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To Do: 18 To Do:— advising him of the Advances of Cash ordered to be made on account of the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca—

To Mr. Shardon— Mr. Wynch's Application for an Encrease of Pay to Native Servants at Vellore referred to the Military Auditor General— The Grain at Dendigul to be aured—

To Colonel Bidulphe— his Extra Charges on Account of House Rent for the French Prisoners and the Superintending Serjeant of the General Hospital admitted—

To Lieut.t Col.o Campbell— desiring that every Attention be paid to Jaggernaut Saukes, the Rajah of Travancore's Vakeel, during his Illness—

To the Sea Customer— enclosing a List of Stores which Mr. De la Faye is to be permitted to Ship for the Port of Mootapillee—

To Mr. De la Faye— enclosing the necessary Passports for facilitating the Conveyance of the Stores to the Nizam's Country—

To Mr. Gregory— desiring him to communicate to Mubarech Ud Dowlah the Board's Acknowledgements for his humane Attention to the Accommodation of the Sick at Masulipatam—

To Colonel Boathwaite— acquainting him that the Board will feel pleasure in affording

Corrects

To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions—

To the Commandant at Masulipatam—

To the Commandant at Palamcotah—

To the Sea Customer—

To the Agent of His Highness the Nizam—

To the Collector at Masulipatam—

To the Commander of the Army—

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18 Corrects Mackay and Neale any Relief that may lay in their Power; that the Extra Charges incurred by Colonel Bicketts on account of the Sick at Masulipatam have been admitted and that thirty Pagodas P.r Month have been allowed the Deputy Quarter Master General for writers and Stationary while employed on the present Services

To the Paymaster at Vellore

To Mr. Paymaster Wynch - desiring him to dispose of a Cast Horse at Arcot by publick Outcry

To the Commanding Officer at Arcot

To Major Dallas - desiring him to deliver over the Horse to Mr. Paymaster Wynch

To the President at Anjengo

To Mr. Soriano - informing him that the empty water Casks on board the Fleet sailing from hence will be refilled at Anjengo, which will, it is hoped, preclude all Apprehension of a Scarcity of Water

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From the Commandant at Vellore

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 136-137-138-139-

From Lieut.t Colonel Collins - Lieut.t Colonel requests Leave of Absence to Pondicherry in order to adjust his private Affairs

From the Commander of the Brig Packhall

From Captain M.c Donald - claiming an additional Freight in consequence of his

Vessel

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19 Vessel being entirely loaded with Gun Powder —

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly —

From Colonel Floyd — reporting his opinion relative to the Amount due by the Carpenters to Captain Dyce's Dubash —

From the Deputy Judge Advocate in the Centre Division —

From Lieut. Leith — requesting that Lieut. J. Sinclair, now on leave of Absence, may be ordered to return, as he is required as an Evidence at the ensuing General Court Martial —

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob —

Sent Letter to the Nabob entered in C.C. N.° 78 requesting he will furnish a Passport for Sundry Stores — purchased by Mr. De la Faye on account of the Navarre —

Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 140 — 141 — 142 — 143 — 144 —

To the Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad —

To Lieut. G. Forbes — approving his Proposal of Supplying Tents for his Party —

To the Military Auditor General —

To the Military Auditor General — advising him of the Arrangement made with Lieut. Forbes — The Allowances to be drawn by him from the 1.st May last —

To the Collector in the — Jaghire —

To Mr. Place — enclosing Copy of Major Brodie's Reply to the Complaint preferred against him —

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To Major A. Brown 19

To Major Brown – informing him that Mr. Dunbar is to remain on board to Suffolk's Tender for the purpose of affording Medical Assistance to the Officers and Crew, and such other Persons as may be on board in the Employ of the Company, until the Return of the Tender to Madras –

Substance of Letters to the Rajahs of Cochin and Travancore

Sent Letters to the Rajahs of Cochin and Travancore, as entered in C. C. № 72, advising them of the Political State of Affairs with respect to the Dutch – requiring them in Consequence to prohibit all Communication with Ceylon, and prevent Provisions, of any kind, from being sent to the Island until the Issue of the Expedition be known –

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Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.P.B. № 140 – 146 – 147 – 148 –

To the Commander of the Army.

To Colonel Brathwaite – acquainting him that a Lot of Sixty Horses was despatched by Lieutenant Forbes from Hydrabad for Arcot on the 6th. Instant –

To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions –

To Mr. Shardon – permitting him to lay up an additional Stock of Forty Garce of Grain at Arcot at the Rate of Sixty five Pagodas P. Garce –

To Lieut. Colonel Durand

To the Commandant at Ellore – advising him of the Complaint preferred against him of having,

&c.

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20 In a variety of Instances, interfered with the internal Regulations at Elbore; and acquainting him that, on the very ill-founded Complaint against him, he will be removed from his present Command.

To Colonel Malcolm referring for Examination the Military Paymaster General's Statement of the Expence of the Madras Army for the ensuing Month.

To the Military Auditor General.

21 Received the following Letters.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council the Copy of a Letter from Lieut. Colonel Prendergast to Colonel Bidulph, Commanding the Northern Division of the Army, which the latter has forwarded to me, to be laid before your Lordship, at the desire of the former.

From the Commander of the Army - Lieut. Colonel Prendergast Reports himself for Duty, and applies to be reinstated in the Command of the Troops in the Orixa Northern Circars District.

I have the honor to be,

with great respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordships

very Obed.t Servant

(Signed) John Braithwaite

Head Quarters

Choultry Plain

25th July 1795.

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21 Colonel Bickliffe

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.

Sir.

My health being sufficiently re,estabt=
=ished, I take the earliest opportunity of reporting myself for duty, and to request that you will do me the favor to forward this Letter to Head Quarters, that an Order may be obtained for my resuming the Command of the Troops in this District.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Vizagapatam
8th July 1795.

(Signed) Thos Prendergast

Lieut Col.

(True Copy)

(Signed) W. Wilson Lt

W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Fort St George

Sir.

From the President at Hydrabad - with Statement of the Account Current between that Residency and the Company up to the 8th Instant - Favorable mention of Lieut Pitts worthy's Conduct in the Pay Department.

The last Account Current between this Residency and the Honble Company was transmitted to you by Sir John Kennaway on the 25th of December 1793

I have

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21 I have now the honour to forward to you, for the information of Government, a Continuation of that account, Closing with the 8th. July 1795.

I have waited for the present occasion in order to do Justice to the merits of Lieut. G. Bosworthy while he officiated as Paymaster to the late Ellore Detachment, and accordingly, now beg leave to bear testimony to the diligence and exactness of that Gentleman in the department he filled; and to add my persuasion of his being peculiarly well qualified to discharge any Similar Trust hereafter.

I have the honour to be

S. &c.

Hyderabad
12th July 1795.

(Signed) Wm. Kirkpatrick

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Dr.

The Honble. Captain William Kirkpatrick on Account Current with his Highness the Nizam on account of

1793				
December	21st	To Balance of last Account Current between Sir John Kennaway and the Company closed the 25th December 1793		512 " 9
		To Cash received of his Highness being the amount advanced by Lord Cornwallis to Mr. Conductor Macaw for the purposes mentioned in my Predecessor's letter to Mr. Secretary Jackson under date the 27th December 1793		1,500 " "
1794				
March	31st	To amount of a Sunnah of this date on the Treasury granted by the Durbar for the Subsidy of the Detachment for September. October and November 1793, in lieu of one granted to Sir John Kennaway on Meer Ali Hussain Khan on December 1793 lost not realized		
May	3d	To Amount of a Draft on the Treasury granted for the Subsidy of December 1793 and January 1794		161,139,15 9.
July	20th	To Ditto ... Ditto ... Ditto for the Subsidy of February and March 1794		107,426.10 6
September	12th	To Ditto ... Ditto ... Ditto for the Subsidy of April and May 1794		107,426 10 6
December	28th	To Ditto ... Ditto ... Ditto for the Subsidy of June and July 1794		107,426 10 6
1795				
July	8th	To Amount of an Order granted by his Highness on the Madras Government to be discharged from the arrears of Peishcush due to him by the Company: being the Amount of Subsidy from 1st August 1794. to the 10th of May 1795. inclusive is 9 Months and 10. days / see my letter to Mr. Secretary Jackson of the 9th July 1795		500,727 " "
		Hyderabad Rupees		10,93,585 10 6

Errors Excepted.

Hyderabad
8th July 1795.

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with the Honble Company for Money and Sundrys received from } &c.
the Ellore Detachment &c. . . . . .

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1794 January ..	By	Account of Charges for transporting Treasure by Lieutenant Brennan			263 .. ..
1794 April ..	By	Cash paid Meer Allum in discharge of the Amount advanced Sperin to Major Roberts in December 1793 ..		53.713 53	
" ..	By	Cash paid Major Roberts		107.426 10 6	
				161.139 159	
		Expences for Packing and transportation		.. 97 8 ..	
					161.237 7 9
May	By	Cash paid Major Roberts being the Amount of an Order on the Treasury Dated 3d May 1794		107.426 10 6	
		Expences for transportation &ca		.. 214	107.640 10 6
August ..	By	Ditto . . . . Ditto being the Amount of a Ditto dated 20th July . . . 1794		107,426 10 6	
		Expences for transportation &c		.. 175	107.601 10 6
November ..	By	Ditto . . . Ditto being the Amount of a Ditto dated 12th September 1794			107.426 10 6
1795 January ..	By	Ditto . . . . Ditto being the Amount of a Ditto dated 26th December 1794			107.426 10 6
July - 6th	By	Amount of an Order granted by his Highness on the Arrears of Peish. Pish due by the Company, transmitted to the Madras Government			500.727 .. ..
				10,93,313 1 9	
" ..	By	Balance due to the Company		- 1,272 8 9	
		Hydrabad Rupees			10,93,585 10 6

(Signed) Wm Kirkpatrick

Resdt at Hydrabad

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From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions and Principal Agent for Bullocks &c

Received Letter from Shardon entered in M.B. No. 149 enclosing Estimates of expected Disbursements in his Departments for the Month of August.

Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 150–151–152–153–154–155–

To the Military Auditor General &c

To Colonel Malcolm referring for Examination Mr. Shardon's Estimates abovementioned

To Do. and the Military Paymaster General &c

To Do. and the Military Paymaster General enclosing Abstracts of the Sums on which the Transports employed on the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca have been engaged &c

To the Civil Paymaster and Accountant General

To Messrs. Corbett and Woolf directing them to keep Separate and exact Accounts of all Sums of Money advanced and of Expences defrayed or incurred on account of the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca &c

To the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army at Masulipatam

To Colonel Bidcliffe directing the Seizure and Confinement of Messrs. Des Saeins and Bligny in consequence of the Orders from Bengal – desiring him also to compel them to surrender the Passports they received from the Governor General in Councils

To the Company's Attorney General &c

To Mr. Sullivan requiring his Opinion upon sundry Papers relative to a Dispute between the Assistant to the Resident at Cuddalore and the Resident of the Choultry Court concerning a Decree passed by

That &c

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That Part connected with the Functions of the former in the Revenue Department

To the Commandant at Palamcotah

To the Commandant at Palamcotah &c

enclosing Letters to be forwarded to the Rajahs of Cothiru and Travancore &c

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor

Edward Saunders Esqr.

President

and

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Tuesday 25th July 1795 &c

Minutes of Consultation

Read and approved &c

The President communicates to the Board his Intention of setting out on a Tour thro' the Northern Circars on the 23d Instant &c

The President acquaints the Board that he purposes leaving the Presidency for the Northward on the 23 instant: and that he expects to be absent about one Month &c

Draft of a Letter to the Secret Committee of the Honble Court of Directors to be forwarded p. Royal Admiral approved &c

Read the draft of a letter to the Secret Committee of the Honorable Court of Directors proposed to be forwarded to England by the Royal Admiral &c

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The Board approve the Draft - Ordered that it be Copied fair - and Signed, previous to the departure of the President -

Sundry Papers connected with the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca entered on the Records -

The following papers connected with the expeditions to the Island of Ceylon and to Malacca having been approved in Circulation, are now entered -

To His Excellency Commodore Rainier

Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies

Sir,

To Commodore Rainier on Sundry Points connected with the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca which have relation to naval Details

Under the probability that it might not be altogether safe to permit the European Troops in the pay of the Dutch Republic to remain at any of the Settlements belonging to the States General which may be taken possession of by the British Troops, we have instructed Colonel Stuart to take the earliest opportunity of sending the whole of them to this Presidency - for, whether they are to be considered as Prisoners of War - or as Troops taken into the Service of his Majesty their removal from Ceylon seems equally proper - And with a View to this, we have authorized Colonel Stuart to detain one or more of the Transports, provided it may be found practicable to send away the Dutch Troops at an early period

We.

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We have the honor to enclose for your information an abstract of the Terms on which the ten Transports have been engaged - and we request, in Case it should be found necessary to detain any of them beyond the period for which they are chartered, that it may be so Contrived that as little expence as possible may be incurred -

As we propose giving Similar instructions to the Officer Commanding the expedition to Malacca, with regard to the Dutch Troops at that place, we beg leave to Suggest that such orders as you may see necessary, be given to the Senior Commander of his Majestys Ships destined for that Service -

If your Excellency should be able conveniently to Spare the Johor Schooner, we Should be glad that she were employed in the Conveyance of intelligence and orders between Trincomale Negapatam, and Madras -

It is proper to mention to your Excellency that we have authorized Colonel Stuart to call for the Assistance of the 52d. Regiment, in Case he Should find it indispensibly necessary to the Success of the expedition - and have desired that he would Consult with you in Regard to the best mode of Conveying that Corps from Negapatam to Trincomale Should their Services be required -

We

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We are satisfied that your Excellency annexes a just estimation to the advantages that would result to the British Interests from the acquisition of the of the whole of the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon, and therefore we are confident, from the Zeal you have manifested upon every occasion, that every possible effort will be made to prevent their falling into the hands of our enemies —

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Hobart.

&c. Council

Fort St. George
19th July 1795.

To Colonel James Stuart.

Commanding the Expedition to the Island of Ceylon

Sir

General Instructions to Colonel Stuart relative to the objects of the Detachment placed under his Command.

The important consequences that must inevitably result to the British Interests in India, from the acquisition of the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon, make it necessary for us to convey to you our earnest hope, that you may be able to extend your operations beyond the Fort of Trincomalé — for although the possession of that important place is recommended to your earliest consideration, yet the Object of the expedition under your command, equally aims at the whole of the Dutch possessions upon the Islands

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In stating to you the high value we set upon the annexation of the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon to the interests of Great Britain, we do not wish to urge you to make any efforts to which the forces under your command may not be deemed adequate – we are convinced of your ability to execute whatever may be thought practicable, of your Zeal in the Service of your Country, and of the Ardour and Discipline of the Troops under your Command; and therefore, altho' no larger force could have been spared, consistently with the Security of the Company's possessions upon the Coast, we have the most sanguine expectations, from the exertions we are satisfied will be made, either for the Protection of the Dutch, should the Orders of the Prince Stadtholder be obeyed by the Government of Colombo, or for their Subjection, if it should be necessary to resort to force. With a view to the attainment either of the former or latter of these objects, you will forward one of the enclosed letters to the King of Candia, translations of which are transmitted for your information; and we would impress upon your mind that, whatever may be the issue of the present contest, a favorable result to your application to him, may eventually be of Importance to

Colonel Floyd has been Acquainted that any orders from you to the Officer commanding his Majesty's

2009 Fort St. George 21st July 1795 —

Copy of a letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart Governor of Fort St. George to the King of Candia 19th July 1795

Letter to the King of Candia — inviting him to enter into a Treaty of Alliance with the English Company — to be forwarded should the Dutch decline the protection of the English, and make resistance to Francomake —

To a King, enlightened as you are, it cannot be necessary to State the Power of the English, or the irresistable effect of their Arms — or to impress upon your mind how much they are distinguished for Valour, Discipline and Generosity, as well as the strictest Fidelity in all their engag- -ements with foreign Princes — Persuaded that you are well acquainted with these circumstances, I am convinced you will understand the value of an alliance with so great a — nation — and, in offering to enter into a treaty with you for that purpose, I can have little doubt of your cordially embracing so auspicious an opportunity —

I am not ignorant of the oppressions you, and your Ancestors have suffered from the Dutch Nation; or of the Bold, tho' ineffectual Struggles, you have made for their expulsion from your Country. The period, however, is at last — arrived, when relief is within your reach, not only from the Severities your People have long sustained, but protection and assistance is offered you, against Calamities greater than any you have ever experienced —

The Dutch have recently entered into an alliance with the French Nation, who are preparing

Throughout —

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Through their means, to spread their dangerous principles even to these Seas, They have already overturned the Government of Holland, and have forced the Prince of Orange, the lawful Sovereign of that Country to take shelter in England, where he has found a Protector in our King — They are preparing to send a force to Ceylon, where their first efforts would be directed against your Majesty, not only to destroy your Power, but possibly to take away your Life, as they have done — that of their own King — Their enmity is against all — Crowned Heads — and that Splendid Crown which adorns your Majesty's Brow, and which you wear with so much Dignity, would be an early object of their destructive attention

To save your People from such a misfor- =tune, and to prevent the French from obtaining possession of so great a Kingdom, a large Force has been sent by the Government entrusted to my charge, against the Dutch Settlements, on the Island of Ceylon — but as we look to the friendship of your Majesty as an object of great impor- =ortance, and as we consider our future interests so closely connected with your's, particular orders have been given — that our Military Operations should on no Account extend beyond the Settlements of the Dutch, and that no other part of your Kingdom should be molested or attacked, except

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19th July 1795

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That which the Dutch have rendered Subject to their Power.

Having so far communicated to your Majesty my Sentiments upon this interesting Subject, it only remains for me to propose to you, that a Treaty should immediately be entered into between the English and your Majesty, for the purpose of effecting a perpetual alliance of Friendship between the two Nations; and by the authority vested in me as Governor of Madras, I shall accordingly appoint a Gentleman of high Rank in the English Service, with full Powers to settle the terms of it with your Majesty - and have particularly to recommend that it be concluded as speedily as possible, as it must be evident to a Person of your Majesty's Discernment, that the Mutual advantages expected to be derived, in the first instance, from a fortunate termination to this business, may greatly depend on its expeditious accomplishment.

Permit me to request your Majesty would order your People to supply the Troops at Trincomale with Provisions for which they will receive payment, and that you will lose no time in facilitating the Journey of the Person I propose sending to your Majesty's Durbar, - He will wait your Highness's Command

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Commands at Trincomale,— and I am to desire you would give directions for his being informed of them accordingly

What can I say more—

[Signed] Hobart.

Copy of a Letter from the Right Honorable Lord Hobart Governor of Fort St. George to the King of Candia

19th July 1795.

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2014 Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

It only remains for me to propose to you that a Treaty should immediately be entered into between the English and your Majesty, for the purpose of effecting a perpetual alliance of Friendship between the two Nations; and by the au- authority vested in me as Governor of Madras, I have appo- -inted a Gentleman, of high Rank in the English Service, with full Powers to settle the terms of it with your Majesty- - and have particularly to recommend that it be concluded as speedily as possible, as it must be evident to a Person of your Majesty's discernment, that the mutual advan- -tages to be derived, in the first instance, from a fortunate termination to the business, may greatly depend on its ex- expeditious accomplishment.

Permit me to request your Majesty would order your People to Supply the Troops at Trincomalé with provisions, for which they will receive payment; and that you will lose no time in facilitating the Journey of the Person I propose sending to your Majesty's Durbar, who will wait your commands at Trincomalé and I am to request you would give directions for his being infor- -med of them accordingly.

What can I say more?

(Signed) Hobart.

2015

Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

To Major Archibald Brown

Commanding the Expedition to Malacca &c

Sir,

To Major Brown. Instructions on Sundry Points connected with his Command of the Expedition to Malacca

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to desire that you will take the earliest opportunity of sending to the Presidency such European Troops as you may find at Malacca in the pay of the Batch Republic; for their removal from thence is of equal im[portance], whether they are to be considered as Prisoners of War, or as having entered into the Service of his Majesty; and in case there should be any probability of your being able to effect this [purpose] at an early day, you are at liberty to detain one of the Transports for the purpose, taking care that the Company be put to as little expence as possible under this head.— As a distant arrangement for the conveyance of those Troops must be provided for hereafter; and, if this should happen, the President in Council would hope that his Majesty's Naval Commander will be able to afford assistance, should any Sudden Service arise. Whatever Stipulations you may enter into with the Dutch Troops, must be particularly Stated to his Lordship &c

I have the honor to enclose an abstract of the terms on which the Transports are engaged &c

Pro.

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In the event of your being under the necessity of Reducing the Dutch Settlements at Malacca by Force, you will of course direct your enquiries so as to obtain accurate information in respect to the Revenue, the disposition of the Natives, either with respect to their attachment to the Dutch, or their inclination to become Subjects of Great Britain, the Produce of the Country, and its commerce, with such other matters as may appear to you necessary for the information of Government.

You are already authorized, by the G.O. of the 14th. instant, to continue the allowance of Rice, Dholl &c. to the Native Troops during the time you may be of opinion it will be necessary;- but his Lordship expects that this allowance should cease, so soon as the Troops are established at their intended Stations, when the allowance of half a Seer of Rice p. day, as granted to the Native Troops during the late Mysore war, is to commence.

The President in Council has directed me to express the sanguine expectations he entertains of a successfull issue to the expedition entrusted to your charge. From your known Zeal, and experience as an Officer, and he relies with the most perfect confidence on your effecting every object attainable by the Troops under your command.

I am

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Secy

P. S.

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19th July 1795.

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P.S. I am directed to enclose, under a flying Seal, a letter for the Governor of Prince of Wales's Island; and to desire you will communicate confidentially with him on every point that may appear to you requisite for his information

To the Governor of Malacca.

Sir

To the Governor of Malacca requiring him to deliver up the Settlements under his Government to the British Forces Agreeably to orders [enclosed] from the Stadtholder and acquainting him that Force will be used in the Event of his Disobedience thereto

I have the Honor to acquaint you, that I have received orders from the Directors of the Honorable the East India Company to carry into execution in concert with the Officers commanding the Naval and Land Forces in India, such measures as may appear necessary to prevent the ill effects apprehended on Account of the late Success of the French in Holland, from extending to this Country, and for this purpose, the Prince Stadtholder, who has been obliged to take Refuge in Great Britain, has transmitted a Letter for you, through His Majesty's Secretary of State, which will be delivered herewith; and, as it contains the orders of His Serene Highness for putting the Dutch Settlements under your Government, under the Protection of His Majesty, I am persuaded there will be no Difficulty on your part in paying immediate obedience to them, in order that such Colonies or Possessions of, upon the condition of their being restored to the

Republics

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Republic at the Conclusion of a general Peace, by which its Independence, and its constitution, as guaranteed in 1787. shall be maintained and secured &c

I have the Satisfaction to acquaint you, that the Officers commanding the naval and land Forces, have His Majesty's orders to cultivate the Friendship and good will of the Inhabitants, who may thus be placed under his Royal Protection; and to convince them of His Majesty's Disposition to grant them such Indulgences and Immun=-nities as can, consistently with the general Interests of the Empire, be extended to them; and that it is His Majesty's Intention that their Laws and Customs should not be infringed, nor fresh Taxes or Duties imposed; relying, however, that an proper Provision will be made for defraying the Expence of the internal Government of the Settlement, I am also to inform you, that it is His Majesty's gracious Intention, that the internal Trade of the Inhabitants shall be entirely free, and that Permission will be granted them to trade to and from the English Company's Possessions in the East Indies, with the same advantages as the Subjects of the most favored nation; and that whilst the Settlem=-ents under your Government shall continue in His Ma=-jesty's Possession, the Inhabitants will be treated in the most favorable manner, and will be admitted to a full

and &c

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and free use of all the commercial advantages of which the Situation and Circumstances of the Settlement will admit; and with a view to give every Proof of His Majesty's desire to render the Situation of the Inhabitants as Satisfactory as possible, he has directed that the Officers of your Government should be left in the full and free possession of their employments, until his Majestys pleasure shall be known - with respect to the European Corps serving under your Government, his Majesty has been graciously pleased to authorize that, it should be proposed to them, to be taken into the pay of Great Britain, and engaged for his Service, on the terms on which they are now employed -

Having made this Communication, it is my duty to apprize you that if, contrary to his Majesty's expectations, resistance should be made to deliver up the several Places and Settlements under your Government, the Officers commanding the Naval and Land Forces have the express commands of the King to take possession of them by Force, in his Majesty's Name, a measure, which being the result of a disregard to the orders of the Prince Stadtholder, will render

You,

2020 Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

You, and those who may be concerned with you, responsible for the consequences.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Fort St. George
19th July 1795.

(Signed) Hobart.

To the Governor General
of Batavia.

Sir.

To the Governor General of Batavia – Mr. Macdonald entrusted with a letter to his address from the Stadtholder requiring him to admit the British Troops into the Settlements under his Authority in order to protect them against the Invasion of the French.

I have the Honor to acquaint you, that I have received orders from the Directors of the Honorable the East India Company, to carry into execution, in concert with the Officers Commanding the Naval and Land Forces in India, such measures as may appear necessary to prevent the ill effects apprehended on account of the late Successes of the French in Holland, from extending to this Country; and for this purpose, the Prince Stadtholder, who has been obliged to take refuge in Great Britain, has transmitted a Letter for you, through His Majesty's Secretary of State, which will be delivered herewith; and, as it contains the orders of His Serene Highness for putting the Dutch Settlements under your Government, under the Protection of His Majesty, I am persuaded there will be no difficulty on your part, in paying immediate Obedience to them, in order that such Colonies or Settlements may be protected against the Enemy.

And

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and held Possession of, upon the condition of their being restored to the Republic, at the Conclusion of a general Peace, by which its Independence and its Constitution, as guaran=teed in 1787, shall be maintained and secured.—

I have the satisfaction to acquaint you, that the Officers commanding the naval and land Forces, have His Majesty's orders to cultivate the Friendship and good will of the Inhabitants, who may thus be placed under his Royal Protection; and to convince them of His Majesty's Disposition to grant them such Indulgences and Immunities as can consistently with the general interests of the Empire be extended to them; and that it is His Intention that their Laws and Customs should be infringed, nor fresh Taxes or Duties imposed for defraying however, that proper Provision will be made for the Settlement, the Expence of the internal Government of the Country.

I am also to inform you, that it is His Majesty's gracious Intention, that the internal Trade of the Inhabitants of shall be entirely free, and that Permission will be granted them to trade to and from the English Comptoirs in the East Indies, with the same advantages as the Subjects of the most favored nation; and that whilst the Settlements under your Government shall continue in His Majesty's Possession, the Inhabitants will be treated

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In the most favorable manner, and will be admitted to a full and free use of all the commercial advantages of an which the situation and Circumstances of the Settlement will admit; and, with a view to give every Proof of his Majesty's desire to render the situation of the Inhabitants as satisfac=tory as possible, he has directed that the Officers of your own Government should be left in the full and free Possession of their Employments, until His Majesty's Pleasure shall be known;- With respect to the European Corps serving under your Government, His Majesty has been graciously pleased to Authorize that it should be proposed to them, to be taken into the Pay of Great Britain, and engaged for his Service, on the Terms on which they are now employed.

Mr. Macdonald, who is recently arrived from Europe, and who will have the honor of delivering this Letter, will be able to state many particulars which could not properly be introduced into a Public Despatch; and, I trust, will be able to enter into explan=ations which may prove to you the wisdom and expedi=ency of complying with the orders of the Stadtholder.

Permit me to assure you that it will convey the most sincere satisfaction to my mind, if, under circumstances of serious difficulty and embarrassment,

Such

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Such measures can be pursued as will prevent that cordial intercourse which has so happily subsisted between our respective Nations from being totally interrupted; and that, by an adherence to those principles upon which it has been established, the Constitution of the United States, as guaranteed in 1787, notwithstanding a temporary suspension, shall be maintained under the Government committed to your particular charge.

Thus, in preserving your fidelity and allegiance to the Prince Stadtholder, you may eventually render the most essential Services to your Country, and prevent that ruin from extending itself to the valuable possessions confided to you, with which the United States are imminently threatened, by the introduction of that levelling and destructive system, which the Policy and necessities of the French compel them to impose, wherever their arms are successful.

Should you have any communications to make upon this subject, I shall be happy to receive them properly authorized by you for that purpose on a notification of your sentiments by Mr. Macdonald.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Hobart

Fort St. George
16th July 1795.

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To Major Macdonald

Sir

To Mr. Macdonald appointing him on the Embassy to the Governor General of Batavia

In consequence of the communications which have passed between the Right Honorable the President and you, on the Subject of the important dispatches recently brought by you from Europe, it has been determined to make use of your Services to forward the letter from the Prince of Orange to the Government General at Batavia, and to furnish you with a letter from Lord Hobart to the Governor General, intimating the gracious intention of his Majesty towards the Dutch Settlements, in the event of the Persons acting in the Government of them, being disposed to accept such protection —

Any particular instructions that may be necessary for your Guidance will be given to you by Lord Hobart —

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant.

Fort St. George
19th July 1795.

Signed W. C. Jackson Secy

To

2025 Fort St. George 25th. July 1795.

To Philip Mannington Esqr.

Governor of Prince of Wales's Island &c.

Sir.

To the Governor of Prince of Wales's Island advising him of the Expedition fitted out against Malacca and referring him to Major Brown for particulars relative to the Political State of Affairs regarding the Dutch &c.

We Judge it necessary to acquaint you that in Consequence of instructions lately received from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors for placing the Dutch Settlements in India under his Majesty's protection, we have fitted out an Expedition for Malacca, deeming the early acquisition of that important place to be of the most important consequences to the Security of the Eastern Trade &c.

Major Brown, the Officer in Command of the expedition, will have the honor of delivering this letter, and we refer you to him for such information as you may be desirous of obtaining with respect to the intentions of his Majesty regarding the Dutch Settlements &c.

We feel ourselves assured that you will readily afford Every assistance that Major Brown may stand in need of; on his Arrival at Prince of Wales's Island &c.

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Holbart

&c. Council.

Fort St. George
19th July 1795 &c.

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The President lays before the Board the follo-
-owing articles of Capitulation for the Surrender of Pulicat
transmitted to his Lordship by Mr. Macleod

Articles of Capitulation for the Surrender of Pulicat and its Depen-
-dencies to his Britannick Majesty

Articles of Capitulation by the underwrit-
-ten Governor and Council, on the part of the General Netherlands East India Company, on account of their inability to defend their possessions, on the Summons made by the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, Governor and President of Fort St. George, according to the Resolution of the 10th and 16th Instant, proposed to the Right Honorable Lord Hobart Governor in Council at Fort St. George by which it is agreed to deliver over Pulicat and its dependencies to the Power and aut-
-hority of his Britannick Majesty

Article 1st

Approved

That an exact Inventory of all Public Property in Fort Geldria at Pulicat, as it stands on the 15th Instant, shall be delivered to the British Commissary, and the said Public Property delivered over, accord-
-ing to the above Inventory, to the Gentleman Appointed

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Approved

Appointed by the Government of Madras to receive it, the said Gentleman granting his Receipt for the same.

Article 2.

That all Books, Charters, Letters and other Papers belonging to the Honorable Dutch E. I. Company shall, as a Holy deposiatum, not be removed from Pulicat but carefully kept distinct in the different departments to which they belong, in the charge of the present Chiefs or Heads of those departments for the reasons mentioned in the following Article.

Article 3.

As there is much arrear of business in the Offices, especially in that of Trade and in the Pay books of this Factory, since the Year 1792/3, and the Gentlemen of the Dutch Service shall be allowed to bring up that arrear to the present day; and it is requested, as an indulgence to our Governor, that he may send the annual Books Statements &c. to us

Agreed that attested Copies of such Books &c. be sent to Europe and Batavia but that the originals remain at Pulicat subject to the Inspection of the Government of Fort St. George

Europe

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Europe and Batavia as opportunities
may occur.

Article 4th.

Agreed. The Garrison, which consists of
75 Sepoys, as also their Native Officers,
are not to be Prisoners of War, but may
be dismissed and permitted to deliver over
their Arms and Accoutrements to their
Commanding Officer who will deliver
the same to the British Commissary.

Article 5th.

Leave will be granted (unless under particular Circumstances) by the Government of Madras, to the Dutch Company's Servants, and free Merchants, to go to Europe or elsewhere, but any allowances by way of Subsistance must cease from the period of that Permission being granted.

The Governor and Council of Batticat wishes to be favored with an Explanation whether the Dutch Company's Servants, who, by the present Arrangement, are deprived of their Employs, and other private Gentlemen, such as free Merchants &ca. under their Jurisdiction, tho' not in the Service, are to be considered as free Subjects of the States General, and at Liberty to go elsewhere, even to Europe, if they please, or is it expected they should apply to the Government of Madras for that Purpose.

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Purpose, It is proposed also that, on account of the Governor Council and other Servants of the Dutch Company being deprived of their pay and Emolu=ments a subsistance shall be granted to them ——

Article 6th

As proved.

That all the said Company's Servants, subjects, and other Inhabitants of Pulicat, and its Subordinate Company's factories, Natives as well as Europeans shall retain the Rights of Possession of their Private Property, of every desc=ription, without being molested in any manner whatever ——

Article 7th

Whatever may be done upon this Article must be subject for Future Consideration - It cannot be admitted as a part of the Capitulation ——

That all the said Servants and others under the Government of Pulicat shall be granted permissions to trade on equal terms and enjoy the same Im=munities as his Brittanick Majesty's Subjects in India ——

Article 8

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Article 8th

Agreed - but liable to the Controul of Government,

The Cash belonging to the Orphans, and that which the Vestry has charge of, for the consistory, being money collected by Private Charity, shall of course, be considered as Private Property, and should remain under the administration of those to whom they have been entrusted.

Article 9th

When the Information is given, Government will determine

The above consistorial Fund having been found insufficient to maintain the Widows, and other indigent persons, proper objects of that Charity, The Dutch Company have, ever since the 1st January last, Contributed to their support Pagodas 37½ P.r Month, the objects of the above Charitable donation are strongly recommended to the Humanity of the British Government, proper Information will be given of the particulars of the situation of those poor people.

Article 10th

Approved.

The exercise of divine Service, such as has hitherto prevailed in the Dutch.

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Dutch, Portuguese, and Malabar Churches, shall be permitted to be performed in the usual places ~

Article 11th.

Untie the Hinge ~ pleasure be known ~

That all Civil Causes shall be decided according to the Dutch Laws, and Regulations of the Dutch Company, by the same Gentlemen who now compose the Court of Civil Judicature ~

Article 12th.

As proved ~

The Vendumaster, Curator ~ Adlites*, and Sequestrator Φ, do keep their Right to Summon before the above Court, and proceed, as by law directed, against all who are deficient in payeng the ~ Cash belonging to their respective Depar-tments, and the said Court shall have every protection and support from the British Government, in the execution of their lawful functions ~

Article

* That is, administrator to the Estates of such Company's Servants as die intestate ~

Φ That is the person with whom Sums in dispute are deposited, and who administers to those ~ who die insolvents ~

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Approved

Article 13th.

