papers referred to by Captain Read in his letter to me, they being no doubt, already on record.

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

Choultry Plain
6th February 1794.

The

660

Fort St. George February 1794

4/6

The Honble Sir John Shore Bart.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

Para 1. . . . . Understanding, from the enclosed Copy of a Letter from Captain Alexander Read and it's enclosure No 1, that doubts have arisen with regard to the extent and meaning of the 7th Article of the Definitive Treaty of Seringapatam respecting fugitives from the Countries of one Power to those of another. I have thought it my duty to trouble you on the occasion with a view of explaining what I conceive to be the spirit of the Article in question, as intended by Lord Cornwallis; and, to this end, I have the honor to enclose No 2 a Copy of the Article which Tippoo's Vackeels presented on the 14th of March and were extremely anxious should be inserted in the Treaty; and No 3 an Extract from the proceedings of the Congress of Deputies on the 15th March 1792 Containing Lord Cornwallis's reply to and rejection of it.

2 Pap. Sec.

661 Fort St. George February 1794.

2nd Par.

I perfectly recollect that Peppoo's Article was Maturely considered by his Lordship before he rejected it but, on referring to the proceedings above quoted, I was concerned to find that the reasons which accompanied his refusal were not more particularly detailed which I can only ascribe to our being so much pressed for time and occupied by such a variety of points requiring discussion as rendered it a task of no small difficulty to keep a journal of the proceedings at all. the reason, however, that it is recorded is a pretty strong one, independent of which His Lordship was of opinion that the admission of such an Article might afford Peppoo a plea for demanding the restitution of the many thousands of Inhabitants that were supposed to have taken the Company's protection during the war, and that it was equally fair for all parties to profit by the encouragement which a lenient Administration would afford to new Settlers which could not be the case were the Article agreed to —

Par. 3d

I cannot charge my recollection

so

Fort St. George February 1794

th
6 so far as to say positively that this last reason was given to Tippoo's Vackeels in addition to the one recorded, but I think it was, and that I told them their Master might, if he chose, confine the whole benifit of the Amended Article to himself by surpassing the Company and the other Allies in Acts of Moderation and encouragement in governing his Country at any rate they may I should imagine with confidence and propriety be referred, for the spirit and meaning of the Article, to the discussion it underwent with me, and the result of that discussion in reply to any application they may make for a grater latitude being given to it than that which it seems to bear.

Para 4th

Should you however have come to the resolution mentioned by Captain Read "Viz: that the Article implies the giving up all "persons who have left Tippoo's Country holding "financial trusts" and should the Governor in Council here have already acted on it, it may be difficult to resume the question with any hope of establishing the meaning of the 9th Article as I have endeavored to explain it: but as I shall forward a Copy of this address to Sir Charles Oakeley it will depend on him to proceed

further

th
6 further on the ground of that resolution or not than
he may have Actually done till he shall hear
again from You. —

Par.h 5th Influenced by polittical —
consideration or the spirit of an enlarged liberality
you may perhaps think it necessary to abide, at all
events by the above resolution, in which case as the
construction it establishes will be a favor conferred
on Tippoo, the 9th Article of the treaty strictly
speaking giving him no right to demand any
but Zemindars and Amildars the persons therein
described I humbly submit whether he might not
be required in return to agree to conditions
necessary to the security and convenience of all
parties in future disputes, and, to this end, that it
should be settled with him. — 1st What persons
are to be considered as coming under the discription
of holding pensanial trusts and what under that
of Ryats. — 2d — That in any litegation with
respect to such persons the matter shall be
settled by arbitration on the confines of that party
in whose country they shall have taken protection
and 3d — That the arbetrators where we are concerned
shall be named half by us and half by Tippoo
or where the Nabob Walajah is one of the
Parties

664 Fort St. George February 1794

6th parties half by him: and that in the latter
case a person shall be appointed by us to
superintend the Proceedings

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

Fort St. George.
6th February 1794.

A true Copy
/Signed/ John Kennaway

To Sir John Kennaway Bart.
&c &c

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty in
consequence of our conversation at meeting the
other day to enclose you some papers on the
Subject of it No 1 is copy of the list of people
that having fled from Pippoo's to the Company's
possessions for protection he has demanded.
of our Government No 2 is one of a letter from
Mr Munro an assistant of mine and No 3 is
Extract of a letter I have lately addressed to
the Revenue Board in answer to one from it
respecting his demand as I observed to you
I am particularly desirous of your opinion
upon it with reference to the 7th Article of

the

665 Fort St. George February 1794.

& the Treaty of Seringapatam, also of learning
from you Lord Cornwallis's Sentiments as to the
Meaning, Spirit or extent of it on account of its
being a matter of the utmost consequence to the
districts under my charge.

He being told, the Supreme Board
has passed an opinion that it implies the
giving up of all persons who have left his
Country holding financial trust, has induced
me, as you will find in No 3, to be very
particular in classing the people in it, whom
agreeably to that explanation or construction,
it may be thought to include, and consequently
the adopting it as expressed would preclude the
means of escape or refuge to all who have the ill
fortune to live under his Government were his
future conduct to exceed the past in acts of
Tyranny. a restriction that being not only without
precedent in this Country, but repugnant to his
Lordships universal benevolence and extensive
Policy, he certainly I think intended to guard
against by Zemindars and Amildars only
being specified in the Treaty which certainly

does.

Fort St. George February 1794

6th parties half by him: and that in the latter case a person shall be appointed by us to superintend the Proceedings

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ John Kennaway

Fort St. George.

6th February 1794.

A true Copy

/Signed/ John Kennaway

To Sir John Kennaway Bart.

Dear Sir,

I take the liberty in consequence of our conversation at meeting the other day to enclose you some papers on the Subject of it viz. 1st is copy of the list of people that having fled from Tippoo's to the Company's possessions for protection he has demanded of our Government. No 2 is one of a letter from Mr Munro an assistant of mine and No 3 is Extract of a letter I have lately addressed to the Revenue Board, in answer to one from it respecting his demand as I observed to you I am particularly desirous of your opinion upon it with reference to the 7th Article of the

Fort St. George February 1794.

& the Treaty of Seringapatam, also of learning
from you Lord Cornwallis's Sentiments as to the
Meaning, Spirit or extent of it on account of its
being a matter of the utmost consequence to the
districts under my charge.

He being told, the Supreme Board
has passed an opinion that it implies the
giving up of all persons who have left his
Country holding pecuniary trust, has induced
me, as you will find in No 3, to be very
particular in classing the people in it, whom
agreeably to that explanation or construction,
it may be thought to include, and consequently
the adopting it as expressed would preclude the
means of escape or refuge to all who have the ill
fortune to live under his Government were his
future conduct to exceed the past in acts of
Tyranny. a restriction that being not only without
precedent in this Country, but repugnant to his
Lordships universal benevolence and extensive
Policy, he certainly I think intended to guard
against by Zemindars and Amildars only
being specified in the Treaty which certainly

does.

6th does not imply Potails or Ryots of any other denomination.

Persuaded however, that Government will, and very properly, conform, in a great measure, to what may be considered the Spirit of it, his claims upon all people holding a financial trust may be admitted, but as that will proceed from the friendly disposition of Government and not from the obligation entered into with him, I apprehend that every such accommodation will be considered optional; and holding it in that view I am very hopeful that the Investigation of his claims to all descriptions of people coming under the general description of Ryots by the Company's Collectors will not be thought any derogation from his dignity nor too much for Government to require in Answer to his present demand.

He may ask why we will not allow him to decide on matters relating to his own Subjects, and his position may be admitted, but with requiring

His

667 Fort St. George February 1794

6th Let assent to another" that all who have taken the Company's protection or the Company's Subjects excepting descriptions of people whom they have agreed not to consider as such and deliver up to him. I have said so much on this particular point, conceiving it is what he will object to, and from a conviction that your opinion on it would have weight in the event of a difference about it either with Government or him.

If my Solicitude has led me to obtrude rather more of my Ideas on the Subject than were necessary, I trust you will excuse it

I am with Esteem
Dr. Sr.
Signed/ Alex Read

Signed John Kennaway

№2

Extract from the Articles proposed by Tippoo's Vakeels to be inserted in the Definitive Treaty as entered in №40 of the Appendix to the proceedings of the Congress of Deputies before Seringapatam 1792.

Article 4.

668

Fort St. George February 1794

6th

Article 4th "In the case of any disputes upon the
"Confines respecting the Ryots such as the
"Ryots of one State going over to the possessions
"of another, no protection shall be given
"to them, but they shall be sent back."

/Signed/ J. Kennaway

Extract from the Proceedings of the Congress of
Deputies before Seringapatam on the
15th March 1792.

"I then delivered to them
"the Articles of the Definitive Treaty, without
"having included the list of Country not or
"Answer present demands, one or the other
"of them must therefore be relinquished,
"and I left it to their candor to determine
"which of them ought to be first attended
"to: adding that as his Lordship imagined
"the insertion of such an Article would
"not only be unless in itself, but be
"productive of disputes hereafter, he could
not

Fort St. George February 1794.

the 6th not agree to it; that the Articles which they wanted respecting Ryots being delivered up would have the same effect, and that he thought the advantage and Security of the Powers concerned, were sufficiently consulted in the description of persons which the Article as it stood specified."

/Signed/ J Kennaway

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB Nos 15-16-17-18-19-20-

From Secretary at Bengal—

From Mr Secretary Hay.

enclosing Copies of the Instructions given to Captain Dundas, as Senior Commander of the Shepinon Homeward bound—

From Military Paymaster General

From Paymaster General

with an additional Estimate for February.

From adjutant General on the

From adjutant General

Subject of his Establishment of Office Writers.

From Commandant at the Mount

From Lieutenant Colonel Gells

requesting the use of Poolearney house for a convalescent Hospital.

From.

670

Fort St. George February 1794

No 6

From Captain Greene Infantry

From Captain John Greene requests leave to go to the Cape, and eventually to Europe.

From Mr Ram

From Mr Ram - with receipts for papers and other effects belonging to the residentes office at Tanjore, and delivered to the Paymaster.

No 7

Substance of letter to the Nabob.

Sent letter to the Nabob acknowledging receipt of his Kist dated the 1st instant.

Despatched the following letters.

To the Honble Sir John Shore Bart.

Governor-General in Council

at

Fort William

To Bengal - with copy of Captain Macleod's report of his final settlement with Tippoo's Aso of the Encroachments of the Ramgherry Polygar under enquiry — further references in regard to the Extent and meaning of the 9th Art: of the Treaty — Suggestions on the Subject

Honble Sir

We have the honor to transmit copy of a letter from Captain William Macleod, advising us of his having finally settled with Tippoo's Aso every point regarding the Boundaries.

With respect to the encroachments said to have been made by

671

Fort St. George February 1794.

7th by the Polygar of Ramgherry, we have to observe that the subject is now under the enquiry of the Board of Revenue, as well as of Captain Mackeod, and that so soon as we receive their reports, we shall decide upon the complaint which Tippoo has preferred against this Poligar —

In consequence of your interpritation of the 7th Article of the Treaty of Seringapatam, we directed Captain Doveton to ascertain from the Mackeels, whether the persons mentioned in the List transmitted by Tippoo, were claimed as persons holding financial trusts, and to Debtors to the State — a Copy of his letter, and of the Mackeels reply, we have the honor to enclose for your information as this last paper expresses pretty clearly the Sense in which Tippoo understands the article, and, as we are doubtful how far you may think it conformable to your interpretation, we wish to receive your sentiments before we take any further steps to comply with his requisitions.

We are of opinion that it might tend to prevent some embarassment upon

672 Fort St. George February 1794

th
y upon the Head, if the persons liable to —
claimed under the 7th Article were described
by their official characters. The treaty does
not mention, and we know not how far it may
have been intended, that any sort of proof
should be required of the circumstances
under which the claims are made. If it be
thought inconsistent with the dignity and independance
of the contracting powers to call for and examine
such proof, the necessity of defining by
official name, and even limiting, as far as
may be practicable, such definition, appears
the greater, from the disposition evinced in the
paper of the Vackeel to extend the claim to
persons of almost every discription who fly
from his country.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Chas. Oakeley
&c. Buried

Fort St. George
5th February 1794.

To Captain Doveton

To Captain Doveton
notifying the conditions
on which the Princess
will be restored —
the declaration
required to be called
for —

Sir,

The Governor General in
Council

Fort St. George February 1794

the Council having given their consent to the immediate departure of the Hostage Princes, provided an express declaration be obtained from the Vackeels of Tippoo, on the part of their Master, that the most effectual means, either by the appointment of Ameens, or otherwise, shall be employed to bring the points of Negotiation between the Nizam and Tippoo to the speediest possible conclusion, I am directed by the Hon.ble the President in Council to desire you will call upon the Vackeels for such written declaration; notifying to them, at the same time, that upon it's being given, all further difficulties in regard to the departure of the Hostages will be at an end.—

I am
Sir
Your
Obed.t Serv.t
(Signed) W.m C. Jackson Sec.y

Fort St. George
7th February 1794.

Despatched also the undermentioned
Letters Entered in Vol.3. No.s 21–22–23–24–25
26–27–28–29–30–31–32–33–34–35–
36–37–38–39–40–41–42–43–44–
45–46–47–48–49–

To

672 Fort St. George February 1794

th
y upon this head, if the persons liable to —
claimed under the y^th Article were described
by their official characters. The treaty does
not mention, and we know not how far it may
have been intended, that any sort of proof
should be required of the circumstances
under which the claims are made. If it be
thought inconsistent with the dignity and independance
of the contracting powers to call for and examine
such proof, the necessity of defining by
official name, and even limiting, as far as
may be practicable, such definition, appears
the greater, from the disposition evinced in the
paper of the Vackeel to extend the claim to
persons of almost every discription who fly
from his country.

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Chas. Oakeley
&c. Buried

Fort St. George.
5th February 1794.

To Captain Doveton

To Captain Doveton
notifying the conditions
on which the Princess
will be restored —
the declaration
required to be called
for —

Sir,

The Governor General in
Council

673 Fort St. George February 1794

The Council having given their consent to the immediate departure of the Hostage Princes, provided an express declaration be obtained from the Vackeels of Tippoo, on the part of their Master, that the most effectual means, either by the appointment of Ameens, or otherwise, shall be employed to bring the points of Negotiation between the Nizam and Tippoo to the speediest possible conclusion, I am directed by the Hon.ble the President in Council to desire you will call upon the Vackeels for such written declaration; notifying to them, at the same time, that upon it's being given, all further difficulties in regard to the departure of the Hostages will be at an end. —

I am
Sir
Your
Obed.t Serv.t
(Signed) W.m C.s Jackson Sec.y

Fort St. George
7th February 1794.

Despatched also the undermentioned
Letters Entered in Book No.s 21 – 22 – 23 – 24 – 25
26 – 27 – 28 – 29 – 30 – 31 – 32 – 33 – 34 – 35 –
36 – 37 – 38 – 39 – 40 – 41 – 42 – 43 – 44 –
45 – 46 – 47 – 48 – 49 –

To

674 Fort St George February 1794

Ltt
ry

To Attorney General

To Attorney General - desiring his opinion in regard to the Shares of the additional Donation Claims by the Official Administrators to the Estates of Deceased Officers, or by Commandants of Corps or Troops Correspondence in the Auditors Office enclosed.

To Mr George Buchan

To Mr George Buchan - appointing him an Assistant under the Military Secretary

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - the Sepoys at Palamcotah to be served with Rice from the Stores - during the present scarcity.

To Hospital Board

To Hospital Board - referring the application for admitting into the General Hospital the Boys of the Male Asylum prepared for Inoculation.

To Lieutenant — Architect

To late Contractor for the Southern General Hospital - the orders to the Military Paymaster General for payment of his Bills - repeated.

To Auditor General

To Military Auditor General - notifying the above reference to the Attorney General - the particular cases alluded to by him admitted - and the Draft of the General Order approved.

To

675 Fort St. George February 1794.

4th
7br To Ditto enclosing for his
Examination the Distribution of Off Reckonings
To Ditto for 1791 and 1792 principle on which the Cloathing
Charges for Recruits and Native Supernumeraries
have been Settled, explained — Draft of an
Order required.

To Ditto — Mr Walker's charges
To Ditto. for King's Sick sent into Chingliput to be passed
Mr Todd allowed Batta for attending the
Hazed Committee.

To Ditto with copy of a Second
To Ditto Letter from Lieutenant Urquhart — Mr Roebuck
to be again ordered to pay his Hospital Bills.

To Ditto referring an additional
To Ditto. Estimate of the Paymaster General for February.

To Military Board, directing
To Military Board. Cots to be Sent to the Baramhaul for the Artillery
ordered thither.

To Ditto referring the application
of the Surgeon of the 19th Dragoons for an
To Ditto allowance for the carriage of Cot and Cloathing
from Arian-coupang to Warriore.

To

676 Fort St. George February 1794

To Lieutenant Colonel Gibbs

To Commandant at the Mount—

any matter respecting the Execution of the 5th General Orders of the — Ultimo should be stated to the Commander of the Army.

To Lieutenant Fire Worker Bellew

To Lieutenant Fire Worker Bellew

may proceed to Bengal.

To Colonel Braithwaite

To Commander of the Army — no

necessity for appointing another Officer to the 2d Command of Vizeanagrum during the absence of Lieutenant Kirkpatrick.

To Lieutenant Montgomery

To Agent for Horses at Arcot

permitting him to proceed to Cochin — may assure the horse Dealers that they will meet with liberal encouragements if they bring their annual Supplies to Arcot

To Ensign Ryves

To Ensign Ryves his — resignation cannot be accepted under the circumstances stated by him.

To Captain Doveton.

To Captain Doveton notifying that a reference has been made to Bengal relative to the Construction of the 7th Article.

To Mr. Morten

To Mr. G. S. Marten his intention of preparing another Specimen of the Palamcotah Cinnamon to be sent to England — approved as well as the plan for a pepper plantation.

To

677 Fort St. George February 1794

Ks
rs

To Commandant at Palamcotah

To Lieutenant Colonel Clarke

with Mr. Martin's letter, in reply to that lately addressed to him by the Chief at Totocoryn.

Directions

To Commandant at Pondicherry

To Colonel Nixon

with Instructions concerning Mons.r Dubois and Laboulay.

To Post Master General - the

To Postmaster General

allowance of a Deputy Postmaster granded to Captain Wilson of the Nizams Detachment

To Board of Revenue - with

To Board of Revenue

Copy of Captain Macleod's last report - the necessary Communications to be made in consequence to the Collectors of the Baramhaul and Dindigul Districts.

To Captain Wilson noteifying

To Captain Wilson of the Nizam's Detachment.

the allowance granted to him, as abovementioned

To Commander of the Brig

To Mr. Macfarlane

La Medee - desiring him to produce all the papers in his possession in proof of the legality of her Capture in order that she may be condemned.

To Ditto of the Caron - in reply to

To Commander of the Caron.

his last Application for Troops and Stores.

To

678 Fort St. George February 1794.

K
7

To Mr. Strange. To Paymaster at Tanjore — the allowance to Sherfogee's Relations to be paid in Pagodas, when procurable, otherwise in Fanams at the Bazar Exchange of the day.

To Mr. Hawkins To Ditto at Trichinopoly — permitting him to visit the Presidency.

To Lieutenant Kirkpatrick. To Commandant at Moorcanagum — may visit Hydrabad —

Received the following Letter.

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary.

Fort St. George

To Town Provis — agents — with — abstracts of the Sums payable at Bengal to Individuals and Corps, on account of Mysore Prize Money.

Sir,

The Honble the Governor in — Council having consented to retain the — amount payable to the Bengal Troops on account of prize money for the Mysore war, and to certify the amount thereof to the — Right Honble the Governor General in — Council that the same might be issued — in Bengal to the respective Shares. I have in consequence the honor to transmit herewith

Lieutenant

679

Fort St. George February 1794

To my Lereuith abstracts of the Sums payable to individuals and to corps, and a General abstract of the whole — the total amount is Star Pagodas Twenty two thousand Eight hundred One, fanams thirty One, Cash forty one one half

/St.P.s 22801.31.41½/

The Executors of the late Lieutenant James McCorkill prize Agent for the Bengal troops will act as distributors of these sums —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ A Wight

in name of the prize Agents

Madras
7th February 1794.

Received the undermentioned letters Entered in M.B. nos 50 51 52

From Adjutant General — proposing the promotion of Lieutenant W. Stevens and Ensign John Macpherson

From Colonel Nixon with a Memorial addressed to the Court of Directors.

From Commandant at Pondicherry Mons.r Hudibert and Moranville apply for Subsistence.

From Adjutant General.

From Colonel Nixon

From Ditto

Mons.r Hudibert has nominated Captain Averend 36th Regiment to be his Secretary.

Received

680.

Fort St. George February 1794.

H
8

Received the following letter

William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to the Govt. in Council

Military Department.

From Sir John Kennaway with Copy of another letter to the Governor General on the Subject of the 7th Art: of the Treaty

Sir,

I have the Honor to enclose for the Information of the Board a Copy of my letter of this Date to the Governor General

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

Choultry Plain
8th February 1794.

/Signed/ John Kennaway

The Honble Sir John Shore Bart.

Governor General &c. &c. &c.

