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From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with his Estimates for March.-

From Ditto.-

From Ditto.- forwarding an arrangement for subsidizing the Bazar people of Poonamallee and Trivatore with Rice.-

From Paymaster General.-

From Military Paymaster General with an additional Estimate of Cash for the Presidency Paymaster.-

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor— President

Tuesday 25th February 1794.—

Genl William Gallofield Esqr.

and

George Westcott Esqr.

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved.-

Read the following

Letter from the Board of Revenue.-

To

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Fort St. George 25th February 1794.

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Board of Revenue - with the representations of the Claimants to the Sughurs of Arnee - The Widow of the late Sughiredar reporting to be pregnant - Hopes, and Recommendation, in consequence -

We have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 15th Ultimo with it's Enclosures. -

Previous to our taking the Claimes of the several Parties to the Jaghire of Arnee into Consideration, We judged it necessary to call upon them to lay before us the Sunnuds, or documents, by which they claimed the right of inheritance, or succession, to the Jaghire in question. -

We have now the honor to submit to you their several Representations, which will explain, that neither Party is possessed of any Document, establishing a right of Inheritance to the Jaghire - The Widow of the late Jaghiredar having at the same time addressed us a Letter (Copy of which we have the Honor to lay before you) enclosing Copies and Translations of sundry Papers Relating to the Subject, and having referred us to her Vackeel for particulars which she observed her Sex prevented her from writing, We called upon him to

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ns the Information alluded to, where he declared, that he was ready to take his Oath he had reason to believe the Widow of Hrarnewaw was pregnant.-

Upon this Declaration, which involved a Question of such material consequence to the pretended Claimants, We desired each of the Parties to depute two skilful Women to ascertain the truth of the Report, but as Vencatrow and Rayanaiktrow did not comply with this requisition, We directed our Interpreter to select four Dhays competent to form an opinion of the Widow's situation who were to accompany him and the Sheristadar to her House for that purpose.-

The Dhays having been informed that they were to swear to the Truth of the Declarations they might give in, according to the best of their Judgement, proceeded to the House of the Widow of Hrarnewaw together with the Interpreter and Sheristadar, and We have now the Honor to submit to you their Report, as also that of Bagwant Row and Moodiah, duely attested, by which you observe that the Dhays are of Opinion the Widow has been pregnant four Months.-

We have deemed it necessary to report this Circumstance to your Honble Board, but we shall proceed

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proceed, in the mean time, to investigate the claims of the Parties to the Right of succession to the Sagheire of Annee conformably to your Orders.—

Should you determine that the relations of the late Deceased are to continue in the Management of the Annee District, until the issue of the Widows pregnancy be known, we recommend that Security be taken from them to be responsible to the Company for the Revenue of this Year.—

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

Fort St. George
8th February 1794.—

David Haliburton
Chas. N. White
Thos. Cockburn

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

The humble Memorial of Veeracarroo Shia
at Law and legitimate Descendant both by
blood and adoption in the Eldest line of the
Original Sagheirdar of Annee.—

That in Consequence of the directions of this

Hobbs

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Worible Board to produce such Purwanahs, Sarvadoas, and other Documents which your Memorialist might have in her Possession in support of his Claim, he begs leave to state that, his Ancestors had by Virtue of Hereditary Succession Governed the Jaghire until so late a period that it hath devolved on your Memorialists adopted Father Seeneevasarow, and, while he was Governing the Jaghire, that the late said Seeneevasarow's Grand Father by adoption, named Tremalarow, who acted as a Dewan to your Memorialists said Father, has betrayed the Confidence reposed on him, by imprisoning your Memorialists said Father, and usurping to himself the Government in which imprisonment your Memorialists Father having Departed this life.-

That after the Death of your Memorialists Father the said Tremalarow hath also confined his Widow and Relict Named Yasatha boye, and caused all the Estate, and Effects Consisting of Jewels, Money &c. to be plundered from the Place, and at the same time he has taken illegal Possession of all Purwanahs, Sarvadoas, and other Documents, found in the Treasury, your Memorialists Mother, who had been Eye Witness thereto, is alive, and being on the Spot.-

Your

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Your Memorialest hathin every respect a preferable right to the Jaghire, which hath been usurped by the said Tremalarow from your Memorialest's Father while he was Governing the same as afore recited, and he has Continued to Solicit the Government to restore him to his right, but Mr. Holland instead of granting it to the rightful owner has unjustly put the late Seemavarow in possession thereof.—

Which Act of unjustice induced your Memorialest to appeal to England, from whence orders were received (as he was informed) that proper Enquiry should be made to ascertain who was right ful Proprietor of the Jaghire, and your Memorialest, begs leave to submit to your superior Judgement that the only point which not to be enquired into is, whether your Memorialest as a son and heir by adoption of the Eldest line of the Family who had successively governed the Jaghire from time immemorial (as will appear at large by the Table of Genealogy) has a preferable right to inherit the Jaghire of the late Seemavarow the adopted grand son of Tremalarow, the usurper, had any right thereto.—

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to the Jaghire is Groundless because his ancestors had only enjoyed certain Villages which your Memorialists Grand Father Vencatarow granted them as Provisions for their Maintenance, nor can he make it appear that any of his ancestors had Governed the Jaghire: that the late Surrawsarow Grand Father, Tremalarow, had been in like Manner indulged with certain Villages, and no more, previous to his usurping the Jaghire himself. Several other Persons related to the family have held, and enjoyed two or three Villages each as Provisions for their Maintenance. –

Where the late Surrawsarow, the adopted Grand Son of Tremalarow, the usurper of the Jaghire, appeared on the Eges of Mr. Hollonds' Government as a person entitled to enherit the same, and has been accordingly authorized to hold the same until the day of his Death your Memorialist cannot Conceive what is the Cause of doubt, and Suspicion to restore them to their right, which he Claimes as Son, and Heir by adoption of the Eldest line of the Lawful Jaghiredars, who had Successively, and uninterruptedly held, and enjoyed the same up to the period that it had been usurped by Tremalarow as aforesaid – in doing justice done your Memorialist as in duty bound. –

Shall Ever Pray

Signed Vencatarow.

A true Copy

Signed John Reid. –

Adt. Dep. Sec.y

Madras

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To

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To The Worshipfull David Haliburton Esqr.

President &c. Members of the Board of Revenue.

The Humble Petition of

Ragonaud now the Lawful

Heir of the Jaghire of Nowe.

Sheweth

Your Petitioners Has been Ordered by the Board to bring your Worships the Sarrods for the Jaghires of the Annee, Therefore I Represent That When the Nabob Vincolayah took forcibly the Jaghire from My Uncle Treonalrow all the Sarrods and Papers and Effects have Lost in the Looty and fled Him and me and all his relations in Prisoner, which your Worships would be Know by the Late Petition after Lord Marcartney call me and consider me as the Lawful Heir of the Jaghire which he gave me for Rent and Menuted my Name and after the Horible Company send Order from Europe to give the Jaghire my Family Shall great hope Gentlemen will do me Justice and give me the Jaghire Agreeable Company Order but by

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by any misfortune Mr. Holland gave it to my
Cousin Arrenwaies Row at that time Arrenwaisrow
Consider my right let me enjoy some Villages in the
Jaghire, which I keep till this time now
Arrenwasrow dead there is no body but me was.
Lawful of that Jaghire, as you will particularly
Understood from the Tow of my Ancestors Generation
which I send with the Petition and I hope
the Gentlemen will do the Justice to grant
me Order of the Jaghire.-

in doing which your Petitioner

as in duty bound.-

Shall ever Pray

[Signed] Ragonautroo

Mark. Cosy

[Signed] John Read

Act.g Dep.y Sec.y

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Sept. 25. Edinburgh Sept.

1. Son
Ragonnaut now the great grand son of the first Laghire
Swenivas now exists who says claims to the Laghire of
Poone as his Lineal descendant. —

Cozary now died before his cousin Tremul now
left issue Two Sons. —

5. Son
Vencata now Possessed
the Laghire and left
issue. — Son

2. Son
Tremul now Possessed
the Laghire left issue
but accepts Sebanow
as mentioned under
his name. —

3. Son
Ragonnaut now died before his Brother
Tremal now left issue one Son. —

4. Son
Ramachunder now died
before his Brother Tremal
now exist but no issue. —

Swenivas now
to whom the
Laghire was
secured by Mr.
Holland in
— 1739. —

5. Son
Not Known

3. Son
Sebanow

2. Son
Not Known

3. Son
Sebanow now
Possessed by Tremul
now as mentioned
under his name
he never Possessed
the Laghire but
left issue one Son
Swenivas now
Possessed the Laghire
from Mr. Holland

1. Son
Cozary now
left issue
not Known

2. Son
Not Known

3. Son
Tremul now de-
sires claims the
Laghire as at
present mentio-
ned of his pedi-
gree by Consent but
not being adopted
by the Custom of
the country now
the son of Tremul
now resides at
Poone

4. Son
Ramachunder now
left issue not
Known. —

2d Sort
Ewan's row
left issue
not Known

6. Sort
Sam row
left issue
four Sons

5. Sort
Cooper's row 2 Sons
Hasher's row 3 Da:
Lawyer row all three
left issue not Known

4. Sort
Virtuel row
died unmarried
the Daughter left
issue four Sons

3. Sort
Scandalous
left issue not
Known.

4 Sort
Ramachander's row never was
Healed or Daughters but
left the Country in quest of
service, left issue two Sons.

2d Sort
Sreenevas row to whom the Lapse
was first granted he left issue
four Sons. —

3d Sort
Cassavia row who never Professed
the Laughter of this every night
but had dirt in five months four years
mean to this orphan Venkatas row
the son of Sreenevas row he left issue
five Sons. —

5 Sort
Separath
Row never
Professed the
Laughter and
left the Town
Lapse quit
of service
left issue not
Known

6 Sort
Seaven
row never
Professed
the Laughter
Lapse not
Known

6 Son
Samal
row issue
not
Known

7 Son
Vadaniya
row issue
not Known

8 Son
Vadava
row issue
not
Known

1st Sort
Conary row Hasher of Arms
left issue eight Sons. —

Five Sons issue
not Known. —

Vadaniya Baches
Hasher of Arms
left issue six Sons.

Strange Dpy
Signed John Read
Act. Dpy. Pd. Secy.

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Translation of a Letter from Ragonaid Row, one of the Plaintiffs of the Inghire of Amee.

dated 3. February 1795.

from the Representations before made the Particulars of my Right were clearly understood.

The Widow of Sreenevaso row now reports that she is pregnant, and that she was enjoined by her Husband to adopt a Son to succeed him, and in direct Contradiction to the laws of Hindoos she desires to possess the Estate of her deceased Husband, which is but the work of a foolish Imagination. One Proof of the Deceit of this woman is, that when Sreenevaso row died she prepared to burn herself with him, although it is forbidden by the Shastes of Hindoos, and is accounted a great Crime for a pregnant Woman to burn with her Husband. nor did any of her Brothers Relations then say, "you are pregnant and it is improper that you should burn with your Husband."

Again, it being customary for a Widow if she be not pregnant to shave her Head on the tenth Day after the Death of her Husband this Woman expressed great Desire to perform the Ceremony. but her Brothers and Relations persuaded her to defer this little

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one Months after— yet not a word of her Pregnancy was hinted by any one—

After the Death of Seemawassa now I came to this Place, when some women, relations of the Family, who went, as is usual, to condole with the Widow, said and now say that no Symptoms of Pregnancy is apparent— and it is well known as the Light of Day, that this woman is always sick, and that Seemawassa now was ill for six Months before he died— how then can there be any foundations for Pregnancy Indeed the Tale from beginning to End is false—

Perhaps consistent with her Fraud and Deceit, and by reason of her extreme Avarice, this Woman may have the Boldness to proceed so far in this Affair, as ever to take an Oath, and, give a Muchelcka in support of her assertion, and then, at length, having procured the Child of a Stranger impose it on the world as the offspring of her own Body—

And indeed I have heard she wishes to adopt the Child of another, which would also be clearly wrong and improper— In the beginning I mentioned now all the Children of this full Brother were living Viz.t my Father and uncle—

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uncle - without the Consent of his other Brothers adopted
Subbarow of the Children of Ram chender row, who had no
connexion with the Raghire, and was a Servant residing
in the Country of Tanjore - which being Extremely unjust
and Contrary to the Laws of the Shaster, cannot be pleaded
by this Woman as a Precedent to her adoption of a Child -
If such were the Practice many childless Widows would
adopt a Son, and the rights of the Lawful Heir be utterly
destroyed. -

You Gentlemen, who are the Guardians
of Equity, to you I submit the Justice of my Cause, you
should yourselves well investigated its Truth, and do in
this Case as was done with Sherfogee, who, tho' adopted
by Tulgagee during his life, his right of Succession was
not considered good, and anner Sing was seated on the -
throne, and still continues to enjoy it - according to which
the right of Succession to Trimul row was appertaining to
me, the Lineal Descendant of the full Son of his Brother,
Independant of these circumstances now that Somma Ra
row is dead, does not the right revert to the Lawful Heir? -
- If the Board of Revenue, who are equitable and
Just, should not thoroughly investigate this matter
I am without resource. -

Lastly

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Lastly, on every account the right of succession to the Sagheer of Arnee is exclusively vested in me. I am the Expectant of your Bounty and Favor and trust from your liberality bestowing on me Friendship, you will exalt my drooping Head.

Above Translation

[signed] S. R. Sushington
Acting Persian Translator to the Board of Revenue.

Above Copy

[signed] John Read
Act. 2d Sec. P.C. & C.

Translation of a Letter from Rajes Baie Widow of Sreenevasa Row Sagheredar of Arnee to David Haliburton Esqr. &c. Members of the Board of Revenue dated 23. January 1794.

My Vakeel has informed me of your directions for rendering all the dustaccages summed and letters in my Possession. I have ready some dustaccages, and the copies of others, all which I have had Translated and sent by the Vakeel. The Originals are doubtless on the Company's record upon reference to them - you will be informed. Besides this I have sent for your information a genealogical tree which will

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will Make every thing clear. When the Rajah of Tanjore made an arrangement for giving seven Villages to Rogonaut row, he wrote a Letter to my husband, and I have that a Translation of it. The original is with Rogonaut Row, if you send for it, it will be known: at the period of my husbands Severest Sickness he ordered that, If I made any adoption I should wait a few days, and afterwards adopted a Child. I have sent a Copy of the declaration of those Gentlemen who were present on the occasion of this, you will see the propriety when you take the declarations into Consideration. Any sex has prevented me from writing the Particulars at length, but my Vakeel will Communicate the information to your Board by word of Mouth, the orders which my husband gave, are according to Justice and the Shastes, there is not the smallest difference. If you enquire of those who are acquainted with the doctrines of our Religions, this will be Made known, I entreat Gentlemen that you will have Considerations for my Sex that you will take time in your enquiry, and that you will afford me Justice—

A true Translation

[Signed] Josiah Webbe
Mr. T.

A true Copy

[Signed] John Read
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Letter from the Governor George Pigot to Deen was Row.

I have received your Letter, and I was, on the Explanation of the decease of your Grand father I remained now obliged to Mourn myself and I concluded that the God will however comfort you.-

Some time before your father, the son of Trimul Row, was taken by the Angels of death I have heared that you are intitled to enjoy the Patrimony of your Grand father, and have Recommended by writting to his Highness the Nabob / [illegible] / for your enjoying the Jaghier Tallookah of the Army, as well as your Grand father had enjoyed the same, and therefore you must assuredly trust the friendships and proved the Civility of the Circar as you think fit you should know the Hararmanah / which your Grand father had obtained from us / to Considered, and you have no occasion to dwell into forest or wood, but you may freely lodge in what place you like best; you might not frost yourself into the Castles or Walls by which you have no any hurt or health and I shall never neglect in any of your affairs.-

What Can I say More

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Letter from the Governor Jorge Pigot to His Highness the Nabob.

Tremalarow had not acquiesced the happyness of living to Govern the Sagtiore again which was out of profession and your Highness know knowes that the son of the Tremalarow had been caught by the angels of death therefore I was obliged to addresse unto your Highness that one Seeneevasarow who is the owner and Grand Son to the said Tremalarow on that Head I pray your Highness will be pleased to bestow the mercy of granting him the Room of his grand Fathers Dignity and to take into the Harmonnes of the whole Sagtiore which lately Dragon on Loghore to Tremalarow as if he be Deserved to the same.-

Translation of a Marrattah Letter transmitted by Pratapsaday Rajah of Sanjore to Seeneevasarow and Tremala Row Sageidar of Arney.-

I am very sorry on hearing of your Grand fathers Death which is not of the power of Man but the chance of the God almighty wherefore I wish you will be without any sorrow for he is used I am strong and empowered for the enjoyment of your Sagtiore and have sent you the usual Gift to Govern the Sagtiore by

you

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you as it was usually acted by your Ancestors and you may Accordingly Accept the same.-

What Can I say More.-

A Treaty and Greement made and Concluded between Moodlock Seerajah Dowlah Anawerde Cawn Behauder Nabob Seung Nabob of the Carnatick Pyenghot and Pretaba Seng Rajah of Tonjore the following Paragraph was mentioned in behalf of Tremalarow Jaghierdar of Tiruy in the 6th Article of the said Treaty and greement by the Medeeare of the Honorable Company Dated 12th October 1762 in the manner as follows.-

Firstly the said Nabob Anawerde Cawn Behauder having expended immense Sums during the late troubles, in defence of the province under his Government, found it necessary after the Expulsion of the Common Enemy to call upon the several Zamindars, Polygars and Jaghirdars, to Contribute each a Moderate Sum towards reimbursing the monies so Expended in procuring the Blessings of the peace, of which they became partakers and Amongst others did demand of Tremaul Row Hollidar of Tarney, his Reasonable quota, but the said Tremalow having Obstinately refused to Comply therewith and having

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having also in other Respects behaved himself dutiable-
diently the said Nabob found himself obliged to compel
him to a compliance with his demand, and did accor-
dingly subdue and take the Forts of Arney and Roby
Gudry with all the Jagier thereunto belonging, also
also the persons of the said Tremaul Row with his family
and others.- The said Nabob having thus convinced
the said Tremalrow and all the World that he can and
will inforce due obedience in all who are subject to his
Government, is now equally desirous of shewing to all
Mankind that conciliation is stronger in him than
resentment from these motives as well as in Condescension
to the request of the said Rajah Protaping the said
Nabob doth hereby promise that as soon as the said
Rajah shall have signed this agreement. He the said
Nabob will cause the said Tremaul Row with his family,
attendants and all other persons who were taken and
made prisoners at Arney, to be released and set at full
liberty, and further, that on the day the sum of three
Lacks of Rupees mentioned in the first Article thereof
shall be paid, he will cause the said Tremaul Row to
be put in full possession of the whole Jagier he possessed
and enjoyed before the Reduction of Arney, excepting

however

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however the said Fort and Doby Pudly which the said Nabob will retaine in his own possession, and provided that the said Trouncl Row shall not at any time hereafter erect, or cause to be erected, any Fortress walled Pagoda or other strong hold, and that he shall not even erect or build any wall Round his dwelling house exceeding eight feet high, or two feet thick, and further that the said Trouncelrow shall, in all things, behave himself with due obedience to the Government and pay yearly in the Month of July unto the said Nabob or his successors the sum of ten Thousand Pagos, and the said Rajah Pretauspsing doth promise for the said Trouncelrow that he shall in all things demean and behave himself accordingly and pay yearly the Stipulated Sum.-

From the Rajah of Tanjore to Seemuvasa Row with List of the Villages which should be granted in Jagier

½ Ragamat Row and Vencata Row

To Ragonat Row

1 Collaloo and Veticum taryal with the Customs

2 Poodoojaillum.-

Pongam

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3 Pottygam Boddy

4 Mudlaundrum

5 Allatoor mushingapoor

To Venkatarow

1 Pacoor

2 Arrowaddy

= Besides the 5 Villages to Pagonat Row the Garden Moolipet with its defence of Paddy grain Land According to Custom Conduct yourself in this Manner.-

Translation of Persian Receipt given by His Highness the Nabob.-

Received of Seemundarow and Tremalarow Sagheerdar, Tallookah of Arney the Sum of 10,000 Rupees of Freemboor, and behalf of it 5000 Rupees on Account of this Pushcash of 1175 Fusly by means of Madanarow Vakeel to the Sagheer into the high Treasury of Under Boy Bismedo Js.-

Madras.-
10th Julookath 1180 Hozry

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Translation of Peyan Receipts given by His Highness the Nabob.

Received of Seeneevasarow and Trewala-
row Sagheerdar Talbookah of Money the Sum of 10000
Rupees of Travancore and behalf of it 5000 Rupees
on Account of his Peshcush of 1176 Fusly by means of
Madavarow Vakeel of Sagheerdar into the High Treasury
of under Roy Bissnedoss.-

Madras
11th Tulookah 1680 Hizry.-

Translation from Maratta Language.-

In the year 1793. on Monday the
ninth day of the Month of December at Seven O'Clock in
the Morning the Elder Wife of Seeneevasarow Sagheerdar
of Money was Salldown by the said Sagheerdar with a great
affliction, at that time, we under Signed Persons went Seeneeva-
row where the said Seeneevasarow told us that his wife
is greatly alarmed for fear that any Accident may happen
to them, therefore gave his Consent agreeable to our Law to
adopt a Boy whom she thinks best Amongst his Relations
on

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3 Pargam Baddy

4 Mudlaundrum

5 Allatoor mushingapam

To Vencatarow

1 Paaer

2 Arruvaddy

Besides the 5 Villages to Rayerum Row the Garden Moodelpit with its defence of Paddy grain Land According to Customs Conducted agreeably to this Manner.

Translation of Persian Receipt given by the Nabob.

Received of Chinnatarow and Trimalarow Sagheerdar, Tallookah of Poney the Sum of 10,000 Rupees of Fourteen and half of it 5000 Rupees on Account of this Peshcash of 1175 Fusly by means of Madanarow Vakeel to the Sagheer into the high Treasury of under Dewan Bismedo Js.-

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to them, therefore gave his Consent agreeable to our Law to
adopt a Boy whom she thinks best Amongst his Relations

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in case of she should not prove with Child or there should be any accident to them for the above reward he did us to bear witness.-

The above Circumstances what we have heared from them to which we can take our Oath.-

/Signed/ Sagonnath Row

D° Saytoojee Ragonad Rony

D° Ramarow Cootoojee

D° Trumbaca Jumbajee

D° Nagojee Jumbajee

D° Vidyem Pedtaby Ramayah Natary

Three Day

/Signed/ John Read

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Translation of a Muchulka given on Malabar by Sadchowo, Anyanumy Ellumuny, and Muthuswamy of Madras Dhays, to David Halibuston Esq.r &c.a Members of the Board of Revenue Dated 6th February 1794.-

We Yesterday Morning accompanied Ragonad Row, your Serishtadar, and Mootiah Mudaly, Sudersandar,

&c

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To the House of the First Widow of the late Seeneevasa Row, the Jaghiredar of Arnee at Triveletoor Petta, and We all in word into the inner Apartments, where She resides, and before examination, We have found, that She is now gone four Months in her Pregnancy, If We have not given a faithfull Report We hereby oblige ourselves to undergo such punishment as the Company think proper to inflict on us.-

The mark of Lutchmoo

Do. of Bungeemmy

Do. of Allummy

Do. of Mutthummy

a true Copy

Signed John Read
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Oath taken by Lutchmoo, Bungeemmy, Allummy and Mutthummy of Madras Dhays at the Pagoda of Triplicane.-

We Lutchmoo, Bungeemmy, Allummy and Mutthummy of Madras Dhays, do declare upon Oath that on Wednesday the Fifth day of February 1796 in the Morning, Maccumpaund Borgu and Row Jaghiredar and Mootiah Modely Interpreter to the Board of Revenue

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To the House of Rajeas Baye the first Widow of the late Sreenivasa Row, the Sagheedar of Arnee at Tondeaman Petta and We all four went in to the inner apartments where She resides, and upon examination, We have found that She is now gone four Months in her Pregnancy.

The Mark of ☉ Lutchmee
Do ☉ Rayeamma
Do ☉ Ellamma
Do ☉ Moothamma

Sworn in our presence
this 13th. Day of February 1794.

/signed/
Hall & Brown a Canara Cutcherry Company
Mootiah

/signed/ Thos Dyer

/signed/ John Read
Act. Sub. Pay. Mr.

Report of Ragwans Row and Mootiah

Agreable to the order of the Board, We Yesterday Morning carried the 4 Dhays to the House of Rajes Baye, the first Widow of the late Sreenivasa Row the Sagheedar of Arnee at Tondeaman Petta and sent the abovementioned 4 Dhays into the inner apartments to ascertain whether the said Widow is Pregnant or not they went on accordingly and have since Reported to us

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Ute that she is now four Months Pregnant, to the truth of which, they have given a Muchulka under their Signatures or Marks.-

Signed

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Mootiah

A true Copy

Signed John Read

Sct. & Dep. Sct.y

Resolution in consequence.-

As the Situation of the Widow of the late Zaghirdar of Arnee, precludes the Board from coming to any immediate decision on the claims of the several parties to the Zaghire- Resolved, That the relations of the late Sreenevasa Row be continued on the Management of the District, until the issue of the Widows Pregnancy be known, and that Security be taken from them to be responsible to the Company for the Revenue of this Year.-

Read the following

Letter from the Paymaster at Hastinagherry.-

To

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor, and President in Council of

Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir,

Stores Storekeeper in the Baramhal complaining of the violent conduct of the Commanding Officer at Ryacotah - towards his Store Servant there for refusing to surrender the keys of the Store being - was demanded his reasons Observations on the occasion.-

Rather than commencing any Apology as necessary for this new intermeddler, I assure heard that on perusing the Sequel of this Letter, I should have been considered as highly reprehensible by you for neglect, and by Servants in the same Offices, on knowing it, as wanting to their most serious concerns, did I fail a day in Representing to you a transaction of a Magnitude, that most Materially in all its consequences affects every Gentleman in a similar Situation to myself.-

My Head Native Servant and Writer at Ryacotah had received, a long time since, my strict and positive injunctions never to part with the Keys of the Military Stores out of his possession, and to give his own personal attendance on every, the most trifling occasion Desirous of instructing him in the Mismanagement his English Returns of them, I directed him to proceed thither, and directed another person to take his charge for the days of his Absence, but at nearly this time Lieutenant Alexander

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Alexander Greenhill the Commanding Officer of the Garrison
peremptorily directed my Servant to resign the Keys to
him, in order (as the Writer informs me) that he might
deliver them over to the next Commanding Officer of the
4th Battalion, expected in some Days more to relieve him.
The Servant, however, in implicit Attention to my directions,
declined to relinquish them, for which act of disobedience
(as he further acquaints me it was termed, and assigned
as his Crime) he himself was committed to the Main Guard,
and a Party of People, with the Store Serjeant, by Orders
of the Commanding Officer, took the Keys thence Extraordinarily
from his House. He writes me in that Strain of depression
and Sorrow flowing from seeing himself so persecuted and
confined for commendably executing the orders of his Master,
of the legality or propriety of which it was not his business
to question.—

As Military Storekeepers your Honble
Board are well informed we now derive no Emoluments
whatsoever, but must have Anxiety for Charges so incom-
:pact with much responsibility annexed, and containing
a Considerable deal of Trouble in conducting all its detail
of Account, and that therefore, we should be highly pleased
and gratified could the Systems or Views of Government

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esserate us from such an Office, but while we remain invested with it, it behoves us to exercise that we are so, and it undoubtedly also behoves us to execute its duties with all the diligence and attention we are Masters of. You do me however Horible Sir virtually dispossessed of our Office and ferred on me by Government, which you will sufficiently ecify; but to myself, it must be the Cause of more mortifi to have a Carefull publick Servant ill used and illegally treated, and to which I must equally beseech your attention. I am this Instant writing to Lieutenant Greenhill acquainting him of my protest before your Horible Board of his Measures, of my Appeal, and also, that I cannot now consider myself in charge of the Pagoda Stores, but to enter into explanations where he had proceeded to such extremities and without the least previous Communication with me was certainly Superfluous, nor could I in this Stage I think with respect of Credit to myself consider any thing less than your Resolutions satisfactory I have the strongest conviction, and ever pledge myself to the assertion, that no other Grounds of Offence have been alledged, or do now exist against this Man, and having long experienced the benefits of his Service, know also that they have given satisfaction generally in his present employment

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employment. Mr. Greenhill, by an authority self-created I think, has been pleased to condemn him upon it of Disobedience, and, as it is clear, that my own knowledge of my Duties would have directed me to the same Conduct, it follows, that I must have been liable upon such a Principle to the same evil, and it must be confessed that, in Justice, on this occasion, I, if any one, should have suffered imprisonment and not my Defendant. I trust however, that Mr. Greenhill should have first communicated with me, and if not satisfied with my Conduct and Opinions, that he should have applied for information to those Superiors, who would have advised us both. Bound as I must readily consider myself for the personal appearance of my Servant, and concerned at the rigorous treatment he is undergoing on my Account, I have conceived myself justified in demanding his immediate enlargement tho' I am doubtful as to its success, because I presume Lieutenant Greenhill has reported such a Step to his immediate Superior Officer, or to the Commander in Chief, and may probably wait his orders.-

Were I to obey the Dictates of my own Feelings or what I consider, and I trust not erroneously every flagrant Act of Misconduct, or to expostulate with

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That Warmth which the Steps towards me, and the ingenuous Zeal my Servant might betray me to, I should exceed the Limits I have prescribed to this Letter, and perhaps deviate from that calmness and Moderation which every one should preserve in all addresses to your Worthy Board. Permit me however, succinctly to state one or two Matters which are closely connected with the Subject. Responsible to you for every Act of Office, Every Official Servant must necessarily depend solely upon me, and if he has not such confidence he cannot perform his Duty. To Punishment and to dismission with the knowledge and decision of his Master, is a Condition of Service which every one reconciles himself to; But if open to Coercion or imprisonment by other Powers always immediately at hand without his Masters Knowledge, and in this case in the performance of the rightful duty required of him, while his Master is beside Means of Protection and Redress (tho' Access to the Master where distance of it at your Hands) can be little consolation or Reparation to him perhaps for Confinement or other punishment. such a Situation I have to observe it would be difficult to hold, and surely every one must prefer an entire Dependance, and of consequence either Respectable or unfit

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people it would, in a short time, by one or two Speculations of such are Event be irreparaticable to obtain, nor could business of a Nature like mine be easily conducted. Should he however, on the other Hand, be intimidated and oppressive in the execution of my Orders, whether in Payments Stores &c. and attend on them to the directions of others, it is evident that such an inclination would have an injurious and unsafe tendency to his Master.-

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

Kistnagherry
12th February 1794.-

Signed Robert Hughes
Storekeeper

Read the following Letter

from Colonel Braithwaite.-

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

It is with much concern I forward to you the Copy of a Letter, which has been forwarded to me by the Officer Commanding in the Baramahal County, Letter from the Officer Commanding at Ryacottah enclosing

From Colonel Braithwaite enclosing a correspondence with Lieutenant Grandin, and by Lieutenant Grandin to me relative to his Demand upon me to have the Storekeeper Hughes sent to the Fort of the Stores at Ryacottah - his Letter written to civil Servants acting as Storekeepers - of Officers they are subject to the Jurisdiction of the Mutiny Act. -

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enclosing one from Mr. Hughes the Military Storekeeper of that Garrison to him. I cannot but most seriously object against the Custom of entrusting the Keys of the Store Houses and Magazines in Fortified Places, and most particularly when those places are frontier, or the hands of inferior Natives, as I never can but suppose all such may open to Bribery, which may one day or other be attended with bad Consequences, and that any such Man, so improperly trusted, should be instructed not to deliver the Keys of the Stores or Magazines when called for by the Commanding Officer, is so contrary to every principle of Military Subordination, and so precluisive of every preparative measure, and such as may be immediately and perhaps indispensibly necessary for Defence, that it would be trifling with your Honor in Council to enlarge upon the palpable absurdity of it. -

