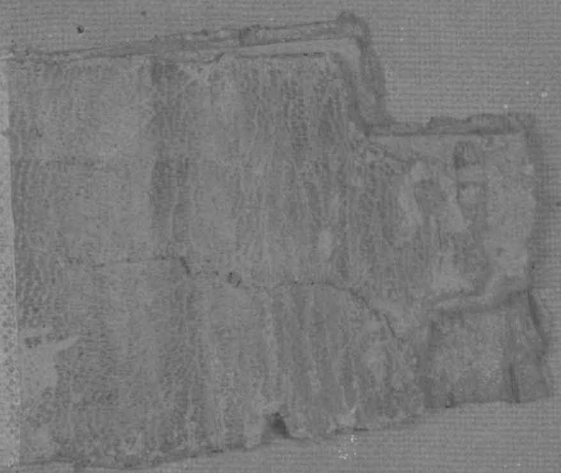


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Honorable Lord Hobart

Resident and Governor in Council,
of

Fort St George
Lord,

I have the honor to lay before
Your Lordship a Statement of the Stoppages and Adjustment
of the Military Funds for 1793 amounting in
the sum of One hundred and seven thousand seven
hundred and four Pagodas, Twenty Nine Tanams
and twenty eight Cash (Pagodas 107704..29..28)

I have also furnished the Military
Auditor General with a Statement of the same
in conformity to the General Order of 21st July 1792 to
which will fall to be added the Balances of the Funds
amounting to Nine hundred and ninety
four Pagodas and four Tanams and four Cash
(Pagodas 993..24..14)

I have the honor to be

My Lord,

with the highest respect,

Your Lordships most Obedt
& most humble Servant

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Military Auditor General.

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Military Auditor General
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Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council,
of
Fort St George
My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before
a Calculation of the Stoppages and Adjustments
of Off-reckoning Funds for 1793 amounting in
Total to One hundred and seven thousand seven
and Four Pagodas, Twenty Nine Tanams
Twenty eight Cash (Pagodas 107704. 29. 28)

I have also furnished the Military
Quarter General with a Statement of the same
agreeably to the General Order of 21st July 1792 to
which will be added the Balances of the Fund
amounting to Nine hundred and ninety
Twenty four Tanams and Fourteen
Pagodas 993. 24. 14)

I have the honor to be
My Lord,

With the highest respect,

Your Obedient and most Obedt^t

W^m Malcolm

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Military Auditor General

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Quarter General with
Statement of the
Off-reckoning Funds.

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of Tarmerry and Tarpultry & others, he surrendered them, and that with respect to the or fifteen Villages belonging to the Talook of Ruppun-goody Pulharry and Mokka which I had claimed I also surrendered them but that in regard to the Villages belonging to the Talook of Ruppun-goody I bygone on the strength of old Statements of the Officers and now in the possession of his Highness the Puzam, I should surrender them, and give him the places surrendered to me. I replied that I would write on the subject to the Presence and in the answer I might receive they should be surrendered to him. - Therefore I desire that you will speedily represent the same to his Highness, and obtaining an order for the Managers at Pulharry to surrender the Eight undesignated Villages of the Talook of Ruppun-goody, send it to me speedily in order that there may be no delay in affairs - By the good fortune of my Master all all cause of litigation between the two States with be removed, obtaining an answer, and an order for the surrender of the Eight Villages of the Talook of Ruppun-goody send them to me speedily. -

The Names of the Villages above

Gungull, Goodhall, Burma, Devalled
 Duounhally, and Joolerassy. -
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 W. C. L.

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In this quarter also the rains are
that and Grain difficult to be had - the
very good one is 8 s. the Rupee.

Three Translation

(signed) W. Stewart

Assistant

Received the undermentioned letters

in N. B. N. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44.

From Messrs Chase Swell and Chase &
that the Nabol has offered 5000 Pagodas
for the whole of the Prize Stores.

From Lieutenant M. C. Dowell - giving
an explanation required relative to his claim for
years.

From Commandant at Pondicherry forwarding
sentences of the Courts of Judicature for the last
months.

From Ditto - enclosing an address from
Messrs Chaussy Collin and Marcell.

From Mons. De Rabins - requesting
allowance.

Received the undermentioned letters entered

N. B. N. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49.

From Acting Commissary General of Grain
Provisions requesting authority to write off
Raddy lost on the boat three Mangaladavy.

From King's Deputy Paymaster General
in continuation from 25 August
to

From Prize Agents
to the Squadron

To Lieutenant Andrew
M. C. Dowell.

From Col. Dixon

From Ditto

From Mons. De Rabins

From Mr. Skardon

From Major Hart

Fort St George

to 24. October 1794. —

From Colonel Prathiaute

From Commander of the [redacted] submitting a
Correspondence between him [redacted] Colonel Nixon &
relative to some Military [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
in a Godown of one Ponipath [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
confined at Trichinopoly, [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] the Dooley Mastry,
Captain Chamber's Demand [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] having satisfied [redacted]

From Chief Engineer

From Colonel Floy &

From Chief Engineer - [illegible] -
Repairs wanting to the Town - an Estimate of \$
From Commandant at the [illegible] Quarters -
Damage done to the quarters by [illegible], reporting the
and Putoor, in consequence of the [illegible] at that Place, [illegible]
being wholly under the Paymaster, [illegible] Lascars &

Substance of a letter to the
Rajah of Travancore

To Mr. Skardon

To Military Board—

To Captain Butler

To Board of Revenue

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A Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor President

Edward Saunders Esquires
William Fallofield Esquires

Tuesday

11 November 1794.

Minutes of last Consultation read

and approved.

Read the following letters from the
Military Auditor General, with enclosures lodged
in the Office.

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council
of Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have now the honor to lay before

allowance

enclosure marked N^o 1 the Receipt on the
Military Stores by Captain Robert Bell for
B. F. Army from March to November 1790 inclusive

as directed to proceed by M^{rs} Secretary

of the 27th December 1793 the result of

of the report quantities, as the

of the statement, will be found

headed with containing several articles
included

From Colonel Malcolm
reporting his receipt of
of Captain Bell's account
shall submit his
explanations when they
are received.

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of the Army commanding, at the different periods
with for on of where the Charges
were in consequence, if it shall be
admitted to Captain Bell, on both subjects, he
were given considered to have been justified in
may be especially as the payments to him;
obeying the payments to him on the occasion
especially have been made on the a press condition
appears subject to Audit in this Office, which, however,
of being being that must have necessarily followed,
is a present of such stipulation, even had the
in respect, in both cases, come direct from Government

The Result of the Reaudit in Captain
accounts stands as follows.

Balance of Purchases of Military Stores from &
Soldier's money number 1790 inclusive for which Captain
March 1790 has been paid under the stipulations
Robert (Ch) 18070. 17. 8
Captain Bell 646. 22. -
Refused allowance as
Amount of Military Stores
above B. N. Army from March 1790 - 70 - 17. 70
purchased as directed to proceed by M. Secretary
charged provisions of the 27th December 1793 - the
Total ready loss under as receipt 11034. 36. 18.
Refused of this Army from &
B. N. Army for 1790 Inclusive - &
M. Secretary

say

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The Cause for allowing the Articles
indented in the Indents addressed to Lieutenant
Moorhouse for which Receipts, as well
as Indents were found, has already been
referred to Government in my Letter of the
8th inst. and the result of the Audit, as
reported, is a Balance against Captain
of Pagodas 11,034. 36. 18 by allowing as necessary
purchases, according to the principle of the
the quantum of each Article that appears
to have been issued or remaining
at the time the purchases ceased, after
deducting from the Total of both the quantum
of Articles which Captain Bell
has received exclusive of Purchase
as the above principle of Audit
suggested by your Letter of 22nd May 1792,
in consequence, adopted by the
Hon^{ble} M. B. which Court of Directors, could
arrange to have every circumstance of
and Provisions, which I had
the Paddy lost, as a Cor
of Military, a large portion of
of the Articles actually made for the
Public Service; and as by your
Statement

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Statement of the Liquor sold at the respective Stations
 the Amount of Servants Wages - The quantity and Value of the

Year	Station	Quantity		Value		Amount of		Amount		Total
		ms.	q.	rs.	p.	ms.	q.	rs.	p.	
1793/94	Mount.	2350	30	50.	..	60	851	43	70	1533. 4. 40
"	Poonamallee	513	17	50.	24	40	188.	..	8.	334. 38. 60
"	Trepasore	59	13	51.	2	25	21.	42	60	11. 10. 60
"	Chingleput	508	4	52	3	65	186.	..	20	331 17. "
"	Malajabad	354	38	52.	28	25	135.	14	42	231. 22. 10
"	Arhee	127	20	55.	32	70	51.	21	52	111. 21. 52
"	Arcott	87	20	54.	21	30	34	30	60	125. 14. 60
"	Atellore	1378	23	55.	32	70	556	26	60	899. 3. 20
"	Ambore	637	21	58	15	15	269.	14	20	415. 35. 60
"	Nagore	17	32	51.	43	10	6.	32	12	31. "
"	Negapatam	17	26	51.	43	10	6.	29	15	11. 23. 70
"	Tanjore	203	2	56	5	10	82	25	64	132 19. 40
"	Trichinopoly	1052	1	58.	8	60	443	43	01	686. 4. 60
"	Worriore	271	19	58.	17	60	114	..	..	191. 10. 33
"	Mindigul	247	2	66	20	20	1.	..	..	178. 35. "
"	Maddura	703	21	61	3	..	..	..	..	458. 37. 60
"	Pallamcottah	23	23	59	..	..	..	..	..	15. 17. 20
"	Angole	116	19	52	..	..	..	..	..	84. 36. 60
"	Innacondah	151	2	61.	..	..	..	..	..	98. 23. 10
"	Guntur	37	34	61.	..	..	..	..	..	24. 31. 10
"	Masulipatam	2987	34	52	4	..	..	..	..	1942. 27. 10
"	Ellore	988	20	57.	1	..	..	..	..	644. 31. "
"	Bezagapatam	283	5	53.	43	10	110.	30	..	184. 29. 60
"	Ganjam	25	8	54.	43	10	10.	1	36	58. 1. 36
Total		13143	34	..	..	..	5198.	33	14	1257. 39. 32
										2317. 6. 45
										8773. 23. 11

Amount Profit Payable 2317. 6. 45

Deduct

Amount Losses ff. C. 201. 10. 21

Balance Profit Payable 2115. 33. 24

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For the year 1793/94 Shewing the Original Cost of the same at each Station,
Liquor sold and the Profit or Loss resulting there from.

Year	Station	Quantity and Value of the Liquor sold at the respective Stations		Amount Lost		Total.
		Quantity me. v.	Value Pay. f. c.	Pay. f. c.	Pay. f. c.	
1793/94	Mount.....	2350 30	90 " "	1533 4. 40	" " "	1533. 4. 40
"	Poonamallee.....	513 17	90 " "	334 38 60	" " "	334. 38. 60
"	Tripasore.....	59 13	90 " "	38 31. 60	2. 25. "	41. 10. 60
"	Chingleput.....	508 4	90 " "	331 17. "	" " "	331. 17. "
"	Malajabad.....	354 38	90 " "	231 22. 40	" " "	231. 22. 40
"	Arnee.....	127 20	90 " "	83 7. "	28 14. 52	111. 21. 52
"	Arcott.....	87 20	90 " "	57 3. "	68 11. 68	125. 14. 68
"	Vellore.....	1378 23	90 " "	899 3. 20	" " "	899. 3. 20
"	Ambore.....	637 21	90 " "	415 35. 60	" " "	415. 35. 60
"	Nagore.....	17 32	90 " "	11 28. "	19 18. 12	31. " 12
"	Negapatam.....	17 26	90 " "	11 23. 70	" " "	11. 23. 70
"	Tanjore.....	203 2	90 " "	132 19. 40	" " "	132. 19. 40
"	Tichinopoly.....	1052 1	90 " "	686 4. 60	" " "	686 4. 60
"	Warriore.....	271 19	90 " "	177 2. 20	14 38. 13	191. 40. 33
"	Dindigul.....	247 2	90 " "	161 5. 40	17 29. 40	178. 35. "
"	Madura.....	703 21	90 " "	458 37. 60	" " "	458. 37. 60
"	Pallamcottah.....	23 23	90 " "	15 17. 20	" " "	15. 17. 20
"	Angole.....	116 19	90 " "	75 44. 20	8 38. 40	84. 36. 60
"	Immaiondah.....	151 2	90 " "	98 23. 40	" " "	98. 23. 40
"	Guntoor.....	37 34	90 " "	24 31. 40	" " "	24. 31. 40
"	Maulipatam.....	2987 34	90 " "	1943 27. 40	" " "	1948. 27. 40
"	Ellore.....	988 20	90 " "	644 31. "	" " "	644. 31. "
"	Vizagapatam.....	283 5	90 " "	184 29. 60	" " "	184. 29. 60
"	Ganjam.....	25 8	90 " "	16 20. "	41 27. 36	58. 1. 30
	Total.....	13143 34	" " "	8572 3. 70	201 19. 21	8773. 23. 11.

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28th October 1794.

Signed/
Basil Cochrane
Agent for Spirituous Liquor
Resolved

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Resolved in consequence of the representation
of the Agent for Spirituous Liquors, that the following
general Order be published to the Army. —

J. O. By Government Fort St. George 11 Nov 1794

The Right Honorable the President
in Council is pleased to notify that the following
Distribution of the Profit on the Sale of Arrack
from 1st May 1793 to 30th April 1794 is ready to be
made at the respective Stations. —

(Here enter the Distributions)

The great diminution in the profit
of the last year, on comparison with that of the
preceding year, has not escaped the notice of the
Right Honorable the President in Council. It appears
by the report of the Agent that the difference is not
less than three thousand six hundred and twenty
four Pagodas Nine Fanams and seventy Cash
(3624. 9. 70) altho' the price at which the
Liquor was laid in, and the Amount Charges for
the year 1793/4 were considerably lower than those
of the year 1792/3. This diminution can only be
accounted for by the introduction notwithstanding
repeated Orders to the contrary of Paria &
Arrack into some of the Stations, which &
consequently must occasion a proportionate
decrease

General Order in consequence
prohibiting the sale of Arrack
except at the Agents off
Godowns.