Par. 1st

Hon'ble Sir,

Suspecting that some errors and omissions have occur'd in transcribing my Letter to you of the 6th Instant which I had not time to examine myself — I have the honor to enclose a correct Copy† which in such Case I request may be received in lieu

† Compared with the Copy also entered in this Day's which is found to be correct.
/Signed/ D Ince

Fort St. George February 1794.

Hd
2 its stead.—

Para 2d In forming your ultimate decision
on the meaning and extent of the 7th Article of
the Definitive Treaty which was the Subject of that
Letter, it will no doubt occur to you whatever
favorable Construction we may put on it for Tippoo's
accomodation, that Construction he will expect shall
be equally observed as a rule by our Allies the Nizam
Nizam and the Mahrattas; that they guided by a
narrow and contracted spirit may have other ideas
and other views: and that as it may require the
exertion of some influence to induce them, when
occasion requires, to accede to it.— An eye should
be had to the easy attainment of this acquiescence
as well as Tippoo's wishes, in the decision that
may be made.

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George.
8th February 1794.

Hon'ble Hon'ble
/Signed/ John Kennaway

A true Copy.
/Signed/ J. Kennaway

Received the undermentioned
Letters Entered in M.B. Nos 53–54–55–56–
57.

From

Fort St. George February 1794.

8th

From Auditor General

From Military Auditor General Mr. Roebuck's additional Estimate for February - correct.

From Colonel Brathwaite

From Commander of the Army - reporting the Death of Captain Andrew Read - recommends Captain Robert Mackay for the Command of the 28th Battalion.

From Major Arr

From Commandant of 6th Regiment of Cavalry - requests leave to visit the Presidency.

From Prisoners at Palamcotah.

From French Prisoners at Palamcotah - complaining of the Treatment they Experience.

From Captain Lindsay

From Commandant Pennacuil requests leave to visit the Presidency.

Substance of Letter to the Rajahs of Travancore and Cochin.

Wrote Letters to the Rajahs of Travancore and Cochin Entered in CC. No 13. notifying the Commission given to Lieutenant Montgomery to purchase Horses at Cochin.

Despatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB No 58 - 59 - 60 - 61 - 62 - 63 - 64 - 65 - 66 - 67.

To Mr Cochrane.

To Agent for Specie to be remitted in reply to Lieutenant Emerson's Application for a Compensation.

To

Fort St. George February 1794

8

To Officer Commanding at —

To Lieutenant Cuppage — Kistnagherry — censuring Lieutenant Godfrey's — Conduct in Employing Sepoys to force away the — Bricklayer employed by Mr Hughes — Surprised that he also should have concurred in that — Measure.

To Paymaster at Dildo —

To Mr Hughes. — informing him of the Censure passed upon Lieutenant Godfrey's Conduct.

To Secretary at Bombay — with

To Mr Secretary Morris. — List and Obligations of the discharged Europeans embarked on the Carron for the Service of that Ship.

To Resident at Cuddalore

To Resident at Cuddalore — with Invoice of military Stores sent there.

To Assistant to the Resident

To Lieutenant Stewart — at Hydrabad — orders sent to Masulipatam to enquire into the Circumstances Stated with respect to Nagharon and his Adherents.

To Deputy Paymaster General

To Major Hart — to the Kings Troops — with the 12th and 18th Clauses of the late Act of Parliament and directing him to account with Government for all receipts and disbursements from 24th December 1792, and to credit the Company for the Balance in his hands on that day on account of the new Regiments.

To —

Fort St. George February 1794

8th

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam - with Copy of the Letter from Lieutenant Stewart - and directing them to make the enquiry, above noted.

To Captain Macleod

To Captain Macleod - his Zeal and Ability in conducting the negotiation with Tippoo's Agent approved - reference made to Bengal regarding the Construction of the 7th Article of the Treaty - any further measures for the Surrender of the persons claimed, therefore Suspended.

To Town Major

To Town Major - the number of Invalid or discharged man now on board the Indiamen to be made up to forty for each, and Sixty French prisoners to be equally distributed among them.

Substance of letter from the Nabob.

10

Received Letter from the Nabob entered in CC No 14 with translate of a Declaration, made by the Cawzee at Warriore pollam, of the circumstances of the late disputes between Tondeman Pudeathy and the Tanjore Cavilgars.

Received the following Letters -

To

685

Fort St. George February 1794

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite — Lieutenant Simpson his aid de camp — requests leave to go home — the peculiar case of that Officer states request in consequence proposes Lieut. Blair to succeed him

I have the honor to lay before you the letter of a very unfortunate and meritorious Officer Lieutenant Samson my Aid de Camp, with a Certificate stating the necessity of his return to Europe, though his present Situation and Appearance renders any Certificate a mere matter of form —

As there are some Circumstances attending the situation of this Officer, which are rather uncommon I shall beg leave to state them to your Honor in Council, and hope they will meet with your Indulgence Attention, and shall esteem myself much obliged if you will state them to the Honorable the Court of Directors, whose Humanity has been so often extended to meritorious Officers in the Service, when their Circumstances Compelled them to appeal to it —

Lieutenant Samson has been Seyteen years in the Service, though yet very far from any prospect of the Rank of Captain, and he has Conducted himself at all times and on a

Variety

Fort St. George February 17th 1794

10 Variety of Services to the entire Satisfaction of the Officers under whom he has served—

In the year 1789 he was compelled to Embark for Europe on account of severe Indisposition, being in a very reduced State from obstinate Obstructions consequent to an ill fever acquired on Service; from the change of Climate he derived much Benefit, and in particular from one Course of Cheltenham Waters, but the news of the War in India arriving, he imprudently rejected the Advice given him by all means to stay another Season, and returned to his Duty on the Coast imperfectly relieved from his complaints, and immediately on his Arrival joined the Army in the Field, and continued, by bestowing when off Duty, as much care on his feeble state as Circumstances would permit, to do every tour of Duty till a Peace was concluded — but these zealous efforts to discharge his duty, in a Climate particularly inimical to the tone his constitution had taken, with some efforts he has since attempted, have reduced him to such a state as leaves him no hopes of Recovery, but by resorting again to the European Climates, and those salutary.

Fort St. George February 1794.

10 Salutary means which England only can offer
to him — Whither then he is obliged to go, +
abandoning all his prospects here, as the only
chance of preserving his Existence.

It may not be superfluous to +
add that he had a Brother, who as a Gallant
Officer rendered the Company much good +
Service — I had placed him at the head of
a small Corps of Cavalry with which he did
Wonders — he was wounded and Captured +
with me, and finished as glorious a Career as
a Subaltern could have run, in a Dungeon, in
Irons, in the Mysore Country.

From these Circumstances —
urged by the great merits of both the Brothers,
I am induced to give you this trouble on the Score
of the Surviving one, and to request your +
influence with the Court of Directors in his
behalf, who, knowing his Merits, and being
informed that he has no dependance but on their
Service, will I hope fall upon some mode
of giving him Employment (for varieties of
which they will find him well qualified)

L

Fort St. George February 1794

10 to Subsist him in England, till such time as a Compleat recovery will enable him to resume his professional Duties in this Country.—

As I cannot doubt of your acquiescence to the departure of Lieutenant Lawson, I beg leave to recommend that Lieutenant Blair, now Quarter Master to the 4th. Native Brigade, may be appointed my Aid de Camp, and that Lieutenant De Morgan, Son of Captain De Morgan Killed at the former Seize of Pondicherry, and a very good young Officer, be Appointed to Act as Quarter Master to the 4th. Native Brigade during the absence of Lieutenant Blair, as, should it so happen that I Shall not be continued in the Command of the Army; Lieutenant Blair might, without such precaution, be a Sufferer.

I have the Honor to be,

Military Head Quarters,
Madras February 10th 1794.

&c. &c.
Signed John Brathwaite

To

689 Fort St. George February 1794

10

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President in Council

Fort St. George

Honble. Sir,

Having, for a Series of Months past, laboured under extreme ill Health, the Medical Gentlemen who attend me are of opinion that the only chance I have of recovery is to return, by the earliest opportunity, to England; I have therefore to request your permission to proceed agreeable to the usage of the Service on one of the Ships now under Dispatch, and have the honor to enclose a Certificate from the Medical Board, stating the necessity of my speedy Departure.

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George

February 10th 1794.

/Signed/ John Samson

Lieut.t

Fort St. George February 3d 1794.

I do hereby certify that Lieutenant Samson of this Establishment is in so weak and

Fort St. George February 1794

10 and debilitated a State, that it is absolutely
necessary for him to take the earliest opportunity
of returning to Europe— His Complaints at present
are Ascites and Anasarca induced about twelve
Months ago by a severe attack of the liver, and
probably kept up by Obstructions there, which
I have not been able to remove and which the
approaching hot weather would give very little
hope of effecting in this Country, as well from the
nature of the Disease as his former experience of
having always suffered severely during the hot
Season here.

He was obliged from extreme ill
health in 1789 to leave this for England where
he got quite well and only returned here the
Summer of 1791; from all which it appears to
me very doubtful whether he can ever expect
to enjoy good health in this Country.

/Signd/ And.w Berry.
Surgeon.

/Signd/ Ja.s Anderson
Physician General

Colly L Lucas.
Surgeon.

W Raine
Head Surgeon.

Received

Fort St. George February 1794.

10 Received and Sent the undermentioned letters Entered in WB nos 69-70-71.

From Major Petrie — From Commandant at Arnee requesting leave to visit the Presidency.

From Captain Macleod — From Captain Macleod - with Bill and Accounts for Intelligence.

To Commandants at Arnee and

To Major Petrie and Capt Lindsay — Permacail - with leave to visit Madras.

To Captain Greene - permitting

To Captain Greene — him to proceed to the Cape and Eventually to Europe.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor — President

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr

Tuesday the 11 February 1794.

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved.

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.

Hospital Board.

10th February 1794.

From Hospital Board - with Mr Raine's reply to the Censure lately passed upon his Conduct - Mr Thackeray requests to go to Europe and Mr Street to the Cape - remarks relative to admitting the Children of the Europeans into the General Hospital &c - Indent for Medicines &c for 1795.

Read a letter from Mr Raine, Head Surgeon, as Mr Raine has declared in his letter to the Hospital

692

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

Hospital Board that the remarks made on his Conduct are undeserved and that every irregularity Committed in the Hospital under his Charge was instantly checked; of which he can bring proof to substantiate the fact; it becomes an act of Justice to afford him an opportunity of exculpating himself; nor is it less necessary to Mr Anderson, whose report induced those remarks, that he should have an equal opportunity of vindicating himself from the imputation which would rest upon his conduct, if the bare Assertion of Mr Raine in denial of the Charges were to be taken as sufficient Evidence.

In justice therefore to both parties, the President in Council has directed the Officer Commanding the Army to assemble a Court of enquiry for the purpose of ascertaining the truth, by such examination as may appear to them necessary. It would have been satisfactory to the President in Council to have been informed whether the Senior Members of the Hospital Board had, in their occasional visits, observed any defects or abuses in the interior management of the Hospital.

(a Copy of which we have the honor to enclose) tending to shew that the irregularities complained of at the Presidency Hospital have not arisen from any neglect on his part, and that he had pursued the means which appeared to him most likely to remedy them.

We have the honor to transmit an application* to the Honble the President in Council from Mr Thackeray, Assistant Surgeon, for permission to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his health.

The Physician General having advised this measure in consequence of the infirm state in which Mr Thackeray has been for some time past, we recommend

approved.

* Entered in M.B. No 72.

693 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

recommend that Leave be granted him, and that Mr Anthoney Babington, Assistant Surgeon, who is now recovered from his indisposition, be appointed to the 4th Regement of Native Cavalry in his Room.

approved.

Mr Street, Assistant Surgeon, who has had the permission of Government to take a short Voyage for the benifit of his health has stated to us that he continues so much diseased as to render a Voyage to a colder Climate absolutely necessary for his recovery: we therefore recommend that he be permitted to proceed to the Cape of Good Hope. — Mr Street has also solicited an advance of five Months' pay, to enable him to defray the expences of the Voyage, which we recommend to the favorable consideration of Government. —

approved.

No advance of pay is now granted. —

X Read a Letter from Mr Secretary Jackson, accompanied by a requisition from the Secretary to the Male Asylum.

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Asylum that the Children of that institution, who have not had the small Pox, might be received into the Presidency Hospital for the purpose of being inoculated.—

The process having been rendered, by the present improved mode of treatment so extremely simple, and it having been particularly inculcated to familiarize the practice as much as possible, we are surprised that a proposition of this nature should be suggested by the Surgeon to the institution.—

We could point out many material objections to the request being granted, but it may be sufficient to observe that the introduction of the distemper into the Hospital at so late a season might be productive of serious consequences to patients in a convalescent State, who have

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

have not had the Small Pox, and to whom its influence would most likely prove fatal.—

Were we to give an opinion on the Subject we conceive there can be no place so proper as the Orphan School itself, as the situation is cool and Airy, and as it appears by the reports of their Committee that 178 Boys have been Successfully inoculated there in the course of the last three years:—

With respect to attendantes, we have to regret that the Hospitals in this Country derive no advantage from the Humanity or tenderness of Nurses, and we do not apprehend that any superiority in the Coolies employed by the Surgeon can counterbalance the inconvenience and risque of sending Children into a ward of an Hospital where infectious deseases constantly

This opinion will be communicated to the Directors of the Male Orphan Asylum.

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

The Indent will be forwarded by the present dispatch.

constantly prevail.—

We have the honor to forward an Indent for Europe Medicines and Stores for the Year 1796. which we recommend may be transmitted by the next dispatch.—

/Signed/ Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colby L Lucas
Surgeon
W Raine
Head Surgeon.

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

Gentlemen

On reading over the proceedings of the Hospital Board with the comments made on them by Government, I observe with much concern the severe and undeserved remarks made on my conduct, in my superintendance of the Presidency General Hospital. I blush at the charge alledged against me as I have always endeavoured to acquit myself with honor and Credit in the Service ever since

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

ever since my arrival in the Country, now 32 Years in His Majesty's, and the Honorable Company's Service.

I have to remark that whenever any Patient in the General Hospital committed any Irregularity it was instantly checked, either by sending him a Prisoner to the Main Guard, and bringing him to a Court-Martial, or by confining him to the Bongew House; the Medical Gentlemen doing Duty at the General Hospital are ready to come forward to prove the above assertion — and the Captains visiting the General Hospital are also acquainted with those facts. —

I have the honor to be

Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) W Kaine

Head Surgeon.

Fort St George.

6th February 1794

A true Copy

(Signed) T. Conolly Secy W.B.

Minute thereon

Resolved that Colonel Brathwaite be instructed to call the attention of the Court of Enquiry to the following points — whether the Hospital was regularly visited by the Head Surgeon, and what was its state in respect to cleanliness — Whether the complaints of the Patients were properly attended to — and whether the irregularities said to have been committed, did actually exist, and if so — what methods were taken for their prevention. —

Ordered.

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

Ordered that Colonel Brathwaite be furnished with a Copy of Mr. Alexander & Anderson's letter, together with a Copy of the remarks of Government thereon, and of Mr Raine's reply.

Read the following letter from Bengal.

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

From Bengal stating the conditions on which they consent to the restoration of the Prenies.

Honorable Sir,

We have laid before our your Secretary's letter of the 8th instant enclosing Copies of an Address from the Resident at Hyderabad, which he has also transmitted to this Government.

The Declaration made by the Nizams Minister to Sir John Kennaway, that his Highness has no objection to the immediate return of the Prenies, provided we were satisfied that the points in litigation between the two Governments would be satisfactorily settled after their release, is a sufficient ground in our opinion

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

opinion for their restoration.

We are aware, at the same time, that the Difficulty of accommodating the pretensions of Tippoo and the Nizam to the Right of the Villages mentioned in Azeem ul Omrah's letter may be enhanced if the restoration of the Princes should precede it by take place, but to obviate this, as far as possible, We think it necessary to obtain an express Declaration from the Vackeels of Tippoo at Madras on the part of their Master, that the most effectual means, either by the appointment of Aumeens, or otherwise, shall be employed to bring the Points of Litigation to the speediest possible conclusion.

We therefore see no further objection to the return of the Hostages, as soon as you shall receive intelligence that the last Kist to the Peishwa has been discharged.

We have the honor to be

Fort William
24th January 1794.

&c. &c.
[Signed] J. Shore
Robt. Abercromby
Peter Speke.

Upon the receipt of the foregoing Letter, Captain Doveton was directed to notify to the Vakeels the condition upon which the Governor General

in

700. Fort St. George 11th February 1794

in Council consented to the immediate departure of the Hostage Princes.

The following letter was in consequence received from Captain Doveton.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary in the Military and Political Departments

From Captain Beaton – the Vackeel consents to the conditions above proposed – their agreement enclosed.

Sir,

I have the Honor to inform you that I communicated to the Vackeel of Seppoo Sultaun the Contents of Your letter under date the 7th Instant. In consequence of which they have now delivered to me the written Agreement herewith transmitted – a Translation accompanies it

The Agreement is sealed with the Seal of Ale Reza, and signed by Golam Ale Khan, an account that Gollam ale Khan is not possessed of a Seal.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/Signd/ Gabriel Doveton

Fort St. George
February 11th 1794

Translation

The Cause of writing these lines in this Manner Sometime ago, from perusal of Copy

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Copy of the letter from the Nawaub Azm ul Omrah
to Peppoo Sultaun / we learned that, by the declarations
of the Talookdars of the Circar of the Nawaub Asuff Jah
Behauder, certain Villages of the Talooks of Balhary,
Mocha &c. which, by the Treaty, are included in the "
Share of the said Nawaub, still remain'd unsurrendered
by the Officers of the Ahamady Sirkar, - and on that
account, notwithstanding that the compleat payment
of the Kists had been made to the three Sirkars,
a delay was created in the departure of the Sahib-
Zadas, - We, in consequence thereof, wrote to Sir "
John Shore, to Mr Sherry and Captain Doveton that
to make so trifling an Affair, which moreover
depends on investigation, an obstacle to the departure
of the Sahab-Zadas is contrary to the principles of "
Friendsh and unanimity - the affair of the villages
in question will be adjusted in a day or two, sooner
or later" ——

When Sir John Shore Bahadre "
perused our letters, in consideration of the Friendship
subsisting between the Ahamady Sirkar and the Sirkar
of the English Company, "He, with the Approbation "
and consent of the Nawaub Asuff Jah Behaudre, "
wrote to the Governor Sir Charles Oakeley Bahadre
and Captain Doveton," that provided Seid Gollam
Ali Khan and Ali Rezi Khan would give a written
Agreement, on the part of the Ahamady Sirkar, that
the Affair of the Villages on the Borders in Litigation
between

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

between the Shamaby Sirkar and the Sirkar of the Nawaub Asuff Jah Bahaudre should, with the utmost expedetion, by means of Auncens of the two Sirkars, be brought to a conclussion and adjusted by a proper investigation in conformity to the Treaty, — in that case the Sahib-zadas should have immediate leave of departure from Madras and proced to the Presence of Tippoo Sultaun —

Accordingly &c. on the part of our Sirkar, now give in writing, this Agreement, that the affair of the villages on the borders above mentioned shall, with the utmost expedition, by means of Auncens on both parts, be brought to a conclussion, and it Adjusted by a proper investigation in conformity to the Treaty — We hold ourselves security for the performance of this affair —

— Written on the 10th of the Month Rujjub-ul-Murrujjub Heig: 1208. —

(Seal of Ale Rajo) /Signed/ Golam Ale Khan

/Above Translation/
/Signed/ G: Doveton

Resolution and Minutes in consequence

Resolved that copies of the above be sent to Bengal, and to the Residents at Hydrabad and Poona.

Resolved

703

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Resolved that the 25th Battalion of Native Infantry, and a complete Troop from the 2d Regiment of Cavalry be ordered to proceed immediately to Marmalong, from whence they are to move to the Western Frontier, as an Escort with the Princes.

Resolved that the party of Cavalry under Lieutenant Price, with a Complete Company from the 4th Battalion of Native Infantry, be ordered to the Western Frontier, to proceed on to Seringapatam as an escort with Captain Doveton

The President is requested to inform the young Princes that they are at liberty to return to their Father whenever they think proper —

Read the following Letter from Captain William Macleod.

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.

Secretary &c. &c.

Sir,

From Captain Macleod with the Counter Certificate given by him to Sippoo Asof the Kurnapatchee Villages long since given up to the Company — Statement of Cessions between the two Circars Accounts of further Ravages by Tomba Goan Error in the Asofs Certificates —

I have the Honor to transmit you for the information of the Honble the President in Council a Copy and translation of the Certificate which I gave to Sippoo Asof Syd Mohomed Caven, and a

704 Fort St. George 14th February 1794

a statement of the value of the Villages ceded by Tippoo Sultaun to the Honble Company in lieu of the part of the Coverypoor District situated on the South and West side of the Cavery.

I observe by your letter of the 8th of last month that it was supposed the Villages which the Amildar of Aruvacourchy had forcibly seized upon, as stated in Major Dalrymples letter of the 25th of December 1792 are still possessed by Tippoo's Government. The villages in question had been, in a very few days after the date of Major Dalrymples letter, retaken possession of for the Company and have since that period, remained attached to the Dindigul District; which has got these Villages in addition to the valuation by Tippoo's Schedule of Dindigul, Plyney and Virapatchy: because it appears these Villages have been attached to Aruvacourchy for the last Fifty years.—

The Peon, whom I had sent to request some intelligent Inhabitant of Rangery might be sent me, with information of the circumstances relative to the Claim made by Tippoo's Government, has returned; but the Poligar has declined sending any person to give evidence on the Subject.