Mr. Hughes dwells much upon the Responsibility of the Stores being vested in him, which has been entirely taken from him by the Commanding Officer having called for, and taken into his Charge, the Keys of the Stores left in the hands of a Conductor by Mr. Hughes ought rather to have recollected that all responsibility in a fortified Garrison is vested in the Superior Military

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Military Officer, be he a Governor or Commanderin Chief, in short, be his Rank what it may. The Inferior Military Officers alone is responsible for the safety and Security of the place, and if he leaves to be, so, by being deprived of such Powers as he ought to possess, I doubt if he can be subject, with the good effect, to Martial Law, should the place for want of Active measures on his part be surprized or any way attacked and taken, and such high general responsibility must most assuredly include within it every sort of detailed responsibility, consequently if a Commanding Officer chuses, upon any occasion, to take upon himself the immediate responsibility for the Military Stores, there can be no doubt that he is authorized so to do— and he becomes responsible for his Conduct, but certainly not to the Military Storekeeper, whose charge of the Stores lodged for the defence of the Garrison which he Commands can never be other than a Subordinate trust, and therefore I cannot but admire at the expressions of Mr. Hughes that he considers the measures pursued by the Commanding Officer to be of such extremity as to preclude all Explanations, as I should suppose no Commanding Officer would think it incumbent on him, except when he himself judged it necessary for the carrying on the Service, to explain himself officially to the Storekeeper in charge of the Stores of his Garrison, whatever reply he might

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might make to a Letters from that person written in his private Character as a Friend - and I do not hesitate to say that the refusal of the under Storekeeper / for Isaac Low the Servant of Mr. Hughes when represented, as nothing less / to deliver the Keys to the order of the Commanding Officer, appears to me to be nothing less than Mutiny, and I very much doubt if a Military Tribunal would not adjudge it as such - and I must add that the peremptory demand made by Mr. Hughes for his release, though his letter begins with "My Servant confined in your Garrison" although complied with by the Commanding Officer, cannot be justified 'till we can do away every idea which it has been thought necessary to establish in support of Military Authority, and insure the consequent responsibility. -

Every Military Storekeeper within the British Dominions is, by the Act of Parliament usually called the Articles of War, subjected to Martial Law - the 8th Article expressly says that, every Military Storekeeper without any exception in cases of embezzlement of Stores is liable to be tried by a Court Martial and Cashiered, and that Act is as much in force in these Settlements as any

other

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other part of the British Dominions — nor do I conceive that any internal regulations or usages can do away the force of any Law enacted by Parliament, and that, consequently, any Military Storekeeper, announcing Military Orders as such, is liable to Martial Law — and it is not usual to furnish them with Commissions anywhere. — It is not possible for me to conceive that any person undertaking a Military Office which subjects him to Martial Law, can be supposed, at the same time, not subject to Military Authority, or in other words to the orders of the Commanding Officer, be his Rank what it may; and if all persons employed by him in the Store Department are not in the same predicament the Law is Nugatory — The Authority of the Officer in Command is sufficiently established for all Military purposes, if he is Senior to every other Officer then in the place, where no one has been Constituted Governor or Commandant, and viewing the Matter in this light, while I think of the great Military Importance of Frontier Forts in particular, I cannot but request your Serious and early Attention to this transaction. —

Knowing how many things of this kind have happened I did my endeavours to furnish most

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Garrisons, that had not resident Storekeepers, with conductors, hoping the Storekeepers would readily have vested them with the Charge of the Stores in their Absence, which would have ensured Military Subordination and Responsibility, at least in these Settlements, but I am sorry to say that in every instance the Military Storekeepers have excluded them and vested the trust in Malabar Comicopolies, whom they consider, as is evident from Mr. Hughs's letter, as not subject to Military Authority.—

I am sensible that your Honor in Council did long since subject this Matter of the Stores to the Consideration of the Military Board— it was taken into Consideration, and I delivered in a Plan but the Operations against Pondicherry immediately absorbing all our Attention, that, and the Lucas Plan ment, lay over, and it has not been re-assumed on Account of the Indisposition of Colonel Gent, whose presence was so necessary.— I hope however we shall soon be able to re assume the Subject, and you may be assured I shall press it forward so soon as we can have a Board com-petent to such a consideration;— In the mean time I must own I think it my indispensible duty to recommend

That

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That the Keys of all Military Store-houses and Magazines, in the absence of the Storekeeper should be lodged with the Commanding Officer, whose attentions should be directed more immediately, in such Cases, to all Matters relative to the Ammunition and Military Stores, which a corrupted Man might so derrange and abuse, without discovery as to forfeit a Commanding Officer accordingly in case of a sudden Attack.-

I have the honor to be
W.ᵐ W.ᵐ

Military Head Quarters
Madras 24th February 1794.-

Signed John Braithwaite

To Captain James Campbell
Commanding the Ceded Districts
W.ᵐ W.ᵐ

Sir

Some circumstances having lately occurred on this Garrison, which Mr. Hughes has thought proper to refer to Government, I think it incumbent on me to lay a Statement of facts before you, and request you will represent them to the Commander in Chief.-

Wishing

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Wishing to deliver the Keys of the Military Storekeeper with the rest of the Garrison, over to the Officer whom I expected soon to succeed me in the Command, I ordered the Storekeeper's Conicopoly (who had been entrusted with the Charge of them when the Storekeeper himself was sent forward) to bring and deliver the Keys to me - his non-Compliance with repeated Orders to this effect, at last induced me to send the Store Serjeant and my Orderly Sepoy to his House, with Orders to bring the Keys and lodge them in my Quarters - this also he would not permit them to carry into Execution. -

So pertinacious a resistance of my Authority, I could no longer submit to, especially as I had taken the Trouble to assure the Conicopoly that for the effect of whatever Orders I gave, I should be responsible, but that as Commanding Officer I would not allow them to be disputed. -

He still persisted in his disobedience, in consequence of which I ordered him to be confined and the Keys to be lodged in my Quarter by a Party from the Main Guard. -

Enclosed

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Enclosed I transmit a Copy of a Letter from Mr. Hughes on the Subject, agreeable to his Command I have thought proper to release the Convict Cosby.—

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

Rygacottah
February 16th. 1794.—

Signed A. Greenhill
Lieut. Comm.

True Copy
Signed J. Wilson Sec.y

To Lieutenant Alex.r Greenhill
Commanding
Rygacottah.

Sir,

My Steward confined at your Garrison having represented with the several steps you have been pleased to take towards him, which from their extremely considered to preclude all explanation, and viewing them as totally unjustifiable on your part, as well as virtually dispossessing me of the Charge of Military Stores at Rygacottah; I do request of the Honor to advise you of

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of my having stated this day my sentiments at large on the subject to the Hon'ble the President in Council, in order that you may also peruse those measures, and make thos Representations to your Superiors that you may deem most Necessary.-

Having thus protested before Government against your measures, and informed them that I could not consider myself at present in charge of the Military Stores at Pyacottah; I further proceeded to observe that, as I was wholly and fully responsible to them for every Act of my Offices, and for the personal appearance of my Servant, that I should demand of you his immediate Enlargement, and I do hereby demand it Accordingly.-

I have the Honor to be

&c: &c:

Pistonagherry
12th February 1794.-

Signed Robt. Hughes
Store Keeper.

True Copy
Signed W. Wilson
Secy.

The

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Minute dated 26th Instant of the Board on the foregoing subject.

The Board are not aware of the necessity urged by Lieutenant Greenhill for the order to Mr. Hughes's Servant for the Keys of the Stores at Ryacottah, or of the Authority under which it was issued, since it has been invariably the practice to place the charge of the Stores at the out-Stations in the hands of Civil Servants, who are considered as responsible to Government alone for their Conduct. Under the regulations therefore neither Mr. Hughes nor his Store Servant, acting for him, could deliver over the Keys of the Stores at Ryacottah, to any person not expressly authorized by Government to receive them, because a Surrender of this kind would be a direction of his trust, and a positive disobedience of the orders of Government.—

Viewing the matter in this light, the Board cannot but consider the order given by Lieutenant Franklin to the Storekeeper's Servant, as irregular, and his proceeding, in Consequence of the Servant's refusal to surrender what had been entrusted to him by his Master, as hasty and disrespectful to the authority of Government.— The regulations for the Store Department direct that the magazines shall always be open to the inspection of the Commanding Officer, and reports regularly made to him, but no other

Say

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Say that he has authority to take the Keys into his possession, and thus transfer the charge to himself.—

The Board are sensible that the regulations now in force are imperfect in not providing more effectually for the Stores at those places, where the Storekeeper himself cannot personally superintend them, and it was under this persuasion that they some time ago directed the Military Board to suggest an arrangement better calculated for the preservation and care of the Stores in general, but as no such arrangement has yet been submitted, the Storekeepers are necessarily obliged to conform to the existing orders of Government, which make them alone answerable for all the Stores put under their charge.—

The Board cannot assent to Colonel Braithwaite's opinion that the Act of the 27th. George the 2d. entitled "an act for punishing mutiny and desertion &c." extends its jurisdiction over Civil Servants of the Company employed as Commissaries or Storekeepers. The persons subject to that Law are expressly said to be those "mustered, or in pay, as Officers, or such are or shall be listed, or are the said Company's pay

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Navy, as Soldiers"- And, where power is given to hold Courts Martial, the objects for trial are said to be "Officers and Soldiers"- In the Articles of War which the King was authorized to make under this act, it is expressed Sect: 10th That, "Commissioned Officers, Storekeepers or Commissaries," shall, in certain cases, suffer penalties for embezzlement or neglect of the Stores under their charge. But this clearly relates to persons, liable by the act abovementioned to Martial Law, and officiating as Storekeepers and Commissaries, of which the article itself, and the note opposite, afford sufficient evidence: Indeed, to suppose otherwise would be to set the articles at variance with the act which gives them authority, and which had previously determined the persons subject to its jurisdiction. Civil Servants of the Company tho' not amenable, in any Office, to Martial Law, are subject to Laws fully adequate to punish them for disobedience or neglect of duty in any trust committed to their Charge.-

Resolved that the fore-going observations be Communicated to Colonel Brathwaite.-

In

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The Officers of Barrack and Master Master not to be held by one and the same Officer longer than three Years- Period when those now in charge are to relinquish their appointments.-

In consequence of the opinions given by Colonel Braithwaite, in his letter of the 11th instant, regarding Staff appointments, it is now Resolved that the Office of Barrack Master under this Presidency shall not in future be held by one and the same Officer for a longer term than three Years, and that, as the four Officers now in charge of this trust, have already held it beyond the prescribed period they shall be removed from it on the 31st day of December 1796. and others appointed in their room.-

Resolved also, that the Office of Master Master to the Northern, Southern, and Center Divisions of the Army, and to the Troops in the Ceded Districts shall be vacated at the expiration of three years from the date of the appointment of the respective Officers in general Orders.-

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Crane to attend Captain Doveton on his journey to Seringapatam.-

The President proposes that Mr. Charles Crane, Assistant Surgeon, be appointed to attend Captain Doveton on his journey to Seringapatam.-

Ordered accordingly.-

Resolved

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Resolved that the following dividend be declared for the 10th of March next.—

a Dividend to the Nabobs Creditors declared.—

To the old Cavalry Loan and Consolidation of 1777.—	Pagodas 100,000.	
To the new Cavalry Loan—	29,844.	11.— 45.
Total Pagodas	129,844.	11. 45.

Read the following Letter

From Masulipatam.—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor &c Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

We have the honor of acknowledging

Sent Manelipatam with another Letter from Mr. Jack, and further proceedings of the Committee, concerning the Capture of the Cassa- -quee Coss as to the pro- -perty of the Ships admitting the Validity of her Sale.— Orders given respecting the persons claimed by the Nizam.—

the receipt of your Letter of the 30th Ultimo, an Extract from which, and Copy of that from the Attorney General, were transmitted to the Resident at Ingeram, who was desired to reassemble the former Committee, that it might if possible, be ascertained, whether, after the capture of the Ships Cassa, the purchase Money was returned, or promised to be returned on the event of the Ships being condemned.

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condemned. We herewith enclose a Copy of Mr. Yeates's answer, with other Papers therein referred to, on that Subject, and you will thereby observe, that, so far as the Obedience of Bolla Pregada Vencatarammiah can be depended on, She being the principal Party concerned, it appears that Mr. Petrie, who is said to have sold the Vessel, was under no promise of returning the whole or any part of the Purchase Money, in case of her being captured, but on the other hand, it does not appear that the Sale, admitting its validity, rendered the Ship in Question British Property, Vencatarammiah having lived at Yanam, under the protection of the French Flag. What weight this last circumstance may have in point of Law, we are unable to judge, but as Mr. Yeates has been very explicit in his own Letter, we hope the information now forwarded, may be sufficient to enable the Attorney General to offer a decision upon the Subject.—

We have likewise the Honor of acknowledging the receipt of your Letter of the 7th Instant with the Papers therein enclosed, and conclude that the person complained of to Mr. Stewart, is a Man named Mathuraveze Naugaroh, a Native and Dependent

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of the Bozoara District, on whom the Nizam may have conferred different Titles at different times, which will account for the apparent difference of names, We have accordingly written to the Commanding Officer at Condapillee, requiring him to send Nagamah to this place, and, before his arrival, the grounds of Complaint against him shall be enquired into, We shall only add, at present, that this Man is a Native of the Company's Country, and not a Subject of the Nizam's, although himself, and perhaps some of his Relations, are said to have been employed as Agents in different businesses by Cavelee Cauvi, who rented the Land Customs on this side of Hydrabad, under the Nizam's Government.

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

Masulipatam
19th February 1794.

Robert Gardiner
[signed] Andrew Scott

To Robert Gardiner Esq.
Chief &c. Council at
Masulipatam

Gentlemen

I have received your Secretary's Letter of
the

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The 4th Instant, covering sundry Papers relative to the Seizure of the Ship Cæsar.—

In consequence of your orders, Mr. Ogilvie has assembled the Committee on the 8th Instant, and I have now the honor to transmit to you a Copy of their Proceedings.—

It appears to me, on attentive Perusal of the Letter of the Attorney General, to the Honble the Governor in Council dated 21st January last on the Legality of the Seizure of that Vessel, that the information contained in the Papers sent from hence, and laid before him, was not sufficiently explicit, to enable him to form a decided Opinion of that transaction, I shall therefore take liberty to offer such Remarks on his Letter, as may, in my Opinion tend to elucidate the Subject.—

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The Attorney General Observes "But if it be considered that those two Gentlemen (Messrs. Parker and Yeats,) were as Owners, interested in the Condemnation of the Ship, and that the evidence of Twelve so interested in the issue of a Cause is inadmissible".—

The Orders of the Governor in Council of the 3d September last, effectually set aside all claim

on

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on the part of the Captors, and your Secretary on the 19th Decemb
last, informed Lieutenant Riddle, that the Governor in
Council had determined that no one had a Claim as Captors on
the Vessels taken at Coringa; a Copy of which letter comes
inclosed. But admitting that, on a ground of legality the
evidence of Messrs. Riddle and Yeats was inadmissible, being
parties concerned, does not the same Objection lay against
Mr. Pepin the Seller and Bollaseragoda Vencatasamiah
the purchaser of the Vessel. Yet the Attorney General is pleased
to enquire "Whether, after the Seizure the Purchase Money
was returned or promised to be returned in case the Ships
"should be condemned." A Question which can only be
the parties, Mr. Pepin, and Bollaseragada Vencatasamiah,
who are sure of not being refuted in the Answer they may
give, as a transaction of that nature, must have been
Secret.-

2. We must Observe "there seems to be no
Doubt that the Bill of Sale was executed on the 7th of June."

From what part of the Proceedings of the
Committee, the Attorney General draws his conclusions, I am
at a loss to discover. Mr. Le Laune the only Witness to the
Bill of Sale who appeared before the Committee says "He
"acknowledges his own Signature, but declares that at the

time

„terms he first his own Signature to the Bill of Sale, Mr.
„Pepin had not signed it, nor does he know whether Mr.
„P., did after his Signature, before or after the Capture of
„the Ship." Bollaspragada Vencatarawmiah in his
Petition to the Governor in Council, dated the 16. October 1793.
says "That he as well as many respectable Persons are willing
„to attest that the Ship was actually and bonâ fide his
„Property five Days previous to the Commencement of the
„first Hostilities," in support of which, it appears by the
Committees Proceedings, that on the 20th of December he produced
as Evidences, "Five owners of Dorries who all agree that they
saw Genoa Colors hoisted three Days before the Ship was
„Captured, but can give no further information whatever
„on the Subject." I submit to your Consideration, if this
evidence is equally applicable to the four sons, with the Evidence
of Mr. Le Jeune: If that Gentleman's Evidence doesnot
tend strongly to prove a fraudulent Sale: and whether
Bollaspragada Vencatarawmiah would not have produced
a more direct evidence of the Sale than those Dawny owners
afford, had he been in possession of such: I further submit
to you, whether Mr. Pepin knowing that Hostilities had
Actually commenced on the 22nd, might not hoist the Genoa
Colors for the purpose of Deception: For altho' those five

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Evidences speak positively of the hoisting of a Genton Flag, they neither say by whom nor one word respecting the sale of the Vessel, tho produced for that purpose, and it appears evident on the proceedings, that Captain Pigou was on Board, and did deliver up the Vessel without remonstrance of any kind, after the Period those Witnesses mention.-

3d The Attorney General proceeds "and the Money paid or secured the same day".-

Very different Accounts have been given of this Payment, Accounts sufficient to justify suspicion, if not to prove Guilt. By the Committees' Proceedings it appears, "Mr. Lovar informed them, "Mr. P. Tamanicoy "Pedeen also told them, that part of the Payment had "been made in Cloth, and part in Cash;" and on the same Proceedings it appears, "Bollapragada Vencatraumiah "Brammeney being asked in what manner the payment "were made, declares the whole was paid in Cash;" Here the Parties concerned contradict each other in a plain Matter of Fact, to which neither of them could be a Stranger.-

4th The Attorney General next observes "and if "the Sale was really, really meant to be valid, and binding

between

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„between the parties, there seems to be as little doubt that „the Sale was made to a Native of India under British „Protection, and that in consequence the Vessel immediately „became British Property:.—

The Attorney General in want of local information, has here inadvertently fallen into a Mistake. It appears on the 2. Proceedings of the Committee dated 8th of February 1794. Ballaprageda Vencatarauniah, "on being further asked where he resided at the time of the Capture of the above Ships „Casar, Says that he there resided at Yanaon", and I will add that he has done so for Many years last past. It may not be improper further to observe, that during the last War, and I believe the present also, many hyrds the property of Native Merchants residing under British Protection have been taken, or destroyed by the French.—

Lastly. The Attorney General remarks, "That Captain Pepion had said, in the hearing of Mr. Conran, that if War should not be declared in 45 Days, he was to have the Vessel back again, for from hence it would appear „that the Sale subject to that private Condition had „been actually Made, and that the Property vested in

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Vencatarawmiah for 45 Days at least, and eventually
"for ever, of course that she was his Property when the Captain
"was made, and as the commencement of Hostilities took
"place on the 4th. Day after the Sale, that she still con-
"tinues to be his Property." but he does not take Notice
of the remaining part of Mr. Corsan's Evidence, wherein
he tells the Committee, "Mr. Pepin added that it was
"more on Account of his Father, than his own that he
"regretted the Loss, as he must now begin the world again
"and should be the less able to assist him;" a Declaration
which certainly tends to prove, that he considered the
Capture to be legal.—

Such Gentlemen, are the Arguments
which have occurred to me on reading the Attorney
General's Letter and I offer them to You, with that
difference, becoming a Man who has only Opinion
for his Guide.—

I am
Gentlemen,
&c. &c.

Ingenam
13th. February 1794.

/signed/ Mathew Seats.—

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N. B. Papers enclosed

N.o 1. Mr. R. Malcolm's Letter to Mr. Yeats.
2. Extract of a Letter from the Governor in Council.
3. Mr. B. Sullivan's Letter to the Governor in Council
4. Proceedings of the Committee
5. Mr. R. Malcolm's Letter to Lieutenant Riddell.

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To Mr. Mathew Yeats

Resident at

Ingeram.

Sir,

A Copy of your Letter of the 29th December, together with Copies of the several Papers it enclosed, having been transmitted to Government, I am directed by the Chief and Council to furnish you with the accompanying Extract, containing the Answer which has been received, as well as with a Copy of the Attorney General's Letter therein referred to, and to request that the former Committee may again be assembled, for the purpose of ascertaining if possible, whether after the Seizure of the Vessel, the Purchase Money was returned, or promised to be returned, in case the Ship should be condemned. The Attorney General appears to have been mistaken in [illegible] Letter

Yours &c.

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Dear Sir

I am thinking that yourself and Lieutenant Roddle might be considered interested as Captors, whereas the Orders of Government deprived you of the expectation of any immediate benefit to yourselves, from the Condemnation of the Ships: a circumstance which appears not to have come to his Knowledge.-

I am Sir

&c.ª &c.ª

Masulipatam

14th February 1794.-

(Signed) Robert Malcolm

Secy

No 4. At a Committee reassembled at Janam the 8th of February 1794. For the purpose of Making further enquiries relative to the Sale of the Ships Cæsar.-

Present. Mr. J. H. D. Ogilvie. Head Assistant at Ingeram

Mr. John Jones Mariner

Mr. J. Cæsar Master Attendant absent having proceeded to the Presidency.-

Copies of the following Letters are produced.

No 1. Letter from Mr. R. Malcolm Secretary to the Ship and Council at Masulipatam.-

No 2. Extract of a Letter from the Governor and Council.-

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N.3. Letter from Mr. Benjamin Sullivan, Attorney General, to the Honble the Governor in Councill.

Mr. Yeate and Lieutenant Reddle being asked if they have any interest in the condemnation of the Ship Cæsar reply, that the orders of the Governor in Councill under date 3. September precludes all Interest in that Vessel except that of the Honble Company.

Bollaprogada Vencata Ramiah Brahmin being desired to inform the Committee whether Mr. Espion promised, in case the Vessel should be seized, that he would refund the whole or any part of the purchase Money declares that Mr. Espion did not make any such promise, and on being further asked, where he resided at the time of the Capture of the above Ship, says that he then resided at Yanam.

The Vessel having been captured before eight O'Clock in the Morning of the 11th of June last it is evident that Bollaprogada Vencata Ramiah Brahmin was not, as the Solicitor General supposes, under British Protection at that time as Yanam

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Yanam was not surrendered till the Sun set of the same day.-

I.H.D. Ogilvie
Head Assistant at Ingeram
[Signed] John Jones
Mariner

Yanam
8th February 1794.-

[A true Copy]
[Signed] C. Wynch
Agt.

No 5

To Lieutenant Thomas Riddle
Commanding at Coringa.

Sir.

A Copy of your letter, to the Chief and Council, of the 26th Ulto. having been transmitted by them, to Government, I am directed to inform you, in reply, that it has been determined, that there can be no claims to Prize Money, on Account of Vessels captured in the Company's Ports, without any resistance on the part of the Enemy.-

I am Sir
&c. &c.
[Signed] Robert. Malcolm Secy

Masulipatam
19th December 1793.-

A true Copy
[Signed] C. Wynch
Agt.

A true Copy
[Signed] Robert. Malcolm Secy

Resolved

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Minute thereon

Resolved, That the questions brought for-
ward by the Shirastaid Counsel of Masulipatam, at the
instance of Mr. Yeats, be referred to the opinion of the Company's
Attorney General.-

Read the following Letter from Bengal-

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

Hble Sir.

From Bengal- Tippoo
payments being completed,
concludes the Princes are
on their return the suspen-
sion of the Despatch of the
Governor General's Letter to
Tippoo of 24 December offered.
- another letter to him,
enclosed.-

Having received formal Intelligence
from Sir Charles W. Malet, of the payment of the last
Visit dues from Tippoo Sultaun to the Peishwah, we
conclude that the Princes are now on their return to
Seringapatam.-

Although we should not have
regretted the delivery of the Governor General's Letter
to Tippoo Sultaun, accompanying our Address of
the 24th of December 1793 Yet, under the Circumstance
of the Nizam's conditional acquiescence, We admit the
propriety of having suspended the Dispatch - yet.-

Enclosed

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Enclosed you will receive a Letter to Tippoo Sultaun, which we request may be delivered to him by Captain Doveton on his arrival at Seringapatam with the Young Princes, and We have the pleasure to transmit an English Copy for your Information.

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

John Shore
Robt. Abercromby
Peter Speke
Wm. Cowper

Fort William
the 10th of February 1794.

/Signed/

Read the following letter from the Acting Persian Interpreter at Bengal.

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Acting Persian Trans lator at Bengal enclosing Letter to Tippoo. his Excellcy. and to request all Cover, and a Copy of same from Tippoo.

I have the honor to transmit a Letter from the Governor General addressed to Tippoo Sultaun, with Copies

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in English and Persian, and of one from the Persian Translator to Tippoo's Vakeels written by order of the Governor General, together with Copies in English and Persian for the information of the Honble the President.-

I am likewise directed to furnish you with a Copy of the Translation of a Letter received from Tippoo Sultaun, to which the Letter above mentioned is a reply, together with a Copy of a Letter from the Governor General to Meejum ul Omrah on the subject of His Highness the Nizam's Claims upon Tippoo Sultaun, and departure of the Hostages.-

Calcutta
10th February 1794.-

I am
Sir
&c. &c.

(Signed) N.B. Edmonstone
Offg Sy.

To Tippoo Sultaun

From Governor General to Tippoo, on occasion of the return of his Envoy, with whom he has despatched an Answer to adjust the Boundary Disputes with the Nizam.- Remarks on that subject and his claim to the Talook of Kittahur.-

Written 10th February 1794.-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 30th January, congratulate the contents, and assure you with great Satisfaction that the

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the Intelligence of your welfare and the friendly sentiments expressed in it afforded me very Sincere pleasure.—

It was equally the Wish of my predecessor Marquis Cornwallis and Myself, that your Sons, the Princes, Should be Speedily and Safely Restored to you, and every hours delay in the Accomplishment of this desirable event was a Source of Uneasiness to me; but, by the Blessing of God, which ever attends those who proceed in the paths of Rectitude, all the Material Stipulations on which the Return of the Princes depended have been fulfilled on all sides, and what remains to be done is little in Comparison of what has been effected, and, with mutual Efforts, will be easily and expeditiously adjusted: in the Mean time the return of the Princes will at once furnish Proof of the Sincerity of the allied Powers and of their Friendly and Conciliatory disposition towards you. To Complete my Satisfaction on this Occasion it only remains for me to learn, that the Princes reached Seringapatam in perfect Health, and that You enjoy the same blessing; and Anticipate with great delight the arrival of this Intelligence.—

In the various and important transactions arising out of the Treaty of Peace Concluded at Seringapatam

the

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The Company, with that regard to Good faith which they
ever profess, have acted in concert with their allies, and
all Matters have been conducted with their Knowledge and
Participation; although I considered the Residence of the
Hostage Princes at Madras, under the Care and protection
of the Government there, a fortunate Circumstance, in this
respect that it afforded the English an Opportunity of
Shewing their regard and attention to them, even at
the same time sensible of the additional obligations
which this trust imposed upon us of seeing all the provisions
in the Treaty in favor of our allies duly fulfilled previous
to their restoration, under these Circumstances you will
conceive how great my uneasiness must have been when
I perceived that his Highness the Nizam had preferred
claims to several Villages as his right, in virtue of the
Treaty of Seringapatam, which had not been delivered into
his possession, from an apprehension that the return
of the Princes would be delayed on this account, and in
truth if the Nizam had persisted in Requiring that the
claims should be adjusted previous to their return the
obligations of good faith would have denied me that
gratification which I now feel from their restoration;
Nothing therefore could have afforded me more pleasure

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Upon the declaration of his Highness the Nizam, that he would not oppose his Claims as an obstacle to the return of the Princes, provided We were satisfied that they would be settled after their restoration; and as I entertained the most undoubted Conviction that the return of the Princes would rather facilitate than retard the Arrangement, I did not hesitate a Moment to comply with the anxious Wishes of my heart in authorizing Sir Charles Oakeley to permit their departure. —

I am now hastening to send that you have thought proper to depute Meeran Hussein & Jaf to enquire into the Boundaries on the Frontier of His — Highness the Nizam; but you mention that he is waiting near the Frontier, and that no one had arrived on the part of the Nizam to meet him. His Highness's Minister Vizeem ul Emrah, on the Contrary, informed me that Brahma Ameer Arab was deputed by the Nizam to the frontier, where, after waiting a considerable time, and not finding any person on your part he returned. What can I say upon representations so different? It was doubtless your Intention and that of his Highness the Nizam that the Ameers should meet, and make the prescribed —

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Investigations, and there must have been some mistake or Inattention on their part. I shall therefore take the Liberty of earnestly recommending to the Nizam, as I do to you, that the most positive Injunctions may be given to the Amuneers, to be attentive to their duty and to pursue their Enquiries with Candour, Caution, and Accuracy, so that the rights of all parties in conformity to the Treaty of Seringapatam may be duly ascertained and settled, and that each may possess such as he is entitled to.-

You also write to me that the Talook of Hirehurrihaur descendant on Hurrahreerapur not included in the Treaty has been taken possession of by his Highness the Nizam, who on the Contrary informs me that many Talaces are yet in your possession to which he has a right and which have not been delivered over to him in pursuance of the Treaty.-

I am very sorry to observe these representations, on which I beg leave to offer the following remarks. In the Concerns of Merchandize in general the performance of the Contracts and Engagements which they enter into is deemed an inviolable obligation, it

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is the principle which strengthens the bond of Society and is the Cement of human Happiness— But when Princes Contract Treaties with each other, the obligation of observing them with the strictest Adherence to good faith is much stronger, not only because it is incumbent upon them to give in their own Conduct, an example to mankind, but because a deviation on their parts from Justice and Equity involves the World in disorder and Misery. By those Maxims the Conduct of the several parties to the Treaty of Seringapatam has hitherto been regulated, and by the blessing of God they will be observed in future. With respect therefore to the Representations which I have received from yourself and his Highness the Nizam, it is first to be well Considered and Weighed to whom the Territories claimed by his Highness, and Kurrchumhaur which you State to be your Right, belong by the Terms of the Treaty, and as all parties are bound to observe, it nothing farther is necessary than to attend to the Prescriptions in it Agreeably to the Dictates of Justice, Good faith and Equity. If any doubt should occur let those doubts be ascertained by the same rules, by the appointment of prudent and intelligent Officers to investigate the

Claims

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Claims of rightfull possession on the spot.

I cannot have overlooked the observation of a Prince of your Wisdom and Penetration, that the Inhabitants upon the frontiers of a State are ever disposed to excite Disturbances, that those who are most prone to begin them are the first to Complain of their own Sovereign of violations Committed by the Subjects of another, and the Irregularities of these people often become Sources of Enmity amongst Princes. Where the Boundaries of two adjacent Kingdoms are undefinite and the Line of separation is not precisely laid down every day furnishes new opportunities for Incursions and Plunder, and the Representations upon this subject become endless. I Do therefore earnestly Request that no time may be lost in defining with a Precision that excludes doubt or dispute the respective Limits of your Dominions, and those of His Highness the Nizam Agreeably to the Treaty of Peace. With a Sincere Disposition on both sides, the Adjustment cannot be long protracted, and if you and His Highness the Nizam should be of Opinion that the Investigations of the Commissioners would be facilitated by the Presence of

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of an English Gentleman as has already been the case in Settling the Limits of your Country and those of the Company, and if it should be your Mutual desire I shall with great Satisfaction depute a Gentleman on whose prudence, good sense and Integrity I can firmly depend for this purpose.