The Secretary of the Political Department, as also his deputy, in the capacity of Sworn Clerk and Secretary of the above Court, should be continued in the Exercise of his Office of Notary and that the same be granted to the Secretaries, or other authorized persons on the Subordinate factories.

Approved

Article 14th.

The publick Notarial deeds already entered, registered or passed by the abovementioned Officer on behalf of Individuals, for their safety and Security should remain as Secret documents that Offices are trusted with, and of which deeds no person may require an Inspection or Copy, except in cases in which the Sovereign or Magistrates are concerned, whose Commands, as well as those of the above Civil Court, the Notary is to obey.

Unnecessary and inadmissible

Article 15th.

The Company's Interpreter named

Mandelelum Vencatachellum

Naig

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Naig Bramen Named Coupiah, and Merchants not subject to any other Jurisdiction but that of the Dutch Company / consequently not Amenable to the Nabobs Court or to that of his Dewan / should be entitled to the Privileges mentioned in the 4th Article 6th and 7th and the two former do keep their usual Wages, or shall receive a subsistence, as Serving both for the Affairs of the Dherbar, and for the Explanation of the Dutch Company's Rights and Privileges, the custom and usages at Pulicat, in case any dispute should happen about them with the Nabobs Dewan here.—

Article 16th

This will be a subject of arrangement between the British Government and the Nabob of the Carnatic —

The duties of Pulicat collected by the Nabob, of which the Dutch Company are entitled to a share, as not paid up by him to a later date than the 31st of August 1794, therefore this Arrear, and what is further to be collected, shall be duly paid to the British Commissary, —

Article

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Article 17th.

The Company's Villages Erikan Mangewauk and Aureuauk, as also the pieces of ground named Ramaterayi being Publickly rented once every three Years were, on the 1st. September 1704 rented to ... for the Sum of 185 Star Pagodas P.a. Annum, for which Amount he is to be yearly responsible, and it is further that the above farm, given on the faith of the Dutch Company, should be continued to the said Renter He payeng his Rent to the British Government.

The suggestion will be attended to but cannot be admitted as an Article of the Capitulation.

Article 18th.

To the Chiefs of Dutch Companys factories on the Coast of Coromandel shall be sent a Copy of these Articles, and they shall be directed to draw out their Capitulation and deliver over their factories &c. on the terms herein stipulated.

Agreed

Article 19th.

And to prevent all misunderstanding, and to insure the punctual performance of these conditions, the above Articles.

Agreed.

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Articles to be written twice on Dutch, and twice in English, and signed by and delivered to the Contracting parties on both sides.—

Pulicat the 16th July 1795.

(Signed) J. Lebart. „ Jacob Elbracht

„ Edw.d Saunders. „ P.k W.m Bloeme.

E.W. Fallofield. „ H.m Hasz.

„ I. Hunter Vyscher.

(A true Copy.)

(Signed) Danl. Ince

Depty Secty.

Counterparts of the Articles of Capitulation to be interchanged with the Government of Pulicat.—

Ordered that the articles, with the observations thereon, be now signed, and that one Copy in English and Dutch be retained in the Office, and the other transmitted to Mr. Macleod at Pulicat with the following letter.—

To

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Fort St. Geor. 21st. July 1795.

To Mr. Alexander Macleod.

Sir.

Letter to Mr. Macleod — inclosing the Articles of Capitulation executed by this Government — His Conduct in the Accomplishment of the objects of his Mission approved.

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to transmit you herewith the Articles of Capitulation Duly executed by this Government, and to desire you would, in consequence, receive Charge of all the Public Property, conformably to the Stipulations expressed in the Capitulation — and, in a few Days, an Officer, with a proper guard, will be sent to take possession of the Fort.

On this occasion His Lordship desires me to convey to you his Entire approbation of your Conduct Conduct and the Zealous exertions you have manifested in accomplishing the object of your Mission.

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

Fort St. George
21st. July 1795.

Read the following letter from Bengal.

To

2037 Fort St. George 21st. July 1795.—

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Bengal, Commu-nicating their opinion of the Measures that should be adopted in consequence of the late Dispatches from the Secret Committee and Secretary for the War Department relative to the Dutch Settle-ments in India &c.

Although we have no doubt that the dispatches which we have received from the Right Honor-able Secretary of State and Secret Committee of the Court of Directors have also reached you, and that your Lordship has adopted the necessary measures for carrying into execu-tion the instructions contained in them, we deem it, nevertheless, our Duty to communicate to you, without loss of Time, our Sentiments, upon the measures to be immedi-ately pursued in consequence of the advices, copies of which in cypher are herewith transmitted to you, As the possession of Trincomale is an object of the utmost importance, it is our Opinion that an attempt should be made to Secure it with all possible expedition; we request therefore that you will Communicate this Opinion to the Commanding Officer of his Majesty's Ships in India, and, unless he should be decidedly of Opinion that the force under his command is inadequate to the attempt, we recommend that it be undertaken with the least possible loss of Time. We are aware that the Season of the Year is not the most

Favorable

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Favorable for the expedition, but the necessity of the earliest
prosecution of it is too urgent to allow it to be protracted on account
of any difficulties which are not insurmountable. Of the Military
Force required for this Service, we are not qualified to Judge, but
we are of opinion that it should be Calculated upon a Supposition
of resistance on the part of the Dutch, and allowing for the
greatest presumable number of Troops required: on this Supp=
=osition we do not Perceive that the detachment of them can be
attended with any danger to the Company's Posessions
Under your Authority. The enclosed papers will point out to you
the mode of proceeding, which is substantially this; that invit=
=ation and requisition are to be made, in the name of the Stadt=
=holder, to deliver over the posession of the Settlement to the
British Troops, on trust for the Dutch, and that refusal or re=
=sistance is to be overcome by force, it is Superfluous to add, as
what the instructions point out, that every mode of concil=
=iatory invitation should precede the employment of Force or
the Intimation of a determination to have Recourse to it.; we
perceive that the Bombay Government, or their Officers, in cons=
=equence of the discretionary Powers vested in them by the letter
from the Secretary of State, may have detained and forwarded
the orders of the Stadtholder to the Dutch Governors and com=
=manding Officers: of this they have not informed us, nor
have We received the orders referred to, but last any Embarassment
Arising:

2039 Fort St. George 25th July 1795.

Arising from the want of them Should induce you to hesitate
in making the attempt to secure possession of Trincomalee
we think it proper to declare our opinion that, if the expedition
can be prosecuted, with a probability of Success, independent
of this Circumstance, it should not be deferred on this Account,
and that the deficiency be Supplied, as far as possible, by the
aids and assurances of your Government, to the full Extent
of the instructions the Secretary of State, in Conjunction
with those of the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships, you will
not hesitate to engage any Country * either for the transportation of
the Troops or otherwise as you may deem necessary to assist
in the expedition. We further request your particular Attention
-tion to the means pointed out by the Secretary of State for en-
engaging the foreign Troops in the pay of the Dutch Republic
- We Conclude you will have anticipated our Request in the
Event of Commodore Rainiers absence from Madras, to dispa-
-atch a Vessel for the express purpose of Communicating
to him the advices received. Although you may not think
it prudent to detach a force from your Presidency sufficient
for the Subjection of all the Dutch Settlements on the
Island of Ceylon, in the event of disobedience on their
part of the Governors and Commanders to the orders of

The

* The word omitted - perhaps Ships

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The Prince Stadtholder, they ought to be invited and required, in conformity to those orders, to place themselves under the protection of the King of Great Britain —

It is scarcely necessary to call your your Attention to the instructions of the Secret Committee with regard to the Dutch Settlements of Sumatra Java and Batavia —

We have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Shore.
" Robt Abercromby
" P. Speke.
" Wm Cowper.

Fort William
21st July 1795

Resolved that the following answer be returned —

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

Honble Sir,

We have been honored with your letter of the 6th instant with Copies of the dispatches from the Right Honble the Secretary of State and Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, and are happy to observe that we had, in every essential point, anticipated your Orders with respect

To

Reply to the foregoing letter from Bengal enclosing Copies of all the Material Correspondence and Papers that have passed relative to the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca, & Mr. M.Donald's Mission to the Supreme Government of Batavia, and Mr. Andrews's Embassy to the King of Candia —

2041 Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

To the important Matter detailed in those dispatches

Our letter to you of the 7th Instant, with the postscript of the 10th will fully explain the Measures we have adopted in consequence of his Majestys intentions towards the Dutch Settlements in India, and if we have not exactly followed the line which you have been pleased to prescribe, we trust, that the reasons we have to offer will be a Sufficient Justification of our Conduct in the trifling deviation upon which we are now to speak —

You observe, that "it were Superfluous "to add what the instructions point out, that every Mode of "Conciliatory invitation Should precede the employment "of force, or the intimation of a determination to have "Recourse to it" our Presidents letter to Mr. Van Angelbeek, a Copy of which was transmitted with our letter to you of the 7th Instant the letter itself having been dispatched to Columbo Several days before we were honored with your Commands / Contains an almost exact transcript of the Orders of the Minister for the War Department to Sir Robert Abercromby, in regard to the Arguments to be used for the purpose of inducing the Dutch Governors and Commanders to place the Settlements in India belonging to the States General under his Majestys protection - and our Presidents Motive for intimating to

Mr. Van Angelbeek

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Mr. Van Angelbeek, that force would be employed, agreeable to the express Commands of the King, if Contrary to his Majestys expectations, resistance were Made, arose purely from a desire to Obviate the probability of Affording to the Government of Columbo an opportunity of lengthening the Negociation until Succours could be thrown into Trincomale, or possibly, until the Arrival of the Enemy's Fleet upon the Coast might altogether defeat the Object of the expedition – if the Communi-cation to Columbo had not gone beyond the Simple invitation and requisition, in the name of the Stadtholder, for delivering over the possession of the Settlements on the Island of Ceylon to the British Troops, there would have been an Opening for Soliciting explanations which would unavoidably have Created Considerable delay, and perhaps have led to the ruin of the undertaking – We have indeed the example before us of a very great probability that the Dutch Government of Ceylon will not Acknowledge the Authority of the Prince of Orange, for a positive denial of his Serene Highness's right to issue any Order independent of the States General and the Dutch East India Company has been formally announced to us by the Government of Batticaa, who have given a prefe-rence to the Surrender of the places under their Authority upon Articles of Capitulation, to all the Advantages that were to have followed an acquiescence in the Stadtholder's Orders –

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It is possible, however, that a different line of Conduct may be Observed by the Government of Columbo – But whatever May be their determination we are impressed with the Strongest Conviction of the propriety and Necessity, at this Critical Juncture, of guarding against the danger of delay – and as every mode of Conciliatory invitation has been had recourse to on our Presidents Letter to Mr. Van Angelbeek, we are sanguine in our expectations that the intimation of the Consequences that would result from a disregard to the Orders of the Prince Stadtholder, will rather accelerate a decision in our favor, than Operate to retard the Object in view – a Consideration of these Circumstances, will, we feel Assured, be Sufficient to Justify our Conduct with you and Convinced of the essential advantages that would be Obtained by an intercourse of friendship with the King of Candia / whether we are under the necessity of resorting to force against the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon, or that the possession of them be peaceably surrendered According to the Orders of the Stadtholder / our President has addressed two Letters to the King offering to enter into a treaty of Alliance with him: these Letters / of which copies are enclosed for your

Information –

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Information, have been given in Charge to Colonel Stuart, with Orders to use either of them, as the event may happen with respect to the Manner of our Obtaining possession of Trincomalee.

It is our intention to Appoint Mr. Robert Andrews, a Civil Servant of high Rank and respectable Character, to Settle the Terms of the treaty with the King of Candia in person; and he will embark in a few days on the Company's Ship the Royal Admiral, which Arrived here on the 18th. Instant, for Trincomalee.

Altho' the instructions with which we have been furnished by you make no Mention of the Settlement of Malacca, Yet, as we had come to the determination of sitting out an Expedition for that place at the Suggestion of our President who had Communicated with Commodore Rainier on the Subject, and had Obtained his cheerful Concurrence, we did not think we Should be Justified, because of your Silence, in relinquishing an Object of such Serious Moment to the Security of our Eastern Trade. The Commodore indeed when the plan was Submitted to him by Lord Hobart, expressed so decided an Opinion of the Propriety of it, that we can have no doubt of your Approbation.

We have great pleasure in acquainting You.

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You that the embarkation of the Troops Ordnance and Stores for the two Expeditions was Completed yesterday and that the Fleet Sailed from hence this Morning—

We have the honor to enclose for your information, copys of a letter we have Written to the Commodore, and Copies of our instructions to Blonee Stuart and Major Brown, the Officers Commanding the expeditions We also trouble you with Copy of the letter from the Government of Pulicat, in reply to the invitation and requisition for delivering over the Dutch Possessions on the Coast of Coromandel to the British Troops, with copy of our reply, and of the Articles of Capitulation—

We advised you in our letter of the 7th. instant of our intention to send Major Macdonald to Batavia with the Prince of Orange's letter to the Government of that place— this intention we have resolved to Carry into execution, and herewith transmit a Copy of Lord Hobart's letter to the Governor General of Batavia, and also Copy of his Lordship's letter to Governor of Malacca—

We have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Hobart

&c. Council

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No.		Dates
1	Letter to the Honble the Governor General in Council,	21 July 1795
2	Copy of a letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart to the King of Candia to be forwarded by Colonel Stuart, in case the Dutch admit the British Troops into Trincomalee, in consequence of the orders of the Prince of Orange - - - -	19 Ds. Ds.
3	Copy of a letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart to the King of Candia, to be forwarded by Colonel Stuart to the King of Candia, in case the Dutch make resistance and that Trincomalee is reduced by force or that the orders of the Prince of Orange be disregarded	Ds. Ds. Ds.
4	Copy of a letter to his Excellency Commodore Rainier	Ds. Ds. Ds.
5	Abstract of the Terms on which the Transports employed on the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca have been engaged / alluded to in the Letter to Commodore Rainier - -	
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Copy.

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7. Copy of a letter to Major Archibald Bowen Comm. Dates.
-anding the Expedition to Malacca ..... D.D.D.

8 Copy of a letter from the Governor of Pulicat .... 10th July 1795

9 Copy of a letter to the Government of Pulicat / in
reply to the above ..... 14 D.D.

10 Copy of the Articles of Capitulation for the
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11 Copy of a letter from the Right Honble Lord
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signed W. C. Jackson
Sec.

Read the following abstract of Terms
on which the several Transports for the two Expedi-
-itions have been engaged ---

Abstract ---

For Trincamallie

Ships	Burden	How long taken up by the Company	at what Rate	When Payable	If Captured by the Enemy	If lost by any accident or by reason of any risque save that of the War	Penalty	Date of Charter parties.
	Tons							
Catherine	1000	6 Weeks certain and after that 12 Weeks certain, and if after that 12 Weeks certain	At the rate of four Pagodas per Ton per Month	The first six Weeks in advance afterwards at the expiration of the periods for which she may be employed	The Company Covenant not to remburse the amount Value of the Ship as estimated by the owners being Pagodas 35,000	At the loss and Hazard of the owner	30,000 Pags.	12th July 1795
Mary	320	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto 9.000	Ditto	10,000 Pags.	10th Do. Do.
Vigilant	300	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto 8.000	Ditto	10,000 do. do.	10 Do. Do.
York	200	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto 4.500	Ditto	10,000 do. do.	10 Do. Do.
Jamalle	100	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto 3.225.36.20.	Ditto	8,000 do. do.	13 Do. Do.
* Gloucester	420	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto	Ditto 16.923.335.	Ditto	20,000 do. do.	20 Do. Do.

For Malacca

Ships	Burden	How long taken up for the Company	At what rate	When payable	Date of Charter Party	If lost by any Accidents or by reason of any risques save that of War	Penalty	To be discharged at Madras but if discharged at Malacca	If discharged at a further distance from Madras than Malacca
	Tons								
Eiser	600	6 Weeks certain if detained longer than the Company agree to pay ₹ 77.28.63 per diem so long as she shall be employed by the Company	₹ 77.28.63	For the first six Weeks in advance afterwards at ₹ 77.28.63 per diem so long as she shall be employed by the Company	8th July 1795	At the loss and hazard of the owner	20,000 Pags.	One Months freight to be paid by the Company at the rate of ₹ 77.28.63 per diem	To be paid at the like rate per diem for so many days as it would take to sail the Ships to the roads of Madras from the place of her discharge the season of the year considered
Anne	150	Ditto at the rate of 20 Pagodas per diem	20 Pagodas per diem	Ditto	7th July 1795	Ditto	10,000 Pags.	Ditto at 20 Pags. per diem.	

* The York having been found totally unfit for the Transport Service the Gloucester has been taken up in her Stead

3/10 Advances have been made from the Treasury to the owners of the Several Vessels to the Extent of the Freights for the first Six Weeks according to Charter party

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Advances from the Treasury ordered on account of the Expeditions to Ceylon and Malacca.

Ordered that the Sum of forty Eight Thousand — /48,000/ Pagodas be advanced to the Paymaster to be employed with the expedition to Ceylon — And the Sum of thirty five thousand /35,000/ Pagodas to the Paymaster with the Expedition to Malacca —

Read the following letter from the Government of Columbo —

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart —

Governor &c. Council

Fort St. George

Right Honble Sir & Sirs.

From the Government of Columbo - addressing further Arguments in Support of their Claim to the Exclusive Trade in the Cinnamon Country — and entreating that this Government will not impede the Execution of the long depending Treaty with the Rajah Sreegan Soding the Pearl and Chank Fisheries —

We have had the Honour to receive your letter of the 18th. May and this Serves in Answer to it —

Our letter of the 7th. October last year, Sheweth, that our Company grounded their right to an exclusive Cloth trade on the Coast of Madura, on a Legal possession, and by our subsequent letter of the 21st. March, appears clear, that we did not produce the Treaty with the Rajah of Madura, to make it the principal Document but to oppose the objection you made on your letter of the 14th. February, that no written proofs of our right were extant —

That the Arabob Wallaujah did not obtain

the —

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The Land of Madura by Hereditary Succession, but by Conquest, is true, but that he therefore is not bound by the Law of Nations and Usage of the Indian States, to abide by the obligations entered into by the ancient Princes, when they still were lawful Sovereigns of Madura with other States or Nations we cannot assent to undebated: as the conqueror cannot acquire more than the conquered Enemy possessed at the time the war commenced; and above all, he cannot encroach upon, or Annihilate the right and advantages which a third or Neutral State obtained in a legal manner previous to that War.

The example of the French and Tipoo, is not applicable to our case, for we do not owe our Establishments and Privileges on the Coast of Madura, to the Friendship of the Naicks or Princes of that Country, but to a legal war with the Portuguese, in which they were driven more than One Hundred Years ago from thence, and in which war we also conquered the Sea-ports with all the Privileges and regalia, which they possessed for above a Century on the Coast.

Our Actual possession of those places, the Pearl and Chank Fisheries, our share in the Customs, our Jurisdiction over the Parcuas, and other regalias, are convincing proofs thereof; The French could never have

Alledged

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Alledged such venerable Titles of a Jus quaesitum to Privildges which I Supposed Tipoo had granted thereto.

Moreover we beg Leave to observe here, that in the last war against Tipoo you followed those Just Principles, which ought to prevail over the aforesaid hard System, and, that you really exercised them towards Several Malabar Princes, and in particular towards the Rajah of Cochin, who had entered into a Treaty with the Nabob respecting some Lands situated to the North of the Tovarcone Lines, for your Government did not only respect and confirm this Treaty but also made Use of it as a fundamental to the Treaty concluded with the Rajah; Mr. Jonathan Duncan when he negotiated, as Commissary, in the Year 1793, the new conquests on the Coast of Malabar, and some doubts having arisen respecting the Treaty between the Rajah and Tipoo, the first Signed, who was then Governor of Cochin, did not only, at the desire of Mr. Duncan, give them the necessary Elucidations, but also obtained for him a sight of the original Treaty between the Nabob and the Rajah, in order to adjust the Differences according to it, so that the Equity and Liberality which Characterizes the British Nation was Laudably Annihilated through opposite Practices the

Aforesaid.

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Aforesaid hard Theory of the Law of Nations, and Usage in
between the Indian States —

We did not produce the two Letters of the late
Sir Archibald Campbell to prove therewith, that the
approbation of the Government to the Treaty which was
then only about to be Negociated, was anticipated, but
only to shew that it was with his Knowledge, and by his
advice that we entered into the said Treaty —

We acknowledge, at the same time, that,
in those two Letters, the Pearl and Chank Fisheries are
only mentioned, and, that respecting our Privileges
on the Coast of Madura, no mention is made but this
deficiency we can supply with the Accompanying
Extract of his Letter of the 27th November 1788. by which
he expresses his contentment that the Treaty was
concluded and promises that he would urge the
Nabob to the most rigid performance of all the Articles
contained in the said Treaty —

Against the exception that Sir Archibald
Campbell was not qualified thereto we could allodge
weighty Arguments — Amongst others, that if in this case
he had surpassed the Limits of his Authority the
Confidence which we had and were obliged to place

In

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In him as Governor ought not to tend to the Dis advantage of our Company, but that the English Company should have let remain in full force and value his management as with respect to us, and have had recourse to him for the damages he occasioned your Company thereby; but as we never founded our right on this Treaty, but only alledged it, to shew that this our right had been Acknowledged and confirmed by the Nabob, we need not explain ourselves further respecting this pretended Non qualification, and this we can easily forbear, as you suppose dictated us in the completest manner, this proof that the Nabob acknowledged and confirmed this our right, by declaring that his Highness had Submitted the Treaty to you for your Sanction, but that you most explicitly had disapproved it.

With respect to this disapprobation we could make many weighty observations, as for Instance, That, after that the Nabob had conquered the Country of Madura, we remained in the full possession of our Establishments and the Privileges annexed to them, and that, in all that time, which amounts to above Thirty Years, you never thought to dispute it, or Actually to disturb us therein, and also the Negociation between our Company and the Nabob must have been known, from the beginning, to your Government, as the Governor himself

Proposed.

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Proposed and encouraged it, and an English Gentleman of Distinction carried it on, and that, therefore, in consequence of the alliance between the two Nations, you should directly have informed us that it was contrary to your Interest, but we will rather limit ourselves to this peremptory argument—

That if the English East India Company had been the principal in the war against the Naick of Madura and had conquered his Land for herself, it did not become her to encroach upon the Dutch Company's legal rights, it does now much less, as She cannot produce any other Title than that of the Nabobs Ally—

The reasons you allege for refusing to withdraw the Treaty according to the Nabobs desire, and calling upon him to withdraw his Consent, consists Only herein, that this Treaty was detrimental to the Interests both of the Nabob and the English Company—

Respecting the first, we observe that the Nabob is considerably benefitted by this Treaty, as well by the half in the Pearl and Chank Fisheries on the Coast of Madura as by a greater Quantity of Stones in the Pearl Fishery of Arepo, and that thus the Annihilation of the Treaty will greatly tend to his Prejudice, for he cannot then enjoy those advantages—

Respecting the Second, we observe that

Were—

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Mere Interest alone cannot be a proper reason for wronging &
disturbing one in his legal right, and that by no means
it ought to take place in our present case, as our right
is vindicated in the completest manner by a just Acq-
-uisition in a legal War, and peaceful possession Since,
for above one Hundred and Thirty Years, the explicit
Acknowledgement of the lawful Sovereign of Madura, &
and in particular by the uninterrupted exercise of our
Right during a Period of more than Thirty Years, since
the Nabob conquered Madura &c.

We hope that our Arguments will &
induce Your Lordship and Gentlemen to desist from the
intended trade in the Tinnevelly Country, and to recall
the Servants you sent there for that purpose, and that
you'll no longer impede the Nabob to ratify the last Treaty;
but, in case you shou prefer to have the affair decided in
Europe, we consent to the Conditions you proposed, that
in the mean time, the people employed by you in the
affair, and the Boats laden with Cloths for the English
Company shall not be molested, and that, in the like &
manner no molestation shall be offered to our people; in
Such a case we hope that you'll send our nearest proposition
first, That you will agree that the Aronys or weaving
villages shall be divided Amicably by our respective &
Servants.

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Servants in the Tinnevelly Country, and that nobody shall entice the weavers and washers to quit their weaving looms, to go over from one party to the other, and, above all, that neither the chief Manager of Tinnevelly or his subordinate Managers and other Servants shall trouble or disturb our Merchants, Curators, weavers and washers; this will prevent disputes, which otherwise would be unavoidable between our Servants, and without this precaution, we would draw no benefits from the aforesaid Arrangements, but always would be interrupted and crossed by the Arabobs people —

For this case we request, My Lord and Gentlemen, that you'll please to inform the Nabob, that, as the Treaty remains suspended, he cannot enjoy the Benefits which were promised him thereby, and that in the next Pearl Fishery on the Banks of Aripo or on Manaar, he must content himself with the Ninety Six Stones or Divers, which were formerly allowed him for the use of his Fories —

We have the honour to be with great Esteem
S.S.

(Signed) J. G. van Angelbeek.
" G. van Angelbeek.
" D. C. V. Driberg.
" J. Reintous.
" B. Van Litter.
" Parrtant
" J. Vollenhorn
" A. Ifsendorpe.
" J. G. Hofland

Extract

(A true Translation)

(Signed) P. A. Gaesler
Sworn Translr

(Signed) C. W. Gericke

Columbo
the 30th June 1795

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Extract of a Letter from Sir Archibald Campbell to Governor Van de Graaff &c. &c. Columbo dated Fort St. George 27 November 1788. —

Mr. Buchanan being now returned to Tinnivelly, and entrusted by the Nabob with the charge of his Commercial Concerns in that part of the Country, I have no doubt that all Dealings will be carried on on the most friendly Manner between his Highness and the Subjects of your Station, I shall urge the Nabob to the most rigid performance of all the Articles contained in the late Treaty, so happily concluded in between you; and as it will be for your Mutual Interest to pursue a Line of Moderation and Amity; I flatter myself no Difference can hereafter exist" —

A true Extract

(Signed) A. Gresley

Sworn Transl.r

The foregoing Letter ordered to lie on the Table

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Read the following Letters from the Resident at Hyderabad. —

Sir

No. 2058 Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor and President

&c. &c. &c. in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Resident at Hyderabad with Letter from the Nizam addressed to Mahomed Omeen Arab to be delivered by the Officer who may be appointed to command the Detachment to be sent into the Heerpah Country.

I have the honour, by desire of this Durbar, to transmit a Letter from the Nizam to Mahomed Omeen Khan Arab, the Governor of Heerpah; which it is the wish of his Highness your Lordship would be so good as to dispatch to the Commanding Officer of such Detachment as you shall, in Consequence of the Arrangements stated in my Address of the 30th Ult., have been pleased to post upon the Company's Frontier towards Heerpah, with directions to him to forward it immediately to Mahomed Omeen Khan.

The object of this Step is to open an intercourse between the Company's Commanding Officer in that quarter and Mahomed Omeen Khan, and thereby to facilitate the latter's obtaining such aid from thence, as he may eventually stand in need of, and your Lordship be able to afford.

I have the honour, for the further information of your Lordship, on this head, to inclose a Copy and Translation of his Highness's accompanying Letter.

I shall.

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I shall take care to Arrange with the Durbar for the payment of the Murpah Detachment as soon as I am Apprized of your Lordships Concurrence in the measure which my earnestness to keep Raymonds people at as great a distance as possible from our Frontier, without Subjecting the Company to any extraordinary expence for that purpose, has prompted me to recommend.

I have the honour to &c.

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Kirkpatrick.

Hyderabad
4th July 1795

Translate of Copy of a Letter from his Highness the Nizam to Mahomed Ameen Khan Arab, Aumil of Murpah &c. dated the 9th July 1795.

The Zemindars of Shorrapoor and other contumacious people of the Talooks of Adoni, Raichore, Mungelwerd &c. Talooks in that quarter, have raised the standard of rebellion and are committing depredations and disturbances in the said Mehals, It has therefore been resolved that the Detachment of Mr. Raymonds Infantry at present attached to you, shall be stationed in the abovementioned Talooks.

You are accordingly desired to decide the said Detachment towards that quarter; but the protection and proper Management.

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Management of the Talook of Hurpah &c. being
also necessary, It has therefore been settled with
Captain Kirkpatrick that the Commanders of
the English Troops in the vicinity of Cudgherry
will be written to by Lord Hobart, purporting, that
whenever you may have occasion for more Troops
than you have under your Command, for the
purpose of repelling and chastising Zemindars,
or for settling the Government of the Districts under
your charge, you will send a requisition to them
/ the Commanders of the said English Troops/ whom
they will send you one Battalion, or two Battalions,
according to the force that may be necessary, and, as
far as may be in their power, to execute such ser-
=vice as you may require of them.— For the present I
send the Troops belonging to Mr. Raymond towards
Adoni, and now, or whenever it may be necessary,
summon the English Troops to join you,— what
more shall I write —

/ A true Translation /

/ Signed / W. Stewart

Assistant

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W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Resident at Hyderabad regarding the mode of adjusting the Balance remaining due from the Nizam on account of the Detachment —

I have the honour to enclose, for the notice of Government, Copy and Translate of a letter which I have received from his Highness the Nizam, Authorizing the deduction of the amount balance due on account of the late Ellore Detachment from the Arrears of Pishcush owing by the Company to his Highness —

The Account of the Subsidy is carried down to the 10th. of May, being the day on which The Detachment passed from the Territories of his Highness into those of the Company. — I had inadvertantly charged for the 10 days of May, the sum of 17,904.7 Arcot Rs being one third of the Amount of a Months Subsidy; but on being reminded by the Officers of the Treasury here that the Month of May Consisted of Thirty One days; and that 10. days were Eight hours short of the third of that period; I thought proper to give up the point. The Account was 9 Months 10 days in arrear amounting the sum of five Lacks, seven hundred and twenty seven

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Accot Rupees

Upon receiving from you the necessary acknowledgement for the Amount of the present Off-Set or order, I will apply to this Durbar for a Corresponding Acquittance on Account of the Peish-Cushes

I have the honour to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) Willm. Kirkpatrick

Hyderabad
the 9th July 1795.

Translate of Copy of a Letter from his Highness the Nizam to Captain Kirkpatrick received the 8th July 1795

An order is hereby granted you for the Sum of Rupees five Lacks, Seven hundred and Seventy Seven (Rs. 5,00,777) being the arrears of pay due to the two English Battalions that were serving with my Sircar from the 1st of August 1794 answering to the 5th of Mohurrum 1209 Hyjree on the Account of the Arrears of the annual Peish-Cush for Sunnuds &c. up to the Fuslee year 1204. Therefore forward the said Sum to them and take a proper receipt for the same,- hereafter, agreeably to this letter and Receipt, credit will be given for the Sum above mentioned, in the account of the Peishcush

Then

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The Pay per Month being Rupees
/53.713.5.3/ for Nine Months and ten days the
Sum is Rs. 5,00,727.6.3/ of which the annas and
price being omitted this order is for Rupees 5.00.727.—

What more shall I write.—

The Nizam's signature affixed is the Khyreen
/A true Translation./
Signed/ W. Stewart
Assistant

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from the Resident at Hyderabad

Resolved that Colonel Braithwaite be directed to take the necessary measures for assembling the late Detachment, at Condapilly; and that Major Roberts do receive orders for holding himself prepared to march, at the shortest warning, from that place towards Hyderabad, by such Route as Captain Kirkpatrick may point out.

The Board are under very serious Concern that they cannot take any immediate measures in consequence of the Nizam's application for Stationing a force upon the Company's Frontier towards Nuspah. The Employment of a very considerable part of the Military Establishment on foreign Service, and the Nizam's requisition for two Battalions have hurt this Government already to much Difficulty

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Difficulty, in providing Sufficient Means for its internal defence - and - in fact - there was a necessity for Stopping the Embarkation of One Native Battalion that had been destined for the Expedition to Malacca, If, however, it should be found practicable hereafter to move a force in the direction of Heerpah, the Officer Commanding it will be directed to forward the letter from the Nizam to his Aumil in that quarter -

Ordered that the above be Communicated to Captain Kirkpatrick -

Ordered that the Accountant General be directed to deduct the balance due on Account of the late Detachment Serving with the Nizam from the Arrears of Peishcush due by the Company to his Highness - and that a notification of this order be made to the Resident at Hyderabad -

Read the following letter from

Bengal -

To.

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George.

My Lord,

From Bengal. communicating their Ideas upon the Plan suggested by Captain White of recruiting the Coast Army from the Bengal Provinces &c.

We have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Lordships Letter of the 31st. of March. enclosing Copies of one from Colonel Braithwaite, and of a Plan submitted to your Consideration by Captain White of the Bengal Establishment for recruiting the Coast Native Infantry from the Bengal Provinces &c.

It being, at all Times, unquestionably, of the greatest Consequence to maintain the effective Strength of the Madras Army, we observe with Concern that the Carnatic, in the reduced State of its Population, does not afford a sufficient Supply of Recruits for the Companys Military Service, either as to Number or proper description, — and we think that it would be highly desirable to supply the Deficiencies by raising in the Bengal Provinces, and those Adjoining to them, Recruits for your Battalions But we confess that our hopes of Success to any Endeavours we can use for that Purpose are not sanguine; for the strong Prejudices of the Natives of this Country are not easily

surmounted &c

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Surmounted, and we cannot hold out to them, upon their going as Recruits to the Carnatic, Encouragement, or advantages equal to those they would enjoy here.

Considering, however, the Importance of the Object brought before us, we have determined to make the Experiment, intending that the Men, if any should be willing to undertake the Service, should go merely as Recruits, and be entertained as such, & without any of the embarassing Conditions proposed in the Plan laid before your Lordship by Captain White.

The Situations of a Sepoy at Madras and Bombay being nearly similar, with respect to Allowances and Provisions &c. it is possible that the Presidency of Bombay may have it in its Power to furnish a few Recruits for the Coast, but we would not wish your Lordship to place much Dependance on that Resource, as we understand, from the Commander in Chief, that, if the Address of Sir Charles Malet had not prevailed on the Mahratta Government to give Permission for Recruiting in their Territories, the Bombay Army could not easily have been kept complete during the late War.

We have

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With Respect to Lascars, they may be raised at Bombay; and we would recommend your Lordship's making an Application for them to the Governor in Council at that Presidency; We do believe that Men of this Description may be procured here also; and We shall give the necessary Orders for that Purpose.

We have the Honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Shore

" Robt. Abercromby

" P. Speke

Fort William
22 of June 1795.

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from Bengal.

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing Letter be sent to the Government of Bombay, requesting they would State how far the Board may only upon the Source pointed out by the Supreme Government, with respect to Native Recruits and Lascars for the Service on the Malabar Coast for the Service of the Establishment of this Presidency.

