

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

199A

30

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

AM
23-142

401
[a] Fort St George 25 July 1763

sending here two of Hydernaig's people who were
detected giving Money and tampering with our
Scapors at Cadapanatam if I find this clearly
proved I shall furnish them for an example &
send a Subaltern Officer to command at Cadapan-
atam. I have the Honor to be with the utmost
Respect.

Yours
July 1763.

Honble Sir & Mrs
Your most Obligated and most
Obedient Humble Servant
Charles Campbell.

is sent to
natam

Agreed that Major Campbell be informed that we
do not think there is any necessity for sending an offi-
cer to Cadapanatam but that a trusty Sergeant will
be sufficient for that place. And ordered that Mr
Payne be directed only to lay in a sufficient quanti-
ty of Paddy at Said Quarters for 200 Men for two Months
Letter from the Presidency Council at Fort William
received & Tappes read as follows.

Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
Fort St George.

Honble Sir & Mrs

We have received your friendly Letter of
the 7th, 13th and 19th ultimo the last enclosing a Copy
of the Honble Court of Directors Commands to your Pre-
sidency under date the 30th of November 1762.

Altho' we find by a report from our Mils

that they are well

402
701
Fort St George 25th July 1763

is in some measure subject to the very defects which
complain on a second account of your urgent Request
on that head we have ordered the Supply of 20000 Linn
be made with all possible care and shall dispatch to
you by the first Opportunity when ready.

We imagine the Treaty of peace in Europe
render it unnecessary to recruit the Seaports you want
the Service at Manilla &c. We find it will be difficult
to raise any Number here We shall at all Events
spend our endeavours in this point until we hear from
you.

We have for some time past been en-
gaged in Disputes with the Nabob which We now thin
may very possibly end in a rupture if therefore any Re-
for the Company's Troops or for his Majesty's or the
Government should come out in the Ships for this year We
they may not be detained at any Settlement.

Accompanying this you will
receive a packet addressed to the Court of Directors containing
another copy of the same advice transmitted
our last & which We desire may be forwarded in
the same manner. We are

Fort William
the 13th June 1763

Honble Sir &c
your most obedient humble
Henry Vansittart
Wm. Bickers
John Cartier
Rand. Marriott.

Probability of a
Rupture with
the Nabob of Bengal

403 Fort St George 25 July 1781

station in
sequence

We are much concerned to find
is any probability of a Rupture between the English
at Bengal and the Nabob & the more so as it will
be in our power to afford them such assistance
they will most likely expect from us. It is therefore
to acquaint them how much our Forces are reduced
the Expedition to Manilla & by that against the
Carn & to request of them to accommodate matters if possible
with the Nabob.

George Roper
Robt Patk

Rich Fairfield
Wm Br
Jas Alexander

404 Fort St George 26th July 1763.

Detachment of
Bombay
Artillery

Received the following Letter from the President & Councils
Bombay p^r Ship Admiral Pocock which brought a De-
tachment of His Majesty's Royal Artillery

The Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President and Governor & Council
at Fort St George

Letter from Bombay

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since we wrote to you by the Prince
Henry and Lucia on the 3^d Instant We have received
Your Favor of the 7th Ultimo enclosing Duplicate of that of
the 20th of April the Original of which is not yet come to
hand

I agree to what you have been al-
ready advised the Remainder of the Detachment of His
Majesty's Royal Regiment of Artillery now proceed
this Ship having been paid Gratuity to the 20th Inst
as p^r Accompanying List There are a few Men
Sick in the Hospital who will follow when recovered an-
dunties Offer

We are

Bombay Castle
26 June 1763

Honble Sir &
Your most Obedient
Chas. Commelin
J Byfield
A Douglas
J Spencer
Chas Waters
Samuel Court

405 Fort St George 26 July 1763

Came in the following Letter from Captain Wood Com-
ing at Trichinopoly

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President and Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter of George Pigot Esq^r

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have now the Honor to
enclose you a return of the Strength of this Garrison. It has
been in such great disorder ever since Major Preston leav-
ing this place the 14th Instant, that it was impossible
for my doing it sooner. Every Day some Detachment
or other moving out. Tho the General now informs me
it will remain as it now is till this. Madras Expedi-
tion is at an End. I have not included Major Preston's
detachment nor made any mention ^{of it} as I had no idea
therefore could not be certain enough of what should
be had with him to do that.

However I believe this will be
found a very exact one, and I hope it will meet with
the same favorable respect, as it is my only pro-
cess to appear deserving of every high Obligation you have
bestowed upon me. Particularly this late one that is in
honoring me with the command of this Garrison in the
Post. I will do my endeavors to do every thing that is in my
Power to render myself worthy of that Honor of being

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most devoted & ever obedient
humble Servant

John Wood

Trichinopoly

July 20th 1763

406 Fort St George 26th July 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter to General Lawrence
Munger Lawrence Esq
Major General and Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Sir

We have been favored with your
Letters of the 16th & 19th Instant.

In Our Letter of the 20th We informed you that We had Ordered Major Campbell to send the Seaports belonging to Trichinopoly together with the detachment of the Royal Artillery to join you, which We hope ^{they} will be able to do in good Time.

We have given Orders for the Load to be forwarded to you with all possible Expedition.

Mr Call set off from here the 25th Instant We hope the Service will not detain him any very considerable time as his presence in carrying on the Works here is much wanted We are therefore to desire of you to permit him to return to us as soon as possible after the Reduction of Madurai.

Yesterday arrived here the Admiral Pocock from Bombay with the remainder of the detachment of the Royal Artillery on board consisting of ten Officers & 56 Men Composed Officers and privates men.

We are with the greatest Regard
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

George Pigot Esq & Co

Fort St George
27th July 1763

409 Fort St George 27th July 1763.

Sent the following Letter to Major Campbell commanding at Vellore.

To Major Charles Campbell
commanding at Vellore.

Letter to Major
Campbell.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 26th Instant as we do not think there is any reason to apprehend Hydernaig's people will attempt to molest us We have ordered Mr Pym only to carry on at Saathya Paddy for 200 Men for two Months time. We would not have you send a Commissioned Officer to Cadapanatam as a Trusty Sergeant will be able to do to command There.

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servant

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

27th July 1763.

30th Dispatched the following Letter to the President Council at Fort William.

To the Honble Henry Vanfittart Esq
President & Governor & Council at
Fort William

Letter to Bengal

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favoured with your Letter of the 15th ultimo and are much obliged to you for the trouble you have taken to procure us Cartridge paper which is greatly wanted.

We

Fort St George 27th July 1763.

We are glad to find you have not succeeded to raise Scapys for Marutha as we are taking Measures for withdrawing the Troops from thence as soon as We receive the Definitive Treaty.

The Expedition to Marutha has greatly exhausted Us and unless the Definitive Treaty arrives in a Short Time we shall scarce be able this Season to get any of our Troops from thence - and we have found ourselves under a Necessity of sending all the Troops We possibly could spare to reduce off Parun to Obedience, they are collected at Tichimopoly and are now about marching against him but as the distance is very great & there are many Defiles to pass before they arrive at Madura it must necessarily take up a Considerable Time before We shall be able to reduce him.

The Number of Recruits to be expected Out this Season for the Company's Troops are very small & it is not likely that any will be sent for the Regiments which We think will certainly be broke as soon as the Peace is concluded.

This inability to give you all satisfaction added greatly to the concern we were filled with on reading that part of your Letter where you say you have for some time past been engaged in disputes with the Nabob and think they may possibly end in a Rupture. This would be a most unfortunate Circumstance but We pray persuade ourselves every Measure in your power will be taken to prevent it and We heartily wish you Success in your Endeavours.

We are

Honble Sirs

Your most obedient Servant
George Oglethorpe

Fort St George
30th July 1763.

509 Fort St George 30th July 1781

Dispatched by Battomars the following Letters to
Bombay and Angingoo

To the Honble Charles Commelin Esq
President & Governor & Co Council
at Bombay

Letter to Bombay

Honble Sir & firs

Enclosed is a Duplicate of our last
Address to you, since when we have been favoured with the
your Letter of the 5th ultimo & Prince Henry of the 16th
for Admiral Pocock & of the 20th ultimo for Revenge, the
vessel is also safely arrived with the detachment of the
Royal Artillery.

Charles Monson must have cer-
tainly been mistaken in the account he has given to Gen-
noble Morris of his attainances at this place. Since ar-
riving his stay at Cassim he received only his few hun-
dred pounds for Annam, and had no other. Moreover
whatsoever either of Aid du Camp, or Secretaries, and the
Judge & Advocates and Brigadier Major have always
been appointed by us.

A Detachment of the Troops mo-
ched some Days ago to scour one of the passes into the
Madura Country & the remainder of the Army is
to follow. We have desired General Lawrence to correspond
with the Gentlemen at Angingoo & the King of Travancore
to point out to them by what Methods they may be of the
Assistance to us which he has promised to do.

On the 10th Instant arrived here

Fort St George 30th July 1763.

His Majesty's Ship Liverpool which brought us no farther
Admires regarding the definitive treaty. The Accompany-
ing Packets for your Presidency came by her which we
now take the opportunity of forwarding.

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient hble Servants

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

30th July 1763

To Thomas Whitehill Esq^r
Chief & Co Factors at Amoy
to Amoy

Gentlemen

We have received your
Letter of the 25th May with that from the King of Sa-
menore enclosed.

A Detachment of our
Army marched a few days ago to secure one of the passes
into the Madura Country & the remainder of the Army
is about to follow immediately. General Lawrence will
inform you of his Motions & in what manner he judges
you may in Conjunction with the King of Saamenore
afford him the most Assistance. The Enclosures for the
King of Saamenore which you will be pleased to forward
to him a translate thereof comes to your General.

We are

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient hble Servants
George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

30th July 1763

4th Fort St George 1st August 1760

Monday
1st August

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq Governor & President

Robert Park
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d Fairbairn
Josias Dupré, James Alexander
M^r Call absent on Service

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Gentlemen,

Yesterday an Interpreter of
between the Nabob & the King of Tanjore which the
latter had been many solicitous for at their Midway between
Trichinopoly and his Capital, he has solemnly assured
the Nabob that he is desirous of living in perfect friend-
ship with him and has offered his Assistance of Shop
and Grain.

We are at present retarded by our
want of Provisions & until we can lay in a six Weeks Stock in
our advanced Magazines it will not be proper to move, but
the Assistance of the King of Tanjore if whose offer is
very acceptable at the present juncture as Grain is excessive-
ly scarce) we shall soon Deposit sufficient for that Time &
by the expiration of it, I hope the Troops will meet with

Plenty

Let Genl
at

at
at
at

Complain of Want
of Provisions

4th Fort St George 1st August 1763

Letter of the 22^d 1763th ultimo

It gives us great pleasure to find there has been no Meeting between the Nabob and the King of Tanjore & we hope it may be means of preventing any disagreements in future.

We always supposed that the march of the Army would be retarded till proper Magazines were formed which could not be effected till there was a force sufficient at Suchinopoly to protect them. But we never the least doubted of there being a sufficient Quantity of Provisions to lodge in these Magazines. As the Nabob had more than once acquainted us that he had a very considerable Store in Suchinopoly.

We observe that you are pleased to say relating to Mr Off Conr should be taken care of our desire of having him sent to Madras proceeds not from any Willingness we have to show him the least respect on the contrary it is that we may in our cooler Hours dispose of him in such manner as might appear proper to you without his being with lead dangerous. We confess to you we think him with lead dangerous. We are to be entrusted in the Hands of the Nabob. Intentions are to make him a State prisoner but if it be agreeable to you to order the Commanding Officer to execute him upon the first Day in Sight of the May it will be quite satisfactory to us.

We have not yet received any remittances from the King of Tanjore but we are still he is preparing to make one. We now send you the State of the Letter which was forgot to be enclosed to

Sentiments of the
Board with Respect
to Mr Off Conr.

at Fort St George August 1768

We are with the greatest Regard

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant

George Pigot Esq

Fort St George
1st August 1768.

Artillery received
then to the action.
by the Villon
House taken
must be removed
for the Garrison from
Manilla.

arrange out
state desired
at the time

inhabitants
moved to the
East.

Agreed that the Detachment of Artillery received by
the Admiral Pocock be ordered to Villon
As the Season will soon be too far advanced for the
to send Ships for bringing away the Troops & for
Manilla this year, it becomes absolutely necessary
that every measure should be taken for withdrawing
that Colony as soon as possible after the receipt
of the definitive Treaty which We may expect by the
latter Shipping. As the Expenses of keeping it are very
heavy and burdensome & as it is of the utmost Con-
sequence that the Troops should come away this Season
since if they do not We cannot expect them till Jan-
1769 It is therefore agreed that Supracargo at China
be desired to order some of their homeward bound Ships
to call at Manilla to assist in withdrawing the Mil-
itary & others from thence which We imagine may be
done without hazarding the Loss of their passage to Europe
as the Deputy Governor & Council at Manilla will
be ordered not to detain the Ships sent them from China
unless they shall have received from us before their
Arrival directions for delivering up the place and
as there are many Chinese Inhabitants at Manilla who
have been very assisting to us in Opposition to the
Spaniards it is believed & with good Reason that few
of

Letters

Chief of the mouth
of the River

Fort St George 5 August 1763.

Sent the following Letter by Ship to the mouth of the
Supracargo at Canton.

To Messrs Thomas Fitzhugh, Samuel Clements, Henry
Newell, William of Louisiana, Nathaniel Garland, Wm
der Hume, Mann Hoiner, Benjamin Join, Thom
Smith, Robert John Harrison, William Howe, Tho.
Devan Supracargo of Council at Canton.
Gentlemen

Sent to Canton

As it is stipulated by the Preliminary Articles of Peace that the conquests made in the Philippine Islands are to be restored after the Definitive Treaty shall be concluded. We only wait for the Receipt of that Treaty to take measures for withdrawing the Company's Servants & Effects from Manila the Expenses of that Colony are enormous but we are earnestly desirous of settling an end to them as soon as possible but we regret the late arrival of the latter that we must to secure the Definitive Treaty and render it impracticable to carry it into Execution from hence. In consequence of this uncertainty We think it necessary to inform you of our Intention on this Subject not doubting but you will readily do every Thing in your power consistent with the Company's Interest to assist us therein.

Should all the Ships arrive on this Side of India that are expected We shall have more than we can return this Season to Europe. These should they arrive & Win the Definitive Treaty in Time We propose to dispatch to Manila & We have

143 Fort St Georgeth August 1763

reason to believe that M^r Cornish will send as many
of his Majesty's Ships as may be sufficient to
draw all the Company's Servants and Effects from them
but as it is possible we may receive the Defenders
any in time to send advance thereof to Manilla and
yet the some arrival of the expected Shipping or
other unforeseen Events may put it out of our power
to provide the means of withdrawing that Colony
this Season, We take the Liberty of proposing to you
that your early Ships may be ordered to touch at
Manilla to assist in transporting their Military
and others from thence to this place which may
be done without Hazarding the Loss of their pas-
sage to Europe. We mean this only as a dernier
resource in case all means from thence should fail
the accompanying Packet for the Gentlemen at Ma-
nila contains our Directions to them on this head and
is put under a flying Seal for your perusal should it
happen that the Assistance of the Ships you may
order to touch there should not be necessary the up-
per end the deviation & loss of Time in their homeward
bound Voyage will be inconsiderable. Should you think
it expedient to comply with this proposal the said
Ships as you may send are encumbered with French
prisoners the better your latter Ships we imagined may
be able to carry home all that are sent you from India.

There are many Chinese Inhabi-
tants at Manilla who have been assisting to us
in opposition to the Spaniards on which Account
It

Fort St George, 11th August 1763

It is believed and with good reason that few
would venture themselves under the power of the
Spaniards upon the restitution of the Island
they possibly find means of removing. We wish
it were practicable to transport to the West Coast
such of them as should be desirous of living under
Company's protection should the Ships you may
to Manila not be wanted in removing the Company's
Servants & Effects they might perhaps under the
Company's Service as Essential in transports require
of these Industrious people to be coolers, than
any other means that may occur to you of assisting
them to remove. We beg leave to recommend to your
Attention

We have sent upon this Ship
sixty French prisoners of War a List of whom comes
enclosed

We are

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Hum^{ble} Servant

George Pigot Secy Council

Thomas Fitzhugh, Samuel Blount, Henry Kemble,
Anthony Joiano, Nathaniel Garland, Alexander Hume,
Mann Horner, Benjamin Town, Thomas Smith, Robert
John Harrison, William Rous, & Thomas Penman, Supercargo
of Council at Canton
Gentlemen

The Admiral Pocock, Captain
and

Fort St George
11th August 1763

To Mess^{rs} Thomas Fitzhugh, Samuel Blount, Henry Kemble,
Anthony Joiano, Nathaniel Garland, Alexander Hume,
Mann Horner, Benjamin Town, Thomas Smith, Robert
John Harrison, William Rous, & Thomas Penman, Supercargo
of Council at Canton
Gentlemen

Letter to Canton

425 Fort St George 9th August 1763

arrived here from Bombay We purpose sending
her to Manila there to remain till We receive
the Gentlemen an account of the definitive Decree
by as We apprehend that notwithstanding
all the Assistance you can afford us We shall
greatly want Shipping to bring away the Arti-
cles & Stores from thence

We are

Gentlemen
your most Obedient
humble Servants
George Pigot & Council

The following Letter was at the same time sent
under a flying Seal to the Supracargoes at Canton
to be forwarded by them to the Deputy Governor
& Council at Manila

Manilla

Messrs. Drake Esq^r Deputy Governor
& Council at Manila

Gentlemen

In our Letter of the 10th Ultimo
by the Harle we informed you that We purposed to
keep the Salinorth here till the end of this Month
that in case we should receive further advices from
Europe respecting the restitution of Manila We
might by that Ship send you Notice thereof
otherwise that We should dispatch her directly
to China and She will proceed thither according
ly as We have not received any fresh advices from
Europe

Yrs.

Fort St George
10th August 1763

426 Fort St George 9th August 1763

The Challenge is arrived here from Bombay and it is intended she shall proceed to you but we shall keep her here until the arrival of some of the expected Ships from Europe that we may by her convey to you as early as possible Instructions for your Conduct

As it is stipulated in the Preliminary articles of peace that the Conquest and Philippine Islands shall be restored upon the receipt of that Treaty we only wait upon purpose and we wish it might be effected this expected Ships We have wrote to the Gentlemen Supracargoes of Buncel at Canton on this subject and we enclose herein a Copy of our address to them for your information In case any Ships should be sent from thence to you and that at the time of Arrival you should not have received any further advices from us we would not have you detain them any Account to a point in withdrawing the Settlement but we think that all Events they might take on such of the Chinese Inhabitants as shall be desirous of living under the Company's protection at Bencool or any land there however in this your general Report will be guided by such advices as you may receive from the Gentlemen in China for as we have communicated to them our Views & Intentions they will we doubt not contribute to the due Execution of them as far as they shall find

424 Fort St George 9th August 1763.

consistent with the Company's general Intend

We are

Gentlemen,

Your Affectionate Friends

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
9th August 1763.

Sent the following Letter to General Lawrence
To Mr James Lawrence Esq^r

Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter General
Lawrence

Sir

We have been favored with your
Letter of the 2^d Instant and are much concerned to hear
of your Indisposition & hope if you do not find
yourself better you will not think it necessary to
remain there.

We are glad to find Mr. Mau-
dave has fallen into the Nabob's hands & doubt not but
he will prevent him from tambling again about
the Country.

We are with Great Esteem
Sir

Your most Obedient Humble Servant

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
9th August 1763.

12th Come in the following Letter from General Lawrence
To

420 Fort St George 12th August 1763

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from Genl^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

I am favored with yours of the
1st Instant with the Translations of the King of Mysore
Letter inclosed

Advice of Major
Lawrence's Detachment
being in camp at the
mouth of the river

Major Preston's action was
fied within 15 Miles of Madurai & I hope he will
be joined by Colonel Monson

I have desired Colonel Monson
to consult with the Nalob concerning the disposal of the
Rebel (should he be taken alive) but if I find their
averse in putting him to Death I will send further
Instructions to Colonel Monson to hang him up
of the Army

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
Your humble Servant

Trichinopoly
6th August 1763

Saturday
13th August

Franger Lawrence

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Charles Beuchier Robert Path
Josias Dupre Rich^d Jansfield
James Alexander

429 Fort St George 13 August 1763

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & a Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Genl
Lawrence
enclosing Bills
from the Nabob &
King of Tanjore.

Gentlemen

The two enclosed Bills & Letter
I now send you. I received this Morning from the
King of Tanjore, he has stop't one Lakh of the fine (as
he says) on account of what was due to him from
Karrical I suppose he has fully explained this in
his Letter which you are the proper judges of.

The Nabob will send you
a Bill of forty six thousand six hundred & seventy
nine star Pagodas seven Annas, he says he has
been desired to make his payments at Madras
or I could wish they were to be made here while the
Army continues in the field, as it would save you
the Expence as well as risque of sending.

I am informed that several
of the Pellyars about the Rebel are withdrawing their
Assistance from him so that soon after the Junc-
tion of the two parties I hope to be able to give you
an account of our being in possession of Madurai.

I have the Honor to be

With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your humble Servant

Stringer Lawrence

Since

Trichinopoly
2th August 1763

430 Fort St George 12th August 1763.

Since writing the above the Nabob has sent one letter
But which I enclose to you with his Letters.

Ordered that the receipt thereof be acknowledged.

Read a Letter from the Nabob as inticed in Country
Correspondance N^o 158 together with one from his Son
N^o 159 accompanying Bills for Bag^t 46677 $\frac{1}{16}$ being
the Amount of Rupees 170000 the Balance remain-
ing due on Account of the June Hist of the present year
aforesaid.

Read also a Letter from the King of Tanjore as ordered
in Country Correspondance N^o 161 accompanying
Bills for 4 Lacks of Rupees on Account of his Son's
Hist due in April last & setting forth that he has
received one Lack of Rupees out of the Amount of
His Son's Account of Kamical & desiring that a
may be sent him for the whole 5 Lacks.
Ordered that a receipt be sent him for the four
he hath remitted & that a Letter be wrote him on
of his having detained one Lack of Rupees.

Arrived this Day the Ship Lord Clive with Dis-
patches from the Court of Directors dated 9th March advising
that a definitive treaty is signed & enclosing a copy of the
of peace relative to the East Indies.

As it is absolutely necessary that no time should be
in procuring the Grants mentioned in the preceding
sultation from the Nabob. It is agreed that he be desired
to come immediately to Madras & that he be informed
the Conclusion of the peace in Europe, but to defer
communicating to him the particulars of the same
untill his arrival. General Lawrence is also to be
informed.

Letter from the Nabob
to his Son.

Sending Bills for
the remainder of
the June Hist.

Letter from the King
of Tanjore. Lends
Bills for part of
Hist.

Account of part on
Account of Kamical

resolutions of the
Board.

Ship Lord Clive
arrives from En-
gland.

Arrival of the Ship
Lord Clive with
Dispatches.

That Nabob to be
desired to come to
Madras.

431 Fort St George 12th August 1763

to press him to come with all possible Expedition
Ordered also that duplicates of the Definitive Treaty being
signed be sent to Bengal & Bombay and that
60 French prisoners be sent on board the Depot ship
to Bengal

Received the following Letter from M^r Pyne Com-
mander at Vellore

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

This serves to enclose the Issues
and remains of Stores in the Garrisons of Vellore
and Arcott and to request a Supply of two hundred
sixty pound Barrells for the use of Gunpowder
there is not one in Store

I am Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient Serv^t
George Pyne

Ordered that the powder Barrells he desires be immedi-
ately sent him

Read a Letter from Major Campbell commanding at
Vellore enclosing an Indent for Medicines for the use of
that Garrison which is ordered to be complied with

George Pigot
Robt Park

Rich^d Fairfield
J^r W^m B^r
J^r Alexander

to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal
to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal

to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal
to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal

to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal
to be sent to the
Governor at Bengal

Vellore
10th August 1763

To be sent to the
Governor at Bengal

Major Campbell
Indent for Med^c
for the Garrison
at Vellore

432 Fort St George 14. August 1763.

Sent the following Letter to General Lawrence.
To Major Lawrence Esq
Major General and Commander
in Chief of the Land Forces
in India

General
Lawrence.

Sir

Yesterday the Ship Lord Pembroke
arrived here from Europe & brought us advices
from the Company that the Definitive Treaty
peace was concluded and signed and we have
received full Instructions from them relating to
that part which regards the East Indies We
a Copy of the 1st Article with a Declaration
by the Duke of Bedford touching the Limits of
Bengal.

Our President some
ago received a Letter from the Nabob of the
Mysore over to the Company a considerable
the Country as a compensation for the loss
as they have been exposed to in carrying out
War in this Country He says that as soon as the
Expedition to Madras is over he will in the
come to Madras and deliver up the same
it is uncertain when the Expedition would be
ed & We judged that no time should be lost in
curing the Grants from him We proposed that Mr
Palk should have proceeded to him & We did intend
to have asked the favor of you to have joined
Mr Palk in requesting of the Nabob to prepare
the Grants

Mr Palk's presence
not to be dispensed
with

433 Fort St George 14th August 1763.

Grant immediately. Thus as M^r Palks presence cannot at this time be dispensed with and as it is necessary we should confer with the Nabob on the Subject of the peace we have thought it best to desire him to come to Madras. We therefore beg the favor of you if he is yet at Pondicherry that you will press him to set out as soon as possible and if he should be gone to Madras you will be pleased to write to him Yourself to return.

That he may be the sooner engaged to come hither the President has declined mentioning to him in his Letter any of the particulars of the peace more especially that part whereby he is to be acknowledged by the French and for the same Reason we beg the favor that you will not communicate it to him.

We are

With Great Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servants.

George Pigot & Council

At

Fort St George
14th August 1763.

434 Fort St George 15th August 1763.

Monday
August 15th

A Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President

Robert Park
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d Fairfield
Josias Dupré,

Having received advice by the Lord Clive that the
Definitive treaty was signed, and as We have all
the reason to imagine that the Article by which
all Conquests are not particularly mentioned in the
said Treaty to be reciprocally restored will contain
the same as in the preliminary Articles is
absolutely necessary to take every measure in
our power for withdrawing the Settlement
of Karikha without loss of time but as We are
apprehensive We shall not even with the Assistance
We may expect from the Gentlemen in China be
able to furnish sufficient Conveyances for that purpose -
It is agreed to apply to the Admiral to spare
one or two of his Majesty's Ships for this Service
& that he be therefore desired to favor us with his
Company on the Board.

The Admiral being come such
parts of the Letter from the Count of Bictors dated
9th March was read proper for him to be acquainted
with together with the Copies of the Articles of the definitive
Treaty sent him with a memorandum to him - He
was also informed of the Necessity we are under of
coming to a Resolution of

Copy of writing
sent to the Count
of Bictors
without loss of time

The Admirals of
the Navy

withdrawing

435 Fort St George 15th August 1763

withdrawing our people from Manilla with all possible expedition and he is at the same time requested to afford us all the Assistance in his power.