I

705 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

I transmit you a Translation of a Canarie Letter received by Sher Caun — Tippoo's manager of the Coimbatore Country, as an additional proof of the injuries sustained in that quarter from Plunderers.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c.
Signed/ William Macleod

Salem
3d February 1794

"P.S." Error in my Translation of Syd Mohommed's Certificate transmitted on the 29th Ult.
Instead of Doliampully and other villages from the District of Andoor please to write Luckumpully and other villages &c. &c.

Translation of a Certificate given to Syd Mohomed Caun, Tippoo Sultaun's Asof.

I William Macleod, Servant to the English Company, being Appointed to

704 Fort St. George 14th February 1794

a statement of the value of the Villages ceded by Tippoo Sultaun to the Honble Company in lieu of the part of the Coverypoor District situated on the South and West side of the Cavery.

I observe by your letter of the 8th of last month that it was supposed the Villages which the Amildar of Aruvacourchy had forcibly seized upon, as stated in Major Dalrymples letter of the 25th of December 1792 are still possessed by Tippoo's Government. The villages in question had been, in a very few days after the date of Major Dalrymples letter, retaken possession of for the Company and have since that period, remained attached to the Dindigul District; which has got these Villages in addition to the valuation by Tippoo's Schedule of the Dindigul, Plyney and Virapatchy: because it appears these Villages have been attached to Aruvacourchy for the last Fifty years.

The Peon, whom I had sent to request some intelligent Inhabitant of Ramgerry might be sent me, with information of the circumstances relative to the Claim made by Tippoo's Government, has returned; but the Polegar has declined sending any person to give evidence on the Subject.

I

705 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

I transmit you a Translation of a Canarie Letter received by Sher Caun — Tippoo's manager of the Coimbatore Country, as an additional proof of the injuries sustained in that quarter from Plunderers.

I have the honor to be &c &c

Salem
3d February 1794

/Signed/ William Macleod

P.S. Error in my Translation of Syd Mohommed's Certificate transmitted on the 29th Ult. Instead of Dolampully and other villages from the District of Andoor please to write Luckumpully and other villages &c &c

Translation of a Certificate given to Syd Mohomed — Caun, Tippoo Sultaun's — Asof.

I William Macleod, Servant to the English Company, being Appointed to

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

to investigate and determine the Bounds of Countries ceded to the Madras Government by Tippoo Sultaun Bahader according to the terms of the Peace of Seringapatam do agree conformably to the orders of the present Govern.r, that the whole of Cattatoor which had formerly depended on Carroor, and Bellempilly which belonged to Soolageery and Luckumpulty &c.a Villages belonging to the District of Andoor and are situated on the North and East side of the River Caveri, and Boodepoor and Gultom and Calverpully and Gooltumcotah and Doolempully which had depended on Aruvacourichy, with the small villages apperlaining to the above named villages, being ceded by Tippoo Sultaun to the English Government; therefore the Villages of the Caveripoor District situated on the South and West side of the River Caveri, are relinquished by the English Government to the Government of Tippoo Sultaun; that there shall not be a future demand by the English Government, for the said District; and that there neither

707 Fort St George 11th February 1794.

neither is or remains cause of a claim being
hereafter made by either of the Two said Governments
for relinquishing or possessing Districts or Villages
connected with or included in the Treaty of the
Peace of Seringapatam

Written by way of Agreement
at Muggaroor on the Twenty Eighth day of January
Anno Domini 1794 corresponding with the
27th of Jamadee-ul-Sanee, of the Hedgery
Year 1208 —

Seal

Signed William Macleod

3rd February 1794. Translated

Signed William Macleod

Statement

708 Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

Statement of Cessions between the Mad ro
from the River Caveri being a Boun d

Relinquished by The Honble Company
The part of the Caveripoor District situated on

Relinquished by Tippoo Sultaun to
The village of Cattpatoor situated on the North
on the District of Carroor; valued in Tippoo Publ
Additional valuation by Tippoo's sets of
Luckumpulty and other villages belong. to
East side of the Caveri, now annexed to the District of
Bellumpilly, a village which had for th
Soolageery, now annexed to the District of Raiacottah
Boodaporam Goottum Calvarpulty Goottum
District of Aruvacoarchy for upwards of Fifty years; now ad
Balance due to the Honble Company on

Note — The above estimates of Rents are the fixed Re
Publick Catchaurie.

Cattpatoor is formed this year from
and 12000 Fullams of Paddy which together
may be estimated at Star Pagodas
Canderai Pagodas (at 120 P.% Advo) 5892. 6
which exceeds Tippoo's Estimate Can: Pag. 4,4
relinquished as above C. Pagodas 1,225. 8. 2½
and next year it may be estimated at nearly

Salem
3d February 1794.

709 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

as Government and Tippoo Sultaun resulting
ary to the Ceded Countries.—

Annual Revenues in Canterai Pags. Fns. Ans.

to Tippoo Sultaun
he South West side of the Caveri valued at 7,918 „ 4 „ 13
The Honourable Company
East side of the Caveri, but formerly depending
Collector to his Aumeels at ..... 3,813 „ 7 „ 10
..... 619 „ — ½ 4452 „ 7 „ 10½
the District of Aroor situated on the North
Pinagra ..... 135 „ — „
last thirty years dependent on the District of
..... 214 „ 9 „ —
..... 1890 „ — „
cottah and Cheimpulty, which belonged to the
..... 692 „ 6 „ — 10½
ed to the Collectorship of Dendigul ..... 1225 „ 8 „ — 2½
d relinquished to Tippoo Sultaun
enue on the Books of Tippoo's Canterai Pags 7918 „ 4 „ 13.

/Signed/ William Macleod.

ly 1793 to July 1794) for
Star Pagodas ... 1125 „ — „
..... 4,910 „ 24 „ 60 „ or

Ans
10. exclusive of Collection Charges,
82 „ 7 „ 10½ and the Balance
Ans
by Canterai Pags 214 „ — „ 13
Canterai Pagodas 7,000

Translation.

710 Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

Translation of a Letter from the Amildar of Pally-Nar, Daraporam Country to Sher Cawn the Manager of Tippoo Countries below the Gaute.—

Dated about the 26 January 1794.

Tama Gour, of whose ravages ~~to~~ I lately informed you, having been protected by the Polygars of Chambairy and Ercicoldah, Lasagair entered the Country with 500 Infantry and ten ~~to~~ Horsemen, and last night plundered the Villages of Allumpolleam and Mattoocailleviakie. It is necessary you should please to station Troops in this quarter to defend the Inhabitants who have at present deserted their villages.—

† Alluding to his having in the begining of ~~to~~ January plundered some villages and murdered several Inhabitants.—

Polleams depending on the Dendigul ~~to~~ District.

Order thereon.

Ordered that Copies of the ~~to~~ foregoing be sent to the Board of Revenue.

Read the following Letter from the Board of Revenue

To

711

Fort St. George 11 February 1794.

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

Honble Sir,

From Board of Revenue in consequence of the Order regarding persons who have Emigrated from Tippoo's Country and been reclaimed under the 7th Art: of the Treaty—letter from Captain Read on the Subject Attempts made to seize Emigrants within the Company's Districts another right to navegate the Cauvery disputed—

Having forwarded to Captain Read Copy of your Letter of the 27th December with the Paper delivered by the Vackeels of the Nabob Tippoo Sultaun, containing a List of persons that had fled from the Mysoore Country, and were said to have taken refuge in the Company's Districts, and having directed him to take the necessary steps for carrying your instructions into effect, we have now the honor to submit to you his reply, as also a Letter just received from him with its Enclosures.—

As Captain Read has so fully stated the important advantages that must result to the Revenue under his charge by permitting the free Emigration of Ryotts to and from the neighbouring Countries it appears unnecessary for us to offer any additional arguments on the Subject and we shall only beg leave to remark that as far as

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

as regards the Revenues. We conceive it of the first Importance to its Welfare that the 7th Article of the Definitive Treaty should be considered agreeably to Sir John Kennaway's explanation of what was intended by Lord Cornwallis.

We beg leave to call your particular attention to the three last Paragraphs of Captain Reads Letter of the 20th Ultimo and the paper enclosed by him N°3, and to request your Specific Instructions for the Collectors Guidance on the points therein alluded to.—

We have the Honor to be.

&c &c &c

Fort St. George. 8th February 1794.

/Signed/ David Haliburton
" Chas. Whitè
" Tho.s Cockburn.

Extract of a Letter from Captain Alexander Read

Dated 20th January 1794.

The enclosure N°2 is another letter from Mr. Munro, on yours to me, of the 31st december

which

713 Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

which contained a list from Tippoo Sultaun of people, said to be robbers, who have flea from — Mysore to the Company's possessions, for Refuge, — whom government propose to deliver up as a matter very materially affecting many people that may be intirely innocent / or whom he may have no legal claim / and the Company's interest, I will suppose, that if I acted in a discussion of it, the fault will be less, than to omit any thing important on the Subject. Proceeding on that Idea I shall class the People he demands, or may hereafter demand, into Six Denomenations. —

1st "Servants of his Sircar who may have committed a breach of trust, or embezzled the — publick money, whom Government is bound by the 9th Article of the treaty of peace with him, to give up;" the words of it being, that Zemindars and — Aumildars being in balance to either party, and — repairing to the Country of either party protection shall not be given them, and they shall be restored. —

2 People who have lived under his Government but never have acted in any publick capacity, farther than, the having rented a — Village; who have left his country on account

of

716. Fort St. George 4th February 1794

5 "People accused of murder or robbery"

It is certainly for the mutual welfare of both Countries that persons guilty of such crimes be given up, to Suffer by the Laws of which they belong to; but as innocent people may desire to change their residence, and be falsely accused by the Servants of the Sirkar, when there is no grounds for other claims upon them, I think that none should be delivered up, without some enquiry into the truth of the charges exhibited against them.

6th "The laborers or poorer classes of the pleadantry on whom he can have no claim but sovereignty, which can only be founded on a pretence of their being attached to, or in other words the slaves of the soil, a principle that there is great reason to believe never obtained so generally in India, as during the ages of the feudal system in Europe; and that I have never known to subsist here, excepting in some Districts of the Carnatic, where it has been entirely confined to the parriahs who, consistently with the religious tenets of the Hindoos, are inhumanly considered as no better than the beasts of the field. As a principle that is not known above the Ghauts, where the Ryots of every

description

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

description are at liberty to chuse their residence every Year in the Spring Months: as one that has been exploded, in almost every Country, where it ever has prevailed, and as injurious to the most numerous, and useful, at the same time the poorest order of mankind, I hope it will never be admitted as ground for a Claim to such of them as may come from the Mysore Country to settle in the ceded Districts.—

Tippoo having made a formal demand of Emigrants from his Country; his probably expecting they shall be given up, as Conformable to the Clause intered in the treaty; the still greater probability of his alledging, in the event of Governments Non Compleance, that it is tantamount to the Company's none observance of their engagement, and the possibility that, not Adverting to the letter of the article, containing it, the truth of such allgation might be admitted, and I might, in consequence, receive an order to deliver up all who may have come into the districts under me, in full assurance of protection without discrimination. are considerations that have Suggested the necessity of distenguishing them personally into servants of the Sirkar, and Coyats, and the demands upon

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

upon them into legal, and illegal, or true, and false.—

Though Government be bound to restore only Zemindars or Aumildars in balance to him, it may be pleased to act by the Spirit of the Stipulation, and deliver up all he may demand, who have been servants of his Sirkar, (though Coming under other denominations) if imbezzlers of the publick Money; but I beg leave to observe (and with due deference to my Superiors) that if such of them only, on whom there are legal claims be given up, it will be, to the full as much as the obligation requires to be performed — I am hopeful, that Government's compliance with his demands may be limitted to that, and that every other discription of emigrants, after answering all demands of a publick or private nature, may be considered at liberty to remove to the Country or Government they may prefer — It may be truly said that the general good is the broad bases of this measure, and Peppoo's objections to it, may be replied to, by stating it as a reciprocal obligation between the two Sirkars; which,

though

719 Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

though little justice could be expected in cases of application to his Collectors, for the recovery of Emigrants, from the Company's districts, may safely be done, - as I have no Aumildars, and have not heard of, One Yayt having left them - during twenty one Months; the period elapsed since my arrival in them -

Exclusive of all the reasons - adduced, I am particularly anxious that - Government may view this matter in the light. I have done, because, new Settlers have come over to the Ceded districts in such number, and the terms proposed for the Cultivation of waste Lands, (not to mention other inducements) would be such encouragement, of others to follow, that I have formed the most sanguine expectation of encreasing their population, in such a degree, as might be thought greatly exceeding probability. and that any rumour of a design to given them up to their persecutors would prevent their coming and deprive of the Company, of the means that offer of making their new Acquisitions the most valuable of their possessions -

As mentioned in No 3 improper

attempts

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

attempts have been made by Tippoo's Amildars to get back people who have come to settle in them, by sending guards to carry them away by force. As Commanding Officer, it is my duty to repel such attempts, and think they should not be passed over with impunity, but having due regard to Government's wish, of preserving the friendship happily established between the two Sorkars, I am desirous, that when you submit the foregoing to the consideration of the Honble Board, you would request it's instructions for my conduct in respect to parties of armed men, that may hereafter be sent for that purpose, in to the districts under my Command.

There is one point more, that I wish could be settled with Tippoo's Government, as of some Consequence, that is, the Company's having an equal previlege to the navigation of the Cavery, which has lately been disputed, his people having prohibited the passing of boats from the North side, and to an equal Share of the Customs exacted from passengers which have been wholly engrossed by

Tippoo

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Tippoo's Collectors, who have also extorted
much more, than the usual ferry charges.

Were these several matters
regulated between the two Governments, and
suitable orders issued, of Consequence, by Tippoo
to his Aumildaars, I should hope to adjust
any little differences, after that, by an
occasional Correspondence with them.

Above Extract.

/Sgnd/ John Read
Actg Dep.t Sec.y

Captain Alexander Read.
Collector of the Ceded Provences North of the
Cavery.

Sir,

I have had the honor of receiving
a Copy of the letter from the Board of Revenue
to you dated the 31.st December, Accompanying
the Translation of a Paper from the Vakeels of
Tippoo Sultaun stating that certain miscreants
after plundering his Country had taken refuge
in the territories of the Honble Company.

Only one person is said, in the
List, to have come into the Districts under my
charge -

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

charge — Comar Vella Gour — is accused of having withdrawn to Trichangoor with his Wife and family — but no mention is made of his having carried away any publick property I should be glad to know if it is the intention of Government to give him up because if this should be the Case it will be necessary for me discontinue giving Cowle to people coming from the South of the Cavery —

As it is probable from the Number of Sowcars Cleavers and Merchants who have lately came from Cavereipore to the Sinkledroog districts that Tippoo's Vakeels will soon present another paper — I shall take the liberty of giving my opinion on the Subject of the last —

The miscreants described by the Vakeels are I believe in general unfortunate Ryots who have fled from oppression many of them are not even charged with having embezzled the Sircar Money — and it is most likely that those who are said to have done so brought away no more than their own private property —

Tippoo

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

Tippoo has drawn from his Subjects most of the money paid to the Allies by imposing on them extraordinary fines exclusive of the Ordinary Revenue — The Southern Division of Caveripooram tho' only assessed at 5000 Canty Pagodas was forced to raise 16000 — Many of the men, substantial Inhabitants, on hearing that such a Measure was intended had made their escape a cross the Cavery — but returning again on the Cowle of Seid Mohomed Khan they were thrown into Confinement until they discharged the whole Sum. These exactions have driven many people to seek protection in the Ceded Countries and Tippoo's Amildars, in order to check the emigration, have prohibited their own boatmen from Crossing the Cavery and have sent Notice to those on this side that they will impreson them if they venture to go over: notwithstanding these precautions many people have lately escaped without paying their fines — and as every demand of the Sirkar is considered under Tippoo's Government as publick property, he will no doubt

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

directed both the Peons and people to be sent here - and I have written to the Commanding Officer of Penagur requesting that, incase of the party returning he will send a Guard to prevent them from Carrying away any person from the Company's Territory —

One peon belonging to Saveripore is in Irons at Sinkledroog — he had the boldness to come there and attempt to carry off a man of this Country, who was, with many others at the place, sent over the river to be sold and lately made his escape — Two Basket boats are now making at Tipambelle and will be put on the river in a few days - but the Boat men are afraid that they will be seized by Tippoo's people who having hitherto had all the Boats have been accustomed to extort whatever they chose from the Passengers — I should be glad to have your instructions both with respect to the Boats and the Saverypoor Peons - I expect to hear of their returning soon for as Tippoo is now levying an extraordinary Contribution above the Revenues - many of the Inhabitants will no doubt fly to this side as

727

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

as soon as the River is fordable.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) W. Munro.

Nangapilly
6th October

A true Copy
/Signed/ John Read.
Actg Deputy Secy

Minutes in consequence.

Agreed to inform the Board of Revenue that until an answer be had to the reference made to Bengal regarding the 7th Article of the treaty of Seringapatam, none of the Persons mentioned in the List delivered by the Alakeels of Seringapatam are to be delivered up.

Agreed to notify to Captain Abercrombie that if any armed people should, in future, enter the Company's districts for the purpose of securing Emigrants, he is to insist upon their retiring immediately within their own limits, and upon their refusing so to do, he is to apprehend their persons, and keep them in custody until he receives the Board's orders for their disposal.

Resolved that Captain Doveton be directed to take an opportunity of

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

of communicating with the Naickers on the above point, stating the impropriety of which the Aumildars have been guilty in sending armed men for any purpose whatsoever into the Company's Territories Agreed also, that he be instructed to intimate to them the expectation of the Board that the matter in dispute respecting the Navigation of the Coveri, will be adjusted with due regard to the respective rights of the two Circars.

Read the following letter from the Attorney General.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

Hon'ble Sir,

From Attorney General of opinion that payment of the Company's Donation to Commandants of Troops or Companies; on account of the heirs of Non-Commissioned officers and Soldiers would not subject the Company to any prosecution or demand — probably not necessary in the Cases mentioned —

I have had the Honor to receive your Secretary's letter of the 6th Instant with an Extract of Correspondence in the Military Auditor General's Office, and a transcript of the two Articles of War relative to the effects of the dead and in obedience to your commands to report my opinion "Whether the Shares of the Company's "additional donation to the Army, serving above "the Ghauts in the late war with Tippoo Sultaun, dece

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

"due to the heirs of deceased Officers and Soldiers,
"by being paid to the Officer Commanding the Regiment
"Troop or Company to which such Officers or Men
"belonged, for the purpose of being accounted for to
"the lawfull Heir would subject the Company to
"any prosecution or demand by such Heirs incase the
"Sums were not duly accounted for by the Officers
"to whom they were paid in conformity with the above
mentioned articles.

— I have the Honor to Submit it to you. that payments to Officers Commanding Troops or Companies for the use of the Heirs of non Commissioned Officers and private Soldiers would not, as I conceive, be subject to the inconvenience of any prosecution or demand. because making such payments in conformity to the Articles of War, would be acting in conformity to the Statute on which these Articles are founded.

But I conceive that paying to Commanding Officers of Regiments the Share due to a deceased Commissioned officer may, in the case mentioned, be liable to the inconvenience of a demand from his legal Representative, unless such Share were actually in Camp or quarters at the time of his death.

In this event I conceive the Commanding Officer

woula

730.

Fort St. George 11th February 1794

would be entitled to claim, and Government to justifiable in paying it, but in every other I apprehend he must claim as Executor under the will of the deceased, or produce his Letters of administration.

With regard to the correspondence in the Military Auditor Generals Office I have only to add that to entitle an Executor to receive money due to the estate of his Testator it is as I conceive unnecessary if the will be not contested, to take out probate, for the purpose of receiving any Share of the Donation — for without probate an Executor is authorized to do every act incident to his Office, except only that of Maintaining a Suit at Law.

I have the Honor to be

Fort St. George
9th February 1794.

Yrs. Yrs.
/Signed/ Benjn. Sullivan

Resolution thereon

Resolved that the opinion of the Attorney General be published in General orders.

Read the following letter from

Mr. Macfarlane, Commander of the Brig La Meade

To

731

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

To W.C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary &c. &c.

Sir.

From Captain Macfarlane states the measures taken by him for the Disposal of the Brig La Medee under his charge.

Having been ordered by my Commander to take my passage to St. Helena on board of one of the Ships now in the Roads, I found it necessary to proceed in the most expedetious manner possible to dispose of the Medee — For which purpose, not having heard from Government I took the method which I am informed has generally been pursued in Similar circumstances Viz. To draw up a protest and enter it in the Mayors Court — This I have enclosed, together with all the papers relative to the Capture of the Brig, and, through this in Confidence of the legality of the Capture, having put her up to public Sale on account of the Captors, I have not withdrawn it, in hopes that Government will find it equally clear and incontestible

I am &c. &c.

February 8th 1794.

Signed/ Wm. Macfarlane

As

Fort St. George 11 February 1794

Minutes thereon.