Ordered also that a Copy of the Letter from Bengal be sent to Colonel Braithwaite for his information.

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The President lays before the Board the following Copies of his Lordship's letters to Sir John Shore and to Captain Kirkpatrick, as referred to in the 17th Paragraph of the General letter to the Secret Committee now Read this day in Council...

The President lays before the Board Copies of his Correspondence with Sir John Shore and Captain Kirkpatrick

The Hon'ble Sir John Shore Bart. &c.

Madras 31st May 1795...

Sir

I have the honor of enclosing Copies of two letters of this date to Captain Kirkpatrick, in consequence of this having communicated to me a Copy of his letter to you of the 19th Instant...

Letter from the Right Hon'ble Lord Hobart to Sir John Shore regarding the Dangerous Consequences that may result from allowing a Monsieur Raymonds Corps to remain on the Borders of the Guntoor Circars

The occasion appears to me extremely critical, and to call for a very strong interference on the part of the Supreme Government, Independant of the advantages a French force landed upon the East, and particularly in the Circars, might derive from Mons.r Raymonds Corps being established on our Frontier, the measures we are now taking for reducing the power of the Zemindars would be considerably impeded, by the encouragement it would hold out to them; Indeed Vasa Reddy, the Chintapilly Zemindar, has already manifested

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A disposition to refractoriness which we should not otherwise have expected from him —

Whether it might be advisable to go to an extremity with the Nizam in order to enforce any requisition you may think proper to make upon this Subject you are much better able to judge than I am, But as the Situation of the Troops in question, may, materially affect the interests of this Presidency, I shall offer my Sentiments without reserve —

Our interference in a measure relating to the internal disposition of the Nizams Troops, may, certainly in an abstract point of view, be deem'd objectionable, But in my opinion, the Stationing Mons.r Raymond upon the Borders of the Guntoor Circar, is not a measure Scrupulous of internal arrangement, but has been adopted under an impression of its probable effect upon our affairs; and it would Seem to me that the Nizam, at Mons.r Raymonds request, has acquiesced in it, from an expectation he has been made to feel of the French acquiring power in this Country through the means of an European force they may have in contemplation to Send out; and that His Highness is looking to the possibility of their Success, and, eventually, his own Security, by a timely cooperation. But supposing

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This not to be the case, it appears evident, that, Mons.r Raymond's anxiety to obtain that situation has arisen from a hope of his being able to avail himself of the Force under his command, either for the purpose of making a diversion in favor of his Countrymen, or, perhaps, a direct attack if he should find a favorable opportunity

With such a view of the Subject my opinion is decided for insisting on the recal of the Corps Francois de Raymond from our Frontier, upon the ground of its conveying an unfavorable impression with respect to the continuance of alliance, and friendship Subsisting between us and the Nayaur, from its being under the controul and influence of a Frenchman, and, consequently, of its being calculated to become an instrument of considerable inconvenience, if not positive injury, to the interests of the Company.

Any representation Captain Kirkpatrick may be ordered to make, will, I have no doubt, be urged with that delicacy the Subject requires; but, at the same time, with that firmness which should unequivocally mark our determination to persevere.— For, altho' every hour I have resided in this Country has tended to confirm, in my mind, the wisdom of a pacific System, I am satisfied we shall preserve it with greater facility by

Upholding.

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Upholding that Situation which the successful issue of the late war has entitled us to maintain, I would certainly look for no extension of our Territory by conquest, but I am inclined to think the Security of the British Dominions in India may be materially affected by the part we take upon the present occasion —

The restrictive clause under the words "preparations actually made for the commencement of hostilities against the British Nation in India" would appear to warrant any strong measure you may consider it expedient to adopt —

I believe I forgot to acquaint you that when I was at Pondicherry in January Mons.r Dermond mentioned to me that some French officers, our Prisoners, were desirous of serving with the Nizam, and added that he supposed it could not be wink'd at, my reply was, that I did not think it consisted with the Neutrality we professed between the Nizam and Mahrattas to suffer our Prisoners to serve in either Army, and therefore I did not think myself at liberty to comply with the wishes of the persons in question —

avowedly attended but wished to know if it would be

Signed Hobart —

P.S.

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To Captain Kirkpatrick

Madras 31st May 1795.

Sir.

letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart to Captain Kirkpatrick regarding the Apprehensions excited by His Highness the Nizam's Intent in stationing Monsieur Raymond's Corps on the Frontiers of the Nizams Territories.

I had the honor of receiving Your letter of the 13th Inst. and have given it that Attention and Serious Consideration which so important a Subject demands.

Previous to its receipt, it had been intimated to me by Mr. Ram, Collector of the Guntoor Circar, and Lt. Col. Wynch, who Commands in the District, that Reports were industriously Circulated, of a large force belonging to the Nizam being on its March to that part of the Country, for the purpose of taking possession of the Guntoor Circar; and the effect of these reports had been already felt by an unusual reluctance in Vizia Reddy, particularly, the principal Zemindar, to the discharge of the Kists.

I did not trouble you on this Subject, because I gave no credit to such idle and improbable reports; but I must freely Acknowledge that the Situation in which we are likely to be placed, should the Nizam persevere in his intention of Stationing the whole or any Considerable part of Mons. Raymond's Corps upon our Frontier, would create much more Anxiety in my Mind than an open Attack.

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Attack on the part of his Highness — For the latter Case, Sincerely as I should lament any Circumstance which interrupted the harmony and friendship that at present so happily Subsists between the Company and his Highness, Conscious of the fairness of our Conduct and of the honesty of our intentions, and Confidently relying on the Spirit and discipline of our Troops, I should have little Apprehension for the issue of the Contest —

The Measure however which you have Communicated appears to me in a light so pregnant with Mischief, and so momentous in its Consequences, that I can hardly think it possible that his Highness the Nizam can have given it the Consideration to which it is entitled, because it is so little Consistent with that Amicable disposition he has professed towards the Company, and which it was Concluded upon their Surest foundation of Mutual interest —

I shall not enter very far into the Subject, since a Communication of my Sentiments would be little more than a Recapitulation of your own, But it may not be unexpedient in me to State, that were I in the Chair of the Supreme Government, it would be my position directions to you to persevere in urging the recall of M.ons.r Raymond's —

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Monsr Raymonds Detachment, until either you obtain'd the object, or the British and French Nations were at Peace, and I should Consider an inflexibility on the part of his Highness, under all the Circumstances of the case as an Avow'd and Unequivocal testimony of his disregard to the Interest of the East India Company, Did he send no other Corps except that denominated Corps Francois-de Raymond to Station upon our Frontier, and at a period when the Coast is not Unlikely to be disturbed by an Attack from the French. And Can his Highness believe it possible that we Can repose so blind a Confidence in Monsr Raymond, as to Suffer him to remove into our Vicinity without taking the precaution to Collect, in that Quarter, a sufficient force to Counteract and defeat any hostile Attempts he might be disposed to make.

Under that impression I have Order'd Major Roberts Detachment, lately and so Suddenly dismiss'd from the Nizams Service, into the Guntoor Circar, and have sent for our European Battalion, the 52d, from the Southward, and shall Carry into execution other measures with a view to be provided against the worst, But when I reflect that the necessity of these expensive and inconvenient measures has arisen from the extraordinary Steps Taken

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Taken by a professed Ally of the Company, and, ev-
entually, in Aid of a people with whom his Majesty
is Engaged in hostilities, I am struck with the precariety
of our Situation, and can scarcely find words to express
my surprize at the bare possibility of his Highness
the Nizam being insidiously and unintentionally,
I am persuaded, involved in the Support of the French,
when they are not only Contending Against a power
in Alliance and friendship with him, but at War
with every principle of humanity and Subordination

An Anxious desire for the maintenance
of Peace in India has drawn from me these Sentiments;
but I must, at the same time, Convey my Conviction
=viction that our resources, properly and Seasonably
applied, place us out of the reach of real danger, tho' the
disposition of our Troops, which an Attention to our
Security may render necessary, will Certainly be produ=
=tive of great inconvenience with respect to our
internal Arrangements.

(Signed) Hobart.

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President says
the Board further
respondence on the
subject.

proposes that Copies
of be transmitted
Mr. Secretary Ramsay
the information of
Secret Committee.

The President likewise lays before the Board the following papers, Copies of which his Lordship recommends should be forwarded by the Secretary to Mr. Secretary Ramsay for the information of the Secret Committee to the Honorable Court of Directors.

Copy of a Letter from the Resident at Hydrabad to the Governor General.

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ter from the Resident
Hydrabad to the Gover-
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dangerous Ascendency
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unity of so doing.

So long as Raymond's Corps appeared to furnish the Nizam with the means of resisting the encroachments of the Mahrattas, and of maintaining his Independence against that State, I viewed it as an Instrument Calculated to promote, in a certain degree, though Indirectly, our own political Interests; and while I saw it likely to be fully occupied in the Service of his Highness during the probable Continuance of the War in Europe, I was the less anxious about the tendency of the Democratic and Intemperate principles which I understood to be Secretly professed both by Mr. Raymond himself and, with one or two Exceptions, by all the Officers under his Command. Raymond it is true has always been tolerably plausible in his exterior deportment, but I have never been the Dupe of his Professions.

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Professions, which, indeed, have been occasionally rather overstrained — Sought to observe that I have myself never had any Intercourse with him either personally or by writing — whatever Business we have, at times, had together having always been conducted by Mr. Stuart —

Circumstances are now become widely different from what they were two or three Months ago — The Nizam is at peace with the Mahrattas, nor do I see any likelihood of this Peace being speedily disturbed, for although I have no doubt of the Existence of the Views with which I have so often imputed to them, against the Independence of this State, yet I am, on the other hand, pretty well satisfied that they will be contented to accomplish what remains to be done, by that Sort of Management, and persevering Address, in which they are such eminent proficients; and that, of Course, there is but little Chance of Raymonds being employed in a hurry, either against them or any other Foreign Power. With regard to any interior or domestick Troubles they can hardly ever be such as to furnish him much work —

Upon hearing therefore within these few days past that it was not only in Contemplation to direct him to complete his Corps, which has lost about three Thousand Men since the

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But to give them a Jaidaud - and having some grounds for Suspecting that he himself was labouring to obtain Kurpah and the other Districts of Afsud Ally Khan, - which would place them along an extensive line of the Companys frontier, Town my Uneasiness was very Considerable, There is not perhaps any great likelihood of the French making an attempt on the Carnatic during the present War, yet we have seen them sulfice so many of their apparently Rhodomantade Threats and their Resources are of such extraordinary a Nature that one would Certainly be Justifiable in regarding such an Enterprize being by no means impossible - To no doubt wee by this time have anticipated the Object of my Apprehension - this may be, and I fervently hope, is, on the present Occasion, too Lively and yet I cannot dismiss the Suspicion, that, on the Case Supposed, Mr Raymond would be but too ready to Co.operate, to the best of his Ability, with any French force that might effect a landing on the Coast, - He would, in the first Instance, naturally endeavour to draw the Nizzam into his Measures but I am deceived, if he would be prevented from prosecuting them, though he were to be unsuccessful in this particular. - It must be remembered that Afsud Ally's Districts, and especially Kurpah -

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Deliberating on the Choice of a Successor to Afsud Ally Khan, and what proposals for Europah had actually been made on the part of Mr Raymond the Nizam, however, appearing desirous to leave the Selection with him exclusively, Meer Allum had submitted to his Highness "whether, in considering a point of so much Consequence, it would not be proper to consult with Monjid Ud Doulah and Mahomed Azeem Khan who were among his most Antient and faithful Servants." - To which His Highness had replied "He would tell me of Monjid Ud Doulah and Mahomed Azeem Khan - they are Idiots who will ever say yes or No - as Chance not Judgement may direct - this" "which you propose would be a Punchait which is a "mode of Conducting Affairs of State which I neither "approve of, nor have been used to - It is necessary indeed "that Rajah Jee / the Roy Royan / should be referred to "in making such Settlements, on account of his Knowledge "in Revenue details, but you are the only Counsellor whom "I look to:" upon this Meer Allum had recommended Mahomed Azeem Khan Arab / whose Conduct in the late War with Tippoo as Contrasted with that of Afsud Ally Khan and Mullic Ysaf Khan will not have es-

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Kurpah are the most productive of his Highness's dominions

I felt that I had no right openly to oppose such an arrangement, however pregnant with Danger to us, or, at least, that there would not be much precedence and perhaps not much effect in the proceeding— But my Sense of the impending Mischief was so Strong, that I thought I should be deficient in my Duty were I not to endeavour to prevent it entirely, or to avert its necessary tendency, as far as might be practicable. It is obvious then that I had no other resource besides that of inspiring Meer= Allum with a dislike to the apprehended destination of Mr. Raymond, and it is no less Certain that I could safely venture to do little more for this purpose than distantly hint at its general Impolicy with Regard to the Interests of his Master—

This is accordingly the outline of the Course I had begun to steer when I thankfully found that Meer Allum had, in some measure, though perhaps un= with a different view, anticipated my wishes—

In a Conversation I had with him last night, he informed me, that, for some days past, those, who affected Just now to take the lead in the Durbar, had been principally occupied among themselves, in

Deliberating,—

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And wile certainly be a matter of some delicacy to prevent the further growth of the Evil, yet I shall not lose sight of, or desist from prosecuting to the utmost of my power, an object that I consider of such peculiar consequence on the present Critical Conjuncture.

I ought not to omit mentioning here that, in a Visit which I paid to the Nizam, a few nights ago, his discourse consisted Chiefly of Enquiries and Observations relative to the posture of Affairs on Europe, from the whole tenour of which it was easy to perceive that some Frenchman had been taking considerable pains, by utterly false, or highly exaggerated Accounts, to impress him with a firm belief that nothing could any longer resist his ambition.

I cannot help thinking it to be extremely desirable that some corresponding counterforce existed to the Enormous weight possessed on this State by the French Democrats, and confess that I am, on this Account, ready to lament that there should scarcely be a Single Englishman, (except a few Deserters) among all the Europeans on its Service - for, setting aside any advantage, that we might, either now or hereafter, derive from the Establishment of such a Check, it seems highly Expedient

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Escaped your Memory / as the fullest person he knows, both for the trust immediately in question and the other Districts of Dilawur Ud Doulah who it Seems is not expected to live— The Nizam Signifying his approbation of this Choice, Mahomed Aumeen executed the necessary Engagements for both Aumildarries yesterday Morning—

Multic Esaw would appear to have obtained a promise of Khummumum / one of Assud Ally's Districts / and to have received Orders even for making Levies in consequence— This project however has been overset by Meer Allum who, remembering the Nizam's last War, This Highness not only dreaded all thoughts of promoting him, but directed that Sufficient Security Should be required of him for his future fidelity in the Charge he holds at this time, which Consists of Belgondah and other Places Situated towards the Palmaud &ca &c—

But although Mr Raymond has fortunately failed to get Kurpah, yet it appears that a Division of his Corps / to the amount of four thousand / is to be Stationed with and paid by Mahomed Aumeen— I cannot say that I am quite easy, even under this disposition of things, and, though it may be difficult.

And—

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The proceedings of the Company in Conjunction with the French. The Nizam is bound by Treaty, in that Case, to take the field as our Ally, I should be glad to be inform'd what Confidence we Could place in his Assistance, with the Main body of his Army Officer'd by Frenchmen; and whether there might not be great reason to apprehend the desertion of Raymond's Corps in a body...

I have Order'd a return to be made out of all the French Officers Absent under any pretence, and will furnish you with a list of them, for the purpose of your Officially demanding from the Nizam that they who are with Mons.r Raymond without our permission should be order'd to return to this Presidency. I shall not however Address you Officially upon this point till I am favored with your further Sentiments upon it...

Notwithstanding all the precautions taken upon the Subject of our information relative to the persons at Pondicherry who had intended Joining Mons.r Raymond, I think it right to intimate to you that, at least there was a suspicion that the intelligence had Come from Hyderabad, and that a Mons.r Perrineau was the person who had given it. This however could go no further than Surmise, and I am persuaded, I can very thoroughly rely on Lt. Col.o Sterling's discretion,...

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Expedient, considered simply with regard to the Interests of the Nizam, who for want of a Military balance of this kind, may one of these days find himself under the necessity of receiving the Law from Mr. Raymond.—

I have the honour to be &c.

(Signed) W.m Kirkpatrick

Hyderabad
13th. May 1795

To Captain Kirkpatrick

Madras June 6th 1795.—

Sir.

Letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart to the Resident at Hyderabad in reply to his late Communications regarding Mons.r Raymonds Corps and suggesting Arguments to be urged to the Nizam on the Subject.

I had the honor of receiving your Letters of the 25th. 27th. & 28th. Ultt.—

As on Dallis's return to Hyderabad and his Consequent Submission having remov'd all pretext for Continuing the French Corps upon our Frontier, I should hope that your representations will produce its recall. If they should not, it will be evident that motives, to which we cannot be indifferent, have occasioned its being placed in that Station; and, in my opinion, the Supreme Government ought to act under that impression.—

Amongst a variety of objections to that Corps, let us suppose Tippoo to make an attack upon

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To his Highness the possibility of finding a second La Fayette in Mons.r Raymond, and apprize him of the dangerous doctrines the French Officers hold respecting Government, and which it is their endeavours to instil into the minds of every man with whom they Converse. I would point out to him the expediency of Considering, whether the advantages he is likely to derive from the Services of Mons.r Raymond are of Sufficient weight to induce him to hazard the Consequences that may Accrue from Creating a Jealousy and Dissatisfaction between his and the British Government in India.

There are Arguments which, I am persuaded, have occurred to you already, but I state them that you may be Acquainted with my Sentiments.

(Signed) Hobart.

Right Honble Lord Hobart.

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord.

I beg leave to Submit to you whether it may not be useful to instruct the Commanding Officer of the Detachment required by the Nizam, to regulate his march thither by such advices as he may see occasion to transmit.

From Captain Kirkpatrick urging, at the Desire of the Nizam, the immediate Return of the Detachment to the Nizams Dominions regarding the Occupation of Mons.r Raymond's Posses-

2085 Fort St. George 21st. July 1795.—

The necessity of taking the Step we did, appeared to me so
Urgent, that I could not postpone it, being decidedly of an
Opinion that such an inundation of Frenchmen, at
this time introduced into the Nizam's Army, might
be Attended with the worst Consequences, The late
Accounts from England afford an immediate prospect
of Peace, and I would therefore most earnestly Advise
you to embrace every opportunity of discountenancing,
and, if practicable, of putting an end to French
influence at Hyderabad.—

I would urge in the strongest terms
possible the levelling and destructive principles which
Actuate the Conduct of the French Nation, and amongst
others, that of "Proselytism," which leads them to Attempt to introduce their pernicious System into all
Countries, and to forward it by the most atrocious and
Unjustifiable means, I would suggest to the Nizam,
that the foundation of the revolution in France will
be found in the principles of liberty imbibed by the
French Army when they were Contending in Support
of the Americans, and, I believe, it will not be denied
that Absolute Monarchy, to all appearance, was as firmly
Established in France, previous to the American War, as
in the Nizam's Country at present. I would Suggest to

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Hence.— The Recall of Baptista's Corps has been —
Officially notified to me —

The Ruddys Country is very woody,—
I confess I hope that that Polygar will find employment
Enough for the whole of Raymonds Troops for some —
time to Come;— but, on the other hand, I think that this
is rather to be wished for than expected,— It is not impo-
ssible, indeed, but Raymond himself may be deduced
from his allegiance —

Provisions are getting extremely dear here,
owing, principally, it would seem, from the Apprehensions
entertained of that part of its Supplies which this City
has been used to draw from the Ruddys Country, and the
Districts to the Northward of it, being intercepted by the
Rebellious Polygar —

I have the honour to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. Kirkpatrick —

Hyderabad
2. July 1795.—

P.S. The Nizam has requested of me to day to write to
your Lordship on the most importunate terms for the —
early dispatch of the Detachment —

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To forward to him, while on his way

It occurs to me that if your Lordship should determine on forming the Detachment of the same Corps that lately composed it, the proper rendezvous will be Condapilly to which place the 29th Batt. now at Guntoor may advance while the 78th with the Artillery proceeds thither from Masulipatam, as the Junction should, I think, take place by all means within the Company's Territories. - It is true that the most direct and perhaps the best road for the whole would be from Guntoor and by Warapilly &c. but in this case the Corps and Guns from Masulipatam would have to Pass the Kistna twice, avoiding that river altogether, it may be questioned whether this capital inconvenience would not more than outweigh any advantage that the other route by Warapilly ...

This Durbar has communicated to Gobind Rushen its application for the Detachment ...

We have nothing new concerning Ali Jah. - His Highness talks of encamping under the Walls of Golconda in a day or two, and moves. Raymond marched yesterday to Singarapilly, a station 6 Cos from

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Him on this very point; introducing what he said by remarking that it had always been an object of his Policy to balance the powers he delegated as well as he could, with a View to preventing the too great Ascendancy of any of them From hence his Highness had inferred the Propriety of endeavouring to procure Officers of other Nations to command such new Corps of Infantry as it might be advisable to raise; ending with expressly desiring Mess Allen to speak to me on the subject; and endeavour, by my Means, to get an Honorary of England, or German Officers, up to Hydrabad.

After this, Mess Allen, proceeding to speak from himself, informed the Morashi that it was the Wish of the Durbar to raise 12,000 Infantry, half of wh which it was proposed should be placed under his Authority and the other half under that of the Row Toyan, He - therefore very earnestly desired that I would exert myself to introduce, for the purpose of commanding these Troops, as many Europeans as possible and of whatever description I could best rely on, for answering as a Check to Raymond; that is, whether Englishmen or others - I have not as yet made any reply to this Application, but mean to answer it by Saying that, although the matter is of an extremely nice and difficult Nature, yet I shall give it due consider= =ation, and hereafter let him know my Sentiments on

Concerning

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Right Honble Lord Hobart.

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

From Captain Kirkpatrick recommends that Encouragement be held out to English Officers to engage in the Nizam's Service on the Idea of creating a Diversion in the Assistance at present performed by the French Officers in his Pay

In a late public Letter to the Govr. Genl. I had occasion to observe that an intended Visit to Ally Dowlah had been reported to me to be in agitation at Seringapatam:- might possibly turn out for its object nothing more than the removal of some French Officers from thence by means of the Influence of Mons.r Lally, who has for some time past attached himself to Ally Dowlah, and is a Parsee of Arcot birth.- Subsequent accounts serving to confirm this Conjecture / though I have some reason to think that this Chief would be still better pleased to find some English Officers, / I instructed my Moonshie, who had occasion this morning to wait on Mess.r Allan, to enquire of the business, which he accordingly did, and after saying that he should make the necessary enquiry into the matter, and, in the event of suspicions well grounded, take the proper steps for instantaneously proceeded to expatriate on the establishing a due Counterpoise to the Force Commanded at present by French Officers that the Nizam himself had recently

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Many English in their Service without its being a Subject of complaint or Jealousy with the Nizam.— But if this point Should, nevertheless, be resolved in the affir-mative, it will next to be considered whether the — Scheme might not be effected in so guarded and gra-dual a Manner as not to be immediately discoverable by the Marattas.— It would by no means be necessary — that the Persons selected for this Service or encouraged to engage in it, should proceed hither, altogether; one or two at a Time, and at an interval of a Month or two, would be sufficient, and Some of these might even procure Corps Soon after their arrival, without being obliged to wait for raising them, there being Several, ready formed, which could (if the Durbar So pleased) be presently transferred to them nor would it be at all requisite that either myself or — Government Should appear to have any Concern in the Business.— Something however would doubtlessly depend on this case, on the Discretion of the Parties to be employed.

The Difficulties which oppose the execution of the Measure as far as they relate to ourselves are, it must be owned, Sufficiently serious.— In the first place we could but ill spare perhaps, at this time, the Officers necessary for the purpose, though, if this could be done, and there lay no political objection to it, the Recalle

Of—

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Concerning it —

These must of Course however be regulated by the opinion of the Govr. Genl. for although on a deliberate view of the extraordinary Situation we Stand in, at this Time, I am disposed to think that more than ordinary schemes of Conduct as well as Exertions are necessary to the happy Issue of the Contest we are engaged in, and that, on this ground, it would be a point of the utmost utility to us to have a large Proportion of the Forces of this State officered by men on whose Principles we could Sufficiently depend yet I am not ignorant that the Project, though originating with this Court in itself, liable to some objections; and that its Execution would not be entirely free of Difficulty

The objections are of a political kind, and have reference principally, and as I think almost wholly, to the Marattas, to whom it is undoubtedly of great consequence that we should not give any serious Alarm, or Uneasiness with regard to our views. The question therefore seems to be — would the measure be conducted to be calculated to excite Jealously in the Court of Poonah, that might not be prevented or removed by a free Explanation, of which one Topic might be drawn from the circumstance of they themselves having

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Since by this means the French have been precluded from acquiring that enormous Weight in the Mahratta Service which they unfortunately possess at present in this —

It strikes me that there may possibly be some disengaged half pay Officers, or other unsuccessful adventurers at Madras and Calcutta, long enough resident in the Country to have attained some knowledge of the language, and otherwise sufficiently qualified for the purpose in question, who would not be averse, on proper Intimation, to take the Chance of procuring Employment here — The better to prevent Suspicion of the Design, it would be adviseable that every person coming hither on this Errand should pretend to be on his way to Join our Detachment

I have written to the Gov.r Genl. very fully on this Subject, and informed him of my intention to address your Lordship also upon it —

I have the honour to be

Hyderabad
4th July 1795.

(Signed) W.m Kirkpatrick

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Of the Detachment of the Company's Troops would furnish an excellent opportunity of introducing and distributing them in the silent and gradual Manner that would be desirable.- But, possibly, the Marattas might have objections to our landing officers to the Nuzzam; that could not be urged against our Suffer-ing him to entertain English or Germans in his Service, This last reflexion suggests the necessity of considering whether it be practicable to fetch upon 15 or 20 Persons of the description mentioned by Lord would entirely exclude French and Dutch of every denomination/ sufficiently qualified to discipline and command Corps of Infantry, of safe Principals with respect to the Politics of the times of some Discre-tion, and of circumstances in Life inclining them to try their fortunes in this Quarter without any Spe-cific or direct Encouragement either from this or our own Government.-

As it probably would have been impracticable to have prevented Mahajee Scindia from collecting together Europeans for the disciplining and commanding of his Infantry we may be now said to experience a certain advantage from having freely al-lowed Englishmen to seek their Fortunes with Du Boigne

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Fort which belongs to Suddosheo Buddy, but is of no great strength is twenty two Cos E S E of Bider, and Seventeen Cos N N W. of the Hyderabad.

Mullick Esau Khan is on his way to join Raymond.- He is said to have about three thousand men with him.- Ghasi Meea and Mahomed Azeem Khan are to march to day; but those Chiefs have not as yet, I am told, assembled above five or six hundred horse, Asud Ali Khan who has just had the Government of Hoseinsoondah, a small district Situated between Hyderabad and the Kishna, in the direction of Rachoor, conferred upon him, is also appointed to join the Army assembling against the Rebels.- He is at present employed at Goor-mutkal, one of his Jaedauds, in collecting his Troops.

I have been assured by a person belonging to Gobind Dixiten that the latter was unquestionably privy to the flight of Ali Jah; but that he had acted in this business, without any authority from Poonah.

I have the honour to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Kirkpatrick

Hyderabad
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P.S. Since writing the above Meer Alleum has informed me that accounts have been received, which appear

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Right Honble Lord Hobart

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord

From Captain Kirkpatrick with Intelligence respecting the Operations of the Nizam's Troops against Sooddasheo Vuddy - Bakir Ali Khan selected for the Company's Frontiers in order to collect Provisions for the Detachment on its Return to Hydrabad -

Accounts were received last night of the total discomfiture of the Party which was proceeding, under Dilawur Ul dowlah, to reinforce the Garrison of Beder, and which amounted to about Six hundred horse and foot, It appears to have been surprized within Six Cos of that City by a very superior force headed, as it is said, by Sudasheo Buddy himself Dilawur Ul dowlah and one of his Sons are reported to have fallen into the hands of the Rebels. -

It is rumoured that the Buddy had got possession of Beder previous to his attacking Dilawar Ul dowlah. - Other accounts state that he was repulsed with considerable loss in an attempt which he made to carry the place by assault. - It seems pretty certain that the Insurgents have plundered the Suburbs of Hummabad, a considerable market Town, belonging to the Rajah Chieftains, and lying about fourteen Cos to the westward of Beder. -

Monsieur Raymond appears to have invested Sunga Buddy Pait Yesterday Morning. This Fort. -

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Difficulty engaged the Nizam to reconcile himself seriously to Gobind Rishen, and Mahomed Azeem Khan; and even to agree indirectly, to the nomination of the latter to the Dewany; as the only means by which tranquility could be Effectually re established, and an amicable and favourable adjustment be accomplished with the Mahrattahs

On this project he has unhappily been fostered by the Roy Royan,— I say unhappily because although by such an arrangement, the Mahrattah Ascendancy in this State would no doubt, be but too well rooted, yet it is to be feared that no other measures Can, or at least are likely to, be pursued by his Highness, which will not Conduce, in the end, to undermine either his own or his Successor's in dependance still more extensively.—

There are various and very contradictory Reports in Circulation Concerning Ali Jah: and it is not even yet known with any certainty by the Durbar, so miserably is it furnished with intelligence, whether or not Bider is in his possession.— It seems that Delawur Dil Dowlah was either Slain, or died of the wounds he received, in his late Action with Suddasheo Ruddy.—

I have the honour to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Kirkpatrick

Hyderabad
14th. July 1795.

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To be Credited / of the Capitation / or rather, perhaps, the delivery / of Bidar by Suddasheo Ruddy.— It is also said that Ali Jah has proceeded thither...

I shall probably be able, in a day or two, to inform your Lordship of the Result of a negotiation that his Highness has been persuaded to enter into with Gobind Rushen and Mahomed Ozeen Khan, with a view to the reestablishment of tranquillity...

Bukir ah Khan, the Durbar agent who formerly attended the Detach.t / sets out tomorrow by order of his Highness to the Company's borders, in order to provide for the Supplies of the Troops impatiently expected here from Vizagapatnam...

I have had the honour to receive your Lordships Letter of the 4th Inst.o for the favour of which I owe your Lordship my best acknowledgements...

Right Honble Lord Hobart..

My Lord

&c: &c: &c:

From Captain Kirkpatrick respecting internal Arrangements in the Nizams Durbar upon the Death of Belaseer and Dowlah...

In my last I hinted at a scheme which Meer Alleem was prosecuting for the purpose of restoring some order to this distracted Government. He had, in fact, at that time / thought

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the hope of Brittish Reputation; and, on that account, in my opinion, we should never engage in such contests without the utmost necessity, even in our own possessions, But to launch into them under such a Government as that of the Nizam, would be aggravating the evil tenfold. — By engaging our Troops in such Services, we run the risk of exposing them to disgrace, of familiarizing the Banditti of the Country to cope with them; endangering the principles of our Officers, and lowering our Government in the estimation of the Country, by the employment of our Forces apparently upon no other principle than that of German Mercenaries; And, even in a pecuniary point of view, I should much doubt whether any advantage would be derived from the measure, because, as was the case in consequence of the Detachment demanded by the Nizam conformably to Treaty, if we were now to supply extra Troops to secure the tranquility of his Dominions, we must raise others to maintain the peace of our own, And after all, we should be taking a step, in my Opinion, liable to all these Objections, to carry an Object, of which the troubles that have already arisen in the Nizam's Country, by the occupation they have given to the Both of Raymond's Corps, have lessened the importance, and what the Authority and

Influence —

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To Captain Kirkpatrick

Resident

at Hydrabad

Sir.

Letter from the Right Honble Lord Hobart in Reply to the foregoing Letters from Captain Kirkpatrick

I had the honor of receiving your letters of the 4th. and 12th. Instant, to which I have given the most serious attention in my power, from a conviction of the weight which is due to the Suggestions of a person of your experience in the Affairs of this Country, and upon whose Judgment I should be much disposed to rely. It is therefore with much reluctance that I find myself unable to concur with you in the expediency of either of the propositions contained in your letters. First, with respect to Stationing a force, in addition to the Detachment which we are bound by Treaty to furnish the Nizam with any part of his Country, for the purpose of his own Government. It is a matter of notoriety that all the internal disturbances, or rather the engagements in petty Warfares with the Poligars and Zemindars of the Country, is the most injurious. It is destructive of all Discipline in the Men, too frequently of Principle in the Officers, holding out temptation for corrupt practices, without the Counterbalance arising from

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Compilation on the different parts of this Army, calculated to bring the whole to a State of perfection, which might eventually become extremely dangerous to us - Our Native Troops are our chief reliance, and their Superiority over those of the Country Governments / being composed of the same materials / is attributable almost entirely to the introduction of European discipline, and the example of European Officers -

Should we supply the Nizam with persons undeserving of confidence and unfit for command, they would, in the first place, not answer the purpose you have in view; and, in the second, disgrace our Countrymen, on the other hand, should we select those who are most trust worthy, and most competent, we should hazard a great deal from the Success of their exertions, and, if they were liberally rewarded, we should have to Apprehend their Seducing others to enter into the same service, or, at all events, to render them extremely discontented with ours, - Give the Native powers the Advantage of European Officers, and consequently, their Armies, European discipline, and I fear you will speedily annihilate the British influence in India -

Some benefits may perhaps,

Have

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Influence we ought to possess from the successful or
termination of the last war, should enable us to require
without any degrading or inconvenient condition whatever

I have stated my sentiments upon
this point, without reference to our present situation, which
opposes additional difficulties, but which, not having been
known to you, when you held out an expectation to the
Nizam of his Application being complied with, your
thoroughly exculpate you from an intention to or who

Whatever Political objection there
may be to the measure, of counteracting the influence
of the French Officers in the Army of the Nizam by the
introduction of a certain Number of English, on account
of the Jealousy the Mahrattas might feel upon the occ
I am inclined to think there are Reasons, in comparison
to others which might be urged, and which have been
me in the most forcible manner — That the Nizam
should be desirous of balancing the powers he delega
with a view to prevent an ascendency in any of them
perfectly consistent with the Suspicious nature
Government — and finding himself obliged to rely
Strangers, it is a sort of policy that may have its
-ntages — But it must surely be evident to you
effect will be that of producing an emulation

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them, and we might establish an evil that we could not afterwards eradicate.—

Under this impression, you must excuse my taking any steps towards the promoting of a Scheme, which I so much disapprove; but believe me still open to conviction, and ready to receive, with the deference due to your superior knowledge of Indian Politicks, any further Arguments.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Hobart.—

Fort St. George
24th. July 1795.

The Board approve the Presidents Proposition.