His Majesty's
Ship Panther
to proceed there

The Admiral thereupon acquaints the Board that he will order his Majesty's Ship Panther to proceed immediately to Manilla to join the Fatmouth and Seafood now there to be ready & to assist in transporting the Troops &c. to this place as soon as the definitive treaty arrives and that he will also order the Span a large Country Ship lying there to be repaired for this Service, and at the same time desires we will address a Letter to him on the Subject and then withdraws.

The Revenge
to be dispatched
for China in the
month of October
thence to touch at
Manilla on her
way.

Ordered that the Revenge be dispatched to China to enforce our request to the Supracargoes there & that she be ordered to call at Manilla to receive from the deputy Governor & Council there such Orders as they may have to send by her. It is also agreed that as many of the Quachy mangos as she can accomodate be returned by her to Manilla and that the Admiral be desired to order the Panther to receive on board the remainder. And in order to save the Expence of Mesurage in China the Revenge is to be ordered to proceed no further than Mocon.

The English
go to the
outlet of the
panther
for the purpose.

The President lays before the Board a Letter he hath received from John Pylow Esq^r Chief at Mazulipatam advising that Scataramauze had taken Rajahmundry.

George Rigo
Robt Patk

Rich Fairfield
W. M. B.

Fort St George 15 August 1763.

Sent the following Letter to Samuel Cornish
To Samuel Cornish Esq^r
Vice Admiral of the Blue
& Commander in Chief of his
Majesty's Squadron in India.

Letter to Samuel Cornish

Sir

As we had the Honor to commu-
nicate to you this Day the Orders and We have lately
received from the Court of Directors of the East India
Company and as We are in daily expectation of
receiving the Treaty of peace We think it a Duty
incumbent on Us to use every means in our power
to enable the Gentlemen at Manilla to carry into Exe-
cution the part which relates to the conquests made in
the Phillipine Islands. We are clearly that if very
few Days more elapse it will be utterly out of our power
to furnish Shipping to bring away the English Garrison
from thence this Season and if it is not then done we
cannot expect them these sixteen or eighteen Months.
We purpose therefore writing to the Super cargoes and
to order some of the homeward bound Ships to call at
Manilla to assist in embarking the Troops & in bringing
them to this place should the Treaty of Peace reach the
Deputy Governor & Council by the time those Ships
arrive there & our purpose detaining the Company's
Frigate the Revenge till We receive the Treaty which
Ship We hope tho' the Season be a little advanced will
make her passage.

We

437 Fort St George 15th August 1763

We beg the favor of you to assist us herein by sparing such a part of your Squadron as you judge proper for this Service and that you will be so good to order the Ships to sail ^{from} hence as soon as possible and to give Instructions to the commanding Officer that upon receipt of the Treaty of Peace he will be pleased to give all the Assistance in his power in bringing home Manilla the Troops now there.

We have the Honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servants

George Pigot & Council

17 Dispatched the following Letter to Manilla by

Ship: Admiral Coock.

To Dawsonne Drake Esq^r

Deputy Governor & Council
at Manilla

Letter to Manilla

Gentlemen

Our Letter to you by the
Falmouth which went by way of China will probably not
reach you before this a Duplicate thereof comes enclosed
We also wrote to the Gentlemen at Canton by the same
Conveyance desiring them to order some of their home-
ward bound ships to call at Manilla to be ready to assist
in withdrawing that Settlement as soon as We should
send you Directions for that purpose a Copy of our
Letter

400 Fort St George 1st August 1763.

Letter to them We have with send you.

We have now the Satisfaction to inform you of our having received Advice that the Definitive Treaty is signed and We are in consequence thereof taking measures for bringing away the Troops & Cannon. Manilla.

The Ships We hope We may depend on for this Service are Vizt.

Falmouth

Seaford

Admiral Pocock

London

Revenge

Panther

This Admiral Pocock is now accordingly Dispatched to you and his Majesties Ship Panther will sail in a Day or two. We shall send the Revenge to Manilla with Letters to the Supercargo to enforce their ordering as many of their homeward bound Ships as possible to touch at Manilla and as she will be ordered to call on you in her Way to China we shall write you further by her. The Admiral has also promised us that he will send Directions for the Sloop now at Manilla to be repaired if possible to assist in transporting the Troops to this place.

We think the abovementioned Ships together with those you may expect from China will be sufficient to contain all the Civilians, Military & Seapoy's Lascars &c now at Manilla whom we would have

439 Fort St George 17th August 1763

have embarked with all possible Expedition as soon
as all the Ships are assembled with you. In case you
should have more Ships than may be absolutely requi-
red for this Service we earnestly recommend that they
be employed in carrying some of the Chinese to the
West Coast and that you will use every other means
in your power either by hiring Chinese Junks or other
ways to get such of those poor people who may desire
to go conveyed thither as it will not only be doing a
very essential Service for the Company but also an
Act of Humanity as we understand they have too
great reason to apprehend the worst of treatment
after you come away.

We have returned to you
on this Ship 100 Guachup mangoes, with three
Spanish Gentlemen

We are
Gentlemen

Your Affectionate Friends

George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George

16th August 1763

I sent the following Letter by Ship Departed to
Fort William

To the Honble Henry Van Pittart Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
at Fort William

Letter to Fort
William

Honble Sir & firs

Enclosed you have a
Duple

440 Fort St George 17th August 1763

Duplicate of our last address to you

On the 13th Instant arrived here the Ship Lord Clive by which we received & learn that the Definitive Treaty is signed and the the usual Ratifications had not been exchanged. The Count of Darnley having procured & sent us a Copy of the Article relating to the East Indies as also a Copy of the Duke of Bedford's Declaration regarding the Limits of the Subah of Bengal Copies of which come herewith.

As it is necessary to take every opportunity of sending away the French prisoners from hence we have sent by this Ship sixty of them a List of whom come enclosed.

We are

Honble Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servant
George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George

16th August 1763

19th Came in the following Letter from Major Charles Campbell Commanding at Vellore
To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Co Council

Letter from Major Campbell

Honble Sirs

I have the Honor to enclose a Letter I just now received from Meer Saib with the Copies of three other Letters sent him by the Deputy British concerning some late motions made by the

advances concerning Hyderabad people

Fort St George 19th August 1763

Hyder Naigs Troops who from others Accounts I also find are moving in different Detachments toward all the passes to the Northward of Saint Gud. if the Honble Board are pleased to think from these Letters or this Intelligence that Hyder Naigs Troops intend committing any Hostilities I humbly offer it as my Opinion that it would be proper to collect together all the Nabob's troops and with as many as could be spared from this Garrison move near to the passes & head Boligars which would greatly encourage them to exert themselves and in all probability make an Enemy more cautious how they attempted to be troublesome if this should be agreeable to the Honble Board. I would carry four field pieces which I have ready and compleated with every thing but shall want some Muzzles as there are only 50 for this Garrison and Saint Gud. The Nabob has near to this place about 700 Scapors. The Arms of 300 of which are quite unserviceable and them & the other 400 have neither flints or Ammunition but if the Service requires this being employed I will supply them with every thing in my power from this Garrison 100 Europeans besides the Artillery men with two Companies of our own Scapors may be spared. I have the Honor to be With the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient Able Servant

Char: Campbell

Yours

19th August 1763

442 Fort St George 19th August 1763

From Lapwing arrives
from England.

Arrived this Day our Honble Masters Ship
Snow Lapwing with Dispatches from the Court
of Directors dated 31st March enclosing the De-
finite Treaty with his Majesty's Proclamation
of Peace. —

Friday
19 August

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Robert Park
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupre

M^r Turner being returned from Cuddalore takes
his Seat at the Board
Read the following Letter from the President & Coun-
cil at Fort William received yesterday by Mail
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St George.

Letter from Ben-
gall

Honble Sir & Sirs

In a Letter which We
wrote you the 13th Ult^o you were advised that some
Disputes subsisting between Us and the Nalab were
likely to end in a Rupture and We are now to inform
you that from the Nalab having committed open
acts of Hostility against our Vassals and the Interest
of the Company this Event has come to pass We have
therefore

Advices of a Rupture
with the Nalab.

443 Fort St George 19th August 1763.

therefore been reduced to the Necessity of declaring War on their behalf and our whole Army has accordingly taken the Field to endeavor to reduce them and place the Nabob Jaffer Ali Cawn in the Government. But as in the Course of a War especially at this Unfavorable Season of the Year We must necessarily expect to meet with a Loss of Men. We must earnestly desire that you will send us Reinforcements to the Utmost of your Power with the greatest Expedition.

Dear Sir

To assure you of the Necessity of this Measure We are sorry to be obliged to acquaint you further that from our having received no Advices for these ten Days past of our Factory at Patna and other Reports which prevails in Town We are afraid our Forces there have met with a severe Check. This being the Case you will plainly see the Company's Interests here are much at Stake and We hope therefore that you will not delay sending us such Assistance as may ensure their safety.

We are
Honble Sir & firs
Your most Obedient & humble Servants
Henry Van Sittart

Tho^s Adams, John Cunnack
J Butler, W^m Bidders
J Carter, Warren Hastings
Rand^l Marriot, Th^o Watts

Fort William
the 7th July 1763.

P.S. Enclosed is a Letter for the Admiral which We request may be delivered without Loss of Time as also one to be forwarded to the Presidency at Bombay.

Fort St George 19 August 1763

Advantage of Affairs
these to be communicated
to the Admiralty & the
Secretary of the Admiralty
as requested.

attend to the Board

As it is necessary to communicate to the Admiralty
the Situation of Affairs in Bengal & to request
of him to join with us in sending them all possible
Assistance, the Secretary is sent to desire the favor of
his Company at the Board and being come the above
Letter is read to him: he likewise lays before the Board
a Letter addressed to him from the Gentlemen at Ben
gal much to the same purport as the foregoing and
acquaints the Board that He will very willingly
do every Thing in his power in conjunction with
Us to send them Assistance.

200 men to be sent
to Bengal
The Admiral pro
poses to send 2 Ships
of the Line & 2 Frigates
with 100 Marines
to Bengal

Letter to be sent to
Bengal in Consequence

Letter from the Court
of Directors read to
the Admiral

Orders to be sent
to be sent for with
drawing Manilla

A Return of the Garrison being now laid before the
Board it appears that we have only 360 Effective Men
of whom it is determined to send 200 immediately to
Bengal. The Admiral also acquaints the Board that he
will give Orders for two Ships of the Line & two Frigates
to be ready to proceed thither with all possible Expedition
& that he will put on board them their full Complement of
Marines which will amount to about 150 men who may
be landed if necessary. Ordered that the Gentlemen
at Bengal be immediately made acquainted therewith
General Letter from the Court of Directors dated 31 March
received together with the Definitive Treaty are also read
to the Admiral who thereupon acquaints the Board that
he will give immediate Orders to the Commanders of
His Majesty's Ships at Manilla to give all the Assis
tance in their power in bringing the Military & from
thence. Ordered also that the Revenge be immediately
dispatched & that Orders be sent by her to the Deputy Gov
nor & Council to have every Thing in readiness.

445 Fort St George 19th August 1763

as soon as the Ships they may expect are assembled
Admiral Cornish then withdraws.

Advice of the De
finitive Treaty to
be sent to Bombay

Ordered that, Advice be sent to Bombay with the De
finitive Treaty & His Majesty's Proclamation of Peace
Received the following Letter from a Major Winter
with a Copy of his from the Board of Ordnance

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from Major
Winter

Gentlemen

After serving in the East
with much pleasure & satisfaction from the beginning
of the late War to the Conclusion of it. I now find myself
under the necessity of informing you that the Board
of Ordnance have given me express orders to return to
England with the Detachment of His Majesty's Roy
al Artillery upon such Ships as the Honble Company
may appoint to receive them & enclosed is a Copy of their
Letter to me on this occasion.

Enclosed a Copy of
the Board of Ord
nance's Orders
I enclose also a de
tachment of the
Artillery return to
England

I am

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient M^o Serv^t

Jos. Winter

Fort St George
the 19th of August
1763

Office of Ordnance
16th March 1763

Sir,

Copy of the Board
of Ordnance's orders
to Major Winter

The Master General having ordered
the Companies & detachment of Artillery except such as
have permission to stay in India together with the Civil
Branch

146 Fort St George 14 August 1763.

Branch and all the Artillery stores belonging to
this Office be returned to England Southworth.

We therefore desire you will
cause the whole to be embarked on board such Ships
as shall be appointed by the East India Company
to receive them.

We are Sir

Your most humble Servants

Charles Frederick

V. Winnington.

W. H. Earle

Captain Winter of the Officer Commanding the Royal
Artillery at Madras.

Agreed that General Lawrence be desired to permit
the Men belonging to the Regi-
ment at this place immediately that such of them
as may not enlist, may be embarked on his Majesty's
Ships which will sail from hence in a short time.
Read the following Memorial from Captain Charles
Champion.

The Memorial of Captain Charles Champion
of the Marines.

Sheweth That He was appointed to take
upon him the Command of the Troops and take posses-
sion of the Garrison of Caricta in the Island of Suconia
by the Orders both of Admiral Cornish and General Duper-
re which he did on the 10th of October 1762 and continued
as Commandant of the Troops of that Garrison till
February 20th 1763.

Your

Respectful of the
Board in consequence

Memorial of Capt
Champion of Marines.

According to the follow-
ing Order from the
Lord the Commandant
did at Caricta

457 Fort St George 19th August 1763

Your Memorialist therefore requests that you would take into your Consideration the Extraordinary Expenses he was at here & all on his Batta as is Customary on this Coast for the time he continued as Commandant of Carota.

He likewise desires to acquaint you that the Governor of Manila assured him on his Word of Honor he would recommend him to the Governor and Council of Madras in order for his being paid Batta for the said Command.

Your Memorialist hopes you will be pleased to Order him payment of Batta for the said Command. And remains with all due Respect

To the Honble the Governor and Council of
Fort St George.

August 17th 1763.

*Not approved
with*

It appears to the Board that Captain Himpfenfetter while at Carota received the usual Allowances as Commander there & Captain Brewster who succeeded him in the Command was ordered to be paid as such Captⁿ Champion is to be told that We cannot comply with his request.

George Rogers
Rt. Clerk

Rich. Fairfield
Charles Turner
J. M. Bré

440 Fort St George 26 August 1763

Dispatched the following Letter to the President
& Council at Fort William & Town Success
To the Honble Henry Van Sittart Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
at Fort William.

Letter to Bengall

Honble Sirs.

On the 13th Instant We received your Letter of the 7th July and it is with the great
and Concern We find Affairs between you & the Nabal
have come to such dangerous extremities the ill consequences
of which We are under great apprehensions for
To assist you all in our power We shall send you two
Hundred Europeans with all Expedition and Admiral
Cornish hath also with great readiness offered to send you
two Ships of the Line and two frigates with about 1000 Men
to be landed at Calcutta as a loss to Order those Ships
to receive on board them. Now we have resolved to send to
your Assistance they will sail from hence in a few
Days and will We hope enable you to put a successful
End to the Troubles you are so Unhappily engaged in.

Your Rapture with the Nabal
We should have thought an Unfortunate Event at any time but
more particularly at this Crisis when our Troops happen to be en-
gaged in the Reduction of the Madura & Sumatray Country
which may be a work of so much time as leaves no doubt whether
it may be practicable to assist you with any part of them before
the N.E. Monsoon sets in. However be assured We will not
omit any means in our power to assist you and that you may

419 Fort St George 20th August 1763

be concerned how much we do not present We beg leave
to refer you to the accompanying return of this Garrison
which will at the same time shew you the necessity
we are under of letting a part of the Force we send you
be a French Company

Yesterday arrived here the Com-
pany's Snow Lapwing with the Definitive Treaty &
His Majesty's Proclamation of peace - as the packet
she brought out for your Presidency comes by this Con-
veyance there is no necessity for us to write our Honble
Masters orders & Directions relating to the Treaty but
shall refer you to their Instructions which they in-
form us are the same to all the Presidencies

We are taking the necessary mea-
sures to withdraw the Troops & go from Madras but we
cannot hope to see them here before next January

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & humble Servants

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
20th August 1763.

Sent the following Letter to General Lawrence

To Sir Roger Lawrence Esq^t

Major General & Commander in
Chief of the Land Forces in India

Letter to Gen Lawrence

Sir

Yesterday arrived here the Compa-
ny's Snow Lapwing, with the definitive Treaty & His Majis-
ties Proclamation of peace, the Dispatches to you from the
Ministry

40 Fort St George ^{the} 20 August 1763.
Ministry come here with the hopes of which the Com-
pany has procured 3 sent to us.

As two of His Majesty's
Ships will be sent home in a short time the sooner
you can favor us with your permission to engage
the Men of his Majesty's Troops at this place to enter
into our Service the better; as such of the Officers & Men
who are not willing to stay in the Country may be
sent home in those Ships.

We are sorry to acquaint ^{you} that
Affairs at Bengal bear so disagreeable an Aspect that
Gentlemen there inform us that they are come to an
Open Rupture with the Nabob & have solicited us to
send them all the Assistance in our power. We have accor-
dingly determined to send them Two Hundred Men and
1000 M^{ts} of Ammunition thither three or four of His Maje-
sty's Ships

We are with great Esteem
Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant
George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George
20th August 1763.

^{at} Sailed his Majesty's Ship Panther for Manila
^{in the night for Manila 21} Dispatched the following Letters & ^{to the} Revenge to the Deputy
^{to the Revenge 22} Governor & Council at Manila & to the Supracargoes
at Canton
To Don Joaquin Drake Esq
Deputy Governor & Council
at Manila
Letters to Manila
Gentlemen

I am able to relate what I have

451 Fort St George 22 August 1763.

You under date 16th Instant by the Admiral Boscawen
a Duplicate of which comes enclosed, the Revenge
is now ordered to call on you on her way to China.

By our Letters to the Supraces
goes there which come under a flying Seal for your
perusal you will find that in consequence of our ha-
ving received the Definitive Treaty we are taking every
possible Measures of withdrawing our people & Ships
from Manila with the utmost Expedition. We have
earnestly recommended it to the Gentlemen in China
to afford us all the Assistance in their power, which
We doubt not but they will cheerfully do. And if
you should want any further Assistance from them
than what we have desired, you will by the Revenge
make them acquainted therewith particularly with
the Number of Ships you may require.

We hope from what the Admi-
ral informs us of his having left with you provisions
for the Garrison, for three Months you will have suf-
ficient remaining for your passage to this place. We
have however put on board the Revenge 15 Casks of
Bread and we would have you if you find it necessary
write to the Supraces at Canton by the Revenge
to send you a further Supply which they may do by
the Ships they may order to your Assistance.

At the Time the Ships left Eng-
land it could not be known in Europe that Manila was
in our hands. It is not therefore to be expected that the Spanish
Court should yet have sent Commissioners to receive it in
time.

452 Fort St George 22 August 1763

time for you to evacuate it this Season - This however must not prevent you from delivering it up to the late Governor or in case of his Death or absence to the next person in Rank to him as soon as all the Ships are assembled and you have everything prepared for Embarkation as the Arrival of the Troops here this Season is of the utmost Consequence to the Company's Affairs

By the Orders his Majesty has been pleased to give to the Commanders of his Land & Sea Forces in India Copies of which We have been furnished with it should seem that they are to be concerned in restoring such places only as are under their Command Nevertheless the Company have most earnestly recommended to us, as We do to you to take the most prudent & effectual measures in Concert with His Majesty's Officers to carry into Execution the Treaty of peace agreeable to the several Articles relative to the Company - Admiral Cornish writes to Captⁿ Buxton on the same Subject and his Instructions are worded conformably to those he has received according to the Sense and meaning of which it seems clear to us that as the Company is in possession of Karikhat they only or their Servants are to use the firm of restoring it and when you do so a proper acknowledgment should be given to you in writing from the Governor or Officers whom you put in possession of the place

It will be necessary that you should immediately make the Spaniards acquainted with the Treaty of peace which you should cause to be publicly proclaimed as well as with the Instructions we now send in Order that they may be ready to receive from you the several

153 Fort St George 22 August 1763.
several places taken from them.

The Revenge We have dispatched to you & have ordered the Captain to follow such Instructions for his future proceedings as you may give him. you are therefore to order him to proceed with all Expedition to Mocov & from thence to forward our Packet together with that he may receive from you to the Supracargos at Canton in order that the Company may not be put to the unnecessary Charge of Maintenance. you will further order him to remain at Mocov until he shall receive Orders from the Supracargos at Canton to return to you which We hope they will furnish him with as soon as possible.

you will observe by the 5th Article of the definitive Treaty that the Charges which either Nation may have been at in the maintenance of Prisoners is to be reimbursed. you will therefore be careful to bring with you explicit Accounts of all the Monies which you have advanced or laid out for the maintenance or Service of the Subjects of Spain under your department and these Accounts should be authenticated in Triplicates by the Governor or other Officers appointed by him Who should certify at the foot that the Sums inserted therein have been employed in the manner and for the purposes therein expressed.

We are

Gentlemen

Your Affectionate Friends

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
21 August 1763.

434 Fort St George 22^d August 1763.

To Mess^{rs}: Thomas Fitzhugh, Samuel Blount, Henry
Revell, Hillary Torrance, Nathaniel Garland, M^r.
and Mr. Hume, & Mann Hoines, Benjamin Town,
Thomas Smith, Robert John Harrison, W^m Hous,
and Thomas Bevan. Supracargoes of Council at
Canton

Dear Gentlemen

Gentlemen

The enclosed are Duplicates
of our Letters to you by the Salmouth.

On the 15th Instant arrived
here the Ship Lord Alvir which brought us a notice
that the Definitive Treaty had been signed but
that the usual Ratifications had not been exchanged.

We have now the pleasure
to acquaint you that by the Suprining which arrived here
the 19th Instant we have received the Definitive Treaty
with His Majesty's Proclamation of peace. One of each come
enclosed. In consequence of which we are taking every mea-
sure in our power for withdrawing our people from Manilla
with all possible Expedition and for that purpose we are con-
sidering all the Ships we can possibly spare from hence.
And as it is absolutely necessary that the whole should be with-
drawn at the same time we shall not be able to Effect it with-
out the Assistance we desired of you in our last Letter and
which we flatter ourselves you will readily afford when
you consider the heavy expense which the Company
have been and are at in maintaining that place. The great
Necessity for our Troops & people to return to the Coast this
Season.

455 Fort St George 22nd August 1763
Season best by remaining there another year their
Number might be reduced as to Subject them
to many Hardships if not to be entirely cut off by
the Natives. These Considerations will be a
confident induce you to assist us all in your power
as well in transporting our people ^{to} this place
as in getting as many of the Chinese who are now
at Manilla conveyed to Benicoleten as are de-
sires of going thither & since they will be of the
greatest use to that Infant Settlement which
the Company always most earnestly recom-
mend to us to support & assist to the utmost of our
power.

Enclosed you have a Copy of Our
Letter to the Gentlemen at Manilla by the Admiral
Beck which sailed the 17th Instant. This you will
receive by the Revenge which We have order'd to
call at Manilla on her way to you in order that the
Gentlemen there may give you the necessary In-
formation regarding any further Services they
may have to ask of you.

We are to request of you to or-
der the Revenge to them as soon as possible & that you
would by her acquaint them what Number of Ships
you can send out at what Time they may be expected
at Manilla in order that they may be enabled to make
the necessary disposition for embarking as soon as
the Ships are all assembled.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servants
George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
22nd of August 1763

456 Fort St George 21st August 1763.

Received the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

This Morning I received
a Letter from M^r Patten which he acquaints me of
your Desire that the Nabob should immediately set
out for Madras. was to do so before Madras is reduced.
it would be attended with dangerous Consequences, the
Black Forces in our Interest would withdraw their
Assistance and at once imagine the Nabob had neglected
them for other Business.

If you think the time pressing
and will send some of the Gentlemen, the Nabob will
be very willing to negotiate the Affair with them. I will
come into any Measures which are reasonable if no body
arrives from you before Madras falls, he will then proceed to
Madras without Delay.

The 11th an annoying party
of ours was attacked by a greatly Superior Force & were obliged
to retreat. We lost two hundred & odd stand of Arms 150
Sepoys killed & wounded and so are missing. Of the Enemy
many several of their Men fell before the Retreat & four of their
Horses were brought into the Camp.

Trichinopoly
10th August 1763.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
Your humble Servant
Aringet Lawrence

457 Fort St George 24th August 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter to General Lawrence
To Siringer Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter to Genl.
Lawrence.

Sir

We have been favoured with
your Letter of the 6th & 8th Instant, the latter enclosing
the Bills from the King of Tanjour. We purpose
writing to him on the Subject of his having detain-
ed One Lack of Rupees on account of Kharrab. The
Nabob has also transmitted to us the Bills you men-
tion, — These Nabob's Lists have been paid here at his
particular request & to prevent the Irregularity &
confusion occasioned by their being paid at Trichina-
poly in different Coins. But if the Nabob can spare any
Sum at Trichinopoly in Star Pagodas it will be very
agreeable to us.

Since writing so far We have
received your favor of the 10th Instant. As we observe
thereby you have not received our Letter of the 1st
Instant with Copies of those we wrote to the Nabob
on the Subject. We shall with them postpone replying
particularly thereto.

We are

With great Esteem
Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servants.

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
24th August 1763

450 Fort St George 24th August 1763

Sent the following Letter from His Majesty's Ship
Argo to the President & Council of Fort William
To the Honble Henry Vanfittart Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
at Fort William

Letter to Bengal

Honble Sir & Mrs

Agreeable to what We

Ship Argo sails
for Bengal
has Military sent
on this Argo

instructed you under date 20th Instant a Duplicate of which
comes Inclosed. His Majesty's Ship Argo now proceeds
to your place with 40 Non Commissioned Officers and
private men a Roll of whom comes herewith. The re-
mainder will embark on His Majesty's Ship the Argo
of York & Liverpool which will sail as soon as possible.

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient Hble Servants

George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George
24th August 1763

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Robert Patk
Charles Boucher, Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupre

Received the following Letter from the President & Coun-
cil at Bombay

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George.

Honble

569 Fort St George 24th August 1763

Letter from
Bombay

Honble Sir & Mrs

Since We last did ourselves
the Pleasure to address you the 26th and 28th ultimo by
Admiral Pocock and Revenge. We have not
been favoured with an answer from you, and the Ori-
ginal of that of the 20th April Duplicate of which We
have already acknowledged Receipt of not being come
to hand. We are apprehensive it fell into the Hands of the
Mogul Army under Nizam Ali who We un-
derstand intercepted a Pattamar from your place
which will be the more unfortunate if, as We have
reason to believe, it contained a Duplicate Copy of
General Lawrence's Letter to you with the Petitions of
Our respective Garrisons.

Lord Mansfield
arrived there.

On the 13th Instant Our Honble
Masters Ship Lord Mansfield arrived here in three
Months and fifteen Days from England, she brings
us the agreeable News of the Definitive Treaty of
peace having been signed at Paris the 10th of Febru-
ary last, a Copy of the 11th Article of which relative
to the East Indies We now enclose for your Notice also
several Paragraphs of two Letters from the ^{Honble the} Committee of Directors
to us, they have also wrote us a separate Letter solely
regarding the above Article of the Treaty but We do
not think it prudent to send a Copy of it by a Pattamar
and therefore defer it for a Sea Convenience unless our
sending it should be rendered unnecessary by our previ-
ously hearing of the Lord Clives arrival at your Place
which Ship left England in Company with the Lord
Mansfield

460 Fort St George 24th August 1763.

Mansfield and parted with her the 12th April on
Latitude 20.09. North. The Lord Mansfield likewise
saw the Glutton for Bencoolen & China the 3rd June
off the Cape and the same Night a homeward bound
Ship lying too.