As Mr. Macfarlane has taken measures for the disposal of the Vessel under his charge, without waiting for the orders of Government, the Board do not think it necessary to come to any decision in regard to the legality of the Capture—

Read the following letter from Colonel Brathwaite.

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

From Colonel Brathwaite relative to the Demands made for passages to Europe on the Company's Ships Complaint of some King's Officers Enclosed—proposed distribution of Invalids going home—

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you a letter I have just now received from some Officers of His Majesty's Regiments who have leave to proceed to Europe, but who represent the demand made upon them for their passage as greatly beyond their means to comply with— Indeed the same Complaint has been made to me by many others, both of His Majesty's and the Honble Company's Service, verbally— It is understood by the Officers that certain rates have been fixed for their Passages proportioned to their Ranks, but they assure me that they can

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

can come to no Agreement for a passage, although they have offered half as much again as what they understood to be the fixed rate, that is, such as are rated at eighty Pounds. assure me they have successfully offered three hundred Pagodas: as I cannot but consider this as a matter of very serious importance to the Army, I request you will be pleased to take the Subject into Consideration, and I should suppose that if the Prices or rates of passage have been fixed - they have been so fixed after fair Consideration, and that they ought to be adhered to, and if returning Officers are equally distributed to the Ships, the Commanders can have no cause to Complain.

I have also the honor to submit to your Consideration a detailed Distribution of the Invalids of His Majesty's Regiments about to return to England, that, if it meets with your Approbation, you will be pleased to issue the Necessary Orders.

Military Head Quarters. I have the honor to be
Madras February 7th 1794. &c. &c.
/Signed/ John Brathwaite

To

Fort St. George 6th February 1794

To Colonel Brathwaite

Commander in Chief of the Army on the

Coast &c.

Sir,

Having obtained your permission to proceed to Europe, in consequence of which we have made application to several of the Captains of the Indiamen for accommodation, but find them so exorbitant in their demands, that we humbly request you will represent it to the Honble the Governor in Council, that he may be pleased to order us to be received on board the different Ships, paying whatever he may think reasonable.

We have the honor to be &c.

Fort St. George.
February 6th 1794.

&c. &c.
/Signed/ Chas. Terrot Capt. Roy. Artly
Chas. Sutherland
Capt. 73d Regt.
Chas. Abernethee Lieut. Roy. Artly
J. Kennedy Lieut. 73d Regt.
Willm. Nicolay 2d Lieut. Roy. Artly

Returned.

Return of the Officers and Invalids of His Majesty's to Embark for Europe.

Fort St. George 7th February 1794.

Ship's Names	Officers in charge of Invalids Corps	Rank	Names	Invalids Corps	Proportions	Total.
Earl of Oxford	19th Dragoons	Lieut.	James Cockburn	Royal Artly.	4	
				19th Dragoons	19	
				36th Foot	7	
						30
Prince Wm. Henry	52d Foot	Capt.	Henry Conran	36th Foot	10	
				52d Do.	20	30
Woodcote	71st Foot	Lieut.	Charles Stewart	52d Foot	3	
				71st Do.	27	30
Rodney	72d Foot	Lieut.	Isaac Stewart	71st Foot	18	
				72d Do.	8	
				73d Do.	4	30
Hillsborough	74th Foot	Lieut.	Kirkby Dalrymple	73d Foot	10	
				74th Do.	20	30
						150

/Signd/ Ja.s Robertson
a D.y Adj.t Genl

/Signed/ John Brathwaite
Colo. Comm.g

Fort St. George to Bengal 7th Feby 1794

736 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Minute thereon

As it appears by the return transmitted with Colonel Braithwaite's letter of the 13th Ultimo that Captain Samuel Swinton of His Majesty's 74th Regiment is ordered to Europe to do duty with the additional Company for Resolved that he have charge of the Invalids of the Kings Service intended for embarkation on the Company's Ship Prince Wm Henry; and that Colonel Braithwaite be desired to nominate the other four Officers who are to be in charge of the detachments going on the other Ships.

Read the following letter from the Directors of the Male Orphan Asylum.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

Governor &c. &c. &c.

in Council.

Report of the Directors of the Male Asylum containing the Explanations required by the Honble Court relative to the Nature and Extent of that Institution.

Honble Sir,

We have had the honor to receive Mr Secretary Jackson's letter of the 7th December 1793 enclosing an Extract of

a

737

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

a letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated 25th June 1793, and also his letter of the 12th January 1794, enclosing "Extracts from the "General letters to and from England relating to the Institution of the Male Orphan Asylums," which had been furnished at our request, for the purpose of enabling us to give an accurate and distinct reply to the requisition of the Honble Court of Directors contained on the 98th Paragraph of their General Letter dated 26th June 1793.

We have accordingly now the honor to enclose

No 1 A Statement of the whole Amount of private Subscriptions.

No 2 A Copy of our annual address to the publick for 1794. as being explanatory of the measures that have been taken to encrease the funds of the Charity with a Statement annexed of the existing Funds made up to the 1st January 1794 and

No 3 A Register of the Boys now at this Seminary, with remarks intended to explain the nature and extent of the Education they receive.

But for the purpose of elucidating some essential points connected with the fundamental Objects of the Institution, which do not appear to have been

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

been present to the recollection of the Honble Court of Directors, We think it necessary to take a brief retrospect of the oregin and progress of the Charity.

The first Idea of an Asylum for Male orphans at this Presidency was Suggested by the Honble Court of Directors in their General Letter to this Government dated 14th March 1786 wherein they enclose "a Copy of the "Plan for the Establishment of a Fund for the "maintenance of the Children of European Officers in Bengal," and recommend to this Government to consider of the expediency of establishing a similar plan" at this Presidency.

A letter from the Government to the Ministers and Church Wardens dated 27th June 1787 stated the approbation of the Court of Directors "of the plan established at Calcutta "for the Education of the Orphan Children of that "Settlement" recommends the "new modelling the plan of Education hitherto followed at the Charity "School" here, and advises them "to follow as "nearly as possible the mode lately recommended "in a letter to the Governor of the Asylum" meaning the

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

"the Female Asylum then lately established.

A vestry being called in consequence of this communication, a Committee of Parishioners was nominated, who, in conjunction with the Ministers and Church Wardens, framed a plan nearly resembling that which they were desired to follow, not however a "new modelling of the Charity School" but a seperate establishment for the relief of Orphans and other distressed Male Children of the Military on the Coast of Coromandel." But it does not appear from any document in our possession that Government ever communicated a copy of the plan of the Institution at Bengal to the Vestry or to that Committee.

If does not at this juncture in our power to ascertain with precision the particular motives by which that Committee was actuated in proposing, or Government in adopting a plan which professes the relief of the Orphans of the Military at large and of course is principally intended for the Orphans of the European private Soldiers in preference to that established at

Bengal

740 Fort St. George 11th February 1794

Bengal, which as appears by the above quoted Extract of a General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated 14th March 1786 was founded for "the maintenance of the Children of European Officers, a distinction which we find repeated in a Letter from the Directors of this Charity to Government dated 20th July 1789.

We cannot however in justice to ourselves or to original founders of this Institution omit this opportunity of testifying our entire concurrence in the Principle on which the preference appears to be founded.

Because the Children of private Soldiers whether the Offspring of European or Native Mothers, being more generally destitute, possess the strongest claims on a plan, which professes the relief of Military Orphans.

And because this Charity extends its relief to the Children of Officers also, when left absolutely destitute.

Submitting these reflections to the Wisdom of our Superiors, it is our more immediate object to mark the essential distinction between the original objects of the Bengal Institution and that established

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

established on the Coast, and to observe, that with
whatever propriety the Officers of the Bengal Army
might be called on for a fixed deduction from
their pay for the maintenance of the Chelarein of
Officers, We could not readily consent to be the -
Instruments of proposing to the Officers of this -
Establishment any fixed and irrevocable contribution
for the maintenance of the Chelarein of Soldiers.

Thought to be held in remembrance

That an annual Subscription was determined on -
merely as an expedient to remedy the want of an -
original Capital and in process of time to create one,
and the Officers of the Army were invited, in common
with the Public at large, to subscribe, not a fixed
contribution (as the reference of the General letter
to the 11th Article of the Regulations would seem
to intimate, on the contrary express provision is
made in that Article for explaining to the Army
the grounds on which the idea of contribution by
Stoppages had been rejected), but a mere -
discretionary subscription, which, in the first -
advertisement addressed to the Public at the period
these Regulations were adopted, was suggested -

at

at the moderate rate of two days pay in the year to the Ranks not exceeding that of Captain, from a Conviction of their inability to bear deductions of any kind from their slender Allowances, but without any intimation of limit to the Superior Ranks or to the Staff of the Army.

We have deemed necessary to enter into some detail on this Subject, from an apparent misconception, on the part of the Honble Court of Directors, of the main object of the Charity and an implied expectation, that the Officers of the Army stand pledged for the payment of a fixed annual Sum for its Support, a measure which, however at first it might have been in the contemplation of the managers of the Charity, and involved, as we conceive, so many Solid objections ever to be carried into execution.

It appears to have been the opinion of the original proposers of the annual Subscription, that it would answer all the purposes of the Charity. It has in effect succeeded, at least as well, as could have been hoped from so ungracious an expedient; and there is now some prospect of realizing a Capital sufficient to defray the

Fort St. George 11th February 1794.

the expences of the Institution with the assistance to be afforded by the Honble Company and the hopes we are led to entertain, from the favorable opinion of the Charity, lately testified by all discriptions of people, and particularly by those, whose elevated situation, no less than their distinguished and benevolent efforts must have the happiest influence.

The Company's contribution is at present not a gross annual Sum of six or any other number of thousands of Rupees, but five Rupees a month for each Boy on the Foundation, the number of whom is at present limited to One hundred, and as we conceive ought to be extended to two hundred.

We remember with gratitude that Government was pleased to permit this allowance to the extent of a hundred Boys to commence from the date of their letter on that Subject dated 11th December 1787 professedly as an encouragement to the Institution before a single Boy had been received, or even a house provided for their Accommodation, and so far from limiting the expectations of the Charity to an allowance for that amount, expressly declared it to be a provision for the present.

When the prospects of the Charity, however, encouraged them to think of an increase of its numbers, and Government was solicited to extend its stated allowance to the proposed augmentation, the Managers had the mortification to learn from your Secretary's Letter of the 20th October 1791 that "the Company's Allowance of five "Rupees per mensem was restricted by their Orders to a hundred "Boys." — We have not however observed any —

intimation

744 Fort St George 11th February 1794.

intimation of a restriction of this nature / previous to the date of the above mentioned letter / in any of the extracts from the General Letters communicated to us by your direction on the 12th January 1794.

We have to conclude with expressing our hope that this Letter, with its enclosures, will be found to embrace all those explanations which the Honble Court of Directors require, and that they will in consequence be pleased to afford us that indulgence and aid which the progress and evident good effect of the Institution has induced us to solicit, and to this end we have to request that this letter may make a number in the next dispatch to Europe, with such support from your Honble Board as the nature and utility of the Institution may appear to you to deserve.

We have the honor to be
Yr. Yr.

W. Gent / Signed / John Brathwaite
A Beatson A Bell
H. Fenwell Andrew Ross
Treasurer B. Close
George Hall In Richardson

Order thereon

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to England. a number in the packet.

The Drafts of the General Letters in the Military & Political Department being read and approved — Ordered that they be copied fair —

Death of Captain Andrew Read.

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Captain Andrew Read, commanding the 3rd Battalion of Native Infantry, near Nellore on the 3rd inst.

Chas Oakeley
Ed Wakefield

Wm George Parry
Wm Sec.

745 Fort St George February 1794

Diary

12th Received the following letters

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Barte

Governor in Council Fort St George -

Honble Sir,

From Commandant of Pondicherry - forwarding Complaints of the very high Price and bad quality of the Provisions there - Certificate of the Police master. -

I take the liberty of inclosing a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Trent, covering two others from the Captains of the Company's Battalion of Europeans here, on the Subject of Provisions, in respect to which if the Government of Madras will be pleased to point out the means of lowering the prices I shall be very happy to contribute my best Endeavours to effectuate the point for my own as well as for the sake of the other Officers, and all the Soldiers here. -

Upon the first application on the above, thro' Colonel Trent, I inquired of Mons.r de Tumeron, the Police master, who is Recommended to me as an active able & Magistrate, whether there was any difference between the Prices paid by the French and

English

Fort St George 7 February 1794

12 English Inhabitants. — he declared there was none, and to satisfy me gave the accompanying Certificate of the fact. which I also enclose and have the honor to be. with respect

Yr. Yr.

(Signed) E. Nixon

Pondicherry
9th February 1794.

Colonel Nixon
Commanding
Pondicherry

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you a letter which has been addressed to me by the Captain of the Honble Companies 3d Battalion European Infantry and also to inform you of the cause which prevented an earlier application on the same subject to Colonel Floyd. —

On the arrival of the Regiment in Pondicherry, and for a short time afterwards — Provisions of every Kind were much cheaper than they have been since, they however rapidly increased in price, but it was imputed to the great

Fort St George 1st February 1794

12th great consumption which had taken place — from
the number of Troops long in camp'd before the
place — and a hope was intertained that the
prices of every necessary of life would by degrees
return to its original Standard: but, being
disappointed, as on the contrary, increase instead
of diminution took place, many complaints
were made to me in the month of November —
during which month Colonel Floyd was at St
Thomas — but as I was only commanding for
the time — and wish'd to leave the arrangement
of these matters to Colonel Floyd I took no other
steps, than very frequently speaking on the
subject of the exorbitant charges not only of
provisions, but of every other article which
an Officer can have occasion to purchase, &
particularly candles, and wood — to Mr.
Tumeron chief du Police — very anxiously —
but I am sorry to add, without the smallest
effect — Colonel Floyd returned on the
last day of that month — but it was the 1st
general

748

Fort St George 7 February 1794

12th general belief that his stay here would be but a very few days — indeed it had been wrote from Madras that he would go directly to Trichinopoly without coming here — and it was judged unnecessary and improper to trouble him in a subject of grievances which he could not have time to redress — This has been the cause of the application which I have had the honor to lay before you —

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

February 8th 1794

(Signed) Thomas Trent

Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Trent
Commanding 3d Regiment E.I

Sir,

We the undersigning Captains of the 3rd Regiment European Infantry beg leave to state in behalf of ourselves, the other Officers of the Corps, and the Soldiers of our respective Companies

749 Fort St George 1 February 1794

12th Complains the very advanced price of
provisions, and their extreme bad quality,
in the hope you will be pleased to attend
to our Representation, and take such
measures as you may think necessary
for redressing a Grievance of so serious a
nature. —

At the rate provisions are now sold,
we find it a difficult matter, living with
the utmost frugality, to make our Pay
equal to our Domestic Expences — how much
Greater Reason of Complaint must the
younger Line of Offices have — and how
infinitely more great the Distress of the
Soldier. —

Our Distresses are aggravated by the
reflection that Scarcity is by no Manner
of means — the Effect of National Causes —
Pondicherry having ever been proverbially
one of the Cheapest places on the Coast. &
particularly in respect to Fish and Poultry

Y

Fort St George. February 1794

12th — If the average prices of this Place and Madras were taken, it will be found, that those articles are equally — exorbitant here as at that place — But our Distresses and Scarcity, arise from artificial Management — Monsieur Fumeron the Chief de Police is the Sole Cause of it — and it is a notorious fact that the French Inhabitants of this place continue to get their supplies at the former rates, which being the Case, we Certainly have great reason to view the Distinction with the utmost Indignation. —

That Pondicherry and its Vicinity is fully equal to supplying the present Cantonment with Slaughter Cattle there is nothing further necessary to establish than adverting to the very ample and abundant supplies in the Camp before the Place — a Week's Consumption of which will be found to have exceeded infinitely that of a month of the present Cantonment. —

As

751 Fort St George 1 February 1794

12th As we have found it necessary to
give you the Trouble of this address we hold
it equally so to dictate upon the System of the
Police at large which from the mode it has
been conducted since we have formed a
part of this Cantonment has been
fundamentally wrong and in very Instance
highly subversive of that End for which the
appointment of a Police Master is, or should
be, established - Some of the undersigned
formed a part of the Garison of this place
in the year 1778, and subsequent to its
Capture at the Close of that year and we
can speak with the utmost confidence
of the Expedience, and Chaprofs of the Provisions
at that Period, when there was no such
appointment as Chief de Police - which
appointment, so far from sanctioning, seems
to be highly and entirely destructive of the End
for which it is supposed to be established -
an Individual, who from interested motives,

and

Fort St George — February 1794

12th and from which he derives a nefarious benefit stands between. us and those Regulations which would insure a sufficiency of supply and at the Easy Rate an Officer and Soldier can only subsist himself.

We trust, Sir, you will be so obliging as submit the question to Colonel Nixon who we hope will be pleased to issue such orders and make such arrangement as will effectually remedy an abuse that so very materially affects our Interest and Comforts. —

We have the honor to be
&c &c

Robt Mackay

(Signed) Arnt Beale

Jas Innes

Edwd Fergusson

Lieutenant

Pondicherry
25th January 1794

753 Fort St George 11 February 1794

12th Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Trent
Commanding 3d Battalion E. Infantry

Sir /

We did ourselves the honor on "
the 25th ultimo to address you on the "
subject of the scarcity, bad quality, and "
exorbitant price of Provisions, which
you were so obliging as forward to Colonel
Wilson, who, in answer, gave us to understand,
he did not conceive himself competent
to redressing the Grievance complained
of - and quoted as authority, the following
Para: of a Letter from Government to "
Colonel Floyd under date 29th Sept. 1793 -

"Every Branch of the public Revenue "
"whether within the Town or in the Environs
"of Pondichery, will be placed under the
"Management of the Resident at Cuddalore
"- your authority will of course extend
" to every point of a military nature,
" and to the preservation of good order
among

Fort St George 11 February 1794

12th among the Troops and their followers —
"within the Limits of your Command"

From this we are led to conclude
the Chief de police at Pondicherry presume
to act in the manner We complain of
and in which We are justified as being
highly injurious to us — That the complaint
does not proceed from petulancy, but is
grounded in Truth, we will state one
instance only — viz.t the difference of the
price of mutton, between this place and the
Bazar at Arian Coopang — a distance falling
short of three miles, and where it is to be
presumed, the influence of the Chief of
Cuddalore has an operation equal to that
at this Garrison — There a sheep is sold at
eighteen Fanams — here it is not to be
procured under thirty two, and that of
so inferior a quality compared to that
of the other place — we are happy to be
able to procure it from thence for our
Tables. —

M

755 Fort St George, February 1794

12th It is now our request, Sir, you will be =
pleased in justice to us, and the men of the Corps
We serve in once more to address Colonel Meijer,
and desire him to state the subject to the Honble
the Governor in Council, from whom we
justice We hope for, and doubt not, of the =
utmost nicety. —

We have the honor to be,

Dear Sir

Your most

Obedt Servts

Pondichery
6th February 1794

R. Nigors
J. Kennedy
Robt Mackay
Edwd Fergusson
Arnt Blake
Jas Innes
J. Duncan

Translate

I the undersigned Chief de Police at Pondi =
cherry to certify that the prices for all sorts
of provisions and daily wages of workmen in
this town are the same for the English, for
the

Fort St George 11 February 1794

12th the French, and for all the other inhabitants, and that no person is authorised to cause more to be paid to one than another, in short that if there are abuses in this respect it is my duty to punish when I am informed of it and that the thing is made clear / the of persons who are so circumstanced. –

(Signed) Fumerion

Chef de Police

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honorable Sir

From Commandant at Pondicherry with Mons.r Fumeron's reply to the Complaints against the Police and a Declaration

I take leave to send the master de Police's Defence and Vindication against the allegations contained in the two addresses of the Captains of the Company's Regiment have A transmitted to your Honor yesterday, and to assure you that my Endeavors have been uniformly directed during the short time I have been here towards the reduction of the prices of Provisions, which

Fort St George " February 1794

12th which are not very dear, as will appear by the list annexed to Monsieur de Tumeron's " Declaration - Those being the only articles " which came immediately under his Cognizance he cannot answer for any other, not having the authority to regulate or fix Prices upon Merchandize of any sort, different from " those specified. -

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

Pondichery
10th February 1794

(signed) Eccles Nixon

N.B. The French word Taxe used in the Translation means Imagine Price - for there is not to my Knowledge any of the articles specified, taxed in this place. -

(signed) E. N.

Sir

I have learnt with concern, but " without surprise that you have received a

services

758 Fort St George ye 1 February 1794

12th serious Complaint against me — As I am well persuaded that your justice will prevent your deciding untill I have been heard — I am anxious to give you explanations and information on the subject.

Obliged by my Situation often to support the weak against the strong when it happens that they are unjustly oppressed, to reprimand or threaten with punishment all that may disturb the publick tranquility or of an individual.