Death of Lieutenant John Cranston of the Infantry.—

(Approved and Ordered accordingly

The Secretary reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant John Cranston of the 26th Battalion of Native Infantry on the Vizagapatam District on the 13th. Instant.—

Mr. George Parry appointed to officiate as Acting Deputy Military Secretary during the Absence of Mr. Price.—

In Consequence of the Deputy Secretary in the Military Department being ordered to accompany the Right Honble Lord Hobart in his Circuit through the Northern Circars, Resolved that Mr. George Parry do officiate as Acting Deputy Secretary until the Return of Mr. Price to the Presidency.—

The President lays before the Board the following instructions for Mr Robert Andrews.—

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Have arisen from the Officers Serving under Bo
having been chiefly English, but they are beside
precarious to be depended upon, and in their consequ
had Scindia lived, might have been highly detrim
I am therefore decidedly of Opinion against the
-gement of British Officers to enter into the M
Service, and for taking every possible means o
-vening, Counteracting, and Annihilating the Influe
interests

The desire which the Ma
Manifested to diminish their influence in the
wele induce them, should he fail in his pla
-oring British Officers, to resort to some other
and that which is most obvious and most pr
is, gradually to lessen their Numbers

The Policy which seem
best upon this Subject is, to pursue a dire
line, and invariably to discourage the admi
Europeans into the Armies of the Natives,
driven to the Necessity of adopting temp
at the hazard of eventual and permane
If the Nizam is likely to be overwhe
Mahrattas, we should not save him by
Assistance of our east British Officers

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Any disposition he may shew to this object, by every means in your power; and, as you are hereby authorized to conclude a treaty of alliance and friendship on the part of the Company, you will lose no time in bringing it to the most favorable termination. Understanding that the terms upon which you are to treat, must depend, very much, upon the situation in which we stand with respect to the Dutch, and of which you will be thoroughly apprized on your arrival at Trincomalee. If we are received as their Protector, we can enter into no hostile engagements towards them, this we should not, on that account, be precluded from obtaining any commercial Advantages the King of Candia is competent to grant.

The Treaty however is to be merely preliminary to a more comprehensive treaty of alliance and Commerce, the Articles of which must be submitted to the Board before they can be executed, with a view to communication being had with the Supreme Government, previous to its final ratification.

It will be natural for the King to object, and indeed the objection was urged to Mr. Boyd, against the capture of the Dutch Settlements, without the ceremony of a previous reference to his Majesty. Your Will

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To Mr. Robert Andrews.

Sir.

Instructions to
Mr. Robert Andrews
on occasion of his
Embassy to the King
of Candia.

The importance of establishing
the British influence upon the Island of Ceylon
upon former occasions, attracted the attention of the
Government; but no Juncture of circumstances
has ever offered so favorable an Opportunity of accom-
-lishing this object, as the late subversion of the Go
of Holland. To avail ourselves of this advan
have appointed you Ambassador to the King
and, that you may thoroughly comprehend our
on the occasion, we have thought it necessary
you with the following information and
for the rule of your conduct.

From the manner
the powers of the Dutch has been exercised
and the impatience with which the Kan
to have submitted to their controul, We ar
that his Majesty will be anxious to cond
alliance, calculated, in a great degree, to re
from this inconvenience, such a connexi
-ady been proposed to him in a letter from
Copy of which is enclosed. You will there

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You will endeavour to make yourself
thoroughly acquainted with the present State of the
connexion between his Majesty and the Dutch, to —
obtain copies / if possible / of the treaties or engagements
upon which they have established an exclusive trade
from the Island, and to trace the causes which may
have induced or compelled the King to enter into them

From the knowledge which has
already been acquired of the manners which prevail
at Candia, there is Reason to apprehend that your
negociations will be very much impeded by the —
Scrupulous adherence which the King and his
Ministers maintain to their customs and forms;
it is therefore particularly recommended that you —
accommodate yourself to the mode of conducting —
business, which prevails, and endeavour to conci-
-ate their esteem, by a compliance, which, as it could
only be expected by a people ignorant of our real power,
ought not to be withheld at the risk of more important
matters — This conciliatory disposition is expected
from your acquaintance with the Natives of this
Coast, and much convenience is expected from the
possibility of your personally introducing the use of the
Tamul language. —

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Will therefore be particularly explaining the principles upon which our conduct in respect to the Dutch is to be regulated. Viz. That if they do not throw off their allegiance to their lawful Prince, who is the [illegible] of our King, we are their friends and Protectors [illegible] they rebel against his Authority, and are [illegible] to shut the Ports and Factories in the Island for the purpose of delivering them over [illegible] and the Party which has enforced the [illegible] we are equally determined to make every [illegible] prevent it— and by conquering them [illegible] of his Britannick Majesty, we are confident [illegible] shall avert an evil of the greatest magnitude [illegible] the Kingdom of Candia, introduce a [illegible] beneficial System of Commerce, and [illegible] mote the interests of the Island.—

It will also be expedient [illegible] should convince the King that the calamity [illegible] with which it was necessary for us to act [illegible] retention of our communicating our intentions [illegible] Majesty for any delay in our operations [illegible] defeat the plan of our measures, and give [illegible] sure of opportunity of establishing themselves [illegible] Islands.—

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for which the Dutch have been supplied with that article. And how it is hoped that, by contrasting the narrow and confined spirit of the Dutch Monopoly with the liberal and extended Scale, which it would be for our interest and our honor to adopt, you will be able to obtain a readier Assent to an establishment of the English on the Island of Ceylon.

These are the principal objects of your mission, but, your attention will be carefully directed to such observations and enquiries, as may tend to convey to us a just idea of the nature and produce of the Country, the system of Government, the force maintained by the King, the Amount of the Revenue, and the Sources from which it arises, the Articles of trade, the population, the customs, disposition, and abilities of the inhabitants in affairs of War, Policy or Commerce; that we may form a clear opinion of the Advantage, that may now, or hereafter, be derived from a more intimate connexion with the King of Candy.

We are

&c. &c.

(Signed) Hobart

&c. &c.

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It will be a material part of your business to enquire into the Views with a just notion of the destructive tendency of French Principles, and particularly the Zeal with which they are endeavouring to propagate them in all parts of the world; Upon this ground you may apprize him of the near Approach of danger to his own Government, and by what onwards indu-ces him to a hearty co-operation in expelling the disaffected part of the Dutch from their Settle-ments in his dominions.—

Independant of the [illegible] be proper that you should endeavour to procure the King to grant permission to the East India Company to erect a factory or factories in some convenient Territories for the purposes of trade, that they have liberty to build fortifications for the protection of factory, and that the land should be ceded to the Company for ever.—

After this point [illegible] it will remain to consider the terms, on which such intercourse, and especially the Commerce can be carried on for the English; and should you find it [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

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"States, that he has been unable to furnish the Honorable
"Court of Directors with any later Account than the one
"Month of June 1791. of the Expences of His Majesty's
"Troops serving under this Presidency, to their disapoint-
"ment and his regret. If there were any particular
"cause which operated to prevent a compliance with
"the Orders transmitted to you on the Month of October
"1792. the President in Council conceives it should
"have been represented to Government, so that it might
"have been removed. but no such representation appears
"to have been made, nor have any Accounts been furnis-
"hed to this time. tho' near three Years have elapsed
"since the Order was given. It is the particular desire
"of the President in Council that the Accounts may
"be transmitted by you in future, as directed in my
"Letter before mentioned.

"The Military Paymaster General
"has been called upon to explain particularly the reason
"why the Accounts which he was ordered to furnish to
"from the 25th of June 1791 to the 25th June 1792. have
"not yet been sent in.

Previous to explaining to Your
Lordship on the above subject. I beg leave to transcribe
the Orders relative to it that were transmitted to my
Office.

Fort St. George 24th July 1795.—

The Board entirely approve the Instructions to Mr. Robert Andrews. Ordered that they be Copied fair.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General.—

The Right Honble Lord Hobart.

President and Governor in Council of Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have been honored with Your Commands conveyed on Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 16th Instant as follows.—

"On reference to the Records it appears "that Letters were addressed to you on the 13th and 17th of "October 1792, directing that the Accounts of His Majesty's "Troops serving under Your Presidency from the 25th of June "of that Year, should be made out and sent "to Government every Six Months, for the purpose of being "forwarded to Bengal, as directed in the Letter from that "Presidency under date the 6th of August 1792.—

"By a Letter lately received from that "Presidency, of which a copy is inclosed for your information, "you will observe that, the Governor General in Council.

States.—

From the Military Auditor General—on Exculpation of his Conduct relative to the neglect imputed to him in not having transmitted to Government the Accounts of the Kings Troops subsequent to the 25th June 1792.— Especially to the Direction of the Governor General in Council

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"And transmitted to us every Six Months up to the 24th. of
"every June and December, as far as regards the Things
"Subsistence, and to the end of three Months so far as re-
"regards the Extraordinaries"

In a Letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson
under date 17th. October 1792. I was informed that the
Statements required by the Secretary's Letter of the 13th.
were to be furnished from the 25th. of June and not
from the 1st. of May as before directed.

On considering the manner in
which it has appeared proper to your Lordship to
take up the subject on the present occasion, in so far
as my Office is concerned, I have thought it advisable
that the instructions under which I acted and the
Meaning which I had attached to them should appear
before you at the same time an explanation of the
neglect imputed to me, either or not having laid
before Government, at an earlier period, the Accounts
that were required, or in not representing the cause of
the delay for the purpose of its being removed.

Wherefore beg leave to acquaint
Your Lordship that, having understood, at different
times, subsequent to the Orders of 13th. October 1792.
That.

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Office under date 13th and 17th October 1792.—

From Mr. Secretary Jackson 13th October 1792
to Colo. Malcolm Military Auditor General

"I am directed by the Honorable the
"President in Council to enclose Copy of a Letter from the
"Governor General in Council, and to desire that the
"Statements required by his Lordship may be furnished
"from your Office at the stated periods, commencing from
"the 1st May last, the day on which the Regulations now
"in force commenced.—

"The Military Paymaster General
"has received Instructions to furnish the Statements from
"the 25th of June 1789 to the 30th of April 1792."—

Extract from Letter of Government General of 6th
August 1792 alluded to in the above.—

"The first of these Reports should
"contain the particular Account of all payments from the
"25th of June 1789 to the 24th of June 1790; the Second
"Report should bring the Account down to June 1791; and
"the third to June 1792.

"When these Statements have been
"thus completed to the Month of June of the present
"Year, we request that they may be continued regularly,

&c.—

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Which an intimation had been given to my Office, at the same time that I received a copy of the requisition from the Government General, it has never occurred to me, during the whole of the period, that I could be liable to remarks from Government for neglect of any kind in this business, under the Orders I had received on the Subject, otherwise than for any delay that might have appeared in my part, without being explained, after the period that the Accounts up to June 1792 inclusive had been delivered in, separately from the Pay Office General.

I have the honor to acquaint Your Lordship that men in my Office have been employed on the duty of compiling the Accounts, that commence from 25th June 1792, without waiting for the additional Servants which I had reason to believe would be indispensibly necessary; and I shall hope, even under the disadvantage of not having the assistance I might expect to derive from those who have hitherto been so considered and employed in the same line, that a continuation of the Accounts called for, will be laid before Your Lordship from my Office, in a short time after those preparing by the Military Paymaster General are delivered in: and, that, as I presume my quota, which comprises the last period, can be of no use until those of the preceding Months are completed, the Service will

Suffer

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That the Accounts for the periods required seperately from the Military Paymaster Generals Office, viz. were not made up, I considered therefore, that those falling to be prepared in my Office would not be required until the Military Paymaster Generals quota was completed, and, in fact, that they could be in no use while those of the same description for the preceding period were wanting —

I had also been informed by the Military Paymaster General that the Accounts so required were very intricate and difficult to compile, so much so as to demand a Seperate set of Office Servants who had been accustomed to arrange them and for which purpose the Orders of Government to his Office under date 13th October 1792 authorised a continuance of a separate Small Allowance for Writers &c. to be drawn until he delivered them over —

Having considered the Orders on this subject which were transmitted to me in the point of view I have now explained, and, being, at the same time, desirous of engaging the Servants employed by the Military Paymaster General, as soon as he had completed the Accounts for the period included in the Orders addressed to himself, and of

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Suffer.—

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So which it becomes necessary to apply, previous to an executing the Order of 13th October 1792, enjoins the compilation of three of the Statid periods prior to the commencement of the business which fell, agreeably to that Order, to be performed, in continuation, into my Office

I have been thus particular in explaining on the Subject from an anxiety that Your Lordship should not continue impressed with an Opinion of avoidable neglect or inattention on my on part to the Orders of Government; for, although the duties of my Office are constant and laborious, and have likewise been much embarrassed from the limited extent in which the principles of the Bengal System of Accounts has hitherto fallen to be carried into execution at this Presidency in regard to several Offices; yet I am not only confident that my time has been invariably applied to the business of the Office, but also that I have been as invariably in a Zealous desire to see Orders executed as fully as our Situation and circumstances render practicable.—

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Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

Suffer no inconvenience in consequence of my not having transmitted them every Six Months since October 1792.—

Trust I shall stand forgiven in expressing that I am by no means conscious of having merited the remarks which have been put on Record against me relative to the transmission of these Accounts, because the Order Received on the occasion specially referred to the requisition from the Government General, which explicitly expresses that when these Statements have been thus compleated to the "Month of June of the present Year (1792) we request that "they may be continued regularly, and transmitted to us every "Six Months &c. &c. but the Accounts in question have not yet been compleated to the Month of June 1792 in the Office devolved Separately to prepare them up to that date; and therefore how can it with propriety appear that the words in Mr. Secretary Jacksons Letter of 13th October 1793 at the stated periods commencing from the "1st of May last" subsequently altered to 25th June" applys to every Six Months, under the reference which at the same time the Order necessarily conveys to the other part of the Governor Generals Letter 1793 when the Statements have been compleated to the Month of June 1792. for I presume it is evident that the Accounts from the latter period were not required prior to compleating those for the preceding Months that were found to be in arrear, because the Letter of the Government General

For

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Fort St. George 21st July 1795.

Minutes on the foregoing Letter from Colonel Malcolm

Agreed to acquaint Colonel Malcolm that the Board are satisfied he would have furnished the Accounts at the several Periods expected by Government had he understood the Order of the 13th October 1792 in the light it was intended.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Paymaster General.—

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 16th Instant, enclosing Copy of a Letter from the Honble the Governor General in Council of the 22 Ulto., on which I beg leave to observe that there was an Establishment fixed on the 10th May 1791. for preparing the Kings' Accounts; that the Writers so Established have been invariably kept at this business alone, that the Separation of the Accounts and making them up in the forms required, are Business of great labour and detail, and that no time has been lost in completing the Accounts to

From the Military Paymaster General stating that the Insufficiency of his Office Establishment has delayed the Compilation of the Accounts of the Kings' Troops required by the Governor General in Council.—

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2119 Fort St. George 21st July 1795

If however Your Lordship shall still continue of Opinion, but which I imagine will not be the case after Considering the Explanation now given in consequence of your Secretary's Letter of the 16th. Instant, that the Accounts fall to be delivered in earlier than I have interpreted the Orders of Government to require, it only remains with me to assure Your Lordship in the meantime, and to be active in fulfilling the assurance herewith, that there shall be no time lost in preparing those Accounts and that there can be little doubt of their being com=pleated as speedily as possible, because, exclusive of the Clerks that have been employed on them in my own Office, I shall engage those accustomed to compute them in that of the Military Paymaster General, so soon as they are at liberty.

I have the honor to be
My Lord
with the highest respect
Your Lordships Most Obedient
humble Servant.

Henry Malcolm

Military Auditor Generals Office.
Fort St. George 19th July 1795. [Signed]

Agreed

2822 Fort St. George 1st July 1795

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Diary

Transmitting the following Letter

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President Governor &c. &c. &c.

of Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the military Auditor General relative to the Establishment to be allowed to the Regiments serving under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1794 from the 25th July to the 26th December 1794.

I am sorry to inform your Lordship in my Letter of the 19th ult. that I should be under the necessity to request your Lordship's permission to send Home by the Ships of the present Season the Accounts of the Establishment to the Regiments serving under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1794 from the 25th July to the 26th December 1794 as I should not be able to complete the first six Months Vouchers from 25th June up to 25th December 1794 of the detailed Account of the expences of the King's Troops serving under the Presidency against Dyanagur by the time your Lordship will be necessary that the Deputy Paymaster General of the King's Troops be directed to furnish me with other copies of the Distributions of Subsistence to the Regiments serving under the Parliamentary Agreement of 1794, for the Months comprehended in the above mentioned period, because although the Accounts of Subsistence to these Corps Vouchers 19 by Dragoons No. 76th 52d 75th 72d and 73rd Regiments of foot were given into the Military Paymaster General's office here prior to Major Hart's nomination to the only Accounts of the kind received in it, these have been confined to the new Regiments and Detachment of Royal Artillery British, and his Majesty's Hanoverian Regiments - the distribution

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2121 Fort St. George 21st. July 1795.—

The 25th. June 1792 in conformity to the Orders of the Honble the Governor in Council conveyed in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 23d October 1792.— I have further to add that the last Statement, which brings up the Accounts to the last period required from me, is almost completed, and that I shall, without fail, transmit them to Your Lordship in the first Week of next Month; these Accounts will comprise the period from the 24th. June 1791 to the 25th June 1792. with the Company's Allowances to the Kings Troops to the 30th June 1792.—

I have the Honor to be

&c. &c

(Signed) B. Roebuck, M. P. G.

Minute thereon

The Board do not consider the Reasons stated by Mr. Roebuck as a sufficient Excuse for not having laid before them the Accounts that he was called upon to furnish so long ago as the Month of October 1792.—

Hobart
Con Saunders
C Warfield

Wm. Geo. Parry
Mr. Sec.

2126 Fort St George 22 July 1795

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To W.m Jackson Esq.r
Secretary at Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Letter from the Secret Committee of the Honble Court of Directors, addressed to the Right Honble the Governor in Council at Fort St George, and received with the late Dispatches.

I am also directed to request you will forward the accompanying Letter for Commodore Rainier. — I am &c.

Fort William
22 July 1795

/Signed/ H.t Harington
Sub Secretary

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From the Sub Secretary at Bengal — enclosing a Letter from the Secret Committee and one for Commodore Rainier

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The Right Honble Lord Hobart
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St George

My Lord,

I beg leave to enclose a Packet which I have received from Mr. Elbrecht containing the news of his Government for the Surrender of the place Subordinate to it, also an Account of the pay &c. of the Dutch Company Servants. —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
/Signed/ Alex.r Macleod
Dispatches

From Mr. Elbrecht Dutch Governor of Jaffnapatam — relating to the Surrender of that Settlement to the Subordinate Dutch Servants with the Capitulation

Pulicat
23rd July 1795

2123 Fort Stanwix July 1796

22 [illegible] Subsistence to these Corps subsequent to the [illegible] for which they are now requested are on my office in consequence of my address to Government under date 12th May 1796.

But as I believe these Distributions have been furnished to the Deputy Paymaster General in Triplicate & Quadruplicate, at all events in such proportion as to admit of one for each Corps being retained as Voucher in his office, I beg leave to suggest that the documents required being there already procured, it will expedite the business in hand if the Deputy Paymaster General will transmit them to me in return for a receipt which I shall grant for them in such case, if any shall be judged equally or more convenient at them furnishing me with attested Copies.

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
Signed Henry Malcolm
Mily Asst. Genl.

To

Military Auditors
Genls office
Fort Pitt
22 July 1796

No 24

Fort St George 29th July 1795

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President in Council

Fort St George

May Lord

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship the demands on my Department which will accrue the present Month and the amount by me for the present Month and the amount to be made at the Presidency Pagoda 11th — and in Fanams to be made at the Subordinates Pagoda 19,936 Fan 11

I have the honor to be,
&c: &c:
Signed D Roebuck
M. B. E.

From Lieut Roebuck
Enclosing Estimate
for Carrying on part
of the Fortifications
Building Barracks
for Artillery &c
at the Presidency

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c: &c:

My Lord,

In a letter addressed to you on the 9th Instant, I requested your Lordship's Sanction to the charge for repairing the Artillery Barracks, and building two Bath in this Garrison, but through mistake, I omitted to enclose, to your Lordship, the Engineers estimate: I therefore have the honor to now transmit them for your approval

I have

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Fort St George 23 July 1795

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Dispatches this day entered in Mr B. Mss 155. 157. 158. 159

To Captain De Lalang

To Captain De Lalang - permitting him to proceed to Bengal and acquainting him that the payment of his Subsistence must cease upon his quitting the Coast.

To the Resident at Nagore

To the Resident at Nagore - desiring him to use his best exertions in collecting Supplies of provisions and Sheep for the Troops at Ceylon, communicating with Colonel Stuart on the subject of forwarding them to the Island

To the Military Auditor General

To Colonel Malcolm - acquainting him that the Board are satisfied he could not have furnished the Amount of the Hire of Troops during the several periods specified by Government & he considered the order of the 13th October on the Light Vessel sent to Bengal - and forbidding him to send in the Accounts in question as soon as they can be prepared.

To the Military Storekeeper at Vizagapatam

To Mr Geo. Wilson - enclosing an Invoice of Military Stores made over & delivered at Vizagapatam

Receives the following letters

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21 28 Fort St. George 25th Sept. 1795

An Estimate for Building two Baths at the Select Barracks for Washing &c.

Pags. Pr. C

900 Cubic feet Brick in Chunam @

to Plate and Steps @ 2 4 20 C ..... 43 9 "

9 32 Cubic feet Brick flowing on Edge in

one Course in Chunam under

Ditto Steps to Cap ..... 18 " "

Coat Chunamming to Walls and

ceiling @ 1 Pr. 3 Pags ..... 30 " "

by one Coat worked and put up at

to 2 Main Rail at 1 Pr. C. f. 10 fms ..... 4 12 "

and 12

in Clamps Nails 1 Pr. ..... 28 "

for Buckets @ 2 fms ..... 1 " "

Jam Hinges 1 Pr. @ 1 Pags ..... 4 " "

Exchange @ 62 Pr. Star Pagoda ... 106 " "

I Signed George Johnston

Capt. Engr.

Received the condemnation Letter

from B. No. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165.

From Colonel Collins - with

a letter from Captain St. Michel, in Answer

at Vellore, complaining of the injustice of his

Confinement.

From

2127 Fort St. George July 1795

24 I hould they be found reasonable, having the honor to remain with great Respect

Masulipatam
July 19th 1795

Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servt
Signed H. Bicknell
Lieut Colonel

Estimate for Breaking a Door
Window & the purpose of
of the Enemy to communicating with
& of forwarding the

67 P. Cubic feet Brick in Door Platform - repairing
frames with Hooks &c finished the inside
80 Cubic feet Brick in C to King Troops
arch & P.F. by duty Government
10 Cubic feet Brick in C the 13th October
1 Sq. one Coat Chunam ditto - one Window
Only here to Breaking made in question
and 9 Windows removing frames.

Masulipatam
June 1795

Exchange @ 1/2 per Pagoda — exceed 1/7 1/2
1 Store made an

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Fort St George 6 July 1795

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To the Honorable Sir John Shore Bart.

Governor General in Council

&c &c &c

Bengal

Hond. Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 3d Instant, and to acquaint you that in consequence of the Rajah of Tanjore's not having complied with the Terms contained therein, we have, at our Board fixed a Day for receiving the Lack of Rupees which is to be paid by the Rajah of Tanjore to his Highness the Nabob as a Nuzzer upon his investiture.

We take the Liberty of enclosing a Copy of our President's Minute on the above Subject, with Copies of the Letters to the Nabob and to the Rajah of Tanjore.

We have the honor to be,

Hond. Sir

Your most faithful

Fort St George
23rd July 1795

Signed Hobart

&c Council

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2429 Fort Selkirk July 7th

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From the Military Paymaster

From the Military Pay

enclosing Copy of a letter from the Actin

at Pittsburg requesting the

Establishment of Stations.

From the Collector at Dunigal

From the

advising of expectation of

Dunig

eighty three Tons of freight

Pittsburg

in the course of a Month,

From the Commandant at Fortsmith

From

Receipt of Mr. Secretary

Lambert

From the Indian Agent at Fort Union

From

that no conveyance

Fort Ra

furnishing Blank

to by Gov

stores the writer to

From the Engineer

ing of the demand

Offering for the whole

the Department for

Materials to build

for the European

Fort St George July 1793

Sir

I am for surrounding the public property belonging to the Government of the United States upon this island, in consequence of a Rupture between the two Nations.

It would have been a mark of proper respect to Government to have acquainted them with the proposition of the Chief and Council at Pondicherry, and to have invited their naval forces to the adoption of a measure which in every event, would avoid any misapprehension of your interference.

I am further directed to acquaint you that if there has been an indispensable necessity in your opinion for taking possession of the public property at Pondicherry, the application should have been addressed to the Military officer in Command of the District, whose province it was to have determined on the propriety of it. your letter to Major Brownrigg of the 11th Instant is unexceptionable, for had you received information upon which you could only state that War had been declared between Great Britain and Holland, it was your duty to have applied to him for aid and if you had received no authentic information of such an event, which indeed it was impossible you could, there can be no excuse for your conduct in acting as you did.

I am &c. &c.

(Signed) H.C. Jackson Secy

Fort St George
the 5th July 1793

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To Colonel James Stuart

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations to transmit to you for your information a Letter, with its enclosures, from Mr. George Perry to desire to recommend the Petition to your consideration as soon as your many other business will allow you to attend to it.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Hum.ble Servant
Sign'd W.m Jackson

To Colonel Stuart
&c &c &c

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Sir
Your most obed.t Hum.ble Servant
Sign'd W.m Jackson

To Colonel Stuart
&c &c &c

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations to transmit to you for your information an abstract of the Log of the Ship Gloucester from Falmouth to Boston in New England.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Hum.ble Servant
Sign'd W.m Jackson

To Colonel Stuart
&c &c &c

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 4.th Instant, and to acquaint you that his Lordships is highly satisfied with your Conduct on taking upon yourself the Command of the Dutch Ship and Cannon at Boston for the

To Mr. John Collector in the Port of London

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Hon.ble the Lords Commissioners for Trade & Plantations to transmit to you for your information a Letter, with its enclosures, from Mr. George Perry to desire to recommend the Petition to your consideration as soon as your many other business will allow you to attend to it.

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Fort Sullivan
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His Lordship leaves the detail of the business entirely with you, but desires it may be executed by written communications to the parties concerned, instead of a General order

Sam. Vt.: Kt.

Fort St. George
23rd July 1775

Signed / H.Co. Sackville

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Dispatches the undermentioned Letters entered in Mss. Rs. Book 166. 167. 168. 169. 170

Mr Ralph Ledge

To Mr. Ralph Ledge - appointing him Commissary at Pulicat with an allowance of twenty five Pagodas per month, and directing him to receive charge of the publick Stores from Mr. Maclean

Mr

To Mr. Maclean - advising him of Mr. Ledge's appointment, and directing him after delivering over charge of the publick property to return to the Presidency

To Colonel Malcolm - notifying the Military

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To the Commander in Chief

To Colonel Braithwaite - informing him it is the intention of Government to continue Major Donovan in the Command of the Troops in the Vizianagram Zemindary until further orders

To the Hospital Board

To the Hospital Board

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advising them to instruct Mr. Gillespie to resume the Duties of Head Surgeon to the Major

2130 Fort St. George Sept. 1795

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To Colonel John Braithwaite
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

Lt Colonel Braithwaite on the subject of sending a Detachment

The Right Honble the President having received information from the Resident at Nagarcoil that Travancore has made a formal application to be furnished with a detachment of the Company's Troops in conformity with the stipulations of the Treaty with his Highness I am directed by his Lordship to acquaint you that it has been resolved upon that the Detachment which composed the late Detachment with the Staff &c. employed in the Travancore Country in the month of April as it does not fall within the meaning of this Government to order the Detachment to advance beyond the Confines of Travancore without the Orders of the Governor General in Council, you are hereby directed to instruct Brigade Major Roberts to assemble the same at Trivandapilly, and there to hold it in readiness to march at the shortest notice with the allotted force towards Hyderabad by such route as Captain Kirkpatrick the Resident shall prescribe.

His

2136 Fort St George Secretary's

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before your Lordship.

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

Fort St George
20th July 1795

(Signed) John Braithwaite
Henry Malcolm
" J. Richardson
" Wm Young
" George Hall

In consequence of the Resolution of the Board in Meeting the 17th February last calling upon me for Estimates for the repairs required to the Officers Quarters at the Cavalry Cantonment of Vellore, as stated by Major Blair in his Letter to me, I have now the honor to lay the Estimates before the Board, amounting to Pagodas 1,511 4 64.

(Signed) W. Gent
Chief Engr

18th April 1795

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Wallace
Depy Secy Mil. Board

Estimate

1835. Fort St George July 1835

24 Majr Robertz Detachment recommending a pro-
per person to act as Surgeon the 1st European Regiment
vice Gillespie - Communicating the Boards Resolu-
tion not to employ Mr Thompson in any
public Capacity whatever until an Explana-
tion should be received to the reference made to the Court
of Directors regarding that Gentlemans Conduct
at Ellore for which he was brought to a
General Court Martial. —

25 Received the following Letter
from the Military Board. —

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

From the Military Board - enclosing an Estimate of the repairs required to the Officers Quarters at Coimbatore

My Lord,

In consequence of the order contained in your letter under date the 9th December - we called upon the Chief Engineer for an Estimate of the repairs required to the Officers Quarters at Coimbatore, which has accordingly been brought before us, and annexed hereto Pagoda 1511. 4. 68, a copy whereof we herewith have the honour to lay before

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Brought over Pagodas — 230 37 30

Offices

Rebuilding Walls where fallen or much cracked
Cubic feet mud 552 at 60 Cash ℔ foot — 2 : 3 : 0
One Coat Chunam Plaster to Walls retired Square
230 at 1 : 21 ℔ Sq. — 10 : 3 : 30
Repairing Roof with Bamboo Large and Square
Tiles and Chunam Brick and Lime Walks 75 ℔ Sq. — 20 : 22 : 48 — 30 : 26 : 60 — 97 35 16

Twelve Subalterns Quarters
in the fort Range
To one Quarter

Repairing Walls much Cracked Cubic feet
Mud 990 at 60 Cash ℔ Cubic foot — 2 : 1 : 60
One Coat Chunam Plaster outside all round
Square 46 : 24 : 4 at 1 : 21 ℔ Square — 21 : 15 : 60
White Washing Inside Walls and Plastering where
necessary 92 at 3 ℔ ℔ Sq. — 3 : 16 : —
Repairing Roof much decayed with new Tiles
Bamboo, Mats, and Chunam Brick Sq.rs
26 : at 1 : 21 ℔ Sq. — 39 : —
Similar Repairs to 11 other Quarters 65 ℔ each — 715 : — — 788 31 20

Six Sets of Offices belonging to the
above Quarters. —
One Set.
Rebuilding Walls where fallen Cubic feet mud
450 at 60 Cash ℔ Cubic foot — 2 : 1 : 60
Chunam Plaster to Out Coat Square 7 : 20 at 1 : 21 ℔ Square — 10 : 22 : 48
Repairing Roof with new Tiles Bamboo Large
and Small Chunam borders 85 ℔ Sq. 12 at 2 : 10 ℔ Sq.r — 10 : 2 : 48 — 28 : 37 : 36
Repairing five other Sets of Offices in Similar
Manner at 28 : 37 : 36 each — 140 : — — 168 37 36

90 26 76

Carried over Pagodas — — — — 1278 15 12

2137 — 1st Lt George — July 8th 1795

Estimate of the Expense of necessary Repairs wanting to the Officers Quarters of Cavalry Cantonment at Connatore.

Commandants Quarter

New Roofing to Back Varandah mud dwarfs with Palmirah Rafters, Laths, Plat and Cadjan Tiles and 2 Chunam Corner Squares 7. 11. 2 1/2 @ 13 P.C. per square — 105.31.50

one Coat Chunam Plaster to Back of Walls in Sundry places Squares 5. 21. 3/4 @ 1.24 P.C. per square — 7.36.18

White Washing & Distempering inside and Varandah all Round Squares 26. 28 @ 3 Cent P.C. per — 1.25.32

3 New Batten Doors with Locks and Hinges Lip Joint 7 ft 6 at 11.20 P.C. per foot — 19.22.50

3 New Batten Windows Shutters with Hinges and fastenings Lip Joint 6 ft at 11.20 P.C. per — 16 3 "

One Coat Wood Oil to the back Door Square Feet 30 at 3 Cent P.C. per — 2.6 "

153 3 8

Officers

Repairing Mud and Cunny Chunam to the ends one Coat Square 6, at 1.24 P.C. per Square — 1 " "

Repairing Roof with Cadjan Lungies and Tiles and Chunam Ridges Square 11. 80 at 13 P.C. per Square — 20.23.68

29 23 68

Field Officers Quarters

Repairing Chunam Borders shifting Tiles and Ridges where necessary of Varandah Square 25. 28 at 1.12 P.C. per Square — 31.2.32

Chunam Plaister 1 Coat to Wall in Sundry places Square 12. 28 at 1.12 P.C. per — 17.26.16

White Washing Inside and Varandah inside and out Square 21. 10 at 3 P.C. per — 1.22.30

Repairing Cooks in Terrace of Rooms and the Rooms 3 Coat Chunam Plaster Square 3 1/2 at 4 Pagodas — 13 " "

58 10 56

Carried over Pagodas — 2.30 37.40

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Fort Augusta 22 July 1775

Sir

Before we had come to any resolution in consequence of your Commands of the 3rd we received those of the 15th we therefore, no Complained with the orders contained in the latter, we refer the Agent to the Crown Carriage Contractor in a letter of which we do ourselves the Honor to send you a copy inclosed Marked No 1. together with a copy of the Agents reply Marked No 2. from which Last it appears that although the original Invent from the Agent authorized as above mentioned by order of Government it was not in our possession yet that he has received a proportion of the Stores which had been there intended for and authorized

We think it our duty to acquaint you of the above circumstance especially as we have no opportunity of giving the necessary directions to the Military Storekeeper relative to the transfer of the quantity of the articles of Store that it would have been proper to issue in reference to the work in hand agreable to your letter of the 15th in which Mr Lesslent was directed to be added to the Original cost interest of being charged at the usual rate as mentioned in the order of Government at the bottom of the Invent which was transmitted to us along with your Letter of the 3rd

We have the honor to be,

Sir: Your:

Signed John Bradstreet

" Henry Malcolm

" Jn Richardson

" Wm Grant

" Wm Young

" George Hall Jr

2139 Fort Melville July 3rd 1815

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Four Quarters in the Rear Range for the Half Barrack Square ..... 1272 Ft.
Spikes in the latter report than those of the front
Range taken on a Medium including the Spaces
of 155 Pagodas each ..... 270 " "
6 Batten Doors deficient in the rear
Quarters, Sup.Feet 1188 at 11.20 per foot ..... 237 "
6 Batten Windows Sup.Feet 80 at 11. 2 per foot 21 "
60 " "
270 "
Pagoda A. 1511 "

I Signed J. K. Gent
Chief Engr
Sign'd J. Wallace
Dep.y Insp.r Gen.l Fort.