Enclosed is a Packet for
Rear Admiral Cornish which I request you will
deliver to him. In it We have recommended his taking
some Measures for the release of the Chinese Jami-
lies taken by the French at Bencoolen & now at
Mauritius & Bourbon in which We think the Credit
of the Nation as well as the Welfare of our Honorable
Masters Settlements on the West Coast of Suma-
tra is nearly concerned for which reason We wish
you would enforce the same to him.

We are
Honorable Sir & his
your most Obedient Serv^t
Chas^r Crommelin
J Boyfield
C Douglas
Spencer
Chas^r Waters
Samuel Court.

That We are very sensible of the Necessity there is for getting
the Chinese Inhabitants removed from the French
Islands to the West Coast yet we think it can be in the
Admiral's power to assist & to there in as he has already de-
termined to employ all the Ships which can remain any longer
in the Country at Bengalla in assisting to withdraw the Settle-
ment of C. Manilla.

Discreet word
applies to their Jami-
lies as it is a reason
for the Chinese from
Mauritius to Ben-
coolen.

Bombay Castle
21st July 1763

Opinion of the
Board thereon.

Read

Fort St George 25th August 1763

Read the following Letter from Major Winter enclosing a Copy of a Letter he hath received from the Office of Ordnance

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President and Governor & Council
of Madras

Letter from the
for Winter?

Gentlemen

Having received a Letter yesterday Evening from the Principal Officers of his Majesty's Ordnance regarding the detachment of Royal Artillery in the East Indies under my Command including Matters also which relate to the Honble Company's Affairs I now take the Liberty of sending you an exact Copy of it for your perusal and remain

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient & Affectionate Serv^t
Jas. Winter.

Fort St George
the 20th of August 1763.

Office of Ordnance

20th of March 1763.

Letter from the Office
of Ordnance to
Major Winter

Sir

His Majesty having at the Request of the East India Company been pleased to direct that the Ordnance Muskets and all other Warlike Articles now in the East Indies that are Serviceable be delivered for the India Company's use to the Servants of the said Company. We do therefore hereby direct

By

462 Fort St George 25th August 1763

And to cause the Commissary of Artillery under
your Command to deliver the Ordnance, Muskets, and
all other Warlike Stores that are Serviceable within
the Department of this Office, to the said Companies
Servants, taking especial care that proper Lists and
Receipts are taken from the said Companies Servants
and transmitted to this Board that they may be
duely accounted for to Us. —

And His Majesty having
been also pleased to permit such of the Lieut^{ts} of the Artil-
lery and of the Non Commissioned and private Men
as shall choose it, to engage in the Service of the Company
and Major General Lawrence being directed to encour-
age them so to do, and to acquaint the Officers that by
entering into that Service they must not loose their Rank in
His Majesty's Service, we direct you likewise to acquaint
them therewith.

We are Sir

Your most humble Serv^{ts}
Charles Frederick W Keate
Ed Winnington. Cha^s Cocks

Commanding Officer of the Royal
Artillery at Madras.

Read a Letter from M^r C Maudave a Translation of which is
as follows.

To the Governor

& Gentlemen of the Council at Madras

Gentlemen

I think my Duty to make
some Representations relative to the News received from all
parts of Europe being happily established in Europe between
our respective Sovereigns & of the Offensive motions now making
by

Letter from M^r Maudave
have

403 Fort St George 25th August 1763.

By the Troops of his Britannick Majesty & those of the Royal English Company against Madura (arrived upon the Coast in the Month of April last year) whilst the War between the two Crowns was still in its full Vigour) with absolute Power to act as I should judge best for the good of the King my master. In consequence of which I concluded a Treaty with Cann Saib possessor of Madura, by Virtue of which he ceded to the Royal Company of France his Right over Madura & over all other his Acquisitions so that by means of this he seems to be included at least implicitly in the Treaty for the Suspension of Arms between the two Crowns. I sent him at the same Time as many Frenchmen as I could collect to whom I gave agreeable to my Instructions new Commissions to renew the War against the possessions & Establishments of the Royal Company of England.

The Frenchman Madura therefore forms a Regular Corps, & belongs as much to the King & Company of France as any he has. Cann Saib is then the Ally of his most Christian Majesty & the Royal Company of France & the design of attacking him is a manifest Impingement of the Intentions of both Kings. I demand therefore in Consequence Gentlemen, that he be allowed the Advantage of the Suspension of Arms, all the Rights & Interests of both Companies shall be finally settled.

It would be a poor pretence indeed of evading the Intentions of the Amnesty or Pardon.

Fort George 25th August 1763.

pardon that of saying that Cawn Saib is a Rebel & an Usurper; I Would ask if there any other Title in this Country that constitute a lawful Right but Conquest & possession The Rights of Mahomed Ali Cawn himself are they more indisputable; & do they not draw there greatest force from the prosperity of your Arms?

Let that be as it may, it is for European Nations, to set the Example in paying the Respect due to Law & general Congresses. There therefore keeping myself within the Bounds of my Duty do demand that Cawn Saib be treated as an Ally of the French Nation that he enjoy the Benefit of the Suspension of Arms, & I protest in the most solemn manner against any Resolutions contrary to this my Demand.

If the justness of my Representation should make that Impression upon You which I ought naturally to expect I have the Honor to inform you Gentlemen, that I am invested with full powers from Cawn Saib & that upon Condition of his Safety & preservation, I will bring him without Trouble to a just & reasonable satisfaction which would spare the Effusion of blood & the Expenses of an Expedition more difficult than You imagine. Consider moreover that so considerable an Infingement as this to the Preliminaries of a happy peace immediately upon the Reconciliation of the two Courts may be misinterpreted & that you cannot without injustice refuse an Ally of the French Nation what is granted by so

Protest against
attacking Mahomed
Ali Cawn.

Fort St George 25th August 1763.
so solemn a Treaty

I have the Honor to be with
the most respectful Consideration
Gentlemen
Your most Humble &
most Obedient Servant
(Maudave.

Tranquebar
16 July 1763

Resolution of
of the Board
thereon.

As M^r Maudave in his Answer to our Letter where
in We desired he would defray the Charge of subsisting
the French Prisoners said he was not empowered to do
so. We are therefore of Opinion that it is unnecessary to
return him any Answer to the above Letter.

Read the following Letter from Captain Black
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Capt^t
Black.

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Desires a Certificate
of his Behaviour.

I am intended going in a few Days
to Bengal; now beg leave to trouble you with this Address hum-
bly to request the Favor of you to be kind enough to give me
a Certificate for my past Services before I go which will ever
be acknowledged with thankfulness by

Fort St George
22^d August 1763

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & most
Humble Servant.
Rich^d. Black.

To be given him

Ordered that a Certificate be given to Capt^t Black setting
forth his Behaviour during the Time he has been in the
Service & the reasons for his being dismissed.

Fort St George 25th August 1763.

Lapwing to be dis-
patched to England

As it is of the utmost consequence that the Com-
pany should as soon as possible be informed of
the Situation of their Affairs at Bengal in
order that they may be able to furnish by the
next years Shipping a Supply of Cash for the
China Investment as we are apprehensive the In-
crease in Bengal will prevent our receiving any from
them, as well as to send us a sufficient Reinforce-
ment of Troops for the Protection of their Possessions
It is agreed that the Snow Lapwing shall be return-
ed to Europe with all possible Dispatch. It is therefore
ordered that a Letter be prepared to be sent by her.
The President lays before the Board a Letter he hath
received from the Governor of Tanquerbar dated the
18th Instant complaining of the Behaviour of the Ren-
ter of Harrical, who notwithstanding the Orders sent
to him to the contrary still persists in molesting the
people sent to fish for the Wreck of the Danish Ship
lost there. —
Agreed that the Renter be ordered to desist from giving them
any further Trouble.

Complaint of Har-
rical Renter

Orders in Conse-
quence

George Roper
Robert Falk

Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner
John B.

461 Fort St George 26th August 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter by Pattannar to Bom-

bay
To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
at Bombay.

Letter to Bombay

Honble Sir & firs

We were yesterday favored
with your Letter of the 21st Ultimo with the several
papers enclosed.

We have the pleasure to ac-
quaint You that on the 13th Instant the Lord Clive
arrived here with the advices you mention to
have received by the Lord Mansfield.

On the 19th Instant our Honble
Masters Snow Lapwing brought us the Definitive
Treaty with His Majestys Proclamation of Peace
which come enclosed. We also herewith send you a
copy of the Companys General Letter of 1st March
which came by the Lapwing in order that you may
be the sooner enabled to carry each of the Orders con-
tained therein as depend on you into Execution.

The enclosed Sheets from
the Governor & Council at Calcutta we forward to you
agreeable to their Desire. The Support of them ne appa-
rent is conform of the Doubles they are soon for-
unately engaged with the Nabob. They have wrote
to us for Assistance and the ^{new} consequence thereof
sending them two Hundred Europeans and the Admiral

Yours

460 Fort St George 26th August 1763

has promised to send them two Ships of the Line &
two Frigates with 100. Marines. The Argo sailed the
24th Instant with a part of the Troops and the others
will follow immediately

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

George Pigot Esq^r Council

Fort St George
26th August 1763.

Came in the following Letter from John Pybus Esq^r
Chief at Malapattam

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President of Governor & Council
for the Military Department at
Fort St George

Letter from the
Pybus

Honble Sir & Mrs

I have been honored
with your Commands of the 5th Instant and in Obedience
thereto Lieut^t Kintock with the Detachment of his
Majestys 96th Regiment under his Command and a
Detachment of Pioneers landed here from the Argo
embarked on board His Majestys Snowe Marlborough
Day except one Man belonging to the 96th Regiment
who is left sick in the Hospital. There has been no Gratuity
Money paid here either to the Officer or Men of this Detach-
ment of His Majestys Troops. But the pioneers who are

469 Fort St George 26 August 1763

are enclosed have received their full pay for their Month
of June, July, & August except the Carpenter who has
not been paid any Thing. The Stores belonging
to his Majesty brought here in the Britannia
have been likewise shipped on board this Vessel.

Inclosed you will be pleased
to receive a Letter delivered me by Ishmael Beg
a Moor Merchant residing at this place which
he requested I would forward to you. It contains
as he informs me some proposals on his part re-
lating to the letting the Caravans of Chicacole Ra-
jahmundry, Elour, Mustaphanagur & Moorta-
ranagur from Mysore & All Cann provided he
can be assured of Assistance from the Company
in the management of them which depending on
your determination it is unnecessary for me to add
further on the Subject than that he is reputed a
Man of Substance and has an Interest & Influ-
ence in this Country.

I advised the President un-
der date the 5th instant that Huttaramrao the
eldest of the two Brothers commonly called the Chi-
cacole Rajahs had taken the Fort of Rajahmun-
dry. He has not as yet made any further Advances
this Way, but some of the Zemindars of Rajahmun-
dry & Elour have been very assisting to him in carry-
ing on his Enterprises & promise to assist him with
Money. What further Designs he may have I can
not learn but it is conjectured here that he aspires
at making himself Master of the Caravans of Rajah-
mundry

Top Fort St George 26 August 1763.

Munday. Elour and Mustapha aiguz. In such Ap-
prehensions I have been applied to by Elencataim-
rauz the Renter of Tondur a Panduray District
belonging to the Company, and One of the Lemidars
of the Elour Cercar who has a Fort at Muglatore a place
about five and forty Miles from hence to afford
him the Company's Protection in case any attack
should be made by Shittaramrauz to deprive him
of his Fort & Countries. He is an Man of good Char-
acter near thirty thousand Pagodas of Country for
the Company and has always been punctual in his
payments. I should therefore be glad to know how far
I may afford him the Assistance & Protection he
Requested of me in case the Situation of his Affairs should
require them.

I received Intelligence
Days ago that one Jaffer Woodee Mahomed Cann
had received Shirinaids from Vizam (Mlay)
Cercar of Chicacole was advancing towards Br
Munday with a Considerable force in Order to
Baddea Ternah Cann against Shittaramrauz
many reports of this kind before had been but
which proved without foundation. I gave
Credit to this. I received a Letter however from
a person who styles himself his Duar from
giving me an Account of his Arrival there
Master's Appointments to the Nabobship of
who is I hear within about five and twenty
Rajahmundry. but on this Side of the River what
Lord

Fort St George 26 August 1763.

Since he has with him I don't learn but as I believe
he is much in want of Money his Expedition is not
likely to be attended with any great Success The
Letter from his Duan comes inclosed for your perusal
And I shall be careful to advise you of any
other material Occurrences that may happen
Being very respectfully

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your very Obedient Humble Servt.

John Pybus

Mazulipatam

14 August 1763

Monday

29th August

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq. Governor President
Robert Falk

Charles Bouchier, Rich^d. Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupré

Read the following Letters from the President
and Council at Fort William

To the Honble George Pigot Esq.
President & Governor & Council at
Fort St George.

Letter from Bengal

Honble Sir & Mrs

In our Letter of the 7th In-

stant of which a Duplicate now goes enclosed. We advised
you that We had Reasons to apprehend our Troops
at Patna had met with a Defeat. And we are now

Sorry

472 Fort St George 29th August 1763.

sorry to acquaint you that this Intelligence has since been confirmed with many unfavorable circumstances; this Loss will in proportion fall most particularly heavy on our Artillery. If there for a day with the other part of the Reinforcement you could possibly send us a Company of Artillery, it would prove of very material Service.

Since our last also we have signed the Treaty with the Nabob. Mr Jaffer Ali Carnick he is set out to join the Army under Major Adams now on its March to establish him at Moorshedabad. Of their Success wherein as well as the Particulars of this whole Transaction Your Honor &c shall be hereafter advised.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient &c Serv^{ts}

Henry Vanfiliant

John Carnack

J^r Bitters

John Cartier

Warren Hastings

Brandt Marquette

H Watts

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 1st Instant Accompanying the Packet for our Presidency

revised

apply for an
artillery men

Mr Jaffer
Ali Carnick, ap-
pointed Nabob

Fort William
the 11th July 1763.

Letter from Bengal

Fort St George th August 1763

received of ^{Mr} Falmouth

The letter to ensure an early receipt of the advice contained in our Letters of the 4th & 11th Instant We now dispatch the Harford Ship Captⁿ. Alexander Barclay with three more Copies of them One We have Ordered him to land at Vizagapatam to be forwarded from thence another at Mazulipatam and the third he will himself proceed with to you.

As these troubles in the Country will perhaps put a total stop to the Collection of our Revenues We may be put to great distress for want of Money to provide against which We must desire you will send us whatever supply you can to the amount of three or four Lacks of Rupees.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Serv^{ts}
Henry Vansettart
W^m McQuire
W^m Billers
John Carrier
Rand^l & Mariot
H Watts.

A Roll of the Artillery Men in Garrison being laid before the Board it appears that there are only 15 Men belonging to the Company providing Duty which is ordered to be sent and agreed that Lieutenant Clifton who is now at Villour be ordered Down

date from Supply
of Cash.

Fort William
the 10th of July 1763.

60 Artillery men
4000 Rupees to be
brought to Bengal

Fort St George 29th August 1763.

Down to go with them. It is also resolved to send to Bengal these recruits received by the Pigot, and that General Lawrence be made acquainted there with.

Two Letters from General Lawrence read as follows.
To the Honble George Pigot Esq.
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Genl
Lawrence

Honble Sir & Mrs.

Yours of the 14th with the inclosed papers.

Yesterday I was favored with

I now send you a Duplicate

I wrote to you the 11th Instant in which was enclosed Bill
of four Lack from the King of Tanjore has wrote to desire
a Receipt which he says should be for five Lack but this as I
observed before you are the proper Judges of you will inform
me if the Bills are come to Hand as well as furnish me with
an C knows to the King of Tanjore

In my last of the 10th I gave

you the Nabob's Reasons for not leaving Trichinopoly at
the present Juncture in which I am entirely of his Opinion
but as soon as ever Madurai falls he will set out for Mad-
dras. I hope this will not be long first. We have taken one
of the Out Forts and as soon as the other is in our hands
we shall set down before Madurai.

I shall order Colonel Monson
after the Reduction of Madurai to march the King's Forces
to Madras if Major Fawcett's party is strong enough to

King of Tanjore da-
mian a Receipt for
5 Lack of Ruzses
in return for his
Kist the Fort of Tanjore

675 Fort St George 29 August 1763

to settle the Country - Before the Colonel sets out he will appoint such Places as he would have Garrisoned which will be done by the Companies Troops: the remainder will march for this place when it is absolutely necessary the Heavy Cannon should be likewise as here is hardly any to make a Defence with.

The latter part of your last which you desired me to keep secret was told me before I opened your letter by M^r Barnwall.

The Earl of Egremont in his Letters gives me an Account of the signing the Definitive Treaty but I have as yet received no Orders concerning the Kings Troops.

I wish you joy of the peace & have the Honour to be.

With the greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
your Humble Servant
J. Lawrence.

Trichinopoly
20th August 1763.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence.

Gentlemen

I enclose you a Letter I received yesterday from Major Callaghan which you will perceive the Necessary there is for the Nabob to remain at Trichinopoly till Madurai falls.

We

1766 Fort St George 29th August 1763.

We have small Forts to
Garrison passes & to defend which must much
weaken our main Strength. in this Situation
should any of the Black forces leave us it might
be attended with insuperable Difficulties, and I
am far from of Opinion it would be the Case was the
Nabob not to wait on you.

You will likewise receive
a Copy of a Letter which came to Hand yesterday from
the Commanding Officer of the Royal Artillery
& another of an Order to him from the Office of Ord-
nance with that of my Answer.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
Your humble Servant
Thinger Lawrence

Tuchinopoly
21st August 1763.

Tiruvandore
10th August 1763.

Letter from Mr. Bell
to General Lawrence

Dear General

I wrote you yesterday and
gave you some little Account of this place. Last Night it
rained very hard but we have secured no damage. Major
Prestons Situation having been less fortunate in the bed of
a Tank the rain soon overflowed his whole Camp obliging
him to move and all his Ammunition has been Spoiled.
This accident as well as the Length of Carriage the frequent
Loading

477 Fort M'George 26th August 1763.

loading & unloading has lessened the Quantity of
Muskets. Ammunition very much, & makes it very
necessary that not only a Sack should be sent directly
but also a Quantity of Paper & Swine to remake the
Ball. which remains of the damaged Ammunition
the sooner this can be done the better, otherwise the
Ball will be lost & scattered about a Cooper too is much
wanted for the Barrels in moving from place to
place & loading and unloading so often are many
of them fallen to pieces and the powder damaged.
The Artillery Stones have suffered much thro' want
of proper Conductors or Officers to be with every party
there are now Bullocks gone to Perce Caumore to
bring all from thence & there are Stores nowhere
with only one Clerk to manage all, however this
Defect cannot now be prevented.

I have heard that the people
posted at the Sattam pass have abandoned it for
inutility it is of no use as we are got in the rear &
in two Days shall have the End of it near Madure
in our hands. If therefore the Nabob's Troops would
push on they might come thro' that Way & join us
which would give a quicker Communication to the
Army when we come to invest Madure we shall
want a Number of small pieces for our Redoubt
which must be built to confine the Garrison. I there-
fore wish the Nabob's Artillery was sent up with
the rest of his Troops. for we have but very few field
pieces and none to spare for the above purposes Indeed
if the Nabob should come to the Army with all his fighting
Men.

Setting forth the
Necessity of the Na-
bob's presence with
his Army.

Fort St George 29th August 1763.

Men without his Elephants & Camels there might be some
good result from it & his troops might possess the several
posts not take such as Serwandore, Serambore, Wilschur, Val-
tarn; without weakening the Companies Forces. We shall
halt here also tomorrow & march on the next Day after
which Serambore must be taken and then We shall
see the Walls of Madura. I can form no Idea of the
plan of Off Cannon intended to adopt for his Defence, but his
Qualities are unparalleled to Men, Women & Children was
null as Destruction of the Country. There nothing of the
Tavincore Army nor have I seen the innumerable
forces of Sanderamar or Villycotah. We have no Colle-
ction with us. I hope you keep your Health & am Dear General

Genl Lawrence

Your most Obligated & Entirely
Devoted Servant.
John Cull

The Letter from the Commanding Officer of the Kings
Artillery enclosing a Copy of his Orders from the Office
of Ordnance is also read a Copy of which hath before been
delivered to us by Major Winter.
A Copy of General Lawrence's Letter to Major Winter
is read as follows.

Sir

I have received Yours of the 16th with the Copy of the Order from the Office of Ordnance.
I shall be on at Madras when if
the Service will admit of it you shall have order to embark

I am

Sir

Letter from Genl
Lawrence to Major
Winter

109 Fort St George 29th August 1763

Sir

Tuchinopoly

21st August 1763.

your Humble Servant

(Signed) S Lawrence

To the Commanding Officer of the Royal Artillery.

Receipt for four
Lacks of Rupies
to be sent to the King
of Tanjore.

Ordered that a receipt for the 4 Lacks of Rupies be sent
to General Lawrence to be forwarded by him to the
King of Tanjore.

Opinion of the
Board with re-
gard to the sta-
tioning of the
Chinopoly

We acquiesce with the General that their Nabob's pre-
sence is necessary at Tachinopoly till Madurai

It is desired to pre-
pare the Saneds.

be taken. We must however request that the General will
enforce his coming here immediately on the reduction
of that place. In the Interim the Nabob is desired
to prepare the Saneds for the Countries we have requested
of him.

Read the following Letter from Captain Champion
dated 29th of August.

To the Honble the Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Gentlemen

Letter from Capt^l
Champion

I received the Honor of your

Letter of the 26th Instant which I showed to Admiral Cor-
misson who Directs me to acquaint you that after the De-
parture of Captain Kempfsett He did not know
that Capt^l Bructon had any Command of the Gar-
rison of Carica on the contrary that he himself took upon
him that Command. I therefore hope you will grant
my former request from the time of Capt^l Kempfsett's
Departure

It is desired to pre-
pare the Saneds.

400 Fort St George 29th August 1763

Departure which was on the 12th Day of Nov^r 1762.

I am with the utmost Respect

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient and
very Humble Servant.

Charles Champion

Fort St George
29th August 1763.

As it does not appear that Captain Champion ever
was the Commanding Officer at Cavita he is again to
be told We cannot make him any allowance as such
The Gentlemen at Bombay having in their Letter of
the 17th April desired that Captⁿ Fentherman be com-
plimented with a Diamond ring of the Value of Rupees
2000 it is ordered that a ring of that Value be purchased
& presented to him & that 2000 Rupees be paid out of the
Treasury to pay for the same & that Bombay Presidency
be advised thereof & debited for the Amount.

The President acquaints the Board that M^r Callen a
Letter to him seems apprehensive that they shall be in want
of Gunpowder It is therefore agreed that Mr Major Campbell
be directed to send from Vellore to M^r Hutchinson all
Expedition as much Gunpowder as he can procure
Bullocks for.

Wm Pitt
Rt Hon

Rich^d Sawfield
Charles Turner
J^r W^m B^r

Not granted

A Diamond Ring
to be given to Captⁿ
Fentherman

Gunpowder
to be sent from
Vellore to M^r Hutchinson
M^r Hutchinson

Fort St Georgeth August 1763.

Send the following Letter to General Lawrence.
To Sirrger Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter to Genl. Lawrence

Sir

We have received your Favors
of the 20th & 21st Instant.

Inclosed We send you a Receipt for the four Lacks of Rupees received from the King of Tanjore which you will please to forward to him and acquaint him that the President will write to him upon the Subject of the Lack of Rupees he has detained on Account of Hannical.

The reason you are pleased to give why the Nabob should remain at Trichinopoly untill Madras be taken have their proper Weight with us but We beg you will the Instant you hear of Mr. Moirsons Success press the Nabob to come to Arcot.

In the Letter we had the Honor to write you on the 20th Instant we informed you of our Resolution of sending to Bengal 200 Men.

40 are gone on the Argo
40 } go to morrow { On the Liverpool
100 } { On the York

The Pigot arrived here yesterday & has brought us 50 recruits which with 45 Artillery Men we purpose to send in a few Days on his Majesty's Ship Medway or on the Lord Clives should she sail first.

We are with perfect Esteem
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servants
George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George
30th August 1763.

402 Fort St George 30th August 1763.

Majesty's Ship York
is for Bengal

Dispatched the following Letter by York to Bengal.
To the Honble Henry Vanfittart Esq
President & Governor & Co Council
at Fort William

Honble Sir & Mrs

is for Bengal

By the Argo which sailed
the 24th Instant we sent you 50 Military and the York
& Liverpoole now proceed to your place with 40 more a
List of whom comes enclosed We purpose likewise to
send you 15 Artillery men they are all we have of the
Company's at this place the others being in the Madras
Country These Artillery Men with about 50 Recruits
received the 2^d Instant by the Pigot together with such
others of the Company's Troops as may be fit for Service
shall be sent to you either in his Majesty's Ship the Mend
may or the Lord Clive whichever may sail first

We are concerned to find you are
obliged to apply to us for money as we are at this time un-
able to furnish you with any considerable Sum. However
you may be assured we shall in this as well as in every thing
else assist you to the utmost of our power

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient & Affectionate Servant
George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George
30th August 1763.

It Came in the following Letter from General Lawrence.
To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen
Lawrence

Gentlemen

I have received your Letter

403 Fort St George 31st August 1763
of the 20th with the Papers enclosed.

With Regard to the Expedition, I shall send Col. Monson a Copy of the Orders I have received, but at the same time will order him to reduce Madras before he leaves that part of the Country immediately after which (as the Companies Troops will be sufficient to quell any Disturbances which may arise) to march his Regiment with all the Kings Forces which are in the Field to Madras.

I beg you will begin to entertain the Men who are in His Majesty's Service as soon as you please the Instant Madras is reduced I will return to Madras & forward the Service all in my power in the mean time if there is a Necessity for it I will write to the Commanding Officer of the Kings Troops at Madras to permit these Men to enlist.

I am heartily sorry for our Disputes at Bengal & think whether we conquer or not they cannot be to our Credit or advantage. I have wrote to Major Adams desiring him not to think of quitting India till the Disturbances at Bengal are put an End to.

Copies of the Orders I have received shall be Dispatched to the Different Presidencies.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
your Humble Servant
Stringer Lawrence

Trichinopoly
25th August 1763.

Fort St George 3^d September 1763.

Monday
3^d Sept

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Robert Falk
Charles Boucher, Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Tobias Dupre

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Taken from Gen^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

I am pained with reports
of the 24th Instant.

We are now in possession of
Trumboor which was abandoned by the Enemy the 22^d
at Night but for your particular information I give
you the Contents of a Letter received from Colonel. Monson
which are as follows.