By the Blessing of God peace is now every where established throughout India, and I trust it will be perpetual. It is the wish of the Company and of all who have the happiness of mankind in view. The Almighty who has placed mankind under the dominion of Princes entrusts them to their care as a sacred deposit and has imposed upon their Rulers the indispensible duty of consulting and promoting their Happiness. I beg you will consider me as participating your Joy on the restoration of your sons, and as sincerely anxious for your Welfare and Happiness.

I beg also you will encrease mine by frequent Intelligence of your Welfare and that of the Princes for whom I entertain the greatest affection.

I have the

Signed N. B. Edmonstone
A. G. G.

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To Golaum Ally Khaun and Ally Reza Khaun Vakeels from Tiepoo Sultaun from the Persian Translate.

Wrillen 27th January 1794.

From Persian Translate at Bengal to Tiffoo Vakeels forwarding the foregoing Letter for Tiffoo.

I have the Pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter accompanied by Letters from the Princes for the Governor General.

You will have observed by a late Letter from the Governor General to Tiepoo Sultaun that the Letter which you allude to addressed to Marquis Cornwallis had been received and that its Contents had afforded much Satisfaction, for Sir John Shore has nothing more at heart than that the Hostages should return to Seringapatam. The Subject does not require much wording; for the Exertions which Marquis Cornwallis made and which Sir John Shore now makes towards this object are well known to you: I have now the pleasure to forward a Letter to you from Sir John Shore, addressed to Tiepoo Sultaun, with a Copy of it for your Perusal. You will here observe another Instance of the wish of this Government with respect to the

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The Hostages and of his Endeavors to perpetuate the Friendship between the allied Powers and Tippoo Sultaun. Marquis Cornwallis and Sir John Shore, while extremely anxious that the Princes should set out, have given many Proofs of the respect which they pay to their Faith and Word and beg leave to refer you to the accompanying Copy from which you will see how much Sir John Shore is pleased with the prospect of the speedy return of the Hostages and the uniform adherence from all the parties concerned to the Stipulations in the Treaty of Seringapatam and his confidence in the future good will and Harmony which he is so anxious should prevail.—

You have at all times shewn great desire for these objects and Sir John Shore has no doubt that the disputes relative to the Villages on the Nogam Boundary will be speedily and amicably settled.—

I have &c.

(Signed) H.B. Edmonstone
A.J.P.T.

From Tippoo Sultaun

Received 30 January 1794

Letter from Tippoo dd. 5 June to the Governor General to which the above is an reply.—

I was extremely gratified by the Receipt of

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two Letters from you, Notifying your Succession to the Office of Governor General - and the Sincerity of your attachment towards me, and your resolution to follow the Steps of Marquis Cornwallis &c. / Vide Letters written 28th October and 18th November 1793 / you write that you were desirous to receive the declarations from the Courts of Hydrabad and Poona, That my Lord may commence their Journey pursuant to his Lordships wish - and that you waited with impatience the reply to which I may write to his Lordship's Letter - I have the fullest Confidence that you will consider me as belonging to yourself, and, agreeably to the wishes expressed by his Lordship, send back my Lord. The Money due to the three Governments has been completely paid, and I trust the Receipt from Pundit Purdhaun will soon arrive. - Although Ostensibly Years at a distance from you, yet Mentally, by the Remembrance of your Kindness, I hope you will believe me, near to you, and constantly call me to Remembrance by gratifying me with Letters / which are half a Meeting / notifying the good news of your Health - and that I am a cordial well wisher and an - unalterable friend, and always Zealously intent on adhering to our Mutual engagements

/as

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(as it is expressed in the Horoscope, Fulfill your engage-
-ments) and that you will without ceremony gratify
me with Letters. Dated 25th of Dauckree, of the year Saukis
1221 Mohummedee.—

P. S. The same day that Syad Mohummed dispatch
set out for the purpose of adjusting the boundary affair
on the English frontier, Meeran Hussein Khan was also
deputed to adjust those, with the Nizam and Pundit
Perdhaun, and is waiting near the frontier, but hitherto
no one has come on the part of the two latter to meet him.
The Nizam has taken possession of another Talook Hirehun
Sumee, dependant on Hurrihurpur, not included in the
Treaty—not thinking it proper to write to Sirdars (Chiefs)
of Rank upon such Matters, I have hitherto waited
until he, should to himself observe what is contained in
the Treaty, and given up the Taalook. Having however
no alteration, since it is necessary to have the Treaty in
view) I now write these Circumstances. There are various
Matters of this sort unadjusted, to represent them is
superfluous.—

A true Translation

(Signed) N. B. Edmonstone
A. J. P. S.

To

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To Azimul Omrah

Written 29th January 1794.

From Governor General to Azimul Omrah - on the subject of the Nizams claims upon Tipoo and the Departure of the Hostages. -

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter (vizde Letter received 6th January 1794) and have since learnt with great satisfaction from the Letters of Sir John Kennaway that his Highness, on the reliance that all his claims on Tipoo Sultaun in virtue of the Treaty of Seringapatam will be adjusted to the satisfaction of all Parties, has been pleased to withdraw the objections which had arisen to the return of the Princes, and, influenced by an earnest desire to accommodate, in every Transaction in which the Confederacy is Concerned with Tipoo Sultaun, has signified his Consent to their Departure from Madras immediately that Intelligence is received from Poonah that the third Kist has been paid to the Peshwa. -

You will have been informed of my sentiments by Sir John Kennaway and Captain Kirkpatrick and of the Contents of my Letters to Tipoo Sultaun on this subject by the Copies of them which have been

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been transmitted to Hydrabad for that purpose. I cannot avoid assuring you how much I am gratified at the propriety and Wisdom of his Highness's Determination not to impede the return of the Hostage Princes by objections founded on His Claims to the Villages, as Agreeable to the Dictates of sound Policy. And I feel the fullest Confidence that Tipsoo Sultaun will be influenced by the same Spirit of accomodation which His Highness has evinced, and that the soonest Effects will be exerted by both, to ascertain and to bring to the speediest possible determination the Claims of his Highness as Stated in your address to Tipsoo Sultaun, and I trust also that the Harmony so happily subsisting between the allied Powers and Tipsoo Sultaun will be promoted and daily Strengthened by Reciprocal acts of Friendship and Conciliation. -

Three Copy

I signed J. N. B. Edmonstone
Ag. P. F.

Ordered that the Letter to Tipsoo Sultaun from the Governor General be delivered to Captain Doveton. -

Read

The Letter to Tipsoo to be delivered to Captain Doveton -

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Read the following Letter from Captn.
Doveton.—

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary in the Military and Political Departments.

Sir,

From Captain Doveton requests another advance of Cash.—Copy of this Ltter to Mr. Secretary Hay and one Account Disbursements, enclosed.—

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit Copy of a Letter which I have addressed to the Secretary of the Supreme Government of Bengal,— and also Copy of an Account Disbursements which accompanied that Letter.—

As it is probable that I shall have no opportunity, for some time, of being supplied with Cash for my Expences I take the liberty to request that Government will be pleased to order that the Sum of five Thousand Pagodas be issued to me from the Treasury,— And as the Coins current in the Mysore Country will be most convenient for my purpose I request, if any such are in the Treasury, that I may be furnished therewith.—

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

(Signed) Gabriel Doveton

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February 25th. 1794.—

Capt.

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To Edward Hay Esqr.

Secretary to the Supreme Government

of Bengal

Sir,

In consequence of the Arrangement made by Lord Cornwallis previous to his Lordship's departure from Madras, that the whole expences attending my Journey to Seringapatam, in Company with the sons of Tippoo Sultaun, be carried to the Account of the supreme Government of Bengal to which I am to hold myself accountable for the expenditure of such sums as should from time to time be issued to me from the Treasury of Fort St. George, I have now the honor to acquaint you, for the information of the Honorable the Governor General in Council, that I have already received on Account from this Government the sum of three thousand Star Pagodas (3,000 Pags) for the purpose of making the necessary preparations for my Journey to the Court of Tippoo Sultaun — An account of my Disbursements I have herewith the honor to transmit. —

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Upon my departure from hence I shall require an additional supply of Cash, as it is probable that there may be no safe communication with the Presidency after I quit the Company's Districts.-

With respect to the expenditure of the Sums I may receive, I beg leave to assure the Honorable the Governor General in Council that the strictest economy shall be used consistent with the situation in which I have the honor to be placed and the appearance which I conceive it incumbent on me to support.-

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

[Signed] Gabriel Doveton.

Account

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Account Disbursements in January and February 1794.

To Making up a handsome Palankeen and Aftabgue Compleat with Gold Gilt ornaments as p Account	371.	12.	.
To Making a pair of Silver Sticks and Chouries - a little additional Plate and also for fixing Silver hooks to the Palankeens presented to the Princes by Lord Cornwallis - as p Silver Smiths Bill	130.	11.	20.
To Making up a Sett of Canaughts and Tumeary for my Tents	150.	27.	.
To Making up a Sett of Tables Chairs Couch, Cash Chest, Coops &c. &c. as p Carpenters Bill	125.	35.	20.
To Making up Golaups Teenspoothes, House furniture &c. &c. as p Taylors Account	113.	26.	20.
To Turbands Sashes and three Setts of Cloathes for Palankeen Boys	43.	15.	.
To Merchants Bill for Wine Liquors &c. &c.	103.	26.	20.
To two Sticks purchased and presented to the Young Princes	16.	5.	.
To Stationary as p Bill	11.	11.	20.
To Sundry Charges for Gunnies - Packages Bamboo's &c.	28.	6.	.
To a Mussauk for my Moonshy	25.	23.	.
	1120.	3.	20.

To Articles purchased for the purpose of carrying with me in order to present on Occasions may require Viz.t

To a very handsome repeating Chronometer with Gold chain purchased from Mr. Lewin as p his Receipt - intended as a present to Tippoo Sultaun	600.	.	.
To a pair of Silver embassed three branch Candlesticks with Shades &c. Compleat intended as a present to Tippoo Sultaun	240.	19.	.
To a Horse for my own use purchased from Lieutenant O Neil as p his Receipt	300.	.	.

Disbursements Carried Over . . . 2760. 22. 20.

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Disbursements ..... Brought Over 2260. 22. 20

To Two Bowling Pieces with Cases &c. entended for present as occasion may require as p Bill	114. 29. —	
To Purchase of a Serpesh, Kalagy, Pag.s 300, and one Kelaut with one Piece of Kincab, Pagodas 62, to present as occasion may require	362. — —	
To Two Piece of Broad Cloth, (Pag.s 90) and Three Pair of Shawles (Pag.s 86) for Occasional present	176. — —	
	2913. 6. 20.	
To Balance	86. 38. 60.	
	Pagodas ... 3000. — —	

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Signed Gabriel

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Account Receipts

By Cash received from the Treasury of Fort St. George on P. Receipt Dated 11th November 1793. ---- 3000. " "

Pagodas ---- 3000. " "

Doveton

Rowlett

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5000 Pagd ordered to be advanced to Captain Doveton.-

Resolved, that the Sum of five Thousand (5000) Pagods, be advanced from the Treasury to Captain Gabriel Doveton, and that the Amount be carried to the debit of Bengal Presidency.-

On the Occasion of the departure of the Hostage Princes, the President proposes that the following Letter be written to Tippoo Sultaun, to be delivered by Captain Doveton.-

From the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart. Governor of Fort St. George To Tippoo Sultaun Dated the 22d February 5/94.-

The President's Letter to Tippoo Sultaun, on occasion of the Departure of the Hostage Princes.-

I avail myself with particular pleasure of the opportunity afforded me, by the return of your sons, to offer you my Compliments of Congratulation on this joyful event, and to assure you of my anxious desire at all times, to promote the views of friendship so fully explained to you in the Letters from Lord Cornwallis, and the present Governor General Sir John Shore.-

I cannot allow your sons to depart without informing you that I have experienced the highest satisfaction in shewing them those attentions which are due to their illustrious rank, and to the interest you take in their welfare

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welfare, but this assurance would be very imperfect if I omitted to add that they have, by their amiable dispositions and manners, merited every more kindness and hospitality, if more had been in my power to bestow upon them. I feel much satisfaction likewise in testifying to you the faithful attachment of Gulam Ally Cawn and Ally Reza to the duties of the trust reposed in them. The opportunities I have had of observing their behaviour during the time of their residence here enables me to judge better perhaps than any other, of their Zeal for your service and of the just claims they have to your confidence and approbation.—

Captain Doveton, who has constantly attended your sons since the period of their Departure for Seringapatam, will accompany them on their return. I need not here speak of the manner in which this gentleman has executed the wishes of Lord Cornwallis and myself, but shall refer to your sons, and their attendants, for such information as you may be desirous of receiving upon this point.—

I have sent a few things by Captain Doveton, and, among the rest, a complete and curious apparatus, for shewing experiments in different Branches

of

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of Natural Philosophy and Mechanics, which I hope will prove acceptable to you.-

May your prosperity and Happiness be always increasing.-

What can I say more."

I Signed Charles Oakeley

The above letter to be delivered in charge to Captain Doveton

The Board entirely approve the Letter proposed by the President. Ordered that it be immediately translated and delivered to Captain Doveton.-

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

Read the following Letter from Captain Thomas Dallas.-

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
President in Council

Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir,

From Captain Dallas - with the Statement required of the Expences of his Agency for four Months of Horses to 31st December last Remarks on the Occasion.-

The Service I have been engaged in for procuring Horses at the Malagony Fair, has prevented me of any sooner laying before the commands of the Honorable Board transmitted to me in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 2th November 1795. which reached me on the 10th December.-

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In consequence of Those Commands Thereto
do myself the honor to lay before Them an Account of my
Receipts and Disbursements since the commencement of the
Agency ended the 31st of December last, being the latest period
to which the Accounts can be brought. Give me leave, at the
same time, to assure the Honorable Board, that in the
management of the trust confided in me, I have constantly
had the interest of the public Service in view in procuring
the greatest number of Horses which were to be had at the
lowest possible rates. Those hitherto purchased may appear
comparatively few, yet, considering the short period which
has elapsed since the War which occasioned so large a consump-
tion of Horses, and the great consequent demand by all
the Powers engaged in it who are taking advantage of this
interval of Peace to recruit their Cavalry, I trust you will be
satisfied that every possible exertions has been made and
that the number of Horses I have purchased is as large as
circumstances will admit. The present Plan being of
recent institution, there has not been yet sufficient time to
assure the Dealers, who come to this Country from a great
distance, of a ready Sale of such Horses as they may bring fit
for our Service and this can only be effected by the most
unremitted Zeal and exertion, as well as a knowledge of the

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people I have to deal with. A much greater number of large horses appeared at the Fair than did last year, but not adequate to the general demand. The Vicinity of the Nizams Court and Army has also acted much against me, notwithstanding which I have been able to purchase fifty two, very good horses including seven for Officers, and Eighteen Colts which promise to be fit for the service in a few Months hence, but the great advantage which I promise to myself by going to the fair in person, is by having met with the principal Dealers who resort there from the Western and Northern parts of India, from whom I have engaged to take for the Company any number of horses they will bring of a certain description. In accomplishing this desirable object, I soon encountered no small difficulty, as I found the Dealers are heavy losers in consequence of a failure on the part of a Mr. Biddle who had engaged to take on the Company's Account all the horses they could bring, but owing to the great support which I derived from Sir John Kennaway and to the punctuality which I have always observed I have been fortunate enough to retrieve their confidence, and I have the pleasure of informing you, that having actually secured my Corps to those people, I entertain a well founded hope of being able to keep Lots of forty or fifty constantly on

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the road to Arcott.— With regard to the Prices I have paid for the Horses already purchased by me, having pledged myself to you to procure them at the lowest rates, I beg leave to assure you that I have taken every possible care and precautions for that purpose. You may possibly recollect, Honorable Sir, that at the first conversations you honored me with on the subject shortly after my appointment to this trust, I mentioned 85 Pagodas as being the Average Price of Colonel Duguid & Campbells purchases at a time the Country had been long in peace, but that I thought, in consequence of the late War, it might now come up to 110 Pagodas, which you seemed to think reasonable, it will however be found that the Average Price paid by me is under 100 Pagodas, if calculated at the same rate of Exchange allowed to Colonel Campbell. The fluctuations of the Exchange rate indeed, at present, against me may prove beneficial being all in Rupees, the only Coin of this Country always bearing the same value in the opinion of the inhabitants, and while I am obliged to keep my Accounts at the Company's rate of Exchange 363 Rupees Fs. 100 Pags. I must grant Bills payable in Rupees or in Gold at the Current rate of the day— On the other hand the Company will have the advantage Exchange whenever Silver becomes cheap— Trusting that you will rest assured of my unwearied diligence and exertions for the public interest in the discharge of the duty committed to me I have the honor to remain.—

Hyderabad
23d January 1794.—

I. — I.
Signed Tho.s Dallas
Agent for Purchasing Horses.

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D.r The Honble Company, in Account Current with Captain Tho.s Dallas,

1792 and 1793.				Rupees	Pags and Rs
	To Cash paid, at different periods, in the Purchase of 179 Horses and 18 Cdls. for the Honble Company's Service			70282.	
	To Cash paid, at different periods, for Current Expences, in subsisting the Agents Horses, and Native Officers Horses, with Brokerage, and Servants Wages			12380. 13. 2.	82632. 13. 2.
June 25th	To Cash paid, Nowbut Row, Mamulloll Sowcars			Rupees	Pags and Rs
	being the 3 per Cent Discount, on the Bills for			30000.	900.
August 27th	To Cash paid, Mudra Dewus Sowcar, being the 2 1/2 per Cent Discount, on the Bills for			Rupees 10600.	265.
November 17th	To Cash paid, Hurkoo Muddun Sowcar, being the 2 per Cent Discount, on the Bills for			Rs. 10200.	200.
25th	D.o D.o, being the 2 per Cent Discount on D.o for			6120.	120.
	D.o D.o being the 2 1/2 per Cent Discount on D.o for			6150.	150.
					1636.
	To Cash paid at different periods for Shroffing 103500 Rupees, at 4 Annas per Thousand				25. 14.
	To Cash paid, Lieut.t and Charles Dallas, Deputy Register for disbursements being the Ballance of this December Account Current				33. 11. 8.
				Disbursements, Rupees	84327. 6. 10.
				To Ballance	39182. 2.
				Total. Hyderabad Rupees	123515. 14. 10.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that the above is a true and just Account, and that no charge whatsoever has been made by me that has not been exclusive incurred on the Public Account.—

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Agent for the Purchase of Horses, at Hyderabad. Cr.

		Rupees	as.	P.
1792 November 12th.	By Cash. received, from Sir John Hunnaway Bart. Resident at his Highness the Nizam's Court, on account of the Madras Government	20400	"	"
1793 February 1st.	By Cash received, from Sir John Hunnaway Bart. Resident at his Highness the Nizam's Court, on account of the Madras Government	12000	"	"
March 31st.	By Cash received, from Sultan Cauns Jemidar, being a Balance of the Sum charged in January's Account, for subsisting a Lot of Horses on the march to Arcot	33	7	8
April 30th.	By Cash received, from the Sale of seven Jilla Grass purchased for a Lot of Horses, and charged in January's Account	12	7	2
June 25th.	By Cash received, from Nowbut Row Mooralall, Soucars at Hyderabad, for Bills on the Paymaster General, bearing 3 per Cent Discount	30000	"	"
August 27th.	By Cash received, from Mestrs Dass, Soucar at Hyderabad for Bills on the Paymaster General bearing 2½ per Cent Discount	10600	"	"
November 8th.	By Cash received, from Hishen Mudden, Soucar at Hyderabad, for Bills on the Paymaster General, bearing 2 per Cent Discount	10200	"	"
26th.	D° D° D° D° bearing 3 per Cent Discount	4120	"	"
	D° D° D° D° bearing 2½ per Cent Discount	6150	"	"
28th.	By Cash received, from Sir John Hunnaway Bart. Resident at his Highness the Nizam's Court, on account of the Madras Government	30000	"	"
	Total. Hyderabad Rupees	123565	14.	10

Hyderabad
1st January 1794

[signed] Thos. Dallas
Agent for the Purchase of Horses.

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his conduct in the execution of the duty entrusted to his charge-

Agreed that the above be communicated to Captain Dallas-

Read the following letter from the Military Board-

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

Governor in Council-

Honble Sir,

From Military Board relative to Military Buildings &c. for the Troops on the Coast Settlements and to those which may be immediately under taken - Report of the Barrack Master at the Presidency on the quarters in his Division, Enclosed-

That we might be prepared to lay before your Hon.r opinions, in obedience to your commands contained in your letter of the 24th of October 1793 in regard to the Military Buildings which may be requisite for the accommodation of the Troops composing the Coast Establishment, we called upon the Chief Engineer to furnish us with calculates and Estimates of the Quarters and Barracks requisite for the whole of the Force on the Coast, and on the several Barrack Masters to transmit Monthly the Quarters and Barracks in their respective Divisions, and Report to us-

This has been done, and the Calculates, Estimates, and Reports are now before us, but it will not be possible for us to go generally into the subject for the reasons stated

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stated in the letter from your Honorable Board under date 5th October 1792. namely that no determination of the number of Buildings necessary at each Station could be made till it was first determined how the Troops were to be stationed a subject on which we do not deem ourselves competent to deliver an opinion, and we understand from the Commander of the Army, our President, that he is inclined to believe that nothing will finally be determined in regard to the new Stationing of Troops till Orders shall arrive from England in consequence of the Opinions of the Most Noble Marquis Cornwallis which may create any alterations in the Strength and Number of the Corps determined on for the fixed Establishment of the Coast.

We are of Opinion, however, that it will be saving of time to lay before you Our sentiments in regard to such Stations as we think are not liable to be materially affected by any new modification of the Establishment, and such we think we may consider those included in the Report of the Barrack Master at the Presidency, and a Force. A certain respectable Garrison must ever be kept up at Fort St. George and the Presidency let the Establishment be what it may, and the reason it will be continued such as it now is, and that, therefore, if there are good

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and substantial Quarters in Fort St. George for one European Regiment, and for three Native Battalions without, with sufficient provisions at the Moment for the Artillery and near the Government House for the Governor's Body Guard it is all that is required, We have gone fully into the Report of the Barrack Master at the Presidency and have the honor to enclose the opinion we have in consequence formed.-

And as Bruce assures by your letter of the 27th October 1792 to be fixed upon as the future Central Point of Cantonment, we recommend that the measure of Building substantial Quarters and Barracks there, on the substantial plan already determined on, for two Company's Artillery, one of His Majesty's Regiments, one Native Battalion, with the necessary Storehouses, and Granaries for a large Magazine, be carried into execution without delay, and that the Works of the Fort be so improved, and repaired, as to be defensible, and this is all we shall trouble you with at present.-

We think however that we may, with propriety, also take into consideration the Garrisons of Tanjore, and Vellore, and are aware to do, and shall

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Have the honor to lay before your Honorable Board our Reports of the Buildings and Works required for these Forts.-

We have the honor to be

&c.-- &c.--

John Brathwaite

John Richardson

/Signed/ B.y Close

Wm. Gent

George Hall

To Colonel Brathwaite

President &c.a Members of the Military Board

Gentlemen

I have had the honor to receive your Secretary's Letter of the 29th October, and now enclose, in obedience to your Commands, a Return of the Barracks and Quarters in my Division, specifying the Number of Officers and Men, they will respectively accomodate- I now proceed to add such explanatory observations as may further contribute to the information you demand, following the order in which the

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The Quarters and Barracks are respectively inserted in the Returns.—

The Field Officers Quarters being a upper storied and terraced, are airy and tolerably commodious, particularly that for the Senior Officer. There is a third included in the Colonnes of Captains' Quarters which has occasionally been allotted to a Field Officer, but generally to the Fort Adjutant; the last requires a thorough, and the two former considerable repairs, but are very substantial.—

Of the Quarters Marked in the Return for the accomodation of a Captain or two Subalterns, there are six upper storied over the Kings Barracks, and situated between the Field Officers and Fort Adjutants Quarters, the Staircase and approach leading through the Barracks of the Men. Each Quarter consists of one Hall, one small Room, and a Passage without any Godowns whatever, or any Kitchen or necessary, except in common with the Men, or travelling for the latter person round to the Bombproof Quarters. The Room is of necessity generally converted into a Godown, and it may be easily conceived how a Captain, or two Subalterns, are accomodated in the remainder. In my apprehension one Subaltern cannot be said to be

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be well accomodated in one of these Quarters, they are however cool, and airy, but require a thorough repair, and as Sconces, much alteration.—

Of lower Roomed Quarters there are six terraced, extending from those of the Senior Officer towards the Parade, consisting each of one Hall and two small Rooms without any Godown, the Terrace in bad Order but repairable. The Angle Quarter likewise Terraced, at present occupied as the Office of the Medical Board, consists of one Hall, one Room and closet, two Godowns worthless, and one Godown and a seperate Kitchen without—

The remainder of the Quarters, eight north of the Parade, and four to the South, are lower Storied, Arched and Bombproof consisting each of one Hall and one Room with one Godown in the rear, each range having its Ketchen and necessary in common, but as sheet use by these Buildings in their rear, that and one of the lower Roomed Quarters, the Office of the Medical Board accepted care be paid to have a thorough air in any of its apartments.—

The Numbers inserted in the returns of Barracks for Europeans, are reckoned at the rate of seven feet in Breadth for each man; a space which I think should seldom be departed— When occasion requires, a Barrack may be made to contain to the extent of one fourth, by placing the Cotts two and two, leaving

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leaving an interval of a foot and an half between
each pair.-

The Kings Barracks stated to accom-
modate 252 are seldom allotted to fewer than 300, and
are in my opinion the only habitable Barracks in
Fort St. George but excessively confined in the rear although
there was sufficient vacant Space for extending
them.-

The Bombproofs under the Ramparts of
Saint George's Bastion, excluded from all Air except what is
admitted at the Door, might afford convenient cover during
a Seige, but, without the pressure of any necessity, it does
not seem very consistent with the interests of humanity,
policy, or even of Oeconomy to continue this Bastion as a
permanent Barrack for Troops.- The Lunette, I think
Gate way, and South works are liable to similar and
stronger objections, and these are perhaps not without
their influence in producing a very singular fact, namely
that the European Troops at this Presidency, the healthiest
Spot within our Possessions, have generally a much
larger proportion of Men in Hospital than those at any
other Station.- It is indeed equally singular, and no

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Less notorious that in no part of the Company's possessions in India, are either Officers or Men so ill accomodated as at Fort St. George.—

Should your Board, on a consideration of these circumstances, think it expedient to recommend an improvement in the accomodations both for Officers and Men—I would respectfully suggest that both objects may be attained by converting the whole of the Officers' Quarters North of the Parade, and South of the Senior Officers Quarters into private Barracks: removing the said Offices of the last mentioned Quarters, as well as all those attached to the lower storied Quarters and Barracks included within what would then be the Barrack Yard: enclosing a seperate area near the Mint: Sheds for these purposes: and throwing down part of the range from the Quarters of the Senior Officer to the Office of the Medical Board, for the purpose of admitting the Sea breize, retaining an Iron railing across the opening.—

The three sides of square South of the parade containing the Cloth Godowns, main Guard &c which could easily be removed, and four Captains Quarters, by adding upper Apartments, and converting the lower ones into Godowns, might with the assistance of the present Apartments at the

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The Shirley Barracks afford sufficient accomodations for the Officers of the Garrisons, those of Native Corps excepted, whom it will be more convenient to lodge near their respective Battalions.-

The Granary Barrack in the Black Town is built of Brick and Chunam, with the exception of two sheds of brick and mud, the whole roofed with Palmiras and Tiles. It has occasionally been used as a Granary, and Hospital, a Barrack, or a Habitation for Prisoners of War. It is a substantial and commodious Building and well suited for any of these purposes.-

The Native Barrack on the Island was formerly a Stable and consists of three rows of brick pillars, and two intermediate ones of Palmira, roofed with Palmiras and tiles. The Gravels as well as the enterwals between the pillars built up with mud where requisite. It is a tolerable good place of Rooms, in decent order, and though not to be called a substantial Building, is perhaps as much as ought to be admitted in that situation.- The Hospital and Serjeants Quarters are mud, roofed with Palmiras and Tiles, and ought to be condemned.-

The Native Barrack at Chintadrypet is totally good and may be I think deemed a substantial Building after repairing

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requiring a thorough repair. The addition of an Hospital and Lying in Quarters is required - the Walls are a series of Brick Arches filled up where necessary with Brick and mud, and roofed with Palmeras and Tiles. -

The Native Barrack adjoining the Black Town Wall is a miserable thatched shed, worth less in itself and placed in a situation altogether unfit for a Barrack, so close to the Powder Mills, and Magazine that the Corps cannot be permitted to Light even the Lamps of a Barrack Guard - so that I accept it a very inadequate rented Barrack on Rag Hill, which costs the Company 32 Pagodas P. Month, there is not a Barrack for a Native Corps within the limits of the Black Town, nor any Quarter whatever for the accommodation of Officers attached to Native Corps - The Barracks and Stables of the Governor's Body Guard are both a ruinous state, and have no Officer's Quarters attached. -

The Barrack at the Mount is a good and I believe a substantial Building, but requires some repairs, the Walls are of Brick and mud plastered with Chunam, and roofed with Palmeras and Tiles - Besides the Barracks there is a spacious Guard Shed. -

The Company have no Officers Quarters at the Mount - But as the Officers have on this account expended considerable sums in building comfortable habitations, they seem entitled to great consideration in deciding on any future plans, for lodging the Officers of that Cantonment. -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
/ Signed / M: Wilks
Mar. Master Presidency and Mount Return

Fort St. George
26th November 1793. -

A true Copy
/ Signed / J. Brodie
Sec. to the Mil. Board

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Return of the Quarters and Barracks in Fort St. George, the Black Town, Island Chinadrepettah and St. Thomas Mount 20th November 1793.

Barracks for Europeans

		Field Officers	Captains	Subalterns	Serjeants & Drummers	Rank & File	Total
Fort	Officers Quarters	2.	26.				
	Flags Barracks					252.	
	Saint Georges Bastion					376.	
	Saint Georges right Lunette					46.	
	Wallajaw Lunette					126.	
	Saint Thome Gateway					67.	
	Saint Thome South Works					33.	
	Granary Barracks					531.	
	A Range formerly used as a Magazine					61.	
	Total					2. 26. 1492.	1492.

Barracks for Natives

		Total
Black Town	On the Island	660.
	At Chinadrepettah	700.
	Adjoining Black Town Wall	600.
	Governors Body Guard	160.
	Total	2120. 2120.

Stabling for Sixty Horses

		Total
Saint Thomas's Mount		300. 300.

Total Private Barracks European and Native .... 3910.

Abstract

Field Officers Quarters substantial and Repairable	2.
Captains Quarters substantial and Repairable	26.
European Barracks substantial and Repairable to Contain	1790.
Native Barracks substantial and Repairable to Contain	1360.
Native Barracks not substantial and Repairable	760.
Stabling not repairable for Horses, Sixty	
Total Private Barracks European and Native	3910.

NB Barracks for 1238 Europeans
cancelled for the reasons assigned in
the accompanying Letter. —

A true Copy
(signed) J. Brodie
Sec. to Mil. Board.