To the Right Hon.ble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
&c &c &c

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge
Receipt of your Lordships Letter of the 3rd
Inst. transmitting to certain Articles of Stores
supplied on Indent to the Agents of the Van Cor
Contractors from the Longest warehouse, and
in the order of Government conveyed to this Office
that the said Articles were to be only supplied for
which they could conveniently be spared from the
Stores, and the Remnant to be returned by transfer with
the Military Storekeeper at the usual rate.

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From the mitting Com
with Copy of Correspondence
with Contract for the
Gun carriage Contract
relative to articles supplied
to the French Transport
Ship Castle upon the
Depot Establishment
of Port Dalrymple

2142 Fort St. George July 1795

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James Stratton Esq.

Secretary to the Military Board

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 22? Octobr, and in reply, to enclose you a copy of my letter to the Superior Board on the subject of the Stores, and to inform you that upon that letter they granted them, you will perceive they were applied for by me, on the part of the Contractors, as an indulgence and were granted as such therefore exempt from the 4th Term of the Contract upon which your letter is founded. I request you will inform the Military Board that knowing the order had passed the superior board and conceiving their order as unquestionable, I have already received part of the Stores.

I am &c.

(Signed) Cecil Smith

Agent to the Contr.

for Gun Carriages &c.

Fort St George
1st July 1795

A true Copy

(Signed) F. Wallace

Dep.y Sec.y mil.y Bd.

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Fort St. George 22d July 1795

To Mr. Cecil Smith

Agent to the Gun Carriage Contractor

Sir,

I am directed by the Military Board to acquaint you that, in consequence of orders received from Government, the Articles required from the Stores by your Indent of the 1st Instant are to be charged for at the rates of Fifty per Cent on the Invoice prices and that the supply is to be regulated by the Work in Hand - The Military Board therefore desire that you will transmit to them an Indent for such Articles specifying the quantity of each required, and the different uses and purposes to which the same are to be applied; and the reason for making the Indent.

I am &c. &c.

[Signed] W. Brooke
Secy to the Board

Fort St. George
22d June 1795

a true Copy

[Signed] T. Wallace
Deputy Secy to the Board

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be ultimately more than repaid to Government by the expedition with which the work will be finished and the consequent benefit to the service

I have the honor to be,
Sir: Sir:
Your most obedient humble Servt
Cecil Smith
Agt to the Contractor for Gun Carriages &c.

Fort St George
11th May 1795

A true Copy
Signed J. Wallace
Dep.y Judge Mil.l Bd.

Received the undermentioned letter entered in Mr. B's Ofc. 17th 17th 17th.

From Mr. Bazett - requesting permission to follow his profession on his individual account - and that his monthly pension may be paid to him at Masulipatam during his residence at that place.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From Mr. Harington - enclosing a letter for the Secretary to the Military Board at this Presidency.

From Lieutenant Dickson - advising of the Arrival of the 11th Battalion at Arnee from Singar and of its remaining encamped on the Glacis, on account of the uninhabitable State of the Leper Barracks at that Station.

From the officer Commanding of the 11th Battalion Native Infantry

Sent the following Letters

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Fort St. George 25 July 1795

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
President in Council
Fort St. George

My Lord,

I take the liberty of intreating your Lordships that the Military Board have instructed upon the Gun Carriage Contracts for Sundry Gun Carriages and Ordnance Stores to the amount of Pr. 51,000 to be made up with all possible Expedition - as the necessary advances for the work must be great I beg leave, as Agent to the Contractors, to request your Lordship will be pleased to order an advance to the Contractors of 1/4 or such proportion as your Lordship may think fit, and the same proportion of each bill ordered for payment to be stopped at the Military Storekeeper; the advance to be made partly in Stores, partly in Cash, or Government Promissary Notes and if required further security shall be given.

Aware that the Contractors have the right to claim this from the Terms of their Contract, I make the request in the Certainty that the indulgence if granted will be

said to have been taken from Rao Dada Rao
by certain Banjarees of Mahomedan Encamp
The President in Council has
taken the necessary measures for assembling
the Detachment required by his Highness the
agreeably to Treaty, and Major Roberts has been
instructed to hold himself prepared to march
at the shortest warning from Secunderabad
towards Hyderabad by such Route as you may
point out.

The President in Council is under
very serious concern that he cannot take any
immediate measures in consequence of the
Rajahs application for stationing a force
upon the Company's Frontier towards Kurpah
— the employment of a very considerable force
for Military establishment on foreign service,
and the Rajahs requisition for two Battalions
have struck this Government already to much
difficulty in providing sufficient means for our
internal defence — and, in fact, there was a necessity
for stopping the embarkation of one Native Battalion
that had been destined for the expedition to Malacca,
If, however, it should be found practicable
hereafter to move a force in the direction of
Kurpah, the officer Commanding it will be
directed

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To His Excellency Commodore Rainier

Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships &c &c &c

East Indies

Sir,

To Commodore Rainier
the Gloucester dispatch
for him carried the
Duke of Portland
from Bengal to us

We have the honor to acquaint you that the Chartered Ship Gloucester arrived in this Road yesterday from Bengal; and that we have directed the Commander to place himself under your orders. An Abstract of the Towns on which the Gloucester is engaged, is inclosed for your information.

The accompanying Letter to your address was received yesterday from Bengal

We have the Hon

Wm. Brace

Signed Hobart

Wm

Fort St George
25th July 1795

To Captain Kirkpatrick

Resident at Hyderabad

Sir,

To the Resident at
Hyderabad. Inclosed
will be sent to you
the Instructions which
Sir Robert Rainier
has transmitted
Major Roberts detach-
ment. We request
you will comply with the
Nizams application
for a Battalion to be stationed
near Hyderabad with
the Balance due to the
Detachment to be
received from the
Arrears of Subsidy
payable to the
Nizam.

I am directed by the Right Hon
President in Council to acknowledge the
of your Letters dated the 6th 7th 9th and 12th Instan
and to acquaint you that orders will be given
to the Collector of Guntoor to afford every assis
in his power towards the recovery of the Sum

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To Major Dunerordy - acquainting him that the Board have expressed their dissatisfaction of Mr Lawes Conduct in taking it upon himself to Bind Pattamars without a previous Communication with the Commanding Officer in the District

To the Military Board - enclosing Extract of a letter from the Accountant General and desiring that he may be furnished with the Quarterly Statement of Stores which he has applied for

To the Accountant General - enclosing Copy of an Account between the Company and the Rajah received from the Resident at Mysore and desiring that the amount due by the Rajah, and desiring that the amount due by the Rajah on account of Major Roberts's Detachment may be deducted from the arrears of Pensions payable to his Highness by the Company

To the Military Board - the Guns shed in Fort St George to be under Bills of the Gun Carriage Contractor countersigned for payment

To Colonel Braithwaite - enclosing Copy of a letter from Bengal regarding Captain Whites Plan for recruiting the Cavalry of the Army Native Establishment from the Bengal Provinces

To

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directed to forward the letter from the Nizam to his Consul in that province.

The Balance due on account of the late Detachment serving with the Nizam will be deducted from the arrears of Subsidy due by the Company to his Highness, on account to this effect have been given to the Accountant General at this Presidency

The President in Council feels much satisfaction at the approbation you have expressed of the Conduct of Lieutenant Colebrooke - I am ordered to acquaint you that this Officer will resume his Official station with the Detachment now assembling Gondapilly -

Fort St George
23rd July 1795

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) W. Page

Dispatches the enclosed Letters entered in the B. Nos 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182.

To Mr C. M. White - desiring you to inform Captain Prendergast that the Party under his charge which will not be required for the use of the Troops may be sold in the Manner most advantageous for the Company

To

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To Edward Saunders Esqr
President &c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

To the Board of Gentlemen,

Revenue - instructions for taking charge of the Dutch Factories on the Coast

We herewith transmit copy of the Articles of Capitulation for the Surrender of Pulicat, with orders from the late Government of that place to the Dutch Factories on the Coast to deliver up the public property to such persons as we may appoint to receive it.

We therefore desire you will send directions to the Collectors to take charge accordingly, passing receipts for the property so delivered, and transmitting inventories for our information

Fort St George
24th July 1795

We are Hon'ble Sir,
Your most obedient Servants
Signed / Hobart
&c Council

To the Hon'ble the Governor in Council
of Bombay

Hon'ble Sir,

We have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a letter to us from the Governor General in Council, upon which we request to be favored with your sentiments how far we may rely upon the source pointed out by the Supreme Government with respect to Native recruits & Lascars from the provinces under your authority for the service of the Military Establishment of this Presidency

We have the honor to be
Hon'ble Sir
Your most obedient Servants
/ Signed / Hobart
Dispatched

to Bombay regarding the number &c. of Native Recruits which may be raised in the provinces under this authority for the service of this Presidency

Fort St George
24th July 1795.

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To Ditto – advising Sense of the Board's determination to issue new Commissions to such Officers as obtained less than one Months Rank in Consequence of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell's removal to the Cavalry, free of the usual fees payable to the Secretary

To the Military Auditor General – enclosing Copies of Sundry Accounts Current between the Resident at Hydrabad and the Company on account of the late Detachment, and desiring him to report to the Accountant General the exact Sum due from the Nizam on this Head, that he may adjust his Books accordingly

To Ditto – requiring for his examination an additional Statement of Cash received in the pay Department for the present Month

26 Receives the undermentioned Letters entered in Mr. D. No 183. 184.

From Lieutenant Forbes – advising of his having sent four Mares to Lieutenant Evans at Rajahmundry

From Ditto – advising of his having despatched a List of 152 Horses for Acct.

Sent the following Letters

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The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the Honor to acknowledge
Military Auditor General's report on the Estimate of the Revenue Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for the Month of August

the receipt of Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 21st Instant, with the Estimate of the expected Disbursements in the Department of the Revenue Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for the Month of August 1795, and to report thereon as follows.

	£	s	d
Expected Disbursements at Madras	166	6	60
Chingleput, Poonamallee & Pondicherry	1172		
Vellore, Ambour and Arnee	781		
Tuckinopoly & Tanjore	1200		
Palamcotah	142	30	
Baramahl	15	31	40
Masulipatam	321		
Chicacole	162	24	72
Nagore	1000		
	2500		
Pags.	17443	4	72

From the Total Amount of the expected Disbursements as above stated, the

Acting

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Dispatches the undermentioned letters
entered in this Book 183. 186. 187. 188.

To the Board of Revenue

To the Board of Revenue desiring them to instruct the Collector at Guntoor to afford every assistance in his power towards the recovery of property stolen from the Rajah Bahadur Rose by some Banyaries.

To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provision

To Mr. Shardon - enclosing Copies of Correspondence with the Acting Commissary of Grain and Provision in the Guntoor Circar regarding Surplus Grain under his charge

To Monsr. Dubois

To Monsr. Dubois - acquainting him that, in consequence of direction from the Supreme Government the payment of his subsistence must cease from the period of his quitting the Malabar Coast - but that there is no objection to his proceeding to the Mauritius.

To the Commander of the Chartered Ship Glatworth

To Captain Clarkson - directing him to proceed upon his Voyage agreeably to the Instructions given him by Commodore Rainier so soon as he has completed the Embarkation of his Cargo

Received the following letter from the Military Auditor General

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Fort St. George July 1795

To

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President & Governor in Council of

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to report as follows upon the General Estimate of the acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for the Month of August 1795, accompanying Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 25th Instant.

Military auditor General's Report on the Estimate of the acting Principal Agent for Draught & Carriage Bullocks for the month of August.

Madras	Pags dus 11. 6. 56
Chingleput, Poonamalee, & Pondicherry	698. 24
Arnee, Vellore, and Amboor	107
Tinchinopoly	600
Palamcotah	108. 3. 60
Baramahl	150
Ellore	220
Chicacole	500
Ichapore District	23
	Pags 2 89. 31. 36

From the total amount of expected Disbursements as above stated, the acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks deducts the following sums, as not payable from the General Treasury at the Presidency, but payable from the Subordinate Treasuries, for which Bills will be drawn upon them, and transfered through the General Treasury

Madras

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Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions accounts for Monies received & not issued from the Treasury at this Presidency but payable from the Subordinate Treasuries, for which Bills will be drawn upon them, and Transmitted through the General Secretary

Paramakoil	321.-
Masulipatam	1162.27.1
Cuddalore	1012.-
Negore	2500.-
Paid	3.963.27.1

Consequently the amount issued at this Presidency on account of Disbursements in August 1795, as per Estimate of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, is thirteen thousand, four hundred and seventy seven Pagodas, 11 Fanams 1 Pagoda 13.477.11.-

Military Auditor
General Office
Fort St George
26th July 1795

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt
Signed Henry Hall
Mily Auditor

The

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for the payment of sundry Military Charges at
become due upon the first of the ensuing Month
From the General Treasury ---------- 13,354.11.5E
By Bills upon the Military Paymaster
General ---------- 3 P. 766.18.66

Pagodas 234,250.28.42

On examining the Estimate of the
Military Paymaster at the Presidency, I find
seven thousand and thirty Pagodas (7030) included
on account of Pay &c. to the Artillery at the
Mount, and the detachments of Gun Lascars,
and three thousand, four hundred Pagodas
(3400) on account of the 73d Battalion European
Infantry, which Sums, I apprehend, on comparison
with the usual Monthly demands for that
Corps, must include the Details ordered on
Foreign service, I have therefore deducted one
thousand, six hundred and forty Pagodas (1640)
the sums estimated for the former, and
fifty Pagodas (850) from
the latter, as I understand from
the Military Paymaster General, that he
made the advances necessary on account of
the Troops going on Service.

The G. O. of the 16th Instant having
directed the 114th Battalion Native Infantry to march
immediately

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Madras Cash in hand ..... Pags. 210 : 31 : 36
Vellore Ditto ..... 10 : " : "
Baramahl ..... 150 : " : "
Ellore ..... 220 : " : "
Chicacole ..... 500 : " : "
Ichapore District ..... 23 : " : "

Pags. 210 : 31 : 36

Consequently there will be no advance necessary from the General Treasury, on the account of the General Estimate in this Department for August 1795.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Henry Mallet
Mily Auditor Genl

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
26th July 1795

To
The Right Honble Lord Hobart
President & Governor in Council of
Fort St. George

Military Auditor Generals Report on the Paymasters General Estimate for August

My Lord,

Having received the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the month of August 1795, I have the honor to report, that the sum of two Lacks thirty four thousand, two hundred, and fifty Pagodas, twenty eight fanams and forty two Cash (Pags 234250 : 28 : 42) is required for

2158 Fort St. George 10 Sept 1795

27 Received the undermentioned letters
entered in Mr. B. Nos 189. 190. 191. 192.

Petition of Mestrs Puckaly Mackay — Petition from Mestrs Puckaly & Mackay
praying that the amount due to his deceased
Father on account of Bullocks supplied on the Hanover
=gunga Expedition agreeably to certificates accompanying
his Petition may be discharged

From the Paymaster of Arcot &c. — From Mr Paymaster Wyeth —
enclosing an Account Sale of the Cash horses at Arcot

From the Agent for purchasing Horses at Hyderabad — From Lieutenant Forbes — advising
of his having ordered Lieutenant Dallas to join
the party escorting the last lot of horses in consequence
of Disturbances in the Country

From the Commander of the Linen Vessel — From Captain Newbegging — offering to charter the Linen Vessel under his
Command to the Company

Sent Letter to the Board entered
in C.C. No 5 enclosing a Statement of extra
Charges sanctioned on account of Captain Macleans
Detachment, and requesting he will make
provision for the payment of the Account
agreeably to the Stipulations of the Treaty

Substance of Letter to Madras — Dispatched the undermentioned
Letters entered in Mr. B. Nos 193. 194. 195. 196. 197.

To the Paymaster at Pondicherry — To the Paymaster at Pondicherry
advising him of the Pensions granted to Messrs
Cornell, Beaumont, Fantome, and Baxter, also of
the Salary granted to Mr Beaufort while acting as
Chief of the Police.

To the Commandant at Dalle — To Colonel Sterling — to the purport
abovementioned

To

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immediately from Tanjore to Nameo
thousand eight hundred Pagodas
from the Estimate of the Militia
Tanjore, as they may due, to the
of the period exhonerated for, will
discharged by Mr. Paymaster

The acting Military Paymaster
Arcot, having through
includes three thousand
head of Commissary
provisions, this sum
as whatever is required
appeared in the Estim
=ment, and as I observ
upwards of a thousand
of a Native Battalion,
amount is likewise deduct
cause has been assigned,
the excess.

The encrease in the
Military Paymaster General
on considering the Number
foreign service, whose pay
discharged from any of the
Coast, arose, by Pagodas two
hundred (2,200) having been
Gratuity, to the Kings and
for the year 1794/5.

Military Paymaster
General Office
Fort Saint George
26th July 1796

Estimate of the
for the ensuing
Troops employed on
will not fall to
by Depatchounks on
Eight Thousand, for
included in account
Commissary's field Office

I have the honor to be
Sir &c. &c.
Signed Henry Malcolm
Mr. Paymaster

2160 Fort Stanwix July 27 1775

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Division of the Army - by which your Lordship will see, that Ryerick has been making an inroad into the Mugglatons District, and upon Mugglatons desertion, whose Men were dismissed by the activity of Lieutenant Bennet with a few Seneys - and that there seems to be a disposition to give trouble in the neighbourhood of Sydney to the South.

Lieutenant William Weldon Adjutant of the 26th Native Battalion, whose State of health has not permitted him to join his Battalion for a long time past, has requested, through the proper Channels, to resign his Adjutancy, should your Lordship be pleased to accept of this resignation I beg leave to recommend Lieutenant John Munro Junior to be Adjutant to the 26th Native Battalion, as an Officer well qualified for the Station.

I have the honour to be
&c. &c. &c.
Signed John Butterfield
Colonel

Head Quarters
Southby Plain
July 27th 1775

2159 Fort St George 27 July 1795

27.

To the Collector at Ramnad enclosing letters to be forwarded by a Dooby to Hurcarrah to the Rajahs of Cochien and Travancore.

To the Collector at Ramnad

To the Military Auditor General advising him of an additional sum of 10000 Pagodas having been advanced to the Military Paymaster General on account of the expedition to Malacca

To the Military Auditor General

To the Sea Customer - acquainting him to permit Mr. Dala Saye to ship sundry Articles of Military Stores on board three Chelingahs to the Snow Lo[illegible]

To the Sea Customer

28 Received the following Letter

To the Right Honble Lord [illegible]

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

My Lord,

From the Commander of the Army with Copies of Correspondence relative to Polygar Invasions with the Mysoreans - Zemindary - and the Circumstances in the Vicinity of Pulney - Representing Lieutenant [illegible] to have Leave for the Assistance of Lieut. [illegible] Station with Williams Horse who are [illegible]

Although I have no doubt the several Collectors keep your Lordship duly informed of the State of the Countries under their charge, I think it my duty to lay before your Lordship the enclosed Copies of Correspondence I have received from the Officer in Command of the Southern and Northern Divisions

2162 Fort St. George, July 1795

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To Colonel Floyd

Commanding the Southern Division of the Army

Sir,

I herewith have the honor to forward a representation from Captain Oliver respecting the behaviour of the Pylney Pollygar which I request you will be pleased to forward to Colonel Brathwaite.—

The Pylney Pollygar has of late shewn every disposition to be troublesome by hiring a considerable number of Armed men, and I am informed plunders in the name of Tombo Goundon / a free booter who was formerly a subject of Tippoo's, but now shelters himself chiefly with some of the Pollygars bordering on the Coimbetore Country / so that if he is not checked and a stop put to his depredations, it must involve the Company in very disagreable matters with the Sultan

I have the honor to be
Sir. Your
/ Signed / J. Cuppage
Lt. Col. Comm.d

Dindigul
July 28th 1795

A true Copy
/ Signed / Fred. Pierce
Major Brigade

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Fort St George July 1795

To

Colonel Braithwaite

Commanding the Army

Sir,

By desire of Lieutenant Colonel Coffin I have the honor to enclose Captain Meives report of the Polygar of Pyloey, what it seems, called Tondiman such as they are.

Lieutenant Colonel Campbell is arrived at Palamcotah, and writes home, under date 22d Instant of Ships having been seen in the Gulph, without any other particulars, as if he supposed I knew all about them. Major Stevenson had sent out Pattoles to the Coast, for intelligence, Colonel Campbell states that Mr Elliot, the Dutch Governor at Pulicondah is ready to hoist Orange Colours on the appearance of any Troops of ours if this Gentleman is right informed, he may be able to afford very compleat information of the Dutch settlements in Ceylon

Conformably to orders of Government H. M. 72d Regiment is in readiness to embark, in 48 hours time from the date of Notice.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most

Tuticorin July 22d 1795

Obedt Hble Servt

(Signed) Fras Grant

Major Brigade

(Signed) J. Floyd

Adjt Genl

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Shevegars Names	Country	Men armed with Fire-Lock	Match-Lock	Pikes	Total
Cummanaw Naick, Brother in law to Villayer Naick	Verumpetty	25	20	5	100
Shonedeo	Yaramara	25	5	"	30
Maura Mootoo	Pirampilla	10	20	"	30
Poolah Maurdeau	Colanoor	20	10	5	35
Chinnamah Naick	Villanoor	5	5	15	25
Rama Saunce Naick	Cilpettah	10	10	5	25
Chinnayan	Canoolamcauchy	30	10	10	50
Jeramanen Naick	Villeor	30	15	5	50
Mogeenumanalle	Cannoor	20	10	"	30
Cumanaw Naick	Cutchecutter	10	5	10	25
Annamentoo Naick	Pullengaud Nuttum	"	60	"	60
		185	200	55	460

Take the liberty of observing that disarming this Rabble would be easily effected with no other assistance than that of a Troop or two of Cavalry, joined to the two Companys of any Battalion with me at present; and that the Polygar retaining these Men in his service can proceed from no other motive, than, a desire of becoming a Marader.

Jour

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Fort St. George, July 1795

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To Lieutenant Colonel Cuppage
Commanding
Dindigul

Sir,

The number of Southern men, differently armed, whom Villayed Naick, Polygar of Pyloney, has of late taken into his service, and the force I had here being reduced very considerably, by your detaching one Company from me, pointed out to me the necessity of gaining an Accurate account of the number of this description in the service of the Polygar, specifying the name of the Shereegar, under whom they serve, his and followers Country, and how armed, which I now have the honor to send you for the information of the Right Honble the President in Council and the Commander in Chief.—

These can be termed no other than a Banditti who enter into the service of the Polygars as occasion requires, either to assist in their private quarrels, but much more frequently in opposing the Company— the Arms belonging to each Individual.—

Commdg

2166. Fort St. George 11 July 1795

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To Lieutenant Colonel Close

Agitant. General of the Army &c.

Sir,

I am desired by Colonel Wellesley to transmit to you the accompanying packet for Communication to the Commander in Chief, and to inform you that he has detached two Companies of Native Infantry to Muggeltore, that there are besides at Muggeltore one Jemedar one Havildar one Naigue and twenty Sepoys of the 2d. Battalion - one Jemidar two Havildars, two Naigues and thirty Sepoys of the 2d. Battalion and the 7th. Company of Native Invalids, also that Lieutenant Preston is stationed at Tatapoody with two Companies of the 2d. Battalion from which the Jemidar Party at Muggeltore is detached.

Lieutenant Dighton, who is on his return March from the Vizagapatam District with the remaining four Companies of the 2d. Battalion has been written to, to make his route through the Muggeltore District.

I have the honor to be,

Masulipatam
19th July 1795

&c. &c.

/Signed/ S. Wm. Ogg

Majr. B.C.

A true Copy

/Signed/ Fras. Fisher

Major Brigade

To

2165 Fort St. George 15 July 1795

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You will also be pleased to inform the Right Honble the President in Council and Commander in Chief, that the Polygar of Pylney sent a body of Armed men into the Cumbleum Country, from whence they returned last night, to Baulcondrum, and brought with them a considerable number of Cattle and every thing of Value, which they could find in Colabrum, a Village they has plundered, both belonging to Tippoo Sultaun, – they made prisoner Peer Unnaw Moygar of Colabrum, who is now in confinement at Ruttacombaddy, dependent upon Pylney

From the 15th on which I sent the this marauding party went out, to this day the roads leading to Baulcondrum were so carefully guarded, that I could not possibly send a man in to learn what was passing

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
Signed James Oliver
Capt. Comdt

Pylney
July 18th 1795

a true Copy
Signed Fred. Piercy
Majr Brigade

To

2168 Fort St. George 11 July 1795

28

To Colonel Bidcliffe
Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Sir,

Since writing to you last I have received undoubted intelligence that a large party of Peons, said to belong to Boppiah have entered the Company's Territories, and are now at the Village of Innogally in the Nuddeeputtah Purgunnah under my Authority, altho' these people have not yet committed any depredations in my Division it is to be apprehended that they will immediately proceed to the Mugtatore District. I therefore lose no time in apprizing you of the circumstance that you may give directions for Troops to be sent to oppose them.

Rajahmundry
14th July 1795

Sam. Fra: Pr:
(Signed) Benj.n Bransfill
Coll. 3rd Division

a True Copy
(Signed) Jno. Pierce
Major Brigade

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Fort St. George 11 July 1795

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To Benjamin Bramfill Esqr.

Collector 3rd Division

Sir,

I have had this moment intelligence by the Spy I informed you in my last that I have sent as a spy, that Boopiah Camp is about 5 or 6 Cos. ft. Encamped in a strong place near a Tank, and surrounded with Jungles, his forces amount to 300 and I have only 106 Rank and file, without a spare round of Ammunition, if you have any such thing at Rajahmundry I beg you will send it without delay, and a Reinforcement of any kind of Troops that can fire a shot if in your power, I hope you will repre= sent my situation as soon as possible to Colonel Bidcliffe, and acquaint Mr. Gambier that Boopiah first intention is on Mungalatore, he has 100 Gooyal pieces 1000 Matchlocks and 1000 with Swords and Pikes, I have, at the requisition of the Chief of the Village, taken post here, as he says it will be plundered immediately if I quit the place, it is currently reported here that a Head Sowcar has lately supplied Boopiah with a large sum of money

I am &c. &c.

/Signed/ James Dunstan

Lt. Comdg. the Detach.t

Camp at
Yerhagoodam
13th July 1795

P.S. Pm:

A true Copy
/Signed/ Jno.s Pence

A true Copy
/Signed/ B.B Bramfill
Coll.r

No

2870 Fort St George July 1795

To

To Colonel Bidcliffe

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Masulipatam

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor of transforwarding to you copy of a letter I have just now received from Lieutenant Dunston, as also copy of a Letter I have addressed to the Commanding Officer at Samulcotah, requesting his Assistance without delay, as a measure in my opinion indispensably necessary for the security of the Revenues, you will observe that the Peons Boopiah had brought with him into the Country are very numerous, and capable of doing very great mischief to the Country unless immediately checked - I hope you will be pleased to order without delay, a detachment to be formed, sufficient to effect the service that is required of them - By letter I have received today, I find the party have advanced into the Pentapaud Pergunah under my Authority, which is but a very short distance from the Muggletore District, the Country which Boopiah publicly avowed he would plunder unless prevented

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Fort St. George, July 1795

28

To Captain Thomas Leighton
Commanding at
Samulcotah

Sir,

The General Orders of Government dated 16th December 1794 directs that the Collectors are to apply to the Officer Commanding at the nearest station for Troops when the exigency of the service requires their aid and as I have this instant received undoubted information that a large body of Peons headed by Boopiah have entered the Company's Territories for the purpose of exciting disturbances in the Masulipatam District, and the Officer Commanding the Detachment at Yernagoodam having represented to me that those Peons, (about 2000) are now within 4 Cos of him, and his Detachment much weakened by a Jemidar and 30 Sepoys having been Detached from it, I conceive it my duty to call upon you for your assistance and hope you will be pleased to order as many Troops as you can spare to march immediately to join him, it will be necessary for them to bring spare Ammunition with them, as Lieutenant Funston had not enough for his own Detachment.

I am &c. &c.

Rajahmundry
15th July 1795

a true Copy
Signed Sam.l Skinner
Asst.

Signed Benj.n Bransfield
Coll.r 3rd Division

a true Copy
Signed Fred.k Pierce
Major Brigade

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me to defend the place, and to prevent as far as it was possible the Inhabitants from being plundered, or carried off, by Boopiah - this I did to the utmost of my power, a party of the peons, made an attempt to reach the Village, but were prevented, by a party of Sepoys. Which I detached after them, in consequence of Skirmish ensued, by which one Havildar and two Sepoys of the 2d. Battalion were wounded, but am happy to say, that they are likely to do well and have further, the pleasure to add, that nothing has happened to the Inhabitants, of this place, or yet any damage sustained by them, that we have yet heard of - Boopiah and his party drew off in the evening; but it was generally supposed, that he would have returned again at Night, which we prepared for accordingly, however we have seen nothing of him since - should he make his appearance a second time, every thing in my power, shall be done to secure the place, until a reinforcement arrives, which Mr. Gamble is in hourly expectation of, when I hope something more effectual, may be done if he is still in our neighbourhood, by pursuing him, with as strong a party, as can be collected after the arrival of a reinforcement.

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prevented — a Detachment sent off immediately to Muggleton will probably meet him there time enough to prevent the place from being sacked — I shall endeavour to collect a body of Peons to join Lieutenant Lumsdon and when the Troops arrive from Samulcotah shall request the Officer Commanding to join him without delay —

Rajahmundry
July 15th 1795

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) Benj.n Bransfield
Colr. 3rd Division

A true Copy
(Signed) Fred.k Pierce
Major Brigade

To Colonel Bilcliffe
Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Yesterday about 9 Clock, in the forenoon, a large party of Armed Peons headed by Boopiah Slate Renter of this place made their appearance here with hostile intentions — in consequence of which, Mr. Gambier, put under my Command a Jemadar and party of the 2d. B.n Battalion, to which joined to the force I had here, he desired me

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I am sorry to say, that I fear Bopiah, and his party, have made their Escape, as from the last account, which Mr. Gambier received, it appears that he was making rapid Marches, towards Annantifelcir, and I fancy his intentions are to quit the Company's Territory for the present.

Lieutenant Funston has received directions from Mr. Gambier, to pursue him, as far as that place, which at all events will have a good effect upon the minds of the Inhabitants, which, at present, is very highly necessary, and, for the further purpose, one Complete Company, will march in the course of this day, into the heart of the Country, and Lieutenant Funston's Lemadar's party shall be ordered to join him / with the above force / and what I have got with me here, there will be very little to fear from Bopiah, for I am apt to think his force was by no means what it has been represented, all along, and had I been fortunately joined, by Lieutenant Funston something might have been done against him, but I fancy he was kept very much in the dark respecting Bopiah's Motions.

I see

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It is supposed, and reported that Bopiah, is at the head of 3000 Armed Peons, which he brought with him from Bidrad= =lum

The Number he brought here, I do have not been able to learn, but from what I saw, there appeared a large body of them, I should get any information of his actual force, or himself, I shall do myself the honor to give you every information, and, in the mean time, have taken every necessary precaution that my Situation will admit of

I have the honor to be,

Muglatore
the 16th July 1795

Wm Wm
Signed G. B Bowness
Lt Comdt

A true Copy
Signed Thos. Pierce
Major Brigade

To Colonel J. Biloliffe
Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day which I got about 10 Oclock this Morning.

The reinforcements sent here, by your order are arrived, the forth of them on the 17th at Night and the 2d this Morning.

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To Colonel Bilcliffe

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Sir,

After writing you yesterday, a body of armed Peons, under Boopiah, arrived at this place, the Detachment of the 28th Battalion, which was here, I having proceeded to this place conformably to your orders to Lieutenant Lenston, under date the 19th Instant, and which I forwarded to him, having been received by me, in the letter from Brigade Major Ogg of the same date I accordingly put under the immediate Command of Lieutenant Bowness, under whose Command also was the Jemidar's party of the 9th Battalion at this place, agreeably to your former orders.

The exact number of Peons

Boopiah had with him, could not be ascertained at the time - but, it being supposed to be a considerable force, and as they were proceeding to the part of the Village, where the House I reside in, is situated, Lieutenant Bowness stationed the detachment of Sepoys with great judgment, so as to prevent the former from making any impression - The force under him was not of sufficient strength to admit of any offensive movements against the Peons - Boopiah

and

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I see no necessity for any further reinforcements of any kind, but will continue to keep as good a look out as possible, and give you every information that I may pick up respecting Boopiah and his intentions

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) G. Broomfield
Lt. Colonel

11 o'Clock A.M.
July 19th 1795
Muggletore

A True Copy
(Signed) Fred. Pierce
Major Brigade

To Colonel John Braithwaite
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit the enclosed letter respecting Boopiah, and his party, for your perusal, and am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Bidcliffe
Colonel

Masulipatam
July 21st 1795

A True Copy
(Signed) Fred. Pierce
Major Brigade

To

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To William Collins Jackson Esq.r
Secretary Military Department

Sir,

From the Acting Adjutant Genl. — recommends the promotion of Ensign Gordon to the Rank of Lieutenant vice Cranston — deceased —

Colonel Braithwaite has directed me to communicate his recommendation of the undermentioned Officer to be promoted to the Vacant Lieutenancy occasioned by the decease of Lieutenant Cranston; and to request — you will submit the same to the Right Honble the Governor in Council. —

Ensign Willis Hill Gordon, to be Lieutenant vice Cranston deceased, date of Commission to be settled hereafter —

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your
(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Major Brigade

Fort St. George
July 28th 1795

Dispatches the under = mentioned letters entered in M: B Nos 198. 199. 200. 201. —

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28 and his Peons, moved off at Night, to a Village
about a Mile distant, and early this morning,
proceeded to a Village about 9 Miles distant —
where he now is — where his next movements
may be I am uncertain of — it is said, he is
waiting for an additional Body of Peons — a very
general Alarm is taking place throughout the
Division under my management — should you
not have detached any Troops to this place,
agreeably to my requisition of yesterday, I have
to state to you, the indispensible necessity,
from the above circumstances of my having
an additional force here, and I have to request
you will be pleased to order some as speedily
as possible, and should my requisition not be
complied with, I cannot attach to myself no
any responsibility from such Consequences
as must in all probability ensue —

I have the Honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) C Gambier
Coll.

Mangalore
16th July 1795

A true Copy
(Signed) Fred. Peirce
Major Brigade

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At a Consultation

Present

Tuesday 28th July 1795

Edward Saunders Esqr

Acting President

and

Ernst William Falloofield Esqr

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

absent on a Tour to the Northward

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and approved

Read the following letter from

Colonel Brathwaite.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

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

My Lord,

I have the Honor to lay before

your Lordship in Council an address

from certain Officers whose dates of Commission have been altered in consequence of the removal of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell from the Infantry back to the Cavalry—

and I find that it is the opinion of all the Officers who are under this predicament,

and

From Colonel Brathwaite the officers who have lately obtained an Advance of Rank in Consequence of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell's transfer claim pay and allowances from the date of their new Commissions—Represents the hardship of those officers paying Fees for their Commissions who have obtained only a very short advance of Rank—

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To the Commandr of the Royal & Admiral and Lascelles.