To Major General Lawrence

Copy of a letter from
Col^l Monson to General
Lawrence, above of the
Capture of Trumboor

Sir

Camp at Trumboor 24th Aug^r 1763

Last Night the Rebels made
their Escape out of this Fort notwithstanding our utmost
Efforts to prevent it; our Patrols of Cavalry went some at
the Fort that one of them was Wounded with a Musket
Shot, and our advanced posts of Infantry were in array of
them within one hundred yards of the place. I have just
received

405. Fort St George^d September 1763

received Intelligence that the Rebels have abandoned
Vallichinatum & Omnasatum Forts. I shall send
a party to take possession of them & to make Friend-
ship with the Polygars of that Country as I cannot
spare a sufficient Number of Sepoys to Garrison
all these places I have taken into the Service one
hundred Colley Peons to assist in Garrisoning
them. The Number of Sepoys in the Field and the
frequent Detachments with the many Outposts
has made it necessary for me to appoint an Officer
to act in the Station of Adjutant & Quarter Master
of Sepoys. I hope this appointment will meet with
your approbation for the present Expedition. We
are detained here to repair our Field Carriages and
collect our Horses. You may be assured Sir no Endea-
vor shall be wanting on my part to bring the Expedi-
tion to the most speedy Conclusion. Permit me to
recommend to your favor & protection Major Preston
for his unrearied Care & Diligence in carrying on
the Service in General, and in the Reduction of the
two Forts of Trivandoor & Trimbloor in particular,
he has undergone the greatest fatigues and at the same
time displayed all those parts and Abilities which are neces-
sary in a good Officer

I am Sir

Your most Obedient & very humble Servant
Geo. Monson.

I have desired Col. Monsoon to send
me an Express the Instant he is in possession of Madras as
soon as it arrives I will accompany the Nabob to Madras
J

Fort St George 3^d September 1763.

I have all the reason to think this will be soon as
Trincomboor which held out but Two Days is esteemed
Stronger than Madras.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen
Your humble Servant
Fraser Lawrence

Trichinopoly
29th August 1763.

The Volunteers
from the Kings
Troops to remain
with Major Pra-
ter.

Agreed that General Lawrence be desired to permit
the Volunteers of His Majesty's Regiments who may
be willing to enter into the Company's Service to do
so before Col. Monson begins his March & that
they may remain with Major Praeter until the
Country is entirely settled. Agreed also that he be ac-
quainted with our having ordered a Quantity of
Gunpowder to be sent from Vellore.

Read the following Letter from M^r Donsett parma-
ter to the Army.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from M^r
Donsett.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Exchange of Pagodas at & since the Army left Trichinopoly has varied
from Atfarnams to Thirty nine which for want of those of
Madras are paid in pagodas and the Atfarnams of these
parts at that rate. The Coolies were for some time contented
to receive their Allowance at forty one to the Pagoda but
the Desertion of a great Number of them in an Enemy's

Country

Fort St George 3^d Septem^r 1763

Country where they could not be replaced, and
an Apprehension of losing more, has since laid
me under the Necessity of paying them at the Bu-
zar Exchange however contrary to my Inclination
and the former established Custom The Scarcity
of all sorts of Provision, and Rice in particular
may indeed be pleaded as the most reasonable Ex-
cuse and I persuade myself Your Honor^{ty} will
think it a sufficient One. Should that however
fail, I can only add that in all matters which app-
eared to be singular and Contrary to the Hon^{ble}
Company's Interest, I have never failed to con-
sult with the Commander in chief from whose
Opinion (tho delivered in a peculiar manner)
I thought myself justified in the Steps I have ta-
ken. For these Reasons the Lascars Batta, which
was ordered by your Honor^{ty} in the Month of
February last to be reduced is still continued as for-
merly and it would in the present Circumstances
of Affairs be too dangerous an Experiment to attempt the
putting them in force. It may not be improper to
acquaint your Honor^{ty} that I have already
wrote to the Commissary General for a large sup-
ply of Janams which when they arrive will put a
Stop to the present irregular method I have for some-
time been obliged to observe

I have the Honor to remain

With the Utmost Respect

Hon^{ble} Sir & Miss

Your most obed^t & most aff^e Serv^t

Robert Donsett.

Provia Supply
of Janams.

Camp near Seramboor

the 22^d of August 1763.

1500 Fort St George 3^d September 1763.

None to be sent

It is impossible on account of the Scarcity of Silver
to send Mr Dowsett the Supply of Fanams he
desires.

Military to be
sent on the Lord
Clive to Bengal.

The Lord Clive being about to sail for Bengal, Or-
dered that the remainder of the Millenys proposed
to be sent thither be embarked on her.

Gen^l Letter to the
Court of Directors
Lapwing and signed
Back to be closed.

General Letter to the Court of Directors together
the Snow Lapwing is read & signed. Ordered
that the Packet be closed.

George Pigot
Robt Falk

Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner
J^r DuBré

Fort St George 3^d Septem^r 1763

Send the following Letter to General Lawrence
To Siringer Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in the East Indies.

Sir

Letter to General
Lawrence

We have been favored with
your Letter of the 25th August: you are therein plea-
sed to tell us that you will order Col. Monson to return
to Madras with all the Kings Forces as soon as
Madura shall be reduced, as the Companys Troops
will be sufficient to quell any Disturbances that
may arise. We could wish that such Volunteers
from His Majestys Regiment who may be in-
clined to enter into the Companys Service may
be permitted to do so before Colonel Monson begins
his march to this place, & that they might remain
with Major Preston, untill that Country is entirely
settled.

Your Letter of the 29th ultimo
We have just received & hope soon to have the plea-
sure of hearing of the Reduction of Madura. We have
now to Major Campbell to send to Trichinopoly as
many Buttocks loaded with Gunpowder as he
can procure & hope it may arrive time enough to
prevent their being in want of this Article which
M^r Callin in his Letter to the President seems to apprehend.

Send -
Fort St George
3^d of Septem^r 1763.

We have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Sir
your most Obed^t & Aff^d Servants
George Pigot & Council

490 Fort St George the September 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter to the President of Council of Fort William

To the Honble Henry Van Sittant Esq
President & Governor & Council
at Fort William

Letter to Bengal

Honble Sir & Mrs

The Lord Clive is now
dispatched to you with two Sergeants & six yeoman private
Military with one Sergeant, one Corporal and 15 private
Artillery under the Command of Lieut. Clifton a List of
whom comes enclosed

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedt humble Servant

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

3^d September 1763

6 Came in the following Letter from Capt^r Wood commanding
at Trichinopoly

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George & Council

Letter from Capt^r
Wood

Honble Sir & Mrs

Inclosed I have now the pleasure
to send you the Monthly return of the Strength of this Garrison
a Copy of which I have delivered to General Lawrence

I will now take the Liberty to inform
you of all the late Accounts We have from the Army now
before Madras Colonel Monson joined Major Preston the 20th
before

Gives an account of the
Proceedings of the Army

491 Fort St George th Septem^r 1763.

before Trincomore which place the Enemy abandoned the 23^d in the Night. This & the taking two other posts at the same time leaves the road quite open to Madras to which place the Colonel began his March from Trincomore on the 28th in the Morning.

As soon as our Army is encamped under the Walls of Madras Fort. & it is thought by most people and all the Intelligence agrees that is determined to engage our Army before he suffers himself to be shut upon the Garrison. He had attempted to send off his Women, Family and other Things of Value to Hyder Naigues, but his own people (that is, his Army) would not allow him to do that without he would suffer all these to go with him so it seems all their Families are still in the Fort on which Account most people imagine he will make the better Defence.

Mr. Westmarchett from this place some days ago with about 2000 of these Nabob's Troops to take possession of Vattam & all the other passes on that Road to Madras from this place, all which he has taken from the Enemy and left small Detachments of these Troops in them & joined the Colonel with the remainder of them, so now that Road is open to the Army from this place, which will make it about forty Miles nearer than the road the Army were obliged to march. I now beg leave to conclude and am with the greatest respect while I have the Honor to remain

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Devoted & most Obedt^l Slave
John Wood.

Trincomore
August 21st 1763

1492 Fort St George 1th Septem^r 1763.

Thursday
10th Septem^r

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor Presid^t

Robert Falk
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupré

Read the following Letter from Major Campbell Com-
manding at Villour.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council

Letter from Major
Campbell

Honble Sir & firs

I have the Honor
of your Letter of the 2^d Instant there are no more than two
hundred pound Barrels of Powder here and yet I know I have
only got Wax Cloth to cover 150 Barrels which shall be sent
to Trinopolis immediately for it would be unsafe to send
any without Wax Cloth as the here rain very frequently
if you are pleased to think it necessary to send any more
powder or if I should have Occasion to make Use of any my
self I will want 400 Sixty pound Barrels I have the Honor
to be with Great Respect

Honble Sir & firs

Your most Obedient & most Obedt Serv^t
Charles Campbell

Villour
5th Sept^r 1763

Ordered Barrels
Wax Cloth to be sent
to Villour

The Secretary lays before the Board a Letter he hath received
from M^r Pyne Paymaster at Villour enclosing an Indent for
Empty powder Barrels, & Wax Cloth which are ordered imme-
diately to be sent.

493 Fort St George 1th September 1763

The following Letter from M^r Pyne paymaster at
Vellore is also read

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from M^r
Pyne.

Honble Sir & Mrs

130 Barrels of gun
powder sent from Vellore
to Trichinopoly

I have this Day dispatch-
ed to Trichinopoly, one hundred & fifty Sixty pound
Barrels of made powder when the empty Barrels I
have indented for arrive as many more shall be sent
as I can procure Bullocks to carry.

I am

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient Servant
George Pyne

Vellore

6th of September 1763.

Letter from Col^l Morris at Bombay is read as follows

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
Governor and President & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Col^l Morris

Gentlemen

The Officers of my Regiment
who were present at the Siege of Pondicherry having applied
to me to Intervene myself for them in the recovery of the
prize money which they have reason to expect from the
Capture of that place, I take the Liberty to request your
Assistance in settling that Affair as soon as possible ho-
ping you will consider the hardship it will be upon them to be
Ordered home before they receive their prize Money which is
the

Application account
of his Regiment for
the Share of the Prize
Money taken at
Pondicherry

494 *Fort St George Septem^r 1763.*

the only recompence they can expect for the many fati-
gues they have undergone in the Service of the Hon^{ble}
Company.

Your shewing an Inclina-
tion to do them all manner of justice upon this Occa-
sion will be an inducement to Others to act with Cheerful-
ness upon any future Service & will be Gratefully acknow-
ledged by

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
and very Hum^{ble} Serv^t

Maas Morris

Bombay
12th August
1763.

Disposit of amms.
over there to.

(Agreed that Colonel Morris be acquainted that We have
never interfered in the Division of the Prize Goods taken
at Pondicherry but that it has been managed by Agents
appointed by the Navy & Army that with Respect to the
Military Stores taken at that place if his Majesty
should be pleased to order them to be divided amongst
the Captains the Company will be answerable for their
Amounts.

Ordered also that an Exact Copy of the Company's General
Letter of the 22^d of Dec^r wherein they desire their thanks may
be given to the Officers & Men of His Majesty's Forces employ-
ed in the East Indies.

M^r Maudave having in his Letter to the Board dated the
10th of August set forth that he arrived last year on the Coast
with full powers to carry on the War & that he had in Con-
sequence thereof sent a body of French Troops to the As-
sistance of us off Carre whom he looked upon as an Ally
of the French Nation on which Account he insisted that
He

purport of a letter
to be written to M^r
Maudave.

1495 Fort St George ^{the} September 1763

Letter from the
Nabob's Son with
Bills for Pay 40,000

^{ought to}
He enjoys the Benefit of the Suspension of Arms & de-
manding us to withdraw our Troops from against him
Altho. M^r. Maudave has not produced to us any Cre-
dentials ^{human} have received for Acting as Represen-
tative of the French Nation neither do we believe that
he is possessed of any such powers. yet as he has ac-
knowledged that he hath sent Assistance of Men
to us off Cam and that they are under his Orders. It
is agreed that a Letter be addressed to him in his pri-
vate Character enclosing to him a Copy of the ^{the} Article
of the Definitive Treaty & demanding of him in
Consequence thereof to withdraw the Troops he has sent
to the Assistance of us off Cam.

Read a Letter from the Nabob's Son as entered in Coun-
try Correspondance. 8th 16th advising that he has ac-
mitted Bills for Pagodas 40,000 making Rupees
445,000 which with Rupees 90,000 paid to M^r. Norton
being Deducted from 300,000 Rupees the Balance
due on Acct of the Phasley 1772 there remains to be
paid 65000 Rupees on Acct of the Lists for Phasley 1772
which he says the Nabob proposes reserving in his
hands on Account of the Expenses of the Army.

The Board are of Opinion that the Nabob must be missta-
ken in the Statement he has made of his Account. It is however
agreed that the same be settled & sent him & that he be desired
to transmit the Balance whatever it may be as soon as possible.

J. M. B.

George Rago
Robt Falk

Rich. Mayfield
Charles Turner

496 Fort St George 9th Septem^r 1763

Dispatched the following Letter to Puttannar - 10th Oct.

Moris at Bombay.

To Staats Long, Morris Esq^r.

Colonel of his Majesty's 9th Regiment

Letter to Bombay

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 12th ultimo & are sorry it is not in our power to give you the Satisfaction you desire as the Agents appointed on the part of the Amalgamated Navy have possessed themselves of all the prize Goods that were taken in Pondicherry, and we have had no manner of concern in the Distribution.

Should his Majesty be pleased to order the amount of the Military Stores to be divided amongst the Captors the Company will be answerable for them, as they are in our possession.

We have the pleasure of enclosing to you an Extract from our Hon^{ble} Masters Orders to us, which we beg you will make known to the Officers & Men under your Command.

We are

Sir

Yours most Obedient Servant

George Pigot & Co Council

Medan

Fort St George
9th Septem^r 1763.

Sent the following Letter to Fort William 10th Oct.

To the Hon^{ble} Henry Vanfitter Esq^r

President & Governor & Co Council at Fort William

Letter to Bengal

Hon^{ble} Sir & firs

The enclosed is a Duplicate of our last

111

Fort St George 17th Sept 1763.

Address to you & this will be Delivered to you by Captⁿ
Junker Commander of His Majesty's Ship the
Medway.

We have already by former
Conveyances sent you every Man We can possibly
spare from the Duty of the Garrison, and hope soon
to have the Satisfaction of hearing that your
Affairs are happily reestablished.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt Serv^t

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
17th Sept 1763.

10 Came in the following Letter from General Lawrence enclo-
sing a Copy of a Letter from Colonel Monson to him with
his Answer.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

I am I avoid with yours of the
30th of August with the inclosed Receipts for four Lacks
which I have forwarded to the King of Tanjore I could
wish if it meets with your Approbation that you would
write to him on the Subject of the One Lack as soon as
possible, for tho' he seems to be firm in our Interest, yet
we are to beware it might affect our Affairs to the South-
ward.

Inclosed I transmit you
a Copy of a Letter from Col^l Monson to me, with that
of my answer to him, you will see that I have nothing
ing

1490 Fort St George 1th Septem^r 1763.

being, I am amicably circumstanced, I have ordered
Col. & Monson not to return till the Reduction of
Madura is completed & I hope you will endeavor
to prevail on the Admiral to wait till that Event
the instant it happens I will set out with the
Nabob for Madras.

I have the Honor to be
With the greatest Respect
Gentlemen
Your humble Servant
Fringer Lawrence

Trichinopoly
1th Sept^r 1763.

Sir

Camp at Trichinopoly

Letter from Col.
Monson to General
Lawrence

20th August 1763.

I am favored with yours of
the 25th of August with a Copy of a Letter from the Secretary
of the House of Commons to the Secretary at War and a
Copy of his Letter to you. Yesterday was favored with
yours of the 26th with an enclosed Copy of your Order from
the Secretary at War with regard to the Return of
the Kings Troops in India.

I do not think it possible Sir
for the Expedition to be completed in time enough for the Kings
Troops under my Command to return to Madras in Order
to proceed to England on Board the Ships of War according
to His Majestys Orders & Instructions. I therefore hope you
will be pleased to send me Orders how I am to act as it will
be a great Detriment to the Officers to stay in India after the
Squadron return home as it is impossible for them
to pay their Passage on Board the Company's Ships
at

497 Fort St George ^{the} 10 Septem. 1763.

at the exorbitant price now demanded for a Birth.
besides Sir the Disappointment it will be to the Go-
vernment not to have the Troops Disbanded accor-
ding to the Regulations made at home. Endeavours
shall be wanting on my part to prevail on the Men
of my Regiment to stay in the Service of the East
India Company.

I am detained here to repair
the Carriages of the Field Artillery, hope to be able
to march to morrow Morning & in two or three Days
shall fix on our Encampment before Madras.

I am
Sir

Your most Obedient
& very humble Servant.

497 To Major General Lawrence (Signed) George Monson
Commander in Chief in India.

To Colonel Monson

General Lawrence
Answer to him

Sir

Yesterday I received yours of the
20th of August.

With regard to the Things
Troops under your Command were they to leave the Country
before the Reduction of Madras is effected, I think it would
be casting a slur on his Majesty's Arms, this Consideration
is no small one, but when I reflect on the real Danger it
would expose the Company's possessions to, & that it was His
Majesty's most gracious Intentions in sending his Regi-
ments to protect the Country in those Possessions I cannot
hesitate.

500 Fort St George 10th Septemr 1763.

hesitate in begging you will put your former Orders in Execution, as soon as Madras is taken.

I am in great hopes the Admiral may be prevailed upon to wait the issue of the Expedition, but if he cannot, there are ships gone to Manilla & to Bengal which will touch at Madras before they sail for Europe & will furnish Opportunities for the Return of the Officers & even if they should be necessitated to embark on board Indian men you may be assured Sir great care will be taken to make every Thing as commodious & agreeable to them as possible.

I beg you will leave such of the Men of your Regiment, as chuse to enter into the Company's Service with the Major Paston, and I will take care that the Pay Master shall have Orders to advance them their enlistling Money. I do not as yet know what Encouragement the Company intend giving but as soon as I do will make you acquainted with it.

To morrow some of your Recovered Men & some of the Companys making together 30, under a good Infantry march to join you.

Inclosed I send you a Letter which was forwarded by Mr Stone and which I have just received. I wish you Speedy & good Success and am

With the greatest Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Fringer Lawrence.

Trichinopoly

4th Sept 1763.

501 Fort St George 10th Septem 1763

In consequence of which the following Letter was sent
to General Lawrence
To Mr. James Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India.

Letter to General
Lawrence.

Sir

We have received this Morn-
ing your Letter of the 1th Instant enclosing a Copy
of what Mr. Monson had wrote to you and your Answer.

The Orders which you have
been pleased to give are a fresh Instance of the Attach-
ment you have always shewn to the Interest of the
Company, and We please ourselves with the hopes that
the Reduction of Madras will be speedily effected.

We enclose to you a Copy of a
Paragraph of a Letter We have received from the Court of Direc-
tors relating to the allowances to be made the Officers who may
be obliged to return home in their Ships which if you will be
pleased to transmit to Mr. Monson may be a Satisfaction to
the Officers under his Command indeed We judge that the
Officers now at Madras will be as many as can be Accomo-
dated on board those Ships which the Admiral proposes to
Dispatch to Europe the next Month. In January We
may expect the Return of the Panther, Falmouth & Seaford from
Manilla with three or four of the Company's Ships. We hope
those Ships may be sufficient to Accomodate such of the Officers
who may be then here.

In our next We will enclose to you a
Letter

502 Fort St George 10th September 1763.

Letter to the King of Sanyon which we are now preparing
We have this Day sent off for Trichinopoly
two twenty four pound Carriages and one eighteen pound
Carriage.

We are with great Regard
Sir

Fort St George

10 September 1763.

Your most Obedient
humble Servants

George Pigot & Council

Dispatched the following Letter to Mr. Maudave at
Tranquebar.

To Mr. Maudave

Letter to Mr. Maudave
above

Sir

We have lately received a
Letter from you dated the 16th of August wherein you inform us
that you arrived here last year with Orders & powers from the
Court of France to carry on the War; that in consequence thereof
of you assembled a Body of French, gave them new Commissions
to go into the Assistance of Carver Salt who in consequence
of a Treaty you had concluded with him, ceded to your
Nation all the Madura Country & his other Acquisitions you
therefore require that he be considered as an Ally of the French
Nation and be suffered to enjoy the Benefit of the Suspension
of Arms concluded between the Crowns of Great Britain and
France, the News whereof you say had reached you from all
parts

You will be pleased to re-
collect Sir that upon the Representations made to us by Mr.
Pigot.

503 Fort St. George 10 September 1763.

Exact concerning your powers to treat with us. We apply-
ed to you by Letter dated the 11th March last to Authen-
ticate the Accounts of Subsistence paid by us to the
prisoners We held of your Nation and to furnish the
money for their future Support to which you replied that
you had not powers to take Cognizance of the first or
any means to supply the latter, altho it was notorious
that you had received large Supplies from the Islands
such as enabled you to send to the Assistance of Canni-
sail that Body of French which you mention in your
last Letter. The reflection which naturally springs from
such a disingenuous proceeding are striking You set up pow-
ers to treat with us but those powers extend not beyond that
convenient length which suits your immediate purpose,
you had not any means of contributing to the Support
of those of your Nation who were Prisoners with us but
you had the ample means of entertaining a Body of
French Troops to recommence the War against the English
Company a Body of Troops consisting chiefly of prisoners
on their paroles not to bear Arms against that Compa-
ny and whom We had left at large from motives of huma-
nity a Circumstance well known to you. All which con-
sidered it would imply the highest Absurdity were we to
enter into any Negotiation with you as representing
the French Nation since according to your own
Account you represent her only so far as is convenient
to you this Letter therefore is not addressed to you in that
Character but as a Subject of the French Nation who
We do believe did engage such a Body of French Troops as
is above mentioned and send them to the Assistance
of

506 Fort St George 10th September 1763.

Of the Rebel Mahomed Ally — whom you call Chander
Sack in this last mentioned Character We think it pro-
per to Notify to you that a Definitive Treaty of Peace
and Friendship between Great Brittain & most Chris-
tian Majestys was concluded at Paris the 10th Day of
February last by the 11th Article whereof (to a Copy of
which enclosed We refer) you will please to Observe that
Mahomed Ally Canny is acknowledged for lawful & Na-
tural Carnateck that the Comptours which your Nation
possessed the beginning of the Year 1749 are to be restored
are to be restored and nothing more & that His most
Christian Majesty renounces all pretensions to other
Grants or possessions In consequence whereof We do require
you as a Subject of France to desist from giving any manner
of Assistance either yourself or by means of any Authority
or influence you may have acquired over others Directly or
indirectly to the said Rebel Mahomed Ally and consequent-
ly that you will forthwith Notify the same to the Troops which
you inform to you have sent to his Assistance.

Yours
Sir

Your most humble Servants
George Pigot & Council

The following Letter was also at the same Time sent to General
Lawrence.

To Sirranger Lawrence Esq.
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India.

Sir

Some Days since we received a
Letter

From General
Lawrence.

505 Fort St George 10th September 1763.

Letter from M^r Maudave at Tranquebar a Tran-
state of which together with our answer thereto comes
enclosed for your perusal.

We are

With perfect Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedt^l Servants
George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George
10 September 1763.

Monday
12 September

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Robert Park
Charles Bouchier Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupre

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

In my Letter to Colonel Monson

Copy of which I sent you yesterday you will observe I

informed the Colonel that I would let him know what Encou-
agement to give to

Men of this Majesty's Regiments you proposed giving to the Men who chose to en-
ter into the Company's Service I am therefore to beg that

you will have no Time in making me acquainted with your

Resolution on this Head

I am

506 Fort St. George 12 September 1763.

An Indent for powder will be sent you from hence, you must be pleased to comply with it, & to let the powder be forwarded as soon as possible that it may arrive at this place before the Autumn sets in.

I continually wish to hear of the Reduction of Madras that I may set out with the Nabob to pay my Respects to you at Madras.

I have the Honour to be
With the Greatest Esteem

Gentlemen
Your humble Servant,
Munger Lawrence

Tuchinopoly
6th September 1763

Excerpt of the
Proceedings of the
Board of Directors
there to

The President acquaints the Board that immediately on the receipt of this Letter he wrote General Lawrence that some Powder was already sent from Vellore to Tuchinopoly & that more would go as soon as could be provided that the Men of his Majesty's Regiments who had entered into the Service of the Company for three Years had received a Bounty of ten Pagodas each that M^r Cornish intended to send the Lenox and Grafton to England about the 20th of this Month which Ships if it was agreeable to him might carry the Invalids of the Regiments with all the Officers here at Madras, except so many of each Corps as would bear a proportion to the Number of Men left behind. Which the Board approved. And Ordered that the 176 Sixty pound Barrells of Gunpowder remaining at Chingleput be immediately forwarded to Tuchinopoly.

Read

507 Fort St George ^{the} 12 September 1763

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence.

Gentlemen

Inclosed I send you a Letter

I have received from the Commanding Officer of the Royal
Artillery with a Copy of his Orders from the Office of Ordnance
I have desired him in my Answer to use his utmost Endeavours in
encouraging the Men to stay I must again beg you will make me
acquainted with the Encouragement you intend giving to His
Majestys Troops. you will be pleased to appoint Commis-
saries to receive the Warlike Articles and to let great Care be
taken in the Lists & Receipts given for them as well as that none
but what are Serviceable be detained. Madras is invested
and I am in hourly expectation of hearing from thence as soon
as I do will forward you a Copy of my Letter Should it lucki-
ly bear Account of its Reduction will immediately set out for
Madras.

I have the Honor to be With the Great-
est Esteem, Gentlemen

Your Obedient Servant
Sir Roger Lawrence.

Trichinopoly
6th Septem^r 1763.

The Copy of the Orders to the Commanding Officer of His Ma-
jestys Artillery mentioned in the Generals Letter are the same
as Major Winter hath already delivered us a Copy of.
Ordered that the receipt of the Generals Letter be acknowledged & that
he be informed that We have already received some of the Stores
belonging to the Regiments.

A Dividend on acct
of the Capture of
Mamultra's proceeds into
the Company's Cash.

The Committee of Treasury report to the Board that they have
given a Receipt for Pagodas 14426.32.39 to M^r Thomas Parry
Agent for the Capture of Mamultra which he has this
Day paid into the Company's Cash agreeable to the following
Account Current.