(signed) Mc. Wilks Barrack Master
Fort St. George and St. Thomas Mount

Resolution

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Resolution of the Military Board on taking into consideration the Report of the Barrack Master at the Presidency.- To report to the Honble the Governor in Council that.-

It appears from the said Report, that there are in Fort St. George substantial Quarters and Barracks for two Field Officers, and for twenty six Captains, or fifty two Subalterns, as they may be distributed.- And that there are Barracks sufficient, but that those in the Bastles, called the Casemates, which form the largest proportion are unhealthy, on enquiry however the Board find they are not less healthy than the Hanger Barracks, and for this they have the authority of Lieutenant Colonel Bideliffe, who has long commanded the Battalion doing duty in Fort St. George, and whom they addressed on the Subject.-

To Quarter a complete European Battalion on the Honble Company's Establishment requires Quarters as follows.-

		Subalterns Quarters
Field Officers, which exist, and are tolerable repair	2	
For the eight Captains giving two to each	16	
For the Six Captains	2	
For sixteen Subalterns allowing two to the Adjutant, and two to the Quarter Master	18	
For the Surgeons	2	
Surgeons Assistant	1	39

consequently

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consequently there being now fifty two, there remains a surplus of thirteen Subalterns Quarters, of these at present the following are disposed of.-

To the Medical Board 2

To the Captains of the Day 3

To the Barrack Master 2

To the Fort Adjutant 2

To the Reverend Doctor Bell ..... 2 = 10

suppposing therefore the Honorable Company's Battalions to be complete in Officers, which on account of General Harrison's absence it seldom is, and that the above allotment of three Subalterns quarters continues, there are still three Subalterns quarters to spare which may be allotted to any Subalterns of Engineers, or Artillery, ordered on the Fort duties.-

The Board are of opinion that there will be deemed necessary, at any time, to relieve the Honorable Company's Battalion in the Fort, by one of his Majesty's Regiments, that, allowing for the usual absentees, the Quarters will be found sufficient, and that therefore it is not necessary to erect any new Officers Quarters in Fort St. George, for the Garrison usually stationed there.- And on enquiry the Board have found the Barrack Masters idea in regard to the usual things of

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a large part of the Barracks has been proved by experience to be erroneous. They are of opinion that there are sufficient Barracks.

The Board observe that in the Black Town and the other Lodgements of Native Battalions are duely at the Presidency, there are no quarters for Officers and that the officers who belong to those Battalions receive House rent, and must find Quarters for themselves where they can. The Board are of opinion this a very improper system; as it occasions the Officers to be very much dispersed, and to be so distant from their Men, that many bad consequences may arise, greatly to the prejudice of good order, and discipline, besides, that very young Officers are, by this means, placed in very improper situations, where they have no eye over them, and every temptation to induce a depravity of Manners.

The Board therefore, by all means, recommend, that regular Quarters be built for the Officers of these Battalions, so that they may be lodged near their Men, and under the eye of their Commanding officer and the eyes of each other.

It appears to the Board that it will be generally requisite to lodge two Native Battalions in the Black Town. There is now there, only a temporary Shed, as a Barrack for one Battalion, and that so very improperly placed, being contiguous to a Magazine, that the Men cannot only, not dress their victuals near.

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near- but no light is allowed to be kept in it, the inconvenience which must arise from lodging Soldiers in such a Shed, need not be dwelt upon, and they think the use of it as a Barrack, should be discontinued- and that Quarters for the Officers and Barracks for the Men of those Native Battalions should be built on the substantial plan lately adopted for the Native Battalions, in proper situations in the Black Town instead of which the Battalions usually lodged in the Island, should be removed, and the buildings there, no longer considered as a Barrack, but as applied to any other use, as long as it may last, but the Board are of opinion that, and the other buildings there, should be suffered to go to decay- and that no buildings should be allowed of there, but such as may be destroyed at a very short notice.—

The Barracks for the Native Battalions at Chinsurah appear to be a very sufficient one, The Board therefore recommend that it be continued as such, and that contiguous to it, Quarters for the Officers be built on the substantial plan,- for the reasons they have before assigned, and they may add that they are convinced that the building of substantial Quarters for Officers, is also much more economical than allowing them to

The Board would not recommend that the building called the Granary in the Black Town should be determinately considered as a Church, as they think that the removal of such a building, in such a situation, for occasional purposes, is highly necessary, and to that end they recommend that it be kept constantly in Repair.—

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With regard to the Barrack, and Stabling for the Governors Body Guard,- Government have already come to a Resolution, in consequence of which orders have been issued.-

The same also have been done in regard to the Quarters, and Barracks, at the Mount.-

To enter into our opinions on this Report of the Barrack Master of the Presidency, the Board think the existing Quarters for the Officers, and Barracks for the Mess in Fort St. George are sufficient for the number likely to occupy them, they recommend however that they should be examined by the Chief Engineer, in order that they may undergo such repairs and improvements, as may render them more commodious, particularly the Officers Quarters over the Kings Barracks, which they conceive requires much to be improved by carrying out further to the rear the Yard behind the barracks, so as to admit of the building of necessaries, and Godowns, of which they are now deficient,- And that it is highly requisite, without delay, to build on a substantial plan, Quarters for the Officers, and Barracks for the Sepoys, of the Native Battalions, in the Black Town, and Quarters for the Officers contiguous to the Barrack occupied by the Native Battalion at Chintadrepettah.-

John Brathwaite

John Richardson

[Signed] B.d Close

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George Hall

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Resolution thereon

Ordered That the Board continue in the opinion expressed in their Letter of the 8th October 1792. That no decision could possibly be given with regard to the number of Buildings to be constructed at each Station of the Troops, until it were previously determined in what manner the Lines were to be fasted, yet, as there are certain Stations which cannot be very materially affected let the future arrangement be what it may, the Board will now state what they think may be undertaken at present.—

That the Quarters and Barracks at Fort St. George are deemed sufficient for the Number of Troops likely to occupy them, it will be only necessary to put them in a thorough state of repair, and to make such improvements as may render them commodious. For this purpose, the Chief Engineer must examine and report what is proper to be done. And likewise point out the situations best adapted for the construction of Quarters and Barracks for the Native Corps to be stationed in the Black Town, and ascertain whether ground can be procured in the neighbourhood of the Sepoy Barracks at Chindadrypett, on which Quarters may be erected for the Officers furnishing detailed estimates of the whole expence that will be required to complete these different works upon the plans recommended by the Military Board.—

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With regard to Arnee, the Board have already given orders for the construction of a Granary, for the accommodation of 500 Garce of Paddy, and in their letter of the 8th May 1793 to the Military Board, they stated the propriety of correcting all obvious and Material defects in the defences of that Fort, and desired to be furnished with a detailed estimate of the expence that would attend the improvements suggested by the late Lieutenant Colonel Maule.– The Board approve the measure of building Quarters and Barracks at that place, on the substantial plan already determined, for two Companies of the Coast Artillery, one of his Majesty's Regiments, and one Native Battalion, with the necessary Storehouses and Granaries for a large Magazine, and it is resolved to authorize the Military Board to take the necessary steps for the execution of this work without further delay.–

Read the following letter from the Attornies to Mr. George Hoar.–

The Honble Sir Charles Pakeley Bart.

President in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

Addressed Mr. Hoare Attornies in consequence of the Auditor General being precluded from making any further Demands on account of Reimbursements for regular Payments while Paymaster to the Army.–

We beg leave to inform you, that some time ago, We received from Mr. Roebuck, Military Paymaster General, a Letter stating that in consequence of your Orders conveyed to him, from Mr. Secretary Jackson

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Jackson, a Copy of which he furnished us with, left us out of his power to make any further Demand on account of the Retrenchments, and, at the same time, handed over to us the greater part of the bills that had been lodged with him for recovery, alledging that it would Answer no purpose their remaining longer in his possession.—

Considering the orders published in the month of May 1792. alluded to in Mr. Jackson's Letter for making retrenchments, to be founded on the same principle, with all former orders, to the Coast purport, corresponding exactly with what had been the usage and customs of the Service heretofore, and always meant to strengthen and not to weaken the Paymasters hands in the recovery of their outstanding claims, we could not without much concern and surprise, notice in Mr. Roebuck's Letter your total disavowal of the observance of the principle upon which such orders are grounded, prior to the month of May 1792. Reviewing well the reasons tendering it meet have had on any Attempts we might make to recover those debts, and observing at the same time, no hint given, or intention made, that by such a declaration, it was the intention of Government to sustain the loss itself.—

Under these circumstances, and viewing the claims by this act, as more desperate, we think it not only

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duty, as Regards to Mr. Hoare, but with all due deference and respect for your Honble Board, to declare it as our opinion, that we think Mr. Hoare justly entitled to remuneration of whatever loss he may sustain by his having already paid into the Treasury the Amount of those objectionable Charges and that opinion we have thought necessary to be recorded, in order that Mr. Hoare may be in possession of proper documents to enable him to apply for legal redress at home, should he be so inclined.

The Amount of the outstanding claims is Pagodas 9,232. 4. 44. as taken from Mr. Roebucks statements and this sum we conceive Mr. Hoare is justly entitled to expect from the Honble Company.-

We beg leave further to add, in support of what we have advanced, that the late Mr. Balfour, a Partner in our House, was under the necessity of becoming security for the late Colonel Montgomery before he was suffered to embark for Europe, for some retrenchments made from the account of Mr. Malcolm Paymaster to the Nizam's Detachment, all the years looked upon the Paymaster as alternately responsible to Government, for the amount over paid to Colonel Montgomery, and that the sum ordered to be refunded was paid by Mr. Balfour after the Colonel's decease.-

We have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Colt Baker &c.
Attorneys for Mr. Hoare.

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Remarks

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Remarks on the Letter from Mr. George Hoare's Attorneies, read at the last Meeting of Council.

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Remarks of the Board on the foregoing subject.

The Board never heard but one opinion in regard to the responsibility of the Person entrusted with the expenditure of the Public Money. The regulations formed for the guidance of Paymasters, and the obligation which is taken from them on entering upon their trust, clearly evince that they were held answerable for every irregular payment. Were it otherwise, there would be no end to the intricacy in which the accounts would be involved, or to the loss which the Company would sustain by having no particular object on whom responsibility could attach. The Paymaster is furnished with documents that fully and satisfactorily explain the nature of every demand that can be Made upon him, and he is respectfully informed that every charge not supported by a proper voucher, is to be peremptorily rejected.

In the letter from Mr. Hoare's Attorneies much stress is laid on the Board's total disavowal of any retrospection of the principle, which was declared to have effect on and after the 5th Day of May 1792. That determination was founded on the following article inserted in the Books of Regulations under

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under the Head of "Instructions to the Paymaster in the
"Field and at out Garrisons".-

Article 2d "Paymasters of the Army in the Field, or with
"any detachment of the Army, are to pay all demands Counter-
"signed by the Commanding Officer of the Troops; but if such demand
"shall be any deviation from the regulations of the Service,
"or appear to him extraordinary, he shall Make an immediate
"report thereof to the Governor in Council and Commander
"in Chief, so that the Officer making such a demand may in due
"time be called upon to explain his Motives for making it, and
"the charge be refunded, unless sanctioned by Government. If
"the Paymaster neglects to conform to this order, he himself
"will be held responsible for this irregularity, and for any loss
"the Company may sustain thereby".-

It was by this regulation that

Pay. Ware was directed to be guided.-

The regulations of May 1792, ex force.- "That as the
"Board have found the present Mode of recovering retrenchments
"to be inadequate, either for the security of the Paymaster, or the
"indemnification of the Company from unwarrantable charges
"- Ordered, that Paymasters are immediately upon the receipt of the
"Accountor General's retrenchments to furnish a Copie of them, to those
"respectively concerned, requiring them to repay the Amount.-

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"If this requisition has not been complied with, when the next Months allowances are issued, the Paymaster is hereby "authorized and ordered to make Stoppages, from the Bills "or Abstracts of that and the succeeding Months pay and "until the full amount of the Retrenchments is liquidated—

This order had not effect, until the Several Corps of the Army, to which Mr. Hoar was Paymaster, were about to be ordered to their respective Stations—

From the former of the above Passages it is clear, that the Paymaster was expressly enjoined to make an immediate report to the Governor in Council and to the Commander in Chief, if any demand were forwarded to him that deviated from the regulations of the Service, or appeared to him extraordinary— And he was apprized that, if he neglected to conform to this order, he himself would be held responsible for the irregularity, and for any loss the Company might sustain thereby—

Mr. Hoar made no report of the kind, nor were any of the irregularities discovered, until the accounts fell to be audited by the Military Auditor General in the Year 1793— and therefore to have had recourse to an order which did not exist at the time, would have been to have passed Judgement on an act posterior to the regulation—

The

Vide Letter to the Military Auditor General dated the 1 January 1794. for the Board's opinion of this order—

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The observations of Mr. Hoar's attorneys on the concluding paragraph of their letter, is altogether inapplicable to the present case - for Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery countersigned all the Bills, for the amount of which Mr. William Balfour became Security - and the regulations then in force, stated, "that Paymasters of the Army in the Field, or with any detachment of the Army, were to pass all demands "countersigned by the Commanding Officer of the Troops". - Lieutenant Colonel Montgomery was, in consequence of the same regulations called upon to explain his motives for making the demands - the explanation was not satisfactory, and consequently the charges were repended by him agreeably to Orders. -

It may be necessary here to observe, that every Bill marked with the reprobations of the Commander in Chief during the time Mr. Hoar was Paymaster to the Army, was deemed and taken to be a sufficient indemnification for the Paymaster, and his accounts passed accordingly. It was the want of this authority, and Mr. Hoar's own neglect in written reporting to the Governor in Council, nor to the Commander in Chief, that "he became responsible for the irregularities in his accounts, and "for all the Loss the Company sustained thereby". -

The Board have thought it unnecessary to go into this detail, in consequence of the opinion given by the Attornies "that they think Mr. Hoar justly entitled to remuneration of whatever

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"loss he may sustain by his having already paid into the Treasury "the Amount of objectionable charges" - and he may safely they feel of recording that opinion - "in order that Mr. Dare may be impressed "of proper documents, to enable him to apply for Legal redress at "home, should he be so inclined." -

Chas. Oakeley.
Ed. Fallofield
Geo. Warrow
Jr.

Edwd. Geo. Parry
Wm. Hyde

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Substance of a letter to the Nabob.—

Sent Letter to the Nabob entered in L. 6 N.o 18 recommending, at the Suggestion of Colonel Floyd — that a Bridge be thrown over the Nullah between Trichinopoly and the Plain.—

26th

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M B N.os 178. 179. 180. 181.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provision — with an Indent for Six Garce of Clean Rice for the Escort with the Mysore Princes — States a Loss of Eight per Cent in consequence of the great quantity of Dust mixed with Bengal Rice.—

From Colonel Brathwaite

From Commander of the Army — enclosing a letter from Colonel Floyd — and an application from the Fort adjutant at Trichinopoly for a Palanquin allowance — proposed Full Batta for the officers of the 19th Dragoons while they remain under Tents on the Island of Seringham.—

From Ditto.

From Ditto — shall order Lieutenant

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26th Lieutenant Darke to do duty with his Corps when the Term of his suspension expires - submits whether he should resume his office of Inspector of Ft. Stores at Tanjore. -

From Captain Doveton

From Captain Doveton - The Packets have applied for the Treaty to be delivered by the Nizam - requests to know what Reply he shall make. -

Sent the Rendermentioned Letters Entered in Mr. B. No. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. -

To Mr. Secretary Hay.

To Secretary at Bengal with Copies of the General Letters to England per Prince William & Henry -

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions -

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions with order for supplying Rice for the party proceeding with Captain Doveton to Seringapatam. -

To Auditor General. -

To Military Auditor General referring Mr. Cockburn's Estimate

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26th Estimates for March — Advances ordered for
Military charges in that month. —

To Military Paymaster General

To Paymaster General. — with Copy of the Auditor Generals report upon his Estimate for March — Advances have been ordered. —

To Clerk of the Treasury —

To Clerk of the Treasury. — ordering an advance of Pagodas 6,69,293.29.

5/6 for Military Charges in March. —

27th Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in M. B. Nos. 187. 188. 189. 190. —

From Masulipatam with

From Masulipatam Certificate of sums paid to Mons.r Dubibert and Gerard — Nagarow has absconded — Copy of Major Bonnevaux's letter Inclosed. —

From Military Paymaster General with Mr. Paymaster Vaughan's

From Paymaster General. — Estimates for Madura, Dindigul &c. and Mr. Cochrane's additional Indent for Ps account of the additional Donation. —

From adjutant General presenting Sundry Claims for Clothing due

From adjutant General. — to the late 1st and 2d Independent Companies of Revenue Troopers who served to the Southward during

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27th during the late War. —

From Ditto From Ditto proposes the promotion of Ensigns T. Younge and R. G. Bodley. —

Sent the following letters. —

To the Honble Sir John Shore Bart.

Governor General in Council at Fort William

Honble Sir,

To Bengal — in consequence of the Vackeels application for the Treaty to be received from the Nizam the Princes will set out tomorrow. —

On the 8th Instt. our Secretary transmitted to Mr. Secretary Kay copy of a letter we had received from Sir John Kennaway, notifying, that the treaty of Seringapatam, executed by the Nizam and his Minister, agreeably to the desire of Tippoo, was not to be delivered to the Vackeels, until your opinion had been obtained. —

Having just received an application from the Vackeels, through Captain Doveton, for the delivery of the Treaty, we have informed them that the subject is under reference to you, and that as soon as we are enabled to acquaint D

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27th acquainted with your sentiments, we shall
lose no time in making the necessary P
communication to Captain Doveton.—

We have the pleasure
to inform you that Tipsoo's Sons, with P
their Suite, are now encamped without the
Fort, and will commence their Journey P
towards Seringapatam tomorrow.—

We have the honor to be
with respect.—

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

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

Gentlemen,

We have received your
letter of the 8th Instant with its enclosures.

As the situation of the
widow of the late Jaghiredar of Arnee
precludes us from coming to any immediate
decision on the claims of the several P
parties to the Jaghire, we desire that P
the relations of the late Sreenevasa Row
may

To Board of Revenue—no decision as at present passed regarding the Arnee succession the relations of Sreenevasa Row to continue in the management & to give security.

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may continue in the management of the Distrust until the Issue of the Widows' pregnancy be known, and that Security be taken from them to be responsible to the Company for the Reversion of this year. —

We enclose a petition from Venkat Row, which ought properly to have been addressed to your Board. —

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

Despatched the undermentioned letters entered in M B. No. 191. 192. —

To Captain Doveton. —

To Captain Doveton — to inform the Cankeels that the Treaty applied for cannot be delivered until the Result of the Reference to Bengal be known. —

To Colonel Nixon. —

To Commandant at Pondicherry with Instructions to ascertain the Cause of the Enhanced price of Provisions.

Received

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Received letter from the

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.—

Nabob Entered in C.C. No. 193 Stating that the Robberies committed in the Districts of Attoor and Anuttgherry, are owing the Turbulent Conduct of the Mannapears Polygars.—

Received letter from A

From Major Orr.—

Commandant of the 5th Tegiment of Cavalry Entered in m. B. No. 193. requesting that the clothing Contractor may have sanction for paying to him the Amount of Surplus clothing furnished to that Corps.—

Despatched the undermen-

-tioned Letters Entered in m. B. No. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 200. 201. 202. 203. 204. 205. 206. 207. 208. 209. 210. 211. 212.—

To Attorney General—

To Attorney Gl. calling for his further opinion in regard to the Legality of the Seizure of the Ship Bevar.—

To Commandant in the

To Captain Alexander read.— Ceded Countries— Government cannot take legal Cognizance of criminal offences committed therein— the people

seized

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seized by Captain Oram must therefore be put in irons and kept at hard labor until they can be brought to trial:-

To Mr. Paymaster Hughes.-

To Paymaster - Ditto - the Boards sentiments of the improper Conduct of Lieutenant Greenhill Weaver been communicated to Colonel Braithwaite.

To Mr. Secretary Hay.-

To Secretary at Bengal - on future Indents on England for Sulphur will be made - Statement of the annual Consumption, of the remaining in Store, and of the quantity required, enclosed.-

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.-

To Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - may repair the Bungelore behind the Hospital.-

To Ditto.

To Ditto - the arrangement proposed for supplying the Bazars at Trichinapoore and Poonamallee with Rice does not appear, as no scarcity now prevents and the Bazar price may low-

- Copy of a letter from Commandant at Tiagar referred for his opinion.-

To Mons.r Tipu at Seringapatam

To Mons.r Tipu - in reply to his secured application for an Increase of allowance.-

To

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To Military Auditor General

To Auditor General.— The claim of Captain Conran to passage money should have been at once rejected — and the demand against him resisted upon. —

To Ditto — with another application from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stewart at Angole the Directions of 27th. November last for payment of his Bill, to be again repeated to the Paymaster General. —

To Ditto — enclosing Mr. Cochranes additional Estimate for February — the Amount has been entered to be issued. —

To Ditto

To Military Board — in reply to their application for a commodious place for holding their meetings. —

To Military Board.—

To Ditto — the Quarters and Barracks in Fort St. George to be surveyed and completly repaired — orders in regard to others for the Native Corps stationed in the Black Town Quarters &c. for two Companies of Artillery — one Kings Regiment and one Depoy Battalion, with Storehouses

To Ditto

and

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To Mons.r Sufs at Mauilipatam To Mons.r Sufs - in reply to his Secured application for an Increase of allowance.-

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and one Depoy Battalion, with Storehouses
and

To Ditto

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and Granaries for a large Magazine to be immediately built at once.—

To Major Brst

To Commandant of 5th Regiment of Cavalry— Cornet Walcott must satisfactorily explain why he did not bring forward & his Claim within the period prescribed.—

To Ditto.

To Ditto— the Surplus Clothing in his hands to be delivered to the Contractor who will pay himself from the Mortgages coming to his Regiment.—

To Commandant at Angole.—

To Ditto at Angole— the Guards stationed between Nellore and that place for the protection of the Tappy, to be withdrawn

To Ditto at Tanjore.—

To Ditto at Tanjore— the Keys of the Residents House to be deposited with the Paymaster— the Board intended that it should remain unoccupied.—

To Paymaster at Ditto.—

To the Paymaster at Ditto directing him to keep the house shut up.—

To Clerk of the Treasury.—

To Clerk of the Treasury— obtaining an advance to Mr. Roebuck for the Amount Value of Horses purchased by Major Stevenson for the public Service.—

To Paymaster at Trichinopoly.—

To Paymaster at Trichinopoly again calling upon him to nominate a Sentry

Received

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Received letter from the

1st Substance of a Let. ter from the Nabob Entered in L. L. N.° 28 advising of his

having paid the last due this Day.—

2.d Sent the following letter.—

To Edward Hay Esq.r

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort William.

Sir,

To M.r Secretary Hay with Copy of the President's letter to Tippoo on the departure of this Long 5500 Pagodas paid to Captain Doveton.—

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to transmit to you, for the information of the Governor General in Council, Copies in English and Persian of a letter from the President addressed to Tippoo Sultaun.—

I am also directed to acquaint you that the Sum of five thousand & /5000/ Pagodas was advanced to Captain Doveton on the 25.th ultimo, and that the amount has been carried to the debit of your presidency.—

I have the honor to be

&.c &.c

(Signed) W. B. Jackson

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Despatched

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2. Despatched the undermentioned
Letters Entered on M. B. N°. 1–2.–

to Residents at Hydrabad and Poonah.. To Residents at Hydrabad
and Poonah—advising of the Departure
of the Mysore Princes.–

to Captain Dallas.– To Agent for Bullocks, at
Hydrabad—with observations on his
of this Agency, and the Statement
by him, may fulfill the Engage
may have contracted with the
—but not to extend thereto—his
Exertions acknowledged.–

3. Received the follo

The Honble Sir Charles Oakeley
President and Governor in
of Fort
Honble Sir,

Auditor Genls report on the Estimate of the Principal Agent for Bullocks for march. I have the hon
report as follows upon the General
Estimate of Expected Disbursements
in the Department of the Principal
Agent for Draught and Carriage
Bullocks for the months of march 1794

accompanying

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3d accompanying Mr. Secretary Jackson's P.

Letter of the 25th ultimo.—

		P.	L.	6
Expected Desbursements at Madras		364.	32.	"
Arnee Vellore & Amboor	275	—	"	— "
Trichenopoly	150.	—	"	— "
Pallamcotah	46.	—	11.	— "
Baramahal	60.	—	"	— "
Ellore &c.	209	—	"	— "
Chicacole	316	—	"	— "
Ittehapoor District	31	—	"	— "
Hydrabad Detachment	858.	—	38.	—
Pagodas	2310.	—	39.	— "

From the Total amount of expected Disbursements as above P. stated the Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks deducts the P. following Sums as not payable from the General Treasury at the P. Presidency, but payable from the subordinate Treasuries for which Bills will be drawn upon them P.

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and transferred through the General Treasury.-

At Tricheinopoly	150.—	—
Barramahal	60—	—
Ellore &c	209.—	—
Chicacole	316.—	—
Mahapour District	31.—	
Wyddabad Detachment		
Payable by the Nizam	858—	38.—
	Pagodas 1624.—	38.—

Consequently the Amount payable at the Presidency as Alternate of the Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for March 1794 is /686. 7. 0/ Pagodas Six hundred and Eighty Six, and one Fanam.—

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

Military Auditor Generals Office &c &c

Fort St. George

3d March 1794.

/Signed/ Henry. Malcolm

Mily. Aud Genl.

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The 3d Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

I have the honor to
acknowledge the Receipt of Mr Secretary
Jacksons Letter of the 25th ultimo with
the Estimate of expected Disbursements
in the Department of the Commissary
General of Grain and Provisions for the
Month of March 1794 and to report
thereon as follows. —

Auditor Generals report on that of the Grain and Provisions Department for march

	Pag.	Fan.	c
Expected Disbursements at Madras	229.	41.	40
Chingleput Pommaeil and Pondichery	173.	16.	64
Arnee Vellore & Amboor	110	12.	—
Tiagar	22.	—	—
Tanjore	16.	30.	—
Trichinopoly	342.	—	—
Palamcottah	69.	38	50
Masulipatam	80.	—	—
Baramahal	400	—	—
Ellore &c.	3586.	—	—
Pagodas	5,130	12.	74

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From the Total Amount of expected Disburse-
-ments as above stated the Commissary G.
General of Grain and Provisions debits
the following Sums is not payable from
the General Treasury at the Presidency
but payable out of the expected Receipts
from Sales &c. in the Department, or
from the Subordinate Treasuries, for
which Bills will be drawn upon him,
and transferred through the General
Treasury. —

At Madras	665	32	60
Masulipatam	80	—	—
Baramahal Districts	410	—	—
Ellore &c	3586	—	—
Pagodas	2717	19	66

Consequently there will be no advance required
from the General Treasury on account of
Disbursements in March 1794, there being an
Excess of expected Receipts in the Department
of Pagodas 3687. 19. 66/ Pagodas three
thousand, six hundred, eighty seven Pardaus
fanams, and sixty six Cash. —

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

Sir &c
Signed/ Barry Malcolm
Mily Auditor Gen.

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

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

Honble Sir,

As I engaged very pointedly

Lieutenant Dawsit's Report Progress in demolishing the Works of Pondichery

for the execution of a particular part of the Work in the course of the last month I feel the necessity of explaining the cause of its not having been completed in the manner I expected, and my motives for having, in a certain Degree, changed the Plan which, in my Letter of the 5th of February, I had the honor to inform you I had adopted for the more effectual demolition of the Fortifications on the North and South Sides. —

I soon found from experience that the Tank Diggers could be employd to more advantage on the West side, P where the works are formed of a strong clay, than in the light sandy soil, of which the whole of the North and P great part of the South Face is composed, and I therefore stationed about one P thousand of them on that side, extending

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

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

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&c. &c. &c.
Signed/ Benry Malcolm

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To the 3d
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Governor &c &c &c in Council

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them from the N. W. angle as far as the Dauphins Bastion, and from the S. W. angle nearly to the Villenoor Curtain making together a space of about 700 yards. I have also during the last Fortnight employ'd a party of 200 men to level the Rampart in front of the Barracks where the 73.d Regiment is quartered as the commanding of the Corps represented to me, that the Surgeon imputed the sickly state of the Regement, in a great measure, to the confined situation of the Barracks.

The employment of so many hands on this side has of course considerably impeded the work on the others and I shall in consequence still require ten or twelve days to complete it, but at the same time I have the satisfaction to assure your Honble Board that they have been discharged in the most advantageous manner. —

The Mens under the Vellenoor Gate were sprung with all the

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3. the effect I could desire, and the whole of the Building is now entirely destroy'd — I have the Honor to enclose a Return of the bodies employ'd since the 14th February. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Dowse Lieut

Comd.g Pioneers

Pondicherry

March 1st 1794. —

Return of bodies employ'd in destroying the Fortifications of Pondichery in the Month of February 1794. —

	Brigadiers	Head Mastrs	Mastrs	Men bodies	Women bodies	Boys	Girls	Total bodies
1794 Feby 15th	4	6	60	2291	703	2994		
16th	"	6	60	2292	700	2992		
17th	"	6	60	2294	702	2996		
18th	"	6	60	2300	698	2998		
19th	"	6	60	2306	690	2996		
20th	"	6	60	2302	704	3006		
21st	"	6	60	2301	696	2997		
22d	"	6	60	2305	695	3000		
23d	"	6	60	2298	703	3001		
24th	"	6	60	2309	692	3001		
25th	"	6	60	2303	690	2993		
26th	"	6	60	2298	702	3000		
27th	"	6	60	2308	695	3003		
28th	"	6	60	2292	709	3001		
Total	4	84	840	32299	9779	41978		

(Signed) W. Dowse Lieut

Comd.t Pioneers.

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From Acting Resident at Ganjam. — From Ditto — the claims of the officers in charge of the Rajahs Munnidoo and Suggahantidoo, to Batta referred. —

From

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From Paymaster General.—

3d. From Military Paymaster General an additional Estimate of the Principal agent for Grass Supplies.—

From Major Orr.—

From Commandant of the 5th Regiment of Cavalry stating the Cause of delay in preferring Cornet Walcott's claim for his Horse lost on Service.—

From military Storekeeper.—

From Military Storekeeper stating that he cannot make the necessary Entries in his Books, for want of the Invoices of the Supplies received from Bengal per Ships Woodcott & Jane and Success.—

From Colonel Maxwell.