Consequently give offence to many people It was what I laid my account with in accepting the Situation of Chef de Police but I never expected that I should have had to answer to the Complaints that have been preferred just now

The Subjoined declaration will prove to Conviction the impossibility that there should exist for the past which regards the Police different prices for the articles of

Fort St George 11 February 1794

12 lb of provisions and all the town can bear ^
Witness to the publications and proclamations
(read up) which have taken place in this
respect. —

As to advantages that I should be suspected
of deriving from my situation, I am in a ^
condition to prove that my allowance and
authorized emoluments are almost all ^
employed in the service of the Police, and
Surveyorship of the streets and roads within
the town. —

People who do not know me can alone
think me capable of seeking for those advantages.
The only thing that I can answer to this accusation,
is, that any Inhabitant black or white will
but answer me (I will not say prove) before
my face with some show of probability of
having been guided by interest in any of my
proceedings, or of having expected or accepted
any thing under any pretence whatever.
I submit myself to all that the most severe
justice

760. Fort St George 12th February 1794

12th Justice can pronounce —

I am with respect

Pondicherry
February 9th 1794.

Vrs. Vrs.
(Signed) Teumeron
Chief de Police

I the undersigned Chief de Police at Pondichery declare that the hereafter named articles (of provision) are the only ones taxed in this place — that they have been taxed by the orders of Colonel Floyd, agreable to the ideas of several old Inhabitants of Pondichery who, for that purpose, he assembled at his house — That, provisions having always been there at an equal price for every body in the place let them be of what nation they will it is even impossible that there can be any difference in this respect, since, at the time the taxes were fixed and at each change circumstances have occasioned, the prices have been announced to the public by sound of Drum and fixed up all over the town and that

763 Fort St George. February 1794

12. That I cause to be advertised to the public every 15 days, the prices such as they are fixed at

I declare that the price of Servants wages and of Workmen as it has been settled by Colonel Floyd has been published and fixed up every where — and that it has not been altered

In short I declare that, after the orders I have received from Colonel Floyd, the Settling of the prices of their articles of provisions and merchandise, did not come within my jurisdiction and that the Venders are free to put what prices upon them they may think proper. —

Price of different articles of Provisions. —
as it is Settled at to day — Pondy fanm.
White bread, first quality a pound (of 16 ounces) . . 1 1/4
Do . . . Second quality Weighing 10 ounces . . . 1/2
Mutton first quality P.r pound 3/4
Gengely oil 7/8 of a Seer 1
Fresh Butter the Cup 2 3/4
Milk the measure 1
oil of Palmchristie of the 1.st quality 7/8 of a seer 1
Do . . . . . of the 2.d quality 1 Seer . . 1
Do Cocoanut . . . . . 1 Seer 1
oil De Lingue . . . . . 1 1/8 Seer 1

(Signed) Fumeron
Asy.e Police

Pondichery
February 16.th 1794

Recived

Fort St George 12th February 1794

12th Received the undermentioned Letters & Entered in my B: Nos 73-74. 75. 76. 77.

From Commissary General of Grain & Provisions. — From Commissary General of Grain & Provisions — on the subject of Supplies of Grain for the 3d and 5th Regiments of Cavalry

From Captain Mackenzie 52d Regiment — From Captain L. Mackenzie — 52. Regiment soliciting the Command of Trichinopoly on the appointment of Major Brodie to Board = mallee —

From Colonel Braithwaite — From Commander of the army Lieutenant Macalister requests leave to return to England & recommends Lieutenant Edward Batchelor to succeed to the Adjutantcy of the 29th Battalion. —

From Chief Engineer — From Chief Engineer — returns Captain Mackenzie's Survey from Hurpah into the Carnatic &c — encloses a Plan of Pondicherry with the attack and Encampment of the army

From Major Brodie — From Commandant at Trichinopoly requests leave to visit Madras. —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in my B: Nos 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83.

To

Fort St George. February 1794

To Mr. Strut assistant Surgeon

12th To Mr. Strut – may proceed to the Cape his arrears will be paid, provided he return within six months, and should not have gone to the Westward of the Cape. –

To Mr Thackeray Ditto

To Mr. Thackeray – with permission to return to England. –

To Colonel Braithwaite

To Commander of the army – Captain Swinton 74. Regiment / to have charge of the Invalids to be imbarked on the Prince William Henry – Passages on the Company's ships at the stipulated price can only be granted to Officers going home on Duty – the case of Lieutenant Sampson will be noted to the Court P Mr. Mitford's Memorial forwarded – Lieutenant Stevenson must resign the Service previous to receiving leave to go to Europe. –

To Lieutenant Sampson

To Lieutenant John Sampson – with permission to return to England. –

To Paymaster General

To military Paymaster General the amount of his additional Estimate for March will be paid from the Treasury. —

To

1794 Fort St George 12th February 1794

To Clerk of the Treasury

12th To Clerk of the Treasury — with directions — to that Effect. —

14th Received the following Letter, with Enclosures Entered in Mil. Cons 84-85 —

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

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite with a Bill of major Gowdie's Letter from Colonel Floyd regarding quarters for the 19th Dragoons at Darriore Lieutenant A. Floyer applies for Two horses - Reports of the Invention of Chillmaig into the Baromhaul proposes an Escort for the major Princes —

I have the Honor to lay before you a letter and a Bill from major Gowdie transmitted to me by Colonel Fraser, the Bill appears reasonable and appears not to have been paid before you earlier in a regular channel from want of Recollection in major Gowdie. —

I have also the Honor to lay before you a letter from Colonel Floyd, on which I shall observe that as Buildings appear to be absolutely necessary for Containing a Regiment of European Cavalry in the Neighbourhood of Tritchinopoly, I would, on the idea that such Cantonment will be

765 Fort St George 1 February 1794

Wt be permanent, for a Corps of Cavalry at
least, recommend that such Buildings
as are to be erected whether Quarters, or
Barracks, or Stabling, should be on the
substantial plan recommended to your
Honor in Council by the Military Board.

I perfectly agree with the Colonel
Floyd that it will be improper to keep
the Regiment on the Island of Sringham
and that no better spot can be pitched
on, than that which was the Cavalry
Cantonment, and am of opinion that
besides the immediate advantage to the
Cavalry Cantonment, it would be attend-
ed with many other advantages if his
Highness the Nabob can be induced to
throw a Bridge over the Nullah, which
could be done, I conceive, at a very moderate
Expence. —

I have also the Honor to lay before
you a letter I have received from Lieutenant
Augustus Floyd, I think his case is singular,

and

11th and that as his absence was unavoidably occasioned
he may fairly be said to have been in the
Service at the time the Regulation took place,
and is therefore entitled to receive two Horses
at the stipulated price, but as the Regiment he
he belongs to is one (Vizt the 1st) that has only
a stipulated number of Horses for the purpose
of Drilling, I would recommend that he be
furnished from the lot of Horses just now
sent to Arcott by Captain Dallas, from which,
on this account, if you approve this measure
when I lay the proposed Distribution before
you, I will allot two Horses for this purpose to
that Regiment.—

I have the Honor to inform you
that I have had Reports of Depredations committed
in the Baramahal Country by Chil Naigue, in
that part of it nearest to the Carnatic, and where
from its Extreme unhealthiness, and its not
being Frontier there is no Military Station — two
Companies have been moved from Pinagra
by

Fort St George 11 February 1794

14th by the Officer commanding in those Countries one to Tripatore, and one to the neighbourhood of Singarpetta, to hang on his Skirts, he has not above two hundred Irregulars with him, and for them, if ever they can come up with them, one Company is a very sufficient Force — To send regular Troops in search of him would be to little purpose, the nature of the Country being such, that, unless Surprized, there is no Chance of Coming at him, and it appears to me that is more practicable from the Carnatic than the Baramahal Country, provided Companies were so stationed as to be within a March of his usual haunts, and Captain Read with whom I have Conversed, is of the same opinion, and says he can order people to the different Stations on whom he thinks he can depend for watching his motions, and bringing very Correct and Speedy Intelligence; with this view I would propose that Captain Walsh be ordered to send from Tiagar one Company to Trinnomalé, and one to Arnee, and thus by Arcot, these two of Companies

Fort Myers 12th February 1794

14th Companies and the two Companies before
mentioned he will be fortly with surrounded,
and orders shall be sent to all those with a
the Scouts proposed by Captain Read, so that either
of them, upon receiving the necessary Information,
according to his Situation, may be ready to
make a push for him in the course of the
night. –

Beg leave, on account of its being
now under Orders to march to Salem – to
recommend the 25th Native Battalion with
a compleat Troop from the 2nd Regiment of
Native Cavalry at Conatore to form the Party
to Escort the Sons of Tippoo Sultaun to the
Frontier, and the present Detail of Cavalry
under Lieutenant Price, with one of the Flank
companies of Captain Doveton's Battalion
(which can be ordered to meet them) to
form the Escort which is then to proceed
with Captain Doveton. –

Military Head Quarters
Madras February 12th 1794.

I have the Honor to be, with Respect
&c &c &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite

Recieved

769 Fort St George 11 February 1794

14th Received also the undermentioned letters

Entered in mis. Nos 86-87-88-89-90-91.

From Military Board - stating the

From Military Board.

inconveniency of holding their meetings at

the arsenal, and requesting that a Commodious

place may be allotted for that purpose. -

From Commander of the army &

From Colonel Braithwaite

Colonel Floyd nominates Captain Cuppage for

his Secretary, and forwards Complaints of

Captains Croker and Oliver of the injurious

mode of payment practiced by Mr Paymaster

Vaughan - Lieutenant Stevenson requests leave

to go to Europe - Memorial of Mr Conductor

Major. -

From Ditto - inclosing a Memorial &

From Ditto

of Mr M. Kelly addressed to the Court of Directors -

Testimony in support thereof - also notices the

distressful Case of Mrs Patterson -

From Lieutenant Thomas Gillam - -

From Lieutenant Gillam

requests leave to return to England - and

Encloses a Certificate of the Medical Board. -

From

770 Fort St George 11 February 1794

From Paymaster of 14th Polamedah

From Mr Martin - relative to a claim of Two Troopers to repayment of stoppages on account of their Families -

From Captain R. Dundas. -

From Commander of the Prince William Henry - of opinion that the Two Prisoners ordered on board the different Ships will weaken their Strength, in case of attack from an Enemy - requests therefore a Reduction of their Number. -

Dispatched the following letter -

To the Honorable Sir John Shore Bart.
Governor General in Council
at
Fort William

Hon'ble Sir,

We have the honor to inform you, that we have acquiesced in an application of the Prize agents to the army serving in the late War, to retain in our hands the Sum payable to the Bengal Troops on account of the Company's Moiety of the Plunder and Booty taken from the Enemy

To Bengal certifying the Sum retained there but payable to the Bengal Troops on account of the Moiety of Prize money relinquished by the Company - abstract of the Month - enclosed

Fort St George, February 1794

14th Enemy, but relinquished to the army, and to certify the amount to you, to the end that the same might be issued in Bengal to the respective claimants —

In consequence of this arrangement, the Prize agents have laid before us the accompanying papers, containing abstracts of the sums payable to Individuals, and to Corps, and a general Abstract of the whole — and have reported that the Executors of the late Lieutenant James M.c Corkle are willing to make the distribution, in case you shall think proper to employ them — The total amount is twenty two thousand, eight hundred, and one Pagodas, thirty one Fanams, and forty one and a half Cash.

/22,801,,31,,41½/

We have the honor to be,
with respect. —
Hon.ble Sir
(Signed) Charles Oakeley
Hon.ble Council

Fort St George
12th February 1794

To

772 Fort St George 14th February 1794

To the Honorable Sir John Shore Bart
Governor General in Council
at
Fort William

Honble Sir,

We have been duly honord with
your letter of the 24th ultimo

Having obtained from the
Vakeels of Tippoo the declaration required by
you, our President has communicated to the
young Princes that they are at liberty to
return to their Father, and preparations
are now making for their Journey. -

We shall provide a suitable
escort to accompany them to the Western Frontier,
from whence they will proceed on to Seringapatam
with Captain Doveton, who is charged with letters
from the Marquis Cornwallis to Tippoo.

We have the honor to enclose
copy of a letter from Captain Doveton, with
copy and translation of the written agreement
taken

To Bengal - the Declaration required from Tippoo's Vakeels obtained - Copy thereof & of Captain Doveton's letter, enclosed

773 Fort St George February 1794

14th taken from the Packets —

Fort St George
12th January 1794.

We have the honor to be
with respect
&c &c &c
/Signed/ Charles Oakeley

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

Gentlemen,

We have received your letter
dated the 8th Instant, and, having resolved to take
the opinion of the Governor General in Council
in regard to the construction to be put upon the
3d Article of the Treaty of Seringapatam, we
desire that, until further orders, none of the persons
mentioned in the List delivered by the Packets
of Tippoo, be given up —

To Board of Revenue
none of the persons
claimed by Tippoo
to be given up until
further Orders Captain
Read will receive
orders how to act
in case of future
attempts to seize
Cornigoorth the point
regarding the navigation
of the Carvy refered to
the Packets — State-
ment of the Value of
the Cessions to the
Company in Lieu
of part of the Carvipoor
District —

We shall furnish Captain Read
with instructions how to act, in case any future
attempts be made by Tippoo's Officers to seize by
force any person taking refuge in the Company's
Districts

774 Fort St George 14 February 1794

11th Districts, and we shall direct Captain Doveton
to endeavour to arrange with the Vakeels the point
in dispute regarding the Navigation of the Cavery. —
We enclose for your information
Copy of another Letter from Captain Macleod,
with a Statement of the value of the Villages
ceded by Tippoo to the Company, in lieu of the
part of the Cauveripore District situated on the
South and West side of the Cavere. —

Fort St George
12th February 1794

We are
&c &c
(Signd) Charles Oakeley
&c Council

To Captain Doveton

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the
President in Council to transmit to you, extract
of a letter from Captain Alexander Read to
the Board of Revenue, on the subject of
some improper attempts made by Tippoos
Amuldars to get back people who had come
to settle in the Company's Districts, and also
regarding

To Captain Doveton —
relative to the attempts
of Tippoo's amuldars to
seize Emigrants in
the Company's Districts
and a dispute respecting
the navigation of the
Cavery. —

775 Fort St George 12th February 1794

With regarding the Navigation of the Caveri and the
Company's right to participate in the customs exacted
from passengers crossing the River. —

You are desired to take an Opportunity
of communicating with the Raikuls on these points,
stating the impropriety of which he appears
have been guilty in sending armed men for any
purpose whatsoever into the Company's Territories;
and the expectation of the President in Council that
the matter in dispute respecting the Navigation
of the Caveri will be adjusted with due regard to
the respective rights of the two Circars. —

Fort St George
12th February 1794

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

To Captain Alexander Read
Commanding the Troops in the Baramahal
and Salem Districts

Sir,

The Board of Revenue having
transmitted to Government an extract of your
letter under date the 20th ultimo, I am directed
by the Hon'ble the President in Council to
inform

To Captain Read on the
foregoing subject and
for his guidance

776. Fort St George 12th February 1794

I have to inform you that if any armed people should in future enter the Company's Districts for the purpose of levying Emigrants, you are to insist upon their retiring immediately within their own Limits, and upon their refusing so to do; you are to apprehend their persons, and keep them in custody, until you are furnished with his orders for their disposal.

With regard to the Navigation of the Cavery, and the Company's right to participate in the Customs exacted from Passengers crossing the River, Captain Doveton will be directed to communicate with the Vackeels on this subject. —

Fort St George
12th February 1794

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

To Colonel John Brathwaite
Commanding the army on the Coast

Sir,

To Colonel Brathwaite - Mr. A. Anderson's Charges against Mr Read stated Submitted to a Court of Enquiry - Instructions

Mr. Alexander Anderson, the Surgeon at the Presidency Hospital, having, in a late representation

1777 Fort St George 11 February 1794

– A Representation to the Hospital Board, brought forward a variety of circumstances affecting the conduct of the Head Surgeon, the President in Council deemed it indispensably necessary, upon an occasion of such serious import, to convey his opinion to the Hospital Board in terms of strong disapprobation; for, as it was held to be wholly impossible that such enormities as are stated by Mr. Anderson could have been practised without the knowledge of the Head Surgeon whose duty it was to visit the Hospital daily, the neglect so apparent on the part of that Gentleman in taking no effectual step to remedy those abuses – and in concealing them from the knowledge of Government fully justified the censure proposed upon him – But Mr. Paine having declared that the Remarks made on his conduct were undeserved, and that every irregularity committed in the Hospital under his charge was instantly struck, of which he can bring proof to substantiate the fact, it becomes an act of Justice to afford him an opportunity of

vindicating

778

Fort St George 11 February 1794

Mr — exculpating himself — nor is it less necessary
to Mr. Anderson, whose report induced the com-
that he should have an equal opportunity
of vindicating himself from the imputation
which would rest upon his conduct, if the
base assertion of Mr. Raine in denial of the
charges were to be taken as sufficient evidence

The President in Council desires
therefore that you will order a Court of
Officers to be assembled for the purpose
of making enquiry into the facts alledged
by Mr. Anderson — I inclose a Copy of that Gentleman's
letter to the Hospital Board, together with a
Copy of the remarks of Government, and of
Mr. Raine's reply, which you will be pleased
to lay before the Court, with instructions to
ascertain whether the Hospital was regularly
visited by the Head Surgeon and what was
its state in respect to cleanliness, whether the
complaints of the Patients were regularly
attended to — and whether the irregularities said to
have been committed, did actually exist, and if so,
what

779 Fort St George 12th February 1794

14th what Method were taken for their prevention. —

Fort St George
12th February 1794

I am &c &c &c
(signd) W.C. Jackson Secretary

Sent the undermentioned Letters entered
in mis.B— Nos 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101.

To Secretary to the male Asylum — the
Boys prepared for Inoculation cannot be admitted
into the Hospital — Opinion of the Hospital Board
enclosed. —

To Military Board — to report an Office
Establishment for the adjutant General — Copy of
his Letter Enclosed. —

To Major Orr. — To Commandant of the 5th Regiment of
Cavalry — permitting him to visit the Presidency. —

To Lieutenant Macalister Infantry — To Lieutenant Macalister — permitting
him to proceed to Europe for his health. —

To Lieutenant Gillam Ditto. — To Lieutenant Thomas Gillam — Ditto Ditto

To Colonel Nixon — To Commandant at Pondicherry Monsieur
Bonnetats application for a Subsistence cannot
be granted. —

To Ditto — To Ditto — Eighty Rupees to be advanced, &
to messieurs Gerard and Hudibert respectively — and
a

780 Fort St George. Febuary 1791

14th a monthly Subsistence will be ordered for those
when the period to which they have been paid
at Masulipatam is known — memorial of
Meranvillis request for an allowance inadmissible

To Mr Macfarlane — To Commander of the Brig — La Nymphe —
no decision can pass in regard to the legality of
her capture, as he has already taken measures for
her disposal — his Protest returned —

To Captain Ralph Dundas — To Ditto of the Bonne William Henry —
to report whether he have received Instructions
from the Bengal Government for taking the
Ships now in the Roads under his Command,
as Senior Captain, during the Voyage Home

To Ditto — To Ditto — to state the number of French
prisoners the different Ships can with safety take
on board — The number of Kings Invalids which
cannot be reduced.

To Major Brodie — To Commandant at Trincopore permitting
him to visit the Presidency. —

15th Recived the undermentioned letters entered
in Mis. Bs. 102. 103 - 104 - 105 - 106. 107. 108. 109 —

From

Fort St George 1st February 1794

From Colonel Brathwaite 15th — From Commander of the army &c

Lieutenant Stevenson requests to resign the Service and Captain Mapey leave of absence to England — Testimony in favor of the latter —

From Captain Grove — From Captain John Greene — requesting leave to go to Europe on account of ill health &c

From Lieutenant Malcolm — From Lieutenant John Malcolm — with a similar request.

From Captain Lewis — From Commander of the Woodcot stating his inability to receive the Number of Invalids and French prisoners, ordered on board. —

From Captain R. Dundas — From Ditto of the Prince William Henry — has received from Bengal the orders before mentioned. —

From Ditto — From Ditto — requests a supply of Gunpowder for the purpose of Signals —

From Ditto — From Ditto can only take four of French prisoners, with safety. —

From Col. Floyd — From Commandant at Trichinopoly forwarding Two Indents of Military Stores. —

Dispatched the following letters entered in Mis: Nos 110 - 111 - 112 - 113. 114 - 115. 116. — — —

To

Fort St George 11 February 1794

To Mons.r Mallet 15th

To Monsieur Mallet — on intention
to treat the Persons at Palamcotah differently
from those at Madras — their parole being
Given. they will be at full liberty — an
Encrease of allowance also granted. —

To Lieutenant
Colonel Clarke

To Commandant at Palamcotah
forwarding the above under a flying Seal —
and directing him to act conformably thereto —

To Mr Paymaster
Masters

To Paymaster at Ditto — with a
Copy of the same — the allowances to be encreased
from the 1st February.

To auditor General

To Military auditor General — noti-
fying the Encrease of allowance. —

To Masulipatam

To Masulipatam — desiring to
know the amount of — and the periods to which
Subsistence has been paid to Mrs.r Girard &
and Hudibut. —

To Lieutenant
Colonel Giles

To Commandant of artillery at
the Mount — the house at Poolicarry being
private property, Government cannot take
possession of it — unless the proprietor of
previously

1793 Fort St George 11 February 1794

15th — previously consent to it's being appropriated "
for the purpose recommended —

To Colonel Brathwaite — To Commander of the army — Copy of
his address regarding his allowances will be
forwarded to the Honble Court — supported by
a recommendation from Government.