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decrease in the Sales of the Company's Liquor -
 To obviate this loss in future to the general Fund,
 The Right Honorable the President in Council &
 has resolved, and does hereby strictly require, that
 Panier & Ait (which is in its effects so baneful
 to the health of the European Soldier) be not
 hereafter disposed of at any of the Stations where
 the Company's liquor is sold, under pain of a
 disobedience of Orders, and that there may be no
 plea for evading the same, his Lordship is &
 further pleased to direct, that the provision
 and sale of Sweet Toddy within the respective
 Military Stations abovementioned, shall be &
 under the exclusive Charge of the Agent's Servants,
 and restricted to the regular Godown fixed for the
 Sale of the Honorable Company's Liquor; that, the
 profits arising on the same shall be brought to
 the Credit of the general Fund - that the quantity
 daily brought into the Cantonment or Garrison,
 and the price at which it is to be sold, shall
 be regulated by the Commanding Officer, and &
 that an Account thereof, signed by the Agent &
 Servant, and countersigned by the Commanding
 Officer, shall be transmitted to the Agent, with
 the Monthly Accounts.

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In future, the general Profit will only be divided amongst those Officers Commanding Stations, for the respective periods, where Sales of the Company's Liquor to the Natives take place

All Commanding Officers of Garrisons and Cantonments, where different Coins are received for Liquor sold under Charge of the Agent for Spirituous Liquors, are directed every three Months to regulate the price of the dram agreeably to the exchange of the respective Rs & Current Coins in the proportion of 40 Drams for half a Star Pagoda sold to the Europeans and 40 Drams for $2\frac{1}{3}$ Star Pagoda sold to the Natives

Pay Orders —

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General —

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council
of Fort St. George

My Lord,

The Military Board having been directed some time ago to enter upon Arrangements for establishing persons in charge of Military Stores with a view of separating that duty from the duties ^{belonging} properly to pay Departments, the Officers of which have hitherto been

From Colonel Mordaunt
with suggestions on the
subject of the pay office
and Expenses for the
Charge of Military Stores
— H. Mordaunt Esq. Secy. —

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been employed in the charge of the Military Stores, and as Deputies to the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions as well as Paymasters, and as it becomes proper at the same time to submit for your && Consideration and further Orders an Arrangement, under which the number of Paymasters, on the present System, may be reduced, and the detail of that Department be brought forward on the principle suggested in my Report of June 1793, and subsequently approved in the Aut^{re} by the Government General, I have & consequently on the present occasion brought into view, as per Inclosure N^o 1, in the form of a General Order a detailed suggestion of the parts which appear necessary to be published one or two months or more previous to carrying into execution the intended change in so far as regards the Establishment and duty of the Paymasters on the New System.

As it is understood to be intended under the New System, that the Salaries of Paymasters shall be increased, especially as they have represented on the subject of a Perquisite, through the Medium of the Exchange of Money in making the payments of which they consider themselves to have been deprived by the Order of 19th March 1793, it may therefore & be desirable to your Lordship to have before you, a Statement explanatory of the Operation of that & Order on the principle of bringing under Comparison & the

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the Amount arising by the Exchange for a given period added to the Salaries of the present Establishment of Paymasters for a corresponding period - say one Year - with the Amount of both if distributed, in given proportions of Salaries to the Officers in the Pay Department on the New System.

It became necessary in drawing out this Comparative Statement or set off, to insert by way of example, particular rates of Salary although the due proportion which may be proper to establish for each Paymaster and for each Deputy does not come under my consideration. The Statement goes enclosed Marked A.

Your Lordship will perceive that no increase of Expence will be incurred on adverting to the Pay Office separately if the principle is admitted on which the set off is arranged, unless it shall arise from the alteration which will likewise be necessary in regard to the rates to be allowed the several Paymasters and their Deputies for an Office and an Establishment of Servants - of this however I cannot take upon me immediately to report to your Lordship - than by expressing my opinion. That, upon the whole, as far as I am able to form a Judgement, it will not be necessary to add to the Amount of the present Expence under these heads, and that perhaps it may even fall to be diminished, provided the payments can be easily and comprehensively made with a few immaterial exceptions by means of Bills of Exchange.

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As it is intended, I conceive according to the consideration of the subject by the Government General, in communication with this Government, that the Paymasters, and their Deputies at the Out Stations, under this Presidency, shall, in no shape whatever, have any other public duty to execute besides that of a Pay Office, with only the exception noticed in the enclosed draught of a General Order in regard to the Supply, on particular occasions, of some inconsiderable Articles of Military Store, which is the rule at Bengal, & I therefore beg leave, under these considerations, to observe that it may be necessary, in dividing on the period at which the New Establishment of Paymasters is to commence, to advert likewise to the appointment of the Officers who are to be in charge of the Military Stores and of the receipt of Provisions, which may be done & Grain and considering the Commissaries of Stores either by persons to be employed in the latter duty, as fit for a separate Establishment of servants, and with a separate Accounts; or, by an & by the appointment of subordinate Officers for the Establishment of the Provision Department exclusive Charge of the Paymasters, and of the Commissaries who are to be in Charge of the Military Stores. — Having laid before you a Statement applicable, eventually, to the Expense in regard to

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to the alteration affecting the Pay Office & considered separately, it may also appear proper to offer for your consideration something on the same principle with respect to the Expense for the charge of the Military Stores.

For this purpose I do myself the honor to enclose herewith the Statement marked N^o 2 in which you will observe that the Expense of the present number of Military Officers employed in the Inspection and Arrangement of the Ordnance and Military Stores under the designation of Commissary, Inspector, Conductor and Store Serjeant is brought into comparison with the New Establishment of Ordnance Officers proposed by the Military Board and approved by Government, and to which I have added the allowed rates of Salary for each description, according to the established rates as they stand at present. You will also observe from this Statement that the Annual Difference on the New Establishment, even supposing the Salaries of the Officers of Ordnance not to be increased, amounts to an increase equal to Pagodas 4855 10 11 Annam, owing, with a trifling addition, as you will perceive from the Statement, to the augmentat^{ion} number

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number of Conductors judged necessary on the
New Plan.

The trust and duty of the Commissaries
will however be considerably increased &
under the New Establishment by removing
the Charge of the Stores from the Paymaster,
by abolishing the post of Inspector &
and by considering the Commissaries as &
Officers of Custody and for Arrangement of
the Stores besides being Officers of Check
in regard to the quality of the several
Articles which may be offered for the
Service in their respective Departments.

Under this view of the subject while
the duty of the Commissaries falls to be
so indispensably augmented it may be &
considered expedient to augment also their
Salaries, at least in respect to the
principal Officers of the Department &
even if it should not be deemed necessary
to extend the increase to the
Deputies.

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Further Statement & and detail applicable to the Provision Department will be laid before your Lordship in the course of a few days, & but as the Arrangement for the purpose is ^{of a} more intricate and difficult nature when to be considered in communication with the particular circumstances & affecting the mode for conducting it on this Establishment, on comparison with the System found adequate on the same Subject in Bengal, I am under the necessity of delaying the Report until I can place it before you in a more clear and comprehensive point of view than it stands just now so far as I have hitherto proceeded in the Arrangement, and shall therefore hope for your Lordship's indulgence in allowing me to state in general on this head for the present that under every view of the Department it does not appear

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appear that any larger proportion of
Officers will be necessary for conducting
the several duties than have been &
thought requisite in the Department
of Military Stores with the exception
however, so far as regards Agencies or
Contracts that may fall to be considered
of for the purpose of actualizing the Troops

I have the honor to be
with the highest respect,

My Lord,

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
8th October 1794.

Your Lordship's most Obedient
& most humble servant,
(Signed) Henry Malcolm
Mil^y. Aud. General

Suggestions, in the form of a
General Order submitted by the
Military Auditor General to the
consideration of the Right Hon^{ble} the
President in Council, on the subject
of the Pay Offices.

The Right Honorable the President
in Council is pleased to resolve that on and from the
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the. The Paymasters on this Establishment shall not hold the Office of Stockkeeper at the Out Stations, nor of Deputy to the Commissary & General of Grain and Provisions, and that, in all other respects, they shall be confined to the duties of a Pay office with only such exception as may hereafter be directed in regard to the Paymasters & at Out Stations acting as Commissaries of Supply at fixed rates for some inconsiderable Articles of Military Stores, which may occasionally be required at those Stations, and on the provision of which they will receive a certain per Centage.

It is further resolved that a Deputy Military Paymaster General, and a Paymaster of Extraordinaries, shall be appointed; and that the payments of the Company's Allowances to the Kings Troops shall be disbursed and brought to account in the Office of the Paymaster of Extraordinaries who shall keep separate Books for the purpose.

In consequence of the foregoing & resolutions the following Establishment of Paymasters and Deputy Paymaster has been determined upon. —

Establishment

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Establishment of Paymasters

- | | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 1 Military Paymaster General | Stationed at the #
Presidency for the general
duty of the Department |
| 1 Deputy — Ditto — | |
| 1 Paymaster of Extraordinaries — | |

For Stations North of the Krishna.

One Paymaster and Two Deputies.

The Paymaster to reside at Manipatnam and to make the Payments in that District.

His first Deputy to reside at Vizagapatam, and the second at Ganjam; the Deputies to make the Payments in those Districts respectively.

For Stations between the Krishna and the Coleroon and Cavery.

One Paymaster and Three Deputies.

The Paymaster to reside at the Presidency, and to make the Payments there and at all Stations of the Troops within the Saphore which will include, at present, Fort St. George, Mount,

Pondamallie; Chingleput, Tripasore

and Wallajahbad; beside which he is to

make the payments at Permacoit, Pondicherry,

Cuddalore, Verdachellum, Pallamcottah &

Chemundulum Plain, Nellore, and Ram pore.

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The Three Deputies of this Paymaster to be stationed as follows.

The First Deputy at Vellore, and to make the payments at all Stations between the Pennare and the Coleroon, those excepted as above & explained which are to be paid by his Principal. The payments of this Deputy besides those at Vellore, will, consequently, include at present at Ambore, Arcot, Arnie, Connamore and Tiagare.

The Second Deputy at Kinnagum and to make the payments in the Ceded Countries North and East of the Cavery.

The Third Deputy at Angole and to make the Payments there, and at the Stations in the Sumbore and Palnada Countries.

For Stations South of the Coleroon

One Paymaster and one Deputy.

The Paymaster to reside at Tanjore and to make the payments in the Tanjore and Trichinopoly Districts and at Negapatam and Mayore.

His Deputy to reside at Madura and to make the payments there and at Pallamcottah, Dindigul, Pydney, Ramnadporam, Shivelapattur, Hydar, Tachinore and Secundrally.

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The following Regulations are to be observed in regard to the duties of the Deputy & Paymaster and of the Paymaster of Extraordinaries.

Separate Accounts are to be kept & between the Paymasters and their Deputies, and all Orders to the latter will be issued through the former. —

There will be no head for Deputy & Paymasters in the Books of the Military & Paymaster General; but for all Advances which may be made to them by Collectors, Residents or Chiefs and Councils they are to draw Bills on the Military Paymaster General in favor of the party who makes the Advances and to give their principal Credit for the same in their & separate Account. — The Principal will give Credit for such Bills in his Account with the Military Paymaster General, by whom he is to be Debited for the Bills thus drawn by his Deputies. —

All Abstracts or Bills paid by the Deputies are to be forwarded with a List of them, to their principal, into whose Account Disbursements they are to be & regularly entered, distinguishing the Amount of each Station and Deputy. —

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The dispatch of the abstracts or Bills from the different Stations to the Paymaster, or Deputy who is to discharge them, must not be delayed after the 1.st of each month; & and as those Gentlemen have the means in & general of drawing Bills of Exchange on the & Collectors, Residents or Chiefs and Councils in favor of the Military Paymaster General & which may be sent to the Officers who sign the abstracts, this mode of discharging the Amount must be adopted in all cases where it is practicable.

As the fixed and Established Charges fall to be disbursed by Paymasters before Audit, liable to the subsequent corrections and Control of the Military Auditor General it is to be understood that the Bills for all Contingent Expenses are to be discharged by the Paymaster of Extraordinaries but that previous to such Bills being passed the following rules are to be observed.

They are, in the first instance, to be referred to the Commanding Officers of Brigades, Detachments or Garrisons to be countersigned by

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by them in these words "seen and referred for audit" they are then to be forwarded to the Paymaster of Extraordinaries, accompanied by every explanation that may be necessary. —

The Paymaster of Extraordinaries is to keep a List of these Bills once every Month according to a Form that will be sent to him and lay it, with the Bills, before the Military Auditor General. —

When the Bills are received in the Auditor General's Office they are to be entered in a Book to be kept for that purpose entitled "Bill Book of Extraordinaries" — The Auditor General is to enter his remarks on the Bills in the second Column of the List and to send it with the Bills to the Military Board, whose decisions on the respective Bills are to be entered by their Secretary in the third Column of the List.

The Secretary of the Military Board is then to forward them to the Governor in Council for his final decision which will be entered in the fourth column of the List, and the whole be returned to the Military Auditor General, who, after
having

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having Audited the Bills agreeably to the Resolutions of Government is to transmit them back to the Paymaster of Extraordinaries to be by him discharged and entered in his Account of Disbursements; but notwithstanding the Bills to be so entered in the Accounts of this Paymaster, have, in this manner, received the previous & sanction of Government, the Account & Disbursement of the Paymaster of & Extraordinaries is to be finally Audited & and passed in the manner that is in force with respect to the Disbursements of other Paymasters in order to ascertain that it accords with the Vouchers. —

Although the Commander in Chief has not authority to alter any of the fixed Establishments, nor to set aside any of the standing & Orders of Government, yet, if he should

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should think it necessary, and in
 any emergency, for the good of the
 Service to authorise Contingent &
 Charges to be incurred, without
 waiting to obtain the consent
 of Government the Paymaster of
 Extraordinaries is to pay the same,
 if rates are agreeable to the
 Establishment, and a Monthly Report
 is to be made to Government of
 all Bills paid on this Authority.

Military Auditor
 General's Office Fort St. George
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Signed Henry Malcolm
 Military Aud. General

Statement

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Statement of the present fixed Establishment of Military
and of the proposed new Establishment of the same description of Officers with
old Establishment and the advantages of the Exchange in the Payments if possible in
without increasing the Capens under this Consideration of the Subject provided the Salaries

Present Establishment

	per Month	per Annum
1. Military Paymaster General	500	6000
1. Assistant to Ditto	60	720
13 Subordinate Military Paymasters, who draw Captain's Pay and Full Battal, each, Pagodas 86. 28. 76 $\frac{1}{2}$ per Month.	1126. 10. 36 $\frac{1}{2}$	13523. 23. 110
Amount of the advantages arising on the Exchange Averaged for one year from a Statement of of 16 Months say from April 1793 to July 1794 inclusive		12701. 21. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$

Total Star Pagodas 32945. 3. 24 $\frac{1}{2}$

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(Signed) Henry. Malt
Military

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Paymasters, Servants of the Company, under the Presidency of Fort St. George, rates of Salary in both cases, on the principle of accounting the Salaries of the former, as a set off against the Salaries which may be allotted to the new Establishment as rated for the New Establishment shall be deemed sufficient

Proposed Establishment Per Month per Annum

1. Military Paymaster General	500. . .	6000. . .
1. Deputy	200. . .	2400. . .
1. Paymaster of Ordnance	200. . .	2400. . .