From Commandant at Tanjore reporting the Death of Mr. Thomas Pearce.—

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4th Sent the following Letter to Colonel Braithwaite.—

To

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To Colonel John Braithwaite

Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

To Colonel Braithwaite stating the Board's sentiments on the improper Conduct of Lieutenant Greenhill in demanding the Keys of the Stores at Ryacottah from Mr. Hughes Servants and in regard to his Idea that the mutiny act extends its Jurisdiction over Civil Servants.—

I am directed by the Hon^ble the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 24^th ultimo, enclosing the correspondence transmitted by Lieutenant Greenhill relative to his demand upon Mr. Hughes's Servant for the Keys of the Stores at Ryacottah.—

The President in Council is not aware of the necessity urged by Lieutenant Greenhill for this order, or of the authority under which it was issued, since it has been invariably the practice to place the charge of the Stores at out stations in the hands of civil Servants, who are considered as responsible to Government alone for their Conduct; under this regulation therefore neither Mr. Hughes nor his Store Servant, acting for him, could deliver over the Keys of the Stores at Ryacottah to any person not expressly

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expressly authorised by government
to receive them, because a surrender
of this kind would be a dereliction of
his trust and a positive disobedience
of the orders of Government. —

Viewing the matter in this
light the President in Council
cannot but consider the order given by
Lieutenant Greenhill to the Storekeepers'
servants as irregular, and his proceeding,
in consequence of the servants refusal
to surrender what had been entrusted
to them by his master, as hasty and
disrespectful to the authority of
Government — The Regulations for the
Store department direct that the
magazines shall always be open
to the inspection of the Commanding
officer, and reports regularly made
to him, but no where say that he
has authority to take the Keys into
his possession, and thus transfer the
charges to himself. —

The President in Council
is sensible that the Regulations now
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in force are imperfect in not providing more effectually for the stores at P. those places where the Storekeeper himself cannot personally superintend them, and it was under this persuasion that he sometime ago desired the P. Military Board to suggest an P. arrangement better calculated for the preservation and care of the stores in general; but as no such P. arrangement has yet been submitted, the Storekeepers are necessarily obliged to conform to the existing orders of Government, which make them P. alone answerable for all the stores P. put under their charge. —

The President in Council cannot assent to your opinion that the act of the 27th Geo. 2d. entitled an act for punishing mutiny and desertion &c. extends its jurisdiction over civil P. servants of the Company employed as Commissaries or Storekeepers. The persons subject to that Law are expressly said to be those mustered, or in pay, as

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or in the said Company's pay, as P
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to hold Courts-martial, the objects for
trial are said to be "officers and soldiers". In
the articles of war which the King was
authorised to make under this act, it
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"officers, Storekeepers or Commissaries" P
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for embezzlement or neglect of the
Stores under their charge — But this
clearly relates to persons, liable by the
act abovementioned to martial Law,
and officiating as Storekeepers and P
Commissaries, of which the article P
itself and the note opposite, afford
sufficient evidence — Indeed, to suppose
otherwise would be to set the articles
at variance with the act which gives
them authority, and which has P
previously determined the persons subject
to its jurisdiction Civil Servants of
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4.to Laws fully adequate to punish them
for disobedience or neglect of duty in
any trust committed to their charge.—

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I am &c &c
/Signed/ W. C. Jackson
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Despatched the undermen-
tioned letters Entered in M. B.
N.o 12. 13.—

To Mr. Secretary
Macy.—

To Secretary at Bengal
enclosing a letter from the Nabob A
for the Governor General.—

To Lieutenant
Colonel Gaitz

To Commandant of A
Artillery at the mount cannot A
admit the necessity for any further
charges to the Company for the
Duties of the 1st Battalion.—

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Fort St. George 6th March 1794

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

Governor — President

Ernst William Falloofield Esqr.

and

George Westcott Esqr.

Tuesday 6th March 1794

Minutes of last Consulta-
tion read and approved.—

Read the following P
letter from the Military Board.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

We now have the honor
to enclose, for your information, copy of
a letter we received from Captain P
Johnston of the Engineers at Masulipatam
which enclosed the accompanying copy
of a letter from Doctor Anderson, the
Head Surgeon there, to the Commanding
officer;— We have moreover to lay P
before you, copy of the Estimates P
calculated on the present Contract P
prices for repairs to the Barracks P
Hospitals and Sepoy Barracks at Illore
which

From Military Board with Estimates for repairing the Hospital Barracks &c at Illore and Arsenal at Madras propo-sals of the Contractor and Town major for providing caps and jacket for Recruits submitted recommendation regarding cots for the Barracks and for excluding the new Officers in the center &c. Divisions report upon the late charge for branch-ing Hospitals &c. suggestion

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which We recommend may be ordered immediately
to be carried into execution; and we are
also induced to recommend, that the
further measures recorded in the said letter
be so far adopted, that we may be allowed
to call for the Estimates of the expence
that will attend them — We are the more
inclined to recommend this, as Our President
informs us, that some years ago, the same
was proposed to Government and approved
but was not carried into execution, as the
state of the Treasury did not then admit
of any expence on the principle of Improvement being deemed scarcely equal
to defray the indispensably necessary
expences, We think it however necessary
to observe that the Estimates We have
now the honor to lay before you, do
some what exceed Estimates given in for
the same repairs, on a former occasion —
but that is well accounted for, by a
lapse of two years and the several
buildings having, in that interval, been
exposed to the inclemency of two
monsoons. —

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We have likewise the honor to lay before you, two Estimates for repairing the Arsenal, calculated also on the P Contractors prices, We recommend the P adoption of the larger estimate, for paving the floor, with blue stone, as we conceive that ultimately it will be the most aconomical measure, the floor of the Arsenal being constantly subject to P the pressure of very heavy carriages - We are of opinion that if laid with brick it will very soon be in want of as much repair, as it is now. -

The Town Major, and Contractor for Army Clothing, having in consequence of our calling upon them laid before us a muster cap and Jacket for the clothing of the recruits, with P a statement of the expence at which they made them up, - We found them equal in quality, but as the price at which the Town Major engages to furnish them, is lower than that of the Contractor by four Fanams and P sixty cash /4.- 60/ and it what we think

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avery reasonable charge, We recommend that the Town Major should be allowed to draw that sum for each cap and Jacket provided by Jacoe, and we think it proper further necessary to inform your Honor, as a part of the Town Major's proposal, that he makes it upon the supposition, that he is to be allowed to purchase the cloth from the Company's Godown, - and that if he is obliged to purchase it of individuals it will encrease the expence of each Jacket by two Panams. -

We further beg leave to observe, that, as we are convinced the Town Major has stated the Cap and Jacket, at the lowest price at which they can be made and that he will be obliged to advance his own cash, for the provision of these caps and jackets, and cannot draw for them till they are delivered, while, in the interim, they must be always exposed to some risk of damage, which may subject him to loss, as he should always be provided with a sufficient number to supply the

recruits

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recruits on their arrival, and as the whole
concern is but a small thing, though
probably attended with as much trouble
as if it were larger, We therefore
recommend, that he be allowed a
commission upon it of fifteen per cent
as We clearly think that less will
not indemnify him. —

In reply to your commands
under date the 4th and 6th Instant, We
have, in taking the former into considera-
tion, to observe, that the Baramahl &
and ceded Countries, have not as yet
been included in any devision of the
Army, except by an order of Major
General William Medows, issued for
the regulating of Returns, and details, &
which included it in the Center
Devision, but which order we do not
find has been understood, to operate
in any way, upon any of the Barrack
Masters We therefore recommend that
the Baramahl, and ceded Countries
north of the Coleroon, should be
included in the Center Devision, and

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that of Dindigul in the Southern; A
which measure, if you are pleased
to adopt, We will order the Barrack
Master of the Center Division, to
transport from his Store at Coimatore
where he has now three hundred and
thirty eight spare Cots, in perfect good
condition, the number necessary for
the ceded Countries, north of the
Coleroon, which We think should
not be less than One hundred and
eighty, Mr. Hughes's statement being
perfectly erroneous, the two detachments
of Artillery consisting each of seventy
two Men, will require one hundred
and forty, to which are to be added
the non commissioned of five Native
Battalions amounting to fifteen, and
the several Garrison Staff Serjeants,
and we submit it to your consideration
whether, as this extension of the
Center Division being now, so far
as relates to the Barrack Master he
should not in the first instance have
an allowance for the transporting of
the

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the Companys Cots, though subject ever after to the removal of them within the limits of this own Division, at his own charge, under the regulated terms.—

An considering the subject of your letter of the 6th. Instant, with its enclosure from the Hospital Board, we thought it necessary to refer to the late Regulations published relative to Hospitals, and we do not find that there is throughout them, any specific mention made of Cots, and bedding, and that the whole appears to be calculated for stationary Hospitals from whence we conclude, that further regulations are meant to be published in regard to Field Hospitals, and consequently for the transportation of Hospital Stores when any Regiment is ordered to remove from one quarter to another, although we are inclined to think that, although Cots and Bedding are no where specified, they are understood to be included under the general provision

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provision which each Surgeon is to make for the Sick of his own Corps, for the P constant allowance of Sixty /60/ Cash. P per deem, for every man sick, or well, — to which is added the Stoppages made from men actually in the Hospital — yet as no provision is made that We can discover for the removal of the Hospital Stores from one place to another, in case a Regiment is ordered to march, there is no ground whatever on which We can build our opinion, relative to this charge, We are therefore of opinion, that, in the present case, the measure recommended by the Hospital Board, should be adopted, and that the transport of these things, P should be at the public expence in common with the charge made for P transporting other Regimental Stores; — P but we would recommend it to the consideration of your Honorable P Board whether some regulation P should not be published, to bring

their

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this charge under certain limitations &
in future. —

We have the Honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Jn Richardson

B.J. Close

W. Gent

George Hall

Fort St. George
23d. February 1794

To Colonel John Brathwaite

President &c. Military Board.

Sir,

Accompanying I have the
honor to lay before you Estimates for &
the repairs of the Hospital, European and
Sepoy Barracks at Ellore on a near
inspection to the above buildings I find
them very considerably out of repair
since Colonel Gents estimate which
was two years ago, and a heavy Monsoon
since, by which the buildings out of
repair suffered much. —

The flooring of the &
Hospital is mostly broken up and
requiring

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requires to be all new done, the whole of the roof requires repair and the tiles entirely shifted and many new—all the walls require good scraping, and the whole to be well white washed, and in many parts a coat of chunam plaster.—

I have estimated the repair of the Offices separately / Cookroom, Necessaries, and Godown / as the Surgeons disapprove very much of their being so near the Hospital, crowding it and preventing a free circulation of air so necessary to a building of the sort—the Hospital of Illore is in a corner of the Fort and confined on two sides by the rampart wall, which is not of the smallest service, on the contrary as it is so broken down as to be too narrow for a single person to walk on—the terre plein of the Fort is considerably higher than the outside, was the north part of the wall thrown down which might be done at a very trifling expence, it would conduce much not only to the healthiness of the Hospital but the whole Fort, this

way

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was proposed by Captains Stevens and Prescott long since, and a Stockade to be put up from the East and West faces to the bank of a large Tank which bounds the North face.—

I enclose a copy of a letter from Doctor Adderton to the Commanding Officer of this District regarding the Hospital and the moving the Officers to a distance from it—I have likewise made an Estimate for repairs and alterations & requisite to a Grain Godown ordered to be taken as a Medical Store House; should the moving the Officers be approved of, I shall prepare and lay before you an Estimate for them, on consultation with the Surgeon of what he required: mean time the repair of the Hospital can be carrying on, Estimate of which I have made separate.—

The European Barracks have suffered much since Colonel & Gent's Estimate and indeed require considerable repairs, the Sepoy Barracks are likewise in a very bad state, their &

roofs

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Fort St. George 27th March 1794

roofs require entire new doing, the walls and pillars require new pointing and mostly a quantity of rubbish brick in chunam to fill the parts so much laid open by the wind and rain.—

I have to request you will take into your consideration the inconvenience I am put to by my stationary allowance, being struck off; I do not know the particular reasons for it, but am informed it was by the Deputy Auditor General on account of its being made as a military charge in the Paymasters Books it was 4½ Pagodas per Month which was not only for furnishing Stationary for my Office for Returns Estimates &c. but the various articles required for Plans &c. for which I have no allowance.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) George Johnston

Captain of Engineers

Fort St. George Feby 5th 1794.

A true Copy

(Signed) W. Linly

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Copy

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Copy of a Letter from Doctor Addenton to Colonel Charles Fraser Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.—

Sir, In consequence of the orders of Government of the 4th Instant, lost no time in repairing hither for the purpose of making some necessary enquiries, to their orders being more speedily carried into effect, and leave to submit to your consideration the following remarks requesting you will do me the honor to forward a copy of my letter to the Commander of the Army— The Hospital at Ellore appears to be built in a very ineligible spot, from motives of necessity perhaps, and is at present in a state of almost total disrepair, indeed are in respect to the confinement of the sick and not weather proof, the flooring is much broken up and destroyed so as to preclude a possibility of cleanliness being preserved and the walls black and gloomy— The out houses by which I would be understood the Cook room and Necessary so contiguous to the body of the Hospital

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&c. &c.

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Captain of Engineers

Fort Marlborough Feby 5th 1794.

A true copy

(Signed) W. Linly

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Copy

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as to be an almost constant nuisance -

To erect a new Hospital,
for many reasons, might not be expedient
but to improve, alter and repair the P
present one I presume to recommend as
essentially nay indispensably necessary
to the comfort and recovery of the Sick
and to the safety of the healthy within
the Fort. The Hospital this day contained
134 Patients of the 4th Battalion as per
Return of Surgeon Thompson the P
prevalence of disease however having in
general abated, I trust this list will P
decrease daily and should Government
be pleased to order the repairs &c P
required, one division of the Hospital by
keeping the slight cases in a separate
part of the Barrack might contain
the remaining Sick, whilst the workmen
were employed upon the other Division -

Concluding it to be the
intention of Government in ordering
my future residence to be at Ellore that
the Medical Stores for this Division of
the Army should likewise be removed

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Sir, I have this day inspected a Store R
Room formerly appropriated to keeping R
Grain which will excellently answer the purpose, and
am authorised by Mr. Taylor Pay Master
and Store Keeper to say that it is at present
unoccupied and can be spared for the
purpose.—

The dispatch of the annual
supply of Medicines to the different Stations will
take place in the course of this Month which
with other indispensable duties will require
my being occasionally at Masulipatam, and
it may possibly be the 15th of January
before I can finally settle in this R
Cantonment, in the meantime R
I should wish to be assured that R
no measures shall be wanting on my R
part that can in any respect tend to
promote the good of the Service conformable
with the orders of Government.—

I have the Honor to be

&c &c

Ellore 21st December 1794

(Signed) Jos. Robertson
Head Surgeon

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Linlay
Depy Secy
Hospital

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Hospital in the Fort of Ellore

Estimate for giving the whole a thorough repair, by shifting and replacing Pan Tyles, repairing the Roof with Palmera Rafters &c. Chunamming the Floor, and Chunam, and whitewashing the Walls—

190 Square measure of Plaster fine Chunam @ Pf. 1–21 P. Pf. 285 " "

334 Sq.ft. White washing ... @ ... Pf. 3 Fan.s 2336 "

228 Sq.ft Shifting and replacing flat and Pan Tyles Chunam borders @ ½ Sq.ft ... 15 Fan.s } 85 18 " } 390 12

4 Teak Wood Window shutters each 3 by 3½ ft.s is sup.d feet 70 hinges &c. included @ Pg.s 1 sup.d ft.s 85 Pf. 20 } 13 9 40

10 Sheathing Boards for repairing Doors and Windows @ Pf 100 .. 33 Pag.s ... } 3 12 48

1 Palmera Tree for Window Bars &c ... 1 " "

Carpenters work ... 1 " " 18 32 8

330 ℔s of Iron worked into 30 Bars, for Windows each 5 ft.s 8 Inc.s @ 13 ℔ Pf.s ... } 25 16 "

Nails of sorts ... 1 " " 26 16

Bricklayers work ... 390 12 "

Carpenters work ... 18 32 8

Smiths work ... 26 16 "

Exch.e 42 Fanams ... St. Pagodas 435 18 8

N.B The outhouses are not included in this Estimate, as tis proposed they should be taken down and new ones built at a more convenient distance from the Hospital — see D.r Anderson's Letter

Repair

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Repair of Outhouses to the Hospital

P f b P £ 6

25 Sqr. Rough Chunaming ... @ 30 Sanams 7 36.

6 Sqr. shifting and replacing Pantyles and repairing the roof with many new Rafters and Teapers @ 1 Square ... 25 Sanams } 3 " "

1 Square ... 4 Sanams 2 28 " 23 22 "

28 Lagings in Chunam each ... 4 Sanams

2 Country wood Doors containing 56 Sup.t Ft. at 4 Sup.t Ft. & 3 Pr. Hinges Fastenings &c. included } 6 28 " 6 28.

Medicine Godown

7½ Sqr. Shifting and replacing Flat and Pan Tyles Chunam Borders &c. at 1 Square ... 15 San.s } 2 28 40

19 Sqr. Whitewashing ... at 1 Sqr. Square ... 3 San.s 1 9 "

1 Sqr. Wall Brick paving Flat one Course @ 1 Square 1 31 40 5. 27 "

Exch.d @ 42 f. ... Star Pagodas ... 35 35 "

Estimate for Repairs and alterations required to a Grain Godown, ordered to be taken as a Medicine Store Room

540 Cub.t Ft. Brick in Clay for a Partition Wall in Godown @ 4 Cub.t Ft. ... 1 60 6. 22 21 "

8 Sqr. Painting in Chunam @ 1 Sqr. ... 19 San.s ... 3 26 "

25 Sqr. Whitewashing ... @ 1 Sqr. ... 3 San.s ... 1 33 "

10 Sqr. Rough Chunaming @ 1 Sqr. ... 30 San.s ... 7 6 " 35 2 "

648 Sup.t Ft. Sheathing Board worked and put up for shelves for Stores @ 1 Sup.t Ft. 3 f. 45 6. } 55 33 "

30 Cub.t Ft. Rough worked teak Timber for supporters &c. for shelves @ 1 Cub.t Ft. 20 San.s ... } 25 18 " 87 9 "

Nails for fastening shelves 33 lb @ 10 lb 1 Pagoda 3 " " 3 " "

Exch.d 42 f. 1 Pag.s ... 125 11 "

European

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European Barracks in the Fort of Ellore

Estimate for repairing the Floors and Walls the Tyles to be shifted and replaced with flat and Pan Tyles, new Chunam Borders &c. &c.

224 Sq. rough Chunameing one Coat	@ ₱ Sq.	30 Fan.	160 " "	
134 Sq. Chunameing fine Chunam Coat	@ ₱ Sq.	1. 21 ₱	28 " "	
330 Sq. Shifting and replacing flat and Pan Tyles Chunam Borders	@ ₱ Square	15 Fan.	49 36 "	
288 Sq. White washing	@ ₱ Sq.	3 Fan.	20 " "	
10 Sq. Rubbish Brick in Chunam with a coat of Plaster for Pillars	@ ₱ Square	2 Pag.	20 " "	
150 Togongs in Clay each		3 Fan. 60 ₱	12 24 "	531 15
14 New Teak Wood Doors each 7 ft. by 4. 3 Inch. is 416 Sup. ft. Hinges &c. included	@ ₱ Sup. ft.	11 Fan. 20 ₱	111 23 50	
33 New Teak wood Windows each 5 by 3. 6 inch. is 247½ Sup. ft. Hinges &c. included	@ ₱ Sup. ft.	8 Fan. 20 ₱	113 18 30	
20 Black Palmeras each 12 Fat long for repairing Roof &c.	@ 20 Pag.	₱ ½	4 " "	
Carpenters Work for Repairs of Doors and Windows &c.			5 " "	234 "
175 lb. Iron wrought for a Grating	@ 13 lb ₱ St.	Pag.	13 4 30	
19 lbs Nails of Sorts	@ 1 lb ₱ St.	Pag.	1 30 44	15 7 74
Bricklayers Work				531 15 "
Carpenters Work				234 " "
Smiths Work				15 7 74
Total	@ 42 Fan.	₱ St.	Pag.	780 22 74

Sepoy

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Sepoy Cantonment at Ellore

Two Range of Barracks occupied by the 8th & 11th Battns of Native Infantry Estimate for giving the Roof a thorough repair, and White washing the Walls pointing the Pillars &c &c — 10 P. C 10 P. C

440 Sq.r Shifting and replacing Tyler Chunam Borders } 137 6 "
@ ₱ Sq.r 15 Fan.s

511 Square Whitewashing @ ₱ Sq.r 3 Fanams 36 21 "

20 Sq.r Pointing in Chunam @ ₱ Sq.r 19 Fanams 9 2 "

8 Sq.r Rubbish Brick in Chunam with a Coat of } 13 41 16
Plaster @ ₱ Square 1-31-32 } 216 28 16

4 Teak wood Doors each 6-8 by 4-6 is Sup.t Ft. 120 } 32 6 "
@ ₱ Sup.t Ft. hinges &c. included 11 Fan.s 206

4 Teak Wood Windows each 5-3 by 3-6 is sup.t Ft 73½
@ ₱ Sup.t Ft. hinges &c. included 8. 206. 4 1830

50 Black Palmiras for mending the Roof each Ft. long } 10 " "
@ 20 Pag.s ₱ 100

50 Country Joists for D.o each 12 Ft. 14 12 "

Carpenters work repairing 4 " " 7 4 36 30

44 lb of Nails of Sorts @ 11 ₱ ₱ Pag.s 4 " " 4 " "

Bricklayers Work 216 28 16

Carpenters Work 7 4 36 30

Smiths Work 4 " "

Ex.d @ 42 Fan.s ₱ Star Pagoda. 295 22 46

(Signed) W. Gent Chief Engineer

a true Copy
(Signed) William Linley
Depy Secty

Estimate

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Estimate of the Expence of Repairs wanting to the Arsenal

New Building

The Ground Floor

Brick on Edge Paving 1 Course in Chunam 109 Squares @ 2 3/4 Pagodas per Square	299	31 40
Plaistering with Serie Chunam 3 Coats 51 Squares @ 4 Pagodas per Square	204	" "
Do to Cornice Do 1 Square	4	" "
Do 2 Coats 3 Little @ 3 Fs. ₱ Sq.r	9	" "
Brick Work in Chunam Cub Feet 24 @ 2 1/4 Fans.	1	12 "
Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil Sup.t Sq.rs 225 @ 5 Fanams per Yard	26	33 "

Upper Story

Rubbing the Floor Smooth and Painting 80 Squares @ 38 Fan.s per Square	72	16 "
Paving to be repaired with new 9 Inch Square Bricks 4 Squares @ 3 P.s ₱ Sq.r	12	" "
Plaistering with Serie Chunam 3 Coats 7 Squares @ 4 ₱ Sq.r	28	" "
Do Do to Cornice 1 1/2 Do @ 4 Fan.s ₱ Sq.r	6	" "
One Course of Paving Bricks and relaid Sup.t Feet 8 @ 3 Fs. ₱ Square	24	" "
The Paving to be Repaired with 9 Inch Square Bricks 4 Squares @ 3 Fs. ₱ Sq.r	12	" "
7 Window Frames to be refixed	"	12 "
The Sill of the Door Frame at the Top of Stairs to be raised with Wedges	"	18 "
The old Planking to be Cut out and New Planking of one Inch thick put under the Terrace Sup.t Feet 69 @ 4. 60 ₱ Foot	7	33 60
Carried over Pagodas	707	30 20

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	Brought Over Pagodas	707	30 20
10 New Cross battens to the inside Shutter Blinds, 5 Sup.t Feet of 1½ Inch Plank Nails and Carpenters Work		1 30	
1 Dozen of Small Iron Casting Hooks for the above Shutters and Carpenters Work for fixing		1	
2 New Casting Hooks for Shutters of 2½ Feet long and Carpenters Work for fixing		1 26	
Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil Sup.t Yards 1907 @ 5 Fan.s ₹ Yard		227	1
Ditto 1 Coat with Europe Oil Sup.t y.ds 336 @ 2 Fan.s ₹ Yard		16	
44 Yards of White Cloth for the Cracks and all the Cracks on the Terrace to be Fresh Tarred		40	
			993 3 20
Old Building			
Plastering with 3 Coats fine Chunam 50 Squares @ 4 Pagodas ₹ Square		200	
Do. to Cornices 9 Squares @ 4 P.s ₹ Sq.r		36	
Brick Work in Chunam 648 Feet @ 2¼ Fan.s ₹ Foot		3 18	
Do. Cornice Work in Chunam 648 Feet 1½ @ 3½ Fan.s ₹ Foot		5 20	
Brick on Edge Paving with 1 Inch Jelly & 1 Coat Chunam 17½ Squares @ 5¼ Pag.s ₹ Sq.r		91 36 40	
6 Inch New Square Brick Paving in Chunam 6¼ Squares @ 3 P.s ₹ Square		18 31 40	
Plastering with 2 Coats Chunam 21 Squares @ 3 P.s ₹ Square		63	
	Carried Over Pag.s	413 7 40	993 3 20

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Brought Over Pagoda	453 7. 40	993 3 20
New Blue Stone Paving Sup.t feet 120@7 Fanams per Foot	20 " "	
The Terrace - Present Chunam and one Course of Tiles to be taken off and relaid with 1 Inch new Jelly 1 Course of Tiles and 3 Coats of fine chunam 97 Squares @ 7 Pf. P Square	679 " "	
a Door Frame to be refixed	" 18 "	
New Shelves of 1 1/4 Inch Plank Sup.t feet 24 @ 4 3/4 Fan.s P Foot	2. 30 "	
a Ladder to be repaired with 3 new Steps of 1 3/8 thick Plank Sup.t feet & Carpenters Work &.c	1. 21 "	
a Ladder to be repaired with a New Hand Rail & 4 Posts - Cub feet 2 @ 1. 4. P Foot	2 28 "	
2 New Posts to support the Plank and 2 Planking - Cub feet 9 1/4 @ 1. 4. P Foot	11 5 40	
3 Pair of Window Shutters to be repaired with 1 Inch Plank - Sup.t feet 1/2 one Sheathing Board, Nails and Carpenters Work &.c	2 " "	
1 Batten to a Shutter to be Nailed	" 4 "	
2 Coss Battens of 3/4 Inch Plank 1 Sup.t feet and a new Fastening Hook to a Shutter Carpenters Work &.c	" 12 "	
4 Pair of new Batten Window Shutters of 3/4 Inch Plank - Sup.t feet 50 with Hinges and Bolts @ 8 Fan.s P Foot	9 22 "	
1 Pair of new Shutter Bolts - the Top Bolt 1/2 Feet long and bottom 1 3/4 Feet long & Joining a new bottom Bolt to another Shutter	" 34 "	
4 Pair of new Straps Hinges Straps Hinge 1 Hook a Hinge & 4 Coss Barrs of 3/4 Inch Plank Carpenters Work	" 14 "	
	2 " "	
Carried Over Pagodas	1464 P. "	993 3 20

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	Brought over Pagodas	1144 8 " ... 990 3 20
4 New Casting Books, 1 Bolt and 3 Bottom Bolts to Window Shutters, and Carpenters Work		2 " "
One Inch Plank to make 4 Lockers to make Flints - Sup.l feet 120 @ 3. 64 ℔ Foot . .		10 36 "
4 Pair of Hinges, Staples, Hasps and Nails for Ditto		2 " "
Shelves to be repaired with 4 Supporters and a piece of Timber - Sub feet 9 @ 1. 4. ℔ Foot		9 36 "
1 Inch Plank 60 Sup.l feet @ 3. 64 ℔ Foot		5 18 "
1/4 Do. Do. 12 Do. . . @ 4. 60 ℔ Do.		1 15 "
Nails . . . . 8 ℔		1 " "
Red Painting 3 boats with Linseed Oil for Doors, Windows and Frames Sup.l Yards 445 @ 5 Sans.l ℔ Foot		52 41 "
		1229 28 "
	Pagodas	2222 31 20

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Bricklayers Work . . . . Ps.	1305 13 "
Carpenters & Smiths Work . .	74 27 20
Stone Cutters Work	20 " "
Painters Work	322 33 "
Pagodas . . .	2222 31 20

(Signed) W. Gent
Chief Engineer
A true Copy
(Signed) W. Lindey
Depy Secty

Estimate

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Estimate of the Expence of Repairs wanting to the Arsenal

New Building

The Ground Floor

Blue stone Paving in Chunam Sup.s Ft. 1439 at 7 Fan.s P Foot.	2399	" "
Plaistering with fine Chunam 3 Coats 51 Squares at 4 Pagodas P Square	204	" "
Ditto to Cornice Ditto 1 Square	4	" "
Ditto 2 Coats 3 Ditto at 3 Pag.s P Square	9	" "
Brick Work in Chunam Sub.s Feet 24 at 2½ Fan.s	1	12 "
Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil Sup.s Yards 225 at 5 Fan.s P Yard	26	33 "

Upper Story

Rubbing the Floor Smooth and Pointing 80 Squares at 38 Fanams P Square	72	16 "
Paving to be repaired with new 9 Inch Square Bricks 4 Squares at 3 Pagodas P Square	12	" "
Plaistering with fine Chunam 3 Coats 7 Squares at 4 Pag.s P Square	28	" "
Ditto Ditto to Cornice ½ D.o at 4 Pag.s P D.o	6	" "
One Course of Paving Bricks and Re-laid Sup.s Feet 8 at 3 Pagodas P Square	24	" "
The Paving to be repaired with 9 Inch Square Bricks 4 Squares at 3 Pag.s P Sq.e	12	" "
7 Windows Frames to be refaced	"	12 "
The Sill of the Door Frame at the top of the Stairs to be raised with Wedges	"	18 "
The old Planking to be cut out and new Planking of one Inch thick put under the Terrace Sup.s Feet 69 6/12 at 4.60 P Foot	7	33 60

Carried over Pag.s 2806 60 60

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	Brought over Pags.	2806.4060
10 New bross battens to the inside Shutter blinds 5 Sup.l feet of 1/2 Inch Plank Nails and Carpenters Work	" 30 "	
1 Dozen of small Iron fasting Hooks for the above Shutters and Carpenters Work for fixing	1 " "	
2 New Fasting Hooks for Shutters of 2 1/2 feet long and Carpenters Work for fixing	" 26 "	
Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil Sup.l yards 5907 at 5 Fan.s P yard	227 1 "	
Ditto 1 Coat with Europe Oil Sup.l Yards 336 at 2 Fanams P yard	16 " "	
64 Yards of White Cloth for the Cracks and all the Cracks on the Terrace to be Fresh Tarred	40 " "	3092 1360
Old Building		
Plaistering with 3 Coats fine Chunam 50 Squares at 4 Pagodas P Square	200 " "	
Ditto to Cornice 9 Squares at 4 Pagodas P Square	36 " "	
Brick work in Chunam Cub feet 64 at 2 1/4 Fanams P foot	3 18 "	
Ditto Cornice with in Chunam Cub feet 1 1/2 at 3 1/2 Fanams P foot	" 5 20	
Brick on Edge Paving with 1 Inch Jelly and 1 Coat Chunam 17 1/2 Squares at 5 1/4 Pagodas P Square	91 36 60	
6 Inch new Square Brick Paving in Chunam 4 1/4 Squares at 3 Pagodas P Sq.r	18 32 40	
Plaistering with 2 Coats Chunam 21 Squares at 3 Pag.s P Sq.r	63 " "	
Carried over Pag.s 413. 7 40		3092 13 60

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Brought over Pagodas 4137 60 3092 136

New Blue Stone Paving Superfice 120 at 7 Sans. P Foot. } 20 " "

The Terrace Present Chunam and one Course of Tiles to be taken off and relaid with fresh new Tiles 3 Courses of new Tiles 3 Coats of fine Chunam 97 Squares at 7 Pags. P Sq. } 679 " "

A Door Frame to be refixed " 18 "

New Shelves of 1¼ Inch Plank Surf. Feet 24 at 4¾ Sans. P Foot. } 2 30 "

A Ladder to be repaired with 3 new Steps of 1¾ Inch thick Plank Surf. Ft & Carpenters Work &c. } 1 24 "

A Ditto Ditto with a new hand rail and 4 Posts but Ft 2 at 1.0.4 P Foot } 2 8 "

2 New Posts to support the Plank and 2 Planking but Ft 9¼ at 1.0.4 P Foot } 11 5 40

3 Pair of Window Shutters to be repaired with thick Plank Surf. Feet 11/4 one sheathing Board Nails and Carpenters Work } 2 " "

1 Batten to a Shutter to be nailed " 4 "

2 broad Battens of ¾ Inch Plank 1 Surf. Foot and a new Fastening Hook to a Shutter Carpenters Work &c. } " 12 "