To Captains Bond and Kempt — Communicating the Board's Resolution of 30 sending a proportion of Provisions and & Military Baggage on each of their Ships to Tricancadee, and desiring them to report to the Garrison Storekeeper so soon as they are ready to take in Cargo —

To the Garrison Storekeeper — com-

To the Garrison Storekeeper

municating the above Resolution, and desiring that every exertion may be made in the & Embarkation of the provisions &c. —

To the Deputy Master Attendant desiring him to supply the number of boats required for the above service. —

To the Deputy Master attendant

To the Secretary to the Military Board — desiring him to send on board each of the Ships as many Lascars as can be usefully employed in expediting & the Embarkation of the provisions &c. —

To the Secretary to the Military Board

&c

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President &c. &c. &c. in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

We the undersubscribed Officers in the Garrison of Fort St. George, who have derived additional Rank in consequence of the transfer of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell from the Infantry to the Cavalry line, by the liberal consideration of your Lordship &c. to our claim preferred in an address to Government under date the 26th March last, not knowing of any precedent either in His Majesty's or in the Honble Company's service, whereby Officers promoted, were not entitled to the full pay and allowances of the Rank they held from the dates of their respective Commissions have been a good deal surprised to have our Chitts for difference of pay &c. returned as inadmissible by the Paymaster General to several of our Number who presented them

We would flatter ourselves that the Paymaster General may have acted herein conformable to the Regulations of this Office, which prohibit

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and that of the Army in general, that they
are entitled to the pay annexed to the Rank
they have obtained by this change in their
dates of Commissions to all intents and
purposes as if Lieutenant Colonel Campbell
had never been placed in the Infantry, in
like manner as they have obtained the
Rank, and that although Lieutenant
Colonel Campbell is certainly entitled
to the pay of the Rank given to him
while he discharged the duties that it
should not be at their expence; and it has
been stated to me that they have been
charged with the Fees due upon the
new Commissions granted to them; and
the particular loss of Captain Arthur
Gibbings has been stated, who only
acquired one days rank by his new
Commission.

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

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
July 27th 1795

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Minutes thereon

It being the invariable practice of the Company's Service, that Officers shall have their Commissions dated upon the day on which the vacancies to which they succeed shall have taken place; and that their pay, as stated in the G. O: of the 29th of June 1790, shall only commence from the date of the general order announcing the promotion, — the Board do not consider themselves authorized to comply with the application contained in the foregoing letter.

Under the circumstances represented by Colonel Brathwaite, with respect to the case of Captain Algibbings, it is Resolved that there shall be no fee demanded from him for his new Commission, — and it is also Resolved that such Officers as obtained less than one months rank, in consequence of the Removal of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell to the Cavalry, shall be also excused from paying fees.

As a fee, however, on all Military Commissions issued, on whatever account, is an established perquisite attached to the Office of Military Secretary — ordered, that the

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prohibit the payment of all demands on them after the expiration of three Months, and not from any particular Authority from Government relative to the present instance, in that Belief, we can have no doubt that our Claim for additional pay may be ordered to be liquidated, as three Months have not yet expired since we have been entitled to it by the publication of the Orders of Govern= =ment bestowing the additional Rank upon us

Well knowing that this request can only be admitted by your Lordship's Wis by its being founded on just and reasonable grounds, and as far as we know, on the invariable Rules of his Majesty's and the Honble Company's service, we shall only further beg your Lordship's Consideration of it with your usual Candour.

We have the honor to subscribe

Fort St. George
2d. July 1795

&c. &c.

Signed / P. Bonnevaux
" Daniel Burr
Lt. Col.
" G. Bothereinghame
" Arthur Gibbings Capt.
" Wm. Collings Captain

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District, who kept up a constant intercourse with that place - from the observation & made by Captain Rowan when he was at Manar, he no doubt possesses a competent local knowledge of it - I dont think, from the des= =cription given me of it, it would be feasible to surprise the place, but one Company of Europeans with 4 or 5 of Sepoys could no doubt ensure the Capture of it, and probably accom= =plish that of Jafna - a detachment of this strength might, in a very short time, be conveyed over in Chalingahs from Ramiseram

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
Signed / George Powney

Ramnad
15th July 1795

G. Powney Esqr

Dear Sir,

Agreable to your desire, I beg leave to present you with, I think, an accurate account of Manar.

The entrance of the Channel, from the Northward has two prominent land Marks, a Mosque and Cadgut, which you keep close on the left hand, and distant about

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the Military Paymaster General do issue the Commissions, as above directed, pay the Secretary the whole amount of the fees, and carry the difference / as hath been the invariable practice on all former occasions / to the Head of "Military Charges".—

Read the following Letter from Mr. Powney—

Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor &c. &c. &c.

From Mr. Powney communicating intelligence respecting the state of affairs &c. of the Dutch Settlement of Manar

My Lord,

In the present state of affairs, the possessions of the Dutch in this Neighbourhood have naturally attracted my attention, and the Capture of them suggested itself to me, I have therefore endeavoured to obtain every possible intelligence respecting them, under the impression that Communication of this nature would meet your Lordship's favorable acceptance and might eventually be useful.—

Having been informed that Captain Rowan of His Majesty's 52d Regiment had been lately at Manar, I applied to him on the subject, and he communicates to me what is Contained in the Accompanying Paper— If in his Account to correspond materially with that I collected from the Native Merchants of this District

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Minute thereon

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing letter and Enclosure be sent to Colonel Stuart.

Read the following letter and Enclosure from Pulicat.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor and President, and the Gentlemen of the Council of Fort St. George

Right Honble Sir & Sirs,

From Pulicat — enclosing orders for the Evacuation of the Subordinate Dutch Settlements on the Coast and a State-ment of the pay and allowances of the Company's Servants at Pulicat.

In consequence of your Lordship's former letter we have the honor to send enclosed the necessary orders for the Chiefs of our Subaltern Factories, to deliver them up, with what remains in Store, according to the general Capitula-tion, in the same manner as we now actually do to Mr. Macleod, agree-ably to the Inventory made thereof on the 15th Instant, as the first and principal Document, which follows upon the Capitulation.

We

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about four Miles from the fort which stands at the East end of the Island, and is washed on two sides of it by the Channel E. & W. and S.W. - and after passing the fort it runs five Miles and passing over a bar discharges itself in the Gulph of Manar, - this fort is a quadrangle of nearly two hundred by one hundred and fifty Yards with Barracks for the Europeans and Storehouses for the Company's Goods - its Garrison consisted last February of nearly thirty Europeans, fifty Malays and as many Sepoys. The Malays are in Barracks near the fort and the Sepoys live in the Patcherie.

The Governor lives about a quarter of a Mile from the fort, and has a strong guard and two small field pieces before his door - an Enemy may land in perfect safety.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
Signed Chas. Rowan

N.B. The fort is masonry with four Bastions and a wet Ditch, but the Rampart is very thin - I saw four Guns Mounted

Ordered

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to Wm. Macleod a list of what now is
Recived when there are no publick or private
perquisites, as there are, when trade is
carried on, which in general is too deficient
and scanty to subsist by it without getting
behind hand, especially in such critical
times as the present; whence nothing else is
to be expected, but the most deplorable
Scarcity and dearness peculiarly heavy
upon us at Pullicat, where we must
be provided from Madras with diverse
Necessaries, it being now two years that
we have not had the good fortune of
recieving a Company's Ship or Vessel.

We have the Honor to be,

Pullicat
in Fort St. George
23rd July 1795

Wa: Wa:
/Signed/ Jacob Eilbracht
" Fk Wm Blume
" Jn Jm Katz
" Lt L. Canterwischer

/Signed/ Ch. W. Gericke
Transl.r

Memorial

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We acknowledge at the same time to have received by the hands of the said Mr. Macleod the letter of the 19th. Instant with which you My Lrs. and Gentlemen have done us the honor to write

We are not insensible of all the favorable Indulgence shewed in the present case, especially of the Liberty granted us in our persons and Goods, which we thankfully acknowledge, confessing at the same time, that every thing that was found here in Pullicat on the 5th. instant, belonging to the Company has been faithfully and truely stated without any reservation or Concealment whatever

We have no less reason to be obliged for the kind promise of an addition of pay to all the Company's Servants who are now out of Employ, and that the income of every one may duly be judged of, we have delivered

to

Fort St George, 28th July 1795.

The Head Surgeon of the Fort Pancreatics Brought Over ---------- £ 2964.9.24

Haring Mespen

To Pay ---------- £ 13.7.-
" Diet Money ---------- 4.-.-
" House Rent ---------- 6.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.16.-

For one Month ---------- £ 24.12.-
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 296.-.-

The Lieutenant Engineer Pierre Brosette

To Pay ---------- £ 11.2.53
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 4.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.16.-

For one Month ---------- £ 19.4.21.
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 230.3.12

The Extraordinary Lieutenant & Commander of the Artillery William Henry Neuber.

To Pay ---------- £ 8.2.26
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 4.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.4.-

For one Month ---------- £ 16.16.74
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 197.11.8

The Foreign Commander of the Troops Emanuel Gregory

To Pay ---------- £ 8.2.26
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 4.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.4.-

For one Month ---------- £ 16.16.74
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 197.11.8.

The 1st Lieutenant & Master attendant Cordevin Van Brake

To Pay ---------- £ 5.8.-
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 4.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.4.-

For one month ---------- £ 12.21.48
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 154.19.16

The Bookeeper and Cashier Engelbert Detraed

To Pay ---------- £ 6.16.-
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 4.-.-
" Ammunition Bread ---------- 16.-

For one month ---------- £ 12.17.48
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- 166.19.16

To one Bookkeeper

To Pay ---------- £ 6.16.-
" Diet Money ---------- 2.9.48
" House Rent ---------- 3.-.-
" Ammunition Bread Rundroon ---------- 1.16.-

For one Month to one Bookkeeper £ 12.17.48.
For 12 Months or 1 Year ---------- £ 152.19.16.
Three for 10 Bookkeepers ---------- 1528.-.-

Carried over ---------- £ 5731.1.4.

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Memorial of the usual monthly Receipt of Pay, Diet money, House Rent and Ammunition Bread / Randoen / of the undermentioned Company's Servants Viz.t

of the Honble Jacob Eilbracht Esqr. as President of the Coromandel Government.

To Pay		Pr. 13. 8. "	
" Diet Money		12. " "	
" House Rent		30. " "	
" Emoluments		62. 7. 6	
" Native Servants		56. 6. "	
	for one Month	Pr. 173. 21. 6	
	Thus for a 12 Month or a Year		Pr. 2086. 17. 72

The Junior Merchant, Invoice keeper, Dispenser, Frederick William Bloeme Viz.t

To Pay		Pr. 8. 21. 26	
" Diet Money		2. 9. 48	
" House Rent		6. " "	
" Ammunition Bread / Randoen /		" 16. "	
	of a Month	Pr. 17. 22. 74	
	of 12 Months or a Year		205. 11. 8

The Junior Merchant, Secretary, and Cashkeeper, John Joachim Hasz

To Pay		Pr. 8. 21. 26	
" Diet Money		2. 9. 48	
" House Rent		6. " "	
" Ammunition Bread / Randoen /		" 16. "	
	of one Month	Pr. 17. 22. 74	
	of 12 Months or a Year		205. 11. 8

The Junior Merchant, Fiscal, and Paymaster, James Simons Canterviscker

To Pay		Pr. 8. 21. 26	
" Diet Money		2. 9. 48	
" House Rent		6. " "	
" Ammunition Bread / Randoen /		" 16. "	
" Emoluments		3. 8. "	
	one Month	Pr. 21. 6. 74	
	of 12 Months or 1 Year		255. 11. 8

The Junior Merchant Peter Emanuel Van Hogendorp.—

To Pay		Pr. 8. 21. 26	
" Diet Money		2. 9. 48	
" House Rent		4. " "	
" Ammunition Bread / Randoen /		" 16. "	
	of one Month	Pr. 15. 22. 74	
	of 12 Months or 1 Year		Pr. 191. 11. 8.

Carried over Pr. 4926. 9. 24

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Brought over ..... Pr. 7513.4.64

The Garrison Writer Petteria Alexandrez

To Pay ..... Pr. 5. 8.—

„ Diet Money & Ammunition Bread / Rundsroenen / ..... 1. 20. 32.

For one Month ..... Pr 7.4.32

For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 86.4.64.

The Artillery Writer Henry Jakes Jacobs

To Pay ..... Pr. 2.—.—

„ Diet money & ammunition Bread / Rundsroenen / ..... 1. 2.—.—

For one month ..... Pr 2.2.—

To one Serjeant For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 37.—.—

To Pay ..... Pr. 5.8.

„ Diet Money & Ammunition Bread / Rundsroenen / 1. 20.32

For 1 Month to a Serjeant Pr 7.4.32

For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 86.4.64.

Thus for 2 Serjeants ..... 172.9.48.

The Beach Master John De Looy

To Pay ..... Pr. 5.8.—

„ Diet Money & Ammunition Bread / Rundsroenen / 1.20.32

For one month ..... Pr 7.4.32.

For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 86.4.64.

Persons that draw Pay.

The old Bookkeeper Willem Pieters

To Pay ..... Pr. 6.16.—

„ Diet Money / 2.9.48

„ Houserent ..... 3.—.—

„ Ammunition Bread / Rundsroenen / ..... „ 16.—

For one Month ..... Pr 12.17.48

For 12 Months or 1 Year 152.19.16

The Serjeant Jannet Rappe

To Pay ..... Pr. 5.8.—

„ Diet Money ..... „ 1.16.32

For one Month ..... Pr. 6.22.32

For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 83.4.64.

The Serjeant Peter Libner

Pay for one month ..... Pr. 2.16.—

For one Year or 12 Months ..... 32.—.—

The Wateman for fetching Water to the aboves.d People

For one Month ..... Pr 1.9.12.—

For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 13.4.—.—

Sum Pagodas ..... 8277.—.—

All this besides what is recieved by the Servants in the subordinate Factories

Publicat
in Fort St. Georg
15.th July 1795

Signed / Wm. Hy. Saalfeld

Ordered

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Brought over ..... £ 5731. 1. 4.

The Reader Frederick Meyhamp

To Pay ..... £ 8 " "
" Diet Money ..... 2 " 9 " 48
" House Rent ..... 3 " " "
" Ammunition Bread / Randsoen / ..... " 16 "

For one Month ..... £ 14 " 48
For 12 Months or 1 Year 168. 7. 4

To one assistant

To Pay ..... 5 " 2 " "
" Diet Money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.

For one month to one assistant £ 6 " 22. 32
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... £ 83. 4. 64
Thers for 12 assistants 998. 9. 48

To one Writer

To Pay ..... 2 " "
" Diet Money & Ammunition Bread / Randroon / ..... " 20 "

For one month to one Writer £ 2 " 20 " "
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... £ 34 " "
Thers for 3 Writers ..... 102 " "

The assistant Surgeon Henny Adolph Meyer

To Pay ..... £ 4. 10. 53
" Diet money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.
" ammunition Bread / Randroon / ..... " 6 "

For one Month ..... £ 6 " 7 " 5
For 12 Months or 1 Year 75 12 60

The Sub assistant Surgeon Jacob Haanen

To Pay ..... £ 3. 2 " 53
" Diet Money ..... 1 " 14 " 32
" Ammunition Bread / Randroon / ..... " 6 "

For one month ..... £ 4 " 23 " 5
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 59 " 12 " 60

The Portuguese Mender John Samuel Paul

To Pay ..... £ 5 " 8 " "
Diet Money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.

For one Month ..... £ 6 " 22 " 32
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 83 " 4 " 64

The Coffin & Undertaker John Adeld

To Pay ..... £ 5 " 2 " "
" Diet money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.

For one month ..... £ 6 " 22 " 32
For 12 Months ..... 83 " 4 " 64

The Summoner of the Court of Justice William Heyman

To Pay ..... £ 5 " 8 " "
" Diet money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.

For one Month ..... £ 6 " 22 " 32
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 83 " 4 " 64

The Provost Domingo Borgonje

To Pay ..... £ 4 " 10 " 53
" Diet Money ..... 1 " 14 " 32.

For one Month ..... £ 6 " 1 " 5
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 72 " 12 " 60

The Bookbinder Jacob Peters

To Pay ..... £ 3 " 13 " 26
" Diet money & Ammunition Bread / Randpoenen / ..... 1 " 3 " 16

For one Month ..... £ 4 " 16 " 62
For 12 Months or 1 Year ..... 56 " 6 " 24

Carried over £ 7513. 4. 64

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16th Battalion of Native Infantry, be directed to do the duty of the 34th Battalion of Native Infantry during the absence of Mr. Wise on service — That Mr. John Deeks, assistant Surgeon, be appointed to do duty with the 29th Battalion of Native Infantry — and Mr. George Anderson, assistant Surgeon, in the Garrison of Vellore, /Vice Deeks/ —

approved

Mr. George Baird, an Invalid Surgeon, at Nagore has been long in a very infirm state of health, but his Complaints are so much encreased lately that he finds himself totally incapable of performing his duty, and Requests that some person may be appointed to act for him while he endeavours, by a proper course of Medicine to restore himself to some degree of health and strength. —

We recommend that Mr. William Colhoun assistant Surgeon be directed to do the duty of Nagore, Negapatam and Karicaul until further orders. —

approved

Read

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The foregoing Letter from Bellasis ordered to lie on the Table

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read the following proceedings of the Hospital Board. —

Hospital Board

27th July 1795

From the Hospital Board — recommending the promotion of Mr Barber the Senior Assistant Surgeon — that Mr Anderson do duty with the duty of the 5th — Mr Hicks with the 1st Battalion — that Mr Anderson do duty in the Garrison of Trichinopoly Mr Calhoun at Negapatam Mr during Mr Davis indisposition, and that Mr Boyce be appointed a Sub Assistant Surgeon. an additional Proposition of Country Medicines required for the General Hospital at Masulipatam — Mr Bellasis request leave of absence to proceed to Europe — recommending that Natives in the service be admitted into the Lunatic Hospital and the allowance to be drawn for them

approved

In consequence of Mr Secretary Jackson's letter of the 23rd Instant we have directed Mr Gillespie to proceed to Trichinopoly and resume the duties of the Head Surgeon to the Detachment serving with His Highness the Nizam

We recommend that Mr Samuel Barber the Senior Assistant Surgeon, be promoted to the Rank of Surgeon, and appointed to act with the 1st Battalion of European Infantry in the Room of Mr Gillespie

We have communicated to Mr Thomson the Resolution of Government respecting him

We recommend that Mr Robert Anderson Assistant Surgeon to the H.

Government is of opinion that there is not the smallest occasion for making the promotion recommended by the Hospital Board — Mr Barber is only to perform a temporary duty

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Indent for Country Medicines for the present quarter exceeds the Stipulated allowance, and transmits a letter from that Gentleman stating the urgent necessity for the encreased supply on account of the great sickness which has prevailed for some time past in the Regiment at Masulipatam, in order to prevent any inconvenience to the Sick we have authorized the apothecary to comply fully with Mr. Anderson's Indent, and we hope it will not be necessary to repeat this indulgence, as we have had a very Satisfactory Report from the Head Surgeon that since the men have been removed from the Fort very few Malignant fevers have made their appearance, and that the Sick in Hospital are recovering rapidly

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. William Betty, Assistant Surgeon, stating that his private Concerns render

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Read a letter from Mr. Maurice Fitz Gerald, Surgeon, representing that the duties of the two Battalions of Artillery at the Mount, together with the attendance upon the numerous Families now residing at that extensive Cantonment render it absolutely necessary for him to apply for an assistant, and requests, in the event of its not being practicable to send him an assistant Surgeon, that Mr. John Boyce may be appointed a Sub assistant Surgeon, to do duty under his direction— Mr. Fitz Gerald recommends Mr. Boyce as a young man of good Conduct, and regularly educated to the profession, upon which account we beg leave to submit his Request to the favorable consideration of Government.

Mr. Boyce will be appointed a Sub assistant Surgeon and ordered to do duty under Mr. Fitz Gerald

The Apothecary Requirements are that Mr. Alexander Anderson of the Mount

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Read the following letter from Commodore Rainier. —

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
Madras

My Lord,

From Commodore Rainier - enclosing a list of Invalids for whom he requests a Passage may be provided on the first Homeward bound ships. —

I have to request your Lordship will give the necessary directions to the Commanders of the Honble Company's Ships Homeward bound, to receive and accommodate with a passage to England fourteen Invalid Seamen, an Officer included, from the General Hospital here found on Survey held on them Yesterday unfit for his Majesty's Service in this Country; and five more men who were omitted the two last opportunities, making together Eighteen, as per list of their Names herewith sent, their remaining in the Hospital being very expensive to Government. —

The allowance for their Victualling is regulated by a late Act of Parliament. —

I have the Honor to be,
Sr. Sr.
Signed Peter Rainier

Suffolk
in Madras Road
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the Board could only comply with the request of Mr Bixby, under the circumstance of ill health – if it be Mr Bixby's intention to proceed to Europe he must consistently with the Regulations in force, apply for permission to resign the Service.—

Natives in the service for whose objects for this institution may be received into the Lunatic Hospital, upon the terms recommended by the Hospital Board – but no one can be admitted, whose case is not particularly stated to Government.—

under it necessary for him to proceed to Sea and eventually to Europe – and requesting the permission of Government to be absent for 6 Months from the date of his departure — We Recommend that Mr Bixby's request may be complied with and that Mr Charles Orson a Assistant Surgeon be appointed to do the duties of the Dispensary and Garrison for his room.—

No provision having been made for the reception of Natives into the Lunatic Hospital, we recommend that the Surgeon be directed to receive such persons as may be found proper objects for the institution – and draw the allowance of 6 fanams Man for day in full of all Charges whatsoever – The Pay of Natives in the service to cease from the date of their admission into the Hospital.—

Signed J. Anderson
Physician Genl.
" Colley Lucas
Chief Surgeon
" M. Raine
Head Surgeon

Read

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Resolution of the Board for shipping provisions &c. for Trincomallee in the Royal Admiral and Lascelles.

Resolved that the Garrison & Storekeeper be directed to Ship on the Royal Admiral and Lascelles the remaining Stores & for the expedition to Ceylon, which are & computed at 290 Tons;- and as Captain & Bond has reported that both Ships will be ready for Sea on Sunday next, the Store= =keeper is to be enjoined to complete the " embarkation of the Stores before that day, so that there may be no detention of the Ships on that account.

Read the following letter " from the Resident at Hydrabad

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

Sir,

From the Resident at Hydrabad- suggestions regarding the note praising Cash for Lieutenant Forbes' Detachment enclosing a Receipt for Hydrabad Rupees 15489 2 1 advanced to that Officer

I have the honor to inclose copy of a letter addressed to me by Lieutenant Forbes, the Company's Horse Agent at this place; in consequence of which I have thought it in= =cumbent upon me to use my best endeavours to raise the Money he requires by Bills on the Bengal Presidency; trusting that the extre one

urgency

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A List of Men who are Invalided and for which application is made by Commodore Rainier, to the Right Honble Lord Hobart Governor in Council for a passage for them to England

1 Lieutenant Samuel Bateman
Charles Lea
Wm Wells
Jno M.c Laurin
Richd Howard
Joseph Briole
Henry Jones
Joseph Marton
Jas. Mills
Wm Tucker
10 Jos: Mariner
Jas Watson
12 Thos Neal
Step.n Grubham
Chas Bannister
John Hughes
Dan.l M.c Namara
Benj.n Weechip
18 Wm Collins

For Captain Bond The Remainder and the Company discharged new 16/ on the Lascelles

Left behind before

Suffolk
Madras Road
20th July 1795

Ordered that the Invalids of his Majesty's Navy be sent to England on the Royal Admiral and Lascelles as Charter Party Passengers.

Minute thereon

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not be for the advantage of the Company and of the particular brand of the service in question, if Sir Charles Malet were authorized to draw Bills on the Presidency of Fort St. George for the purpose of occasionally supplying their Agent here with Cash— it is true that the same end might, in some measure, be answered by the latter transmitting Blank Bills (as he has lately done at my Suggestion) to be filled up at Poonah: but the objections to this awkward and unmethodical operation are too obvious to need being pointed out.

The Resident at Poonah would be duely apprized of the amount wanted by the Agent; upon which he would take up and transmit the necessary Bills on Hydrabad— for these he would pay by drafts on Bombay where his Bills on Fort St. George would, I fancy, be easily transferable: and, as far as I am able to judge at present, the Company would, on the whole, be no loser by the triple negotiation— on this point, however, I expect further information from Mr Uhthoff; the result of whose enquiries shall be duely communicated to you for the notice of Government.

I enclose

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exigency of the case will justify me with the Supreme Government for this deviation from their orders to my Predecessor on this Head

The commercial intercourse between this state and the possessions of the Company on the Coast of Coromandel being very inconsiderable, it is with great difficulty that Bills can, at any time, be negotiated here on the Madras Government: and even when practicable, it is never to be done for any large sum, and only upon the most disadvantageous terms.— On the other hand, it appears from Mr Whitehill's late communication to me on this Subject, that between Poonah and Bombay, considerable Sums are constantly negotiated: so that through the medium of the latter place, it may be presumed that the Resident at Poonah would never be at a loss to procure for his Bills on the Military Paymaster General of Fort St George, what=ever amount the Agent here required.— I beg leave, therefore, to submit to the Consideration of the Right Honorable the President in Council whether it would not

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of the Honble Company for so doing - I have made every practicable attempt to obtain the money for my drafts on the Paymaster General at Fort St. George, the only place I am have authority for granting them, without the smallest success, I have therefore to request you will take into consideration the good of the service, and supply my immediate wants by granting me Sixty thousand Rupees, for which I will give you my receipt in Triplicate on Account of the Madras Government of the above sum it will be convenient for me to receive immediately. viz 15489 Rs 12 Anns 1 Ps Fifteen thousand four hundred and Eighty nine Rupees two Annas and one Pois.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) E Forbes
Lt & Agent for the purchase of horses Hyderabad

Hyderabad
July 1795.

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Stewart
Assistant

Read

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Inclosed is the Receipt of Mr
Lieutenant Forbes for Hyderabad Rupees.
15,4 89,2,1 being the first advance I have
made him on Account of the sum of which
he stands in immediate need — I am trying
to raise the remainder for him by Bills
on Bengal. — I have the honor to be

Hyderabad
26th July 1795

Sir &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Wm Kirkpatrick

To Captain William Kirkpatrick
Resident at Hyderabad

Sir,

It is with no small concern that
I am thus publickly obliged to address you on
a subject somewhat deviating from rules &
not would any thing induce me to such
a measure, but the good of the service, and
the urgent necessity I am drove to, for want
of Cash, to pay for a very large Cot, of upwards
of one hundred and fifty horses, I have just
purchased for the service, and which were
brought for the purpose under Cole, and on
the faith of the agent pledged on the part of

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Hyderabad
20.th July 1795

&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Kirkpatrick

To Captain William Kirkpatrick
Resident at Hyderabad

Sir,

It is with no small concern that I am thus publickly obliged to address you on a subject somewhat deviating from rule; nor would any thing induce me to such a measure, but the good of the service, and the urgent necessity I am drove to, for want of Cash, to pay for a very large Cot. of Cowards of one hundred and fifty horse, I have just purchased for the service, and which were brought for the purpose under Cover, and on the faith of the agent pledged on the part of

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gave him my Receipts in Triplicate, and am
given to understand I may expect the Remainder
from him in a few days - A Copy* of my
application to the Resident on this occasion
is enclosed for your Lordships notice.

Agreeable to the Suggestions of the
Resident, I sent on the 13.th instant some blank
Bills on Madras to the Acting Resident at
Poonah to be negotiated there, subsequent accounts
however from that place, leave but little re-
ason to expect that this channel can be
successful - but Bills for ten or Fifteen re-
thousand Rupees being at times negotiable on
Masulipatam, I beg leave to Solicit your
Lordship's permission to be allowed to draw
occasionally on the Collector there, the more
particularly as this may in some degree
tend to remove the necessity of my resort-
-ing to Captain Kirkpatrick for supplies

I have the Honor to be,
Sir, &c.
(Signed) J. Forbes
Lt. & Agent for the
purchase of horses
Hyderabad

To

*enterd above

Hyderabad
20.th July 1795

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Read the following Letter from the Agent for purchasing Horses at Hydrabad

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

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

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Lieutenant Forbes has applied for an advance of funds to enable Captain Kirkpatrick - requests permission to draw on the Collector at Masulipatam

In consequence of your Lordships restriction, as signified to me by Mr. Secretary Jackson on the 11th Inst. against my drawing Bills on Bengal, or Bombay, and of the absolute refusal of all the Bankers at this place to advance me Money on any terms for Bills on Madras, I found myself under the necessity, as my only resource, of applying to the Resident at this Court for a supply of Sixty thousand Rupees, to pay for a lot of horses which I had just concluded a bargain for. - the Resident, sensible of the necessity of the case, accordingly this day supplied me with the sum of fifteen thousand, four hundred, and Eighty nine Hyderabad Rupees, two Annas and one Pice, for which I gave

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of the above sum it would be
Convenient for me to receive immediately a
Fifteen thousand, four hundred, and Eighty
Nine Hyderabad Rupees two Annas, and one Pice

I have the honor to be,
Sir &c.
(Signed) G. Forbes
Lt & Agent for the
purchase of horses
Hyderabad

Hyderabad
19th July 1795

The Board approve the
Agent's application to Captain Kirkpatrick
for a Supply of Cash on account of the
Agency.

Minutes upon the foregoing letter from Lieutenant Forbes.

Resolved that the Agent
be permitted to draw upon the Collector
at Masulipatam for such sums as
he may have occasion for, provided
the Exchange be not very unfavorable
to the Company, and that he pre-
-viously ascertain, by a communication
with the Collector, that the Latter

p.s.p.c.p.s

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To Captain William Kirkpatrick
Resident at Hyderabad

Sir,

I is with no small concern that I am thus publicly obliged to address you on a subject, deviating some what from rule, nor would any thing induce me to such a measure, but the good of the service, and the urgent necessity I am drove to, for want of Cash to pay for a very large list of upwards of one hundred and fifty Horses I have just purchased for the service; and which were brought for the purpose under Cavole, and the faith of the Agent pledged on the part of the Honble Company for so doing.

I have made every practicable attempt to obtain money for my drafts on the Paymaster General at Fort St. George / the only place I have authority for granting them / without the smallest success, I have therefore to request you will take into consideration the good of the service and supply my immediate wants by granting me sixty thousand Rupees, for which, I will give you my Receipt in Triplicate on account of the Madras Government.