The Captors of Manila

Third Distribution in Accord

Spain Dollars R B Madras Pagodas Pen Ca

<i>Feb 20</i>	<i>To Charges paid packing Cannon</i>	<i>6 7</i>	
	<i>To Bonthine in carrying D. on board and Cooley hire</i>	<i>15 4</i>	
	<i>To Cooley hire at different times in transporting effects from Donc Andres Blancos House to the Misericordia and packing and shipping D.</i>	<i>25</i>	
<i>24</i>	<i>To the Gold Smith for trying the Gold and Tom. bags brought from Pasing and the Augustinellment</i>	<i>3</i>	
	<i>To 16 Cooleys employed at M^r. Novago's end Days in weighing & shipping off Iron at 2 Reats each p^r Day</i>	<i>0</i>	
	<i>To M^r Grindlet his Premium on two Silver Caskets discovered by him Sold for 610 Dollars at 20 p^r Cent</i>	<i>102</i>	
<i>Mar 1</i>	<i>To paid the Carpenters and Master Builder for surveying the Santo. Vins. Gallies Timber Stows 1/2 in the Marine Yard at Cavita</i>	<i>189</i>	
	<i>To Champion Fire paid for carrying the Iron from Novago House on board the Lenox</i>	<i>9</i>	
	<i>To paid Cooley hire for Discharging unloading and weighing the Cargo of the Santo Vins</i>	<i>197 4</i>	
	<i>To paid D^r Shipping off the Iron 1/2 from Santa on board the Different Ships of the Squadron Ship of Charnians</i>	<i>107 6</i>	
	<i>To paid M^r Head Pursuer of the Lenox his Account of Charges for candles expended in stoking an assay Lead Copper and hute Goods</i>	<i>12 4</i>	
	<i>To paid M^r. Novago's Attorney the Overplus of the Weight of Iron</i>	<i>1</i>	
	<i>To paid Antonio de Souza his Property in the Ship^{ts} Vins</i>	<i>900</i>	
<i>June 6</i>	<i>To paid Thomas Stenpland belonging to the Argo lent to the Panther and omitted in her prize List as p^r Certificate from Capt^l King his Share of the 1st and 2^d Distribution</i>	<i>20 L 2</i>	
<i>July 5</i>	<i>To paid Charges of landing Prize Goods at Madras as p^r Acct</i>	<i>1667 7 2</i>	<i>1048 28 20</i>
	<i>To Agency on Pagodas 46063. 18. 56 at 5 p^r Cent</i>		<i>191 9 60</i>
	<i>To Ballance being the Net Sum to be Divided</i>		<i>2343 7 10</i>
	<i>Madras Pagodas</i>		<i>43280 13 38</i>
			<i>16836 18 56</i>

lion

nt with

Thomas Parry Agent

C 309

1763

Span^d Dollars RB Madras Pagodas F. C.

Mar¹ By the Ballance of M^r Cuthberts Acct for Stores supplied
to this Day { 4521 5 4

By a Set of Bills of Exchange on the President and Council of
Fort St George for Pagodas at 16¹/₂ Spanish Dollars @ 10 Cur
rent Pagodas Spanish Dollars 19262.2 being the Amount
of the Rice Candy, Gallies, and yam & tools sold to them { 1257 11 12

By two Sets of Bills of Exchange for the Amount of the Cargo
of the Ship Santo Vito Dollars 16794.7.0 at 16¹/₂ Dollars
@ 10 Current Pagodas { 10190 10 12

By Cash the Ballance received of M^r Cuthbert 209 1 20

Apr¹ By Cash the Amount of Ordnance Stores supplied M^r Cuth
bert as p^r Account { 1080 1

20 By Cash the Amount of Naval Stores supplied M^r Cuthbert
to this Day as p^r Account { 536 2 1

By Cash the Amount of Wax^{Gold} M^r Parry as p^r Acct Sales 26

By Cash the Amount of Sunday Jewels sold Captain Boac
Curry as p^r Account Sales { 257

Mar²⁵ By Cash the Amount of Sunday Jewels sold M^r West
Dollars 208 in Pagodas at 16 Dollars @ 10 Pagodas { 242

June By the Amount of the Sale of the Remains of Don Andres
Blanco's Effects { 550 6

By the Amount of Stores and Merchandise sold by publick
Outcry at Madras as p^r Account Sales { 192 36 2

By the Sale of two Old Silver hilted Swords 14

7271 6 5

Spanish Dollars 7271 6 5 at 10 Pagodas for 16 Dollars is 4544 65 20

Madras Pagodas 16836 18 56

Distribution on Account of the Capture of Manilla

Total Sum to be divided Pagodas 43200 15 30
Company's Share Deducted 14426 32 39
Remains to be divided between the Navy
and Army 28773 20 79

Fort St George 12th September 1763

Thos Parry

510 Fort St George 2th September 1763.

As We have no reason to expect for some Time Commissaries from France to demand the French prisoners and as the Charge of maintaining them is very great. — agreed that Application be made to the Admiral to receive on board the Ships he is about to send to Europe those We have remaining with as many of the Invalids of his Majesty's Regiments as possible. — And that a Letter be addressed to the Commanding Officer of ^{his} Majesty's Corps at this place recommending to them to Order the Invalids & such of the Officers to embark on board ^{such of} his Majesty's Ships as may be agreeable to the Admiral to receive leaving a proper Number of Officers to take care of the men who may remain behind.

The President acquaints the Board that he hath received a Letter from M^r Vanfittart desiring a supply of Small Arms may be sent to Bengal as they have none in Store. — Ordered that 1000 Stand of Arms be sent by the Pigot and 1000 more by the next Conveyance.

The Board observing that the Commissary with the Army had neglected sending in a Monthly Muster of every Thing in the field in the Company's pay he is therefore to be directed to send one every Month to the Commissary General & if at any time such a Muster cannot be procured a General Abstract must supply its place.

George Riggs
Robt Falk

Rich Fairfield
Charles Turner
M^r M^r C^r

These letters to be
sent to the Admiral
on board the Pigot
Brisson & Inver
lde.

Arms to be sent
to Bengal

The Commissary to
send in a Monthly
Abstract of the

54 Fort St George 12 September 1763.

Send the following Letter to Admiral Cornish
To Samuel Cornish Esq^r

Vice Admiral of the Fleet & Commander in Chief
of His Majesty's Squadron in India.

Letter to Admiral
Cornish.

Sir

Mr Pigot has acquainted us with your
Intention of sending the Lenox & Grafton from this place
to England about the 20th of this Month.

We beg leave to represent to you
that We have ^{here} about 230 Prisoners of War these are a very
great Expence to us, to set them at Liberty would be
irregular and subject us to blame and lay us under a
Difficulty of obtaining payment of the Expences they have
already paid the Company to. The Season is now so far advan-
ced as to make it little probable that the French will send
proper Commissioners to receive these Men of us We are to
beg the favor of you therefore to distribute them on board
such of His Majesty's Ships going to Europe as you may see
proper.

General Lawrence being absent
We purpose recommending to the Commanding Officers
of the Different Corps of his Majesty's Troops here to take the
Opportunity of embarking some of their Officers, ^{to} send them
here if it be agreeable to you on board such of the Ships you
may be pleased to send home.

We are With perfect Esteem.

Sir

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

George Pigot & Council.

Fort St George
12th September 1763.

512 Fort St George 13th September 1763.

Sent the following Letter to Major Duff of His Majesty's

89th Regiment

To Major Duff

Letter to Major
Duff

Sir

Admiral Cornish purposing to send home
his Majesty's Ships Teror and Grafton about the 20th of this
Month We think it would be very prudent to take this Opportu-
nity to embark the Invalids belonging to your Regiment
with such Officers as are here after leaving a proper Number
of Officers to the men now doing Duty & which have not en-
gaged into the Service of the Company Our President has al-
ready wrote to General Lawrence on this Subject but as it is
possible We may not receive his answer in time & not doubting
in the least but he will approve of the Measure we propose
We recommend to you Sir to order such Officers & Invalids
to embark as you judge proper and are agreeable to the Ad-
miral to receive

We are Sir

Your most Obedient & humble Servant
George Pigot & Co Council

The same to

Major Winter

Captain Spueber

Capt^m Wingfield

Received the following Letter from Admiral Cornish
President & Council of Fort St George

Gentlemen

I had the favor of your Letter
of yesterdays Date. it will give me pleasure by any means
my Power to lessen the Expences of the Company, and should
give Directions that such of the prisoners of War as are fit
and fit to be embarked are received on board the Kings Ships that
may proceed from this Coast for England But as the Government

Letter from Admiral
Cornish

As the Admirals
Honorable Bodied
French prisoners to
such of the Invalids
as may not require
a Surgeon

513 Fort St George 13th September 1763

may not approve of being burthened with so considerable an Expence as the Victualling such a Number of Men will amount to I must request your Assurance in that Case Gentlemen, that the Company will reimburse the Expence thereof to the Crown.

I purpose dispatching the *Swan* and *Grafton* with the Prize about the 20th Instant those Ships will be able to accommodate one hundred & fifty including twenty more already embarked. The *America* and *Weymouth* will proceed from hence the beginning of October and shall receive on board the remainder. I shall likewise give Directions that such of the Officers of the Kings Troops as can be accommodated with Convenience are received on board the Ships that proceed from this Coast. With respect to the Invalids, those belonging to the Ships now here and at the Hospital amount to 200 and upwards, many of whom are in a very bad State and as the Squadron by Deaths reduced to half the Establishments of Surgeons Mates. I presume you will be sensible of the impossibility of receiving any of those belonging to the Kings Troops that may require Attendance.

I have the Pleasure to be.

Gentlemen

Sorfolk in Madras

Read the 13th September 1763.

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

J. Cornish.

In reply to which the following Letter was immediately wrote to him.

To

514 Fort St George 13th September 1763

To Samuel Cornish Esq^r
Vice Admiral of the Blue and Commander in Chief
of His Majesty's Squadron in India.

Letter to Adm^l
Cornish in reply.

Sir

We are favoured with your Letter of
this Date and will order the Prisoners you are pleased to
mention to be in readiness to embark whenever it is agree-
able to you.

The Charge of Subsisting them
you may carry home which will certainly be adjusted
in such a manner as is agreeable to the Government. At the
same time that the other Accounts of that Charge are
settled, our Company having defrayed all ^{the} Charges
on account of the Prisoners in India both for those taken
by His Majesty's forces and their own.

The Invalids only which require
any particular care of the Doctor are such as We beg to have
you receive there may be attended by your Surgeons when
you shall please to direct.

Peace being happily concluded
in Europe We shall be much obliged to you to spare us some
of the Ships bound home such a Number of 32 Boulders
as you may think it advisable to land from them with
their Carriages and as large a proportion of Shot as possi-
ble.

We are With the Greatest Esteem
Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servants
George Pigot & Co Council.

Fort St George
13th September 1763.

515 Fort St George 15th September 1763.

Came in the following Letter from General Lawrence enclosing one from Colonel Monson to him with his Answer as also one from M^r Call to him

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

Inclosed I send you a Copy of a Letter

I have received from Colonel Monson with that of my Answer and likewise a Letter from Major Call. As

they are so very pressing for the Sabot to go to Madras

I am really of Opinion it will be the best Method which can

be taken. I am the more ready to approve of this Step as it

cannot possibly retard his Journey to Madras for the In

stant Madras falls he will set out from thence & will reach

this place as soon as I could hear the News of his reduction

and from hence will immediately proceed to wait on you.

There cannot be a Doubt but his presence will have great

influence at least with his own people & I am in great hopes

that it will be the means of his being sooner at Madras than

if he remained here

Your Favor of the 3^d is just come to

Hand

I have the Honor to be With the Great

est Esteem

Gentlemen

Your Humble Servant

Stringer Lawrence

Inclined to

9th September 1763.

To

at Fort St George 15 September 1763

To the Major General Lawrence.

Camp at Tappacolum
8 September 1763

Letter from Col. at
Harrison to General
Lawrence giving an
account of a battle
much better than
the Enemy's Horse

Sir

I encamped at Tappacolum yesterday
Morning, and this Morning went out to reconnoitre with
the European Cavalry, and about three hundred Black
Horse, a Battalion of Scapors, a European Picket and two
Guns on the West Front of the Fort. we came to a Bank
behind which the Enemy had about two hundred & fifty
ty or three hundred Black Horse with another high Bank
in their Rear on our advancing to a Village between the
two Banks I could perceive that the Rebels were reinforced
by a Party of about two Hundred more Horse. I advanced
the Cavalry over the second Bank and having fired a few
Shot from the Guns the Enemy's Cavalry went over the
Bank likewise and having a fine spacious Plain with
the Bank on our right flank I thought it a good Opportunity
to charge their Cavalry which we accordingly did
but being defeated in a great Measure by our Black Horse
(accepting that under a brave Command) intimidated our
European Cavalry and gave pursuit to the Enemy which
once were just going to give way but seeing the Europeans
alone unsupported by the Black Cavalry they stood out for
some people not charging immediately after some short time
gave way and retreated to the opposite side of the Bank and were
killed under the fire of our Scapors which were posted in the Village
and found it was not a lucky Day for our Black Horse we arrived
in good Order to our Encampment the Enemy not think-
ing proper to pursue us further than the first Banks.
Capt. Donald Campbell & Lieut. Stevenson are both
missing.

317 Fort St. George 15 September 1763.

missing & I am told are certainly killed an exact
Return of the Killed, Wounded & missing I will send
you tomorrow. They leave Sir to recommend to your
Favor & Protection all the Officers & private men of
the European Cavalry & Muzars. For notwithstanding
this little Check I do assure you their Behaviour
is very meritorious. I propose to tomorrow morning
reconnoitring with Mr Call the North Side of the
Fort, but am of Opinion myself the Banks where the
Skirmish happened this Morning will be proper
est for the Attack if we can get Water for the Ar-
my.

I am

Sir

I have just received a Letter from Mr

Hamondore who informs me Captain

Campbell is yet alive & that they will

permit him to come out of the Fort.

Your most Obedient &
very humble Servant.

(Signed) Geo. Monson

Sir

Yesterday afternoon I received

yours of the 8th & this morning another of the 11th with the
return of the Killed & Wounded inclosed.

I now inclose to you a printed Co-
py of the Definitive Treaty of peace if you think proper
I would have it sent into the Fort to the Frenchman you
received the Letter from. he will in this see that as the French
have given up all manner of pretensions to any part of
the Country except their old Settlements & have agreed to
acknowledge the present Nabob as prince of the Coun-
try they are Guilty of a Breach of the peace. I must
beg you will oblige him to return it & that you will
send it me as I have no other.

The

5th Fort St George 15 September 1763.

The Hon^r. Mr. Call has desired
shall be paid greater Attention to, I will have what Guns
we have here provided & sent, & what Powder & Ball can
possibly be spared I hope in 3 or 4 Days it will be in mo-
tion to join you.

I am much approved of the Enco-
magement you have given to the People by making the
Sergeant Major an Ensign & hope it will have the de-
sired Effect.

The Nabob proposes to give the
Officers 50,000 Rupees & 50,000 Rupees more to the men on
the Reduction ^{of Madras} provided it is delivered as Vellore was with
out plunder & intends setting out soon for the Army.

You will be pleased to make
Compliments to all the Gentlemen & particularly to Cap-
tain Campbell.

My Constant wishes attend you
for your Health & Success. & I am

With the Greatest Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant,

Fraser Lawrence

Camp before Madras,

15th September 1763.

Dear General

This Time of the Month that past Yesterday near the West
Angle of Madras was a bloody & unfortunate day by the
Death of Lieut. Stevenson, the taking prisoner & dangerously
wounding Capt. Campbell & the loss of 16 or 17 Europeans & 10
killed or wounded the Affair was sudden & our European
Cavalry after scrambling over a very high Bank charged

Trichinopoly

9th September 1763.

To Colonel Monson

Letter from the
to Genl. Lawrence

immediately

519 ^{the} Fort St George 15 September 1763

immediately without being seconded by the Black Horse
had even the Europeans been regularly formed each
House in his place & the people told what they were to do
I am persuaded they would have broke off Canns
House & disheartened them from ever appearing again
the whole passed very near the Fort with the Cannon
from the Walls playing ^{on} the advanced Battery
of 2 Guns. We had a Battalion of Seapoyes who behaved
very well when we retreated but they were not engaged
before nor did the Enemy offer to follow us. The reason
of bringing on this Affair was our going to reconnoitre
the West side in order that we might see all round before
We resolved on the Attack, for there is no person who can
give the least Account of the Ditch, the Works or the
Ground, or in short of any Thing. However I have in
my own Mind resolved on the point to attack but shall
not speak of it. the Consideration that follows is the Num-
ber of Cannon necessary & shot for them. I wrote you before
that I thought we had too few by three heavy pieces & I am
now more confirmed in that Opinion we must have
four Batteries two of 4 Guns & two of 3 Guns each, & the more
of them should be dismounted yet there will not be one too
many but if off Cann has so many Guns that I do expect
We shall have two or three ruined. I must therefore re-
peat again that it is absolutely necessary we should have if
possible three 10 pounders more or if that cannot be nor
24 pounders had then the two Short Iron Twelve on
field Carriages with a proportion of Shot & two Iron 12
pounders of the Vabob with Shot must be sent. And
what powder the Vabob can spare. Artillery men will
Also

520 Fort St George 15 September 1763.

also be necessary at least 20 more from Trichinopoly
or from Vellore it will be about 10 Days on one before
the Trenches can be opened and the Enemy's Cavalry &
Troops must be beat in by a bold push at Night otherwise
we shall never be able to work in quiet for their
Cavalry & Colliers are very numerous and always
ready to fall on us this will also make the Duty of
the Europeans very hard especially as many are
fallen Sick and the Spirit of Desertion has got
amongst them. A Troop went off last Night &
another the Night before with the Horses when
patrolling. In short Uffo Cann speaks neither of
money nor provisions, & he has plenty of both which
must fall into our hands if he does not use it. We
have not heard a Word of the King of Travencore nor of the
Prince being arrived at Pondicherry the Presence of the Na-
bob here would be of great Service not only to manage
the Poligars but to give Spirit to his Horsemen and
even to our Sepoys & Europeans for the whole seem to
be dispirited & want a promise of 50,000 Rupees when
they take Madurai to make them more Active & raise
their Expectations if the Nabob cannot come it would
have the same End was he to authorize Col. Monson to pro-
mise the Army a Reward of 50,000 & to enable him to pay
every Horseman for his horse when killed. Uffo Cann
has bought all the Horses of his people so that they are not
afraid of having them killed whereas most of Ours best
their whole dependance. I wish the Nabob would come
here it would have a wonderful good Effect.

When Uffo Cann who was out

521 Fort St George 15th September 1763.

to see the fight met Donald Campbell who said he was sorry for his misfortune and wished it had happened to another person. After that Donald was treated very civilly both by the Rebels and the French of whom & other Europeans there are at least 200 besides Topasses.

I suppose Col. Monson has acquainted you with the Letter one Mons^r Flavencour commanding Officer sent him out the first Day & perhaps he waits your Opinion how to reply. French Colours are hoisted on the Walls as well as a staff Carvers & Jam of Opinion that a formal Declaration should be made to the French in that Fort acquainting them of the peace the Renunciation the King of France has made of all possessions on the Coromandel Coast & the Acknowledgement of Mahomed Ali Carver's Legal Right to the Government. After being thus acquainted with the Terms of the peace, the French who are there cannot without a direct breach of it continue to act against us and it may be hinted to them if they do that they cannot expect we will restore their Settlements either at Bengal or on this Coast indeed they cannot have any pretensions to expect We should if they knowingly & barefacedly maintain possession of Madurai which they have declared under their hand is made over to the King of France. At present they may very well pretend that they know not the Terms of the peace, & therefore conclude every power was to keep what they had possession of. I must repeat that if a proper notification was made I think it would have an Effect

and

522 Fort St George 15 September 1768.

and I wish you could hint the same to Colonel Monson
as a thing requisite to be done since the French have own
ed their possession of Madras & it can at any rate do no harm

I hope my Dear General you will
not think me troublesome in thus mentioning whatever
occurs to me that I think can promote the Good of or may
prove to the prejudice of the Service We are now on and
on the Success of which so much Depends. Perhaps our
future peace in the other parts of the Carnatick &c
there cannot then too much vigour be exerted to ren-
der this conclusion of this Enterprize fortunate with-
out leaving a chance for the contrary.

The Vattain pass being now open
secure the Communication will be more easy & expedition
for any Thing We want. But the things must all turn
off by Comasathom & go to Tanjore or instead of going directly
down to Madras.

I can think of nothing more now
except what I never shall forget that I am my Dear
General

Your most Obligated & devoted Serv^t
John Call

Came in the following Letter from Mr Maudave of which
the following is a Translation.

To M^r Pigot and the Gentlemen of the Council
at Madras.

Translation of
Letter from Mr
Maudave

Gentlemen

When I took the Liberty of
writing to you on the War making by You against Ma-
dras (which the present Situation of Affairs renders
Absolutely

523 St George's ^{the} September 1763

absolutely unlawful) I flattered myself you would
pay some attention to the justice of my Representa-
tion & would do me the Honor of answering me I was
mistaken however in both: Without regarding what
this Silence signifies on your part Gentlemen I
repeat in the most solemn manner that I protest
against the resolutions you have taken to continue a
War so contrary to the Spirit of peace so happily esta-
blished in Europe I protest in like manner Gentle-
men, against that unjust & offensive Declaration
escaped from the Commanders of your Forces that
they would hang every Frenchman that should ^{be} taken
in arms in the party of Cannon Sails: Are we then
British Subjects? & have we not the power of embrac-
ing the Interest of the Allies of France without being
rebels to the English Company? Some of those French-
men without doubt are prisoners of War: but such
as escaped out of your prisons, & by that means ac-
quired the Right of serving their Country —

I would willingly believe Gentlemen that
this indecent declaration is rather a vain Threat than
a determined Resolution. I impute it indeed to the
Character of one of the Commanders of your Troops
more known in this Country by his childish hatred
he affects against the French than by his exploits
but let who will be the Author of it I repeat my protest
& the Declaration I had the Honor to make You in my
first Letter that the French in Madagaskar (collected by
my leave & by Virtue of the powers invested in me)
form a Corps which belong to the King & Company of

Fort St George 15 September 1763.

of France & that this Empire would not now carry Arms
against you had you consulted justice & deferred
it to the justice of my first Representations.

I dare even advance Gentlemen
that this is the most suitable measure for the Inter-
ests of the Royal English Company. What passes
in Bengal where you have only the Natives to oppose
you is a plain proof of it. Carnulab will maintain
his Rights & Independance to the last Extremity
& very probably against all your Endeavours.

A Reconciliation in the present Cir-
cumstances is even still honorable after men suc-
cess he will listen to no proposals. He is joined to
Our Interests by a Defensive Treaty & by this little
War you cause a matter of Dissention far opposite
to the Pacifick Intentions of our respective Sove-
reigns. I have the Honor to be with the most
Respectful Consideration

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient & most Obedient Servant
Maudave

Tranquebar

9th September 1763.

16 Received the following Letter from General Lawrie
with two Letters from Colonel Monson to him the latter
enclosing the Original French Letters & protest sent by
M^r Maudave at Tranquebar & M^r Flammant Com-
mandant of the French Troops in Madras with
Monson's Answer thereto, as also a Letter from M^r
Call to Colonel Monson with the General's Answer
to Colonel Monson's Letters.

To

525 Fort St George 16th September 1763

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Genl.
Lawrence.

Gentlemen

Inclosed I send you the Original French Letter's wrote to Colonel Monson with Copies of his Answers & likewise a Copy of this Letter to me with that of my Answer to him. I think (Colonel Monson's) protest is very full & just & will be sufficient to leave me blameless for Ordering him to continue the Siege which you will see I have done in my Answer.

I must beg you to return the French Letters after they are Copied the Contents of Mr Maudslays is well worth preserving as he has entirely contradicted what he wrote to you a few Months ago.

As the powder is an Article We shall greatly want you will be pleased to let great Dispatch be used in the sending it.

I have the Honor to be

With the Greatest Esteem

Gentlemen

Your Humble Servant.

Stranger Lawrence

Trichinopoly

10th September 1763

If you approve of it I hope you will communicate the State of Our Affairs to the Admiral who may be induced to lend us all the Assistance in his power.

At Fort St George 16 September 1763.
To Major General Lawrence
Commander in Chief in India.

Letter from Colonel
Monson to General
Lawrence.

Sir

I am favoured with yours of the 26th
August by Mr Hunter & will shew him all Civility
in my power. yours of the 29th August I received last
Night, you may be assured Sir that I will use all
the Expedition possible in the Reduction of Madurai.
Mr Call is of Opinion that it cannot be attacked with
a probability ^{of success} with less than 18 Guns and Ammunition
for Ten Days firing; we are deficient in Guns having
only eleven and Ammunition for about seven Days
firing therefore I must request Sir that you would
make good the Deficiency with as much Expedition
as possible. We must break Ground at a most imminent
Distances therefore am afraid it will prove tedious &
difficult.

I am Sir

your most Obedient and
very humble Servant

(Signed) Geo. Monson

Camp at Teppacolum
6th September 1763

To Major General Lawrence
Commander in Chief in India

Letter from Colonel
Monson to General
Lawrence.

Sir

I am honoured with yours of the 26th
of August. inclosed I send you the Copy of two Letters from
Mr Maudave French Resident at Tranquebar with my
Answer thereto a Letter and protest from Mr Maudave
to which I returned no written Answer but on the Receipt
of

527 Fort St George th September 1763.

of yours yesterday. I wrote him the inclosed Letter and sent him in the Definitive Treaty of Peace with a Copy of His Majesty's Sign & Manual sent to you by the Secretary of State; M^r Flarnecourt has not as yet returned any Answer.

Inclosed is a Copy of a Letter from M^r Call Chief Engineer to me on the Subject of the Attack of Madura you may be assured Sir no Endeavours shall be wanting on my part to use the means now in my power to subdue Madura with the greatest Expedition. From the Number of our Wounded & Sick which will increase as the Siege advances makes that Duty too much for the Assistants We have in Camp, that if you could send us any Surgeon from Trichinopoly it would be of much Service. Inclosed I send you another Letter I have just received from M^r Flarnecourt in Answer to mine of last Night you will be pleased to send me Orders how I am to act in this Critical Affair; as I may stand justified for my Actions to my King & Country; I have desired M^r Flarnecourt to send me a Copy of the Act of Donation passed between M^r Mandave and Cann Sait for the giving up Madura and have likewise requested that he would give me an Interview between the Fort & the Camp

I am Sir,

Your most Obedient
and very humble Servant

(Signed) Geo. Monson

Camp at Teppacolum

6th September 1763

520 Fort St George 6th September 1763

To Colonel Monson

Translation of a Letter
from M^r Maudave to
Colonel Monson.

Sir

I have the Honor to address you this Copy
of a Letter which took the Liberty to write to M^r Pigot and
the Gentlemen of the Council at Madras concerning the
March of your Army into the Territories of Carna Sab, the
justice of my Representations gives me room to hope that
the Council of Madras will defer the Execution of their Design
until the Rights of the two Companies be finally settled upon
this Coast where the Council of Madras have contrary to
the Law of Nations & the most sacred principles of political
Societys pursued a Course which the present Situation
of Affairs renders both unjust & illegal. I protest against
these Designs as likewise against the Consequences which
will undoubtedly follow and I have the Honor to inform you
likewise as you command the Troops of his Britannicks Majest
ty designed for an Expedition directly contrary to the Tenor of
their Articles most happily signed in the Month of September
last by our respective Sovereigns

I have the Honor to be With the
Highest Consideration Sir

your most Humble & most Obedt Serv^t

Maudave

Sir

I am honoured with yours and an inclosed
Copy of a Letter to the President and Council of Fort St George; your
Representations will have their due Weight & proper Influence
as you have not honored me with a Copy of your Credentials
from your Court I am not acquainted with your former
Situation,

Tranquebar

15th August 1763.