16th — Dispatched the following letter

To Lieutenant Stuart
acting Resident at Hydrabad

To acting Resident at Hydrabad and Resident at Poona — informing them that the Mysore Princes are about to depart — Copy and Translation of the Declaration of the Vakeels, — received. —

Sir,

The Governor General in Council having given his Consent to the Departure of the Hostage Princes, upon condition only that the Vakeels of Tippoo should give a Declaration on the part of their Master, that the most effectual means would be employed, either by the appointment of Arbiters or otherwise, to bring the matters in dispute to the speediest possible conclusion, I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to transmit to you Translate and Copy of the Declaration

That

Fort St George 11th February 1794

16th That has been obtained from the Rajah in consequence, and to inform you that the Princes, with their Suite, were provided by Captain Doveton, will have this Morning in a few Days.

Fort St George
11th February 1794

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

I sent the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Bk: Nos 117. 118. 119. 120-121

To Mr Secretary Kay — To Secretary at Bengal — forwarding a Letter from the Nabob to the Governor General.

To Military Board — To Military Board — five Barrels of Gun powder Rubee, delivered for the use of the Prince William Henry.

To Captain Grant — Infantry — To Captain J. Grant — permitting him to proceed on board. —

To Lieutenant Malcolm &c &c — To Lieut and Adjt Malcolm

Ditto Ditto — Ditto Grant

To Captain Mackay Ditto — To Captain Mackay Ditto — Ditto.

Received

785 Fort St George 2 February 1794

By Do Received the following Letter

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

Honble Sir

From an Estimate — admitting the Expences of the Expedition against Pondicherry those of the Latter War cannot be ascertained for Reasons already given. —

I have been in the daily hope ever since the Receipt of your orders of the 27th December last of having it in my power to draw up, and lay before you, at this time, a detailed account of the Expence of the Expedition against Pondicherry, but am prevented, as the whole of the accounts comprehending the Expenditure have not yet been forwarded to my Office, I am therefore under the necessity of confining my Report at this period to an Estimate of the Expence taken from the accounts so far as they have been received and the allowances made in the Departments of Supply — as nearly as I can judge from those documents it may be

Pagodas

Rukmed about Pagodas ..... 200000.—.—
Besides which there Stands debited to sundry Officers and Charges on account of Military Offices and Soldiers captured at Pondicherry upto January 1794 — inclusive say ..... 24000.—.—

Pags 424,000.—.—

The

786. Fort St George 17th February 1794

17th — The Expenses on account of the P
Prisoners captured at Sea is Pag.s 1322.14.64 t
December 1793 inclusive. —

Concerning the Statement of the E
Expences of the late War I have it not in
my power to lay before you the account
required, for the reasons stated in my le
of the 4th instno. —

I have the honor to be
with the highest Respect
Sir &c &c
/Signed/ Henry Malcolm
Mily Aud Genl

Military Auditor
Genl's Office
Fort St George
17th Feby 1794

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Govr in Council

Fort St George

Hon'ble Sir.

In Consequence of your Secretary
Jackson's Letter of the 26th May 1793 enclosing
Extract of a Letter from the Hon'ble Court of
Directors under date the 12th December 1792
Have

From Commissr General with Statement of Prisoners Batta paid and still due to the Kings and Company's Troops Prisoners with Hyder and Tippoo — Payments on Account of B. Wilks and C. Burgess — Copies of Letters &c &c and a List of Prisoners at Bednore. —

1787 Fort St George 11 February 1794

17th I have the honor to lay before you, for the Informa-
tion of the Honble Court of Directors, Four Statements,
No1. of the Honble Company's Non Commissioned
and Privates who suffered Confinement under
the Nabob Hyder ally and Tippoo Shewing the
amount of Full Batta paid to each for the period
of their Confinement. No2. of His Majestys Non
Commissioned and Privates who suffered Confinement
under the Nabob Hyder ally and Tippoo Sultaun
shewing the amount of Full Batta paid to each
for the period of their Confinement. No3 of the
Honble Company's Non Commissioned and
Privates who suffered Confinement under the
Nabob Hyder ally and Tippoo Sultaun shewing
the amount of Full Batta due to each for the
period of their Confinement. No4 of His Majestys
Non Commissioned and Privates who suffered
Confinement under the Nabob Hyder ally and
Tippoo Sultaun shewing the amount of Full
Batta due to each for the period of their
Confinement. —

In

7888

Fort St George 15th February 1794

17th

In my letter under date the 4th 10th September last, I stated to your Honor in Council that upon Examining the payments I found that the sum of Pagodas 29. 30 — had been paid severally to Ensigns A. & Mc Dugal of the 72nd Regiment formerly called His majestys 78th Regiment, by order of Colonel Stuart, on account of Benjamin Weeks and Edward H. Burgess, and that the same Gentlemen had received the Balla due to the men of the same Regiment. —

I beg leave to inform you that I have not been able, from any Documents in my Office, to compare a List of the property taken at Bednoor. —

Fort St George
15th February 1794.

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect. —

your very
(signed) B. Roebuck
Pm P.G.

To

1789 Fort St George 17th February 1794.

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

Honble Sir,

From Lieutenant Doveton reporting progress in raising the Works of Pondicherry.—

agreeably to the plan which, in my letter of the 1st Instant, I had the honor to inform you I purposed prosecuting for the more effectual demolition of the works on the north and south Sides of the Fort, I have principally, during the last fortnight, employ'd the People in levelling what appeared necessary of the Rampart & Glacis, and in raising at the same time the Ditch. This is now nearly accomplished as far as the Madras Gate on the north side, and on the South to the Cuddalore Gate.— It is my wish to proceed upon the same plan during the present month, when I hope I shall be enabled to report to your Honble Board that these two sides are completely destroyd.—

The mines under the Pettimoor Gate have, for several days, been loaded, & but

1790.

Fort St George 5th February 1794

Sir

Lieut Colonel Wilson has requested they may not be spoiling till the Powder is removed from the grand Magazine, which he thinks might be endangered by the explosion.

I have the honor to inclose a Return of the Number of Coolies employed daily since the 1st Instant.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) W Doveton Lieut
Com. Pioneers

Pondicherry
February 15th 1794

Return of Coolies employed distroying the Fortifications of Pondicherry in the Month of February 1794

1794		Carried forward	Mahl. Coolies	Pioneers	Do. Coolies	Women Coolies	Mahl. Coolies
Feby	1		4	6	60	2290	705	2995
	2		"	6	60	2294	704	2998
	3		"	6	60	2297	700	2997
	4		"	6	60	2301	698	2999
	5		"	6	60	2307	696	3003
	6		"	6	60	2305	702	3007
	7		"	6	60	2300	698	2998
	8		"	6	60	2306	695	3001
	9		"	6	60	2298	710	3008
	10		"	6	60	2310	692	3002
	11		"	6	60	2294	706	3000
	12		"	6	60	2298	703	3001
	13		"	6	60	2305	700	3005
	14		"	6	60	2292	710	3002
		Total	4	84	840	32197	9819	42016

(Signed) W Doveton Lieut
Com. Pioneers

1791 Fort St George 1st February 1794

14th Recivd the undermentioned letters -

Entered in M.B. Nos 122 - 123 - 124. 125 - 126. 127. 128.

129.

From Captain Read

From Captain Alexander Read - advising of the apprehension of a Gang of Plunderers and Coiners at Sankly parog -

From Mr Cockburn

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - with Estimate of Repairs wanting to the Company's Bungalo - behind the Hospital.

From Monsieur Pipe - Masulipatam

From Monsieur Pipe - requesting that he may receive the same allowances - as where at first captured at Coringa. -

From Captain Robertson

From acting Deputy aajutant General to the King's Troops - requesting Passage money for the Officers going to England, in charge of Invalids - and orders for receiving their Officers on board the respective Ships. -

From Dilto

From Dito - with Packets containing Public Dispatches from Bengal for the Marquis Cornwallis. -

From Captain Sutherland 74 Regiment

From Captain Sutherland - stating the

a

792 Fort St George. 7 January 1794

17th the Exorbitant Sum demanded of him for a Passage to Europe.

From Lieutenant Hart Infantry

From Lieutenant Thomas Hart requesting Leave to return to Europe. —

Substance of Letter from the Nabob

From the Nabob — requests the Guards & stationed between Vellore and Vellore for the protection of the Tappy, may be withdrawn

18th Received the undermentioned letters Entered in Book B. Nos 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135 —

From Secretary Cowley. —

From Secretary to the Hospital Board with Continuation of Proceedings for transmission to England. —

From Resident at Hydrabad

From Captain Kirkpatrick — advising of his having taken charge of the Duties of the Residency at the Nizams Court. —

From Captain Flint

From Captain William Flint requesting payment of his Off-Reckonings for 1791 and 1792 previous to his Departure. —

From Lieutenant Long —

From Lieutenant Long — requesting the appointment of Master Master in the Center Division —

From

1793 Fort St George 2 February 1793

From Lieutenant 18th
From Lieutenant C. B Phillipson
Phillipson

requesting leave to return to Europe. —

From Town Major
From Town Major — with a List of the

Numbers of the Kings and Company's Troops

landed here in 1793 —

Sent the following letter. —

To Mr Oliver Colt

Sir

To Mr O. Colt — Intimating
having a Refund of
irregular charges
& Difference of Exchange
the Sum of £ 8676 11 10 Sterl
will be supplied for Mr Hoare

I am directed by the Honble the

President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt

of your letter of this date, and to inform you

that the balance standing to your debit on

account of irregular charges, and difference of

exchange amounting in the whole to the Sum

of Eight thousand six hundred and seventy six

Pagodas — and forty cash / 8676 11 — 10 / must

be paid into the hands of the Military Paymaster

General, and brought to the credit of the Company

previous to your departure. —

The

794.

Fort St George 18th February 1794

18th

The President in Council has come to the resolution of relieving you from any refund on account of the casualties, as you have stated that your best exertions were employed in making the Recoveries, and that you are ready to declare upon oath that every sum so recovered was punctually brought to the credit of the Company. —

The Security you have entered into on account of Mr Hoar will be exchanged for the Security of Colt, Baker and Co, and as soon as you have complied with the 2d instructions contained in this Letter, there will be no further objection to your proceeding to Europe. —

I am &c &c

Fort St George
18th February 1794

(Signed) W. C. Jackson

Dispatched also the undermentioned Letters Entered in Bks Nos 136. 137. 138 & 139. A & B

To Captain Sutherland
73d Regiment. —

To Captain Sutherland — in reply to his letter above noted. —

To

Fort George 11. February 1794

To Auditor Genl 18th

To Military auditor General directing the
payment of Passage money for the officers proceeding
to Europe in Charge of the Kings Invalids. —

To Commanders of the Prince William
Henry - Rodney - Alford, Woodcote, and Hillsborough
- with orders to receive on board Chatty Party &
Passengers, also others as French Prisoners - instructions
regarding the latter. —

To Commanders of the Indiamen

To Town Major with orders to Embark
only Four French Prisoners on Each of the Indiamen

To Town Major

To Lieutenant Thos. Hart permitting him to resign the Com[illegible] proceed to Europe

To Lieut. Hart.

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Ashley Bart.

Governor - President

Ernst William Tallofield Esqr.

Tuesday 18th February 1794. —

Minutes of last Consultation read and
approved —

Read the following letter from Colonel
Brathwaite —

To

796.

Fort St George 18th February 1794.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Braithwaite
Offers Raine declines
submitting to a Court
of Enquiry and desires
a Court Martial

In obedience to your Honors com-
mands under date the 12th Instant, I had taken
measures that a Court of Officers should meet for
the purpose set forth in your Letter, and as Mr
Raine stands very high in the Medical class of
Servants, and is a Member of the Hospital Board,
I had determined that Lieutenant Colonels Bidcliffe,
Campbell, and Gint should compose the Court,
and was preparing the necessary Instructions,
fully to explain the intent and purpose for
which it was instituted, when Mr Raine waited
upon me, and produced a Record of the Proceed-
Board, whereby I found that your Honor had com-
municated to that Board your Resolution, and
consequent directions to me. — Mr Raine has
informed me that as many Charges have been
recorded against him, he cannot now submit
to

Fort St George 18th February 1794

to an Enquiry whether he has deserved them or not but desires that they may be Exhibited against him, and that he may be brought to a general Court Martial, where only Information can be obtained upon Oath – My Reply to Mr Paine was, that I should suspend every sort of proceeding on the subject till I should have made this a communication to your Honor in Council

I have the Honor to be, with the Respect-
ful Regard
Your Honor &c
(Signed) John Braithwaite

Military Board Quarters Madras February 15. 1794

Resolution in consequence

Resolved that Mr William Paine be ordered under arrest, and brought to trial, agreeably to his own request, on a charge of neglect of duty, as set forth in the representation of Mr Alexander Anderson to the Hospital Board under date the 16th January 1794

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board –

Hospital

1798

Fort St George 18th February 1794

From Hospital Board Mr Raine requests a Genl Court Martial and to withdraw his letter of resignation his motives for not existing the General Hospital Memorial of Assistant Surgeons of 1792.

Hospital Board

18 th February

Government having

been pleased to approve

resolutions of this Board

respecting with the advice

of the Commander in Chief

we hope it will be attended with

every beneficial consequence to

Service.

Mr Raine has communi-

cated to the Board a correspon-

dence between and the Officer

Commanding the Army, by which

appears that he wishes his

conduct should be investigated

by a General Court Martial; and

has requested us to forward the

accompanying Letter to Government

The Hospital Board,

having no Legal Power

General regulation of all the Hos

on the Coast, could not interfere

a General Court Martial will be ordered, and Mr Raine is to consider himself under arrest

Mr Raine's letter requesting permission to resign the Service is permitted to be withdrawn.

799 Fort St George 18th February 1794

The President in Council observes that by the 16th article of the regulations for the medical Department, sent from England it is the express duty of the members of the Hospital Board to make frequent visits to the general Hospitals & He does not admit that such visits would in any respect interfere with the interior management, or lessen the consiquence or responsibility of the Head Surgeons - but, on the contrary, that it would have a very salutary effect upon the whole medical Treatment, and afford the most regular and satisfactory mean of enabling Government to judge of the conduct of the Surgeons - The memorial will be sent to England

in the interior Management of the Presidency Hospital, more than he can, without absolving from the consiquence & responsibility of the Head Surgeon, who is specifically appointed to that duty and reports monthly to the Governor and the Commander in Chief

At the request of the of Assistant Surgeons of the year 1788

we have the Honor to inclose a Memorial on the subject of their Rank, addressed to the Honble the Court of Directors. —

(signed) Jas Anderson
Physician Genl
Colley L Lucas
Chief Surgeon
J. Reese
Head Surgeon

To

800.

Fort St George 18th February 1794

To The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council

Honble Sirs,

A publick Investigation of my Conduct being about to take Place, I request you will permit me to withdraw my letter of the 12th Instant, as I cannot submit to any Examination while my Resignation remains in the hands of Government.

I have the Honor to remain
&c &c

pd 21st February 1794

(Signed) W. Roome

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General

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

Honble Sirs

From Military Auditor General - reporting finally on the amount of Mr Oliver Colt - Letter from his Deputy relative to a Demand formerly stated to be against Mr Colt.

I am reporting finally upon the account of Mr Oliver Colt previous to his being pensioned to

Fort St George 18th February 1794

to proceed to Europe, agreeably to your Commands in
Mr Secretary Clerk's Letter of the 25th ultimo, I beg leave
to lay before you a Letter which it became necessary
for the Deputy Military auditor General to address to
me in consequence of the Report he occasioned my
laying before you in may 1792 concerning an o
outstanding balance of Pagodas 933 . 37 . 40 —
then stated to be against Mr Colt, but which is
there reduced to Pagodas 3869 . 33 . 40 for the reasons a
assigned in the Deputy Military auditor Generals
report — say outstanding Balance against Mr Colt
the Paymaster with the army as P Audit of any
principles in Office . . . . . 3869 . 33 . 40
Retrenchment against Mr Colt arising
on the audit of the Grain accounts of
Mr Thomas Hungerford being the
difference of Exchange between the
value of the gross issues of Grain
Debited at 12 Fanams P Pagoda
and the Hospitages brought to
account at 15 . . . . . 1816 . 9 . — .

Total Pags 8676 . — . 40 —

Say

Fort St George 18th February 1794

say Eight Thousand Six hundred and Seventy Six Pagodas and Forty Cash to be refunded by Mr Robinson Colt. —

Exclusive of the above there remains to be decided upon by your Honble Board the Proportion for which Mr Colt shall be answerable of Eight Thousand and Sixty Nine Pagodas and Four Fanams and Ten Cash being the amount of Grain Specie not brought to account by him — the deficiency supposed to arise.

1st From the Casualties by deaths or Desertions of the Men, to whom the Specie had been made previous to the date of the Batta being discharged for the Month the respectively in which the Specie had been made as the Stoppages have been taken from the Batta —

2d — By the Total amount of Specie sent to the Troops detached to different stations from the army in the Field the whole of which stand on the Debit against the Paymaster with the army although at times he did not make

the

Fort St George 18th February 1794

the Payments to the Troops so detached. —

On reference to the Returns during the
period Mr Colt was Paymaster, the Casualties
which appear in his favor are 2703 but the Loss
by them cannot be exactly ascertained as in many
instances there can be no doubt of those Casualties
having happened, at Times, when the Stoppage
to be accounted for was for the Grain issues of
one two and sometimes three Months, according
to the periods respectively of the issues of Batta
corresponding to the months for which the Stoppages
fell to be made — under these Circumstances
therefore, added to the Matter which applys
in the case of the Detachments, the Stoppages
for which I apprehend it will be difficult, if
at all practicable, to bring to account, it is totally
impossible for me to make any specific report
whether Mr. Colt is to be held responsible for the whole
or any part of the sum of Pagodas 8069.4.10 arising
from the issues to the Casualties and Detachments
as from such causes a deficiency must have
occured on the Sums debited by the Commissary

804

Fort St George 16th February 1794

of Grain with the army and have been credited by the
Paymaster under the head of Shipping, although
the exact amount cannot be ascertained in a
detailed account corresponding to the Total
of the Deficiency. —

I have furnished Mr Colt with a
copy of this Report that he may be prepared to
receive your final decision and orders, and
have only to add that, previous to his departure
for Europe, he will have to answer the
Security he has entered into on account of
Ord Hoar. —

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
16th February 1794

I have the honor to be
with the highest respect
Sir
Your most
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mily. Aud. Genl.

Colonel Henry Malcolm
Military Auditor General

Sir,

In the Quarterly Statement of
outstanding Balances, which, agreeable to the old
System

805 Fort St George 18th February 1794

System, fell to be sent in to Government on
the 1st of May 1792, I included, by mistake, a
a Sum against Mr Oliver Colt late Paymaster
to the army amounting to Pags /9331. 37. 40/
Nine Thousand, three hundrid and thirty one
Pagodas, Thirty seven fanams, and forty Cash,
Not recollecting that he was in possession of
the Vouchers required by the late Controller
General's audit for Charges making a part
of this sum amounting to Pags /5472. 4 f. /and
which Vouchers are now lodged with the
Military Paymaster General as this certifi-
-cate accompanying. The remaining balance
of Pagodas /3859. f. 33. C 40/ is still out-
-standing against Mr. Colt - The Nature of
the Charges, for which the Vouchers are
forthcoming, is for Repairs of Tents executed
by the late Lieutenant Colonel Moorhouse,
making up new Doolies, repairing old ones,
and some repairs of Tents executed by the Paymaster
by order of the Commander in Chief -
I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
J Brunton
Dep.y mag This

Fort St George
the 18th February
1794

806

Fort Hunger 18th February 179

This is to certify that the Vouchers for
Pagodas Five thousand four hundred and
Seventy two fanams four /5472–4–/ thou
been lodged in my Office by Mr Colt whe
did not accompany his accounts and whe
were required by the Comptroller Genera

Fort St George
10th February 1794

(Signed) B Roebuck
M.P.G.

Read the following letter from M
oliver Colt. —

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart
Governor in Council

Fort St George

Honble Sir

I have received Mr Secretary
Clarke's Letter of the 8th Instant informing me
that before my resignation of the Service
could be accepted, it would be necessary
to send in Certificates from the Auditor
General, and Accountant General's Office
shewing that the Company have no Demand
against

I received Colt with
Letter upon the
Records made against
him by the Auditor General
Cost per all of the Accounts
finally settled — Appl
Colt Bakers 108 pa
Country pay for Mr Hoar

Fort St George 18th February 1794

against me in either of those Departments, &
I have accordingly applied and obtained
from the Accountants Generals Office, the
Certificate that accompanies this, but, in
regard to the one from the Auditor General,
I find, on application to Colonel Malcolm, it
cannot be granted, till such time as your
Honor shall have decided on a final report
that he has laid before you on my accounts
and my having complied with such instruction
as you may please to pass, after the above
report has undergone consideration. —

Colonel Malcolm has thought
proper to furnish me with a Copy of his
Letter to your Honble Board, by which
I observe that he has submitted to your
determination whether I am to be held
accountable for the Sum of Pag.o 8,676.40 &
whether I can, in any shape, be held answerable
for the whole or any part of Pag.o 9,069.4.10 or
arising from debits to the Paymaster by the
Grain

Fort St George 18th February 1794

Grain Department, for Rice I found to a
Man, and who did and deserted, when a
Several Months Stoppages for Rice were
due from them, and from whom no Stoppages
could possibly be made, and by whom, in
many Instances the Company must be
concluded have gained by their Pay remaining
undrawn.