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Diary

Received the following Letter from

Colonel Braithwaite.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before your

Lordship in Council, for your information, the

following Papers, viz.t N.o 1, Copy of my Instructions to

Colonel Stuart, Commanding the Land forces on the

Expedition to Trincomalé, N.o 2, Copy of my Instructions

to Major Brown, Commanding the Land forces on the

expedition to Malacca, and an enclosure N.o 2, Copy

of Instructions signed by Commodore Rainier and

myself and given in charge to Major Brown, to

be delivered to the Person who may be pitched upon

by Major Brown, and the Naval Commander on that

expedition, to deliver it along with your Lordship's

Letter to the Governor of Malacca— N.o 3, Copy of my

Report to Sir Robert Abercromby, Commander in Chief

of the Forces in India.—

I have already had the honor to lay

before your Lordship, on the 7.th instant Copy of Instruction

to

From Colonel Braithwaite enclosing Copy of his Report to the Commander in Chief relative to the Expedition fitted out against Ceylon and Malacca, together with Copies of his Instructions to Colonel Stuart, Major Brown and Mr. Mr. Dundas

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proposes the means of answering the drafts

Hobart

Com.r Saumarez

Wallace

Wm. George Parry
Wardroom

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No 4, Copy of a third Letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Dundas to Sir Robert Abercromby, & dated February 23d 1795.-

No. 5, Copy of a Proclamation to be issued in His Majesty's Name in English and Dutch.-

These, Sir, will fully inform you of his & Majesty's Royal and beneficent intentions, which it & has Pleased his Majesty to Command his Naval & and Military Commanders in India to carry into & execution.-

In obedience to these Commands, his & Excellency Commodore Rainier, his Majesty's Naval Commander in India, and myself, as Commander & of the Land forces, on this Coast, have held frequent conferences with the Right Honorable Lord Hobart & Governor of Fort St. George &c. who has received instructions from the Honorable Court of Directors to co-operate (as far as is consistent with the safety of the Settlement of which he is in Charge) with his Majesty's Naval and Military Commanders in carrying his Majesty's Commands into effect, and it has been in consequence determined, that I should propose the Number of Land forces which from this Coast might be & employed to this end, and the Officers to Command & them. The possession of Trincomale being considered as an Object of the first importance, the Commodore

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to Major Agnew, Signed by Commodore Rainier and myself.—

I have the honor to be
with great Respect.—
&c. &c.
[Signed] John Brathwaite

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
July 20th 1795.—

To Colonel James Stuart

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you Copies of dispatches addressed to me by the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas, one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State consisting of the following Pieces.—

No 1, Copy of a letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas to the Officer Commanding the Forces on the Coast of Coromandel, dated February 19th 1795.—

No 2, Copy of a letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Dundas to Sir Robert Abercromby Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Forces in India dated 19th February 1795.—

No 3, Copy of a second letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Dundas to Sir Robert Abercromby Dated 19th February 1795.—

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Vanangelbeek Governor of Ceylon; and of a letter from his Serene Highness the Prince Maatholder to that Governor, and some other letters, as also of the Copy of the Proclamation to be issued in his Majesty's Name, which has been signed by Commodore Rainier and myself, for your further information on this subject I enclose under № 6 Copy of the Instructions given by the Commodore and myself to Major Agnew

Furnished with these Six documents and this information, you are so fully instructed that there remains but little for me to add further on the subject, as the execution of any hostile operations, should such become necessary, must depend upon Your own Judgement on the spot, in Communication with Commodore Rainier.—

As unforseen circumstances may, however, occur to occasion a Separation of the Naval force from you after your Landing, when it will fall to you solely to carry into execution his Majesty's Commands, as far as Relates to the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon, I have only to enjoin your most Punctual obedience to them as contained in Mr. Dundas's Letters, and to desire that you will, as early as possible,

and

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has determined to proceed thither himself, and it has been also resolved to send some Land & Force thither, and to vest you with the Command of them; with the details of Corps and their strength, and with the whole equipment in regard to Staff, Ordnance, Ammunition, Stores, and Provisions you have been made acquainted, you have also been informed of the great assistance which & will be given by the Commodore in the & Transporting both of Men and Stores; and also of the Ships that are taken up as Transports & for this Service, in order that you may distribute the Troops, Provisions, and Stores in them as & you shall think proper; and you have been & informed what part of this force is to embark here, and what is to embark at Negapatam. It is & unnecessary, Sir, for me now to inform you, & that the Deputy Adjutant General, Major Agnew, cannot join you 'till you reach Trincomale, as it has been determined, at the conference abovementioned, that the first step to be taken was, to dispatch that Officer in one of his Majesty's Frigates to Columbo in charge of a letter from the Right Honorable Lord Hobart to Mynheer & Vanangelbeek

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practicable with your means and Strength, to which I would have you adjust your measures so, as not to extend your limits beyond your Powers of defence, and it is my wish that you should be able to defend this important possession if acquired, either by consent of the Dutch Governor or by force, to the last extremity: and with this view it must be decidedly settled, that the Civil and Military Servants of the united States of Holland are to remain in their Several situations, in the event of their placing themselves voluntarily under the British Protection, and the latter entering into the British Service, the intire Command of all the Land forces, means, and Resources for defence or other Military operations must be vested in you, or in such other Officer, provisionally in the British Service, as may succeed to the Command of the Land forces in consequence of any Casualty.—

By the documents now sent to you, Sir, you will see that you are authorized to take immediately into the British Service and Pay such of the European Troops, in the Service of the united States, as are willing to enter into it, and on the same terms for which their present engagements are made, but it will be highly Proper that they should be removed from Ceylon — If they enter voluntarily, and you find it absolutely

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and while the Commodore is still with you, endeavour to establish some Means, by the possession of Jaffanapatam, or some other & situation near to this Coast, and by the & equipment of a dispatch boat to keep up your communication with this Coast, and report to me, as frequently as may & conveniently be done, every thing material & which occurs.-

Trincomalé, by which I mean the Fort of that Name, and Fort Ostenburg which Commands the harbour, is the Principal object of your equipment either to give sufficient & defence to it in the event of it's being delivered up to you in the Manner which has been required, or to enable you to compel the delivery of that important post to you; and I trust that & the equipment is such as will enable you to add to its strength, if necessary, if you & obtain Possession of it, and I recommend it & to you to use every means in your Power & to render both the harbour of Trincomalé and Back bay as inaccessible as possible to an enemy's Fleet, I say as possible, by which I mean, as may be found

practicable

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authorize you to hold out any positive assurance # to them, but if you find them necessary, and that they can be safely and usefully employed, you # may continue to them their present Pay, on their Subjecting themselves to your orders and report your opinion in Regard to them.—

Altho' the Possession of Trincomalé is, as I have observed, the most immediate object of your # equipment, you will take Notice that the Possession of all the Dutch Settlements on the Island of Ceylon is to be acquired, if practicable, and to this # general aim you will be pleased to exert your endeavours and means as far as they can with prudence be applied carrying it always in # your mind that it may ere long, be necessary to defend against an active enemy all that we have, or may now acquire, on this side of the Globe.—

With this Sir, I send you Sketches, # which I believe are accurate, from more # finished Plans in the Engineer's Office, of the # Dutch Fortifications in the Island of Ceylon. # From these I am inclined to think that, if the Dutch have the intention to defend them # against you, and they are well Garrisoned and #

appointed

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absolutely necessary (which I should hope will not be the case) to call for his Majesty's 52nd Regiment, which you are authorized to do, I desire that you will make as equal a division of the Foreign Troops taken into British Pay as the nature of their establishment will admit, and send one division to Negapatam and one division to the Presidency, (and if you do not call for the 52nd Regiment, the whole to the Presidency, except such, as in Communication with Commodore Rainier, it may be found expedient to employ in any of his Majesty's Ships; and in the event of their surrendering as Prisoners of War, the whole must be sent to the Presidency —

— If there are any French included in the Corps that may voluntarily come into the British Service, it must be explained to them that no positive Promise can be made to them of receiving them into the Service but that, at all events, they may depend upon a liberal treatment, and all such, whether Officers or Soldiers, must be sent to Madras —

With regard to such Natives as may join the Service of the United States, I cannot a

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indispensably necessary, or in your opinion greatly for the advantage of the Service to call for it; and their Proposal has been acceded to; and orders have accordingly been sent to Colonel Floyd, Commanding the Southern Division of the Army. In making this proposal, Sir, I have been guided by my confidence in your prudence, and thorough knowledge you possess of our Situation on the Coast, which will cause you to Balance well in your mind the advantages You are likely to gain by calling for that Regiment, and the inconveniences to which we may possibly be exposed by their want of it, before you do call for it; and on this same confidence in you I rely, for your returning to this Presidency such parts of the Force or equipment, now put under your Command, as may be superfluous to the objects you may determine to undertake, and shall only say, that our Present call for Native Battalions and Artillery is rather pressing.—

His Majesty's Commands are so explicitly communicated by the Right Honorable Mr. Dundas that it is not necessary for me to point out to you how proper it will be for You

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appointed, which appears to be probable from Lieutenant Alleston Sober's Report of them, which I have communicated to you, and which I believe may be depended upon, you will not be able to extend your operations farther than to the & possessing and securing Trincomalé, and some situation perhaps to ensure a more ready & Communication with this Coast, by the & Gulf of Manar or Palk's Straights in the & event of the enemy's being Superior at Sea, & but of this you will be better able to Judge on the Spot, and from the information you will there derive; and, as I have as firm a Reliance on your Prudence and discretion, as I have on your Gallantry and Zeal, I shall neither Restrict you from, or urge you to any hostile operations with a view of acquiring farther establishments on the Island of Ceylon than Trincomalé to possess which every exertion must be made, as also for the & defending and Retaining of it when possessed; and that your means be as great as I can & possibly make them, with an eye to our own Security here, I have proposed that his Majesty's 52nd Regiment, now at Negapatam, should be subjected to your orders should you find it

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14 29: be considered as superseding mine. —

Head Quarters
Poultry Plain
July 14th - 1795. —

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

A true Copy
(Signed) W.m Wilson
Secry

To Major Archibald Brown. —

Sir,

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you Copies of dispatches addressed to me by
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of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
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dated February 19th 1795. —

No 2, Copy of a letter from the
Right Honorable Mr. Dundas to Sir, Robert
Abercromby, Commander in Chief of his Majesty's
forces in India, dated 19th February 1795. —

No 3.

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29th to acquire, as soon as you can, accurate Statements of the necessary disbursements and Revenue & resources of any Places that may fall into & your hands, in order that the internal Government of them may be provided for, with as little expence to Great Britain as is consistent with their well doing and future Security.— On these Subjects particularly, as well as your proceedings in general, I repeat my desire to have as early, as full, and as frequent Reports as your Situation and opportunities will & admit of.—

I shall of course Report to the Commander in Chief in India every Step I have taken towards carrying into execution his Majesty's Commands originally directed to him — I have in part already Reported to him and as it may occur to him to be necessary, for expedition sake, to send orders direct to you, in the event of your Receiving any orders from the Commander in Chief in India, differing in any respect & from what you Receive from me, the Orders of the Commander in Chief must of course

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his Majesty's Commands into effect, and it has been in consequence determined that I should propose the Number of Land forces, which, from this Coast, might be employed to this end, and the officers to Command them.—

The Possession of the Fortress of Malacca and its dependencies being considered an object of great importance, Commodore Rainier has determined to employ some of his Majesty's Ships under his Command to that end; and it has been determined to send some Land forces thither, and to vest you with the Command of them, with the Details of which, and with the whole equipment in Regard to Staff, Ordnance, Ammunition, Stores, and provisions you have been made acquainted—you have been also informed of the great Assistance which will be given by the Commodore in the Transporting both of Men and Stores, and also of the Tonnage which has been engaged for Transporting both on this Service, in order that you may distribute the Troops, provisions, and Stores as you shall Judge best under this information; and with these you will proceed, and use every exertion that may become Necessary, and is within

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N°3, Copy of a Second letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas to Sir Robert Abercromby, dated 19th February 1795.—

N°4, Copy of a third letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas to Sir Robert Abercromby dated February 23d 1795.—

N°5, Copy of a Proclamation to be issued in his Majesty's Name in English and Dutch.—

These, Sir, will fully inform you of his Majesty's Royal and beneficent intentions, which it has pleased his Majesty to Command his Naval and Military Commanders in India to carry into execution.—

In obedience to these Commands, his Excellency Commodore Rainier his Majesty's Naval Commander in India, and myself as Commander of the Land forces on this Coast, have held frequent conferences with the Right Honorable Lord Hobart Governor of Fort St. George &c. who has received instructions from the Honorable the Court of Directors to co-operate as far as it is consistent with the safety of the Settlements of which he is in Charge, with his Majesty's Naval and Military Commanders in carrying &

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must depend upon your own Judgment on the Spot in Communication with his Majesty's Naval Commander, only observing, that as hostile Measures will not be undertaken but in consequence of the Offend protection not having been acceded to, after such Measures the Terms on which protection has been offered cannot be Referred to, I would Recommend that whatever New terms you may be disposed, in communication with his Majesty's Naval Commander, to grant, should be such, as will leave his Majesty to dispose of those Possessions hereafter, in any Manner that he may think proper.

As unforseen circumstances may occur to occasion a Separation of the Naval force from you after your Landing, and it may fall to your Solely to carry into execution his Majesty's Commands as far as Relates to Malacca and its dependencies, I have only to injoin your most punctual obedience to them, as contained in Mr. Dundas's letters, and to desire, that you will, while his Majesty's Naval Commander may be still with you, endeavour to Arrange some plan, by which you may have it in your Power, if left, to Report to Government and to me as early as possible the Result of your exertions. —

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your means, in communication with his Majesty's Naval Commander on the Service, to obtain a possession of the Fortress of Malacca and its dependencies.—

This proper to inform you, Sir, that, in the conferences above mentioned it has been determined, that the first steps to be taken to this end, is to dispatch with this Armament Mr. Mc. Donald, who is charged with a letter from the Right Honorable Lord Hobart to Mynheer Couperus Governor of Mallacca, explaining his Majesty's Royal and beneficent intentions as expressed in the enclosed Letters of the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas, and inviting him to benefit thereby, and also in Charge of a letter from his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder to the said Governor.—

I enclose under No 6 a Copy of the Instructions given by Commodore Rainier and myself to Mr. Mc. Donald, by which you will see, that the result of this Mission is to be immediately Reported to you and his Majesty's Naval Commander furnished with these six documents, and this information, you are so fully instructed, that there remains but little for me to add farther on the Subject, as the execution of any hostile operation, should such become necessary

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29th British Service and Pay, such of the European Troops in the Service of the United States as are willing to enter into it, and for the same terms for which their present engagements are made. For all such as are taken into the British Service, if it is done on the Principle that both officers and Men accede to the invitation, a separate Account must be opened & under the head of "Entertained in the British Service" and they must as soon as possible be sent to this Presidency, all of them, except such as the Naval Commander may have occasion to employ in his Majesty's Ships, who will of course be accounted for as entertained in his Majesty's Marine Service.—

If there are any French among those who voluntarily accept the British Service, whether Officers or others, no positive assurance can be given to them that they will be kept in the Service, but they may be assured of liberal treatment on their arrival at Madras.—

The foregoing is on the supposition, that the whole of the Dutch Troops will accede to the invitation of being taken into the British Service. but should this not be acceded to generally, nevertheless, if Individuals come over to you, officers or Men, you are authorized to receive them, and to under the assurance of liberal treatment, to send them

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The Fortress of Malacca and it's immediate dependencies is the principal object of your equipment, either to give sufficient defence to it in the event of it's being delivered up to you in the manner which has been required, or to enable you to compel the delivery of that important post to you; and I trust the means you have, supported by his Majesty's Ships, are fully competent to either Purpose, and I confident in known abilities, Zeal, and bravery that every exertion will be used by you, not only to obtain the possession, but to defend it to the last extremity when possessed; and, with this view, it must be decidedly settled, that althó the Civil and Military Servants of the united States of Holland are to remain in their several situations on the event of their placing themselves voluntarily under the British Protection, and the latter entering into the British Service, the entire Command of all the Land forces, Means and Resources for defence, or other Military operations must be vested in you, or in such other officer originally in the British Service, as may succeed to the Command of the Land forces in consequence of any Casualty.

By the Documents enclosed, Sir, You will see, that you are authorized to take into the

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All the Europeans who fall into your hands as prisoners, must be taken on such terms as will leave it in your Power to send them to Madras, which you must determine to do, as soon as you conveniently can; except in any very particular case, which may indeed your farther detention of some individuals of them with you, till you shall receive farther orders in Regard to them.—

Altho' the possession of Malacca is the immediate object of your equipment, you will take notice, that the possession of all the Dutch settlements which may be dependent thereon, is to be acquired if practicable, and to this general aim you will be pleased to direct your endeavours and means as far as they can with prudence be applied, it carrying it always in your mind that it may ere long, be necessary, to defend against an active enemy all that we have, or may now acquire, on this side the Globe; and that at Malacca will in such case probably be a principal object of the Enemy, the vigorous defence of that on your getting possession of it must be your main consideration, and guide you in your details for any other places which it may be determined by his Majesty's Naval Commander and yourself to possess, either by force or in consequence of their being surrendered to your protection,

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them to Madras, particularly the Officers, unless &
you can promise to yourself any great advantage &
by the employment of any Officer on British Pay without
establishing him in the British Service according to
his Rank, in which case you may temporarily &
employ such Officers under the assurance that due
attention will be paid to his Merits; and, in Regard to
the Men, if you think it for the good of the Service &
to distribute them in the Artillery and Infantry &
Companies under your Command, you may do so, in
which case they will be drawn for in the Abstracts
of the Corps to which you attach them as Supernumeraries

With regard to any Natives who may be
in the Service of the United States, I cannot authorize
you to hold out any positive assurance to them of
being taken into the British Service, but if you &
find them necessary, and that they can be usefully &
and safely employed, you may continue to them &
their present Pay on their subjecting themselves to
your Orders, and Report your Opinion in Regard to
them, and it will be particularly desirable that
you should engage the Natives of that Country
temporarily, on the present Service, if you find them &
willing, and to be confided in, provided it will enable
you to Return to this Coast the Natives you carry from
hence, a measure to which I desire your early attention.—

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to him; and, as it may occur to him to be necessary, for expeditions sake, to send orders direct to you; in the event of your Receiving any orders from the Commander in Chief in India, differing in any respect from what you receive from me, the orders of the Commander in Chief must of course be considered as superseding mine. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
18th July 1795.—

(True Copy)
(Signed) Wm. Wilson Secy

To,

Sir,

You have been apprized, that it has been determined, that the first steps to be taken towards & in carrying into execution his Majesty's Royal and & beneficent Commands relative to the Dutch possessions under the orders of the Governor of Malacca, is, that you should be charged with a letter from the Right Honorable Lord Hobart to Mynheer Couperus, Governor of that & Settlement, and also of a letter from his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder addressed to the said Governor, & which has been enclosed in a letter from the Right Honorable Mr. Henry Dundas, one of his Majesty's & principal Secretaries of State, to the Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Land forces in India. —

Measures will be taken for your conveyance to Malacca at the same time with his Majesty's &

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as all such, under the present circumstances of the Force Put under your Command, must be considered & by you as Secondary objects, not to be engaged in so as to disqualify you from a vigorous defence of Malacca, on which you must Resolve, and for which you must exert chiefly, or Solely if you may the means in your Power.—

His Majesty's Commands are so explicitly communicated by the Right Honorable Mr. Dundas, that it is not necessary for me to Point out to you how proper it will be for you to acquire, as soon as you can, accurate Statements of the necessary Disbursements, and Revenue Resources of any Places that may fall into your hands, in order that the internal Government of them may be provided for with as little expence to Great Britain as is consistent with their well doing and future Security —On these Subjects particularly, as well as of your Proceedings in general, I desire to have as early, as full, and as frequent Reports as your Situation and opportunities will admit of.

I shall of course report to the Commander in Chief in India, every Step I shall have taken towards carrying into execution his Majesty's Commands & originally directed to him— I have, in part, already Repeated

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29th given or sent to you, you are immediately to communicate to his Majesty's Naval and Military Commanders on the Service.—

3rd In the event of your having a personal interview with the Governor, if he should & demand, whether by the term British pay it is meant, that the European Troops employed & by the States general on being taken into the British Service, will receive the same Pay as the Kings & Troops now serving on this Coast, you are & Authorized to Answer in the affirmative, if it & appears to you that the Troops will not otherwise accede to the measure.—

4th If any claim should be brought & forward in regard to arrears now due to the Troops, it is left to your discretion to Promise the liquidation of the same.—

5th In the event of the Dutch European & Troops being to be transferred to the British Service, you are to demand exact Returns and Muster Rolls of them Countersigned by the & Governor— In the event of your promising that the Arrears due shall be liquidated you must require, that the Statements of them which shall be brought forward should be authenticated by the

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Ships and the land forces destined for that Service; and we think it necessary to give you the following Instructions for your guidance in the discharge of that duty.—

1st As soon as his Majesty's Ships shall have Anchored sufficiently near to Malacca, you are to request of the Naval Commanding Officer to announce to the Governor of Malacca that you are on board, charged with dispatches from the British Government, which you are desirous personally to deliver. If the Governor should make objections to your coming on shore on account of the present situation of affairs, you may ask, if you will be permitted to Land under a Flag of truce, and if he altogether objects to your being Landed you may signify to him that you are already to deliver your dispatches to any Officer that he may think proper to send on board for them, provided, that Officer is, by the Governor, in writing, authorized to give you a Receipt for them.—

2nd Whether you deliver the Dispatches yourself to the Governor or to an Officer sent to receive them, you are to require, that a decisive Answer should be given within twenty four hours after the receipt of them; and whatever Answer may be

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to entitle them to your confidence; but you are on no account to allow discussion or Negociation to be spun out, so as not to receive within the twenty four hours a decided Answer, whether the Governor of Malacca means to Place Malacca and its dependencies under the British Protection or not; which Answer you are to lose no time in communicating to the Naval and Military Commanders

Given under our hands in Fort St. George this eighteenth day of July One Thousand Seven hundred and Ninety five.—

(Signed) { Peter Rainier
John Brathwaite

True Copy
(Signed) Wm. Wilson Secy

To Sir Robert Abercromby K.t B.t
Major General of his Majesty's forces
Commander in Chief in India
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that on the Morning of the 21st. instant about 6 o'Clock, H. M. Ships Suffolk and Orpheus Commodore Rainier with his Command, the Transports and the forces embarked for the several expeditions to Trincomalé and Malacca, stood out of the Road with

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Signature of the Governor.

6th In the course of an interview between the Governor and yourself, should any Stipulation be proposed in Regard to the Natives employed in the Service of the United States, you may inform the Governor, that the Officer Commanding the Land forces is authorized, for the present, to issue their present Pay to them, on their submitting themselves to his orders, if he thinks they can safely and usefully be employed; their being, however, continued in the Service must depend on the future orders of the Government of Madras.

7th As you are in possession of a Copy of the Proclamation proposed to be Published in his Majesty's Name with our Signatures affixed thereto, and are fully apprized of his Majesty's Royal and beneficent intentions in Regard to all Persons who may be in the public Service or residing as private Individuals in the Dutch Settlements, and with Regard to all public and Private property, you are to make use of this Knowledge, as far as it may to you seem Proper so to do, in your Communication with the Governor of Malacca or such Persons as may by him be deputed to communicate with you, in such a manner as to

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and to supply any deficiency arising from Sick & Absent, on Commands, and on Furlough, I prepared at each place of Embarkation, a sufficient & number of Volunteers to be attached to the Corps as Supernumeraries, so as to send them complete on Service. The 23d was accordingly completed here by Volunteers from the 52nd and the 1st will embark at Negapatam complete. There was not a single desertion in the Corps of Gun Lascars or Bonears.

It was highly pleasing to me to see his Majesty's 72nd Regiment embark so strong in Rank and file; but that Regiment has been remarkable for keeping up its effective strength, and I cannot say too much in Praise of Major Fraser, either as Commanding the Regiment, or the Cantonment where it was Stationed; and the Regiment & the Non Commissioned, Rank and file, has given, previous to their embarkation, a strong proof of the Paternal care that has been exerted towards them, by having voluntarily Subscribed four hundred and eighty five Pagodas to the Asylum for the male Children of Officers or Soldiers who may be left distitute.—

Enclosed I have the honor to send two Packets, under Numbers 1, and 2, which separately contain the details for each equipment; and Copies of the Orders which I have judged it necessary to give to

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with a fair Wind, and presently divided, the
Commodore steering to the Southward with those
intended for Trincomalé, and Captain Pickenham
in his Majesty's Ship Resistance more to the
Eastward with those intended for Malaca; and
it is with great pleasure that I inform you,
that nothing could be more satisfactory than the
alacrity and cheerfulness with which the Native
Troops embarked, nor has the desertion from the
two Battalions ordered upon this service been
more than usually occurs in the removing a
Native Corps from one Station to another: the
Battalion which embarked here, the 2d Commanded
by Captain James Campbell, lost only twenty
men, and twelve of these went off, on its being
ordered from Arnee to the Presidency, at a time,
when they had not any idea that they were going
upon foreign Service. I have not yet received the
Embarkation Return of the Troops to embark
at Negapatam, as they will not embark till
the Commodore appears off that port; but as they
have long known their destination, and no desertion
had taken place when I heard last from thence,
I am inclined to think there will be none: I
however, to provide for any that might occur, I

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addressed, shall, for the present, be left blank,
(and that the Instructions and Copy of the
Proclamation thus signed, shall be delivered to
Major Brown, who, on his arrival at Malacca,
is, in communication with his Majesty's Naval
Commander, to determine on the Person to whom
they shall be confided for delivery. This circumstance,
Sir, is owing to an after thought on the part
of the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, who had
determined to confide to Major Mc Donald,
in a political character solely, the delivery of
his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder's
Letter to the Governor General of Batavia, with
one also from his Lordship, and for which purpose
he has embarked on the Suffolk's Tender which
carries the Detachment of Artillery to Malacca,
and is, as soon as they are landed, to proceed on that
repeat to Battavia. It occurred to his Lordship,
that if Major Mc. Donald was the deliverer of
the Letter to the Governor of Malacca, which goes
accompanied with a Military Preparation, it might
furnish ground to refuse any communication
with him at Battavia. —

I also enclose separately, Sir, the Copy
of an order issued, with a view of giving as much
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to Colonel Stuart and to Major Brown, which will I hope meet with your approbation. I have also enclosed in No. 1. of these Packets, Copy of the instructions given to Major Agnew, who was charged by the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, with a letter from himself to Mynheer Van Angelbeek Governor of Ceylon, and also with his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder's letter to that Governor, and some other letters, which instructions were accompanied by a Copy of his Majesty's proclamation, which, as well as the instructions were signed by Commodore Rainier and myself; and in No 2 a Copy of Instructions originally intended to be given to Mr. M.c Donald, who lately arrived charged with the Dispatches from Europe, and who was to have been charged with a letter from the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, as also with the letter of his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder to the Governor of Malacca, and a Copy of his Majesty's proclamation signed by Commodore Rainier and myself; but it has since been determined that the place for the Name of the Person to whom these Instructions, signed by Commodore Raynaer and myself, shall be addressed

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One to the Governor General of Battavia, confided to
to Major Mc Donald; one to the Governor of
Columbo, confided to Major Agnew; One to the
Governor of Malacca, confided to Major Brown
to be afterwards disposed of as may be settled by
Major Brown, in communication with his Majesty's
Naval Commander on that Service, which will be
Captain Newcome, if met with, otherwise Captain
Pulteney, who sailed from hence in Command,
One sent by the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, with
a letter from himself to the Governor of Pulicate
by the hands of Mr Alexander Mc Leod a Civil
Servant of the Company; in consequence of which
the Governor of Pulicate and his Council, altho'
they considered it to be their duty in the Present
case, not to acknowledge any authority in the
Prince Stadtholder, and consequently to decline
the protection as offered, or to continue in
employ or any Charge whatever, yet acknow-
-ledged, that it would be the hieghts of folly to
attempt any sort of resistance, they therefore
proposed terms on which they were willing to
deliver up Pulicate and all its Dependencies, &
which I understand comprehends all the Dutch
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respectability as circumstances would permit to our Artillery Corps, and with as little delay as might be, as I am sorry to observe to you that this Corps is reduced rather too low; as, exclusive of the Detachments made from it, many men in it whose times of Service now expire, as yet declare themselves unwilling to Re-inlist.—

The Papers I have inclosed, are all that it occurs to me are necessary to convey to you, for, full information of every thing that has been done by me, in obedience to his Majesty's Commands, contained in the Right Honorable Mr. Secretary Dundas's letter to the Officer Commanding the Army on this Coast, under date 19th February 1795. duplicates of which, and of the letters addressed to yourself, which accompanied it, you have so received. With regard to the letters addressed by his Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder to the several Governors &c.a in India, they have remained with the Right Honorable Lord Hobart, who has forwarded to the Supreme Government and the Government of Bombay such as might be necessary for them, I have no doubt. Only I know how four of them have been disposed of, viz.

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was by no means to be objected to, and I
Commodore Rainier, who was acquainted with the Circumstances acquiesced in
it; The only opinion I have given, and I
that was no otherways given than in a
conversation and by Private Notes, was,
that whatever was done should be done
in his Majesty's Name, and Commissaries
appointed to receive and take charge of
such Ordnance, Stores, &c.a or public property,
as might be delivered up, at each in obedience
to his Majesty's Commands expressed in
the Right Honorable M.r Secretary Dundas's
Letter of the 19.th February 1795, and that the
Commissary, vested with the profession, &
should be furnished with such guards as he
should deem necessary to that end, and took
the liberty to hint to his Lordship, that
whether the Dutch in these Countries
should accede to the liberal offer made to
them by his Majesty, or such resist and become
our Prisoners, in either case great extraordinary
disbursements must be provided for, as I was
inclined to believe that we should derive very
little Revenue from those professions, which,

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establishments on the Coast; These were returned by Lord Hobart with certain limitations and corrections, which have been acceded to; I therefore consider that all the Dutch establishments on this Coast are now deliverd up to his Majesty. I have had no communication, in Writing, of this, but Lord Hobart has done me the honor to communicate to me verbally his intentions from the beginning, the progress, and the result in the course of communication, and has shewn to me the letter of the Governor and Council of Policate in reply to that from his Lordship which accompanied the Prince Stadtholder's letter, and which offered to receive them under Protection; His Lordship also shewed to me the terms of surrender, which the Governor of Policate proposed, and his Lordship's replies; and, as I have been uniformly of opinion myself, that all the Dutch establishments on this Coast, tho' distinguished by small Forts & with their Colours, are nothing more than simple Factories having no means of Resistance, I conceived it unnecessary for me to take any steps in regard to them, and that the mode resolved on by Lord Hobart of sending Mr. Mc Leod,

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29th Islands, which I was very anxious to do, not only to secure so much from falling into the hands of the French, but to get hold of something to reimburse our expences; and I was sorry when I felt it to be my duty to withdraw the Battalion, which, under all circumstances, I considered it to be.—

Five Native Battalions have been still thought necessary in the District of Vizagapatam alone, one in the Ganjam District, two in that of Masulipatam and two in the Guntoor Circar, to which if we add the two going to Hydrabad included in the Northern Division it amounts to no less than twelve Battalions, in that Division; Five are required for the Baramahal, consequently there remains 19 Battalions for all the Services of the Carnatic and Countries South of the Colleroon, of which nine are in the latter, and ten in the former, & but these Numbers are reduced by sending one from each on the expedition to Trincomalé sensible of the great importance it may be of, to get possession of Trincomalé and Malacca without delay, I have thought myself justified in preparing these Equipments, as I cannot learn

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we had immediately in view. —

In my original Plan I have proposed,
that a Native Battalion, with two Six Pounders,
and a suitable Proportion of Ammunition, should
form part of the Armament against Malacca; but
being verbally informed by the Right Honorable the
President, of a Correspondence at that time subsisting
between our Resident at Hydrabad and himself,
much of which he did me the honor to communicate
to me, and finding that his Lordship was decidedly
of opinion, that according to the existing treaty, the
Detachment required by the Nizam must be sent,
I desired to withdraw the Native Battalion from
the Malacca expedition, and to publish the order
relative to strengthening the Artillery on the
Coast, with Infantry Soldiers, as attached, till further
orders, which was acceded to; I must, however,
observe, that when I destined the Native Battalion
for that Service, it was not because I thought such
a force necessary for reducing or keeping possession
of Malacca, but with the hope it might enable his
Majesty's Naval Commander and Major Bowen,
with safety and good assurance of success, to
extend their views farther to the Eastward, so as
to possess one, or more of the important Spice
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our Coast Artillery; and in the event of our being able so to do, I shall be glad to be authorized to Augment the Strength of the Seven Companies remaining on the Coast, by allowing them to bear Supernumeraries, as far as we can get good Men, to make up for the three Companies detached, namely, two on the expedition & and One to the Nizam, so that the Infantry now attached to the Artillery, may either be fixed in the Artillery, by throwing the Germans in their stead into the Infantry & Corps, or rejoin their Corps, if the Germans are found eligible for the Artillery; as you must be sensible, Sir, that the Infantry Corps, from which have been detached their flank Companies, completed to 75 Rank and file, and from which details also have been sent to the Artillery, must remain very weak: what I would propose to do Sir, if means should offer, is, however to consider the Artillery as the main object, and I should be glad, after completing these Companies, to augment each of the Artillery Companies & remaining on the Coast with two Serjeants,

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29: that our Neighbours are inclined, or prepared suddenly to give us trouble, and I think with very little previous Notice, I can bring three or Battalions of the Southern Division and five of the Centre into the Field, and a sufficient European force to form a good Army of Check, besides that we have now his Majesty's 19th Dragoons and two Native Regiments of Cavalry completely Remounted, and have Horses enough with the three Remaining Native Regiments to mount another Regiment, if necessary; and I very shortly expect to have it in my power to call towards the Center, two, if not three Native Battalions from the Tinnevelly Country, as Lord Hobart, I understand, means to Sail as this evening for Ganjam, and return by Land thro' the Northern Circars, and I have no doubt that his presence will give such a turn to affairs in those Countries, as to admit of our withdrawing the force I have mentioned. I may add that I have been also induced to hope something, on the firm belief that we shall acquire by the measure a strong Reinforcement of good German Soldiers, and be able to Reestablish our

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I see gain Malacca, Sir, and I have very little doubt but the force gone against it will prove sufficient, not only to gain but keep it, it will prove of great importance to the Security of our China Trade, and is a good situation from whence to undertake expeditions to the Eastward; and, in the event of your determining to do so at a proper Season, which I am informed this is not, I have no doubt Sir, but that it will occur to you that this Government will be much gratified by the entire relief, and Return of the force sent from this Coast to Malacca, to whither I certainly should not have proposed to send it, but for the great importance of the object, and the information I derived from Commodore Rainier, that an Expedition to Malacca could not, at this Season of the year, be undertaken from Bengal.—

I shall not, Sir, dwell upon the extreme difficulty I labour under for the want of Subaltern Officers, in consequence of so few Cadets having been sent from Europe, one want almost the whole establishment of Ensigns,

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two Corporals, and twenty Matrosses, I propose this on the supposition that the German Soldiers may become our Prisoners in sufficient Numbers and desirous them of taking Service, should they decide to the liberal offer made to them, and so subject themselves to your Commands in Corps we may venture to complette our Artillery Companies at least from our own Infantry Corps. —

Altho' I have not been able to send such a force to Malacca as I originally proposed, nor such perhaps as you would wish to have in that Quarter of the world, I am not without hope that you will not disapprove my Conduct, and it will be very flattering to me to hear that what I have done in general meets with your approbation. If I have not done all I desired to do I hope I have, with due consideration of all the Subjects before me, done what I should do. If I have gone further than strict prudence can authorize, I have only to say, the objects were important, the time critical, and that in all War like this our Possessions there must be freely put to some hazard now, or perhaps unavoidably to greater hereafter. —

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of Vellore to Lieutenant Colonel Conyngham in consequence of his being ordered, on the General Court Martial at the Presidency.—

From the Commander of the Lavalette—

From Captain Kempt stating that his Ship will be ready to take in the Provisions by the 30th.—

From Lieut L. Vaillant

From Lieutenant Le Vaillant, requesting Permission to proceed to England on one of the Ships now under Dispatch, and that the same allowance may be advanced on Account of his Passage as has been granted to other Officers who have already quitted this Place.—

Substance of a letter to the Supervisor of the Province of Malabar

Dispatched a Letter to the Supervisor of the Province of Malabar, entered in MB. N° 205.— enclosing one to his Address received from Bengal.—

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Received the following Letters.—

To William Collins Jackson Esq^r

Secretary Military Department

Sir,

From the acting Adjutant General recommending Promotions in consequence of the Death of Captain Abbe Grant

I am directed by Colonel Braithwaite to signify to you his Recommendation of Officers as hereunder Named, for Promotion to supply the Vacancies in the Infantry occasioned by the decease &

of

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29 and when the numerous Staff and Sick are deducted from the Lieutenants you must be sensible how few remain for Regimental Duty.

I am sorry to report to you, Sir, that the general voice of complaint, both of European and Natives attached to the Artillery Corps, has rendered it my duty to put Lieutenant Colonel Giels in Arrest, and bring him to a General Court Martial on very serious charges; but, as this is a Subject on which I shall be obliged to give you much trouble hereafter, I will not dwell farther on it now. —

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
near Fort St. George
July 23rd — 1795. —

I have the Honor to be with great Respect — &c. &c. &c.

(Signed) John Brathwaite

(True Copy)

W. Wilson
Secy

30. Received also the undermentioned Letters entered in M: B: Nos 202. 203. 204. —

From the Commandant at Vellore — From Colonel Collins advising of his Intention to deliver over Charge of the Fort and Garrison of

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that our President now informs us that he has lately importuned him much upon the subject, being very anxious now to be furnished with the Stores required, in order that he may be enabled to Ship them off for some northern port before the change of the Monsoon. We have therefore the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council a list of such stores as can be spared from the Arsenal and which are now ready to be delivered to Mons.r de la Taye on Account of his Highness the Nizam upon his paying for the same, if your Lordship is pleased to authorize the measure. —

Your Lordship will be pleased to observe that the List of what we think can conveniently be spared falls extremely short of what the Nizam has desired to be supplied with - but from the present low state of the Arsenal, and consequence of the Non Arrival of the Supplies which usually arrive at, or before this Season, We do not think it would be prudent to make a greater issue on this account than

what

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of Captain John Green; and to Request you will
submit the same to the Right Honorable the Governor
in Council. —

Lieutenant James Graham, to be Captain
of a Company; vice Green deceased. Date of Commission
30th July 1795. —

Surgeon Robert Scott, to be Lieutenant,
vice Graham Promoted. Date of Commission
to be settled hereafter. —

I have the honor to be,
&c: &c:
(Signed) Fredc: Pierce
Major Brigade. —

Fort St. George
30th July 1795. —

To The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council,

My Lord,

From the Military Board
enclosing a list of Cadets
to be spared from the Army
in part of an Establishment
by the Nizam's Agent on 4th
November last.