To M^r Maudave at Tranquebar.

Colonel Monson's clon.
over the etc

329 Fort St George 16th September 1763.

Situation I imagine Sir when you receive advice from France you will be informed with regard to the Treaty of peace concluded between the two Nations

I have the Honor to be With the Greatest Consideration Sir

Camp at Trumboor
26th August 1763

Your most obedient and
very Humble Servant.

(Signed) Geo. Monson

To Colonel Monson.

Translate of M^r
Flamincourt's Letter
to Colonel Monson.

Sir

M^r Maudave having communi-
cated to me his Orders & likewise appointed to com-
mand at Madura as in a place belonging with its
Dependances to the French Company by Virtue of a Gift
which was made by the said Company in the Month of July one
Thousand seven hundred & sixty two and by an accep-
tance of the same by the said French Company I think
I should be wanting in my Duty if I neglected sending
You the Protest which you will find subjoined & if I
have not the Honor to prevent You by what I have above
said that is against the French Flag you are now carry-
ing on War I have the Honor to acquaint You that
the same protest will be made by M^r Maudave to
the Council of Madras

I have the Honor to be

most Respectfully

Sir

Madura

2^d September 1763

Your most Humble & most
Obedient Servant

J^e Flamincourt

530 Fort St George 16 September 1763.

To Colonel Monson

Commander of the English Army

M^r Flamincourt
Protest against the
Monson

The undersigned Claude, Thie-
se Eleonore de Flamincourt an Officer in the India
Battalion & now Commanding a French Troop at
Madura empowered by M^r Maudave Chief of
the French Nation in India. Protest by Virtue
of a Cessation of Arms subsisting between his Bri-
tannick and his Most Christian Majesty's against
those Acts of Hostility which you have already com-
mitted in the Districts of Madura & against all
those you may in future Commit against the said
& Madura as being a Fortress, belonging with its Depen-
dances to the Royal Company of France by virtue of a
Treaty which was made by Mahomed Ismail Khan Saib in
the Month of July one Thousand seven Hundred and
Sixty two by an Act of Trade signed at Negapatam by
M^r Maudave on the one part & by Mahomed Ismail
Khan Saib on the other.

Done at Madura the 2^d of Sep-
tember 1763
De Flamincourt

To M^r Flamincourt
at Madura

Colonel Monson
Commander M^r
Flamincourt

Sir

I did not answer your Letter of the 2^d
Instant because I was not then Master of the inclosed Paper
which I now have the Honor to send you, one of Which is the
Definitive Treaty of Peace between His Britannick Majesty
the

534 Fort St George 16 September 1763.

the most Christian King & the King of Spain concluded at Paris the 10th February 1763. and the other a Copy of his Britannick Majestys Secretary of State may Lord Egremont to his Trusty & well beloved Major General Sir George Lawrence, Brig^{er} General Propper, Col^l Eyril Coote or the Officer commanding any part of Our Land Forces in the East Indies or to the Commanding Officer in any Island or place which shall have been taken possession of by Our Arms. As you was pleased to declare that the Fort of Madura with its Dependencies was a Cession to the French Company by Carna Sat in the Month of July 1762. and that you have received it from him in behalf of the French Company I do therefore demand it of you by Virtue of the Definitive Treaty, Articles eleventh & twenty fourth & that you cause the Fort of Madura and all its Dependencies to be delivered to me: authorized to receive the same tomorrow Morning at nine O Clock till which Time if I hear from You all Hostilities shall cease but if you Oblige me to proceed against the Fort in a Hostile manner the Consequences must fall on You as I come here to claim the Fort of Madura & its Dependencies and not to make War against his most Christian Majesty but if you refuse to Deliver up the Fort it is recommencing of Hostilities on your Side which you have before Violated by firing three Shot at me and my people the 1st of September 1763. before you had acquainted me with the Cession Carna Sat had made to you I think it my duty to acquaint You with this and to protest in the most solemn manner against all Hostile Measures on your part. Beating no Doubt but you will proceed according to the Orders of the most Christian King with which

582 Fort St George 16th September 1763.

which you will be pleased to acquaint me

I have the Honor to be With the
greatest Consideration Sir

Campat Seppacolum

5th September 1763

your most Obedient &
very humble Servant

(Signed) Geo. Monson

To the Hon^{ble} Geo. Monson Esq^r

Col^o of his Majesty's 96 Regiment & Commanding
the Army before Madura

Letter from Mr Call

to Col^o Monson.

Sir

As it is necessary to fix some Points
relative to the Attack of Madura, as early as possible that
a proper provision may be made for them. It seems to be my
Duty to acquaint you with those which first occur.

By what has been discovered hitherto
either from Appearances or Information & indeed from many
other Considerations, it seems most advisable to attack
Madura on the N^o East Corner or near it on the East Face. It
is true the Works there seem to be the Largest & most built, but
I think other advantages on our Side counter Balance that
on the Enemy's, to favor the Attack it will be necessary to
have an infiltrating Battery on the other Side of the River
on the Line of the East point of the Fort produced and conse-
quently a post must be there established which will secure
the Right Flank of our Attack. The Extensive Caplanade
which has been made round Madura with Moor under it
necessary to work Ground at the Distance of 12 or fifteen hun-
dred Yards consequently our advances will be tedious
and as the Rebel has so many Horse and Troops out on
the Eglis it is probably the Work will be greatly interrupted
by

533 Fort St. George 16th September 1763.

by Gallies unless these Troops can be drove away or shut up it can not therefore be said how long it may be before we can open our Batteries, or how long before we can reach the Top of the Glacis where it will be absolutely necessary to make a Lodgement & blow in the Mincing before we can effect a Breach the least Time we can hope to effect it will be in ten Days firing but it will be a misfortune if we are confined to a single Day & have not Ammunition for a longer Time.

The Number of Heavy Cannon necessary for the Batteries without allowing for accidents cannot be less than fourteen, and if possible these should be eighteen and Twentyfour pounders or at least Ten of that Size the rest for enfilading may be 12 pounders and for the Whole Number of Guns according to their Natures there ought to be ten Days firing at the rate of Ninety Rounds ^{per} Day for each. The Number of Mortars & Shells I shall not speak of because they may be more or less according as they can be had.

Previous to breaking Ground it will be necessary to have a Store of the following Materials.

100 Gabions of 6 Feet by 3.
500 ——— of 3 ——— by 2
10,000 Pickets of different Lengths
6,000 Fascines & Sacrileons.
250 Split Palmira for Platforms

I am endeavouring to trace a plan of the proposed Attack or paper which I shall lay before You as soon as it is completed.

Given in an account
of the preparations for the
Siege of Madura.

J

534 Fort St George 16 September 1763

Respect

I have the Honour to be With

Sir

Your most Obedient & most

Humble Servant

(Signed) John Call

Chief Engineer

To Colonel Monson

Letter from General
Lawrence to Col Monson
con.

Sir

I have received your Letter

of the 6th Instant with the papers inclosed.

Your Answer to M^r Flame

is certainly a very good One & your Protest is so just
as will vindicate both you & me from any Aspersions of
the French or any Blame at home if M^r Flame's court
does not deliver up the Place in the Intimation I desire you
will carry on the Siege & reduce Madras at all Events.

Every Thing which can possibly be pro-
cured shall be sent you with all Expedition. Four Twelve
Pounders set out in two or three Days. I must beg you
to forward a Transporting Carriage from Camp for we
have not one here & I will then send an 10 Pounder. I shall
have all the Guns moved before they set off.

I am with continual Wishes for your

Health & success and

With Great Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Fringer Lawrence

Trichinopoly
18 September 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter to M^r Maudave

To

535 Fort St George 16 September 1763.

To Mr Maudave

Sir

We wrote to you the 10th Instant your Letter of the 9th since received gives us fresh Cause to believe that notwithstanding the very confident manner in which you speak of the peace concluded in Europe you had not actually any knowledge of its Terms to set you right We sent You a Copy of the 11th Article of the Treaty with our said Letter and Duplicates of both accompany this The Words of the Treaty are so plain that if you are inclined to pursue them a Comment would be needless.

We have this Instant received Copies of Letters which have passed between Col^o Monson Commanding the Army before Madura and M^r Flamincourt Commanding in that Fort to the following Effect. M^r Flamincourt in his first Letter sets forth that he is appointed by You to command in Madura which Fort & its Dependencies (he alleges) belongs to the Royal Company of France by Virtue of a Grant made thereof by M^r de la Bourdonnais in the Month of July 1762 and in Consequence thereof he adds to his said Letter a protest against all Acts of Hostility which might be committed against it by the Army under Colonel Monsons Command in Answer thereto Colonel Monson sent to M^r Flamincourt the Definitive Treaty of Peace and required of him in Consequence thereof to deliver up the Fort of Madura with its Dependencies to which M^r Flamincourt replied that he held them by Your Orders & without Your Orders could not deliver them up but
That

536 Fort St George ^{the} 16 September 1763

but that he should communicate to you the Notification & Summon he had received.

Altho' We are unacquainted with the Limits of the power you are pleased to tell us you are charged with yet as you have informed us that the Troops in Madura were Commissioned by you and as Mr De Flaminio who Commands them acknowledges himself to be under your Orders, We do therefore demand by Virtue of the 11th Article of the said Treaty that you cause all the Troops under your Orders to desist from any Acts of Hostility against Nabob & Mahomed Ally Khan and particularly that you cause them to evacuate & surrender into his hands the Fort of Madura & its Dependencies.

To that part of your Letter wherein you descend from the publick Character implied by other parts to gratify your Rancour by personal invectives We shall only say that the Obloquy may well become the pen of Mr Mandane it is far beneath the Dignity we should expect to find in the representatives of a respectable Nation. Whenever any person shall appear in that Character duly Authorized We shall with Christianlike Cordiality and good Faith readily ^{enter} into measures for executing that part of the Treaty which belongs to us agreeably to its spirit.

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servant

George Pigot & Council

At

Fort St George

16 September 1763

537 Fort St George 16th September 1763.

At the same time the following Letter was written
Dispatched to General Lawrence.
To Sir Roger Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India.

Letter to General
Lawrence

Sir

We have been favored with
your Letter of the 6th 9th & 10th Instant.

Some of the Regimental Stores
have been already received, and the proper Receipts will be
given for them.

We must confess to you Sir that
We are not of opinion the Nabob's presence with the Army
will make his people behave any thing better and We think
that their numerous Attendants of useless people he over-
cautions with him would Distract the Army still more for
provisions but if Col^l Monson in his Letter to you presses
this Matter We acquiesce, in this Case We must beg the
Favor of You to inform him that We hope he will send the
Sancos for the Country We desired before he sets out.

The French Letter enclosed to us in
yours of the 10th are copying and shall be returned to you
with our next We think with you that Colonel Monson's
protest is very full and just and that the Continuation of the
Siege in the present Circumstances must be approved.

We have received a second Letter from Mr
Maudave a Copy of which with a Copy of our reply are
enclosed as is also a Letter to the King of Tanjore on the Sub-
ject of the Lack of Rupees he had Deducted from his Last List
on Account of Haricots with a Copy for your perusal the
Original

538 Fort St George 16 September 1763

Original. We beg the favor you will forward

M^r Cornish has been acquainted from time to time with the State of our Affairs the Mariner he has sent to Bengal leaves us but little in his power to assist us

We are with the greatest Esteem

Sir

Your humble Servants
George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
16th September 1763.

Saturday
17th Septem^r

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Robert Palk
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupre
James Alexander,

Read the following Letter from Major Duff of His Majesty's 89th Regiment enclosing one from the Officers of that Regiment to him

Letter from Major Duff

Hon^{ble} Sir & Sirs

I hope you will be so good as to put on the Freedom I have taken of enclosing to you a Letter which I have received from the Officers of the Detachment of Colonel Morris Regiment quartered here setting forth the Distress that will be occasioned by their not receiving an Allowance to help them to buy necessaries to lay in their Stock for so long a Voyage.

I hope you will be pleased to do so
Yours

Fort St George 17 September 1763

under your Consideration & grant them their demands
(And I am with Great Esteem

Honorable Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & most Affectionate
Alexander Duff Major & Regt

Fort St George

September 16th 1763.

Letter from the
Officers of the 109th
Regiment to the
for Duff.

Sir

As We understand we are to embark
aboard some of His Majesty's Ships ready to sail for En-
gland and have learned that the Honorable East India Com-
pany have made a general Allowance for such Officers as
are to go home aboard their own Ships; We beg that
you will lay before the Honorable the Governor and Council
of this place the hardship of excluding Us who are to go
home aboard His Majesty's Ships from the same Indul-
gence as We are to furnish ourselves with all the neces-
saries and bear all other Expenses that may attend our
passage which We are very unequal to as We have had
no opportunity since We came to the Country of getting
any Money besides our pay which was barely able to
sustain Us —

We beg that you will observe to the
Honorable the Governor & Council that We cannot think
such a Distinction warranted by the Directors at home
but that their Silence on this head was owing to this is
not attending to what provision was made for Land Offi-
cers aboard His Majesty's Ships —

We expect you will
let us know their pleasure as soon you receive an Answer.

We

Desiring an Allow-
ance to be made
for such as are to
go in His Majesty's
Ships.

540 Fort St George 17 September 1763.

Dear

Sir

Fort St George
15 September 1763.

Your most Obedient Little Servants
Willm^o McGillivray
William Baillie
Alex^r Goddman
Geo^r Campbell
R. J. R. Maitland
Mathias Calvert
James Gordon
James Willox.

Read at the same Time the following Letter from Major
Winter of His Majesty's Royal Artillery

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
of Madras

Letter from Major
Winter

Honble Sir & Sirs

In consequence of your Honor
& Letter of the 16th Instant regarding the Royal Artillery
under my Command and I waited upon Admiral Boscawen
and acquainted him that six Officers and seven Invalids
in proportion to the State of the Garrison might be spared
were under Orders to hold themselves in readiness to em-
bark for England and he has been pleased to admit their
being received on Board such of His Majesty's Ships as are
now destined for Europe

I must beg permission to repeat
sent to your Honors & at the earnest request of all my
Officers that they should entertain themselves under the
greatest

the
Fort St George September 1763.

Desires the like
Allowance for the
Officers of the
Artillery.

greatest Obligations to the Honble Company if those
who return to Great Britain upon the Mer of War
might be favored with the same Allowance for their
passage as they are pleased to indulge them with who
are permitted to go home on the Indianmen for as soon
as it is not to be expected that the Officers of his Majes-
ties Ships can entertain them at their Expence. they
are of course under an absolute Necessity of bearing
a proportionable part which they have no other
dependance than Your Honour &c to enable them
to do

I am

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedient & Obedged

Humble Servant.

Jos. Winter

Agreed that Majors Duff & Winter be informed that the
Orders we have received from the Court of Directors leave it
not in our power to make the Officers the Allowances they
desire but that We will transmit their Letters to the Court
of Directors to whom they must apply for Relief —
The Secretary lays before the Board the following Letter he
hath received from Mr Gilbert Farley Agent for Military
Cloathing —

Sir

As I am directed the Accountants who have been
sent to Bengal with the late Accountants to that Establishment
I herewith send you an Account of Cloathing & Offreckonings
drawn from them by which you will see the Expence due to the Captains of
this Coast will appear and I am therefore beg that you
will either present the Account to the Board (if a Meeting
of

Their Application
to be trans-
mitted to the Court
& Directors

Letter from Mr
Farley Agent for
Military Cloathing
regarding the Cloa-
thing of the Ammu-
nition to Bengal.

542 Fort St George 17th September 1763

if Council happens before the Ship sails or inclose it with
your Military Packet to Bengal & make some Remarks
concerning it.

Fort St George

17th September 1763

To Mr Maxwell Stone Esq Secretary.

I am Sir

Your most humble Servant

Gilbert Parley.

Military Agent

The Account Current mentioned in the foregoing Letter
is also laid before the Board by which it appears that
the Cloathing of the Recruits sent to Bengal amount
to Pagodas 162.3.11 more than Stoppages made on the
Account.

Ordered that the Balance be
paid to Mr Parley & that the Account be transmitted
to the President & Council at Bengal who are to be desired
to credit this Presidency for the same.

Read the following Letter from Vizagapatam

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St George.

Honble Sir & Mrs

The Sloop Hartford Captain

Alexander Barclay arrived here this Evening from
Bengal as he delivered us several packets for your Honor
& from the President & Council there with his instructions
which We herewith inclose you. The two

packets inclosed We now forward to your Honor & Council
the others by different Vessels. We in
Captain Barclay's Directions to return in

mediated to Bengal as We imagine there is more quiet
in forwarding the Packets from hence onward as by

this

Anderson's Enquiry

Letter from Vizagapatam

Fort St George 1st September 1763

this means your Honor & Co^{rs} will receive them sooner
than if he was to proceed to Chazulipatam.

We hope that our deviating from
Captain Barclays instructions will meet with your
Honor & Co^{rs} Approval as our Motives for so doing
are for the Interest of the Northle Company.

We are with great Respect

Honble Sir & firs

Your most Obedient and

most Humble Servants

John Smith

Geo Stratton

Charles Smith

Vizagapatam

the 6th of September 1763.

The following Letter from Fort William is also read.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r

President & Governor & Co^{rs} Council

at Fort St George

Letter from Fort
William

Honble Sir & firs

We regret the Loss which by Our Letter
of the 11th you were advised here have sustained in the Defect
of Our party at Pondicherry. We are the much in want of a Sup-
ply of Arms for arming our Seaports. To Our present
Stock We shall want an addition of six thousand Stand
with Bayonets & Co^{rs} as therefore you will have
an opportunity of sending some the Invoices whose quantity
is sent to out of England. It shall depend on your man-
aging them up to that. And if possible and best they
may be Dispatched to us by the very first Conveyances.

We

Desiring a sup-
ply of Arms.

5th Fort St George 17th September 1768
We are

Fort William
the 10th July 1768.

Honble Sir & Sirs.
Your most Obedient humble Servants
Henry Van Rensselaer
Wm McGuire
Wm Bitters
John Cartier
H Watts.

Resolution in consequence

Agreed that the Gentlemen at Fort William be informed that We have already determined to send them 2000 Stand of Arms which are all We can at present spare & which together with those consigned to them from Europe on the Ships Lord Clive & Bigot will nearly make up the Number We have remaining in Store.
Read two Letters from Mr Charles Stoyes Transmaster at Trichinopoly as follows.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq.
President & Governor & the Gentlemen of the Council
at Fort St George.

Superintendent
Stoyes

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr Secretary Storer in his Letter under Date the 1st ultimo having communicated to me your Orders relative to the taking solely under my Charge all Medicines or Stores of any kind that may be sent to this Garrison they shall be strictly complied with and in regard to your Honor & Co's further Directions conveyed therein to specify in every future Indent the remains of each Article indented for: you will be pleased to observe our Obedience thereto in the Indent I have the Honor to enclose herein.

345 Fort St George ^{the} September 1763

I beg leave to represent to your Honors
y^{our} the great Necessity of a Speedy Supply of Gun
powder as the remains of that Article in Store are not
more than sufficient to supply the immediate de
mands for the Army

Trichinopoly
the 9th September 1763

I remain With great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient & most
Humble Servant.

Charles Moyer.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor and the Gentlemen
of the Council at Fort ^{the} St George.

Letter of M^{rs} Moyer
to the Honble Sir & Sirs

Honble Sir & Sirs.

I had the Honor to address
You last under Date the 9th Instant enclosing an In
dent for Stores; since when We have received another
large Indent from Comprador you will be pleased
to observe in the Letter General Lawrence informs
me he has this Day addressed to you it is in Conse
quence of this New indent from Com^r that another
has been made out by Captain Wood & which gets
enclosed herein to your Honor &c. — End of Article
indented for being very much wanted I hope your
Honor &c. will be pleased to direct a Compliance there
in as well as the Indent of the 9th Instant.

Trichinopoly
the 12th September 1763.

I remain With great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obed^t & most hum^{le} Serv^t

Charles Moyer.

546 Fort St George 14th September 1763.

Indents to be compli-
ed with

12. 10. 6. 20. 15. That to
be sent from Cuddalore to
Trichinopoly.

Ordered that the Indents Accompanying the above Letter
be complied with as far as possible with all Expedition
And ordered that all the twelve, eighteen and twenty four
pound Shot or Cuddalore be sent immediately to Trichi-
nopoly—

Read the following Letter from General Lawrence enclosing
one from Colonel Monson to him with the Resolution
of the Council of War & the Generals Answer thereto—

To the Honble George Pigot Esq.
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Genl
Lawrence

Gentlemen

Inclosed I send you a Copy of
a Council of War held at Camp with that of an Indent
which was the result of it & likewise a Copy of a Letter
from Colonel Monson to me with that of my Answer
to him.

Colonel Monson seems to think
himself very nicely Circumstanced & must beg you
to let me know if repeating my Orders to Colonel
Monson to reduce Madurai is a Step which meets with
your entire Approbation.

M^r Floyer sends an Indent to
You this Day you will be pleased to let it be complied
with and the Contents forwarded with all the Diligence
and Expedition possible.

As there has been Letters miscarried be-
tween this Camp I have desired Colonel Monson to re-
ceive his Letters & use such method of preventing any repetition
They you will do so likewise.

Desires the Opinions
of the Board and
ing his Orders to Col
Monson.

Fort St George ^{the} September 1763

Transmitted to
his Majesty's
Command

I beg you will do so likewise.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your humble Servant
Fringer Lawrence

Trichinopoly
12th September 1763.

To Major General Lawrence
Commander in Chief in India

Letter from Col.
Munro to Genl.
Lawrence.

Sir

Having compared M^r Cull's Letter
of the 5th of September 1763, a Copy of which I sent you
in my last with the return of the Heavy Artillery Shot of
powder now in Camp and finding the Deficiency very con-
siderable I thought proper to justify myself in Board to in
case of Failure of the Enterprise to call a Council of War
a Copy of which is here enclosed.

The Interview with M^r Flaminio terminated in no-
thing to the purpose excepted to my Demands in general
Terms, that he was an inferior and must obey the Orders of
his Superiors; that the French Commissioners were not
arrived from Europe to receive the places from the English
that the peace had not been notified to him, therefore he
could not give up the Fort, he denied delivering up Ussoff
Camp and refused sending out the Gunners who fired at
me the 1st Instant as he says without his Knowledge or
Orders enclosed is a Return of the Deficiency of Stores thought
necessary by the Council of War for the Attack of the place
if they cannot be supplied you will be pleased to send one
Orders from Town to act. I shall go on preparing every Thing
for

5th Fort St George 17th September 1763.

For the Attack notwithstanding the Resolution of the Council, that I shall be ready to execute any Orders you may send the Rainy Season is coming on & you may Judge by the Quantity of Ammunition that Mr Call apprehends the Siege will be tedious.

I am with the Greatest Respect

Sir

Your most Obedient & very
Humble Servant.

(Signed) Geo. Monson

Camp at Teppacolum

8th Sept 1763.

Copy of a Council
of War.

At a Council of War held at the head Quarters
Camp near Madurai 1st September 1763. At which were
present

Colonel Monson

Major Piers Major Chapman

Major Preston Major Call

A Letter from Major Call Chief Engineer to Colonel Monson
on the proposed Attack of Madurai was taken under con-
sideration in which Mr Piers having given Several Reasons
he thinks that forty seven pieces of heavy Cannon without
allowing for Accidents are necessary for the Attack and that
ten Days firing at the Rate of ninety rounds per Day for each
Gun is the least Ammunition requisite.

A Letter from General Lawrence to
Colonel Monson in answer to one wrote him by the Colonel the
26th of August past laid before the Council in which the General
mentions that it does not see a possibility of making an Ad-
dition to our battering Cannon and it is in vain to think of
sending

the
 249 Fort St George 17 September 1763.

sending a Gun from Trichinopoly as he cannot get either Cattle or Coolies but any thing that can be sent will be done with the Greatest Expedition. the General differs in Opinion with Major Call & thinks that the Artillery already sent must prove sufficient for the Enterprize

A Return of the heavy Artillery with the Quantity of powder and number of Shot of each Nature including the powder & shot that came last from Trichinopoly was shewed to the Council by which it appears that there are four twenty four pounders, five Eighteens & two Twelves two Thousand two hundred & seventy nine twenty four pound Shot two thousand nine hundred & thirty three eighteen pound Shot twelve hundred & forty one twelve pound Shot and twelve hundred & six sixty pound Cannon of powder.

The Question being put whether the Attack of Madura should be undertaken with the present Quantity of Cannon, Shot & powder existing to Trichinopoly for an immediate Supply of powder & Shot. The Council are of Opinion that the Quantity of Ammunition & Guns now in Camp are not sufficient to undertake the Siege of Madura with any Certainty of Success unless they can be supplied with the Quantity of powder & shot according to the enclosed Indent.

Indent of the Deficiency of Stores thought necessary by the Council of War for the proposed Attack of Madura.

24 pound Shot	2801	400.
18 " "	2918	437
12 " "	1099	100
		Colts Bannells 937

His opinion
 concerning the attack
 of the place

Indent for Stores
 Deficient for the
 Attack of Madura.

CB

550 Fort St George 17th September 1763.

As this Indent is calculated at thirtien Days Firing allow-
ing three Days for the Deficiency of Guns.

Sir

Yours of the 1th with Copies of the Com-
mittee of War & Indent reached me yesterday.

To morrow morning the four 12^{lb} 200
off and the Field Carriage for the 10 is getting ready but it
will be impossible for me to send it if good. Bullocks are not
returned from Camp with the transporting Carriage
we have drained the whole Country & it is with the great-
est Difficulty the Nabob has furnished us with his last
small Draught. you will be pleased to send Escorts with
the Bullocks or We shall never see them and the Escorts shall
return as We send Stores &c. Since the Army marched
from Chichinopoly We have not had one Return Bullock.

The want of Barrets has obliged me to make
Boxes for the powder. You will be so good to return all the Empty
Barrets from Camp.

I have sent a fresh Indent to Madras
for Horses of all kinds & have strongly recommended it
to the Gentlemen to use the utmost Diligence & Expedition
in forwarding the Contents of it. I shall continue Supply-
ing you Sir as fast as possible but this entirely depends
upon the Number of Bullocks you return Me.

I do not think the Reduction of Ma-
dras can be laid aside with Reputation to His Majestys
Troops and I am sure not without affecting the Companys
Possession very sensibly.

I am much Obligated to you for this
Obedt

Letter from Genl
Lawrence to Colonel
Monson.

551 Fort St George 11th September 1763

Marks of Distinction you have conferred on the Officers
of Cavalry & Regt Sir you will present my Thanks to
them likewise for their gallant Behaviour.

My Compliments wait on Captain
Campbell & the rest of the Gentlemen and I am with
continual Wishes for your Health & Success and

With the Greatest Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient & Affectionate Serv^t

(Signed) Stringer Lawrence

Tuchinopoly

12th September 1763.

Resolution in
Consequence

We cannot sufficiently express the Sense we have
of the Zeal for & Attachment to the Interest of the Com-
pany which the General hath shewn in the Orders he
has given to Colonel Monson. It is agreed there-

Thanks of the Board to be
given him in the Company

fore that our Thanks be given to him in their Name
& that he be assured we will not lose a Moment in
forwarding the Stores required.