Between the Coleroon & Cavery & the Kistnah

1. Paymaster	400. . .	4800. . .
3. Deputy Paymasters	each 140. 37. 77.	5072. 22. 52.

North of the Kistnah

1. Paymaster	300. . .	3600. . .
2. Deputy Paymasters	each 140. 37. 77.	2721. 29. 8.

South of the Coleroon

1. Paymaster	300. . .	3600. . .
1. Deputy Paymaster	140. 37. 77.	1690. 35. 44.

Total Star Pago das 32945. 3. 24.

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Auditor General

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Statement of the Expence of the Officers in the Ordnance and Store Department under the Presidency of Fort St. George at present for Officers to be appointed under the new System for the same Stores.

Present Establishment & Expence

	Monthly Allowance of each	Total Expence	Monthly Allowance of each	Total Expence
1. Commissary General of Stores.....	106. 1. 60	106. 1. 60	1272. 21. ..	
1. Deputy.....	38. . 70	38. . 70	456. 10. 10.	
2. Commissaries of Stores.....	38. . 70	76. 1. 60	912. 21. ..	
2. Deputy Commissaries of Stores.....	19. . 35	38. . 70	456. 10. 10.	
6. Inspectors of Stores.....	19. . 35	114. 2. 30	1368. 31. 10.	
24 Conductors of Stores.....	15. 8. 60	365. . .	4380. . .	
32. Store and Park Sergeants.....	4. . .	128. . .	1536. . .	

Difference increase of expence on the new Establishment.....

P^d 865 7. 70 10382 10. 10.

1104 25. 30. 12855. 10. 10.

P^d 1269 33. 20. 15737. 21. ..

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(Signed) Henry Maltby
Military

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Department of the Description of Commissaries, Inspectors, Conductors
the Inspection and Arrangement of the Military Stores and of the

New Establishment & Expence of each

	Monthly allowance	Total of each Rank of Month	Total of Annual
1. Commissary General of Stores.....	106. 1. 60	106. 1. 60	1272. 21. ..
1. Deputy.....	38. .. 70.	38. .. 70.	456. 10. 10.
4. Commissaries of Stores.....	38. .. 70.	152. 3. 10	1825.
6. Deputy Commissaries of Stores.....	19. .. 35.	114. 2. 50.	1362. 31. 10.
46 Conductors of Stores.....	15. 8 60.	699. 24. 10	8395.
4 Sub Conductors of Stores.....	4.	16.	192.
36 Store and Park Sergeants.....	4.	144.	1728.

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Colon.

Auditor General.

It does not appear advisable to take up what

relates to the Paymasters' Department by itself, as the arrangement which will fall to be adopted concerning it, is so closely connected with the plans for the provision department, and the Military Stores.—

Resolved therefore that the above report do remain for

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for consideration, until the other two are received. —

Read the following letters from the Collector in
the Baramahal, and the Collectors in the Northern and Southern
Division of the Jaghirs. —

To William Collins Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary

Sir,

Fort St. George

From Captain Rind
on the subject of
employing the natives
for purposes to be
sent into the Baram-
mahal. has written
to the Committee at
Trichinopoly for
information. —

In answer to your letter of the 28th ultimo,
I request you will acquaint the Right Honorable
the Governor, that the accommodation of a very
considerable number of the inhabitants suffering
from the famine at Trichinopoly in the Baramahal
depending much upon their description, and on
the want of hands in every district, some & of
information on those heads, is necessary, previous
to my giving any opinion, positively, of the
measure proposed. That I may be enabled to do
it, and with the least possible delay, I have
written to the Committee at Trichinopoly, & of
requesting it will transmit me a list of the
different classes they compose, specifying the
number of each viz: Bramins — Accountants —
Husbandmen — Merchants — handicrafts —
— tank diggers — sepoys — laborers — parias, and
I am

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I can procure such other points as connect with those, and are important to the measure, in the mean time.

You may however inform his Lordship now, that I cannot devise any other method of accommodating the church bramins if there be any for such others, of that cast as follow no occupation; nor the sepoys who will not entertain in regular corps; or lathees who will not work; than, the feeding them, a short time longer, when the Sirkar may provide for the return of the inhabitants to their Villages.

Though it may be eight or ten days ere I may be able to form a proper estimate of the number of every other cast that may be employed in these districts, there is no doubt that some of each may, and that, most probably all the cultivators of land may be accommodated in a very short time. That may be sufficient to determine his Lordship as to the expediency of removing so many as can be immediately provided for, and their being followed by other parties as may be convenient.

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convenient. When I receive information to that effect, I can send one of my assistants to conduct the removal of them, and dispose of them advantageously.

I shall of course be authorized to assist them all, until they can support themselves by the produce of their labor, but it may be proper to mention, that all the husbandmen among them must be supplied with cattle ploughs, and seed; the Merchants with advances to build their houses, and set up in business; and the tradesmen to procure them the implements of their craft; for which, authority must likewise be granted; and for which, no other security than their mutual obligations can be got. Due precautions will be taken to prevent losses, but many will be inevitably sustained among such a number of people, who have nothing, excepting what they may receive through the munificence of government.

Though the amount may happen to be a considerable portion of the advances it may be necessary to make, there cannot be a question as to their amply compensating for it by the increase which population and
revenue

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Revenue will receive from them.

Please to lay the accompanying Estimate of probable Receipts and disbursements of the Revenue of the Ceded Districts to the end of this month, before his Lordship.

Baramah

3rd December 1794

I am Sir &c

(Signed) J. Heathcote

To William Collins Jackson Esq^r

Secretary.

Sir,

From Mr. Darnley on
the same subject

Agreeable to my former letter to you on the subject of the Inhabitants expected from the Southwards. I have had a report made to me by my Amildar of 12 Villages in the Tripasore District and have herewith the honor to transmit you a Statement thereof as I conclude the 2000 people in question comprise Men, Women, and Children. I am of opinion that these villages will be fully sufficiently to accommodate them in as 334 Ploughs, the number specified will be equal to the 4th of the number of people, capable of labor. I have annexed opposite to each village the present state of the Tanks, with a rough calculation of the sum required to put & them

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them into a temporary state of repair, and as soon as information is obtained of the number of Families & that may be captured, orders must be issued to the Amildar to prepare the Huts necessary to receive & them: each Hut, I reckon will cost about two Pagodas.

As to their maintenance to the end of the present Fugly year, I am of opinion that a Monthly allowance should be given them, half a Pagoda each Man and Woman and a quarter of a Pagoda for each Child

I think will be enough; for it is to be feared if ^{too} great an Allowance ~~is~~ ^{is} made them, it will only tend perhaps to confirm Idle habits, they may through distress have acquired, & whereas by leaving a little to their own & industry it may be the means of their & shattering them off by degrees, and thereby & rendering them an useful people, and there is

I understand an ample field for the exercise of their industry in clearing away the jungle, & with which most of the Villages are over-run which might be conveyed to Madras and there turned to a very good account as fuel - at the commencement of the next Fugly Year

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advances must be made to enable them to commence Cultivation, and they must have Cattle and ploughs provided. -

By the establishment of such a number of useful Inhabitants the Company will, no doubt, be fully reimbursed in a little time for all the expences they may be at on their Account, and will have the happy reflection of having rescued so many from the dreadful affliction of Slavery. -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
 (Signed) Roger Darvall
 Col^l. M. D. I.

Trivalore

10th November 1794. -

Statement

Statement of Uninhabited Villages in the Tripavore District

*Memorandum of Village names
which belonging to the Company
are not inhabited. The names are
in the margin of the
pages opposite each.*

*Names of the Villages - in the margin of the
pages opposite each.*

Toluvavum	200	2	1/2	the lands of which are decayed and will require about	1000	1000
Woolunda	240	30	1	do. and will require about	25	25
Culue	20	2	do	do	100	100
Alutapack	15	1	do	do	100	100
Toludavack	15	1	do	do	100	100
Colgetambady	32	3	2	do and 1/2 do	50	50
Sumavavum	138	10	1	do	100	100
Vendugamelloo	129	10	1	do	100	100
Cheranjanary	88	10	1	do	100	100
Agarum	67	5	1	do	50	50
Mundivadoo	202	10	1	do	100	100
Mutapomum	41	4	1	do	50	50

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*The above calculation is made by a rough
guess as there was not time to have regular
authentic estimates from the Revenue Officers.*

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To Mr William Collins Jackson
 Secretary to the Military Department of Government
 Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor of acknowledging the receipt of your letter under date the 28th Ultimo requiring my sentiments regarding the measure of allowing ground in my Division of the Saghere to the Inhabitants, recommended to the Notice of Government by the Officer Commanding at Trichinopoly. The deserted Villages and uninhabited lands in the Districts of Chingleput, Carangooly and Conjaeram will supply employment to a considerable number of people, and cause a proportional addition to the Company's Revenue; but I have not yet had it in my power to ascertain, in the manner I wish to convey the information to the Board, either the exact state of the ground and water Courses in those Villages, or the number of Cultivators they will contain - an Account specifying these particulars shall be prepared and transmitted to you with the least possible delay. — I am, &c. &c.

Tripalore
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(Signed) Walter Balfour
 Collector
 Ordered.

From Mr. Walter &
 Balfour on the same
 subject. —

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Minutim the foregoing
letters.

Ordered the Copies of the foregoing letters
with Copy of one from W. Darwall read at the last
Meeting, be sent to the Board of Revenue, with di-
rections to report their opinion whether it would be
more eligible to bring the People referred to in the
letter from the Committee of Officers at Trichinopoly
into the Jaghirs, than to accommodate them with
waste land in the Baramah'l.

Read the following letter from Bengal

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor in Council,

at

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Bengal approving
the measure proposed
for preserving the peace
of the Vizagapatam District

We have the Honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your Lordship's Letter, dated the 29th of
last Month, with several Enclosures relative to
Affairs in the Vizagapatam District; and we
concur with you in the necessity of the measure which
you propose to adopt, for preserving the Peace of
that District.

We

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We shall be happy, at the same time, that the submission of Narain Rauze, and the disunion of the Confederacy, preclude the further necessity of Military operation against the adherents of the late Veziaram Rauze, and we doubt not that, whilst you are prepared to enforce obedience to the Government, all proper Measures will be taken to induce the Insurgents to a peaceable submission.

We have the honor to be,

Yr^s Yr^s Yr^s

Signed

J. Shore

Peter Speker

W^m Cowper

Fort William

20th October 1794.

Minute there on

The further proceedings in the case of Narain Rauze have been communicated to the Governor General in Council from the Revenue Department.

Read the following letter from

W^m Secretary Hay.

To W^m Collins Jackson Esq^r

Secretary at

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to signify to you, on the occasion of

From W^m Secretary Hay suggesting that a submission be & granted to Francis & subjects quitting the Coast nor leads to go the Islands.

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of a leave having been granted to a French Gentleman, named Dischier, to proceed to Madras if he shall go in an English Ship, that it is a Rule here to discontinue any Subsistence whatever to French Subjects from the Time of their quitting Bengal, and that they have not, at any time, the least Encouragement afforded them to expect Subsistence from the Company at any other Settlement to which they may have permission to repair.

It is further thought proper to Notice, & for the Information of the Governor in Council, that all applications made to this Government, by French Subjects, for Leave to go to the Isle of France, will be invariably refused, during the present Circumstances, - as probably a similar Resolution, if not already adopted, may be made at your Presidency.

I have the honor to be,

Fort William
8th of September 1794.

Sir,

Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Edw. Hay

Servant to the Govt.

Ordered

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Minute thereon.

Ordered, that the Secretary at Bengal be informed that, as the above letter was not received here until the 10th instant, the Board had not an opportunity of knowing the Sentiments of the Supreme Government, prior to the departure of the French Cartel on the 23rd ultimo, on board of which several French Officers were permitted to embark; but that in future the instructions of the Governor General in Council will be particularly attended to.

Read the following letter from the Secretary at Bengal.—

To William Collins Jackson Esq^r

Secretary at

Fort St. George.

Sir,

From Mr. Secretary May
relating the Orders of the
Secret Committee, concerning
the Exportation of Salt Petre

The Governor General in Council being
uninformed whether your Government have received,
or not, from the Secret Committee of the Honorable
Court of Directors, Instructions corresponding with
those that have been sent by the Committee
to this Presidency, concerning the Exportation of
Salt

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Salt Petre, I have been directed to transmit to you the underwritten Copy of them, to be laid & before the Governor in Council. They are dated & the 8.th of March 1794. -

"At this critical Period we think it & proper to direct that, until you receive our further Orders, you will prevent the Shipping of Salt Petre on Ships or Vessels belonging to Foreigners." -

Fort William
26.th of October 1794. -

I have the honor to be
Sir Sir
Yours &c. &c.
Edw: Hare
Surgeon to the Govt.

Minute Book. -

The orders of the Secret Committee concerning the exportation of Salt Petre were received here by the Boddam, and no time was lost in giving the necessary directions to the Board of Trade and the Sea Customs.

Read the following letter from the
Military Auditor General.

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council

My Lord, of Fort St. George.

W. John Lewis, Contractor for Army
Clothing having applied to me within these few days

From Colonel Maitland
stating the Advances &
expended to the Clothing
Contractors.

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days for an Account of the advances he is ~~as~~
entitled to receive from Government, as ~~if~~ Contract,
I have furnished him with it, and have the
honor to report to your Lordship that it stands
as follows. —

Calculation of the sum total as ~~if~~ Contract, on which
Advances of Cash are due to the Contractor for
the European Cloathing. Pagodas 7541. 4. —
Ditto Ditto . . . for Native Cloathing . . . 29091. 7. 60
Pag. 36632. 11. 60

Advance of 45 ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~6~~ ⁶ on the first sum of Pag. 7541. 4. —
payable in ten days from the date of the ~~as~~ ~~if~~ ~~Contract~~
Contract is 3393. 22. 4.

Ditto of 55 ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~6~~ ⁶ on the second sum } 16000. 6. 41.
/ Pagodas 29091. 7. 60. / payable . . . }
Pag. 19393. 28. 45.