4 Pair of new Batten Window Shutters of ¾ Inch Plank Surf. Ft 50 with Hinges and Bolts at 8 Sans. P Foot } 9 22 "

1 Pair of new Shutter Bolts the top Bolt 2½ Feet long and bottom 1¾ Feet long and Seizing } " 34 "

Carried over Pagodas 1141 36 " 3092 136

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Brought over Pagodas		1141 36	3092 13 60
A new Bottom Bolt to another Shutter		" 14	
4 Pair of new Straps, Hinge, 1 Hook a Hinge and 4 Cross Bars of 3/4 Inch Plank for Carpenters Work		2 " "	
4 New Fastening Hooks, 1 Bolt, and 3 Bottom Bolts to Window Shutters and Carpenters work		2 " "	
One Inch Plank to make 4 Lockers to make Shirts Sup.t ft 120 at 3.64 ℔ Foot		10 36 "	
4 Pair of Hinges, Staples, Hasps and Nails for d.o		2 " "	
Shelves to be repaired with 4 Supporters and a piece of Timber Cub.t ft 9 at 1.4 ℔ Foot		9 36 "	
1 Inch Plank 60 Sup.l feet at 3.64 ℔ Foot		5 18 "	
1/4 D.o . . D.o 12 D.o . . . at 4 60 D.o		1 15 "	
Nails . . . . . 8 ℔		1 " "	
Red Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil for Doors Windows, and Frames Sup.l Yards 445 at 5 Fan.m ℔ Foot		57.41 "	
			1229 28 "
		Pagodas	4321 41 60

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Bricklayers Work . Pagodas	1505 23 60	
Carpenters and Smiths work	74 27 20	
Stone Cutters Work	2419 " "	
Painters Work	322 33 "	
Pagodas	4321 41 60	

(Signed) W. Grant
Chief Engineer

A True Copy
(Signed) W. Linley
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Brought over Pagoda 413 7 60 3092 136

New Blue stone Paving Supt. feet 120 at 7 San.
P Foot . . . . . 20 " "

The Terrace Present Chunam and one Course of
Tiles to be taken off and relaid with
1 Inch new Selly's Course of new Tiles
3 Coats of fine Chunam 97 Squares at
7 Pag.s P Sq.r . . . . . 679 " "

A Door Frame to be refixed . . . . . " 18 "

New Shelves of 1 1/4 Inch Plank Supt. feet 24 at
4 3/4 San.s P Foot . . . . . 2 30 "

A Ladder to be repaired with 3 new Steps of 1 3/8
Inch thick Plank Supt. feet & Carpenters
Work &c . . . . . 1 28 "

A Ditto . . Ditto with a new hand rail and
4 Posts Cub.t feet 2 at 1. 4 P.t P Foot . . . 2 8 "

2 New Posts to support the Plank and 2 Planking
Cub.t feet 9 1/4 at 1. 4. P.t P Foot 10 5 40

3 Pair of Window Shutters to be repaired with 1 Inch
Plank Supt. feet 11/4 one sheathing
Board Nails and Carpenters Work . . . . . 2 " "

1 Batten to a Shutter to be nailed . . . . . " 4 "

2 Cross Battens of 3/4 Inch Plank Supt.
foot and a new Fasting Hook to a Shutter
Carpenters Work &c . . . . . " 12 "

4 Pair of new Batten Window Shutters of 3/4 Inch
Plank Supt. feet 50 with Hinges and
Bolts at 8 San.s P Foot . . . . . 9 22 "

1 Pair of new Shutter Bolts the top Bolt 2 1/2
feet long and bottom 1 3/4 feet long
and fixing . . . . . " 34 "

Carried over Pagodas 1141 36 3092 136

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Brought over Pagodas		1141 36	3092 1360
A new Bottom Bolt to another Shutter		" 14	
4 Pair of new Straps, Hinge, 1 Hook a Hinge and 4 Cross Bars of 3/4 Inch Plank for Carpenters Work		2 " "	
4 New Fastening Hooks, 1 Bolt, and 3 Bottom Bolts to Window Shutters and Carpenters work		2 " "	
One Inch Plank to make 4 Lockers to make Slants Sup.t Ft. 120 at 3. 6 4 Pr Foot		10 36 "	
4 Pair of Hinges, Staples, Hasps and Nails for d.o		2 " "	
Shelves to be repaired with 4 Supporters and a piece of Timber Cub.t Ft. 9 at 1. 4 Pr Foot		9 36 "	
1 Inch Plank 60 Sup.t Feet at 3. 6 4 Pr Foot		5 18 "	
1/4 D.o . . D.o 12 D.o . . . at 4 60 D.o		1 15 "	
Nails . . . . . Do		1 " "	
Red Painting 3 Coats with Europe Oil for Doors Windows, and Frames Sup.t . . Yards 445 at 5 Fan.m Pr Foot		57 41 "	
		1229 28 "	

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Pagodas 4321 41 60

Abstract

Bricklayers Work . Pagodas	1505 23 40
Carpenters and Smiths work	742 7 20
Stone Cutters Work	241 9 " "
Painters Work	322 33 "
Pagodas	4321 41 60

(Signed) W. Gent
Chief Engineer

A True Copy
(Signed) W. Linley
Dep.y Secy

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List of the Packet

		Dates
No 1.	Report to Government	23d Febry
2.	Copy of letter from Captain Johnstone	5th Do
3	Do. Do. from Doctor Anderson to the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army	26th Decr 93
4	Estimate for repairing the Hospital, European Barracks, and Sepoy Cantonment at Ellore	
5	Estimate for repairing the Arsenal amounting to Pagodas 2222. 31. 20.	10th July
6	Do. another Do 4321-41-60.	

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25th February 1794

Resolution with foregoing letters from the Military Board.

Resolved that the Military Board be directed to give orders for the execution of the repairs to the Hospital and Sepoy Barracks at Ellore, and to call for the estimates of the expence that will attend the execution of the further works stated in the letters from the Head Surgeon and the Chief Engineer.

Resolved

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Resolved, for the reasons assigned that the Arsenal be repaired conformably to the larger estimate. —

The Board are of opinion that the Town Major's proposal for supplying the recruits from England with caps and jackets is very reasonable and therefore acquiesce in it until the orders of the Court of Directors be received upon the reference made to them — agreed, in consequence, that the Military Board be desired to instruct Captain Beatson to have an adequate supply in readiness on the arrival of the recruits — the cloth to be purchased from the Company's Stores — and a Commission of fifteen per Cent to be allowed by way of indemnification agreeably to their Recommendation. —

The Board entirely approve the proposition for including, as far as may regard the Barrack Master, the Baramahal and ceded Countries North of the Coleroon, in the Center division, and the Province of Dindigal in that

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of the Southern — In consequence of this arrangement Lieutenant Casperz may be directed to transport from this Store at Conatore the number of Cotts necessary for the ceded districts North of the Coleroon, for the transportation of which a reasonable allowance will be made. —

Resolved that the Hospital Board be directed to deliver in an account of the expence that has been sustained by the removal of the Hospital Stores of the 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons from Arnee to Trichinopoly, in order that it may be discharged provided the amount be reasonable. —

As the late regulations published relative to Hospitals, do not make any specific mention of the articles of Cotts, and Hospital bedding and clothing to be furnished by the Surgeon, and as it is absolutely necessary to be very particular in this respect, in order to guard against any excuse which may be hereafter brought forward by the Surgeon in case of Complaint of an inadequate provision

Resolved

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Resolved that the Hospital Board be directed to submit the draught of an order which it may be necessary to publish comprehending every article to be supplied by the Surgeon for the established allowance of sixty Cash per day for every man sick or well, which had been omitted in the former Regulations — and to include in this order, such regulations as they may deem expedient in regard to Field Hospitals, and, of course for the transportation of Hospital Stores when any Regiment in ordered to remove from one station to another. —

Read the following letter from the Resident at Poona. —

To The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt
Governor
Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

This serves purposely to communicate the important Point of the Death of Mhadjee Sindia at about Eight o'clock this Evening. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) C. W. Malet.

From Resident at Poonah advising of the death of Madjee Sindiah

Poona
12th February 1794.

Read

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Read the following Letter

from Colonel Brathwaite. —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From Colonel Brathwaite with a letter from Lieutenant Wilkes soliciting that the operation of the General Order for Barrack masters to relinquish their offices may not commence, with regard to them, until the 1st April 1793 — requests his Secretary may be recorded for the revocation of one of them. —

I have the Honor to lay before your Honor in Council a letter addressed to me by Lieutenant Mark Wilks Barrack master at the Presidency which he has requested me to submit to your Consideration, and to give to it such support as I may think it merits. —

Although it is with much reluctance that I should ever address you on any subject which has been finally determined on by Government and established, and much more reluctantly should I advise the rescinding any part of an order without very urgent reasons, yet as the arguments adduced by Lieutenant Wilks state very strongly the precariousness of his situation, in that he for some time after he was appointed Barrack master, did nevertheless do all the more immediately military Duties

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of Fort Adjutant at Fort St George, in P
which Situation he, for all that time P
rendered it unnecessary to take another
Officer from Regimental Duty, and as
he did not receive the allowances given
to other Barrack masters till the month
of April 1793 — and that he had resigned
both his Employs to join the Army in
the Field with which he was upon P
actual Service for two years, I cannot
but strongly recommend his case to P
your candid Consideration, and request that
if it appears to you that he is particularly
affected by this general Regulation in
a manner not intended by you when
resolved upon it, that you will be P
pleased to record some exception in P
his favor. —

As you have now P
Worthe Sir been pleased to fix the time
at which the several Barrack Masters
are to resign, I have no doubt you
will have many application to succeed
to them, and I beg leave to recommend
Lieutenant Walter Wilson to succeed

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to that of the Center or Southern Division
— He is an Officer for whose Zeal & Integrity, and attention to Business I can pledge myself, and as the situation in which he is now employed as my Secretary is not only one that is presumed but also attended with very little advantage in proportion to the attention it requires I should consider myself as particularly honored and obliged by you if you could with propriety, in consideration of this my Recommendation, now determine, that he should succeed to one of the above Appointments at the time fixed for its becoming vacant.—

I have the Honor to be

with Respect.—

Military Head Quarters — &c. &c.
Madras February 27th
1794

(Signed) Isaac Brathwaite

To Colonel Brathwaite
Commander of the Army
Sir,

Observing by G. O. by
Government dated the 26th February 1794
that

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That I am required, in common with the other Barrack Masters of the establishment, to vacate my appointment at the conclusion of the present year; I am to request your favorable consideration of some representations which I have respectfully to offer on this subject; and to beg that you will be good enough to lay them before the Government with such support as they may appear to you to deserve. —

Although I am not enabled to refer to any written document for the principle on which it has been resolved, that the office of Barrack Master shall not be held by one and the same office for more than three years; I have yet good reason to believe that one or both of the following considerations have been in contemplation in the adoption of the measure. —

1st. That the appointment of Barrack master being considered of the comparative advantage should not be held by one and the same office for more than a limited period. —

That

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3d. That as the Officer holding this appointment is thereby taken P from the duties of the Line, or the more active duties of his profession, he ought to be periodically relieved. —

Without entering into any reasoning relative to the Principles themselves, It is the object of this P address respectfully to represent that neither of them can on a fair and P liberal construction operate to deprive me of my appointment at the period required in the G. O. —

And first in regard to the former of these considerations. —

I may presume it is now sufficiently understood that the Barrack Masters look more to indemnification than advantage from the Coll. Regulations and it is not unknown to you that every other supposed source of advantage in that Department was withheld P from me contrary to the Regulations of the service until the 1st April 1793 from which period only I was placed on a similar

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similar footing with the other Barrack
Masters. The operation of the order P
therefore as I humbly conceive can on
these grounds only commence with P
regard to me from that date. —

With regard to the second
consideration If the duties of the line be
taken in their most limited sense, the
principle operates equally to exonerate
every Staff Officer of the Army by P
rotation; But if in their more extended
signification of holding an Officer present
to the active duties of his profession it
is equally inapplicable to me. —

I was at Fort Adjutant and
Barrack Master in the unceasing P
discharge of active Garrison duties until
the commencement of the Mysore war
and from that period until its termina-
tion was present to the active duties
of my profession in the field for P
upwards of two years having thereby P
not only relinquished my appointment
of Barrack Master during that time, but
felt the impropriety of resigning the
Fort

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Fort adjutancy, a station of some consideration in itself, but of still more from having been considered to give fair pretensions of succession to one of the most eligible appointments in the service — and I was only withheld from desiring leave to pursue a similar line of conduct on the late service against Pondicherry in consequence of a flattering application on the part of the Adjutant General of the Army to leave me left in charge of the duties of his office as adjutant & Deputy adjutant General at the Presidency. —

It is by no means my wish in stating these facts to assume any merit for sacrifices perfectly voluntary on my part, and to which I was only actuated by feeling strictly professional. There has been a necessity, to adduce them, for the purpose of shewing, that the principle of the order can in no respect apply so as to remove me at the conclusion of the

year

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year; and I trust no farther arguments are
necessary to induce you to recommend to
the Honorable the President in Council
that its operation shall only commence
with regard to me from the 1st. of April
1793.—

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

Signed/ W. Wilks

Barrack Master of
the Presidency Division

Fort St. George
27th. February 1794.

Minute thereon

As it appears from the
representation of Lieutenant Wilks, that
he was not in possession of the full
emoluments of his station as Barrack
Master at the Presidency until april
1793, it is resolved, in consideration thereof
that he shall be allowed to hold his
present office, until the 31st. day of
December 1795.—

The Board would have
great pleasure in complying with
Colonel Braithwaite's request in favor
of Lieutenant Wilson, his Secretary, if
they

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they could with any prosperity enter upon the Records, as a resolution of the Government, what, from circumstances might be rendered nugatory, at the time given for its operation — But if to record the Board's approbation of the conduct of Lieutenant Wilson and their opinion of the claim he has to Notice, will be matter of satisfaction to the Colonel, they will readily go so far, as bearing him in, at the same time, that if the appointment in question were to fall vacant during the present Government Lieutenant Wilson might would have a well grounded hope, through their Recommendation of succeeding to it. —

Read the following letter from Captain Alexander Read. —

To W. C. Jackson Esq.

Military Secretary

Sir,

From Captain Read with Captain Brams Certificate in favor of Abdul Cauder of Ryacottah and a Bill for clearing a Tank at Schnkledroog.

In consequence of your letter to me dated the 25th October last acquainting me of it's being necessary that my Recommendation

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recommendation of the Jaheedar of
Ryletta to the Honble Board for a
pension, should be supported by the
officer who commanded the detachment
as the competent judge of his merits I
Inclose you a letter from that officer
which is in his favor. —

Having obtained authority
from Government in June or July 1792 to
clean out a tank that had been filled by
Tippoos people with milk hedge and
other noxious weeds, and was much wanted
for the use of the garrison of Sankledroog
I directed Lieutenant Mc. Donald who
commanded them at the time to get it
done. The people he employed contracted
for 120 Pagodas / which I think was the
sum agreed to by Government / but that
proved too little to complete it. It cost
580 Rupees, which I have paid to Mr.
Mc Donald, and enclose his bill which
I request you will present to the Honble
the Governor for his signature and
that I may be informed of whom

I may

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I may receive the amount.—

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Sam.l Dr. Lt.
/Signed/ Alex. Read

To Lieutenant Graham
Assistant collector
Kistnagary

Dear Sir.

I have the honor to reply to your Favor of 2d. November by the following mode—which tho' it cannot be esteemed a publick Document, will have almost the desired effect.—

A memorandum of the good Conduct of Abdul Cauder of Ryacottah when employed on a matter of secret Service by Order of Marquis Cornwallis.—

In September 1791 Lieutenant Colonel Ross the Chief Engineer leaving Camp passed Ryacottah, through the Baramahal to the Presidency by route of Kistnagurry and Tripatore having been previously informed, by Marquis Cornwallis, of a Plan then pending the Negotiating for the delivery of Kistnagurry the Colonel was also directed to reconnoitre that Place Colonel Ross, collecting what information he could

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at Ryacottah, was told that one Abdul Cawder, a
Relation of the principal Killidar Sadye Cawn
Burkey, then resided there, after some conversation
with this Man, he entered into the Colonels views
and promised to use his influences with his
Relation, in aiding the Marquis's Plan — on reference
to Head Quarters, Captain Chase the Commandant
of Ryacottah, was directed to send him to me at
Seringapatam — All I can say is, that he very
willingly went into the Place with a man of mine
whom he did not betray / and previous to
his own imprisonment, warned him to make
his escape — A second Killidar, defeated the
project —

It is sufficiently known that Abdul
Cawder / poor Man / was closely confined and extremely
ill used, during his Confinement for the Interest
he took, in the English affairs, & if, I am not
mistaken, he was marched a Prisoner for
Seringapatam, on the Peace; and made his
escape from the Party conducting him thither
to some Post of ours — To conclude, I believe
when he once entered on the Business, he was
sincere in it, which was not the case with
Mahomed Mourad, the other Agent employ'd

I am &c &c
(Signed) J Orram
Capt.

Sandy Daddy
6th November 1793.

Resolved

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Resolved that the Bill for

Reduction thereon

the repair of the Tank be paid by Mr.
Robert Hughes, and carried to the Head
of Charges extraordinary. —

Resolved that Abdul
Cawder of Nacottah, do receive a Pen-
sion of twenty Rupees ₰ month
in reward of his conduct during the
late War — to Commence from the 1st
Instant. —

Read the following Letter
from the Deputy Paymaster
General to his Majesty's Troops serving
on the Coast. —

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.
Governor President in Council &c &c &c

Hon'ble Sir,

From Kings Deputy Paymaster General on the subject of the Balance in his hands on the 24th December 92 on account of the new Regiments — two General accounts Current enclosed —

In obedience to the orders
of your Hon'ble Board conveyed to me along
with the extracts from the late act of
Parliament relative to keeping the
Accounts &c in future of the Kings
troops in India, I send herewith that
required of me by your Secretary on
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Jackson in his letter from your Honble
Board of the sixth Instant, stating
therein, to the credit of the Company, as
your order, such balance as may have
been in my hands on account of the
new regiments on the 24th. of December
1792." — but which in fact commences
in consequence of that order, at the P
very latest, from the 13th. of the month:
eleven days at least before the P
limited time specified therein for their
conclusion, and for all restrospect
to cease — As it is my indispensible
duty I can not however at the same
time help observing that it appears
to me to be contrary to the words P
and meaning of the act, that any
balance on either side can be P
legally demanded by either party — P
prior to the 24th. of December 1792
whether it could have been stated
as due by the Crown or by the P
Company on that day — every account
of what description or denomination
soever, having — according to the act
without

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without retrospect of any kind, I apprehend
or for any reason, being absolutely
ceased between them; and the Crown having
thus given up all former demands over
for the clothing and recruiting of these same
regiments particularly specified; and I
taking as I conceive by the Act, the
chance of all events, whether favorable
or otherwise to either at that particular
time and period, an entire conclusion
a final adjustment, and an irrevocable
end, was, I apprehend, just to them all
for ever; when a new one was consequently
to commence — For these reasons, and in
consequence of the indispensable duty of
my situation, I am induced to take the
liberty of sending also — in contradistinction
to that ordered by your Honble Board —
another Account made out in exact
conformity and according to what I conceive
the Act means, — really commencing from
the 24th of December 1792 the time so
specified and limited / — concluded also on
the 24th of last December including one
entire year; / to which I take the liberty
of

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I requesting your attention and the further consideration of your Honble Board — the detailed monthly accounts and vouchers are ready to support it, and those in continuation shall be speedily sent likewise. —

On the 17th. of this month I received from Lieutenant Colonel Nesbitt, according to the orders of your Honble Board of the 1st. of August 1793, the sum of one thousand seven hundred and fifty three pounds sixteen Shillings and seven pence / £ 1753.16.7 / or Pagodas at 8/ each Pag. 4384. 24 being Subsistence over / or rather twice / drawn by the 52d. regiment in the years 1790 and 1791 by detachments left sick &c and seperated from it, at different garrisons &c during the late war, as set forth in the account delivered to me along with the money and as the sums so refunded must, in all probability, have been charged by the Company to the Crown since those years, the amount should now, consequently, appprehend, belong to the Crown, and of course be placed by me to the credit of His majesty —

With all possible respect

I have the honor to be

&c &c &c

Signed / George Hart

Deputy Paym.r Genl. in

the Kings service

Fort St. George Madras

the 24th. of February 1794.

To his majesty's

forces serving for Madras

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General

Dr. The Honble East India Company

Including the Receipts and Issues on account of Subsistence &c. they still remain and continue, the Employed for the Company under their accounts between the Crown and the East India Company for the service former accounts, held to have been adjusted, Closed, and finally concluded reign of His Present Majesty / to the 24th. of December 1793.—

To Subsistence &c. paid to His Majesty's Old Regiments from the 25. December 1792 to the 24th December 1793 together with the Established charges of the King's Pay office at Madras, as by the Abstracts, and the detailed monthly accounts, with Certificates Receipts & Vouchers as well as Warrants from the Commander in chief authorizing the Disbursements.—

Viz.t

To the Amount of Disbursements from 25th. Decr. 92 to 24th January 93 — Pags. 20755.38.43
Ditto — from 25 January to 24 Feby. — 12714.24.72
Ditto — from 25th. Feby to 24th. March — 8357.34.62
Ditto — from 25th. March to 24th. April — 8151.23.67
Ditto — from 25th. April to 24th. May — 12,662.28.52
Ditto — from 25th. May to 24th. June — 13213.26.52
Ditto — from 25th. June to 24th. July — 20,624.25.53
Ditto — from 25th. July to 24th. August 13,908.09.32
Ditto — from 25th. August to 24th. Sept. 12363.32.57
Ditto — from 25th. October to 24th. Nov. 13326.28.52
Ditto — from 25th. Nov. to 24th. Decr. — 8,085.24.32 Pags. 72,914 2 61

To Subsistence &c. &c. paid to His Majesty's, New or India Regiments and the Detachment of Royal Artillery,— from the 25th. Decr. 1792 to the 24th. Decr. 1793 as by the accounts in detail, made out every two Months & sent to Council at Madras on the 15th. Feby 1793 the 18th. April the 25th. June, the 16th. Sept. the 18th. Octr., and on the 9th. of December following — Viz.t

To the Amount of Disbursements from 25th. Decr. 92. to 24th. Feby 93. — Pags. 7853.21.55
Ditto — from 25th. Feby to 24th. April — 5,539.40.60
Ditto — from 25 April to 24th. June — 5,585.31.37
Ditto — from 25th. June to 24th. August — 7,566.15.69
Ditto — from 25th. Aug.t to 24 Sept.r — 6,986.21.52
Ditto — from 25th Sept.r to 24 Decr. — 5389.16.67 39,421 22 —

Pagodas — 2,12,335 24 61

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Account

With Major George Hart D. P. M. G. &c.

due and payable by the Crown to all the Troops of His Majesty, in whose service Presidency of Madras from the 25th December 1792 the time to which all of His Majesty's forces in India were then, and are without any retrospect to and settled, as by an act of parliament made in the 36th year of the

By the undermentioned sums received from the East India Company & the hands of Benjamin Roebuck Esquire, as part of the sum due the Crown according to the act of Parliament then existing and for subsisting &c. His Majesty's old Regiments from the 25th Dec.r 1792 to the 24th of Dec.r 1793 as by the detailed monthly accounts — Viz.t —

1793				
January 8th	By Cash received on account	Pagodas	13,875 — —	
February 8th	By Ditto		13,750 — —	
March 9th	By Ditto		15,000 — —	
April 4th	By Ditto		13,750 — —	
May 6th	By Ditto		13,250 — —	
June 8th	By Ditto		21,550 — —	
July 8th	By Ditto		13,000 — —	
Augt. 8th	By Ditto		12,000 — —	
Septr. 9th	By Ditto		12,500 — —	
Octr. 7th	By Ditto		12,565 — —	
Novemr. 6th	By Ditto		13,000 — —	1,54,240 — —

By the Undermentioned sums received from the Honble Company & the hands of Benjamin Roebuck Esq.r for Subsistence &c.r to His Majesty's New Regiments and the Detachments of Royal Artillery — from the 25th December 1792, to the 24th Dec.r 1793 — as by the Accounts in detail made out every two Months with all necessary vouchers annexed for these Corps and sent to Council and afterwards passed as p.d Debit Side — Viz.t

1793				
January 8th	By Cash received on Account	Pagodas	2795 — —	
February 8th	By Ditto		2500 — —	
March 9th	By Ditto		2,635 — —	
April 4th	By Ditto		1,000 — —	
May — 6th	By Ditto		2,710 — —	
June — 6th	By Ditto		4,950 — —	
July — 8th	By Ditto		3,300 — —	
August 8th	By Ditto		3,300 — —	
September 9th	By Ditto		3,500 — —	
October 7th	By Ditto		3,200 — —	
November 6th	By Ditto		3,500 — —	33,310 — —
Dec.r 4th	By Ballance due by the Honble Company			20785 24 61
		Pagodas		2,12,335 24 61

Errors Excepted
Kings Pay Office Madras
the 4th December 1793
Signed George Hart
Deputy Paymaster General in India to His Majesty's Forces Serving for Madras —

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General

Dr. ——— The Honble East India Company

Including the Receipts and Issues on account of Subsistence &c. still remains and continues employed for the Company under their accounts between the Crown and the East India Company for the to former Accounts, held to have been adjusted Closed and finally reign of His Present Majesty — to the 24th of December 1793.—

To Subsistence &c. paid to His Majesty's Old Regiments from the 25th December 1792 to the 24th December 1793, together with the established charges of the King's Pay office at madras as by the Abstracts, and the detailed Monthly Accounts, with certificates, Receipts and Vouchers, as well as Warrants from Commander in chief authorizing the disbursements viz.t

To the amount of Disbursements from the 25th Dec.r 92 to 24 Jan.y 93	Pag.s	2,307	32.62
Ditto — from the 25th Jan.y to 24th Feb.y	—	12,784	26.22
Ditto — from the 25th Feb.y to 24th March	—	13,357	34.62
Ditto — from the 25th March to 24th April	—	13,151	32.67
Ditto — from the 25th April to 24th May	—	12,663	18.32
Ditto — from the 25th May to 24th June	—	13,213	28.52
Ditto — from the 25th June to 24th July	—	20,624	7.33
Ditto — from the 25th July to 24th Aug.t	—	13,118	19. 2
Ditto — from the 25th August to 24 Sept.r	—	12,363	32.47
Ditto — from the 25th Sept.r to 24th Oct.r	—	13,570	12.72
Ditto — from the 25th Oct.r to 24 Novem.r	—	13,326	23.32
Ditto — from the 25th Nov.r to 24th Dec.r	—	12,035	21.32
			172,914 2 61

To Subsistence &c. as paid to His Majesty's Sea or India Regiments and the Detachment of Royal Artillery from the 25th Dec.r 1792, to the 24th of December 1793 as by the Accounts in detail, made out every two months, and sent to Council at madras on the 15th Feb.y 1793 the 15th April the 25th June the 16th Sept.r the 15th Oct.r and on the 2d of December following — Viz.t —

To the Amount of Disbursements from the 25th Dec.r 92 to the 24th Feb.y 93	P.s	7,152	21.55
Ditto — from the 25th Feb.y to the 24th April	—	5,539	10.10
Ditto — from the 25th April to the 24th June	—	6,586	21.37
Ditto — from the 25th June to the 24th Aug.t	—	7,566	15.69
Ditto — from the 25th Aug.t to the 24th Oct.r	—	6,986	21.52
Ditto — from the 25th Oct.r to the 24 Dec.r	—	5,589	12.67
			39,674 22 1

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Account

With ——— Major George Hart D. P. M. G. &c.

and payable by the Crown to all the Troops of His Majesty, and whose service the Presidency of Madras from the 25th. of December 1792, (the time to which all service of His Majesty's Forces in India, were then and are without any retrospect concluded and settled, as by an act of parliament made in the 34th. year of the

By the undermentioned sums received from the East India Company by the hands of Benjamin Roebuck Esqr. as part of the sum due the Crown according to the act of Parliament then existing, and for subsisting &c. His Majesty's Old Regements from the 25th. Decr. 1792 to the 24th. Decr. 1793, as by the detailed monthly accounts &c.

1793				
January 8th.	By Cash received on Account	Pagodas	13,875	—
Febry. 8th.	By ——— Ditto		13,750	—
March 9th.	By ——— Ditto		15,000	—
April 4th.	By ——— Ditto		13,750	—
May 6th.	By ——— Ditto		13,250	—
June 5th.	By ——— Ditto		21,550	—
July 8th.	By ——— Ditto		13,000	—
August 8th.	By ——— Ditto		12,000	—
Sept. 9th.	By ——— Ditto		12,500	—
Octr. 7th.	By ——— Ditto		12,565	—
Novr. 6th.	By ——— Ditto		13,000	— 154,240

By Ballance of Account dated and sent to Council at Madras the 7th. of Decr. 1792 being the Amount of all money in Major Harts hands received on acct. of Subsistence &c. to His Majestys New or India Regts. and the Detachment of Royal Artillery — now by positive orders of the Government of Madras to be stated to the Credit of the Company ..... Pagodas 2,637 9 — 40

By the undermentioned Sums received from the Honble Company by the hands of Benjamin Roebuck Esqr. for Subsistence &c. to His Majesty's New Regements and the Detachment of Royal Artillery, from the 1st December 1792, (when Major Hart's Accounts, in detail made out every two months with all necessary Vouchers Accounts, in detail made out every two months with all necessary Vouchers and Accounts for these Corps were sent to Council and afterwards passed as per Contra for these Corps were sent to Council and afterwards passed as per Contra (Debit side) to the 24th December 1793 — Viz.t —

1792				
December	13	By Cash received on Account (	Pagodas	5300 — —
January 93	8	By ..... Ditto		2725 — —
February	8	By ..... Ditto		2500 — —
March	9	By ..... Ditto		2635 — —
April	4	By ..... Ditto		1000 — —
May	6	By ..... Ditto		2700 — —
June	3	By ..... Ditto		6950 — —
July	8	By ..... Ditto		3300 — —
August	8	By ..... Ditto		3300 — —
September	9	By ..... Ditto		3500 — —
October	7	By ..... Ditto		3200 — —
November	6	By ..... Ditto		3500 — — Ps. 38,610 — — — 41,247 9 40

Decr. 4th. By Balance due by the Honble Company 16,848. 15. 21

Pagodas 2,12335. 24. 61

Errors Excepted
Kings Day Office Madras
the 4th. of Decr. 1793
(Signed) George Hart
Deputy Paymaster General for India to his Majesty
For the service for Madras —

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Minute thereon

As the Board, notwithstanding the opinion given in the foregoing Letter, are still in doubt, whether the balance remaining in Major Hart's hands on account of the new Regiments on the 24th of December 1792, ought to be comprehended in the acquittal noticed in the 27 paragraph of the late act of parliament, it is resolved to refer the subject to the honorable Court of Directors, and to direct Major Hart to hold the balance in Suspence, until the pleasure of the Court can be known.—

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 Auditor Genl proposes a General Order for dispensing the periods for musters and an assistant muster master for the Northern part of the Center Division

As the General Orders of 9th January 1793 appear to have been understood by some that Musters should be taken Monthly or once in Two Months as a standing Regulation under which to proceed in Mustering at each Station once in Two months at least without waiting for further Orders: while others have considered

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considered that the period of each Muster
subsequent to those taken in the February
following Sell to be specially directed in
Orders Monthly or once in Two Months, I am
therefore induced to take the Liberty of
recommending to your Honble Board to issue
an Order to the following effect, for the
purpose of having the Musters taken invariably
once in Two Months by the Muster Masters.—

"It is to be considered a standing
"Order that Musters in the Honble Company's
"Service are to be taken once in Two Months,
"that is to say in the Months of January
"March, May July, September and November"

That the Musters shall be
"taken by the mustering Officers in the
"said Months at each Station of the Division
"of the Troops to which they respectively
"stand appointed as follows:—

"Presidency and the Mount	by Lieutenant Brandon
Poonamalee and Tripassore	by Lieutenant Bruce
Baramaul	Captain Coner
Center Division	Lieutenant Wynn
Southern Division	Lieutenant Wm Cunningham
Masulipatam District	Lieutenant Pierce
Ganjam and Vizianagram Districts	Mr Dillon

That although the Musters
are

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"are to be thus taken only once in four months,
"Muster Rolls nevertheless shall to be made out
"in Duplicate for the intermediate Months
"as well as for those in which the Muster &
"Masters make the Circuit of their respective
"Divisions one copy whereof for the purpose, at
"present, of being delivered to the Paymaster with
"the Abstracts and the other to be transmitted
"to the Muster Masters."