George Roper
Robt Falk

Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner
Mr DuBois
J^r Alexander

552 Fort St George 11 September 163.

Sent the following Letter to Fort William by Ship Pigot
To the Honble Henry Van Rensselaer Esq^r
President & Governor of the Council at
Fort William

Laurens Brouwer

Honble Sirs

Our President having laid
before us a Letter he hath received from M^r Van Rensselaer desi-
ring a Supply of small Arms may be sent you We have
Accordingly sent on this Ship 1000 Stand of Arms of which
650 are new & 350 Serviceable lately received from the Regi-
ments: The first are invoiced to you the others are not yet
brought to Account in our Books as we are not able to set a
Value on them here We purposed by the next Conveyance
sending you 1000 more We have also sent you on this
Ship ten 10 pounder & ten 24 pounder Guns with eight
24 lb Gun Carriages which the Admiral spared us out of
his Majesty's Ship, the remainder of the Carriages for the
Guns with a proportionable Number of Shot We shall send
by the first Conveyances

If your Honor &c will favor us
with a Return of your Artillery & Military Stores we shall be
the better able to proportion the Quantity to be received here and
to be sent to you

We have taken this Opportunity
of sending you 60 Barretts of Gunpowder & one Chest of small
Arms being the remainder of the Military Stores Consigned
to your Presidency by the Platoon

Enclosed is an invoice of these Arms
Sent with these Military & Artillery on his Majesty's Ship
& the Lord Clive to your Place.

552 Fort St George ^{the} 17 September 1763

The Agent for Military Cloathing
has laid before us the Accompanying Account by
which it appears that the Cloathing of the Recruits sent
to your Presidency amounts to Pagodas 152.3.11 more
than the Stoppages made on that Account which we
have therefore ordered to be paid him here & desire you
will Credit us for it.

Incomitting thus far. We have recei-
ved your Letter of the 10th July requesting a Supply of
fire Arms. We had before determined to send you 2000
which are as many as we can at this time spare and
which together with those consigned to you from Europe
on the Ships Lord Clive & Pigot will nearly make up
the Number we have remaining in Store as we have
received none from Europe this Season.

We are, Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & Able Servants
George Pigot & Council

Fort St George
17th September 1763

19th Dispatched the following Letter to General Lawrence.
To Mr. James Lawrence Esq
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter to Gen. Lawrence

Sir

We are favored with your Letter

No. 1 dated the 12th Instant.

We entirely agree in Opinion with

You that the Reduction of Madras cannot now be laid aside
without very bad Consequences, it is not enough Sir that

We approve the repeated Order you have given to Colonel
Monson for that purpose if assisted as you are

thus

554 Fort St George 19th September 1763.

there appears in your Conduct so much Ardour and Attachment to the Company's Interest that We can not deny ourselves the Satisfaction of Offering you in all Sincerity our Thanks on their behalf. Colonel Monson has on all Occasions shewed himself capable an Officer that We doubt not in the least of every Thing being done which the Circumstance will admit. We much fear that if the Stores they have in Camp with what others you have lately sent from Trichinopoly should not be sufficient to take the place the Supplies to be sent at this Time from hence will be very late however that Consideration shall not retard them one Moment We shall dispatch immediately such a part of the Stores wanted in Camp as will what has been lately sent and what appears by the Account remains in Trichinopoly to be in Store there may complete that Camp. Indeed all possible Endeavours are using to collect Bullocks &c as soon as that is done the remainder of the Indents shall be sent to you.

Our Letters shall be numbered in future as you desire.

We are With the most perfect
Sir

Your most Obedient &c Servants
George Pigot &c Council.

Regard.
Fort St George
19th September 1763.
Sent the following Letter to Major Duff.

To Major Duff

Letter to Major Duff & Under

Sir

the 16th Instant with that of the Officers of your Company

We have received your Letter of the 16th Instant with that of the Officers of your Company

The Orders We have received from the Court

563 Fort St George 19th September 1763.

Court of Directors are at Liberty to make any
Allowance to the Officers who may go home on his Ma-
jesty's Ships. Notwithstanding We are sensible that
these Gentlemen must bear some Expence on the Voyage.

We will transmit to the Court of Direc-
tors the above mentioned Letters & as they are ever ready to
give relief upon these Occasions We doubt not but upon
Application to them on your Arrival in England they
will Grant your Requests. We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

George Pigot & Council.

Fort St George.

19th September 1763.

The same to Major Winter.

Dispatched the following Letter to Mess^{rs} Calland &
Raddon at Cuddalore.

To Mess^{rs} John Calland & Co
Edward Raddon

Letter to Cudda-

lore

Gentlemen

You will be pleased immedi-

ately on the Receipt hereof to Send to Trichinopoly all the
twelve, eighteen & 24 pounder Shot you have with you
You must procure Bullets for them by pressing if you
cannot otherwise We are Gentlemen

Your Affectionate Friends

George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

19th September 1763.

Tuesday 22

20th Sept. 1763

At a Consultation Present.

George Pigot Esq Governor President

Robert Falk

Charles Bouchier

Rich^d Fairfield

Charles Turner,

Jas Dupre

James Alexander,

656 Fort St George the 20 September 1763.

Came in the following Letter from General Lawrence
enclosing a Copy of One from Colonel Monson to him
with his Answer

To the Honble George Pigott Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Letter from General
Lawrence

N. 2

Gentlemen

I now enclose to you a Copy of a Letter
I have received from Colonel Monson in which you will
see the many difficulties he has to encounter with the Issues
beg you will be pleased to supply us with what Europeans
& Seaports can be spared particularly from Vellore &
that you will dispatch Puttamar to Bombay & Anjengo
to the latter to desire the Chief there will send what
Forces he can spare to join the King of Travancore who
will then move with his Army to Bombay that they will
land what Troops they can send consistent with their Safe-
ty on the most convenient part of the Malabar Coast
nearest to Madura. I am very sensible Colonel Monson
will exert himself to the utmost but as this Affair may be
a Work of Time every precaution ought to be used that he
may have constant Supplies. Rice will soon begin to be
scarce and we have procured all that is to be got in the
parts of your Territory round Cochin & the Vepet is
large enough I would be glad two or three hundred were put on
board with good Carriages Yokes for Drawing and some
hundred Pounds for each Gun with as much powder as
can be well spared if you could send a Surgeon it would
be of great Service.

A

557 Fort St. George 20 September 1763

If the Expedition to Madras should now be laid aside it will remain a Query whether we shall be ever able to reduce it & most certainly be attended with the Worst of Consequences to the Company's Possessions.

I have stipt myself so bare of Men that I have not a horse of fit to carry Arms let me therefore beg if you have not answered the King of Sanyor's Letter that you will detain no Time in doing it I need not oblige you that to create a Jealousy in him at this Time would be very imprudent

I have wrote a Short Letter to the Admiral and have referred him to you for an Account of the present Situation of our Affairs, as his cooperating with us may be of infinite Service. You will be pleased to let me know if you approve of my Answers to Colonel Monro's Letters, Copies of which I admire send you

As the Supplies to this place should be placed the nearest to the Coast, their Supplies increased they were last three days coming on my first arrival gave more Yell off to Sea. I have the Honor to Gemish the Greatest Esteem

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Servant

Edwinger Lawrence

W^{ed}

Sir

I am

In answer to your of the 4th September

1763 you may be assured the Company's Orders shall be obeyed with the utmost exactness & what but from the Choice of Difficulties which arise I think I ought to acquaint you that the Success of the Enterprize is very precarious From the Extensive Exploade it is impossible to encamp the Army with in less than two or three half or three Miles

Tuckinopoly

14th September 1763

Letter from Colonel Monro to General Lawrence

His opinion of the Success of the Expedition in the Attack upon Madras

550 Fort St George the 20 September 1763

off the Fort & Mr. Call thinks the nearest he can go to the
Fort to break Ground is about two thousand Yards; so
that you see Sir that from the immense Work that must
be carried on it is necessary to have much Time to do it in
which at this Season of the Year I cannot flatter myself with
the Possibility. We have already had much rain and the Coun-
try round about us is entirely overflowed and the Ground
very rotten that a few Days more will make it impossible
to stay in our Camp & all the Approaches to the Fort im-
practicable

I am
Sir

your most obedient & very humble Servant

(Signed) Geo. Monson,
Commander in Chief in India

Camp at Teyracolum,
10th September 1763

To Major General Lawrence
To Colonel Monson

N^o 2.

Letter from Genl^l
Lawrence to Col. Monson

Sir

Thy joining I received yours of the 10th &
am very sensible of the many Difficulties which have al-
ready attended & is still like to attend this Expedition, but if it is
deferred till another Season it will be deferred all together,
if you think raising the Siege will be consistent with the
Honor of our Country after the insults we have met with from
the French & if you will favor me with your Opinion in the
mean time I shall be supplied with Stores of every kind
if you send me Letters from Camp.

To Day I write to the Governor & Council
and shall show them to a point us with what Europeans & In-
dians can be sent particularly from Vellore and at the same
Time request them to send it will be necessary to send an immedi-
ate Dispatch to Bombay for what Forces they can spare to be
sent

569 Fort St George 20 September 1763

sent to Tellicherry. I have kept up a Correspondence with the Admiral and shall now acquaint him with the Situation of our Affairs I hope he will be induced to afford us all the Assistance in his power.

If the Weather should continue a little favorable I hope the Supplies We send will enable you to finish the Affair with Honor to yourself & Country. I am with continual Wishes for your Health & Success and

With the Greatest Esteem

Sir
your most obedient
Humble Servant

Stringer Lawrence

Trichinopoly
14 September 1763

Opinion of the Board
with regard to pro-
ceeding the Expedition

The Admiral pro-
mises to spare the bat-
tle ship to carry stores
to Pondicherry

M^r Taylor to be sent
to Pondicherry with the stores
100 men to be em-
barked on her

As the ill Consequences & disgrace which must necessarily attend our being obliged to lay aside the Expedition are but too apparent & obvious that every Effort should be made to prosecute it with the utmost Vigour it is therefore agreed that the Stores demanded be forwarded without Expedition & as it would be a very considerable time & trouble if they could be conveyed by Sea to Pondicherry or thence they might easily be transported to Madras. The Admiral is appli-
ed to assist us with the Battlement for this Service which he readily complies with. It is ordered therefore that the Stores be embarked with all possible Dispatch and that M^r Taylor be sent to take care of them for whom Instruc-
tions are to be prepared. It is also ordered that 100 Artillery & Military under the Command of Lieutenant Surge-
vala be sent on her to Pondicherry who are to join the Army on their receiving Orders from Colonel Monson to do so. — it is also agreed that a Letter be addressed to the Governor of Naga-
patnam requesting of him to furnish us with two or three people

56 Fort St George 20 September 1763.

people who may be able to assist in carrying the Batture
into Pondi as well as with some Chulungas & Choulia Boats
to assist in landing the Stores there but if after all the
Difficulties that may occur should appear insurmounta-
ble & the Siege of Madura cannot be undertaken with any
probability of Success it may be more adviseable for the Present
to desist from the Enterprize for tho' the Consequences to be ap-
prehended from a fruitless retreat are very bad yet those from
an ineffectual Attempt must be much worse It is therefore
agreed that General Lawrence be fully acquainted with our Sen-
timents on this head as well with the measure We have
taken; and that in Case He should think it adviseable to
order Colonel Monson to retreat it is to be recommended to
him to cause a formal Declaration ^{in writing} to be made as
We shall to Mr Mauleave setting forth that as they have
hoisted French Colours on the Fort & declare it to be the Propri-
ety of the French acquired in the Year 1762 We refrain from
Hostilities against it expecting their Compliance with the
Treaty of peace as soon as they shall be authorized It is also
to be recommended to the General in case of a Retreat to keep
possession of the Fort as they have taken and if possible to
secure the pass through the Nattam Wood.

The Admiral having promised to
supply us with as many 18, 24, & 32 pounder Guns
with Shot for them as possible with as much Gunpowder
as he can spare from His Majesty's Ships Ordered that
such as he may send be received & that proper Acknow-
ledgements be given for them.

Read a Letter from Captain Richardson of the Pigot ad-
vising that just before he sailed He had received from
His Majesty's Ship America 400 twenty four pounder Shot

General Lawrence
to be informed of our
Sentiments &c.

General Monson
to be assured from
the Squadron.

561 Fort St George 20 September 1763

Shot received from
his Majesty's ships
on board the Regent.

and six or eight pounder Shot from the Lenox. Advis-
ed that the Gentlemen at Fort William be advised
thereof.

French Prison-
ers apply for
Cloaths & Bedd-
ing.

Admiral Cornish having represented that the
principal cause of Complaint amongst the French
Prisoners put on board his Majesty's Ships is owing
to their being destitute of Cloaths & Bedding which
he recommends they may be Supplied with. It is
Ordered that the Baymaster do provide for the men
Cloaths & Bedding as may be Necessary.

To be supplied
them.

Letter from Mr Abbotie

Complains of the
Behaviour of the Har-
rical Printer.

The President acquaints the Board that he
has received a Letter from Mr Abbotie Governor of
Tranquebar making further Complaints of the Harri-
cal Printer. Ordered that the Harrical Printer be
positively directed to desist from giving Mr Abbotie
any further Trouble or that he will be turned out & pu-
nished Severely.

And send Conse-
quence.

Surport of a
Letter to Council
to them.

Opinion of the Board
with regard to the Behaviour
of the Gov. of Tranquebar

Altho' We would willingly pass over
the manifest partiality which the Governor & Council
of Tranquebar have during the whole course of the
Troubles in the Country shewn towards the French
yet We think the Conduct of M^r Maudave who lives
under their protection & Government obliges us to ac-
quaint them that We shall look to them for Reparation
for all Damages that may arise to us by his unjustifi-
able proceedings in assisting M^r de Launay in Defiance of
the Treaty of Peace subsisting between the Crowns of
England & France since We cannot but look upon him
while he resides under their Flag as a Subject of their
Nation & of Consequence that his Acts while they are

Continued

Fort St George 20 September 1763.

countenanced & favoured by them do to all intents & purposes become theirs.

It is therefore Ordered that a Letter be wrote to the Governor & Council of Tranquebar to the following Effect.

The Board observing that no Accounts have been received from the Army since they took the Field Ordered that the Paymaster to the Army be directed to transmit regular Monthly Accounts and to give his Reasons for not having it done hitherto.

George Riggs
Robt Palk

Rich Fairfield
Charles Turner
M. M. Bré
M. Macander

The Paymaster
to the Army to
transmit Monthly
Accounts

563 Fort St George 20th September 1763

In Consequence of the resolution of this Day the following Letter was sent to General Lawrence.
To Stringer Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter to General
Lawrence

Sir

We are this Day honoured with your Letter of the 14th Instant N^o 2. enclosing Copies of Colonel Monson's to you of the 10th and of your Answer of the 14th.

As our Reasons for undertaking the Expedition against the off Carra are well known to you We need not say any thing of their importance they subsist still in all their Force and when We add to them the Disgrace that must attend a fruitless retreat after such a prodigious Expence We are most earnestly desirous that Madura should be reduced. Difficulties no doubt there are and great ones but whilst they do not appear insurmountable We do and shall concur with you in pressing the attempt in our last We informed you that We were using the utmost Diligence to dispatch a part of the Stores demanded. We have wrote to Cuddalore to send you from thence some Shot which remained there We have this Day applied to the Admiral for the Baleines and he has readily appointed that Ship to assist us We purpose to send on her to Pondicherry a Supply of Stores Vizt. Guns, Shot & powder with 100 Europeans of whom about 20 Artillery Men and as much Rice as We can the particulars of all which We shall advise you as soon as

564 Fort St George 20 September 1763.

as soon as they are embarked, with the Ship We shall send Masoolah Boats & Lattamarans for landing the Horses at Tondi and some persons to receive the Charge of them there untill they can be sent to Camp We beg the favor therefore that you will be pleased to write to Col Monson to send Bullocks and what else may be necessary from Camp to Tondi to fetch them and if the Nabob were to apply to the Maravas (in whose Country that place lies) to give him Assistance it might be of Use in procuring proper Places at Tondi to lodge the Horses untill they can be forwarded.

Thus far our measures are concerted and our Ideas expressed upon a Supposition that it shall appear practicable to go on with the Siege but as the Difficulties may increase and new perplexities arise such as may make it upon the whole more advisable to desist We think it expedient to open ourselves to you fully on this Subject it remains therefore to deliver our Thoughts of the measures that may be taken should the immediate Attack be judged impracticable or too hazardous.

The Council of War have delivered their Opinion that the Horses now in Camp are not sufficient to sustain the immediate Siege of Madurai. The Questions that arises hereon are whether it be practicable for the Army to remain where they are untill the Stores We are dispatching can reach them and whether the Season will not render it improbable to be so far advanced to begin the Siege with a reasonable hope of Success. It is to be thought that the Army may so wait for these Supplies We then should advise that they do not begin the Siege untill they are certain that the Stores may reach them.

365 Fort St George 20 September 1763.

them by the time they may want them. if it be thought
that the Army cannot safely wait the coming up of
these Stores the case is then reduced to these two points either
to attempt the Siege at all Events with what they ^{have} or to make
an immediate Retreat; and on this We must say that how-
ever earnest We are in wishing the reduction of the place
We would by no means press the Attempt without a
reasonable hope of Success the Consequences of a fruitless
retreat are certainly much to be apprehended but those of
an ineffectual Attempt much more and We must own
We cannot much flatter ourselves with hopes when We see
marks of Diffidence in those who are to execute the Service
We do not say this in the spirit of Censure for their Reasons
may be just if therefore Sir the difficulties should increase
soon in your judgement to render the Attempt very hazar-
dous We advise the making a timely retreat rather than
attack the place under such Circumstances and if you see
proper to send such Orders to Colonel Monson We recom-
mend that a formal Declaration be delivered to Mr
Flamincourt & we shall in that case do the same to Mr
Maudave) setting forth that as they have hoisted
French Colours on the Fort and declare it to be the pro-
perty of the French acquired in the Year 1762. We re-
frain from Hostilities against it expecting their Compli-
ance with the Treaty of peace as soon as they shall be authorized
Nevertheless if it be practicable to throw a
sufficient quantity of provisions into both or either of the
Forts which have been taken and they should be judged
tenable untill the return of a favorable Season may en-
able us again to attempt the reduction of Madras

W.D.

566 Fort St George th 20 September 1803.

We advise that it be done and sufficient Garrison
left there at all Events if it be practicable the Nottam
Pass should be secured but if these places should
not be thought tenable nor that the Pass can be secured
there remains no Choice but for the Army to get back
as well and as soon as possible.

Captain Parker of the *Salut*
will have Orders from the Admiral to return thither
with the Stores & embarked on that Ship in case he
should receive Advice from Colonel Monson of the re-
treat of the Army. We beg the favor you will be plea-
sed to write to Colonel Monson accordingly.

We did write to the Gentlemen at
Bombay to Order the Gentlemen at Anjengo to coop-
erate with us, by a Letter this Day received they acquaint
us they have done so if you will therefore be pleased to
write to the Gentlemen at Anjengo of the Measures
you take We hope they will exert themselves. In the
uncertainty we are under whether an Attack or Re-
treat will take place it seems to us proper to defer writ-
ting to Bombay for the Assistance you desire because
if the Siege be undertaken it must Succeed or fail long
before they can send any such Assistance and if an
attack be resolved on an entire New plan must be
concerted.

We have endeavored to explain
ourselves so fully on this Subject that you may the
better be enabled to give immediate Orders in any
case that may arise. We are very sorry that the pre-
vious Circumstances and distance of place obliges us

567 Fort St George 20th September 1763

to throw so great a burthen on you. We can only add
the warmest Assurances of the high Sense we have
of your Judgement & Conduct -

We are with the Greatest Esteem

Sir your most Obedt. Humble Serv^t

George Pigot & Co Council

Fort St George

20th September 1763

P.S. Agreeable to your Desire the
French Letters are now returned to you

Received of Swift Schooner the following Letter
from the President & Council at Bombay.

67 To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George

Letter from the Gov.
rnor & Council
at Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We did ourselves the Plea-
sure to address you the 21st ultimo Duplicate of which
is enclosed & have since been favored with your Letter of
the 11th of June previous to which we had dispatched the
Revenge with a Company of Sepoys for Manilla but
as she was ordered to touch at your port, you would have
an opportunity of sending her thither or not as you might
judge the most expedient tho^t should you determine on
the latter, we hope you will return her again to us as soon
as possible as nothing but the apparent necessity there
was for armed Vessels at Manilla could have induced us
to part with our service a Ship while our Manilla was so bare
of Vessels & our present Occasions so many.

We are glad to find the Expedition against
Ussoff

Since the Revenge
may be returned
to them.

568 Mr George 20th September 1763

W^{ch} Cannon has been undertaken & flatter ourselves it
will be attended with the wished for Success by Speedily
reducing him to a due Obedience for We entirely concur
with you that on the Arrival of the French in India
he might co operate with them in such a manner as
would render it a very difficult Task. The Gentlemen
at Anjengo have our Orders to Act in such a manner
as you may think proper to point out to them for
facilitating the Operations of the Army

Hyder Ali Cannon alias Hyder Saigul
having lately made himself Master of the whole
Canaree Dominions in which our Honble Masters have
a Settlement and procure from thence Pepper & Spice
also a Quantity of Rice & many other valuable Commodi-
ties we judged it absolutely necessary for their Interest
to set on foot a Negotiation with him accordingly & gave
our Resident at Onore suitable instructions for that purpose
in consequence of which he has obtained some very advan-
tigious privileges particularly an exclusive Right to
the purchase of Pepper in preference to all others from
Hyder Ally who seems desirous of cultivating our Friend-
ship & has engaged to afford no Assistance to the Enemies
of the English, nor are We to assist his this large extent of Coun-
try which he has lately acquired on this Coast from whence
our Honble Masters reap great advantages renders it essen-
tial to their Interest for us to keep upon terms with him &
as we understand that some Disputes subsist between
him & the Nabob of Arcot the particulars of which We
are however entirely ignorant of We thus mention our
Situation that You may Act accordingly with Respect

Conclude a Treaty
with Hyder Saigul

569 Fort St George 20 September 1763

to him & if possible thro' your good Offices endeavor to
mediate any Differences which do Subsist or may here
after arise between them, tho' We do not suppose nor do
we mean hereby to desire that you should endeavor
to prevail on the Nabob to forego any just Claims he
may have on him On our part Should We be able
from our influence with Hender Ally to be of any
Service on this Occasion we shall most cheerfully
cooperate with you on your acquainting us of the
particulars of his Situation with respect to the Nabob.

Colonel Staats Long. Moins having requested
Us to desire your Honor & ^{co} would take the earliest
Opportunity of sending round all the Cloathing &
Shoes at your place belonging to his Regiment We
are to request you will comply therewith.

Previous to the receipt of your Letter one of
the Supercargoes of the Danish Ship taken by the Mo.
nattas & the Greatest part of the Men had obtained their
release & were arrived here & we have afforded them all
the Assistance in our power. Enclosed is a Bill of Ex-
change on the Governor & Council of Tranquebar for
Pagodas 1075. — advanced for their Account which you
will be pleased to recover & credit this Presidency for
the Amount.

We are
Honble Sir & Miss

Your most Obedient Servants

Chas Crommelin
J Byfield, A Douglas
J Spencer, Chas Waters
Samuel Court. —

Bombay Castle
14th August 1763.

570 Fort St George 21 September 1763.

Dispatched the following Letter to Swift Schooner
to the President and Council at Fort William
To the Honble Henry Van Rensselaer Esq
President & Governor & Council
at Fort William

Honble Sir & Mrs

The accompanying is a Duplicate of our last address to you after closing of which we were informed by Captain Richardson of the Pigot that he had received from on board His Majesty's Ship's four hundred 24 lb Shot and five Hundred 10 pound Shot which he will deliver to you. We should have taken the opportunity of sending you by this Conveyance some Hand of Arms but the Vessel is so much lumbered that she cannot receive them on board. We have duly received your Honor & Dispatches sent on the Schoon Harford which arrived at Vizagapatnam the 3^d Instant the Gentlemen then inform us that they purposed returning her immediately to you.

We are

Honble Sir & Mrs

Your most Obedt. humble Servants

George Pigot & Council
General Lawrence

Dispatched the following Letter to General Lawrence
To Mr. Lawrence Esq
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Sir

In our Letter of yesterday N^o 2
We have recommended that in case it should be found necessary

Fort St George
21 September 1763

Letter to General Lawrence
with some
Declaration to
send to the Madras

571 Fort St George 21st September 1763.

to abandon the Enterprize against Madura a Declaration be sent to M^r Alamecourt setting forth that We do so to avoid Acts of Hostility against the French who claim it expecting that they will deliver it upon the consequence of the Treaty of peace as soon as they shall be authorized.

Upon considering the 11th Article of the Treaty wherein a distinction is made between such places as may have been conquered from Great Britain and all Acquisitions since the beginning of 1749. it is stipulated that the Conquests made from Great Britain shall be restored but his most Christian Majesty only renounces all pretensions to other Acquisitions. It follows from thence that We acting in right of the Company cannot demand of the French restitution of Madura unless it can be made appear that it was theirs at the time M^{rs} Carn made a cession of it to the French if We appear in this Transaction only as Allies to the Navel, the most We can demand of the French is that they withdraw their Forces should they do so the Difficulties of reducing the place will not be much decreased. But here another Consideration arises if Madura could be made appear to belong to the Company and the French should refuse to restore it might We not be justified in withholding from them the Comptoirs on the Coast in Bengal &c until they comply with their part of the Treaty but Should We be justifiable in proceeding upon this foundation it does not appear to us that so good a Colour for withholding their Comptoirs can be drawn from their Failure in what respects the Landward powers only. We are therefore of Opinion that the best Grounds

We

542 Fort St George 21st September 1763.

We can proceed on with to obtain from the Nabob a
Saned in Form for the Madras & Annamally Countries
bearing date before their pretended Grant from Mofse
Cann in July 1762 and We think the properest time
to be chosen may be any Day between the Reduction
of Vellore and the March of the Army against Nel-
lour. Such a Grant therefore We request the Favor
you will solicit from the Nabob acquainting him
of the reasons and promising that no other use shall
be made of it than that aforementioned and that it shall
be returned to him as soon as the Rebel is subdued.

Upon a Supposition that the Na-
bob will grant such a Saned immediately & that it
may be made the Grounds of our Declaration in case
of a retreat We recommend to your perusal the ac-
companying Form to be used on that Occasion re-
questing however that if you see any material
Defect in it you will be pleased to correct what may
be amiss

We are with the Greatest Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient

Humble Servants

George Pigot & Co. Council

Fort St George
21st September 1763.

Form of the Decla-
ration

Whereas by a Definitive Treaty of
Peace and Friendship between his Britannick Majesty
the most Christian King and King of Spain concluded at
Paris the 1st Day of February 1763 it is amongst other
Things Agreed as follows.

Article

573 Fort St George 21st September 1763.

Article II.