Say Nineteen Thousand Three hundred and Ninety
Three Pagodas, Twenty Eight Annas and Forty Five
Cash payable in advance to the Contractor for
Army Cloathing in ten days from the date of
the Contract. —

I have the honor to be with the
highest respect. Yr^o Yr^o
Signed / Henry Malcolm
M^y Aud. Gen^l

Ordered

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George
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As Ad vance on

To William Collins Jackson Esq.^r

Secretary in the Military and
Political Departments. —

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that upon my arrival at this Station I found that there were no Quarters prepared or preparing for the European Non-Commissioned Staff of the Battalion I have the honor to command. - The Monsoon was on the point of setting in, - and it appeared to me absolutely necessary that Europeans should be properly defended from the inclemencies of weather at that unhealthy season, with this & considerations

From Commodore Wood at
Rivasthah reports his
having built quarters for
the European Non Com-
missioned Staff of the 4th
Battalion, and cleared
out a Tank, requests
reimbursement

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consideration therefore I ventured to commence, without delay, the building of Quarters for their accommodation which I have now completely finished, and covered in. - The Quarters are built of Mud, and Stone. - & properly tiled, and of convenient dimensions & each 21 feet by 11. - The expense which I have incurred is, for each Quarter 15 Pagodas total Pagodas 45 - This sum will I trust, appear so moderate to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that He will be pleased to direct that the same be & be reimbursed to me. -

I beg permission also to inform you that one of the large tanks upon the Hill at this Station, on account of the excessive drought of the late Season was nearly dried up. - A large quantity of mud was collected at the bottom - and as it had never been remembered by any inhabitant of Poycottah to be in so dry a state, I thought it my Duty to catch the opportunity of clearing it out as much as possible - In this idea, I immediately ordered all the Sepoys of the Battalion / off duty / to be employed on the occasion, with a promise that they should receive working money, or at least the allowance of Balla for their trouble 110 Privates were employed on the work for four days, - and I trust that the Right Honorable the

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the Governor in Council will be pleased to direct the payment of such allowance to the above number of men as He may think proper. —

It is necessary for me to remark, that I should not have presumed to have undertaken the above works on my own accord, had I not been apprehensive, that, if I delayed until I could obtain the sanction of Government, a heavy fall of rain in the interval might have totally precluded the possibility of effecting what appeared to me so essentially necessary. — I hope therefore that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will be pleased to pardon the irregularity I have committed in having commenced the above works without his sanction being previously obtained. —

Rycottah
November 1: 1794. —

I have the honor to be,
Sir Sir
(Signed) Gabriel Davelon
Capt.
Commanding 4th Batt. N.S.
of Rycottah

Ordered

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Minute Motion.

Ordered that the sum of forty five (45) Pagodas be paid to the order of Captain Doveton, on account of quarters built by him for the European non-commissioned staff of his Battalion stationed at Ryacottah; and the further sum of thirteen Pagodas, and twenty fanams (13. 20-) on account of clearing out a Tank.

Read the following letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

To William Collins Jackson Esq.^r

Secretary at

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General

From Sub-Secretary at Bengal with a letter for Commodore Rainier, and a copy of the same.

in Council to transmit you the accompanying letter for Commodore Rainier, and to request it may be forwarded to him by the first opportunity in the event of his having left Fort St. George.

I am, Sir,

Your most Obedient
humble servant,

(Signed) J. H. Marington Sub-Secy

Fort William

October 16th 1794.

To

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To His Excellency Commodore Rainier
Commander in Chief of His Majesty Ships and
Vessels in the East Indies.

Sir,

1 I have been honored with your
Excellency's Letter from Madras Roads, dated
the 19th Ultimo, and beg leave to return you
my Acknowledgements for the Communications
Contained in it.

2 I shall ever be happy in conveying to
your Excellency any Suggestion which may occur
to this Government for the promotion of the
objects intended by the employment of his
Majesty's Ships under your Command, as
well as in furnishing you with any information
that may conduce to the same end, by enabling
your Excellency to judge in what manner the
force of the Squadron may be most effectually
applied to the protection of the British
Settlements and Trade, and those of our Allies.

3 The Protection of the Company's
Settlements and Ships including those exposed
to

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to arrive as well as those to be dispatched from India is an Object of the first Importance, that of the Trade of India the next. —

4 I am not apprized of the Period fixed for the Departure of the second fleet of ^{the} Indiamen from England, but, from the ^{the} Information which I have been able to procure on this point I conjecture that it may take place between the end of June and middle of July. Upon this supposition it is probable that the Vessels will be obliged to go far to the Eastward to make good their Voyage to Bengal. This Consideration as well as ^{the} that of the safety of Prince of Wales Island suggests the expediency of stationing a force ^{at} off Achien or to cruise between that and Pulo Penang. —

5 At all Periods and particularly during the Northerly Monsoon you will I imagine ^{the} concur with me in the propriety of keeping ^{the} such a naval force in the Bay of Bengal as may deter the Enemys Cruisers from making any Attempts in this Quarter either upon the Trade of

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of the Company or the Country. The homeward bound Indiamen will sail in fleets from about the 20th of November until the end of March, and I shall do myself the honor to advise you of their Dispatch as it may be fixed.

From the middle of December until the end of February, the Country Vessels & sail from Bengal to the Eastward with valuable Cargoes of Opium; the China Ships generally enter the Eastern Entrance of the Straits of Malacca early in December on their return to Bengal, Madras and Bombay, and the latest seldom beyond the 10th of January & the returning Frigate from the Chinese Seas, will I conclude clear the Straits of Malacca of any of the Enemy's Cruisers which may be found there. This Protection may be supposed to extend to the end of December after which the passage of the Straits will require further Protection, the Intrepids of the enemy have hitherto been made to the Eastward.

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7 Under these Circumstances & I submit to your Excellency the propriety, of detaching such force as you may deem fit & through the Straits of Malacca so as to arrive at the eastern extremity of them by the middle of December and after remaining there to the end of the Month, to proceed Southward through the Straits of Dugun or Sunda, and return to Fort St George by the West Coast of Sumatra, calling at Benoolen. I cannot but think it probable that such of the French Cruizers as may find the means of leaving the Mauritius will be tempted to proceed to the Straits of Sunda rather than to the Western entrance of the Straits of Malacca and the Cruise which I have recommended is equally calculated to protect the Strait and the returning Indiamen from China.

8 Whilst the Season permits, no Station appears to me so proper for the purpose of general protection as one off the French Islands for the purpose of intercepting their Cruisers, either proceeding or returning, as well as supplies of Provisions to the Islands. — I should

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I shall be very happy to receive your Determination on these Suggestions which have occurred to me as more immediately necessary, and I shall take the liberty of communicating to you, any further Remarks which may assist your Views in giving protection to the Settlements and Trade of India: allow me to add one Request, that you will favor me from Time to Time with Intelligence of your own Destination and that of the Ships under your Command.

In compliance with your Excellency's desire, directions have been given for sending round the Sea provisions mentioned in your Letter to Fort St. George, and it has been thought necessary to order an enquiry into the Conduct of the Commanders of the Company's Ships referred to by you, who quarter your Convoy.

Fort William
the 15th October 1794.

I am, Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant,

Signed J. Shore

Ordered

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Minute Theron.

Ordered that the Original letter be & delivered to Commodore Rainier upon his & return to Madras.

Read the following letter from & Captain Dallas.

To William Collins Jackson Esq^r -
Military Secretary -

Fort St George

Sir,

From Captain Dallas
in reply to the Nabob's
complaints against
the Conduct of his people
towards the Ryots of
Palnad.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 31st October 1794 - enclosing an & Extract from a letter of His Highness the Nabob, complaining of the behaviour of my Parties who escort Horres through the Palnad to the Carnatic, and stating reasons why Horres do not come into this Country as formerly.

It gives me the greatest pleasure having it in my power to deprive every assertion stated by the Nabob's Servants, and, at the same time, I feel myself happy in getting an opportunity for representing the almost & unequalled good conduct of my Native Officer employed in this Service.

From a conviction within myself, that so many parties as I should have occasion to send from Hyderabad, could not escape the litigious complaints of some Amils in the districts they must pass through, I formed the following Plan, which appeared to me the best, human prudence, or foresight could dictate for the prevention of disputes, or farther interference with Amils than was absolutely necessary, with respect to Ryots, the smallest reflection must point out how impossible it

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is for my Men, who halt no where on the road (at Angole excepted) to have any communication with that Class of people. —

On my being appointed Agent and a Detachment from the different Regiments of Cavalry ordered to accompany me, for the purpose of Escorting the Horses purchased, I resolved on joining them at Arcot being determined to March with them in the tract they were in future to travel, at every Stage, & the Amil and Native Officers were brought together when the former was made to understand the business we were going upon and, that those Officers were the people who would return in Charge of the Horses for the Company's Service, their instructions were to halt at his Village during the night, where, by this order of the Nabob, shewing him the Nabob's order at the same time) you will supply them with Straws, Pots, Firewood &c. &c. also Grain if necessary, for all of which they will pay the Bazar price and take your Receipt specifying every Article they get, the quantity and Price paid for each this you must not refuse to grant, unless they behave ill, it being intended as their Voucher to me for their charges, as well as their conduct on the Road, besides, in case of transgression I shall be able by this means to find out the aggressor and have matters rectified with certainty. —

I trust

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I trust the above and the perusal of the accompanying Receipts taken by the last Escort, which the arrival here of the Jemadar who commanded it, enables me to produce, will prove, to the satisfaction of the Right Honorable the President in Council, that my Plan is adhered to, not only with respect to the Company's horses, but even Articles furnished for the Grain Bullocks which attend them. —

As I hope it now appears that the Complaint is made without foundation on the part of my Sepoys it may be improper to inform the Right Honorable the President in Council where it originates, and how little a Native & hesitates in advancing whatever his fancy & suggests when retaliation in his view.

Some time ago, and ever since the arrival of four Companies of his Highness the Nabob's Sepoys at Datchapetty, my Parties have been regularly insulted at that place and nowhere else, in consequence of their complaints to me, I took the liberty of addressing his Highness the Nabob on the subject, requesting that such & Instructions might be sent to the Renter of the Palnau as he might deem necessary, to prevent further disputes between our people, which, if continued

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continued must occasion public refuse. His Highness
in consequence transmitted to me, whilst at Hyderabad
a letter to that Renter desiring him to give direction
that the Bazaars in his Districts should be open to
my men as well as to other travellers, and on no
account to molest them, as they would pay for
every thing they received, His Highness, at the same
time, renewed his Annual Parwana which ceased
to have effect on the 12th of July. - The letter to the
Renter was brought by me to Datchapally, and sent to his
house on my arrival there, but, he being at Angole, it
was returned by his Deputy, who, immediately upon
seeing the Nabob's letter procured the common measure
for the Company's horses, and sent a present of some
Sheep and a Kid to me, these I confess were carried from
the Riots before my face, not being aware of what was
intended with them; however, their cries soon convinced
me they had been plundered against their inclination
and the appearance of the Sheep and Kid at my tent &
shortly after / for they had been carried to the Aumil's
house first / confirmed the supposition, of course, in
settling the account with the Aumil I ordered the
Jemadar to carry the poor people with him, to pay
them the value of their Sheep in his presence, and
take a Receipt for the Amount, which receipt is a long
with the others. -

On

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On my arrival at Angole I met the
 Renter at Captain Knox's quarters, and mentioned my
 having a letter from the Nabob for him relative to
 the unfriendly treatment my parties had met with
 in his country, he seemed surprised, and expressed his
 sorrow that such disagreements should happen amongst
 friends; however, from his iniquitous conduct &
 which I shall not comment upon, being convinced that
 Government have heard of it from other hands, I shall
 conclude by giving it as my opinion that the Nabob's
 Letter, and our interview, occasioned this attempt, by
 complaint, to extricate himself, and not any misconduct
 of the Sepoys, because, his letter neither mentions
 the time when, the place, nor the people's names who
 transacted. — With regard to the fourth Paragraph of the
 Extract from his Highness's letter, which I conclude
 is to be answers for the information of Government,
 I must affirm that the reason why Horses do not
 come into the Carnatic, as formerly, from the Dealers
 having been plundered of fifteen hundred (1500) Horses
 at Tripetty fair in the year 1773, and an under hand
 exaction of unwarranted duties still levied by the &
 different Annals, although they do not appear in the
 the

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the Collections of Revenue.

Madras

4th November 1794.

I have the honor to be,

S^r. S^r.

(Signed) Thomas Dallas
Agent for the purchase of
Horses at Hyderabad

Be so good as to return The Receipts as the
Jemadar must deposit them at Hyderabad on his arrival
W^g T.D.

Minute thereon.

The Board are of opinion that Captain Dallas
used every precaution in his power to prevent &
complaints on the part of the Ryots, and that the
circumstances reported to the Nabob by his Servants
in the Palnau, are without foundation.

Ordered that a copy of Captain Dallas
letter be sent to the Nabob

Hobart

Edw. Saunders

Ed. Hallfield

Edw. Denny
W^g

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Diary

13th

James of a
in the notes

Sent letter to the Nabob Enticed in 66. N^o 220
advising of the Board's consent to the payments on
account of Mr. Sullivan's claim, being made thro
the channel of the Company's Collector of Peshawar,
and requesting His Highness to send the necessary
orders to the amildar of Tinnevely accordingly.

Sent the following letters
Colonel Henry Malcolm
military auditor General.

Sir,

long auditor
regulating
in office
in the Captain
and worth
the auditor

I am directed by the Right Honorable
the President in Council to acquaint you that
his Lordship, upon the most mature consideration
of your letters of the 8th ultimo and 3^d Instant,
has come to the following Resolutions —
First — That Captain Robert Bell was "
justified, by the orders he received from his
superior officers, in repairing the camp "
Equipage at Trichinopoly in March 1790, and
in acting as commissary of supply after the
army

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13th army had marched from Munro.

Second. That as Captain Robert Bell was so justified, the military auditor General will audit the charges incurred in the repair of the Camp Equipage and the fitting up the Platform carts, in the same manner, and upon the same principle as if the order for such repair &c had gone direct from Government, and consequently that the charges be admitted, provided there be no exception as touching their amount.

Third - That as the deficiency exhibited in the column No 5 of the Statement transmitted with the military auditor General's letter of the 8th section, has not been satisfactorily explained by Captain Bell, he must be held accountable for the same, unless he declare upon oath, that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, no part of the articles in question (as received from the public stores) were any time included in his charges or the purchases of articles of a similar description.