We have the honor, in further reply
to your Lordships letter of the 21st November last, to the
consideration of which has laid over in
consequence of Mons. de la Fayé not having
since addressed himself to the Board. To state
that

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To the Right Honorable Lord Hart

President in Council &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George.

My Lord.

From Major Dunwoody — another unsuccessful attempt made by a Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Johnston, with the Cooperation of the Kennedy Peons, to seize the Person of the Paulcondah Rajah. —

I have the honor to transmit Copy of a letter from Lieutenant Johnson, who was employed in co-operation with a party of Kennedy Peons under Doogooraauze, the brother in law of Guggapatty Doo the Kennedy Rajah, amongst the Paulcondah hills in search of the Paulcondah Rajah. —

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

&c. &c.

Vellier July 22d 1795

/Signed/ Thomas Dunwoody

Majr.

To Captain Laland

Commanding the Detachment

at Vuragottom

Sir,

I had the honor to Receive your Public letter of the 9th, and took immediate measures, for effectually co-operating with Doogaraauze, whom I found extremely willing to give all the aid and assistance in his power, towards seizing the person of

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what is mentioned in the List.—

We have the honor to be,
&c: &c: &c:

Fort St. George
30th July 1795.—

(Signed) John Brathwaite
W. Gent
W. Younge
George Hall.—

An Account of Articles of Military Stores
that can be spared from the Arsenal &c: for the service of His Highness the Nizam.

Articles.—		Number Total.	Remarks.—
Foreign Muskets Serviceable		1,357	
" Repairable		312	1669.
Brass Guns on Pole Carriages	6Pr.	8.	
"	3 "	10.	18.
Iron Guns	9 9Pr.	9.	"
"	1 "	7.	16
Round Shot Iron	9 9Pr.	3,500	Three Shot to be drawn for each gun
"	6	1,600	
"	4	4000.	} These Shot are to be supplied from the Arsenal of Fort St. George
"	3	2000.	
		11,100.	
Grape Cases			10.
Molds for Musket Balls	English	1.	"
"	French	1.	2.

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July 27th 1795.

(Signed) George Th Calle
Com.y Gen.l of Stores

A true Copy

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expedition to the Village of Mandamcolar about 22 Cos. in direct line from Settamapet; and there, I am sorry to say, our information respecting the Rajah ceased, Chiefly owing to Tadiah the head man of the Village, who was extremely backward in giving information. -

After remaining there two days, & without the smallest Success, the want of Provisions (having been out 8 Days) obliged us to return to Veeragottom. -

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

Veiragottom
the 18th of July 1795.

(Signed) George Johnson,
Lieut 12 Batt.

True Copy
(Signed) Thomas Dunwoody
Major

To W. Collins Jackson Esq.r
Military Secretary

Sir,

I am directed by the Hospital Board to acquaint you that Mr. William Betty, Assistant Surgeon, requests permission to resign the Service, and hopes Government will be pleased to recommend to the Honorable the Court of Directors that he may be permitted to return without prejudice to his Rank when

From the Secretary to the Hospital Board. Mr. Wiliam Betty wishing to proceed to England for the adjustment of his private affairs, requests Permission to resign the Service

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of Paulcondah Rajah. —

On the Morning of the 11th we entered the Hills, by the Settamanel pass, and found our march greatly impeded by Trees and Jungle, that had been placed there, for the express purpose of obstructing our passage. —

The Different impediments, we met with prevented our getting further than Dandapa a Village situated in the very Centre of the Hills and an equal distance from the Villages of Settamanel Paulcondah and Veerugottum. —

From its Central situation Dorasawmy was of opinion it would be better to halt the next day and send out different Parties, for the purpose of obtaining information. —

Accordingly sent out Small Detachments, one of which was so fortunate as to seize two Men, Inhabitants of a small Village Called Cockerry on the borders of the Curipauw Country. —

They without the smallest hesitation, declared the Rajah had passed through their Village two days before, and they had no doubt of his being concealed in the Curipauw Country. —

Upon their information, we entered that Country, and proceeded with all possible

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Captain Alexander Read,

Commanding Barramahl and Salem

Districts

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that, in consequence of your Orders of the 13th Instant those Gentlemen of the Committee who are directed by Government to perform the whole of the circuits of the Barramahl and Salem districts, have this day called a meeting, and having stated the situation they are in, in regard to field equipage, it appears that Lieutenant Gordon is the only person provided with that equipment.

As the nature of this service will carry us over near 400 Miles, subjecting us to various delays at the several Stations we have to visit, the necessity of Tents will we trust appear evident; I am therefore requested to make application to you Sir for the necessary equipment, and have the honor to inclose the Indents of those Gentlemen unprovided. I beg the favor of you also to give such Directions, or take such measures as will enable us to be speedily & supplied, in order that we may carry on the Service with the least possible delay. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) C. Cormer Capt. & Master Gunner

Kistnah Ferry: —

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when his Health is re-established and his private affairs will permit.—

I have the honor to be,
&c: &c:
/Signed/ J: Conolly
Secy

Fort St. George
31st July 1795.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council
&c: &c: &c:

My Lords.

From Captain Read enclosing an Indent of Tents required by the Members of the Committee ordered to inspect the Public Buildings in the Barracoon &c. recommends that an allowance be granted them to enable them to supply themselves

The inclosed letter containing an application from the gentlemen of the Committee appointed to inspect the public buildings in these Districts for Camp-equipage, which it is not in my power to supply them with, I beg leave to lay it and their indent before your Lordship apprehending from the apparent difficulty of furnishing Tents for Officers in these Districts on former occasions, and delay appearing unavoidable, should they be sent from Madras, or the Presidency, permit me, my Lord, the liberty to observe, that were some allowance made, to supply themselves, it might answer the purpose, and be considered by them as a compensation for the extra duty allotted them.—

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

Vaniambaddy
20th July 1795

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Captain Alexander Reade,

Commanding Barramahl and Salem

Districts

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that, in consequence of your Orders of the 13th Instant those Gentlemen of the Committee who are directed by Government to perform the whole of the circuits of the Barramahl and Salem Districts, have this day called a meeting, and having stated the situation they are in, in regard to field equipage, it appears that Lieutenant Jordon is the only person provided with that equipment.

As the nature of this service will carry us over near 400 Miles, subjecting us to various delays at the several Stations we have to visit, the necessity of Tents will we trust appear evident; I am therefore requested to make application to you Sir for the necessary equipment, and have the honor to inclose the Indents of those Gentlemen unprovided. I beg the favor of you also to give such Directions, or take such measures as will enable us to be speedily & supplied, in order that we may carry on the Service with the least possible delay. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) C. Corner Capt. & Muster Master

Kistnah Ferry. —
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when his Health is re-established and his private affairs will permit.—

I have the honor to be,
&c: &c:
/Signed/ T: Conolly
Secy

Fort St. George
31st July 1795.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council
&c: &c: &c:

My Lords.

From Captain Read enclosing an Indent of Tents required by the Members of the Committee ordered to inspect the Public Buildings in the Barracks &c: recommends that an allowance be granted them to enable them to supply themselves

The inclosed letter containing an application from the gentlemen of the Committee appointed to inspect the public buildings in these Districts for Camp-equipage, which it is not in my power to supply them with, I beg leave to lay it and their indent before your Lordship

Apprehending from the apparent difficulty of furnishing Tents for Officers in these Districts on former occasions, and delay appearing unavoidable, should they be sent from Vellore, or the Presidency, permit me, my Lord, the liberty to observe, that were some allowance made, to supply themselves, it might answer the purpose, and be considered by them as a compensation for the extra duty allotted them.—

Vaniambaddy

I have the honor to be,

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To William Collins Jackson Esq.

Secretary - Military Department

Fort St. George

July 24. 1795.—

Sir,

From the Agents for Pondicherry Prize Money requesting that a Moiety of the Valuation of Ordnance and Stores may be allowed to them from the Treasury and Distribution thereof adjusted by Government

We the Agents for Pondicherry Prize Money beg leave to submit through you our situation, to the Right Honorable President in Council.—

Having expected that the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors together with his Majesty's Grant, if necessary for the Payment of the whole of the Pondicherry Prize Money, including the Company's Moiety of the valuation for the Arms Ordnance and Military Stores would have arrived about this time. We have therefore refrained from troubling Government till now when, not hearing of any direction from home on that subject, and having been informed that insinuations prejudicial to us have gone abroad, as if the delay in deviding the Pondicherry Prize Money were chargeable to us on interested motives, and anxious to remove such imputations, we earnestly entreat

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31. Indent on Captain J. Cuppage Military Storekeeper at Vizagapatam for the undermentioned — 16 July 1795

Articles wanted	No.	For what Service	Remarks
Marquies	3.	For the use of the Members of the Committee appointed by the Order of Government Dated 23 June 1795 directed to make the Circuit of the Carnatic for the above Purpose.	
Private Tents	3.		
Carriage Bullocks with Drivers complete	18	For the use of the Members of the Committee appointed by the Order of Government 23 June 1795 directed to make the Circuit of Barramahl and Salem Districts.	
Bamboo Coolies —	6		

(Signed) C: Corner Captain & Master Attendant

J. B. Hurdis Acting D.A.G.P.

J. Wood Lieutenant of Engrs

Indent on Lieut. Hurdis Deputy Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks &c. at Vizagapatam for the undermentioned. 16 July 1795

Articles wanted	No.	For what Service	Remarks
Carriage Bullocks with Drivers complete	18	For the use of the Members of the Committee appointed by the Order of Government 23 June 1795 directed to make the Circuit of Barramahl and Salem Districts.	
Bamboo Coolies —	6		

(Signed) C. Corner Capt. & Master Attendt.

J. B. Hurdis A.G.P. D.A.D.G.

J. Wood

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2nd. Three E. Indiamen were employed during the seige in conjunction with His Majesty's Ships Minerva and under the orders of the Honorable Rear Admiral Cornwallis in blockading the Road. These Indiamen have sent in no Prize Lists nor claims for Prize Money — Are they entitled to share as the Indiamen employed at the former seige did: and if they are — as they have given in no Lists and the strength of their Crews consequently not known — what proportion of the Prize Money ought to be reserved to answer their claim?

3d. In what proportion ought the Naval Commander The Honorable Rear Admiral Cornwallis and the Commander of the Army Colonel Braithwaite to share?

N.B. One eighth of the whole of the former Pondicherry Prize Money was equally devided between the two Commanders Major General Sir Hector Munro and Rear Admiral Vernon. —

We wait the Orders of the Right Honorable President with the utmost consideration and respect; and should His Lordship think proper to decline ordering any payment of Pondicherry Prize Money till His Majesty's grant or the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors shall have arrived, in

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21.

in behalf of the Captors of Pondicherry that the Right Honorable President in Council would be pleased to take into his consideration the propriety of issuing from the Treasury to the Prize Agents the Captors Moiety of the Valuation of Spoil on the Ordnance Stores and Military Stores, and allowing that Sum to be added to such other sums as have come into our hands, and a distribution of the total for the with to be made to the Captors in such manner as shall be thought most equitable.

Should the Right Honorable Presidency be pleased to direct the said Moiety of the Captors to be issued, and to Authorize the distribution of Prize Money, we, in that event beg leave to submit to His Lordship the three following Questions as necessary to be decided on before We can proceed to the division of Prize Money.

1st. What mode of Division is to be adopted whether in proportion to the Batta of every Rank, as during the Mysore War or into Shares, agreeable to the Custom of the Navy as was done with the former Pondicherry Prize Money?

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From the Import Warehouse Keeper &
advising of his having issued 100 Candies of Bar
Iron and 5 Candies of Manufactured Copper to
the Agent for the Gun Carriage Contractors at an
Advance of 50 ℔ Cent.—

From the Import Warehouse Keeper.—

From the Resident at Nagore shall
every possible Exertion on Collecting Supplies
of Provisions for the Troops at Ceylon.—

From the Resident at Nagore.—

From M.r Mardon requesting that a
new Purwanah may be obtained from the Nabob
for passing Grain thro' his Country for the use
of the 1st and 4th Regiments of Native Cavalry.—

From the Principal agent for Cavalry stuppage

From M.rs Sallefrangue complaining
that Colonel Sterling has refused to forward an
Address to Government regarding his Subsistence

From Mons.r Sallefrangue

Sent the following Letter to Commodore
Rainier.—

To His Excellency Commodore Rainier,
Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships & Vessels
in the East Indies.—

Sir,

We have the honor to acquaint you
that we have directed Captain Bond, the Senior
Commander of the Honorable Company's Ships
Royal Admiral and Lavalles to proceed to
Trincomalé, for the purpose of conveying the
remainder of the Military Stores and Baggage
belonging

To Commodore Rainier the Lavalles and Royal Admiral dispatched with Provisions to Trincomalee their Detention there to be as short as possible—

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in that case We beg his Lordship's permission for the satisfaction of the Corps and Individuals who are interested, to communicate to them His Lordship's reply to our application. —

We have the Honor to,

&c: &c: &c:

/Signed/

Keith Young
Agent for the
Wings Sea and
Land Forces. —

C. Smart
Agent for the Company's
Forces employed at the
late Siege of Pondicherry

Received the undermentioned
Letters as entered in Mis. No. 206. 207. 208. 209
210. 211. 212.

From the Acting Agent for Pondicherry Prize Money

From Lieutenant Keith Young advising of his being vested with full Authority to act as Agent for the Pondicherry Prize Money during the Absence of Major Smart on Service. —

From the Commandant at Palamcotah. —

From Lieutenant Colonel Campbell acknowledging the Receipt of Letters for the Rajahs of Cochin and Travancore. —

From Dº

From Dº enclosing a Letter from the Surgeon from which it appears that every Medical Assistance has been afforded to Jaggarnaut Tanker from the Commencement of his Illness. —

From

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To the Military Auditor General

To the Military Auditor General desiring him to give orders that Mr. Buinette's Pension may be paid to him at Masulipatam

To Mr. Buinette advising him of the above order - acquainting him also that the Board have no objection to his following his Profession in the way he has suggested, but that the Company have no occasion for his Services.

To Mr. Buinette formerly an assistant Surgeon -

At a Consultation

Present

Edward Saunders Esq.r

Acting President

Ernst William Fallofield Esq.rs

The Right Honorable

Friday 31st July 1795. Lord Hobart absent on a Tour to the Northward

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and approved -

Read the following Letter

Recd yesterday by express from Bengal -

Theo

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belonging to the Detachment, as well as of
receiving any dispatches that either yourself
or Colonel Stuart may have to forward to his
Majesty's Ministers.—

We request that the Ships may
not be detained at Trincomalé longer than
may be absolutely necessary, as their detention
would subject the Company to a heavy expence
on account of Demurrage.—

We have the honor to be
with Respect,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Hobart
Edwd. Saunders
E.W. Fallofield

Fort St. George
31st July 1795.—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters
entered in M. B. Nos. 213. 214. 215. 216. 217.

To the Clerk of the Treasury

To the Clerk of the Treasury Secretary.
Advances of Cash to Messrs. Roebuck and Mardon
on Account of their Employes for the Month of August

To the Military Paymaster General.—

To Mr. Roebuck—advising him of the above
Order and enclosing Copy of the Auditor's Report on
his Estimate.—

To the Acting Commissary General of Stores and Provisions and Agent for Bullocks.—

To Mr. Mardon to the Purport
abovementioned.—

To

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To Captain Willm. Kirkpatrick

President at

Hydrabad

Sir,

I lose no time in replying to your Letter, of the 30th Ultimo, which reached me this day, with an Assurance that your Conduct and determination, have my warmest Approbation. I shall immediately write to the Government of Fort St. George, to carry into execution, the Stipulations you have made with his Highness the Nizam, and, although I regret the Occasion which has called for the Assistance of the English, I am happy that it is in their Power to afford it. It perfectly right in withholding the You judged Copy of my Letter, to His Highness, relating Delivery of Baptiste's Corps. -

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With respect to the Conduct of our Troops wh ilst employed with the Nizam, I can only at present suggest the following Leading principles. That they are to be employed in such manner as the Nizam may think proper & consistently with our Engagements with the other.

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The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

at

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Bengal directing that measures be adopted for completing Captain Kirkpatrick's Stipulation with the Rajaun for the Return of the Detachment and for strengthening a body of the Company's Troops on the Borders of the Guntoor Country —

The Resident at Hydrabad has transmitted to us, his Letter to your Lordship of the 30th Ultimo, in consequence of the Rajaun's application for a Detachment of the Company's Troops

We enclose for your Lordship's information a Copy of a Letter written by the Governor General to the Resident on this Subject, and we hope that your Lordship may shall anticipated it by sending the Detachment required. We further request that you will give the necessary Directions for carrying into execution the whole of the Stipulations made by the Resident with the Rajaun, as noticed in his Letter to the Governor General of the 30th June, a Copy of which accompanied his Letter to You of the same Date.

We have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

Fort William
July 16. 1795

Signed J. Shore
Robt. Abercromby
P. Speke

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Honorable Court of Directors and your Secretary's Letter
of the 2nd Instant, with the Secret Packet for Bengal
by the John Schooner; and the Orders of the Prince
Stadtholder to the Directors of the Dutch Settlements
in this Country arrived, and were laid before Us yesterday

Having anticipated, by our Letter to your
Lordship of the 6th Instant, the Resolutions reported
to us, in your Lordship's Dispatches, subsequently
received, and bearing date the 27th Ultimo, any further
Communication of our Sentiments appeared unnecessary

We observe however, with much Satisfaction,
that the Prince Stadtholder's Letters are now arrived,
and that the probable Embarrassments incident to
the non arrival of them, no longer exists. +

We have to acquaint your Lordship
that, with a view to guarding, if possible, against
the effects of an early notification of Instructions
from the present ruling party in Holland to the
Dutch Settlements at Batavia, we had it in
Contemplation to dispatch a Vessel to Batavia
with advice of the Prince Stadtholder's Orders, and an
Invitation to comply with them, in the Expectation
also that the Countenance of the Company's &
Government, with an offer of such Assistance

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other powers of Hindostan and that they should not be joined in any Service with the Corps under the Marattas Raymond. The Intention of His Highness to constitute them his body Guard, seems calculated to obviate every Objection, the only difficulty which I can foresee, arises from the Possibility of the Marattas espousing the Cause of Aleem Sah, and the rebellious Zemindars, such an event which Seems highly improbable, would prevent the co-operation of our Troops, against those of the Peshwa.

Fort William
the 16th July 1795

I am &c &c
(Signed) J. Shore

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. H. Harrington
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To
The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

My Lord,

We were favoured on the 7th Instant, upon the Arrival of the Panther Cruizer, with your Lordship's Letter of the 27th of June, and the Dispatches accompanying it from the Secret Committee of the

I am Bengal returns
Lying Charges of the
Dispatches of this
Commencing the 27th Ult.
& 2d Instant and
Commencing with Ap-
pointment of the Capta
of Fifty Battalions
Mr Cecil

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expedient, by adding two Companies to each of the Native Battalions, or by encreasing the strength of each, of the Companies, according to the strength of the proposed Addition —

We have only to add, that Instructions have been sent to the Malabar Coast, relative to securing Cochin, as well as Surat, and the other possessions of the Dutch on the west side of India. —

We have the Honorable,
&c. &c.

Fort William
16th July 1795 —

(Signed) J. Shore
Robt. Abercromby
P. Speke
Wm. Cowper

To William Collins Jackson Esqr.
Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir,

I have Order to acquaint you, for the information of the Governor in Council, and in addition to the Communication in the Board's Letter of the present date, that as it is possible that a sufficient number of Cadets may not arrive at Madras, this Season, from Europe, to

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From the Secretary at Bengal regarding the mode of carrying into Execution the Augmentation ordered to be made to the Native Infantry Establishment on the Coast

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as could be spared from it's night & parade to suppress any Spirit of opposition to His Highness's Orders, in case the Government itself at Batavia, should be disposed to submit to them; but as We observe from your Secretary's Letter of the 2nd Instant that the Letters from the Prince Stadtholder have been detained at your Presidency, and that the Instructions from Europe are under your Lordship's Consideration, and that of the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Ships, and as We are authorized to expect that we shall soon be made acquainted with the result of both, We have determined to postpone, 'till We receive it, the Measure We proposed to adopt of sending a Deputation to the Supreme Government of the Dutch in the East Indies.—

Considering the late Intelligence from Europe, and the probable Exigencies for Military Services, it appears to Us advisable that an addition should be made to the Military Establishment on the Coast unless it should be rendered unnecessary by the Arrival of Force from Europe; and if your Lordship's opinion should correspond with our own on this Subject We would Recommend that you Authorize such Augmentation of your Army, as you may deem expedient

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I forward also the enclosed Dispatches for Commodore Rainier, which you are requested to transmit, with the same Caution, to his Excellency wherever he may be.—

Fort William
16th July 1795.—

I am, &c. &c.
(Signed) Edward Hay
Secy to the Govermt

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

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

My Lord

From the Board of Revenue with Sundry Papers relative to Proposals for an Invasion into the Mogulatore Zemindary, upon their Recommendation of establishing Revenue Cutchery throughout the Circar and suggest the Expediency of writing to the Resident at Hydrabad regarding the Protection afforded to Fugitives in the Nizam Country.—

+ Dated 16th 17th and 20th July 1795. vide Runnee Consult. 27th July 1795.

Since our address of the 22d Instant of we have received three Letters from Mr Cambier + which are enclosed, confirming the intelligence of Boopee hostile intentions, and communicating his actual incursion into the Mogulatore District; with a design (as it would appear) of attempting some desperate act immediately against the Collector's person, + and some of the principal Native Revenue Servants attached to the Station.—

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the Governor General in Council thinks it proper to recommend that, in that Case, any Augmentation which the Government of Fort St. George may judge it necessary to make, in the Native Infantry, may be effected, for the present, by adding 8 Recruits to the eight Companies of each Battalion.

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(signed) Edward Hay
Secretary to the Government

Fort William
16th of July 1795.

W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary
Sir,
at Fort St. George

I have the Honor to transmit to you, by the Direction of the Governor General in Council, the enclosed Dispatches for the Supravisor of Malabar, and to Request that you will forward them with as little delay as possible.

They relate to Subjects of Importance, concerning the late Dispatches from England; but, as the Supravisor is not in possession of the Cypher, they could not be disguised, and, of course, require the greater caution to guard against their Loss or Seizure.—

I forward

From the Secretary at Bengal with a Letter for the Supravisor of the Province of Malabar

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The Collector evidently owes to his timely precaution, the prevention of Boopiah's principal object of attack by the small force fortunately prepared on his Arrival at Muglatore; And We make no doubt you will approve of Mr. Gambier's judicious mode of acting with respect to Boopiah, and which must have produced his forbearance in refraining from plunder or other excesses against the Inhabitants and Villages common on similar occasions of incursion

On the Subject of Boopiah's Representation to which we beg leave to refer your Lordship, We have only to observe, that it appears to us totally inadmissible, more especially after the Circumstances of his late flagrant Misconduct in taking up Arms; and we conceive there is no Alternative left but the Application of effectual means to oppose any future attempt. of this daring and desperate Character, tending to affect the peace of the Company's possessions in that quarter and the safety of the Inhabitants under their immediate protection.-

It is with the deepest concern we observe that, in the present unprotected state of the Country, not only the Revenue but the lives and property of the Inhabitants must be exposed to the sudden eruption and cruel devastation of every desperate and unprincipled Adventurer, who, like

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The first intimation of Boopiahs
proceedings seems to have been received on the 12th
Ultimo, notice of which was given by the Collector
to the Officer Commanding in the District, in order
that Troops might be immediately ordered for the
protection of the Country. At that time no
Military Assistance whatever could be spared
for the purpose; But it appears two Companies
of Sepoys were afterwards allowed, on the further
Requisition of the Collector, and that a small
party was detached for the immediate protection
of the Public Servants and Records of the Station,
and to guard the person of the Collector from
insult. The unprepared and Defenceless State
of the District, enabled Boopiah, from the first,
to pass without opposition through the
Company's territory, from the Distance of
Bradathellum to Mugalore (about One
Hundred Miles) where he arrived on the
15th Instant with about three or Eight Hundred
Armed followers; after a lapse of more than
a Month from the Knowledge first obtained of
his preparations, and several days subsequent
to the period when it was known he had

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own to the Company's Government, and to prevent in
future their giving protection and Countenance &
to delinquents escaping from the Company's &
Authority. —

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

Fort St. George
28th July 1795. —

(Signed) " Chas. N. White
" Tho. Cockburn
" Wm Harington

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council,

My Lords,

From the Board of Revenue — reporting the refractory conduct of the Pyleny Poligar — and recommending that a search of Cash be made in the Inhabitants of the Zeplin in order to the discovery & detection. —

We have repeatedly informed
you that Vallaida Naick, the Pyleny Poligar is
not only regardless of this Authority, and persevers
in the most improper conduct, but has proceeded,
in opposition to every Remonstrance and the terms
of the late proclamation, to collect Troops, it
further appears, by a Letter from Captain Oliver
to Mr. Wynch of the 15th Instant, that this Poligar
had granted permission to Thumbaer Tunder,
to pass through Pyleny to Plunder in the
Coimbatore Country — and by another Letter of the
19th enclosing a Letter from Tippoo's Killedar to

Captain

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Boopiah, shall find the means of raising a few hundred Peons, encouraged with the prospect of plunder — Nor can we forego this opportunity of expressing a hope that our former Recommendation may soon authorized for the establishment of Revenue Corps in the other Circars like those so successfully employed for the defence and protection of the Vizagapatam District, as we are entirely convinced would produce the most important effects to the future tranquility and Welfare of the Country. —

We some time ago represented to your Lordship, that the conduct of the Zemindar of Bodachellum and of the Nizam's Amil at Commamet, occasioned great inconvenience by the harbour which they afforded to runaway persons flying to them for protection, from the Company's Territories, and we take the liberty to Recommend that the Resident at Hydrabad may again be applied to, in the most urgent terms to point out to his Highness the Nizam the unwarrantable conduct of these persons and to induce him to adopt effectual means for having the persons of Boopiah and Venataraw Rauze, seized and sent under a guard to be delivered

over

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Commencement of every season of Cultivation, but more
particularly in favorable years like the present. &
which we Recommend may receive your Lordships
Sanction, as the reimbursement of the Amount is
provided for under the Regulations Established for
Advances on account of Tanary.—

We have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) Chas. N. White
" Tho. Cockburne
" Wm. Harington

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P.S. Since closing the above We have received &
another Letter from Mr. Wynch, dated the 25th Instant,
enclosing a Letter from Captain Oliver, which &
We forward to your Lordships in further Confirmation
of the Refractory disposition and Conduct of &
Vellaida Naig.—

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to Consultation of
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To Edward Saunders Esqr.
President &c. Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

It being necessary for the benefit
of the present years Cultivation, which, in Consequence
of

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Captain Oliver that he had actually Committed depredations on Two Villages belonging to the Sultaun:— We are therefore reduced to the alternative of Recommending the immediate appointments of a sufficient force to besige Vellaida Naig, which Captain Oliver on a former occasion reported he was of opinion could be effected without much difficulty, and which, by evincing the determination of Government to enforce the Conditions of their late Proclamation, may have a happy influence on the Conduct of the other Poligars — whereas if they observe any Relaxation in the measures of Government it may have an opposite Effect.

We have the Honor to submit the Collectors Letters of the 14th. 18th. 21st and 22nd. Instant for your Lordships perusal, with the Enclosures from Captain Oliver, to which we beg leave more particularly to refer for information on the subject.

We have received a letter from the Collector in the Jaghire, Copy of which is herewith enclosed, requesting permission to make advances to the Inhabitants Amounting to about 5,000 Pagodas for enabling them to purchase Cattle and Ploughs, usually required at the

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To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor &c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

Letter from the Board to the Right Honorable the President requesting his opinion as to the measures to be adopted in consequence of the foregoing Orders from Bengal and enclosing Copies of the Letters from the Board of Revenue

We have the honor to transmit, for your Lordships information, copies of letters received yesterday by express from Bengal.—

It is our intention to direct Major Roberts to march from Condapollee for Hydrabad without the smallest delay, and to follow all such orders as he may receive from the Resident, with respect to his future proceedings: we confess we feel much embarassment with regard to that part of the Communication from Bengal which enjoins this Government to a compliance with the whole of "the stipulations made by the Resident at Hydrabad, "as noticed in his letter of the 30th of June, a Copy "of which accompanied his letter to your Lordships "of the same date"— Those Stipulations include a force for the Cudapa Country, which we apprehend, from the orders contained in the letter from the Government General, ought to be put immediately in motion: but, on collecting the sentiments of your Lordships upon this subject, and how little able we are to spare, at the present juncture, any Troops for the proposed

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of the Rain that has generally fallen in the Country, has begun; that the Inhabitants should be assisted with Money to enable them to supply the loss of Cattle, which has befel them the last Monsoon, and encrease their Number of Ploughs, I request your Permission to advance as far as Pags 5000 throughout the Jaghire, in such proportions as their Circumstances may require taking their Bonds as usual. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(signed) Lio: Place
Collector
(signed) W.R. Cushington
Act. Dep. Sec.

Chinglepet
24th July 1795.

Minutes of the Board on the foregoing Letters

The Board, after the most mature Consideration of the several Matters detailed in the Letters from the Governor General in Council & from the Board of Revenue, judge it to be indispensably necessary to write the following Letter to Lord Hobart. —

For

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him— The Departure of Major Roberts Detachment
—and the employment of two Native Battalions
on foreign Service, make it extremely inconvenient
to detach a force towards Cudapa, at this Juncture

We have the honor to enclose Copy of
a letter from the Board of Revenue, stating the
incursion of Bhoopiah into the Mogalcove &
Zemindary; and beg leave to suggest whether
it may not be advisable for your Lordship to order
two Battalions from the Vizagapatam District
to Masulipatam— not only on account of Bhoopiah's
proceedings, but with a View to the event of
Captain Maclean's March to the Cudapah frontier

We have the pleasure to acquaint
your Lordship that Commodore Rainier left
Negapatam on the 25th Instant, after being
at Anchor not more than 24 Hours.—

We have the honor to be
with great regard and esteem,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Edward Saunders
C. W. Fallofield

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Resolved also, that the following
letters to be immediately dispatched.—

To

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proposed Service, we are very desirous of availing ourselves of your Lordship's further sentiments In the mean time we shall order Captain Maclean's Battalion to hold itself in readiness for Service at a Moments warning.—

It will occur to your Lordship that the Bengal Government could not have received the letter from this Government despatched on the 10th Inst. detailing the force destined for Tinnevelly and Malabar with our having been obliged to withdraw a Native Battalion after it had been put in order for the Expedition to the latter place at the time when they directed the whole of the requisitions of Captain Kirkpatrick to be complied with, and we think it not improbable that before they come to be in possession of this Information, they may make some alteration in their Orders, in respect, at least, to the Cudapah Detachment.

The incursion of Bhoopiah into the Mogulatan Zemindary in respect of which had reached the Presidency before your Lordship's departure, and which are now confirmed by Mr. Cambier's & the refractory conduct of the Pylney Poligars, and the consequent Recommendation of the Board of Revenue that coercive means should be employed against him

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To Major Roberts,
at Condapillee

Sir,

I am directed by Government to acquaint you that, orders having been received from Bengal for the March of your Detachment to Hydrabad, you will proceed accordingly, giving advice to & Captain Kirkpatrick, and following such Orders & as he may sent for your future proceedings.—

To Majr Roberts
Intimating them to proceed with his Detachment to Hydrabad following such Instructions as he may receive from Captain Kirkpatrick.—

Sam. Hes. Hes.
[Signed] W.C. Jackson Secry

Fort St. George
30th July 1795.

To Colonel Floyd
Commanding the Southern Division
of the Army at
Trichinopoly

Sir,

I am directed by Government to transmit to you Copy of a letter from the Board of Revenue, on the subject of the very improper conduct of the Pyleny Polygar,

To Colonel Floyd on the Subject of the Application of the Pyleny Poligar.—

and

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To Colonel John Brathwaite
Commanding the Army on the Coast

Sir,

I am directed by Government to desire you will send orders to Lieutenant Colonel Wynch to hold the third Battalion of Native Infantry in readiness for Service at a Moments Warning.—

Instructions having been received from the Supreme Government for the March of Major Roberts's Detachment, orders have been sent to that Officer to proceed immediately to Hydrabad.—

I am directed to enclose extract of a letter from the Governor General in Council, and Copy of a letter to me from the Secretary Hay, on the subject of encreasing the native Infantry establishment of the Coast, and to request you will be pleased to state your opinion whether there be any and what probability of being speedily enabled to enlist the number of Recruits proposed to be raised.—

I am &c. &c.

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Signed W.C. Jackson
Secy

To

To Colonel Brathwaite
the 3d. Battalion of native
Infantry to be held in
readiness for Service.
Major Roberts's Detach-
ment ordered to proceed
to Hydrabad Letter &
from Bengal regarding
the Augmentation of
the Native Infantry
Establishment referred
for his Opinion.—

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I trust will explain to your Majesty the very sincere desire I have of entering into an alliance of friendship with you - and how very favorable the present Moment is for uniting your Majesty's Interests with those of the British Nation -

Your Majesty has been acquainted & with my intention of deputing a Person to & Cuddalore for the purpose of settling the Terms of the Treaty - The Bearer of this Letter, Mr. Robert Andrews, a Gentleman of high Rank and & respectable Character, has full powers to discourse fully on all subjects - I can have no doubt of your Majesty's having given proper orders for his being conducted in safety to your presence, and that he will be treated with the attention due to the Public Station he holds, as the Ambassador of a great Nation - To a Prince so famed for Wisdom as your Majesty, it were needless to expatiate on the Advantages that must result from your Acceptance of the offer & which I have made. -

What Can I say more ?

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I have &c.
Signed Hobart.

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and to desire, if the plan some time since suggested by Captain Oliver for the seizure of this Man be approved by you, that you will give orders for its being carried into execution, or that such other means be taken, as may appear proper to you, for apprehending his person. —

Fort St George
31st July 1795. —

I am,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed). W.C. Jackson
Secy

Resolved That the following letter (entered also in C.C. 1795) be written to the King of Candia, and sent by Mr Andrews. —

To the King of Candia

The letter that I had the honor of addressing to your Majesty a few days ago, and which will be forwarded to your Presence by the Officer who Commands the British Troops at Trincomale

Letter of Instruction to be obtained by Mr Andrews to the King of Candia.

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Death of Captain John Lieutenant William Annesley of the Infantry —

The Secretary Reports to the Board the Death of Captain John Graeme of the 1st Infantry at the Presidency on the 29th Ultimo, and of Lieutenant William Annesley of the 2d Battalion Native Infantry at the Presidency on the 30th instant —

Hobart

Edw Saumarez

C Brathwaite

Geo Parry