Before your Honble Board finally
decides on a matter that so materially affects
me, I beg leave to trouble you with the
following remarks on the several charges
alluded to.

Vide 1st Pag.e 385 9. 33. 40 arising
from Payments made to Officers in the
confused hurry of a Camp which are doubtless
irregular, and often by Misconception of the
regulations, which it must in candour be
allowed left many points not by any
means clearly defined, Especially in regard
to a Variety of circumstances which a Paymaster
is liable to in the Field, when it seldom or
happens

Fort St George 18th February 1794

happens that time will admit him maturely to weigh every doubtful point when called upon for payments. Should I, notwithstanding, be held responsible for the amount - I trust the Honble Board will, in Justice, afford me the necessary assistance of Government in recovering the amount from the Individuals to whom the payments were made. -

The Second charge of Pags 4816.9 - being the difference of Exchange by bringing the Fanams to account at the rate of 46 — instead of 42 for the Pagodas. In regard to this I have only to observe that payments for all Rice are made in Fanams, from the Batta, and the number of Fanams endorsed on the back of the Pay role. As are sold and brought to account at the Bazar Exchange, Consequently the Company can not be considered to have any just claim on me on that account. I conceive I might, with equal propriety, be made accountable at the rate of 36 Fanams for the

810.

Fort St George 18th February 1794

the Pagoda, the Company's Book Exchange
or any other ideal exchange that might be
fixed for keeping their accounts at. It is
necessary to observe to you that the Rice account
had no connection with my accounts as
Paymaster to the army, having always pa
the Troops the full amount of their allowa
and received back from them the amount
of the Rice in Jamma, I cannot conceive
therefore on what principal I can be held
accountable for this Sum – I trust what I
have said will be sufficient to induce you
to relieve me from all claim on that accoun

The last charge of Pog.s 2069. 4. 10
I cannot speaks for they. I shall therefore
only mention that I expended my utmost en
endeavours in making the recoveries, and I
that I am ready to declare on my oath,
that every Sum so recovered was punctually
brought to the Credit of the Company. I
derived no advantage from the business,
but

811 Fort George 18th February 1794

but had much trouble, and when the loss in so extended a concern, is compared with what it was in former Wars, it will perhaps appear trifling. —

With respect to the Security required for me Honr Beg leave to offer you the firm of Colt Baker & Co. —

I shall not take up more of your time further than to express that I have a firm reliance in your justice and that I shall wait your further communication Beg leave also to add that should your Honor consider me answerable for any claims that cannot be immediately ascertained I will give the Security of Colt Baker & Co for their being made ultimately good to the Company. —

I have the honor to be
your &c
(Signed) Oliver Colt

Fort George
18th February 1794

Fort George
18th February 1794

This is to certify that by the General Books no Balance of account appears to be due from Mr. Oliver Colt in the general department. —

(Signed) Robert Wool
Accountant General
Revised

Fort St George 18th February 1794.

Resolutions on the two foregoing letters.—

Resolved that the balance standing to Mr. Colt's debit on account of singular charges and dispersonal exchanges amounting in the whole to the sum of P eight thousand six hundred and seventy six Pagodas & forty cash (8676–10) be paid into the hands of the Military Paymaster General and brought to the credit of the Company, previous to Mr Colt's departure.—

Resolved that Mr. Colt be relieved from any refund on account of the casualties he has stated that his best exertions were employed in making the recoveries, and that he is required to declare upon oath that every sum so recovered was brought to the credit of the Company.—

Agreed that the Security of Messrs Baker & Co. be accepted as proposed by Mr Colt and that permission be granted to Mr Gordon to embark on the Bodmin so soon as he has complied with these resolutions.—

Read the following letter from Colonel Braithwaite.—

To

813 Fort St George 18th February 1794

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir

From Colonel Brathwaite again represent the inadequacy of his present allowances.

although from the Extract of the Paragraph of the Honorable Courts last General Letter which you have done me the Honor to communicate to me, (which states that "the Letter from Colonel Brathwaite "referred to in this Paragraph will be "taken into Consideration, whenever the "subject of the appointment of a Command- "er in Chief of the Forces serving under "your Presidency shall come under discussion")

I have but too much reason to suppose that the Honorable Court have in Contemplation to appoint some other Officer to the Chief command of this army, in which I have so long served, and which I have now commanded Nineteen Months I hope to your Satisfaction, with Credit to myself, and advantage to the State, & I cannot in justice to the Situation, let it

814 Fort St George 18th February 1794

it be intended for whom it may, to prain h
from representing to you again, before
the departure of the Ships for Europe, th
that when the respectability and total
Independance, as it relates to Income, a
which ought to be attached to the Office
who holds the command of this very
large and respectable army, and the r
responsibility which is necessarily attac
to his Situation, both as commander
of the army, and President of the Militar
Board are considered, his allowances
are the most inadequate to his Respon
Rank, and functions of any granted to any
Servant on the Coast Establishment, Civil o
Military, which I cannot but suppose, pute
myself totally out of the question, not to be
good Policy. —

I am sensible that your H
Honor in Council here is not authorized
to augment my present allowances, but
as you can best judge of the attention
due to what I have said, from your
Honour

815

Fort St George 18th February 1794

Knowledge of the Duties I have to perform,
how I have discharged the trust reposed
in me, and how very Expensive it is, in
this Country, to support decently such a
situation, I trust you will indulge me
so far as to send this my Letter as a sepa-
rate number in the Packet. —

Lest it should be thought
that having already troubled you on this
subject, and informed as I am of the inten-
tion of the Honble Court of Directors, it
cannot be necessary or even proper in
me to trouble you on them again, I beg
leave to state a case so strongly in point
that I am convinced it must add great
weight to any thing before said on the
subject, and must carry Conviction to
your Honor in Council, and the Honble
Court of Directors, that I have actually
expended much of my own private
Fortune since I had the Honor to Com-
mand this army, owing to the Inadequacy
of

Fort St George 18th February 1794

of my Income, though I have a-
voided every thing like parade, and
indeed every Expence that I could decently
avoid.

I consider of the absolutely
necessary Expences which I must incur
from my situation & military command, you
have, at times, judged it necessary to
confer suitable allowances on those
who held them, and your judgment in
this respect is only limited in regard
to the allowances granted to the officer
at the head of the Army, the Consequence
is, that there are several Officers who
are subordinate to him, and who cannot
be supposed to keep his Expences, who have
actually larger allowances than he has,
upon avoided allowances from the Com-
pany, independant of some advantages
probably arising from situations, I have
in a former letter, quoted to the Most
Noble Marquis Cornwallis the allowances
granted to

817 Fort St George 18th February 1794

granted to Major Roberts, and I can now add those of Colonel Nixon, which have been passed in the course of a correspondence through me, and to this end beg leave to state all that I receive and all the Receipts of Colonel Nixon in the Command of Pondicherry, as far as they come within my Knowledge. —

Pagodas per month.

My Subsistence as Colonel for the month of thirty days is — 93. —

My Gratuity being now reduced to 1200 Pags. P. annum is — 100. —

My Share of the Cloathing Fund now reduced to 400 Pags P.m. is - 33. —

My allowance as Commanding the army in full for Batta & all Contingencies . . . . . 416. —

642

Colonel Nixon receives,

His

818

Fort St George 18th February 1794

His subsistence the same as Pt Gnl. Meadows		93
His Gratuity &c		100
His Share of the Cloathing &c		33
He receives Batta		180
Allowances for a Table		250
		656

Were the allowances of Colonel Kirkpatrick independant of any advantages he may derive from situation, exceed mine by fourteen Pagodas per Month. I am clearly of opinion that those Allowances are indispensibly necessary to enable Colonel Kirkpatrick to support his Situation with Respectability, but I do not also apart from the fullest Conviction that the Expences which are necessarily attached to his situation are very short indeed of those which necessarily attache to mine, and I have no doubt that when you reflect that every Officer of the army, whether of His Majesty's Service

819 Fort St George 18th February 1794

Service of the Honorable Company's, are coming u
to the Presidency resort to one, so that I am o
under a necessity of paying towards them u
at least the attention of one or two Invitations
and that every person in the army looks u
towards me for Relief in distress, many of whose
cases are such that it is impossible to resist u
their Solicitations, that you will readily admit
that it is not possible that any Subordinate o
Officers Situation can involve any thing like
the Expence which mine does, and that consequently
if certain allowances have been wisely granted to
such, to leave them without excuse for any o
improper pursuits to support their necessary
Expences, (which I am thoroughly convinced is a
wise Measure) that it is a dereliction of
principle to fix the allowances of the Officer
at the Head of the army, in whom so much trust
and Responsibility is vested, to a Sum, which u
cannot possibly support him, however frugal
he may be, consistently with sufficient liberality
to ensure respectability. —

I

820. Fort St George 18th February 179

I cannot Conclude this Letter Honble
Sir, without calling your attention to a
late event, which, from your many
occupations may have escaped your notice
but which I am sure must give you as
much pleasure as it has done to me and
I hope I may without Vanity add that it
reflects some credit on myself who have Co
manded the Army now Disbanded Were
there cannot be a stronger proof obtained
of the entire Harmony which now subsists
between His Majesty's and the Honble Co
Company's Officers, than in the recommend
you have lately received from Colonel Wilson
and Colonel Floyd for Officers to serve them as
Secretaries - Colonel Wilson has solicited a
Captaincy from one of His Majesty's Corps
and Colonel Floyd a Captaincy from one of
the Honble Companys -

I have the Honor to be with Respect
Sir
Your most
obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) John Brathwaite

Brittany Head
Quarters -
Madras February 11th 1794

Agreed

Fort St George 18th February 1794

Minute thereon

Agreed that a copy of the foregoing letter be sent to the Honorable Court of Directors, and that the application proferred by Colonel Brathwaite be recommended to their favorable Consideration

Read the following letter from Major Stevenson

W. C Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Military Department

Sir

From Major Stevenson reporting his purchase of Horse at Tachinore & Cochin - their price, and inclose a Bill for the Amount -

In Consequence of the Letter I had the Honor to Recive from you of 31st October last - I sent a Jemadar to open a Correspondence with the Horse Dealers at Cochin and Travancore, and found the Rajahs of those places very ready to assist my views when they were informed that the Horse were for the Honble Company's Service The Dealers brought some Horses to Tachinore for Sale, and I purchased all that were fit for the Service, 19, at 300 Surat Rupees P Horse, and as I found there would be great delay in bringing other Horses which the Jemadars Reported and described, to Tachinore, I authorized him

822

Fort St George 13th February 1794

Sirin to purchase 9 Horses at Cochin, at 289 Surat Rupees each and 23 Horses at Travancore at 330 Surat Rupees each — on account of which is enclosed. —

The Horses are all fine young, strong and healthy — The only Exception that can be made is to six that are under two years old but they are fine promising Colts and in a year will be Serviceable Horses —

I beg leave to observe that the Dealers Engage to bring 500 Horses yearly to this Market, if Government wish a further supply. —

I have sent a Duplicate of the Enclosed Account which is strictly just, and the amount has been fully paid to the Dealers (for various Expences as Account) & only agreed at Madras, and hope the President in Council will be pleased to order the amount to be paid to his Hands. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c
(signed) J Stevenson
Major
Commanding 3d Regiment N.C.
agreed

Tachenore
February 6th 1794

823 Fort Myers 18th February 1794

Minute thereon

Agreed that Major Stevenson's Bill be paid, and that he be directed to give every Encouragement to the dealers to bring an annual supply of Horses fit for the service, to a spot where they will always find a ready Market. —

Read the following Letter from the adjutant General. —

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary Military Department

Sir,

Colonel Brathwaite has desired me to intimate his recommendation that the following promotions may be ordered to take place, which you will be pleased to communicate to the Honble the President in Council —

Form adjutant General proposing the promotion of Lieutenants Durand & Smith and Ensigns H. Fraser — D. Chisholm — A. Brown & Mackintosh — J. P. Keasberry and D. Shaw. —

Lieutenant John James Durand to be Captain of a Company, vice Massey on leave to Europe date of Commission 17th February 1794. —

Lieutenant George Smith to be Captain of a Company vice Green on leave to Europe — date of Commission 17th February 1794. —

Ensign Hugh Fraser to be Lieutenant vice Durand promoted date of Commission 17th February 1794

Ensign

824

Fort St George 18th February 1794

Ensign Williams Chambers to be Lieutenant
vice Smith promoted - date of Commission 1st
of 1st February 1794.

Ensign Adam Brown, to be Lieutenant vice
Lemoon on leave to Europe - date of Commission 1st
17th February 1794.

Ensign Hugh Macwhirter to be Lieutenant
vice Macalister on leave to Europe - date of
Commission 17th February 1794.

Ensign John Patrick Hardcastle to be Lieutenant
vice Malcolm on leave to Europe - date
of Commission 17th February 1794

Ensign William Shaw to be Lieutenant
vice Gillean on leave to Europe date of
Commission 17th February 1794.

Fort St George
17th February 1794.

I have the honor to be
Sir Your
(Signed) BJ Close
Auditor Genl of the army

Promotions ordered

Ordered that the promotions be made

The

825 Fort St. George 18th February 1794

The Secretary lays before the Board the following Note to him from Sir John Kennaway.—

W. C. Jackson Esqr
&c., &c., &c.

Sir John Kennaway sends a parcel and box said to contain a Khelaut and Jewels from the Nizam for the Governor General

Dear Sir

I have the pleasure to send a parcel and box said to contain a Khelaât and Jewels from his Highness the Nizam for the Governor General, and referr'd to in the Letter of Congratulation which his Highness wrote Sir John Shore on his accession to the Government. I shall be obliged to you to forward them by the first opportunity to Mr Perrian a translator Chery, and to send me a Receipt for them—

I am
&c., &c.,

Sunday
16th February 1794.

(Signed) J. Kennaway

Ordered that the Khelaât and Jewels

order thereon

from the Nizam for the Governor General be sent to Bengal by the first Sea conveyance.—

Read

826. Fort St George 18th February 17

Read the following Letter from

Colonel Brathwaite. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite
— on the subject of
Commands and
Staff appointments

As a Promotion has lately
taken place of a Field Officer on the Es-
tablishment, it occurs to me to be a
proper time to submit to your consider-
ation, whether it would not be more
equitable / Sure sure it would be attended
with many advantages to the Service / tha
there should be some limited time f
Officers holding Commands, and also f
the Relief of Corps — There are some Situation
which, from the nature of the Service,
have such evident advantages over thos
both as it affects the Officers and Soldiers,
on account of Batta to the former, and
the varying price of Bazar articles to
the latter, that it occurs to me to be bes
fair

Fort St George 18th February 1814

fair that both Officers and Men should,
as far as Circumstances will permit, un-
dergo such a rotation as may Distribute
the advantages and Disadvantages pretty
equally throughout the Service. —

I am well aware that Cir-
cumstances may, and will often occur
to render it necessary to continue some,
both Officers in command, and Corps at
their several Stations, longer than may
be resolved on as the limited time but as
no general rule can be Established to which
there may not be some Exceptions, I would
not press this further, than that it should
be generally understood, that it was the
design of Government to make those re-
movals, if nothing at the time occurred
to induce them to deviate from the rule. —
as it relates to Discipline, and to keep
up in every Officer and Soldier, the turn of
mind which should attach to his Profession,
— I am convinced that it is not advisable
that

Fort St George 18th February 1794

that either Officers or Soldiers, should be
remain too long in one Station, as by
so doing, they may acquire habits and
Connections which may greatly tend to
lessen Military Order, and from peculiar
Circumstances attending them, perhaps
more so, in those Countries than any
other, — In some conversations I have
had the Honor to hold with Marquis
Cornwallis I know it to be his Idea, that
Troops, to preserve them in good Habits of
order, should be frequently removed from
one Situation to another, and it has been
a fixed principle in Bengal, I am informed
to shift the Native Corps every year, and
the European Corps every two years; as
a Professional Man I must own that
I could wish to see the same Practice
adopted on the Coast — and as Field Officers
having Commands enjoy so great advantages
over those that have not, I think if
every Command was limited to two years

Fort St George 18th February 1794

it would certainly be more equitable, and would prove advantageous to the Service. Such was the Resolution of this Govern=ment in the year 1774, in consequence of which I was relieved from the Command of Madura early in 1775 having held it then two years, as was every other Field officer so circumstanced. — While this subject is under your consideration, I will take the liberty to request that you will be pleased also to turn your Thoughts on the Employ=ments of Barrack Masters and Muster Masters, which exempt Officers from all Regimental, Parade, and Field Duties. It may occur to you then, as proper to fix some limits to the possession of these Employs; but, as these Employs are few, I am not so anxious concerning them, as I am in regard to the relief of Officers in Commands, and the relief of Corps, from a regular System of which I am convinced

the

Fort St George 18th February 1794

the Service would derive great advantages. —

I am very sensible that this System will be attended with some additional Expence, but as Expence must be Encountered when it is necessary to Keep up a Military Establishment, if it appears to you, as it does to me, that the Army will be greatly improved by such a System, I think the additional Expence will not prove an Obstacle. —

I will also beg leave to recommend that in such Situations as the Tinnevelly Country, where there are two or three Military Stations, that the whole should be under the Command of the Senior Officer, who should be appointed to the Command of the Troops in the Districts, as is the practice in the Districts North of the Kistna, the Guntoor Circar, and the Baramahal and Salem Countries, —

Military Head Quarters Madras February 11th 1794 } I have the Honor to be with Respect. —
yrs &c &c

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Remk & Resolutions in consequence.

The Board approve generacy of the opinions given by Colonel Brathwaite in regard to Commands and Staff-appointments, though they feel a difficulty in

831 Fort St George 18th February 1794

in resolving upon any fixed rule on account
of the scattered state of the Coast army, and the
situation of the Kings Regiments, where
commanding Officers cannot, in any case, be
separated from their Corps. — The Board
are however so well convinced of the expediency
of the measure as far as it can be observed,
that it is now resolved to remove Lieutenant
Colonel Clarke from the command of
Palamcotah, and Major Burr from that
of the Troops in the Guntoor Circar, which
they have respectively held about three years
and to appoint Lieutenant Colonel Dugald
Campbell to the former, and Major Alexander Dyrcks to the latter. It is also
their intention that no employment of
Barrack Master or Muster Master
shall be enjoyed in future by one and
the same Officer beyond the term of
three years — and at an early day, they
will determine the periods at which
those Gentlemen who now hold
appointments

Fort St George 18th February 1794

appointments of this discription shall relinquish them. —

The Board are very sensible of the merits of Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage, and it is agreed to direct Colonel Brathwaite to apprize that Officer, that his claim to the Notice of Government will have early consideration. —

Read the following letter from the Military auditor General. —

The Honble Sir Charles Oakley Bart
President and Governor in Council
Fort St George

Honble Sir

auditor Generals report relative to Mr Brown's Bills for a claim of arrears, for medical attendance on the Company's Sick

In consequence of your orders of the 25th May last relative to the Bills of Mr Brown late Surgeon's assistant of the late 101st Regiment for a claim of arrears on account of Medical attendance from

833

Fort St George 18th February 1794

from March to June 1784, an investigation has
been gone into of the accounts of that period from
which it does not appear that any charge was
made by Mr Brown for his attendance on the Sick
of the Honble Company's Troops which had been
directed as stated in the Certificate of Colonel Forbes,
the amount as per Mr. Browns Bills accompanying
your Commands of the 25th May is Pags 706, 34 fo.
and appears in proportion to the Hospital Charges
then made in the Field, under which circumstance
and the Certificate granted by Colonel Forbes the Bills
may be discharged I conceive in the manner directed by the
Honble Court, as it is impossible to obtain further
information concerning the occasion of Mr. Browns
being employed for the Company's Sick than is
stated in the attestation of Colonel Forbes. —

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

(Signd) Henry Malcolm
Mily. and Gen.l —

Military auditor
Generals Office
Fort St George 17th Feby 1794.

Resolved

834

Fort St George 18th February 1794

Resolution thereon

Resolved that a Bill be drawn on the Honorable Court at the exchange of 178 ℙ Pagoda, and at 365 days sight, in favor of Mr. Thomas Brown for the sum of seven hundred and six Pagodas and thirty four fanams /706.34/ and that the amount be carried to the debit of Second War with Hyder alley and to the credit of account Current London.

The Board are decidedly of opinion that Mr. Brown has no claim whatever to Interest, since his demand was never publickly preferred to this Government — If it had, a decision would have passed at the time when the subject was better understood, and it is only now, in compliance with the orders of the Honorable Court, that the Board are induced to give their sanction to a charge, which had been for so long a period kept back, and which, for that reason alone, would, by the existing regulations, have been rejected altogether. —

Chas Oakeley

W Hastings

Edwd Wm Parry

W. Aldt

835 Fort St. George February 1794.—

Diary

Received the following Letter

19th.

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George.

Honble Sir.

I do myself the honor to lay before

From a Military Auditor General regarding Passage Money for Lieut. Conran 52d. Regiment from Bengal to Madras.—

you a Reference concerning Passage Money, from Bengal to Madras, to Lieutenant Conran of the 52d Regiment made by the Military Paymaster General Army Office agreeably to the regued contained in the latter part of his Letter as there is no regulation which authorises the payment of Passage Money claimed under the circumstances of the Party being on Field Batta the whole of the time.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office Fort St. George 18th. February 1794.—

Signed Henry Malcolm
Mily. Aud. Genl.