Fourth -

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13th Fourth - That - as the military auditor General has been induced to allow of the rates charged, by Captain Bell, "on finding that on an average, they are under those which had been admitted in the accounts of the officer who immediately succeeded him by order of Government, in supplying the same kind of stores for the use of the army" - these rates be admitted accordingly. —

Fifth - That - as the military auditor General has stated his opinion that "in particular cases in the field, every degree of form that may be required by regulations cannot be precisely followed at all times," the Board, in consideration thereof, are disposed to show such indulgence to Captain Bell as the peculiarity of the case will, with propriety, admit - If, therefore, certificates can be obtained, even at this late period, from the parties to whom the stores were delivered upon indent without receipts, expressing the actual delivery, the same are to be taken as equivalent to a receipt, and the st

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13th military auditor General will in consequence transmit to the respective parties concerned, an ab-
 copy of this Indent, with the following form of a
 certificate, for signature - "I declare upon my hon-
 "that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the
 "articles exhibited in the foregoing indent, were
 "bona fide delivered to me by Captain Robert
 "Pell, for the public service"

In all cases, where certificates cannot
 be procured, owing to deaths or removals to
 Europe, Captain Pell must attest upon oath
 the delivery of the Stores to the different Corps
 as stated in his books, to the extent of his know-
 and belief

Sixth - That in regard to Issues by
 conversions, for which Vouchers appear under
 different heads, and Issues for conducting the
 department, and in the care and preservation
 of ammunition and Stores - as there were
 specific regulations for the guidance of Captain
 Robert Pell, which were not attended to, and
 the arguments urged by him in support of the
 Issues

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13th Issues are in no degree applicable to the case, on "reference to the regulations for the ordnance department, the Board would be fully justified in bringing the amount of the Issues to the debit of Captain Bull; and it is a proof of great indulgence to him that they are willing to overlook the irregularity provided he make oath to the correctness of the Issues - This is indispensable, and the military auditor General will in consequence notify the same to Captain Bull.

Seventh - That in all cases where receipts have appeared, or Garrison Returns show the quantities of Stores received, Issues so vouched for are to be allowed, as a General order, or any other order supported by a receipt from the proper officer is to be deemed equal to an indent.

Eighth - That, all issues by Losses regularly reported, and satisfactorily accounted for, be admitted.

Ninth. - That, for such part of the 900 pieces of Gunny stated to have been issued to the commissary of Grain and Provisions, as there is no receipt forthcoming, Captain Bull must verify the delivery upon oath. - The remainder to be admitted. - The

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13th

The President in Council desires you will proceed, with as much expedition as the nature of the case will admit, in laying before him a Statement of the balance that will be due from Captain Bell, upon the principle of audit as regulated by the foregoing resolution. In the mean time, however, his Lordship has thought proper to notify to Captain Bell that he will be reinstated in the service, upon his giving sufficient security for abiding by such audit. —

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I am

Dear Sir,

(Signed) M^c Jackson Esq

To Captain Robert Bell.

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honourable the President in Council to acquaint you that his Lordship has come to the resolution of reinstating you in the service, provided you give sufficient security, as proposed in your letter to Government of the 15th of December 1793, for the prompt liquidation

To Captain R. Bell —
enclosing copy of the
above letter to Colonel
Maitland, and informing
him that he will be
reinstated to the service
upon giving sufficient
security. —

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13th Liquidation of the balance that may stand against you on the final audit of your accounts.

The President in Council has had under consideration your letter of the 13th ultimo to the military auditor General on the receipt, and his Lordship " has determined the principle on which the account shall be made up - this will be explained in the accompanying copy of a letter to the auditor, but, as it will require some time to adjust the account finally, it is want to remove the suspension prior thereto, in case the security aforementioned be given.

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I am your &c
(signed) M. C. Jackson Secretary

To Benjamin Sullivan Esq:

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 5th instant, and to acquaint you that his Lordship, agreeably to your request, has ^{consented}

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15th consented that the Collector of Poligar Pischewh should
 receive for you the instalments arising upon the
 Tunkah granted by the Malob on the Punjimar
 of the Tennevally Province - It will be necessary
 that you furnish Mr. Powney with a sufficient
 power of attorney for the purpose.

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I am very dear
 / signed / M^r. Jackson
 Secretary

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Received a letter from the Malob
 Entered in B^o M^o 221 complaining of certain
 irregularities on the part of the Commandant
 at Madurai.

Substance of address
 from the Malob.

Received the following letter

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart
 Governor in Council.

My Lord,

From Military Board
 - stating their doubts
 as to the validity of the
 claim of the Gun
 Carriage Contractors
 for relief - a Com-
 parative statement
 of prices, and
 secondary papers
 enclosed.

We have the honor to acknowledge
 receipt of Government's letter under date the 3^d of
 last with its enclosure from Mess^{rs}. Topping and
 Pory, the Contractors for Gun Carriages, and, in
 reply thereto, we have the honor to acquaint

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14th that the first proposal of Messrs. Topping and Parry to furnish ordnance carriages dated the 25th of May 1791 is both ill arranged and extremely defective as will appear from the paper marked **A** which is a copy of a Report of the Commissary General of Stores to the Military Board upon that subject, and also differs materially from the List of Gun Carriages which, agreeably to the instructions of Government as per Paper marked **Aa** was prepared by us, and lodged with the Secretary, and minutes of each description of ordnance & Carriages were also exhibited at the annual, for the information of such persons as might be disposed to come forward with proposals, to furnish the articles contained in that List, copy of which accompanies, marked **B**.

When Messrs. Topping & Parry's first proposal was referred by Government to the Military Board for its opinion thereon, the Contractors list, which, besides Gun Carriages, contained other articles, was, in the state above described, recommended by the Board to Government, with the following opinion upon it

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11th it is the report to the notes at which Mr. Topping
 "yes" and others have proposed to furnish other
 "articles, unenumerated in the List, The Board
 "so not advent thereto, conceiving that the commands
 "of Government are confined to the article of Gun
carriages only" which was considered to be the
 intention of Government, as expressed in a Letter
 to the Board under date the 6th of May. Govern-
 ment, agreeably to the recommendation of the
 Military Board, approved of Messrs. Topping
 and Perry's proposals, and forwarded to the
 Board a list of articles, which it was resolved
 should be made up by those Gentlemen, as it
 appears by a letter of Government to the Military
 Board dated the 21st of May 1791.

In a letter of Government to the
 Military Board of the 1st of June 1791, entered
 on the Proceedings of the Board in writing
 the 6th of June following, the term for which
 They are to hold the contract was extended
 to five years - and some errors in their
 former List of Proposals is thereby directed

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14th to be rectified - The Board then proceeded to draught the Contract for the approval of Government.

On the 9th of June the Military Board referred by Letter to the consideration of Government, three different sorts of ammunition Tumbrils, " and also spare Axle-trees, which they thought necessary to be inserted in the Contract, and submitted whether Mess^{rs} Topping and Parry should not be called upon to propose the rates for which they would provide these articles, to which Government assented.

Mess^{rs} Topping and Parry, in consequence, transmitted to the Military Board a letter dated " 29th June, together with what they termed a correct list of Gun Carriages with the articles mentioned, in the preceding paragraph, ammunition & Tumbrils and spare Axle-trees, copy of which " accompanies marked E, which was disapproved of, as appears from the Board's resolutions and " remarks, copy of which also accompanies marked F.

The Military Board having returned to Mess^{rs} Topping and Parry their corrected List, and

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 14th and a copy of the resolution of the Board thereon,
 these Gentlemen sent to the Board an account
 of the rates at which they proposed to furnish
 axes, and Ammunition Tumbrils, which
 is the same as it now stands inserted in the
 articles of contract - upon which the Board
 reported to Government under date the 8.th of
 July 1791. In reply to which, Government, in a
 letter dated the 16.th of July 1791, informed the Board
 that the proposals of Mess^{rs} Topping and Carr,
 had been reconsidered, and that it had been
 resolved by Government that the contract should
 be confined to the articles of ordnance carriages,
 carts, and mortar beds, as mentioned in their letter
 of the 16.th of July.

The enclosed copy of a letter and list of
 ordnance work marked I was forwarded to the
 military Board, by Mess^{rs} Topping and Carr, in
 which paper the resolution of the Board in
 consequence, is also inserted - conformable to their
 resolution, the Board wrote a letter to Government
 explaining the cause of delay regarding the
 carriage contract and recapitulating the work

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14.th of the Proceedings upon that subject, copy of which is accompanied marked **L** to this statement of particular Government, in a letter to the Board of the 13.th of October, inform them, that, if Messrs Topping and Parry decline adhering to their original Proposals, that Government will consider themselves at liberty to adopt any other arrangement they may deem necessary for the provision of the articles specified in their list.

The military Board then call upon Messrs Topping and Parry to declare themselves upon the subject, which they did in a letter to the Board of the 20.th of October, copy of which is marked **N**: this letter they requested might be laid before Government, as they therein state the hardships they would be subjected to, if they were confined to the original proposals, and desire the Board's assistance in removing the difficulties they laboured under in entering upon the undertaking. a copy of this letter was, consequently, sent to Government on the 21.st of October 1791, to which Government replied, under date the 25.th of the same

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14th "same month acquainting the Board" that
 "any alteration in the prices contrary to their
 "original proposal cannot now be admitted"-
 and desired the Board to inform the Contractors
 accordingly, and communicate their answer, "
 which Government shall deem final. —

In pursuance of Government's direction
 the Board addressed Messrs. Topping and Perry, enclosing
 them a copy of Government's letter, copy of their reply all
 marked & accompanied, in which they agree to furnish
 the articles at the prices mentioned in the original
 Proposals, and offer to furnish the articles not
 mentioned in their original List on such terms
 as the Board might judge reasonable, and "
 request the Board's assistance to bring the "
 business to a conclusion. —

The Board having forwarded the
 Contractors answer to Government, with whose
 commands on the subject they were honored,
 on the 23^d November, desiring the Board to "
 prepare the draught of a contract, in which
 which the articles mentioned in their
 letter of the 16th of July are to be included, and

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14th and submitted thereafter, for their approbation.

The Board, in consequence, furnished the Company's Solicitor with the heads of the articles for forming the Gun Carriage Contract which, having been draughted, was thereafter remarked upon by the Board, and forwarded to Government the 27th of January 1792.

Government in a letter to the military Board of the 4th of February following returned the Draught of Contract with instructions for it to be again sent to the Solicitor, and that he should be directed to adopt the Board's remarks, and on its being approved by the Board, it was to be laid before Government for their concurrence therein.

It was accordingly again submitted to Government, with further remarks, on the 14th of February, which remarks were approved of by Government in a letter to the Board of the 18th of February, desiring that the Contract might be prepared for execution, as soon as possible.

Nothing particular occurred upon this subject, until July 1792, when Lieutenant Colonel Giles gave in a minute to the Board, which again brought

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We brought the Gun Carriage Contract under consideration after some discussion at the Board, and several Minutis had been entered by different members relative thereto, on the 19.th of December following the contract was finally closed between Government and Mess^{rs} Topping and Parry the present Gun Carriage Contractors.

We have to observe to Your Lordship that, although it is from their own neglect that they suffer, as it may be supposed they do, since it appears by a comparative Statement which accompanies marked N^o 4 that they have contracted to make up certain articles at lower prices than it appears they could be made up for by the Storekeeper on oath, nevertheless as they certainly had every means of information if they chose to have recourse to it, and did not contract but after much deliberation — we must therefore consider that they are bound to make up every article included in their Contract on the stipulated terms, but we are of opinion that, for such articles as are not included in their Contract

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14th of which we have the honor to enclose you a List marked **R**, we think they should be called upon to make fresh proposals. —

From what has been stated, it will no doubt occur to your Lordship that no alteration from what has been approved, and ordered by Government to be inserted in the articles of Contract, has taken place but that their orders upon that subject have been fully and strictly adhered to — and how far they may be entitled to rely on it in account of any peculiarity in the circumstances of their Contract can only be decided upon, by advertizing, in the first instance, to what has passed upon the subject — when it will be found, by a reference to their letter of the 9th November 1791, that they therein agreed to execute the work agreeably to their original proposals, and the orders of Government as expressed in a letter to the Board of the 25th of October preceding, or, by considering the comparative Statement which we have the honor now to enclose, which, being comprised in seven columns, exhibits, at one view, the different rates of Contract at which the articles —

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14th articles detailed in that list have been furnished by the present and former Contractors, contracted with each other, and from whence it will be seen, opposite to each article how far Messrs Topping and Parry are gainers or otherwise, by executing their Contract on the terms they now hold it - it will also be seen what Articles included in the original List, as drawn out by the military Board in January 1791) were, pursuant to the orders of Government, omitted in their terms of Contract, - by considering of which Your Lordship will be able to resolve how far the relief solicited by Messrs Topping and Parry may be afforded to them. —

In explanation of the comparative Statement it becomes necessary to remark for Your Lordship's information, that, where the rates allowed to the present Gun Carriage Contractors, exceed those with which they are compared, that the sums in the column of comparison is underscored in black, for an instance opposite to the article Apple-trees Iron

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14th Iron for Trimbils the rate of contract is nine Pagodas and thirty fanams / ^{P. T. C.} 9. 30. ") which being compared with the price inserted in the fourth column which is nine Pagodas eleven fanams, and twenty cash / ^{P. T. C.} 9. 11. 20) it is found to exceed it, by eighteen fanams and sixty cash / ^{T. C.} 18. 60. / and therefore that sum is underscored in black; it also exceeds the Storekeeper's price on oath by five fanams and forty cash (^{T. C.} 5. 40.) and is therefore also in like manner underscored in the column where that sum appears - and when, on comparison, there is no difference in the rates, a line in red is drawn through column of difference of prices.

In the column of average of actual cost year year the prices there entered, have been formed upon Estimate, but where it appeared that the articles omitted in Mr. Topping and Parry's List, had been furnished by the Storekeeper upon oath, it was thought to be more eligible to be guided by that price, than by an estimated value of the article:—
from

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14th from this column and the column of
of articles, furnished by the Storekeeper upon
oath, your Lordship may determine upon a
reasonable rate to be allowed to the Genl^l
Carriage Contractors for articles omitted in
their contract, either by granting a certain
percentage upon each article respectively,
or by the method we have had the honor
already to propose, of calling upon the Contractors
for the rates at which they will agree to
furnish the articles not included in
their contract. —

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We have the Honor to be,
Sir, &c

" John Brathwaite
" Henry Malcolm
(signed) " J^r Richardson
" W^m Gent
" George Hall

Received

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14th

Received also the undermentioned
letters Entered in M.B. Nos 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59.