"That nothing in this Order shall
"be construed as tending to preclude the Mustering
"Officers from taking Musters in the Months of
"February, April, June, August, October and
"December, but, on the contrary that Musters
"shall be taken by them in those months at
"the following Stations.—

Presidency and the Mount
Poonamalee and Trichinopore
Wallajabad
Vellore
Arcot
Arnie
Connalore
Pondicherry
Coibatore

Kistnagherry

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"Kistnagherry
"Sankerdoorgam
"Ricacotta
"Salem
"Attoor
"Tanjore
"Trichenopoly and the Quarters nearit
"Masulipatam
"Ellore
"Vizacapatam
"Cajarncotah
"Chicacole
"Ganjam
"Aska

"and at as many other Stations in each Decision
"as the Muster Masters may find practicable
"without interruption to the Circuit they
"are invariably to make once in two months;
"it being the intention of Government
"that the Musters shall be taken as
"comprehensively for every month of the
"year as the time will admit of on adverting
"to the Distribution of the Troops."

"And it may be impracticable
"for some of the Muster Masters to perform

the

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"And it may be impracticable for
"some of the Muster Masters to perform the P
"whole of the duty for the present month as
"now ordered they are hereby authorised, in that
"event, to depute Officers who may be willing
"to act for them at such Stations where they
"cannot be present in their Month by notifying
"the same to the party and to the Officers P
"Commanding respectively in order that the
"Musters may be taken accordingly."—

Your Honble Board will observe that I have left a blank for the Muster Master for the Center Division P whom you may be pleased to appoint in the room of Lieutenant Kent.—

I take this occasion of P mentioning that from the very large range of the Center Division, the Southern extremity of which is terminated by the Coleroon and the Northern by the Kistna, it may therefore be necessary to appoint a Muster Master or an assistant, expressly for the Northern part of it viz. Nellore, Rampore, Ongole Jemmicotta and the Guntoor Circar as it appears from the situation of those parts that

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that they are too distant to admit of being added to the duty of the Muster Master of the Masulipatam Districts, but your Honble Board may not judge it proper to consider of any appointment of the kind until it shall evidently become necessary in taking the Muster for the Month of May next.—

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

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 3d. March 1794

&c &c
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mily Aud Genl

Minute thereon

Agreed that the order respecting Musters be published, agreeably to the recommendation of the military Auditor General.—

Read the following letter from Captain Alexander Read.—

To

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Military Secretary

Sir,

From Captain Read on the Subject of Chail Raja's Incursion into the Baramhaul, and suggesting means for his Seizure or Expulsion.—

As containing the information I desired in your letter of the 22d instant I enclose you a letter from one of my Assistants. On receipt I communicated its contents to Colonel Brathwaite, who, in consequence, directed that a company should be stationed at Singarpate about 16 miles west of Shangama, one at Irenonaly, and that three others should be held in readiness at Figar, Athoor, and Arnee, one at each, to make a push on the gaining information of Chail Raja approaching either of those stations which are contiguous to and surround the tract of mountains that form his refuge. The colonel having resolved on this plan as the most likely to succeed in apprehending him or checking his depredations, I directed, at the same time, that four or five people should be sent to each station in order to be employed in gaining information of his haunts — The tract of mountains I have mentioned being very extensive

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extensive and unhealthy and it being his
practice to shift his situation every day it
would be in vain to send a detachment after him
and attended with great loss of men from sickness.
From the same causes there is little chance of apprehending
him through the colonels arrangement
will I am in hopes prevent his incursions.
Under this idea I wish you would mention
to the Honorable Board my wish that
two places in the neighborhood of Singarpute
and Tsenomoly may be fixed on for
permanent military stations with the
requisite accommodations for an officer
and two companies at each. It occurs to
me that Ravet Nellore, as farther advanced
than Tsenomoly, would answer better
than the last mentioned place for one
of them, and that Shanganna or some
place nearer the mountains, and healthy,
would be better than Singarpute. My
business here being nearly finished
I shall shortly return to the Baramahl,
and would first proceed to that quarter
in order to examine the passes into the
mountains

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mountains, and ascertain which would be the best situations for the posts I recommend. One thing more very essential to the end proposed is the appointing intelligent and active officers to them who are acquainted with the language of the country, for if taken indiscriminately from corps they might be of no service

What I have proposed for government Consideration appears to me necessary and adequate to the expulsion of Chilmy from his recesses, and that is of such consequence to the safety of the inhabitants and to revenue as I trust will warrant the freedom with which I have given my opinion on the subject.

I am &c &c
(Signed) Alex. Read

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February 26th 1794.

Captain Alex. Read

Collector

Sir.

I have just received information that Chilli Naigue pelandeed and burned the Pettah of Cannore on the night

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night of the 2d. Instant – The Party, according to
the accounts of the Peon who brought the P
intelligence amounted to about 200 men – they
arrived at midnight and inquired for the P
Tahsildar – but on being told that he was P
gone to another village they sent for the P
Publick Shroff and betraid him to make P
him discover the Sircar money. He however
did not know where it was – He says P
that Chilli Naigue, whom he knows very well,
was present – that he sat 2 or 3 hours in the
Tahsildar's Choultry receiving the money
and carrings of the inhabitants – and that
after setting fire to the Pettah he quitted
it before day break. – It is reported that
he has carried off Coopia a Bramin who
is Renter of Cottapatte and of the Sair
of Singracottah – should this prove true – no
money will be got from the former.
and very little from the latter – Exclusive
of these losses there is reason to apprehend
that there will be a very considerable P
deficiency in the Collections of Singracottah
& Carnore, and therefore unless some P
effectual measures are soon taken for

securing

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Darramsporry
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Having the honor of Chitl Paigne.—

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Signed/ Jh. Munro

Read letter from Colonel Brathwaite dated the 12th. ultimo, and entered in Consultation the 18th. ultimo relative to the depredations committed in the Baramahal by Chitl Naig.—

Colonel Brathwaite's letter of the 18th. February on the above subject considered.—

Resolved to acquaint Colonel Brathwaite, that whenever it be necessary to move Troops for any purpose whatsoever it will be expedient to take the orders of the Government on the occasion, unless the necessity be very apparent indeed, for the exercise of that discretionary authority which is always understood to be vested in Commanding officers of stations, in cases where the smallest delay might be attended with injurious Consequences and that in this principle, the Board are of opinion that altho' the measure of detaching two Companies from Poinaya was highly proper and as what they themselves would have adopted on

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the Recommendation of the Colonel, yet, as the Subject had been referred by Captain Read to Military Head Quarters, and orders had issued from thence for the movement of the two Companies, no time would have been lost in taking the opinion of Government.—

Agreed to inform Captain Read that whenever there be occasion for moving Troops for any particular Service Report must be immediately made to Government as well as to the Commander of the Army — as it is only from the former, that any order can properly issue on a subject of this nature.—

Resolved that one Company of Captain Wahab's Battalion be stationed at Arnee, and another at Trinomale for the purpose Recommended by Colonel Braithwaite.—

Read the following — Letter from the Board of Revenue.—

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To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.

Governor in Council.

Honble Sir,

From Board of Revenue the Vamnad Rajah refuses to suspend the collection of Duties on grain in his Country—Copy of Mr Landon's Letter—request orders.—

Conformable to your Orders under date the 15th ultimo, we sent Instructions to Mr Landon to communicate to the Rajah of Vamnad and the Minister of the Shevagunga Country your requisition for the suspension of all duties on Grain in their respective Districts, during the present scarcity. By a Letter just received from the Collector, we learn that the Rajah of Vamnad has not thought proper to comply with your Directions, and as other instances of disobedience and acts of oppression are alluded to on the part of the Rajah—we think it necessary to transmit a Copy of it for your Information and request to have your instructions in what manner we are to proceed.—

We have the Honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) David Baliburton

Chas. N. White

Thos. Cockburn

To

Fort St. George
25th February 1794.

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To David Haliburton Esq.
acting President &c. Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Gentlemen

In obedience to your commands of the 14th. of January, I communicated to the Two Maraua Houses the order of Government for the suspension of duties on grain in those provinces during the present scarcity and strongly recommended to them a prompt and unreserved compliance therewith. —

I have the pleasure to inform your Board, that the Shevagunga Minister paid the most ready obedience to the order, and instantly issued directions to every part of the Shevagunga province prohibiting the collections of duties on grain which I am informed, have been duly attended to, to the present relief of the inhabitants, and the ultimate welfare of the province, by lessening in some degree the emigration that has for some time past prevailed there in consequence of the scarcity of provisions —

I am sorry to communicate to your Board, that the Rajah of Ramnad

has

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has not shewn equal attention to the orders of Government, on this interesting occasion. I have received a letter from him, stating his reasons for his non compliance as the P translation, which I have the honor to P enclose, may not perhaps convey the true spirit of the Rajah's intentions in the perspicuous manner, that the subject requires, especially in one passage that appears to imply, in its allusion, more than the litteral meaning of the words made use of, and as it is my duty to lay before your Board data the most authentic to enable you to form a correct judgement of the Rajahs disposition, I beg leave to transmit also a copy of the Malabar Original.—

I take the liberty to observe that the present is the third instance in which the Rajah of Cannanad has declined compliance with the orders of Government communicated officially through me, in the course of the last twelve months the two former to which I allude, are the P orders of the Honble the President in P Council, under date the 23d of February 1793

for

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For liberating the weavers in the Ramnad & country from improper restrictions, and & securing their labors for the Company; and for abolishing the oppressive exactions at the pass of Paumen to which measures the Rajah was called upon by the Honble the President to pay implicit attention and obedience. —

The conduct of the Rajah on the two above mentioned occasions, and the manner in which he finally evaded compliance are detailed in my Report to the Honble the President in Council of the 31st of March 1793, a copy of which together with a copy of the Rajah's letter to me on the subject accompanied my annual Report to your Board under date the 23d of September last. —

Unmindful of the indulgence of Government in making a considerable reduction in his Peshcush in order to consult his ease, and to relieve them from the pretence of necessity for oppressing the inhabitants of his country the Rajah of Ramnad has evinced no disposition hitherto to merit such an act of beneficence or even to shew that he is sensible of the favor

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favor conferred upon him.—

He has been equally
inattentive to the representations, which
I made to him, in obedience to the commands
of the Honble the President in Council
above quoted, of the injustice of all
severity and oppression in his management
and the ruin which such principles must
ultimately bring upon his affairs; and
also that the principal reason for the
Company's taking the tributes of the
Carnatic in assignment from the
Nabob, was to protect the inhabitants
of the Countries as well as those who
paid the tributes, from arbitrary exactions,
but that the Company would have little
cause to persevere in the present System
if the tributaries do not extend the same
justice to their dependents, which they
have received themselves from the
late arrangement in their behalf.—

The people I have employed
to make enquiries respecting the duties
in the Marawa provinces on the
present occasion, report that the
collection

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collection of duties in the Ramnad province not only continues upon grain belonging to merchants, with unremitted strictness, but that the poor inhabitants who emigrate — with their families, and who carry a few seers of dry grain, for their support upon the road, have a part of that pittance even torn from them, by the inexorable tax gatherers employed by the Rajah at every avenue leading out of that distressed province. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

/Signed/ James Landon

collector a/s. of S. Peshcush

Sinnevelly
16th. February 1794.

/ A true copy /

/Signed/ Wm. Berrington

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Translation of a Letter from the Rajah of Ramnad to Mr. James Landon collector of assigned Southern Peshcush, dated the 27th. of January 1794. — after compliments

I have received your letter of the 20th. of January, and understand the contents thereof; directing me, in consequence

of

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of orders from the Governor, as grain is
so scarce in the Ceaded Country, not
to receive duty either by Land or by P
Sea till it becomes cheaper, It is P
reasonable enough that you write P
me this, as you received orders from
the Governor — If it is to be done so P
such orders were not given when P
Grain was more dear and scarce in
the Company's management from P
the beginning of Lord Macartney's
time; and during the Circars Amil
when there were battalions of Sepoys
belonging to the Company and to the
Circar, and also Horse, and when P
great men and common People were
Tahsil here belonging to Cauve Sah
no directions were given to suspend
the Collection of the Duty, such
orders are seldom given even to many
Aumuldars — you know that the P
Company and Circar have shewn me
favor and supported me, therefore for
all my business you must write P
Recommendation to the Honble Govern
or

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as no rain has fallen here, scarcity prevails, there are no provesions for the Inhabitants who are emigrating to the northward, to obtain a livelihood, and there are no P means of gathering sufficient to pay P the peshcush for this year — what P is therefore to be done if the Collection of customs is objected to, as I have P explained to you every circumstance P respecting my situation, — it is your P burden to address the Honble the P Governor on the Subject. —

a true translation
/Signed/ James Sandon
Collector a/s. & St. Peshcush

a true Copy
/Signed/ Wm Harrington
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Minute thereon

Resolved that the Nabob be requested to exert his authority with the Damnad Rajahs to induce them P suspend the collection of all duties on Grain during the present distress, and to treat the inhabitants of every description with

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with that justice and moderation which they have hitherto sought in vain. —

Lieutenant R. N. Wyan appointed muster master in the center Division.

The President proposes that Lieutenant Robert Nanny Wyan be appointed muster master in the Center Division of the Carnatic vice Hart resigned. —

Approved and ordered accordingly. —

Chas. Oakeley

E. Hallofield

Geo. Westcott

Wm. Gurrin Farrer

C. Hd. Agst

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5th Received letter from the Rajah of Tanjore Entered in C.C. No. 21 pays his Rent of fifty thousand (50,000) Pagodas due the 1st Instant.

Subsistence of letter from the Rajah of Tanjore.

" Received also the undermen-tioned Letters Entered in M.B. Nos. 14-15-16.17.

From Military Auditor General reporting upon Mr. Cochrane's Additional Estimate on Account of the Additional Dondeon.

From Auditor General

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions proposes that Paddy and Salt only be laid up at Tanjore - that the Stock of the former Now on hand be Sold off in September or October and that the Granary in the lower fort be repaired.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From

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From Captain James Robertson 71st Regiment

From Captain Robertson 71st Regiment enclosing his Accounts for Victualling a Detachment of that Corps to and from Dindigul, to Seconder Malley

From Military Paymaster General stating the Cause of Mr. Vaughan's Delay in forwarding his Estimate this Season.

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Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB. Nos. 18-19-20-21-22-23 24.

From Captain Macpherson

From Commandant at Amboor requesting an Allowance for Orders and Intelligence enclosed a Letter from one of Tippoo's Sirdars, applying for the Surrender of certain Polygar Robbers.

From

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From Mr. C. M.r. Capin.. From Executor to the Estate of the late Mr. Wm. Gordon - applying for the Arrears of pay and Allowances due to the deceased..

From Adjutant General.. From Adjutant General - Submitting the proceedings of Jan.y — annual Casting Committee at Arcot -

From Ditto.. From Ditto Lieutenant — Colonel Clarke requests leave to proceed to Europe and to embark at Anjengo..

From Colonel Braithwaite.. From Commander of the Army recommends Lieutenant J. Inglis for the Adjutantcy of the 18.th Battalion, vice Wynne..

From Colonel Martin.. From Commandant at — Ramnad inclosing his Return of Troops. Colonel Floyd having desired Same to — discontinue Making them to him..

From

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From Town Major

7. From Town Major - requests orders regarding Monsieur Nestour, sent hither from Pondicherry by Colonel Nixon on Suspicion of his being a Libeller - Dispatched the undermentioned Letters Entered in MIS. Nos 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. -

To Mr. Thomas Cockburn

To Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies - approving the advance to the Deputy Agent of 19th Dragoons and the - Payment of the Rent of the Godown hired by him at Arrancopang -

To Acting Resident at Tanjore

To Acting Resident at Tanjore the Claims for Batta, made by the Officers in Charge of Mennindoo and Tagganacotta, inadmissible -

To Hospital Board

To Hospital Board - to report the expence incurred by Removing the - Hospital Stores of the 19th Dragoons from Arrancopang

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7th Ans. accompanying to Warrior and Every — Article to be supplied by Surgeons for the Allowance of Sixty Cash — also regulations for Field Hospitals.—

To Resident at Hydrabad —

To Resident at Hydrabad — with Extract of the letter from Masulipatam regarding Nagoo row —

To Military Auditor General —

To Auditor General.

Cornet Walcott to be paid for the loss of his horse — 600 Pagodas ordered to be advanced to the Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies —

To Ditto — with orders to —

To Ditto.

adjust various demands for Clothing due to the late 1st and 2d Independent Companies of Revenue Troops — Certificates Enclosed — Additional Estimate of Mr. Cochrane for February and Mr. Paymaster Vaughans Estimate for March and Arrears previous — reserved. —

Do

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To Military Board.

To Military Board - the Hospital and Depoy Barracks at Ellore to be repaired and the further Works necessary there to be estimated - the Arsenal also to be repaired - The Town Major proposal for Clothing the recruits accepted - instructions in consequence - the arrangement for supplying Casks for the Bar-a-hall approved - also the mode proposed for adjusting the Charge for removing the Hospital Stores of the 19th Dragoons -

To Paymaster at Fort St. George &c.

To Paymaster of Fort St. George &c. to discribe particularly the persons for whose Rewards he requires the additional Sum of Two Thousand Pagodas -

To Paymaster General

To Military Paymaster General with the Auditor Generals report upon the Estimate of the principal Agent for Bullocks for March - Mr. Cockburn's Indent for 6000 Pagodas ordered to be paid -

To

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To Ditto- to report whether
To Ditto.
the Sum overdrawn for the 52d Regiment-
being £ 1753: 16: 7. has been carried to the
Debet of the Crown in his Books--

To Commander of the Army-
To Colonel Braithwaite
no Allowance for a palanquin or horse
can be made to the Fort Adjutant at
Trichinopoly- orders given for the temporary
Accommodation of the 19th Dragoons at
Seringham- the Number of Days for -
which they solicit Batta not specified-

To Ditto- Lieutenant Wilks
To Ditto
to hold his Office of Barrack Master until
31st December 1795- reply to his Recommen-
-dation in favor of his Secretary Lieutenant
Wilson-

To Lieutenant Colonel
To Lieutenant Colonel
Clarke permitting him to proceed to -
Clarke-
Europe Surgeons Certificate must however
be forwarded by him previous to his -
Embarkation

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7" Embarkation--

To Clerk of the Treasury--

To Clerk of the Treasury--

ordering Advances for the Principal Agent for Bullocks and Grain Supplies to the former for his Charges in March--

8." Received the following letter

To William C. Jackson Esq.

Military Secretary

Fort St. George

Sir,

From Major Robert shall pay the Additional Donation when the Nizam dies from the Nizam is received Amount thereof- regards order regarding the murder--

I have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 30th Ultimo and request you will inform the Honble The President in Council that there is due to The Honorable Company On Account of the Detachment from his Highness the Nizam to the end of January last Two Lack fourteen Thousand Eight hundred and fifty two Rupees (2,14,852. Rupees) which as soon as I receive the whole of

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8 or a sufficient part of shall be Appropri-
=ated to the Payment of the Additional —
Donation agreeable to the Honorable Boards'
Directions but conceive it will be first —
necessary to keep in reserve a Sum for the
regular Payment of the Detachments as
I have lately been obliged to send to —
Hydrabad for all supplies of Cash, which
is a march of between two and three
Months for a Detachment to go and —
return — Owing to Delays at the Durbar
and frequently giving Orders on Managers
for Sums of Money they are unable to
pay, his occasioned so large a Balance,
and has prevented me from being able
as yet to discharge the whole of the —
Arrears of Rice Money due the Native
Troops for the years 1791 & 1792 —

&

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As I do not recollect having ever received any Orders from the Honorable Board for remitting any Residue of Cash to this Presidency, should be glad of Instructions on that Subject.

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

(Signd) George Roberts
Major

Camp near Velloorga
18th February 1794

From Captain Doveton

Received Letter from Captain Doveton Entered in Mo. Bk. No 39 advising of his having presented to the Princes a field Officers Tent Supplied by Colonel Wells.

Sent the undermentioned Letters to the Nabob - Entered in CC No 92

Substance of Letter to the Nabob

To the Nabob - Acknowledging receipt of the Kist paid by the Hegtmes on the 1st Instant -

Ditto - Ditto -

To Ditto - representing the expediency of Consent of H. Rammad Rajah towards

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8" towards the Inhabitants of this Country -
and the necessity of his being compelled
to suspend the Collection of all Duties on
Grain - during the present Scarcity -

Sent the following letter -

To Major George Hart

Deputy Paymaster General to his
Majesty's Troops Serving on the Coast
of Coromandel

Sir,

As the Honorable the President
in Council, notwithstanding the opinion -
given in your letter of the 29th Ultimo, is
still in doubt, whether the balance remaining
in your hands on Account of the New -
Regiments on the 24th of December 1792.
ought to be Comprehended in the acquittal
Noticed in the 12th Paragraph of the late
act of Parliament, he has Come to the
Resolution

9 to Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops - the Balance in his hands on Account of the New Regiments on the 24 December 1792 to be held in suspense until the Court's pleasure be known -

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8 " resolution of referring the Subject to the "
Honble Court of Directors, and desires therefor
that the balance may be held in suspense
until the pleasure of the Court can be "
known.-

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5. " March 1794

Sam.l S.a St.a
(Signed) H. C. Jackson Secy

" Despatched the undermentioned
Letters Entered in MB Nos. 40. 41. 42. 43.
44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49.-

To Captain Read- To Commandant in the "
Baramhaul - report to be made to "
Government previous to the Movement of
any Troops - Measures taken for the "
prevention of obtaining Stroll Naigues person-
orders in consequence.-

To Mr. Paymaster
Hughes- To Paymaster Ditto - directing
Soon to pay a Pension of Twenty Rupees
P.r Month Abdul Crowder of Peiaconkah -
To

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To Civil Paymaster - Notifying

To Civil Paymaster

the same -

To Ditto - Notifying the -

To Ditto -

Subsistence to be paid to Mess.rs Hudibert

and Sevard at Pondicherry -

To Paymaster at Pondicherry

To Paymaster at Pondicherry -

to the same Effect -

To Commandant at Ditto -

To Commandant at Ditto -

Notifying the same -

To Secretary at Bengal applying

To Mr. Secretary Hay

for Invoices of the supplies received per

Snow Woodcot & Success -

To Paymaster at Madura -

To Paymaster at Madura -

Noticing the repeated Complaints against

him for Official Disrespect and Inattention,

and the Board's intention to determine

finally in regard to him - when the

report of the Auditor General - upon the

Complaints of Captains Croker and Oliver

is

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8 is received.-

To Military Board. To Military Board - desiring their Opinion upon a letter from the Prize Agent, regarding various Arms not yet Charged to the Company, and on one from Lieutenant Dyce respecting Cots for the 19th Dragoons. Invoice and Bill of Lading of Condemned Muskets and Copper Hoops Shipped on the Mercury at Tanjore.-

To Colonel Braithwaite To Commander of the Army with remarks in regard to the Movement of Troops lately ordered by him from Pondicherry - One Company will be stationed at Trincomalee and another at Arnee for the purpose of keeping Chelmaig - directions in consequence.-

10. Received the undermentioned Letters Entered in MB. Nos 60. 51. 52. 53.-

From Mr. Paymaster Cochrane. From Paymaster at Fort St. George with the explanations required upon his Estimate for 2000 Pagodas.

From

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From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

From Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - proposing the Sale of part of the Rice in Store at Cuddalore now - and the Remainder a few Months hence - and the Repair of a Granary at Pondicherry - Tender of Grain for Chingliput -

From Auditor Genl.

From Military Auditor General reporting upon Major Gowdies Bill for Contingent Expenses -

From Colonel Kuthwaite -

From Commander of the Army with Major Youngs Account of his Expenses in building our Barrack and Stabling at the Cantonments near Arcot - a letter upon these Enclosed -

At a Consultation

Present

The Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor — President

Ernst William Tallofuld }
& }
George Westcott Esquires } —

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read and Approved — Read

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Read and Approved -

Read

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Read the following Letter from Masulipatam—

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Hon'ble Sir

From Masulipatam advising of a Party of Sepoys sent to disarm an Inhabitant who had fled into the Pellapore Zemindary being fired upon by a Party of Mahrattas upon the Invader and three Sepoys were killed of this Account.

Having lately happened in this District, a very disagreeable circumstance we think it our Duty to report it, and to request that you will be pleased to honor us with such orders, as may appear necessary for our guidance on the occasion—

A short time before the death of the late Chief Jaggapelly Rauze represented that an Inhabitant of this Country, having extorted money from a Village Curnum; afterwards fled, and took shelter in a Village belonging to the Pellapore Zemindary; in Consequence of which, a Letter was Written to

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Riddell, requiring him to —
render such assistance as might be —
necessary, to the Bearer of the letter, for —
securing the Person of the man complained
of. The Bearer of the letter was intended to
have been one of Jaggapetty Rauzes People
who knew the Place
of the mans retreat; but by some means
or other, the letter had not been made use
of, when our present Chief arrived, and an
application having then been made for a
new order, a letter, Copy of which is enclosed
Marked № 1. was Written to Major Wynch
This letter was likewise delivered to one of
Jaggapetty Rauzes People, and as no —
Answer had been received to it, above a
Month after its being written, we became
uncertain whether it might have been
delivered; in consequence of which, a
Second letter, Copy of which is enclosed № 2
was

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Read the following Letter from

Manelepatam —

To the Honble Sir Charles Oakeley Bt

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Honble Sir

Form Manelepatam advising of a Party of Sepoys sent to disarm an Inhabitant who had fled into the Pallaport Zemindary being fired upon by a Party of Malabars from the Jungles and three Sepoys slain dead of their Wounds.

A very disagreeable circumstance having lately happened in this District, we think it our Duty to report it, and to request that you will be pleased to honor us with such orders, as may appear necessary for our guidance on the occasion —

A short time before the death of the late Chief Jaggapetty Rauze represented that an Inhabitant of his Country, having extorted money from a Village Carnum; afterwards fled, and took shelter in a Village belonging to the Pallaport Zemindary; in Consequence of which, a Letter was Written to Sevestanant

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Lieutenant Riddell, requiring him to —
render such assistance as might be —
necessary, to the Bearer of the letter, for —
Securing the Person of the man complained
of. The Bearer of the letter was intended to
have been one of Jaggapetty Rauzes People
who knew the Place
of the mans retreat; but by some means
or other, the letter had not been made use
of, when our present Chief arrived, and an
application having then been made for a
new order, a letter, Copy of which is enclosed
Marked № 1. was Written to Major Wymer
This letter was likewise delivered to one of
Jaggapetty Rauzes People, and as no —
Answer had been received to it, above a
Month after its being written, we became
uncertain whether it might have been
delivered, in consequence of which, a
Second letter, Copy of which is enclosed № 2.
was

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was written to Major Wynch. From that time we did not hear any thing on the Subject, until the receipt of the letter, a Copy of which is enclosed No 3, wherein you will observe Major Wynch informed us, that having sent a Guard to secure the Person above alluded to, the Jemedar and Sepoys were fired upon by a number of Malabrock Peons, by which means the former and several of the latter had been wounded. Another letter from Major Wynch, Copy of which is marked No 4, soon afterwards informed us, of the Jemedar having died of his wounds, and Seven Sepoys being severely hurt-

Upon the Receipt of the above Letters, Mathepully Row Zemindar of Pettapore, was sent for and informed of what had passed; with an intention, on our part, of putting his Person under immediate

immediate restraint, in case it had appeared from any circumstance, that he had authorized or in any way permitted the Mulcheloch Peons, to fire upon the Guard of Company's Sepoys. Mahapelly Row disavowed all previous knowledge of what had happened, and seemed sensible of the bad consequences that must have resulted to himself, if he had been at all concerned therein. The Village he informed us, in which the accident happened, was rented; and that no Armed Peons belonging to himself are stationed there. On being required he very readily wrote an order to his Manager to deliver up the Person of the Man whom the Guard had been sent to secure, and all others who might have had any concern in firing upon the Sepoys, which Order has been sent open to Major Wynch, that he may enforce it by such

means

means as appear best calculated for that purpose, and we have likewise requested the Mayor to make the necessary enquiries for ascertaining whether the Renter of the Village may have been concerned in, or sanctioned the outrage committed, as for having the Author or Abettors thereof, in order that they may may be brought to punishment.-

Major Wynch mentions the Man and his Adherents having fled to the Shankaram Hills, in which case it may not be in Statepelly Rowjy's power to take any effectual measures for securing them, or even in Jaggapelly Rauzy's power to effect it, tho' within his own District, on Account of the inaccessible nature of the Country; but we may conclude, that the latter, at least will exert himself for the purpose as

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as well as in endeavouring to discover whether they take refuge in any other Zemindary: but in the meantime, he does not ascribe what has happened to Matchpelly-row, but to the People of the Village where the accident took place—

We have the honor to be

Very respectfully— &c. &c.

Signed Robert Gardiner
Andrew Scott

Masulipatam
4th March 1794

No 1

Major Wynch
Commanding at Tammulcotah

Sir

Seggapelly Yauze having represented that one of the Inhabitants of his Country after extorting 200 Pagodas from a Village Common has taken shelter in a Pavaiah belonging Matchpelly Row, the bearer of

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of this letter is authorized to secure the Person of the offender, and bring him to this Place, in the execution of which the Chief and Council desires you will afford him the necessary assistance to enable him to carry the orders he has received into effect

I am
Sir &c. &c.

(Signed) Robert Malcolm Secy

Masulipatam
2d January 1794

(A true Copy) Robert Malcolm Secy

No 2

Major Wynch
Commanding
at Samulcotah.