Colonel Henry Malcolm

Military Auditor General

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I enclose you a Bill for Passage Money which

836.

Fort St. George. February 1794.

19.

which Lieutenant Conran has claimed, but which has lain over for some time to be adjusted, there being a demand against him in my Office for cash advanced him in Bengal. I beg leave to add that he claimed his Passage Money in proper time but I knew not what allowance he was entitled to on that account as he was upon Full Batta the whole time he was absent from his Regiment. I request you will be pleased to favor me with your decision on the Subject, and if you should think that according to the Regulations he is entitled to Passage Money that you will be pleased according to his desire to refer his application to Government.

I have the honor to be
D.r Sir D.r

Fort St. George
3d February 1794.

Signed B. Roebuck
Military Paymaster General

Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

Sir.

In Consequence of a former application to you for my Passage Money due me to and from Bengal, I am directed to have received the particulars

837

Fort St. George February 1794.

№ 19

Sum I was to have drawn for; and, as Colonel Ross's Letter on this Subject, which I left at your Office, for your perusal states the justness of my claim on this Government Itake the liberty to send enclosed my Bill for the Amount due me on this head should there be any further dessiculty I leave to request it may be referred to Government.-

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

(Signed) James Corran
Lieut. 52d Regt.

Tuesday 5th February

Sir.

I should with great pleasure mention your request to Lord Cornwallis, if it could be of any use to you. But as the allowances which is made to officers of their Passages from one part of India to another is not a specific sum but so much for each day of the time that they may happen to be upon their Passage, the Amount that will be due to you cannot be

838

Fort St. George February 1794.

16th

be ascertained till after your arrival at Madras, and consequently can only be fixed there I am persuaded however that it will be immediately fixed to you by that Government as your Rank to this Presidency upon Duty.—

I am
Sir,
Your &c. &c.

Lieut. Corran

Signed A. Ross

23d November 1792.—

Sir,

I have spoken both to Lord Cornwallis and to Colonel Murray about your Batta, But it seems that it cannot be paid here from its being a Rule that Officers can only draw their Allowances of every Kind from the Presidency where the Regiment to which they belong is stationed: Should you however find it impossible to get money for Draft upon your own Paymaster I think it probable that on a Representation from you to that effect his

Lordship

839

Fort St. George February 5th 1794.

19th

Lordships would direct that some advance should be made to you here on Account.—

I am
Sir
&c.a &c.a

Lieutenant Conran

[Signed] A. Ross

Poondamallee
November 21st 1793.

Dr.

Honble Company

To Dy. allowance as Passage } Rupees 150.—
Money from Bengal

[Signed] James Conran
Lieut. 52d Regt.

To Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

Dr.

Honble Company

To Dy allowance as Passage } Rupees 150.—
Money to Bengal

[Signed] James Conran
Lieut. 52 Regt.

To Benjamin Roebuck Esqr.
Military Paymaster General

A true Copies
[Signed] Henry. Marlton
Mast. Gen.l

To

840.

19

Fort St. George February 1794.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

From Military Board with a Bond of Indemnity for Guns supplied the Custom. also Statement of the annual Consumption of Bullshot.

We have the honor, in consequence of your commands of the 23. January 1793, to forward you Copy of the Bond of Messrs. Shaw, Lowell, and Chase for the twenty six unservicable Iron Guns supplied for the defence of the Ships Arrow, and to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters under date the 23 and 30th January last.-

We have directed the Contractors for Buildings and Repairs to execute, with all possible expedition, and agreeably to the Estimate of the Chief Engineer, a Barrack at the Mount for the accommodation of 330 Men, corresponding with the Plan N°2 marked B and requested Lieutenant Colonel Gent occasionally to inspect the work during its progress, which we shall have the honor to report to You, when it is in sufficient forwardness, to accommodate the 2d. Battalion of Artillery.-

The necessary orders are given to the Contractor for Clothing, as also to Major Dy respecting the

841

19th

Fort St. George February 5th 1794.--

the surplus Clothing now in the Major's possession, and
We have the honor, in reply, to transmit Copy of the Letter
from the Secretary to the Governor General in Council to under
your copy of an estimate of the annual consumption of
Sulphur at Fort St. George, and shall observe what He
recommends respecting future Indents for that article.--

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

Fort St. George
17th February 1794.--

John Brathwaite
Henry Malcolm
John Richardson
By Dose
Wm Dent
George Hall

[signed]

Know all Men by these Presents, That We Thomas
Chase, Henry Lovell, and Richard Chase, of Fort St George,
Merchants, are jointly held and firmly bound, to the
Government of Fort St. George, aforesaid, in the Penal
Sum of Five Thousand Star Pagodas, to the Payment
whereof

842

19th

Fort St. George, February 1794.—

whereof, well and truely to be made, We bind ourselves our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, firmly by these Presents, sealed with our Seal, and dated the 26th February 1794.—

Whereas, we did some time heretofore, make application to Government, for certain unserviceable Iron Guns of different Calibers, then lying on the Island, near to Fort St. George, to serve as ballast, for the use of the Ship Carron of Bombay, Francis Simpson Commander, at present in the Road of Madras, which application they were pleased to comply with, directing however that the Trunnions should be first struck off— but on a further requisition, to have twenty six of the said Guns, with Trunnions, to Mount on the deck of the said Ship, when occasion might require Government signified permission, that we might be accommodated with the aforesaid Twenty six Guns, with Trunnions on, provided we should forward, ample security to the Members of the Military Board, that such said Guns, shall only be used for the legal defence of the said Ship, and not sold to any Hostile, or Country Power.—

Now the Condition of this obligation is such, That if the said Francis Simpson, shall well and truly

843 Fort St. George Febuary 19th 1793.

truly observe, the good faith and conduct as prescribed by Law, to Ensure and, in Transactions and dealings with the Foreign Nations, and only have recourse to Arms and Defence, incase of an unwarranted attack on the said Ships, and that he in no manner acts or conducts himself, contrary to the true intent and meaning of these presents then this obligation to be void, and of none effect, otherwise to be and remain in full force and Virtue.-

Signed Sealed and Delivered at Fort St. George as aforesaid where no Stamped Paper is to be had in the presence of:-

Signed { M. C. Gibson / J. Doorbreyloo

Signed Chase Lowell and Chase Ld.

A true Copy

Signed J. Brodie
Sect. Military Board

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

Horible Sir.

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Colt has paid into my Office the sum of Pagodas 8676.—40.—on account of irregular Charges and deficience of Exchange, for which Credit has been given on my Books. I granted Mr. Colt, a receipt for the same.-

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
Signed B. Roebuck
M. P. G.

From Paymaster General. Mr. Colt has paid to the amount of Pd. and executed.-

Fort St. George
19th. February 1793.-

Recd

8444

Fort St. George February 5794.-

No 19

Received also the undermentioned Letters Entered in M: B. Nos 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147.-

From Auditor General.

From Military Auditor General Enclosing his Accots & Vouchers of the Accounts of the Kings Deputy Paymaster General.-

From Paymaster General.

From Military Paymaster General with an additional Estimate of Cash for the Presidency Paymaster for Account of the additional Donations.-

From Ditto.-

From Ditto with his Estimates of Cash for March. Mr. Paymaster Vaughans not yet received.-

From Adjutant General.

From Adjutant General with a General List of the Army and a General Return of Troops serving on the Coast for January.-

From Major Cox.

From Commandant of the 5th Regiment Cornet Walcott requests payment for a Horse and encloses a Certificate of his disease and Death.-

From Lieut. Howe.

From Commandant at Cuddalore Mr. Assistants Surgeon Stewart repeats his application for an allowance for Country and Bazar Medicines supplied the Garrison Staff and European Invalid there.-

From

845.

Fort St. George. February 8 1793.-

From Commander of the Woodcott-

From Captain Lewis.-

19th

requesting a supply of provisions for the Charter Party

Passengers ordered on board.-

From Commandant at Tiagar- the

From Captain Watts.-

Garrison in want of Grain and Provisions.-

Sent letter to the Military Auditor

To Military Auditor General

General, Entered in No. B. No 142. enclosing, for his Infor-

:mation, Copy of the letter last written to Mr. Oliver Colt.-

Received and sent the following letter

20th

The Honible Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Honible Sir.

I have the honor to enclose herewith,

From the Auditor General with Rolls and abstracts of Officers Soldiers &c. returned to England, and to whom additional Donation is due.-

in Order to be transmitted to the Honible the Court of Directors,

agreeably to your Orders, Rolls and Abstracts of the Officers

and Soldiers with descriptive Rolls of the non Commissioned

and Privates belonging to Corps serving under this

Presidency, who have returned to Europe since the 8th

February 1792. and whose Shares of the additional

donation granted by the Honible Court to the Army that

served

846

Fort St. George February 1794.

20th

Served above the Effects last War have not been paid in India - as follows. -

His Majesty's 19th Regiment Light Dragoons

36th Regiment Foot

52d . . . Ditto

71st . . . Ditto

72d . . . Ditto

73d . . . Ditto

74th . . . Ditto

Staff Roll and the Honble Company's Troops three Rolls and Abstracts Marked **A** with a corresponding descriptive Roll of non Commissioned and privates also Marked **A**. -

The Honble Company's 4th Battalion of Europeans Infantry. the Roll and Abstract Marked **B** with a Corresponding descriptive Roll of Non Commissioned and privates also Marked **B**. -

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 20th February 1794.

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

Signed Henry Malcolm
Mil. Aud. Genl.

847 — Fort St. George February 8th 1794

No 20

To the Honorable Robert Brooke Esq.

Governor &c. Council

at St. Helena

Honble Sir. &c. &c.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 8th April last, and to acquaint you that the detachment embarked at St. Helena on the Ships Royal Charlotte, reached this place in safety.—

To St. Helena. Their letter of the 8th April received the Hammocks are to be returned on the Royal Charlotte.—

Agreeably to the desire expressed by you we directed Captain Pryce to retain on board his Ship, and carry back to the Island, the Hammocks used by the detachment during Voyage to India.—

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George

19th February 1794.—

Signed Chas. Oakeley

Dft. Council

Dft. dispatched the undermentioned Letter

Entered in Mr. B. Nos 149. 150. 151. 152.—

To Captain Flint. acquainting him that no partial payment of Offreckonings can be made, but that the Amount due to him will be paid to his Attornies.—

To Captain W. Flint.—

848

Fort St. George February 1796.-

20th

To Lieutenant B. Phillipson

Inspector.-

To Lieutenant B. Phillipson on my proceed to England for the recovery of his Health.-

To Commanders of the Prince William Henry- Woodcott- Rodney- Hillsborough and Oxford- with Lists of Charter Party Passengers to be received on board.-

To Ditto of the Prince William Henry-

To Ditto of the Prince William Henry committing to his Charge a Box of Plans for the Honble Court.-

22nd

Received the undermentioned Letter

Entered in C. C. Vol. 15. 16.-

Substance of Letter from the Nabob read.-

From the Nabob enclosing Translate. Copy of his letter to Tipsoo Sultaun on the occasion of the Return of his Sons.-

Rajah of Tanjore.-

From the Rajah of Tanjore pays his Nuzr of 50,000 Pagodas dated the 6th Instant- and the Amount of Eight Months Allowance for the family of the late Rajah.-

From Acting Resident at Ganjam.-

Received the undermentioned Letter

Entered in M. B. Vol. 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158.-

From Acting Resident at Ganjam with the Invoice and Bill of Lading of Condemned Muskets and Cossyer Horses shipped on the Ship Mercury-

From

849 Fort St. George February 1794

22d

From Colonel Braithwaite.—

From Commander in Chief recommends Major Brodie for the Command of Coimbatore, and Captain Madden of 52d Regiment for that of Seringapatam.— Memorial of the latter Enclosed.—

From Ditto.—

From Ditto recommends that Jamalabad be made the head Quarters of the 8th Battalion and that the Two Companies of the 2/. Battalion now there be ordered to join their Corps.—

From French Prisoners at Palamcotah.—

From French Prisoners at Palamcotah.— respecting Wards for the Board's Orders regarding them, under Date the 4th Instant.—

From Commandant at Tanjore.—

From Commandant at Tanjore applying for the Residents House at that place.—

From Paymaster at Ditto the Commanding Officer delivered to his charge by Mr. Ram.—

From Paymaster at Ditto.—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters

Entered in Mr. B. Ltrs. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169.—

To Secretary at Bengal.—

To Secretary at Bengal with Copies of Papers of the latest Intelligence from Mysore.—

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

850.

Fort St. George February 8th 1798.

22

Provisions - Approving his measures for supplying the 3d and 5th Regiments of Cavalry with Grain.

To Quarter Jermah. -

To Military Auditor General referring the Estimates of the Paymaster General for March. -

To Ditto. -

To Ditto - referring Mr. Cochrane's additional Estimate for February. -

To Ditto. -

To Ditto - directing repayment of Stoppages to two Privates of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry - the Amount not having been paid to their Families -

To Ditto

To Ditto - with instructions to investigate and report upon the Complaints of Captains Cooke and Blewer of Injuries sustained by the Mode of Payment practised by Mr. Paymaster Vaughan. -

To Ditto

To Ditto - referring Major Gordon's Bill for Contingent Charges incurred by the March of the 4th European Battalion from Vellore to Chittore. -

To Colonel Brathwaite

To Commander of the Army - Lieutenant Sleger may receive two Horses from the Lot last sent to Arcot - the Stipulated Price being previously paid for them. -

To Major Stevenson Cavalry -

To Commandant at Tachinore - his Bill for 51 Horses ordered to be paid to his Attorneys - the Dealers

851 Fort St. George February 5th 1796.

22d Dealers to be Encouraged to bring an Annual Supply to Acct.

To Commandant at Trichinopoly Barracks

To Colonel Floyd.- and Stabling for the 19th Dragoons will be constructed near Garrison mean while the Officers under Tents to have full Batta, and temporary Accommodations to be built by them for that Corps while it remains on the Island of Seringham.-

Do To Ditto- returning the Indents for Stores, which should first have been submitted to the Committee of Stores and by them, forwarded to the Military Board.-

Sent the following letter to

23d Colonel Brathwaite.-

To Colonel John Braithwaite

Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir, I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 11th instant, and to acquaint you that he approves generally of the Juniors you have given an regard to Commands and Staff Appointments, though he feels

Colonel B. th. to his Juniors in regard to Commands and Staff Appointments generally approved and in part adopted Barrack and Master in future to hold their Offices for three years only - Colonel Capper's Claims will be early noticed The Horses purchased by Major Monsoon to be received for his Corps.-

852

Fort St George February 23rd 1794.

feels a difficulty in resolving upon any fixt rule on account of the scattered state of the Coast Army, and the situation of the Kings Regiments whose Commanding Officers cannot in any case be separate from their Corps. - He is however so well convinced of the expediency of the measure as far as it can be observed that he has already adopted it in part, by the removal of the Officers Commanding at Palamcotah, and in the Guntoor Circar, and it is his intention that no employment of Barrack Master or Muster Masters shall be enjoyed in future by one and the same Officer, beyond the term of three Years. He will at an early day determine the Periods at which those Gentlemen who now hold appointments of this description shall relinquish them. -

The President in Council is sensible of the merits of Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage, and desires you will assure that Officer, that his claim to the notice of Government will have early consideration. -

I enclose, by Order, Copy of a Letter from Major Stevenson, and am directed to inform you, that the Horses purchased by

853

Fort St. George February 5th 1794.

23.

Bey Sicca, are to be received on the Company's account, for the service of this Regiment.

Sam

8:— 8:—

Fort St. George

21st February 5th 1794.

[Signed] W.C. Jackson Lt. 19th

Despatched the undermentioned letters

Entered in M. B. Nos 570, 571, 572, 573.—

To Captain Abbott Read.

To Commandant on the Baramhaul

directing him to state the particulars of any Intelligence

received by him, of the Depredations of Chief Naig in the

ceded Countries.—

To Military Auditor General.

To Military Auditor General with

Orders to pay Major Stevenson's Bill for horses—and Batta

Batta to the Officers of the 19th Regiment of Dragoons,

until quarters are build for them— Colonel Floyd per-

mitted to build temporary Accomodations for the Men.—

To Military Board.

To Military Board directing them to

ascertain the Expence of building Quarters Barracks

and Stabling for a Complete Regiment of Cavalry.—

To Captain Doveton.

To Captain Doveton— may select any

Officer

854.

Fort St. George February 1794.

23d

Officer he thinks proper, from the 4th Battalion not-
withstanding the G: O. of 12th Instant.-

24th

Received the following letter-

From William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Sir,

From Resident at Hyderabad - with Extract from his arrival to Bengal of the expectation of an increase by the Nizam to meet that of Tippoo at Goa. -

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th Ultimo, and to enclose, for the information of the Board, an Extract of my address of this date to the Governor General together with the enclosure therein mentioned. -

Camp near Beder
14th February 1794.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) W. Kirkpatrick

Extract of a Letter from Captain William Kirkpatrick
to the Honble Sir John Shore Bart. Governor General
dated Camp near Beder 14th February 1794.

Para 5

On the evening of the 6th I received from
Mr. Secretary Jackson the letter of which the enclosed
is

855

Fort St. George February 5th 1784

24th

is a Copy, and the following morning sent to the Minister with the Khareetah which accompanied it, from Tippoo Sultaun, to his address, a message, purporting "That as the latter had at length deputed to Goote an Ameen for the purpose of adjusting in concert with one on the part of his Highness, the remaining differences between the two States touching the ceded Country, I perswaded myself that no time would be lost by this Durbar in fulfilling its part of the arrangement by appointing a person duly qualified to give effect to the moderate and conciliating disposition which had been so strongly manifested by it in the course of the present negociation, and the knowledge of which had afford'd our Government the highest satisfaction." I received for answer a positive assurance that Mahomed Ameen Arab, the same person heretofore chosen for this service, with the approbation of Sir John Hennaway, and who was then at Pangloor (a place at no great distance from Goote) should be directed, without loss of time, to repair to Goote and resume the commission formerly assigned him, but which he had been prevented from exercising for this Court declared by Tippoo Saeiring declined to send any Agent to meet him, though you will perceive, Sir, that this matter is stated in a very different manner by Tippoo in

856.

Fort St. George February 5th 1794.

No. 24 in his last letter to Monsieur de Moulk, a copy of which I have the honor to enclose.—

Para 6. The instructions promised to be transmitted to Mahomed Ameen Arab have not yet been communicated to me: but as the speedy accommodation of the disputes which he is appointed to assist in settling, depends materially on the spirit in which they are conceived, I shall take the necessary steps for satisfying myself on this point: I have already caused it to be suggested to Monsieur de Moulk, that the longer detention of Dispatches lying entirely with this Court, is essentially concerns the reputation of his Highness, and is necessary to establish the sincerity of the recent declarations of the Minister himself that their restoration should not be delayed on any but very substantial grounds: and although I have not presumed to offer it as your opinion that their previous discharge would not be likely to have any prejudicial influence on the approaching investigation of the Affairs, yet I have ventured to recommend it to the Ministers consideration whether such an act of magnanimity would not be rather calculated, by the impression it might naturally be expected to make on the mind of Dispatch, to dispose him to a prompt and easy settlement

of

857

Fort St. George. February 5th 1794.

24th

of the points in litigation. I shall be happy if those suggestions should avail, and thereby render any direct application or assurance from our Government on the occasion unnecessary, which is what the Minister continues desirous of obtaining.—

I have Extract

I signed) W. Stewart

Aspt. Asst

The Hble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

From Military auditor General reporting on the Paymaster General's Estimate for March.—

Having examined the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Month of March 1794, forwarded to me with Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 20th Instant, I have the honor to report that the sum of Star Pagodas Two Lack, Nineteen Thousand Eighty three, and Sixty three Cash (Pags 2,19,083. 63) is required for the payment of such Military Charges as become due upon the 1st of the ensuing Month Viz.t

	Pags	fs	cs
From the General Treasury at the Presidency	157,969.	30.	15.
From the Subordinate Treasuries by Bill upon the Military Paymaster General	61,113.	12.	48.
Pagodas	2,19,083.	—	63.

But

858.

Fort St. George February 5th 1814.

24

But, in consequence of Mr. Oliver Colts having paid in a Refund of Pagodas Eight thousand, six hundred, seventy six, and fourty Cash 8676 Pags. 4 Fs. 40 Cs. this sum falls to be deducted from the Amount issuable from the General Treasury at the Presidency, and the Advances to the Military Department for March 5th 1814. will there stand as follows.-

From the General Treasury at the Presidency -	149293	29	55
From the Subordinate Treasuries by Bill upon the Military Paymaster General	61513	12	48
Pagodas	210807		23

Military Auditor Generals Office

Fort St. George 26th September 5th 1814.-

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Henry. Malcolm
Military Auditor Genl.

Received also the undermentioned Letter entered in M. B. Nos 574. 575. 576. 577.-

From Mr. Brownlow.- From Acting Persian Translator at Bengal. accounting for the last letter from Sir John Shore to Tippoo Sultaun was intended to accompany the letter from the Government General dated the Instant.-

From