From

From Masulipatam

From Masulipatam, proposing
that the Committees of Works and Stores at that
factory, be united. -

FR

From Colonel Mijon

From Commandant at Pondicherry
forwarding a letter from the Superior Council

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From Captain Doustou

From Captain Doustou forwarding a
letter from Tippos Sultan to the Governor General

From Colonel Campbell

From Commandant at Palamcottah
- of opinion the Repair of quarters there will
amount to about three thousand Pagodas. -

From Colonel Poyde

From Ditto at Trichinopoly - sub-
mitting Captain Gibbings offer of his house at
Palamcottah for sale to the Company - and Lieutenant
Taylor's Request for an allowance of 5 Pagodas a
Month as Fort adjutant there.

From Vizagapatam

From Vizagapatam - Captain Cox
offers his house at Cassimcottah for sale to the
Company. -

Sent the undermentioned letters "

Entered in C.B. Nos 222. 223. -

To

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Substance of letter 14th
to the Nabob. -

To the Nabob - forwarding Copy of
a letter from Captain Dallas, in reply to the
complaints from the Ryots of the Palnaced
District. and returning the perwanahs granted
by His Highness last year for passing Grain
to the Cavalry Regiments. -

Letter - Zemindar
of Shewagunga

To Zemindar of Shewagunga -
expressing acknowledgements for his congratula-
tions on the President's accession to the Government.

15th

Sent the following letter

To Edward Saunders Esqr.
President & members of the

Board of Revenue.

Gentlemen,

We enclose, for your
information, a Petition addressed to us by
Ismael Row, representing the delay that
has arisen in the adjustment of his accounts,
and requesting payment for the articles
of supply furnished by him for the use of
the army during the late war. -

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To Board of Revenue
- enclosing a Petition
from Ismael Row
relative to the delay
in adjusting his
accounts. -

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15th

We wish you to come to a decision as soon as possible upon the case of this man, that he may receive payment of the balance in his favor, and we are induced to this recommendation from the opinion we entertain of the testimonies brought forward by Trumel Row, which evince that he was zealous and active in our support during the late contest with Tippero. —

We are
yrs^{rs} y^{rs}

Fort St George

13th November 1794

(Signed) Hobart
W^m Bannister

Dispatched the undermentioned letters.
Entered in m^{ts}. N^o 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68.
69. 70. 71. 72

To Captain Devotion

To Commandant at Ryacottah —
his Bills for clearing out the Tank, and building the quarters for his Battalion Staff, ordered to be paid — and permitting him to build a shed for his camels. —

To Mr Secretary Hay

To Secretary at Bengal — informing him that some french officers were permitted to

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15th To Embark on the Cartel, previous to the receipt of his letter of the 8th September; and that the direction relative to allowance to French subjects will be attended to. —

To Ditto

To Ditto - informing him that the orders from the Secret Committee respecting the exportation of Salt Petre, were received at Pondicherry, and Directions given accordingly. —

To Ditto.

To Ditto - forwarding a letter from Tippoo Sultan. —

Mr Kardon

To acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions - permitting the repair of the Grain Godowns of the 19th Dragoons, and the writing off the Rice lost on the Boat Street Mangala-dary. —

To Auditor General

To Military Auditor General with copy of the new Clothing Contract. —

To Ditto

To Ditto - referring the accounts in continuation of the King's Deputy Paymaster General. —

To Military Board

To Military Board - all repairs to the Civil Buildings at Masulipatam to be discontinued, excepting the apartments occupied

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16th occupied by the Commercial Resident and "Export Warehouse Super - the Estimates lately sent to them relating to military Buildings at Vizagapatam only, to be reported upon

To Ditto

To Ditto - requiring a present state of the Fortifications and military Buildings on the Coast - shewing the repairs made during the last three years and those now wanting

To Colonel Mifson

To Commandant at Pondicherry - the Convicts there to remain in confinement, until the Kings pleasure be known. -

To Board of Revenue

To Board of Revenue - referring copies of letters from the Collectors in the Baromhail and Jaghire, and desiring their opinion as to the distribution of the Native poor therein alluded to. -

To Ditto

To Ditto - referring Copy of a letter from the Nabal - relative to irregularities committed by a Gang of Robbers, in the Angole and Patnaud Countries - the necessary orders to be given. -

To Mr. Parnay

To Collector of Poligar Peshawar - enclosing a letter for the Zamindar of Shwagunga -
Received

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Received the following letters from
Colonel Brathwaite, with Enclosures Entered
in m^{ss}. nos 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78 and 79.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

yes yes yes

My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before your
Lordship, three addresses from Colonel Lloyd
to the adjutant general, numbered 1. 2. 3.

In regard to number 1, I think it
necessary to observe to your Lordship, that Provisions
in the issuing of an order under Date July 14th 1785.
when Mr. Davidson was in the temporary
Government of Madras, officers were ordered
on the duty of a court martial absent from their
corps, drew, and received full Pay, in like manner
as when Detached on any other duty - no reason
that I ever heard was assigned for the change in the
system by the Publication of the above mentioned order,
copy of which I have the honor to enclose, except
an implied one in the order itself, namely, that
such had been the Practice on a court martial
which

From Colonel Brathwaite -
referring letters from
Colonel Lloyd, relative
to allowances to
officers on leave &
martial - Complaints
against Mr. Vaughan
and enclosing on it
from Captain Henry
- letters from Major
Pier and Peter and
Lieut. Vincent Newton
also submitted -
opinions thereon

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15th which had sat for the trial of Colonel Mood, a very remote Period, I believe no less than seventeen years back when the order was issued, and when every article of Subsistence was infinitely cheaper, and I have generally heard officers allege that, they were, under the Present system, put to much expense by their attendance as members on a distant Court martial, and I cannot but think that so long as they are Detached on that duty, they should be considered as entitled to Ratta, but as it often happens that they have Permission, for the convenience of the Service, to return to their stations before the Court martial can be Dissolved - in all such cases, they should receive no Ratta after the day on which they receive such Permission, but for the number of days which their returning Journey requires.

I should not trouble your Lordship with number 2. as I know the unfortunate went has already been reported to Government, were it not that, from Captain Kinsey's letter, there appears to have been some neglect, which
 your

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16th your Lordship may deem it necessary to inquire into. —

In regard to number 3, I am sorry that Colonel Lloyd has too much reason for what he has said relative to the disposition shown by Mr. Vaughan to dispute, and here I cannot help observing, in confirmation of Colonel Lloyd's opinion, that it is not many days past, since Mr. Vaughan addressed a letter to the military Board, by which it appeared that Mr. Vaughan was not satisfied that the Commanding Officer of Madura should have confined to the main guard, a Syrang, who had stabbed a man, alleging, perhaps as curious a reason as ever was offered on such a subject, namely, that it was entirely an accident arising from a dispute which had long subsisted between the Parkis and their families, and that the wounded man was perfectly recovered. The decision of the military Board was, that the Syrang should be Dismissed the service. —

I have also the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council, a letter addressed to your Lordship

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15th Lordship by Major Burr, on the subject of which I have nothing to offer, in addition to what I had the honor to communicate in my letter of the 6th September, which accompanied the former application made by Major Burr, on the same subject. —

I have also the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council, a letter addressed to your Lordship by Major Pater, commanding the 2^d Regiment of Native Cavalry at Gumnatore. The allowance which Major Pater requests for the officers of the Regiment under his Command, has certainly been granted to the officers at Arcot, and in some other stations, where the quarters being much decayed, or of a temporary construction, require constant repair, and I fear there is no better expedient to be taken upon the substantial Quarters can be built, as there is no end of the expense to the Honble Company in building and repairing temporary quarters. —

I have also the honor to lay before your Lordship, an application from Lieutenant Hewitson, to be put on the Invalid list, accompanied with a certificate. This officer formerly found himself unequal

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15. th unequal to field duty in this country, and ^{is} retired to England on Lord Clive's bounty, but has been since returned to the service by the Honour the Board of Directors, and, as far as I am informed, has been able to do very little duty, as this climate seems so inimical to him, it might perhaps be preferable to return him again to Lord Clive's bounty, as it is not probable that he will here be equal to the Garrison ^{or} duty of an Invalid officer. —

I have the honor to be, with great respect
y^r ^o ^o

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
November 15. th 1794

(signed) John Brathwaite
Received also the undermentioned letters

Entered in M.B. 21st 80. 81. 82. —

From Sub Secretary of
Bengal

From Sub Secretary at Bengal requesting that Returns of Provisions in Store on the Coast ^{or} may accompany the Quarterly Returns of ordnance and stores for the military Board at that Presidency

From Mr. Raine

From Head Surgeon — representing the Riotous behaviour of one Birmingham, a sailor, in the General Hospital. —

From

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From Lieutenant 15th
Colonel Baird

From Commandant at Tanjore "

stating the Damage which the Quarters and Works
thru have sustained from the late Storm. -

16th

Received in a Card from the Commandant
the following order from the Nabob to his Son "
at Trichinopoly. -

Translation

To His Highness Mulk Bahadur Dated 21.
Rubbisamney 1209 Hegira or 15th November 1794.

Nabob's order for
affording assistance
to the Contractors
people at Trichinopoly

I have written repeatedly to you on "
the Subject of giving assistance to Mr. Balfour, in "
finishing the Barracks which are now making "
for the use of the Soldiers - It is a matter of surprise
that I am under the necessity of writing again - on
the receipt of this, you are required to afford "
every assistance to Mr. Balfour in this business -
and the Governor, in a Letter to me of the "
8th August 1794, has promised that after the completion
of the Barracks, no other works of this kind will be
carried on at Trichinopoly. -

Received

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18th Received the undermentioned letters
Entered in M.B. Nos 83. 84. 85. 86. 87.

From Captain Kirk,
District C. -

From Resident at Hyderabad - submitting
an application from the Nizam for the purchase
of sundry articles of military and other stores. -

From Military Board

From the Military Board - "
submitting Estimates for repairs to the ^{of}
Quarters of the Royal artillery at Trichinopoly
and to the quarters, Barracks &c at Warriore -
Indent for an advance of cash for Lascar clothing
and for office furniture inclosed - also a Petition
from two Lascars orphan Boys. -

From Paymaster
General

From Military Paymaster General -
with an additional Estimate of cash for "
November. -

From Ditto -

From Ditto - with his Estimate for
December. -

From Captain Davison

From Captain Davison - with a paper
of Intelligence received from the Mysore "
Country. -

At

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At a Consultation
Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor - President

Edward Saunders

and

Ernst William Tallofield Esquires

Minutes of last Consultation read

and approved

Read the following letters from

Messrs. Colt, Baker and Co.

William Collins Jackson Esq.

Military Secretary

Sir

We have been honored by your letter

of the 29th ultimo in answer to ours respecting the of
Liverpool, by which we are made acquainted with the
Circumstances that We beg leave to assure you we
were wholly ignorant of before, that is, of an order
having been sent from Government to the Military
Board directing no further Engagements for
Transports should be entered into, previous to the

Tuesday
18th November
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from Messrs. Colt
Baker and Co.
again soliciting
a compensation
for the Liverpool

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the Receipt by the military Board of the Certificate
of that Ship from the agent of Transport. Had
the military Board adverted to that in their
Letter to us either of the 3rd or 10th July or had they,
in consequence, rejected, and returned us, the
Certificate sent in of the Liverpool, We should
not certainly have preferred a claim respecting
her on the Grounds We were led to do. But
altho' we, in our Letter to the military Board
dated the 4th July, express that We considered the
purport of theirs of the 27th June, conclusive with
respect to all Vessels which had been surveyed
and certified previous to the notice for pre-
venting more surveys until further orders,
they, in their subsequent Letter of the 10th July,
do not advert to the Certificate of the Liverpool
being too late, but repeat generally the purport
of their former Letter of the 3rd as you will
perceive by a copy of that Letter which we have
the honor to enclose. But, notwithstanding
the fact appears by your Letter different to what
We had reason to suppose with respect to the
order having passed for taking up no more
Ships

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Ships before the Certificate had reached the
 Military Board, still We beg leave to remark
 as it will, on inquiry, or by Reference to the Agents
 for Transports, be found, that the Certificate of
 respecting the Liverpool was actually delivered
 in by the agents before the Notification to desist
 from further surveys from the Military Board
 reached them, and as the Case that the owner
 of this Ship has sustained from having equipped
 so many Vessels for the Public Service, a circumstance
 that does not apply to other owners, whose Vessels
 have neither been surveyed or reported and who
 have intended single Vessels only) are very
 severe, We are urged once more to resume the
 Subject and to intrude on the Honble Board with
 this further Solicitation on his behalf, in the
 hope that, on a reconsideration of the foregoing
 Circumstances by the Right Honble President,
 the owner will not find himself subjected to the
 heavy Expenses of equipping several Ships
 expressly designed for the Public Service the
 Imprints of their crews, the Insurance of the
 Voyage, round to Madras from Bombay.

(and

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and the Demurrage here, without being able to obtain the only reimbursement for it which he attempts to seek. — For We are willing to become pledged to the Right Honble President, should he be pleased to comply with any allowance for this Ship, that no claim whatever will be brought forward for any other, or that, if there should, to refund the amount of what may now be granted us — and here it may not be improper to observe that the Gloucester for which the Right Honble President has already been pleased to grant a Commission, is not the property of the Liverpool owner, but belongs to a Captain Billamore Resident at Bombay. —

Fort George
5th November 1794We have the honor to be
Dear Sir

/ signed / Colt, Baker & Co

W. C. Jackson Esq.
Military Secretary

Fort George

Sir,

Inclosed We take the liberty to send you a letter We have received from the agent of

from Capt. Colt Baker
and Co. enclosing a
letter from the late
agent for transport
relative to the
descriptions
certificates of the
Liverpool.

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of Transports, in consequence of our requesting
him to furnish us with the particulars alluded
to relative to the Liverpool, and we hope the
circumstances therein stated by him may have
a further weight with the Honble Board
when the letter we had the honor to address you
on the 8th Instant comes before them. -

Fort George
14th November 1794

We have the honor to be,

your
very
obedient
servant

/ signed / Col^l, Baker and Co^{rs}

Charles Baker Esq^r.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of yesterday,
I beg leave to inform you, that I inspected the Ship
Liverpool, two days previous to the date of the
description certificate, and could I have found
the master attendant, to add his signature to the
certificate, when filled up, I certainly should
have sent it the same day to the military Board.