Sir, I am directed by the Chief and Council to remind you of the letter addressed you by their Secretary on the 2d of January directing you to arrest the Bearer of this securing the Person of one of Suggapolly manzeé Inhabitants, who was to be sent to

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to this place; but, as he is not yet arrived.
They request you will send a Guard upon
the receipt of this, and make him Prisoner
which when effected he is immediately to
be sent here. Madevadoo and Permaloo—
two of Puggapetty raujee's Servants are
intrusted with the delivery of this letter who
will shew the Guard when Capesitty —
Raganaickloo the person complained of
resides.—

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Robert Malcolmy
Secy

Masulipatam
8th February 1794

(Attested Copy)
Robt Malcolmy Secy

To
Robert Gardiner Esqr.
Chief & Council
Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to Acknowledge
the receipt of your Secretary's letter of the
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2d January and 8th February and in —
Consequence of your having directed me
on the receipt of the latter to detach a —
Guard to apprehend and Send to —
Masulepatam, the Person of one of —
Juggapelly Ranzeo Inhabitants who —
had taken Shelter in Mahepelly Rens
Country, I detached a Jemadar Guard
to Sungaverchum twelve Cos from hence
to carry your Orders into effect and am
sorry to inform you that some time after
the Guard had surrounded the house
in which the Inhabitant was in that
a Number of Poem with match Locks
made an attack about nine o Clock last
night, and fired upon the Guard, and
wounded the Jemedar and Several of
the Sepoys, and rescued the Inhabitant
when they immidiately after made for
the

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the Hills, from your letter not even —
hinting that the Inhabitant had a
single Peon under his orders, I conclude
he must have been rescued by the Peons of
the District and of course in the pay of
Mahepelly Row.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signd) Alexander Wynch
Major Commanding

Samulcotah
23d February 1794

(A true Copy)
R. Malcolm Jr

No 5

To Robert Gardiner Esq.
Chief &c. Council
Masulepatam

Gentlemen

I had the honor to address you
on the 23d Instant since which the Guard
have returned to Samulcotah, the Jemadar
died shortly after he received his wounds,
and seven Sepoys are very severely wounded

I would

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I would most undoubtedly have brought
the Zemidar to a General Depoy Court
Martial had he survived for mis =
conduct and disobedience of orders,
as it was my positive injunctions
to him not to halt a moment after
having seized the Person of the Inha =
bitant, but to march immediately
with him to Samulcotah in order
that he might be conveyed to Masu =
lipatam conformably to your direction;
the Inhabitant with his adherents
have fled to the Shamparam Hills
and the Village of Singavencheum,
where the Inhabitant resided is totally
deserted. I trust Gentlemen you will
hold the Zemendar Mahepelly now
responsible for the forthcoming of the
Inhabitant (one of his Renters) who
has

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has dared to dispute your Authority —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Alexander Wynch

Major Commanding

Samuel Stab

25 February 1794

(A true Copy)

R. Malcolm Secy

Minute and

The Board have been —

anxious, by every means in their power,

to prevent the use Military Force except

on very urgent and particular cases of

necessity; and this was a principal

Motive with them for reducing the —

Revenue Sepoys, who were, for the

most part employed as instruments

of terror in the execution of duties —

which properly belonged to, and might

with equal effect have been performed by

the Civil Authority. —

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From the circumstances stated in the letter from Masulipatam it would appear that the requisition made of Major Mignon at the instance of the Pedapore Zemindar, was by no means necessary, and as the consequences attending it have been so serious, the Board think it incumbent upon them to express their disapprobation of the measure to the Chief and Council, in the following terms—

To Robert Gardiner Esq.
Chief &c. Council
at Masulipatam

Gentlemen,

Letter to Masulipatam 1st January 1794

We have received your letter dated the 4th instant, and have read with attention the account which you have

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have communicated of the unsuccessful
attempt by a Guard of the Company's Sepoys
to secure the person of an Inhabitant, —
against whom a Complaint had been lodged
by Juggapetty Rauze, and who had taken
refuge in the Zemendary of Pettepore - But
the Statement you have given is not —
sufficiently in detail to enable us to form
an accurate opinion of the justice —
or necessity of the measure which you
adopted to obtain redress for Juggapetty
Rauze - You have not informed us —
whether any investigation had been
made by your Board into the truth of
the Complaint, Nor are we acquainted
whether Mohepitty Row in whose —
Zemendary the Supposed Offender had
taken Shelter was called upon to deliver
him up. These Steps were so evidently —
necessary

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necessary previous to the resolution which you came to, of making a Requisition to Major Wymish for Troops, that we can scarcely imagine they were not adopted - and yet if they were taken we do not understand why circumstances so essential to your own Justification should have been omitted in the report now before us - as the fact Stated, we cannot avoid observing, that the measure of detaching Troops appears to have been wholly unnecessary, since the person of Mahepatty Bor was within your reach at the time, and, Consequently might have been held responsible for the delivery of the Offender without Subjecting the Company's Arms to resistance and exposing the lives of

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Men on an occasion which called forth
extraordenary interposition of Power.

We entirely disapprove of
the Manner in which the first requisi-
-sition was made to Major Wynch, for.
if we understand it right, the execution
of your orders was entrusted to a Sowant
of the Complainant Juggapetty Raeze
and of course the Sepoys intended for the
occasion, were, in all respects, bound to obey
him in the mode of accomplishing these
orders - The Smallest Reflection would
surely have pointed out the impropriety of
this proceeding, and have led you to the —
apprehension of those very Evils which —
unfortunately followed. - To prevent —
Similar Mischief in future we positively
direct that on all occasions when the —
assistance of Military Force is indespensibly
required the nature of the Service be —
explained to the Officer on whom the —
requisition

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requisition is made and the execution of it left entirely to his discretion. We further desire that your Report to us whether any and what steps were taken by you to ascertain the truth of the Complaint, previous to your order to Major Wyndh and that, if you are not already possessed of the merits of the case, an enquiry be immediately instituted, and the result transmitted to us.— You will also find out whether Mahepilly Row has, directly or indirectly, any concern in the reserve of the Inhabitants and you will answer him that we shall hold him responsible for the appearance of the persons, who fled on the party.

We are

&c. &c.

(Signed) Chas Oakley

&c. Council

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Resolved that Copies of the — foregoing letters be sent to the Board of Revenue

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bart.
Governor in Council

Honorable Sir

From Military Board submitting their estimates of repairs wanting in the — Masulipatam — District — and of those required at Trige — State of the Public Buildings there — & explanation desired of the Commandant: Bill of Sam Comage Contractor enclosed — also a Report proof of Powder made in September —

In obedience to your Commands of the 9th December last, we have now the honor to lay before you fresh estimates of the expense that will attend the repairs now wanting in the Masulipatam District accompanied with a Minute, relative thereto, laid before us by the Chief Engineer

We beg leave to recommend that we may be authorized to order the — Contractor to carry into execution immediately the

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The Specified repairs which were long since determined to be necessary and are now estimated on the Contracton prices.

The Commanding Officer at Tegar having communicated to us the bad state of the Public buildings at that Station.- We in consequence ordered our Engineer to proceed thither, for the purpose of inspecting and laying before us his report thereon, whose report, together with the estimate expence of the repairs wanting, we have herewith the honor to forward you.

We recommend that we may be authorized immediately to order the repairs wanting to the Storehouses, Granaries, Magazines, and water Cisterns which, for the purpose, We have distinguished by a mark in the Estimate.

We

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We have sent Copy also of the Engineer's report to Captain Mahal, Calling upon him for an explanation; as it appears that Guard Houses and other buildings now requiring repairs were reported by that Officer in the Month of December 1792 to have been permanently repaired; — which induced us to recommend to your Honor in Council to order the payment of Captain Mahal's charge for that expense Amounting to Pagodas Ninety four and thirty three fanams (94: 33: ")

In reply to your Commands under date the 21st Instant, We have the honor to acquaint you that an Engineer has been ordered to inspect and report on the present state of the Cavalry Cantonments near Warriore, and the Chief Engineer directed to prepare, without delay, an Estimate, on the Contract prices, of the expense it will require to —

Construct

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Construct Quarters, Barracks and Stabling for a compleat Regiment of Cavalry on the plan We had the honor to recommend under date the 13th. October 1792.

The Contractors for Ten Carriages having laid before us a Bill amounting to Pagodas One thousand two hundred and twenty (1220 ″ ″) for ten Foot Carriages ordered for Masulipatam, which having been reported to us by the Chief Engineer and Commissary General of Stores to be agreeably to the Contract prices and musters produced, well constructed, made up of the best materials, and, in every respect, fit for Service, We therefore Recommend that that the Bill may be discharged.-

Lieutenant Colonel Gent having laid before us a Report of the proof of Gun Powder made in September last a Copy of which

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which We have the honor to enclose, and it having been found to be above the standard for proof, We have directed it to be received upon the Company's Books.

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

Fort St. George
28th February 1794

(Signed) John Brathwaite
" John Richardson
By Close
W. Gent
George Hall

I have the honor to lay before the Board the Estimates of the repairs to be done on the Masulipatam District, altered According to the present rate of Contract prices, and leaving out the Estimates for the Hospital, European and Lepros Barracks lately visited, also those buildings in the Ellore estimates that were repaired in 1792, when Government permitted One thousand Pagodas

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Pagodas to be laid out as should be
determined by Colonel Braithwaite Com=
manding Officer of the Northern Division

(Signed) H. Lent

27th February 1794

(A true Copy)
H. Lenley
Dpy Sec.

I beg leave to lay before the Board
the Estimates of Repairs required to the
Magazines Granaries, Store Rooms, Cistern
Quarters, and Barracks at Tyagar, with
a Copy of the Engineers report of the state
of those Buildings.-

As there appears to be a
considerable charge for repairs required to
the Commandants Quarters and as the
Board were pleased to authorize some
Repairs to be made in December 1792
I beg to refer them to the Proceedings
of the Board on the Subject-

27th February 1794

(signed) H Lent

(A true Copy) William Lenley Dpy Sec.

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To Colonel Kent

Chief Engineer

Sir,

Having examined the Public Buildings and Water Cisterns at Tyagar I found them in the following State.-

The Granary at the bottom of the Hill is cracked from Top to bottom in several places, seemingly occasioned by the weight of Grain on the inside - The only way of repairing it will be by building Buttresses to support it. The Commandant's Quarters are in a very bad state; there being only the Hall and a small room in any way habitable, and they want a thorough tiling and flooring, the small terraced Apartment over the Gateway must be taken down, except two walls, as

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as the other two are very much cracked
and bulges out in several places & will
most probably fall the first wet weather

Captain Wahab wishes to have
the room finished which is already
raised and Six feet high of the Wall
built, as he has but one room besides
the Hall, that over the Gate way being
only ten feet broad and can only be
used as a passage to the other.-

It has neither roof, doors or
windows, and as I do not think the
present wall strong enough to bear the
roof. I would propose building it
upon pillars.-

There is not a door or window
belonging to the House.-

The roofs of the Godowns
want repairing much that of one is
entirely

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entirely separated and falling --

The Officers Godowns &c the

water is everywhere owing to almost all

the rafters being warped and the —

Chunam and some of the tiles broken.

The Serjeant and Sepoy —

Barracks are in a worse state, as they are

obliged to put props under the roof in —

many Places to keep it from falling, the

former have neither Cookroom or necessa-

-aries -

The tiling of the Guard rooms

wants repairing -

The three Gateways leading

up the Hill are very bad the beams being

all rotten, the upper one is almost in —

ruins, to the lower, the Iron Work of the

Gate remains, the wooden part is very bad

the other two have no Gates --

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The

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The terrace over the Gateway
of the upper Fort wants to be made new
as the white ants have eat away the
Planks.

The two Storerooms to the
right of the Gateway as you enter must
be rebuilt entirely as a part of them has
already fallen and the rest will in a
short time fall down.

The terrace of one of the
large Store rooms has fallen in: the other
may go some time longer without
repair, although the White ants have
damaged the roof very much.

The large Magazine has no
door, and the top wants Surrounding Iron
and there, The small one wants a door,
to be Completely Chunamed and a Wall
Built on one side.

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× The large Magazine has no door and the top wants shumaming here and there, the small one wants a door, to be Completely shumamed and a Wall built on one side. ×

× This Para: I now cofind this our sight —

The large Water Cistern wants shumaming on the upper part to prevent the water from oozing through the walls which it does at present in many places.

The one opposite should not narrowly examine as it is full of Water, but have made the Estimate according to what I learnt from Captain Mahal who told me it was in a very bad state.

The little Cistern at the north East angle wants some Chunam and a few bricks to prevent its leaking at one end. The other under the rocks wants the same to hinder the water, when it is

full,

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The terrace over the Gateway of the upper Fort wants to be made new as the white ants have eat away the Planks.

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full room running between the wall
and the rocks.-

Tyagar
9 January 1794

Signed John Blair
A true Copy Wellm Linley
Dep. Secy.

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley
Governor in Council.

Honorable Sir,

From Military
Board report on Offr
Establishment for
the Adjutant General
further remarks
in regard to holding
their meetings at
the Arsenal - urges a
recommendation of
their subject request
of the Marine Board
at Bombay for Copy
of the Encouragement
Contract referred -

We have honored with your
Letters under Date 13th and 27th Ulto, on the
Subject of the first we thought it necessary
to call upon the Adjutant General for
information, and have in consequence the
honor to enclose to you, Copy of a letter he
addressed us which having maturely
considered and being of opinion that the
allowance hitherto paid under the
Authority of the Regulations, are inadequate
for

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for conducting the business of that Office effectually, We recommend that the allowances proposed in the Adjutant Generals letters may be sanctioned by the authority of your Honorable Board.—

We have furnished the Chief Engineer with Copy of your letter of the 26th. desiring that he will take the necessary measures for carrying the orders therein contained into execution.—

In Acknowledging your Commands under Date the 27th. (in reply to the Letter We had the honor to address your Honorable Board under date the 14th. Ultimo) We herein We observe that you consider the Company's House appropriated to the Commander in Chief to be a very proper House for the Military Board to assemble in, and that as rent is allowed

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allowed for an Office for the Secretary you cannot go to any further expence — We beg leave to remark with the greatest respect, that if the Company's House above named is specifically appointed for the Commander in Chief, that it must be as a matter of indulgence from him if the Military Board is permitted to assemble there, which permission We conceive He may, with the greatest propriety, withdraw whenever He thinks proper; and we are apprehensive that any Commander in Chief will feel himself very inconveniently circumstanced if called upon to grant such permission unless provided with some other House for the accommodation of himself and his Family, which must subject him to such an expence as this Board would be very unwilling to subject him to.

For

for its convenience, while at the same time
they cannot but repeat that the inconvenience
of assembling at the Arsenal is such
that many Members, affected by the
smell of the oil, are occasionally obliged
to withdraw, and we are fully of opinion
that we may greatly suffer in health
by continuing to meet there - besides the
constant clatter and noise there renders
that place very ill adapted for such a
Meeting —

We beg leave further to —
observe that altho' the present Commander
of the Army should consent to this, for
the accommodation of the Board, as his
holding that Station is Casual, and
may not be of long duration We may
be again suddenly subjected to all the
inconveniency from which we have
desired

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desired to be relieved, and that perhaps at
the most unfavorable season of the year -
We cannot avoid stating to your Honble
Board, also, what the present Commander
thought it necessary to say on the occasion
namely "That he did not think himself
at liberty to offer to the Board any thing
beyond a temporary accommodation
for their Meeting at his quarters till
some other House can be allotted to them
and that he must lie under the necessity
of refusing such Accommodation, if the
Military Board claim it as a right in
Consequence of the letter of Government,
as He must suppose himself bound in
case of Supersession to deliver up his
present Quarters unclogged with any
connexion on his part which could hamper
his Successor, or deprive him of any part
of

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of that House which had been originally
purchased specifically for his sole use".-

We therefore hope we -

shall stand excused in respectfully -
requesting your reconsideration of this
subject, and the more especially as We
feel Ourselves apparently less respectable
from being the only Board of the four
which assemble at this Presidency, to which
a commodious place of assembling is not
specifically appropriated -

We have the honor to enclose
Extract of a letter addressed Us by direction
of the Military Board at Bombay under
date the 13th. February last, and request to
know whether we may be permitted to
send to that Board Copy of the Contract
for Gun Carriages -

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Fort St. George
7th March 1794

We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Brathwaite
John Richardson
By Order
W. Kent
George Hall

To Colonel Brathwaite
President &c. Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

Your Secretary has communicated to me your wish, that I should give you such information regarding the Establishment of Writers requisite for the Adjutant General's Office, as may enable you to submit an Opinion thereon to the Honble the President in Council.-

I am

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In a letter which I had lately
the honor of addressing to Government, —
I stated one Head Writer on 25 Pagodas -
one on Six, and 4 on 5 Pagodas each
per Month, as the Establishment, which
I then found it indispensably necessary
to maintain for conducting the Current
Business of the Office, since I took —
charge of it in may 1792 - For this purpose
I am of opinion that the above number
will be sufficient, however I would
recommend that the 2d Writer should
receive 10 Pagodas P.r Month instead of
6, and the 3rd Writer instead of 5 as
such distinction in these Allowances
will operate as an encouragement to the
whole of the office Clerks, and a reward to
such of them as are marked for their —
abilities and regular attendance -
I beg on this occasion to enclose
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We have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) John Brathwaite
John Richardson
By Command
W. Kent
George Hall

To Colonel Brathwaite
President &c. Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen,

Your Secretary has communicated to me your wish, that I should give you such information regarding the Establishment of Writers requisite for the Adjutant General's Office, as may enable you to submit an Opinion thereon to the Honble the President in Council.-

(In

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In a letter which I had lately the honor of addressing to Government, — I stated one Head Writer on 25 Pagodas — one on Six, and 4 on 5 Pagodas each per Month, as the Establishment, which I then found it indispensibly necessary to maintain for conducting the Current Business of the Office, since I took — charge of it in may 1792 - For this purpose I am of opinion that the above number will be sufficient, however I would recommend that the 2d Writer should receive 10 Pagodas P.r Month instead of 6, and the 3rd Writer instead of 5 as such distinction in these Allowances will operate as an encouragement to the whole of the office Clerks, and a reward to such of them as are marked for their — abilities and regular attendance -

I beg on this occasion to enclose an

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an Extract of a General order published by the Commander in Chief on October 1786 — directing Thabar Alphabetical Register Roll of the Company's European Soldiers — Office from every Station —

I have understood from my Predecessor that this order was issued with the view that a Register should be Kept in the Adjutant Generals Office, of all the — European Non Commissioned and Private in the Service Shewing the Corps or Station to which each belonged / that Kept by the Military Secretary being only of a Return Shewing the Name and time of Service of each Individual, but not his present Corps or Station) but, although the first returns from Corps and Garrisons were regularly entered in the Adjutant Generals Office the Register was not Kept Complete, owing as it would appear, to the Office

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Office allowance being too scanty to admit of a Writer being employed for the purpose - I would propose, therefore, that a Writer on 10 or 15 Pagodas per Month should be added to the Establishment above mentioned, to be employed in Keeping a Register of the Forms alluded to - The convenience of having such a record to refer to will be considerable, as, at present, the particular situation of Soldiers in the Service can be scarcely ascertained, without a reference to the different Corps and Garrisons which is ever attended with delay

I have the honor to be
Sr. Sr.
(Signd) By. Close
Adjt Genl. of the Army

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Extract of a General Order - By the Commander
in Chief dated 19th October 1786. -

Mr Alphabetical Register
Roll

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Roll of the Honorable Company's European Soldiers agreeably to the annexed form — to be sent to the Adjutant Generals Office from every Station of the Troops as soon as possible. —

Alphabetical Register Roll of European Non Commissioned Officers, Drummers Fifers and Privates in the Commanded by —

Corps	Names	Rank &	Age	Size Feet	Inches	Complexion	Country	Trades	Ship Comm. when and on what from whom and where raised. — what when raised. — Where last	When Last Mustered & where	For what Cause

(Signed) By Close
Adjt Genl

(A true Copy)
W. Linley
Dpy Adjt

Extract of a letter from the Military Board at Bombay — dated 13th February 1794 —

As proposals have been — published at this Presidency for a Contract for

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for making Gun Carriages, they request to be favord by the earliest opportunity with Copies of the Contracts for the several descriptions of Gun Carriages at Fort St. George

(Three Extracts)

W. Linley
Dpy Secy.

Resolution on the two foregoing letters from the Military Board—

The Board approve the several estimates of the expence that will attend the repairs now wanting in the Manufactory Desbrit, with the following exceptions—

Estimate No 3— Repair to the Secretary's Office at Manufactory } As the Office adjoins the Warehouse and as the Factory House is sufficiently large & Commodious for the Secretary, it is resolved to direct the Chief and Council to convert the Office into a Godown for the reception of Goods— consequently there will not be any necessity of repairing it, in the way proposed by the Engineer—

(Estimate

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Estimate No 6 for building a Cutcherry at the Company's Garden House.

The Board having resolved that all Public Business shall be carried on in the Fort of Manulepatam, the building of a Cutcherry at the Company's Garden House becomes unnecessary -

Estimate No 12 Repairs at Candapillee.

As the Garrison of Candapillee is only to consist of a detachment of Native Infantry under a Subaltern, the estimate should be framed accordingly -

Agreed that the Military Board be directed to take the necessary measures for the execution of the repairs, in Conformity with the above observations, and that information thereof be given to the Chief and Council at Manulepatam -

The Board Authorize the execution of the repairs stated to be necessary at Tegar -

Ordered

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Ordered that the Bill of the Contractor for Gun Carriages be discharged

Resolved that the Military Board be Reminded of the letter transmitted to them in the 25th of July 1792 / with an Extract of the orders of the Court of Directors dated the 9th. February Inspecting the insufficiency of Check and Controul over the Engineers Department, and that they be directed to consider how far the checks provided by the Regulations of the Military Board in Bengal May with propriety to adopted, in the execution of all Works done under the Contract. -

The Military Board to be minded of former Reference in regard to the Checks over the Engineers Depart=ment --

The Board approve the Office Establishment of the Adjutant General as detailed in his letter of the 5th. Instant

Provided that a Copy of the Contract for Gun Carriages be sent to Bombay. -

/ Read

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Read the following letter from

Lieutenant Hamilton Hall -

To the Honorable Sir Charles Oakeley Bt.

of Fort St. George - President in Council &c.

Honorable Sir

From Prize Agent for Major Cuppage's Detachment applying for the Moiety of Cutty and Plunder relinquished by the Company -

I beg leave to address you on the following Subject - I was appointed Prize Agent to the Detachment that served under the Orders of Major John Cuppage in the Combatore Country during a part of the late War with Tippoo Sultaun and on the orders of Government being issued mentioning that instructions had been received from the Court of Directors mentioning that the Honorable Company had been pleased to give up to the Troops serving in the late War their Moiety of Military Stores Grain &c. &c. Ammo the

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The necessary application for the small Sum that would become due to this Detachment in consequence Amounting to Star Pagodas One thousand and twenty two and received for answer that I must procure the orders of Government before it would be complyed with permit me Honorable Sir to request this favor in the Name of my Constituents.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) H. Hall

Lieutenant & Prize Agent to
Major Cuppage late Detachment

Pondicherry
4th March 1794

Ordered that the Sum of One thousand and twenty two Pagodas seven fanams and fifty two Cash (1022.7.52) being the amount of the Company's Moiety of the Booty and Plunder taken from the Enemy during the late Action by the detachment under Major Cuppage

I be

Orders thereon

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be issued from the Treasury on the first day of April next to Lieutenant Hamilton Hall Prize Agent to the Detachment, or to his order for the purpose of distribution.—

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board.—

From Hospital Board shall propose an Arrangement for a Field Hospital — reference being had to the regulations of the 5th Article of the New Regulations providing for medical Disbursements

Hospital Board
10th March 1794

Read a letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson enclosing an Extract of a letter from the Military Board on the Subject of the Charge incurred by the removal of the Hospital Stores of the 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons from Arracan going to Trincomalee—

The

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approved

The Paymaster General has transmitted to us the enclosed Bills which we Consider reasonable and recommend that they be discharged.-

We shall make out a draught of an Arrangement for a Field Hospital and Submit to the Consideration of Government

Read a letter from the Apothecary copy of which we have the honor to forward and think it will be for the advantage of the Service to regulate the Grants by the total Number of Effectives, without attending to the particular strength of each Corps; as a Regiment may be so reduced or separated as to render it impossible for us otherwise to order a Supply

The President in Council approves this idea, and desires that the 6th Article may be amended.-

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Supply adequate to the
Necessities of the Sick--

(Signed) Sam.l Anderson
Physician General
Colley L. Lucas
Chief Surgeon

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General and Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

Being in doubt regarding the
full meaning of Paragraph 5.th of the present
Regulations relating to the allowances granted
for Medical Disbursements, I have to
request your farther Instructions whether
my Accounts are to be regulated by the
Effective Strength present with the Corps for
which a supply is granted, or the Amount of
the whole by the total Number of Effectives
of the Army with the exception of those on
Detachments

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My reason for wishing this —
particular explanation is, that a greater supply
has been granted to Mr. Fitzgerald. Surgeon —
of the 2d. Battalion of Artillery in Consequence of
his representing the great number of Sick,
than the Allowances for his Corps will permit,
which, if disapproved of, must be deducted
from his future Indents although the —
whole expence for the Supplies is less, than
the allowances that the strength of the —
different Corps admit of —

The advantage of considering
the order in this General view would be
that the Sick of a Corps however reduced or
Separated might be supplied with whatever
you should judge proper without any other
reference than that the amount of all the
Indents should alone be regulated by the
number of Effectives, which I conceive is

the

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the Intention but which I wish to —
ascertain to prevent any discussion in future

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March 3d. 1794

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
Signd, Andw. Berry
Sub Accor Md Genl.
(A true Copy) V Conolly Secy.

Read the following Letter from
the Military Auditor General -

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

Honorable Sir

From Auditor Genl. requesting to know whether the G.O. of 12th April regarding the Donation of Rations to Non Commissioned Officers and Privates is to extend to Native Corps --

I beg leave to lay before you a
letters Received from Captain Dennewody —
respecting the General Orders of the 12th Inst.

The order in question does not
appear to make any exception of the Native
Corps but as it was issued in Consequence —
of a representation from the European —
Regiments

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Regiments and Battalions, I am therefore
induced to take the liberty of requesting your
decision on the matter stated by Captain
Dunwoody Commanding the 18th Native
Battalion to prevent my Acting otherways
than may have been the intention of
Government at the time the reference from
the European Corps were under Consideration —

In whatever Manner Your
Honorable Board may be pleased to determine
the matter, I also take the liberty of requesting
that you will publish in Orders that "the
"Abstracts to be presented for additional —
"donations of deceased Non Commissioned and
"privates, under the orders of the 12th Ult. are
"to be Countersigned by Officers Commanding
"Corps"

As there was not sufficient
information in my Office under which —
I could report particularly, in Obedience to
your

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your Commands of the 21st Ultimo relative to Mr. Vaughan's Conduct in the Matters stated against him in the Letters of Captains Croker and Oliver, I have therefore thought it most advisable to require explanations from Mr. Vaughan on the several points, and shall do myself the honor of reporting further to you after I receive his answer.—

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George
11th March 1794

I have the honor to be with the highest Respect. &c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
M.A.G.—

Colonel Malcolm
Auditor General.

Sir,

I am not certain whether or not the Orders of the 12th Ultimo Respecting the additional Donation due to the Heirs of deceased Non Commissioned and private Soldiers

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Soldiers relate to the native Battalions; but as many people of that description have already appeared to claim it of me, I therefore enclose a list of such Non Commissioned and private Soldiers deceased in the 2d Battalion N.I. whose Heirs are entitled to the additional donation.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Thos Dunwoody
Capt.n 2d Batt.n

Ellore
March 3d 1794

Agreed to inform Colonel Malcolm that the General Order of the 12th Ultimo, founded on the opinion of the Attorney General, was meant to extend to Native Corps.—

The President reports to the Board that on the occasion of the departure of Seppoi sons he judged it necessary to make suitable presents to them in the Name of the Company. a List of the Articles purchased, and an Account of the Money given, he now lays before the Board and recommends that the Amount be paid from the Treasury.—

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The Honorable Company

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Presents given by the Governor

Tippoo Sultaun

Purport of Schedule annexed of Presents made by Hyder Naig and Mr Falconer on occasion of the Departure of the Embassy thence

20 Pairs of Muslins ..... 600 — —
a Ring (Compressing a watch) ..... 200 — — 800 —

Two Princes

1 Sirpoo & Culkyz } dt with Diamonds ..... 400 —
1 D & D } ..... 378 —
4 Rose Pearls 248 113 42 Chaws @ 13 Pr Chaw 652 3440
2 Kelyats Cauverchaop ..... @ 42 ea ..... 84 —
2 Kincaubs ..... @ 40 ea ..... 80 —
2 Pocket Books ..... 72 —
4 P.s China Silk ..... 80 — — 1663 3440

Two Vackeels

1 Sirpoo and Kulky } dt with Ribbons & Cummerbunds ..... 250 —
1 D & D } ..... 210 —
2 Kelyats of Cauverchaop ..... @ 35 P. ea ..... 70 —
1 Kincaub ..... 32 — —
1 D ..... 27 ——— 50 — —
12 P.s Muslin ..... 245 — — 836 —

Two School Masters

2 Kelyats Moondaw ..... @ 23 P.s ea ..... 46 — —
2 P.s China Silk ..... 40 — — 86 —

Nizpaldar or Commandant

1 Y.s Shawl ..... 22 — — 22 —

Mercara Vackeel.

1 Y.s Shawl ..... 24 —

Two Moolcaabes

1 Y.s Shawls ..... 22 —

For Servants

300 Rupees ..... @ 34 Fs % Rup 88 160
White Cloth, Blue Cloth, Cotton Canvas, & Buttons 1 24
Silver Chains & Bells 336
Pagodas 5756

Madras
22d February 1780

(Signed) Chas Bakeley

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The Amount ordered to be discharged.—

Resolved, on consequence of the Presidents recommendation, that the Sum of three thousand five hundred and twenty five Pagodas, and Sixty Fanams be paid from the Treasury and that the Amount be carried to the Head of Account Presents:—

M. Fallofield acquaints the Board that on being Solicited by the Servants belonging to the Princes, to make them a present, he destributed among them the Sum of fifty (50) Rupees—

Ordered that the above Sum be paid from the Treasury to M. Fallofield

The President informs the Board that he sent by Captain Doveton as a Pruent for Tippoo, a compleat apparatus for Shewing experiments in different Branches

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Dr. £. 1.6. P. 1.6.

Present delivered on account of Presents made by the Envoys and Mr Falconer on occasion of their Departure from the Mysore Country

Presents given by the Governor

Tippoo Sultaun

20 Pairs of Muslins . . . . . 600 — —
a Ring (Comprising a watch) . . . . . 200 — — 800 —

Two Princes

1 Sirpore & Culkys } set with Diamonds . . . . . 400 —
1 D & D } . . . . . 375 —
4 Rose Pearls 248 113 42 Chaws @ 3 P. Chaw . . . 652 3/4 0
2 Kelgets Cauerchoop . . . . . @ 42 ea . . . . 84 —
2 Kincaubs . . . . . @ 40 ea . . . 80 —
2 Pocket Books . . . . . 72 —
4 P.s China Silk . . . . . 80 — — 1663 3/4 0

Two Vackeels

1 Sirpore and Kulky } set with Rubies & Emeralds . . . 250 —
1 D.o & D.o } . . . . . 210 —
2 Kelgets of Cauerchoop . . . . . @ 35 P.s ea . . . 70 —
1 Kincaub . . . . . 32 — —
1 D.o . . . . . 27 — — 50 —
12 P.s Muslin . . . . . 245 — — 836 —

Two School Masters

2 Kelgets Muenodew . . . . . @ 23 P.s ea . . . 46 —
2 P.s China Silk . . . . . 40 — — 86 —

Rispaldar or Commandant

1 P.s Shawl . . . . . 22 — — 22 —

Hercara Vaick.

1 P.s Shawl . . . . . 20 —

Two Morlawaes

1 P.s Shawls . . . . . 22 —

Ten Servants

300 Rupees . . . . . @ 34 P.s P.o Rup.s . . . 88 1/2 0
White Cloth, Blue Cloth, Cotton Linen, & Nuncy Muslin . . . 1 24 —
Silver Flower Pots . . . . . 3 36 —
0875 0

Madras
22.d February 1794

Pagodas

(Signed) Chas Berkeley

1791.

Fort St. George 21st March 1791

The Amount ordered to be discharged.-

Resolved, on consequence of the Presidents recommendation, that the Sum of three thousand five hundred and twenty five Pagodas, and four fanams be paid from the Treasury and that the Amount be carried to the Head of Account Presents.-

Mr. Tallofield acquaints the Board that on being Solicited by the Servants belonging to the Prince, to make them a present, he destributed among them the Sum of fifty (50) Rupees.-

Ordered that the above Sum be paid from the Treasury to Mr. Tallofield

The President informs the Board that he sent by Captain Doveton as a Present for Tippoo, a compleat apparatus for shewing experiments in different Branches

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of natural Philosophy and mechanics
obtained from the Reverend Dr Bell and
that he Dr will hereafter state the sum
due to him on this Account -

Chas Oakley

E H Fullofield

Geo Hewitt

Wm Harris Parry
Wm Hodges