M^r. Boyd went to the Mount, after
we landed from inspecting the Ships, and did
not return till the morning of the 3^d of July,
which

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which will account for the delay, in not sending the certificate to the Board, before that Date, - about 3^o Clock the same day, I received a letter from the Deputy Secretary to the Military Board, desiring that I should not inspect any more ships after that date, without particular orders from the Board, and on the 19th of the same month, I was favored with a Letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson, apprising me that the Expedition was put off for that season, and that my appointment was to cease from the date of his letter, You will therefore readily observe, that both these official Informations was subsequent to the Inspection of the Liverpool, and I can declare, at that period, there were no other ships in the Roads, but such as had, either been approved of or Rejected. -

Madras

November 13th 1794

I am

very Dear

(Signed)

Wm Traser

Late agent for Transports

The President proposes that Mr. Williams

Traser, late agent for Transports, be called before the Board. -

Wm

Proceedings and Resolutions in consequence of the foregoing letters

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Mr. Fraser attending accordingly, the following questions are put to him by the President

Q. At the time the Liverpool was surveyed, were there any ships in the Roads of Madras, that had not been tendered for the Public Service, which had not either been approved or rejected?

A. There was not one. -

Q. You have said, in your letter to Mr. Baker that the Liverpool was surveyed on the 1st of July, and that the description certificate was kept back, in consequence, of the absence of the Master attendant. - Do you mean that the certificate would have been delivered to the Military Board on the 1st of July, if the Master attendant had been present?

A. Yes! The delay was solely occasioned by the absence of Mr. Boyd. -

Mr. Fraser withdraws. -

The Board are of opinion that, as compensation was granted to the owners of the Gloucester, because that ship had been reported well qualified for the service and had been accepted by the Military Board, prior to the order for discontinuing all further engagements, the compensation upon a

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a similar principle ^{should} be made to the owner of the Liverpool. - Resolved therefore, that the sum of three thousand six hundred / 3600 / Pagodas / being one third of the amount that would have been paid, if the agreement had been finally closed / be issued to Messrs. Holt, Baker and Co. on account of the owner. -

Read the following Extract of a letter from the Board of Revenue. -
Extract of a Letter from the Board of Revenue Dated 21st October 1794

From Board of Revenue with letter from Mr. Powney complaining of the Conduct of the Mellore Collectors. -

We have the honor to submit to your Lordship a copy of a Letter from Mr. Powney, regarding Complaints preferred against the Mellore Collectors who are continually committing Depredations in the Shewigunga Country, as well as in Monnapara and Madura Pollam, and recommending, that a Battalion of the Company's Troops be stationed at Mellore to keep these freebooters in awe, which, under the circumstances stated by the Collector, we hope will meet with your approbation. -

a true Extract

(Signed) A. Falconar

actg. Secy. Secretary

David

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David Haliburton Esqr.

acting President of the Revenue Board

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit herewith my Diary for the month of September.

You will observe that it is rife with Complaints preferred against the Mellore Colleries, who are continually committing depredations in the Mavungu Country, as well in the Manapara and Madura Pollams, which consequently occasion a retaliation on the part of the Polygar, who are dependent on my authority, and which it will be totally out of my power to check or restrain, while the Mellore Colleries continue their depredatory Conduct. I have very much Cause to apprehend, that, instead of proper Measures being adopted by the Servants of the Sirkar to prevent their atrocities, that they are overlooked and on some occasions abetted, and, that the Troops stationed at Mellore by his Highness the Nabob, so far from being of Service in keeping these turbulent Robbers in awe, that their want of order and discipline rather

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rather encourages them in their acts, and it is reported, that they are invited to share their crimes by presenting them a part of the fruits of their plunder. —

The best mode which appears to me adopted to correct this conduct of the batteries (which arises from the relaxed state of the Nago's Government) would be to station a Battalion of the Company's Troops at Madras, which would be adequate to keep these Troubadors in awe, and would have the effect of affording Protection to thousands, whose property at present is never secure from their Depredations. —

Tonday

12th October 1794

I have the honor to be

Dear Sir

/ Signed / George Powney
Collector

Minute thereon

Resolved that the officer commanding the army be directed to name the Battalion that can be best spared for the service recommended by the Board of Revenue. —

Read

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Read the following letter from
the Collector in the Baramahal

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council
yes, yes, yes

My Lord,

From Captain Read
relation to the fray
between Tippoo's
army and at Erode
and some Mahader
mischiefers of
Sankledroog

Having received, through Mr. Secre-
tary Jackson, translation of a letter from the
Nabob Tippoo Sultan containing the recital of
a fray that happened between his people and
some inhabitants of Sankledroog, who had, as
was usual, gone to bury one of their number in
his district of Tirade, with orders to apprehend
the persons concerned in it, and having conceived
that Government would desire every information
upon it, I do myself the honor of transmitting
your Lordship the account I received of it at the time,
also the declarations of six of them in confinement at
Sankledroog before Captain Oran, the Officer Command-
ing there.

According to his instructions Captain
Oran delayed, for some weeks, his entering upon the
inquiry that has been made, in the expectation that
Tippoo's agent would have sent witnesses to the fact

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fact complained of which I had requested, as well to shew what was done in consequence of his Master's representation, as to gain the fuller information of the subject; but the Agent having declined it, & because the affair happened in his district, it has not been possible to procure any other Evidence than their own, which however is corroborative of that received at Fort No. 1 and appears to be the truth conceiving that they have been extremely injured, and only done what was allowable in self defence, they entreat, in the hope of enlargement, their fate may be soon determined. —

Paramahl
4th November 1794

I have the honor to be, &c &c
(signed) Alex^r. Read

Captain Alexander Read

Collector of the Paramahl &c

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a letter which I have just received from some of the Daira Mussulmans on the subject of a fray which happened in the beginning of

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of this month at Erode - From their own account, as well as from what other information I have been able to collect, it appears that, in consequence of the troubles raised by Tumminagar in the beginning of the year they left their habitation at Erode and settled on the Company's side of the Cauvery in the District of Trichangoor - that after this they crossed over several times to deposit their dead in their old burying ground, & were after Tippoo's order for expelling the whole of their Sect from his country, without any molestation - that the last time ^{they went} they were permitted to perform the burial ceremony quietly, but as they were returning towards the river, they were met by the amildar at the head of above one hundred armed men - that he told them they must remain in the fort until he should receive orders from Tippoo about them; that they answered - that no hindrance had ever before been given to their coming there - but as they now saw that it gave offence they would not return again - and that the amildar still persisting in detaining them, and on finding they would not submit to be disarmed

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disarmed - having made his party fire upon them by which two of them were killed - they drew their swords and killed him, and with the loss of another man forced their way across the River. -

They are a turbulent race of people; but as only fifteen of them crossed the River it can hardly be supposed that they set out with any hostile design. -

Since this affair happened, they have seized a Monigan belonging to A. Ennode, who came over the river to visit his family, which he keeps in the Company's territory - they say they sent over fifty Ploughs, and his Cowls, to cultivate their former lands, and that he has now appropriated the cattle to his own use, on pretence of an order from the Sirkar to seize them - I have written to the Tahsildar to enquire into the matter, and if he finds their representation true to endeavor to recover their property - but if not, to let the man go - I shall order them all away from the bank of the River for
while

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while they remain in sight of Erode we
shall have continual disputes. -

I have the honor to be

Yrs^{rs} Yrs^{rs}

/ Signed / Tho^o Munro

Dammamproy

28th July 1794

true copy

/ Signed / J. B. Hurdie

Asst. Sec^y

Substance of several Declarations, made by Shew Bawn,
Baboo Sahib, Murr Big, Berru Saib, Muckom Saib, and Said Saib, of
the Mahady East, Prisoners in Sankey Droog, by order of Government,
relative to an Affray, lately at Erode, in which the amildar of
that place, lost his Life, as deposed before me, this 26th September
1794, in conformity to orders, received from Captain Alexander
Read Commanding the Districts. -

/ Signed / J. Oram
Capt^o Commanding

Present, Three Subidars of the
22^d Battalion and a Mollah,
of Sankey Droog. -

Declaration,

It is known to all the English that during the
Troubles of Tumbah Gowdah, in the Erode Country,
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A number of the Mahad Mussulmen, by leave
of the Circar, came and settled for protection
on the North Bank of the Cavery opposite
Errode, at Pollyapollam. During the time of
our remaining at Pollyapollam, four of our
Relations died, whom we carried and interred
at the Burying ground near Errode, at that time
no objection was made to our so doing - Some
time after it pleased Tippoo Sultann to be
very angry with our East of Mussulmen, called
Dairas, or Mahadis, he also expelled them from
his Country - since that time, and before the
affray, three more of our People died, whom
we buried at Errode without interruption, &
after this the Gurnam of Errode Cutcherry,
Vass Kitrow, published the Sultann's order
that none of the Mahadis, should be
permitted, to enter his Country, this we,
who were settled at Pollyapollam, heard only
by report, but when the report prevented us
from crossing the River, though we left off
Paddy Tillage, our property, behind us. It
happened afterwards, that a new Amildar
Ernall

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Esmau Caon arrived, when the Curram of
 Varkitrow and the Parapetty Varkitliak of
 Enrode came to the South Bank of the River,
 at Tully Sait's Garden, and called two of our
 people from Pollyapollam, to whom they made
 great promises, desired them to tell us, not to
 leave our Land, adding the Sultun is now
 very angry, but in ten days, he will be your
 friend again do not be dispirited, and then
 gave them for us a Note, authorizing our
 continuance in the cultivation of our former
 grounds, and more if we wanted them - With
 the new Amildar, came from Seringapatam
 a Moor man of the Dairas East, called
 Cauder ally Caon, with his family - a month
 had now elapsed since the Amildar had
 given us Coole, where this Cauder ally
 Caon, sent to Pollyapollam for merchandise
 to the amount of one hundred Rupees
 as we looked on the Enrode people as friends,
 we sent things to that amount, in cloth,
 Turbans &c &c

on the 14th Pchaja, or Sunday 13th
 July

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July 1794 an old Taguir Woman died, who being very poor a collection was made to bury her, and as the Amil had given us Cocoli, and we had not met with any interruption formerly we sent a Taguir Cauder Shaw, to make a Grave at Errade, early in the morning of the following day, telling the Taguir if the Sultans people had any objection, to come back, and tells us at twelve o'clock, we had not heard from him, and having made every thing ready. - The Per Kadda Khoo Sab Miah - Muston Sab - Baboo Sab - Said Sab, Sheru Cawn, Mire Big Bury Sab, Sheriff Sab, Mire Sab - Mannak Cawn - Abjo Sab - Mire Sab - Shaike Amud, Said Sab, and ally Sab, in all fifteen Persons of our Tribe, went with the Corpse across the Cavery, to the Pukia of Hysanny Orany, near Errade, where we rested ourselves for some time. - It is to be understood, the burying place laying on the further side of the Town, that the Funeral by this means passed through the whole of their Nagas, - We buried the Corpse, and were returning, when, to our astonishment were opposed by the Amildar, with upwards 300 of

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of his Priests and Followers - The amildar
 called out to kill them, the surprise this occasioned
 being so unjust, and unthought of a threat, fight-
 ing was very much - A Gounda of some consequence
 who was with the amildar said "better that you en-
 quire their business here, before you use them ill,
 you have them in your power" on which one of
 the Enrode Priests, then came up to the Prisoners, and
 demanded to know, how they dared to enter the Sul-
 tan's Dominions? repeating, Do you not know
 'tis his orders to shoot you if you venture here? -
 we replied, six times have we performed this service,
 and you never prevented us, as you now will not
 hereafter permit us, well and good - we will not
 again enter your Country, if we do, then put your
 threats in Execution, - It is true, the fault is now
 ours: in Gods name forgive us: It may be, you have
 the Sultan's orders, as you say, but how comes it that
 so many of our East have quitted his Country, and not
 one hath lost his Life? for once do you forgive our
 Crime! The amildar would not listen to our Peti-
 tion but leaving the Road's side, went to the Bury-
 ing place, ordering us to attend him, saying for
 business

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business you have been about, you must give us a personal Bond, that you never again enter the Sultan's Country. - We replied instead of one, we will give you a Thousand Pones, to that effect - well he replied, go to the Bazar with me, and we will make out that Bond. - we all agreed, and followed him, his Pons surrounding and pressing on us. - when near the Fort gate, and between it and the end of the Bazar Street, the amildar said in a very loud voice, Get you into the Fort, get you in, and write your promise there - We replied you shall have the agreement, that we never trouble you in the like way again, but into your Fort, we will not go. take our Heads if you please. The amildar, irritated at this, with a Spear in his hand, moved off a little distance, adding, Will then? I will have your Heads, and told his Pons to shoot at one, or two of us, and that then the Remainder would obey his orders, at this instant a tumult, and firing began where three of our number fell, Muz Sahib, and Cawder Shaw the Haquie, killed on the spot and a Sheriff Sahib, mortally wounded, of which he is since dead - The amildar wounded, the Pur Hassa, Khool

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Who's said, in the Jan, with a Spear, who, in self
Defence killed him (cut off his Head) the confusion
that followed in carrying the Amildar's Body away
gave us an opportunity of escaping along the Banks
of the Paddy fields, till we reached the river side, in
which the Pione, who had pursued us with their
matchlocks, desisted from firing on us. - We owe
our safety and Lives to the protection of the English
Guns. -

Our two Mutations who were killed at
Errode were afterwards beheaded, and exposed on
trees near the Village of Errode, this is the truth of
our Story, and if we have not advanced the truth,
we are present to be punished for a falsehood. -

Minute thereon

Agreed that the circumstances of
stated in the letter from Captain Oram to Captain
Ard be communicated to Tippoo Sultan, and
it be recommended to him, at the same time, to
order the attendance of such of his people as are
in knowledge of the circumstances, so that
the truth may be ascertained. -

Resolved that no order be issued for
release of the Prisoners, until Tippoo's answer
be received. -

Read

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Read the following letter from Captain Robert Bell.

To the Right Hon^{ble} Lord Hobart
Governor in Council &c &c

My Lord,

From Captain Bell
Tendering the A
duces by acquired
of him

I am to acknowledge the receipt of
Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the 12th Instant,
communicating your Lordships determination
of reinstating me in the service, "on my giving suf-
ficient security for Liquidating the Balance that
may stand against me, on the final audit of my
accounts."

In consequence thereof, I have the honor
to enclose as security Bond of a respectable House in
Madras, Mess^{rs} Chao Swell and Chao, which
I trust may be deemed sufficient.

It would be doing injustice to my
feelings, were I not to avail myself of this occasion
to offer to your Hon^{ble} Board my grateful
acknowledgements for this distinguished mark of
Indulgence.

I have the honor to be with the
greatest respect. &c &c
(Signed) Rob^t Bell
Captain Artillery
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Mount
2nd November 1794

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We, Thomas Chase, Henry Swell and Richard Chase
 of Fort St George Merchants, do hereby engage and
 bind ourselves, to Pay on demand, to the Right
 Honorable the President in Council of Fort St George
 or the President in Council for the time being, the
 amount of such Retrenchments, as may on the
 final audit of the accounts of Captain Robert
 Bell late Commissary of Stores with the army appear
 to be due from him In Witness whereof, we have
 hereunto set our hands and seals in Fort St George
 this Fourteenth day of November, one thousand seven
 hundred and ninety four.

Signed, sealed and
 Delivered in the presence
 of,

(Signed)

Thomas Chase.

(Seal)

" Henry Swell.

(Seal)

" Richard Chase.

(Seal)

(Signed) In: Mifford

" Chas^r Hampton

Captain Bell's
 suspension
 removed

Agreed that the order for Captain
 Bell's suspension be annulled, and that he be
 reinstated in the service without prejudice to
 his former rank. —

Read the following letter from
 the Resident at Nagore. — To

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To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President in Council -

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My Lord,

From Mr. Ferraro
- advising of the
Doney on which
Captain Brohier
had embarked,
with his Company,
for Saffora, having
been stranded near
Sape Toruy. -

On the 27th ultimo I acquainted your Lordship
thru the military Secretary, that Captain Brohier, with his
Company, left Negapatam on the morning of that day for
Safforapatam in two Dories. - It is now with infinite
concern I am to inform you that the largest of the Dories, in
which Captain Brohier had embarked, with the greatest
part of his Company, was stranded near Sape Toruy in a
violent Storm of Wind and Rain which began on the
28th in the morning, and lasting till the 29th with such
force as no one can remember to have known in these
parts. - Of the safety of the smaller Dory we have
had very great doubts until this morning there is now
a well grounded Report that she, with another Dory in
company, and against which Captain Brohier's Vessel run
foul, are safe arrived at Safforapatam - The night
before last Captain Brohier returned very much
bruised. more than half the men that were with
him

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him have perished, and one of his officers.

The moment I heard of the misfortune, I dispatched Captain Gay the master attendant of Nagapattam, with full power to do every thing possible towards their assistance, he is returned very ill, owing to the exertions he has been obliged to make in the Sun - The People at the place of the wreck behaved shamefully to them, It was with great difficulty Captain Gay could get any assistance, and they robbed the unfortunate sufferers of every thing they could lay hands on, without mercy.

As soon as Captain Brohier is sufficiently recovered and can furnish me with a Return, I shall have the honor to address your Lordship again.

I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect,
 Dear Sir

(Signed) M. H. Torriano. Resident

Nagore

1st November 1794

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart.
 President in Council.

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My Lord

From M^r. Torriano -
 with a Return of
 Captain Brohier's
 Company specifying
 the Casualties -

I have now the honor to transmit to your Lordship a Return of the Company of Detach^d Troops under the command of Captain Brohier, for this month. - I have the honor to be with the greatest

Respect. - Dear Sir

(Signed) M. H. Torriano Resident

Nagore

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A General Return of the 12th Company of Dutch
their Embarkation on the 27th October 1794 Shewing the number
at Joffana and Negapatam.

N^o of Officers and Men
Strength of the Company
when Embarked

Captain
Lieutenant
Ensign
Surgeon Major
Surgeon
Quartermaster
Corporals
Sergeants
Privates
Total

Present on the 27th October the day

they Embarked

11221415121784

Left sick in the Hospital at Negapatam

.....11

Total 11221415121795

N.B. 1 Private died at the Hospital 1st November

1 8 00
1 9 00

Abstract

Present at Negapatam

Arrived at Joffana

Lost in the Storm of the 29th October

Sick at the Negapatam Hospital

Now Effective Casuals since 29th October

Negapatam 10th November 1794

(Signed) M. J. Brohier
Capt. Command: 12th Comp^y
Dutch Troops

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Captains	Lieutenants	Ensigns	Cadets	Sergeant-Majors	Sergeants	Drill Sergeant	Corporals	Privates	Drummers	Assistant Drummers	Provosts
1	1	"	1	"	1	"	3	1	1	1	27
"	"	1	"	"	2	1	1	"	1	"	24
"	"	1	1	1	1	"	1	"	"	"	21
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3
1	1	2	2	1	4	1	5	1	2	1	74

Resolved

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Minutes taken

Resolved, that communication be made to Madras and to Calcutta of the circumstances reported by the Resident at Nagore, notifying, at the same time, that it was at the particular solicitation of Captain Brohier, one of the Dutch officers, that the Board consented to the embarkation of his company on Donies. -

Ordered that the Resident at Nagore be directed to pay particular attention to the wants of the Dutch Troops now at Nagapatam, and that when a proper opportunity offers for their departure such as Captain Brohier himself may approve, he be careful that they be supplied with every thing necessary for the Voyage to Sappanapattam. -

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board. -

Hospital Board

17th November 1794

Observations of
Governor General
18th November 1794

We have received a letter from Mr. James Richardson Head Surgeon, lately appointed to the charge of the General Hospital at Trichinopoly

From Hospital Board -
Doctor Richardson requests three months leave of absence - Submit a letter from Mr. Arthur - also applications from Messrs Henderson and Abernethy on account of medical expenditure for the French officers at Porramallee and some Invalids at Annamalai

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Trichinopoly, representing that,
in consequence of his long resi-
dence at Gornjorn, the adjust-
ment of his private concerns
will take up some time, and
requesting the indulgence of
three months leave of absence
for the purpose of arranging
them, which we hope Govern-
ment will be pleased to grant

approved

Mr Ramsay, Surgeon &
to the 3^d European Battalion, &
represents that he has been &
confined for several weeks by a
severe attack of the Fever, and
as his recovery is likely to be &
tidious requests that an As-
sistant may be appointed &
to the Regiment.

The Deficiencies of the
Medical Establishment ren-
dering it impossible to comply
with Mr Ramsay's request,
we have directed him to call
upon the Assistant Surgeons
doing

approved

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doing duty at Pondicherry for their
services during his Illness. -

Mr. Mearns will be
permitted to draw the same
allowances as others in
a similar situation

We beg leave to enclose copy
of a letter from Mr. John M. Ar-
thur Assistant Surgeon, and to
recommend his case to the consi-
deration of Government. -

An application has been
received from Mr. Henderson, Sur-
geon to his Majesty's 74th Regi-
ment, for an allowance for
medical Expenditure on account
of the French Officers Prisoners of
War in the Garrison of Pondicherry
in which several of whom require
his attendance. -

orders will be sent
to the military auditor &
General, to pass Mr. Henderson's
Bill, according to the
actual number of French
officers present at St
Pondicherry for each
month. -

We recommend that Mr.
Henderson be permitted to draw
the allowances specified in the
6th article of the Medical Regu-
lations for detachments of
Europeans. -

A similar application has
been made by Mr. Abernethy,
Assistant Surgeon to the 38th
Battalion of Native Infantry
stationed at Inniconda for a
few

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few Invalids attached to that
a similar order will
be given in favor Garrison and we recommend
of our administration. - that Government will be
pleased to direct the Paymaster
to discharge his accounts, &
agreeably to the same regula-
tions. -

When the requisition comes officially before
Government it will be considered. -

In consequence of a re-
quisition from Captain Alex^r
Read to the Physician General,
we recommend that Mr. William
ord, Assistant Surgeon, be
appointed to the Garrison of
Kistnagherry. -

(Signed) J. Anderson
Physician General
Colley L. Lucas
Chief Surgeon
W. Raine
Head Surgeon

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General, President, & Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,
Agreeable to the orders of Government
of the 25th of August last, I prepared to join the Corps
to

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to which I was appointed, but on the Eve of my departure I received a Letter of detention from the Secretary of your Board, which prevented me from proceeding to Tanjore, a few days afterwards an order was issued by Government (conceiving that I had left Madras) for me to repair to the Presidency on or before the 10th of December next, to give Evidence at the Quarter Sessions on a trial of Mr. P. Maynes, W. Wilson and others, by which order and the above detention, I am deprived of the advantages of my appointment, as well as denied full Batta while I remain here, altho' Captain Godfrey Mr. Wise and others who are here as Evidences on the above business are allowed their full Batta, therefore Gentlemen give me leave to request that you will be pleased to take the steps that I enclose into your consideration and afford me that support which my case requires The enclosed Letters from Captain Innes to me, will prove to you that I neither have, or am likely to be benefited by my appointment, until such time as I am at liberty to join.

I am with the greatest respect,
Yours &c.

(Signed) John M. Arthur

A true Copy

(Signed) V. Conolly Surg. M.S.

Read

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Read the following letter from his Highness the
Nabob (entered also in C.C. MSS.)

Translation of a Letter -

From His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatee
To the Right Honble Lord Hobart Governor of Fort St George

Dated and
Received } 11th November 1794

from the Nabob
reporting the apprehended
incursion of a banditti
headed by Umar
Khan and
Murtza Khan
into the Putnaud
District - requests
measures may
be instantly
adopted for
frustrating their
intentions. -

Formerly, when the Freebooter Murtza Khan
made an Incursion, from the other side of the River Krishna, into
the Talook of Putnaud - plundered the property and effects of
the Inhabitants - and had destroyed many people, I addressed
a Letter, under date the 30th April 1793, to Sir Charles Oakes
Baronet, desiring that this Man should be punished. - Sir
Charles had given orders for a Detachment to march for that
purpose, but the Disturber, having taken flight, escaped the
punishment due to his audacity. -

At present the Gummil of Putnaud has
sent me authentic Intelligence that a villain named Umar
Khan, on the other side the Krishna, has got together
seven hundred Men, with which he has joined the
aforesaid Murtza Khan, who has received no check from
the people of the Nawaub Nizam ud Dowlat Bahader
(either) and that they are both ready to cross the Krishna
with the design of invading the Talook of Putnaud -
The Ryots and Inhabitants of that Talook, whom they
formerly plundered and injured, are now again greatly
alarmed, the country arrangements and Collections
also are interrupted. -

My Friend - This Murtza Khan,
when opportunity suits, commits disturbances in the
Territory of the aforesaid Nawaub, and with impunity -
without detaching a few Companies of Sepoys from here
and the exertions of the Honorable of the Nawaub Nizam
ud Dowlat, it will be impracticable to quash
the disturbances of these two Insurgents. I therefore
advise your Lordship to inform Captain Kirkpatrick
of Murtza Khan's Irregularities in the territories on
this

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this side the Kishna, and also in those of the Nuvaub & Nigam ud Dowlat Mahasider - that many people fall a sacrifice to his violence - that therefore some Companies of Sepoys will be sent from hence to chastise him, and that it is necessary the Nigam should send positive orders to his Thana-dars on that side the Kishna, for apprehending him, to the end that, being induced to extremity, he may be taken or killed - also that the people of the said Thana, do aid and assist the people sent from hence, in the punishment of this Disturber. you will also be pleased to direct the Commanding Officer at Guntoor to send, without delay four or five Companies of Sepoys to Timmerycottah, with orders to co-operate with the army of Palnau and the Selendis, which I shall employ there, in apprehending and punishing Meer Immaum and Kuranah. These measures will certainly restore tranquillity to the Inhabitants of that Country, and facilitate the payment of the Rists. -

What can I say more?

A true Translation

(Signed) A. Falconar

minutes there were

The President is requested to consult with Colonel Brathwaite on the measures necessary to be taken for counteracting any plan that may be formed by Meer Immaum, for creating disturbances in the Nabob's Country.

ordered that a copy of his Highness's letter be sent to Captain Sir Kpatrik, and that the Commanding Officers in the Guntoor Circle, and at Timricottah be directed to use every means in their power to ascertain whether the Tributers have it in instruction to make an incursion into the Palnau, and to report the result of their inquiries to Government. -

Read

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Read the following letter from the Rajah
of Tanjore / as entered also in C.C. No 225)

Translation of a letter from the Rajah of Tanjore

To the Honble the Governor in Council dated 27th October 1794

and Rajah of Tanjore
his father will
pay the Rist due
the 1st November -
purposed as a
pilgrimage to
Ramisaram -
application in
consequence.

By my agreement with the Company I am
bound to pay my first Rist of thirty thousand (30000)
Pagodas on the 1st November, and have accordingly
sent instructions to my Waku Triumbuck Sombajie
to pay this sum agreeably to my engagement, into the
Company's Treasury, and I request that your Excellency
will order a receipt to be paid for the amount.

I have long had a strong inclination. A
to visit Ramisaram. At Benares and Ramisaram
are held in great estimation among us Hindoo People,
they are much frequented by us. Ramisaram is near
to the confines of my country, it is therefore particu-
larly incumbent on me to go thither. Formerly my
ancestor Prataap Sing Maharaj, who is in Heaven,
performed a pilgrimage to Ramisaram. It is also
proper that I should accomplish my desire of going
thither: in the confidence therefore that your Ex-
cellency, who are placed in the controul of affairs,
will assist me in the preparations, which are
necessary

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necessary I shall make my applications: -

Ramiseram is not situated within my own territories. as I must go into the country of Shatoo partly Rajah of Ramnad, and as I have no Troops of my own, I request that your Excellency will send orders for my being accompanied by one Battalion of Infantry and two hundred Horse, and four Guns, and the Commander of this place - Besides this, I request that directions may be sent to Shatoo partly of Ramnad, and Wodiar Taver of Shwigunga, to shew me the same attentions, which were paid to my ancestor when he went to Ramiseram. I have resolved upon going to Ramiseram in the month of February 1795. if your Excellency will favor me with your consent, I will immediately begin my preparations during these three preceding months, so that I may depart from hence in February for Ramiseram. - Having the fullest confidence that your Excellency will accomplish my desire, I have thought it necessary to write this for your Information: I therefore request that your Excellency will so far favor me as to attend to what I have said, and enable me to perform the pilgrimage to Ramaseram. as I am the Honble Company's friend, I have no protection but in your Excellency, the burden therefore is of shewing

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my favor rests with you. all other information will be
communicated by my Vakil Trimbuck Sumbajee
Believe me always your sincere friend. - To a
friend why should I write more?

atru Translation

(signed) J. Webb

Marratta Translator

minute thereon

as the Board have it in concert -
application to send a force into the Remnad Country
after the rains, it would not be advisable to permit
the Rajah of Tanjore to proceed thither, at the
period he has mentioned. Resolved therefore that
his Excellency be informed that for reasons which
cannot now be explained to him, the Board
desire he will excuse their giving a direct answer
to his Letter, assuring him, however, that, at a
seasonable opportunity, they shall have great plea-
sure in complying with his Request. -

ultimate Dorley to
station in the
remnad of
Tanjore

The President proposes that

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant John Darby be continued in the command
of Trinicotak until further orders.

ordered accordingly.

Wm

Comd Saunders

Edw Hallfield

George Perry
Wm