In the East Indies &th And Whereas the said Nabob Ma-
homed Ally Khan acknowledged in the Article above
quoted for Land etc. Nabob of the Carnatecty did by his
Grant or Deed in the usual & customary Form
Give grant Cede & make over to the United English
East India Company all the Countys known by the
Name or Description of ^{the} Madura & Tinnevelly
Countys together with all the Forts and places situate
therein.

And Whereas the said Countys
at that time and for some years before were under
the management and Direction of Mahomed Esuf
sometimes called Carna Sath as a Sheriff thereof
whilst said Mahomed Esuf was at ^{that} time actually
a Servant to the said English East India Company
actually bearing their Commission as Commandant of
all their Troops by which title he was even more ge-
nerally known than by that of Carna Sath.

And whereas the said Mahomed
Esuf contrary to the Fidelity which he owed to the said
Company and in Breach of Oath repeated in his Oath
after the Date of the said Deed took up Arms against
the said Company.

And Whereas M^r Maureveresi-
ding at this time at Tranquebar being or pretending
to be the Chief of the French Nation on this Coast by his Let-
ters to the President & Council of Fort St George dated
the 15th August & 9th of September hath declared that the
said Madura and Tinnevelly Countys belong to the
French.

574 Fort St George 21st September 1763.

French Nation by Virtue of a Grant or Cession thereof made to the Royal East India Company of France by the said Mahomed Gouf otherwise Cawn Saib and that the French Troops actually ^{the} with said Mahomed Gouf are regularly Commissioned by him by Virtue of full powers for that purpose and constitute a regular Corps of Troops appertaining to the King of France as any other.

And whereas M^r Claude Thierce Elie nor de Lamignon by his Letter to Colonel Monson dated 2^d September 1763 and by his Declaration or protest of the same Date hath set forth that the said Town of Madurai and its Dependences were ceded to the said Royal French Company by the said Mahomed Gouf otherwise Cawn Saib in the Month of July 1762. that in consequence thereof the Colours of France are hoisted in the said Fort that he holds the same under the Oath of the said M^r Monson Maudave for the said Company.

And Whereas the President & Council of Fort St George by their Letters to the said M^r Maudave bearing Date the 16th & 16th September have notified to him the 11th Article of the said Definitive Treaty of peace above quoted and required him to conform thereto.

And Whereas Colonel Monson by his Letter to the said M^r de Lamignon bearing Date the 5th September 1763 did in like manner notify the said Article of the said Treaty and require him in consequence thereof to deliver up to him the said Fort & Dependences notwithstanding which the said M^r Maudave and the said M^r de Lamignon in publick Declaration

575 Fort St George 21 September 1763.

and Defiance of the said Treaty and contrary to the good Faith and Amity intended to be established thereby do obstinately continue to withhold the said Fort & Dependencies.

Now therefore be it known that Siringer Lawrence Major General of ^{His} Britannick Majesty's Armies & Commander in Chief of all the British Land Forces in the East Indies being duly Authorized ^{do} Claim the said Fort of Madura together with all the Madura & Tinnevelly Countries and all the Forts Fortresses & places situated therein as belonging & appertaining to the said English East India Company by the Virtue of the aforesaid Grant or Sanad of the said Nabob Mammed Ali Khan. But for as much as the said Forts and Countries are at this time held and possessed by Mons Claude Therese Eleonore de Flammicourt on behalf of the French Nation who notwithstanding his most Christian Majesty hath by the said 11th Article of the said Treaty of peace formerly renounced all Acquisitions made in the East Indies since the beginning of 1749 and hath expressly obliged himself to restore all that he may have conquered from Great Britain in the East Indies since that time hath absolutely refused to conform himself to the said Stipulations by delivering up the said Place. I do hereby in the most formal and solemn manner protest against the said M^r Flammicourt and all others whom it may concern for all Losses and Detriment and all other Consequences that may arise by reason of the said Violation and breach of Treaty. In

expectation

576 Fort St George 21 September 1763.

expectation notwithstanding that Commissioners on the
part of France may shortly arrive to settle and adjust
all matters relative to the said Treaty and that ample
justice will then be done to the Claim of the said English
East India Company for these reasons as well as to
avoid all Things that might tend to cause a fresh rup-
ture between the British and French Nations I have
ordered the British Troops under my Command to
desist from any Act of Hostility against the Fort
of Madurai where the Colonies of France
are actually lying.

Q. B. This may be
non did more General
if it should be found
impracticable to
commission the two
fortifications in the
Madurai Country.

I enclose in the following Letter from General Lawrence
to the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

from General
Lawrence

Gentlemen

This Morning I was favoured
with yours of the 10th & another of the same date.

I shall transmit to Colonel
Monson a Copy of the Extract of the General Letter you
are pleased to send me I heartily wish with you that the Reduc-
tion of Madurai may be soon effected and beg leave to assure
you it is a particular Satisfaction to me to find the Success that
has in this Affair met with your entire approbation.

Since my last to you I have received no Letters
from Camp but expect in a Day or two to hear that the Batteries
are opened; the excessive Rains they have had for some time past
has retarded their Works.

The want of Subaltern Officers

577 Fort St George 22 September 1763

has obliged me to desire Major Preston to appoint all the Volunteers to act as Ensigns. The two Gentlemen by the Clive arrived here yesterday and shall proceed to Camp.

You will be pleased to take all the ^{Ensigns} Things which you approve of into the Company's Service & let them know they are to come in as youngest Lieutenants the Dates of their Commissions need not be filled up till we find which was the oldest Ensign as they will rank according to their Seniority in His Majesty's Service. If Mr Cornille should offer himself you will please to accept of him.

As several of the Men at Bombay would not chuse to be entertained on that Establishment but the same Time would be glad to come here if the Gentlemen at Bombay would entertain for this Establishment it might prevent many from going home.

You may depend upon receiving Intelligence from Camp as fast as it comes to ^{my} hand. I hope soon to be able to give you a good Account of our progress which much Depends upon the Weather.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your Humble Servant
Fraser Lawrence

Tricheopolis

16th September 1763

28 In answer to which the following Letter was sent to General Lawrence.

To

Fort St George 23^d September 1763
To Stringer Lawrence Esq^r
Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India

Letter to General
Lawrence

Sir

We have been favored with your
Letter of the 16th Instant (N^o 6)

Agreeable to what we last wrote you
His Majesty's Ship Batteine will sail from hence
for Pondicherry with Stores and provisions for
the Army before Madras a particular Account of
which comes enclosed.

We must request the favor of
you to write to Colonel Monson acquainting him
therewith & desiring he will send Convoys for
them and to write to Mr Taylor whom we have sent
on the Batteine to take charge of the Stores & to for-
ward them to Madras giving him much Directions
as he may think necessary.

We have also embarked on the
Batteine 100 Military and Artillery under the Com-
mand of Lieutenant Fitzgerald & Ensign Johnson
who will proceed to join the Army on receiving Or-
ders from Colonel Monson to do so. Mr Lowe a Sur-
geon is also sent with them.

We are with the greatest Esteem
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant
George Sigot & Council

David

Fort St George
23^d September 1763

579 Fort St George 23^d September 1768

Delivered the following Orders to Lieut. Fitzgerald appointed to the Command of the Detachment embarked on the Balaine for Tondi.

To Lieutenant Fitzgerald

Order to Lieut.
Fitzgerald

Sir

You are hereby ordered to embark with the Detachment of Military & Artillery which will be put under your Command on Board his Majesty's Ship Balaine which will proceed to Tondi or as near to that place as possible from whence you will write to Colonel Monson Commanding the Army before Madras informing him of your Arrival & follow such Orders as you may receive from him

I am Sir

Fort St George

23^d September 1768

your most humble Serv^t
George Pigot

The following Instructions were at the same time delivered to Mr Taylor

To Mr James Taylor

Mr Taylor's
Instructions

Sir

Admiral Cornish at our Desire has appointed his Majesty's Ship Balaine to proceed to Tondi and We have embarked on her the Stores mentioned in the Accompanying List

We have appointed you to proceed to Tondi on the said Ship you will therefore embark accordingly & if the said Stores should be landed at Tondi you will receive them under your Charge and forward them to the Army lying before Madras in such manner as you shall be advised and assisted by Col. Monson commanding the said Army

We

500 Port St George 23^d September 1780

We have wrote to General Surveance at
Pachinopolis desiring he will advise Col. Monson
of these measures which We are now taking, and
instruct him to write to the Commander of the Bal-
aine whether to land the Stores or not and to you in
what manner he would have them forwarded when
they are landed he will also furnish you with the
means of doing so.

The Balaine is ordered to touch at
Negapatam the enclosed Letter We have addressed
to M^r Van Seylingen the Governor of that Settlement
desiring him to assist you with some Boats and in
other respects as far as he is able the Letter is under a
flying Seal for your perusal you will wait on the
Governor and deliver the same to him enforcing our
request.

On your arrival at Pondicherry you will
immediately advise Col. Monson thereof & send him a list
of the Stores.

One hundred Militia of Artillery under
the Command of Lieutenant Fitzgerald & Ensign Johnson are
embarked with you who are to proceed to the Army - you
will give to them the usual pay & Batta and inform the
Paymaster at Camp with the Sum you may give to them
M^r Lowe a Surgeon also embark with the Men to him you
are also to give the usual pay and Allowance

You will take with you such M^ostons
or Servants as you shall think necessary and as soon as this
Service is fully performed you may return hither.

We are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

George Pigot & Co. Secy

Port St George

28 September 1780

501 Fort St George 23^d September 1763

Dispatched the following Letter to Christian Adam
Teylingen Esq^r Governor of Negapatam.
To the Honble Christian Van Teylingen
President & Governor of Negapatam

Letter to the Govern-
or of Negapatam.

Sir

Admiral Cornish having about
Desire ordered this Majesty's Ship Battlement to carry
Stores & provisions for the use of our Army before Ma-
dura. It is purposed that she should proceed with them
as far as Pondicherry, but as the Captain of her is unacquain-
ted with the Navigation into that place I should
take it as a particular Favor if you would assist him
with two Chulungas & two Sloop or Chondiah Boats,
with two or three experienced persons who may be able
to assist him in carrying the Ship and as well as in
landing the Stores & Provisions, the Battlement will
call on you in her Way thither and if you would be
pleased to send the Boats away immediately on the
receipt of this and Order them to wait her Arrival off
Saint Caglomera I think it would be saving Some time
I doubt not but you will readily afford us all the Assistance
in your power

I am with Great Esteem

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant
George Pigot

Fort St George
23 September 1763

Sent the following Letter to the Governor and Council at
Tranquebar

To the Honble Hermanus Abbeest Esq^r
President and Governor & the Council at Fort, Parangar
Gentlemen

Letter to the Governor
of Tranquebar.

We have the pleasure to

502 Fort St George 23^d September 1763.

inform you that a Definitive Treaty of peace and Friendship between the Crowns of Great Britain, France & Spain was concluded at Paris the 10th day of February 1763 to which the King of Portugal acceded on the same Day.

Altho' We think We have had great cause to complain of the manifest partiality which you have shewn and of the Assistance which has at all times been given by you to the French during the late War We should not now, upon the Conclusion of peace, say any thing on so unpleasing a Subject were it not that the present Conduct of M^r Maudave, who has for some time past resided under your protection demands this remonstrance.

We do not mean to controvert the right you may have had as a Neutral power of admitting under the protection of your Flag the Subjects of either Nation British or French during the War but being so admitted they must be considered as the Subjects of your Nation being under the protection of your Laws & subject to their Jurisdiction and none other during their residence with you. M^r Maudave stands in this predicament. It would be no difficult matter for us to shew that a series of Hostilities has been carried on against us from your Settlements for some years past yet as We have been silent in that respect We shall confine ourselves to one Instance of which M^r Maudave himself has given us the most Authentick proof. That Gentleman in a Letter to us dated the 15th August last tells us that he arrived on this Coast last year with full powers to

Yours

503 Fort St George 23^d September 1763.

During the War against the English that in consequence
happened a sum of Commission a body of French Troops
and sent them to the Assistance of Cann Saib which
Cann Saib did make a Prisoner of the Madura & Trin-
velly Countries to the Royal Company of France he
therefore Summoned us to consider the said Cann
Saib as an Ally of France and to desist from any
Act of Hostility against him because a Cessation
had been concluded in Europe between the Crowns
of England & of France

We need not inform You who this
man is that M^r. Maudave calls Cann Saib (but whose
real Name is Mahomed Gouf) since it is principally
from your Settlement that he has supplied himself
with the means of Rebellion We shall only say that after
he had taken up Arms, an Army consisting of British
Troops joined to those of the Nabs of the Carnateek was
sent to chastise him, and it was on this Occasion that
the aforementioned Letter was writ to us by M^r. Mau-
dave.

In Answer to M^r. Maudaves Letter
We notified to him the Conclusion of the Definitive Treaty
of peace and sent him a Copy of the 11th Article thereof
a Copy of which We also now Send You and in consequence
thereof required him to desist from yielding any Assis-
tance to the Said Rebel, to which We have not received
any reply but M^r. Flamincourt who commands the
body of French joined to Mahomed Gouf & acknowledges
himself to be under the Orders of M^r. Maudave refuses
promising that the Treaty of peace has been duly no-
tified to him also & not deliver up the Fort of Madura in
which

504 Fort St George 23^d September 1763.

which he commands or to withdraw therefrom with his Forces.

We have given you this Detail to lead more clearly to the point in Question which is this. Mr Maudave by his said Letter has avowed an Open War carried on against us from your Settlement and under your Flag whilst the War still subsisted between the Crowns of Great Britain and France. He avows the Hostilities now carrying on under his Orders in favor of the Rebel Mahomed Youf contrary to the Treaty of peace lately concluded which leads us naturally to reduce the Subject so far as it respects you to these two Questions, Vizt.

- 1st Whether you do avow and justify the proceedings of the said Mr Maudave.
- 2^d Whether you do or not avow & justify them.

If you do avow and justify them, then the Acts of the said Maudave become to all intents and purposes your Acts & deeds and then our recourse must be to you for reparation.

If you do not avow and justify them then we do demand justice against the said Mr Maudave considered as a Subject of your Nation (for so we must esteem him whilst he resides under your Flag) in compelling him to make us speedy and effectual reparation by delivering into our hands the said Fort and Towns of Madurai which he holds by force of Arms and by making good all other Damages we have sustained by his Unjustifiable proceedings.

We shall conclude this Letter with assuring you that a answer has been and is our intention

Fort St George 23^d September 1763

to live on Terms of Friendship and good Understanding
with you but then We have a right to expect an equal
return of Unity & good Faith from you in these hopes
We beg leave to subscribe ourselves with Esteem,

Gentlemen

Fort St George

23^d September 1763

Your most Obedient Servant

George Pigot & Co Council

24 Came on the two following Letters from General Lawrence

since the first enclosing a Letter from Colonel Monson to him

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Co Council
of Fort St George

N^o 4

Letter from General Lawrence

Gentlemen

Inclosed I send you a Copy
of a Letter I have just received from Colonel Monson
in which you will see the Necessity there is for the most
speedy compliance with the Intent which was sent to
You permit me to recommend there be not a Moment's
Time lost in forwarding the Content with the utmost Expedi-
tion. I have all hopes if the Weather continues fair & the
Ammunition does not fall short that Madras will
soon fall

Wishes with Your Approbation
I will make a General Survey of the Military Stores in
this Garrison & have the unserviceable ones wrote off
at present we devote ourselves with the Acc^t on the
Books many of the Number is in a expressed proving
bad on Examination,

506 Fort St George 24 September 1763.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your humble Servant
Stinger Lawrence

Trichinopoly

10th September 1763.

Letter from Col. Monson
to General Lawrence

Sir

I have received Yours of the
9th & tenth instant with the Definitive Treaty of Peace
inclosed which I am just going to send into the Fort
according to your Desire and will return it to you as soon
as I receive it from the French.

I will acquaint the Officers &
Men at a proper time with the Nabobs proposed
Bounty to them.

I will send a transporting
Carriage with the Greatest Expedition I am told the Nabob
has a good one at Trichinopoly. I believe Mr. Call will
begin his Works this Night I am under no apprehen-
sions for the success of the Attack, if the Weather continues
fair and we have a sufficient Quantity of Powder & Shot
if you will be pleased to order the powder & Shot here with
the Greatest Expedition we may be able to accomplish
our Ends without the Guns, or at least all of them.

I gave your Compliments to Captain
Campbell who is much better and in a fair Way of reco-
very.

I am
Sir

Your most obedient
and very humble Servant
(Signed) Geo. Monson

Camp at Teppacolum

14th September 1763.

Fort St George 24 September 1763.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George

Inter from Genl^l
Lawrence

Gentlemen

The urgent Demand there is
like to be for Shot at Madura has induced me this Day
to desire Mr Coillard would send all the 2^d & 10th that
may be at St Davids where I think some was left which
was designed for the Army

One Hundred & fifty Barrels
of powder ^{from Villiers} arrived here yesterday the Buttocks which
thought it will be obliged to proceed to the Camp to en-
able them to do so I shall give them ~~two~~ Days rest
& feed them with Grain

You will be pleased to acquaint
me if it meets with your & Approbation I should order Mr
for Preston after the Reduction of Madura to continue
there with the whole of the Companys Troops that they may
be ready when the rainy Season breaks up to march into
the Tinnevely Country Colonel Monson will deliver
over to him such of the Kings & Men who choose to enlist
in the Companys Service

I have the Honor to be
With the greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your humble Servant
Jaeger Lawrence

Trichunopoly
19 September 1763.

In answer to which the following Letter was immediately
forwarded to General Lawrence

590 Fort St George 26th September 1793

Read the following Letter from the Presidency Council
at Bombay

To the Honble George Pigot Esq
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St. George

Letter from Bombay

Honble Sir & Mrs

We last did ourselves the
pleasure to write you the 11th ultimo by Swift Schooner We
have now the Satisfaction to advise that our Honble Master
Ship East of Middlesex arrived here the 27th and the British
the 30th ultimo by these Ships we received Copies of the Defini-
tive Treaty of Peace his Majestys Proclamation and
Copies of the several Orders to his Majestys Land and
Sea Officers in consequence thereof Original and Du-
plicates of which have been transmitted to your Presi-
dency Mr Lapinung and Pigot but least those that
should not be arrived Copies of these several papers to-
gether with the Honble Companys separate Letters
their Several Presidencies relative thereto are now trans-
mitted for your Observation and Notice

We have already made the Honble
representation to Admiral Cornish respecting the private
and (since) Family at Mauritius, and desired of him
Honors &c to enforce the same Should it be in our power
to assist him in or in carrying into Execution any part
of the Treaty We are at all points out the Sanction of
me shall most cheerfully & co-operate with you in this or any
other Occasion for our Honble Masters Interest.

The Brits Apptd with the

591 Fort St George 26th September 1763.

Yours the 15th June off the Cape a few Days before which she
had parted with the Albion both homeward bound
from thence.

We request your Honor^y will
forward the accompanying packets for the Hon^{ble}
the Court of Directors by the first Sea Conveyance

We are

Hon^{ble} Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Servants

Chas^r Crommelin

J Bussfeld

A Douglas

J Spencer

Chas^r Waters

Samuel Court

Read two Letters from M^r Maudave translate of
which are as follows

To the Gentlemen of the Royal Council
at Madras

Gentlemen

I had the Honour of your Letter
of the 10th Instant in answer to mine of the 15th Ultimo

I have well weighed your Objec-
tions to my Representations & cannot help expressing my
just Surprize at seeing you evade the Force & Weight of
the Arguments I laid before you in this my first Letter
& also the second of the 9th Instant by the most distressing rea-
sons & most frivolous accusations.

It is very true Gentlemen, I did
refuse to receive the Rolls of Substantive presented me by

M^r

Bombay Castle

1st September 1763.

Since closing the above we have
received your Letter of the 30th July.

From M^r Maudave
Letter gave
M^r Maudave

542 Fort St George 26 September 1782

M^r Pigot in March last it is true also that I have
Orders relating to it: & it is as true that I refused to em-
ploy the Money sent me from the Island of Java
to raise up trouble and Disturbance in your Affairs
which the War at that time justified I have than to
employ it as you required in the subsisting & reduc-
ing those of my Countrymen that the chance of War
had made your Prisoners. In doing this I have done
nothing but what is just & agreeable to the intention
one of those who sent me into this Country the
Chance of Prisoners of War is a necessary change ac-
cording Victory & the Intention of sending me here
was not to ease you of it, it was my Duty therefore
leave the care of subsisting these unhappy
Prisoners to your Humanity if that was your
for complaint on this head they alone have the right
of doing it. But laying aside all Subjects
foreign from the point in Question & without arguing
even the State of your Affairs upon which it would be
very easy to come to a Conclusion I would again ask you
whether you really think Peace has been
established between your respective Sovereigns? if so
No. Why do you continue a War so contrary to the
Intentions? you do. A very poor excuse for it
The particular Dispositions of the Treaty. I know
well that it establishes the Rights of Mahorah
My Countrymen over the Accot Province but we
have then joined to it & do you pretend to extend
Limits over this Province as you have done over that
of Bengat & the end of it that you have done over that
of your

543 St. George 26th September 1763.
magnificence ought I think to restrain your Ge-
nerosity.

The Examination of these Vain
points however doth not belong to me, I therefore
resume Gentlemen what concerns Cann Sait.
You summon me by Virtue of the 11th Article of the
Definitive ^{Treaty} to recall all the Subjects of the King my
Master that I have assembled to defend him &
I require you Gentlemen by Virtue of the Prelimi-
naries which have brought on the conclusion of
the peace that your claim is founded upon to sus-
pend Hostilities against him till the Arrival of
Commissaries from both Courts shall have put
Affairs in the Situation they are to remain in
in consequence of that Treaty. Besides Gentlemen
what effect can you expect from the Notice you
are pleased to give me of this Article of the Defini-
tive Treaty since you take great pains to inform
me You do not acknowledge me in a publick Cha-
racter, and on as a man that of his own Accord
did collect a body of Troops & did engage them to
Cann Sait. Without paying any regard to
the unbecomingness as well as frivolousness of
such a Declaration provided I can make You
hear the Voice of Justice it is very indifferent to me
in what Light you esteem me.

It is superfluous examining
here whether the Agreement concluded by me with
Cann Sait last July gives the French Company Rights
equable to the Orders settled between Our Sovereigns but an-
ty if I had a power to negotiate with him & if this

(Agreement)

394 Fort St George 26th September 1696

Agreement still continues for from thence the Vice Kings
of having them enjoy the benefit of the amnesty naturally
arises the King & Company of France will hereafter
explain themselves upon the Nature of the Engage-
ment concluded by me with Cawn Saiboretsa I am
ready to do it myself as I have an authentick Copy
of it as also of the power by which I am authorized
by which you will perceive that it was impossible
for me to comply with your Demand on that Occa-
sion of withdrawing the Detachment. I had collected
This Detachment will defend him (Cawn Saib) against
all his Enemies

Town Gentlemen that the
greatest part of this Corps is composed of prisoners of war
but there is not one that has not indisputable rights
Liberty founded either upon your behaviour contrary
to the Rules of War or upon having escaped out of your
prisons on being refused Subsistence, & a thousand
other sufficient motives besides by the peace their condi-
tion is changed & of consequence are free from their
paroles & are no otherways bound now than by the En-
gagement took from them.

I propose to you therefore
Gentlemen that complying with the justness of my
representations, & submitting yourselves to the known
will of our masters, you suspend Hostilities against
Cawn Saib till the arrival of the French Commissioners with
whom you will explain yourself on putting of the matter
into Execution and what I propose to you in this respect
is so just, so necessary, so agreeable even to your own interests
that

595 Fort St George 26 September 1763

that in case of refusal you will be accountable to your
Superiors for the continuation of the War. & for render-
ing ineffectual the Inclination Our Masters have
shown of extinguishing for ever all Subjects capable
of rekindling the fire of the War between the two Nations.

But if it be led by bad advice
& by the motive of Revenge which the present situ-
ation of Affairs forbid you continue your Hostilities
in Madras I protest against every resolution
contrary to my Representations & I declare that
you will be answerable for the Consequences that
this refusal of Justice will bring on.

In repeat likewise may Dictate
tion on the Coniminal & indecent Threats escaped from
one of the Commanders of your Troops of hanging every
Subject of his most Christian Majesty taken in arms
on the party of Carn Saib.

I protest more over Gentlemen
against the unbecoming Action lately done at Pon-
dicherry had you not already sufficiently extended the
Rights of War in destroying that Unfortunate Town
must it still on the first moment of a General reconciliation
be abandoned to the Flames (not what has escaped from
your Hatred for that has spared nothing) but the miserable
Cottages that the poor Inhabitants encouraged by the News
of the peace thought to have erected in safety on its Ruins?
War without doubt makes some Violences lawful &
Necessary; but what can one give to an Action
committed without Necessity without any apparent
utility & in the first Moments of the News of the re-esta-
blishment of peace.

596 Fort St George 26 September 1763.

If this burning of the houses
that the *Indians* had built amongst the Ruins
of Pondicherry has been executed by your orders I
appeal Gentlemen to your own Equity to justify proper-
ly so strange a resolution if by the Orders of *Mahomed*
Ally Cawn since you have made him be included in
the Treaty are not you obliged to make him Act agreeable
to the Spirit & fulfill the dispositions. But I am too well
acquainted with his way of thinking as to be assured
that he is by no means desirous of animating us from him
& that he will endeavor to facilitate our Reestablishment
when he Acts according to his own Sentiments.

I shall conclude this long Letter
Gentlemen in declaring to you for the last Time that I
am ready to bring *Cawn* Suits to an honorable & just accomo-
dation. I have not the presumption to say of being willing
to enlighten you in your true Interests but I appeal to
the Event & I dare assure you that your Efforts against
him will prove a certain Loss.

I have the Honor to be with the
Highest Consideration

Tranquebar

16th September 1763.

To the Gentlemen of the Royal Council
at Madras

Letter from Mr
Maudave

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient & very humble Servant

Maudave

Gentlemen

I received the Letter You did
me the Honor to write me the 16th Instant with Dupli-
cates of that of the 14th Article of the Definitive Treaty I have

597 Fort St George 26th September 1781

have the honor to acknowledge also the receipt of the
above treaty note in french & English.

I am sensible of your attention in this respect
tho' it was useless as I have had an authentic Copy of
the above Treaty for this Month past the Orders of which
I could not be ignorant of my Intention is not to comment
upon it, but I should be glad to see you Gentlemen show
a sincere & effectual desire of following the Spirit of it you
will find annexed to this my reply to your Letter of the 16th
of which you sent me a Duplicate.

I have seen Gentlemen what you did me the
honor to point out to me in the Correspondance of M^r
Flamincourt (commanding the French Detachment
at Madura) with Colonel Monson General of your
Army. M^r de Flamincourt has answered Colonel
Monson agreeable to Justice to his Duty and honor and
likewise agreeable to my Intentions & I have other re-
presentations to make you firm and self but to protest
again as I do by this Letter, against the party in which you
seem determined of keeping your first Resolution in regard
to Cann Sail & Madura.

The proposals made in your Letter of the 16th
Instant of my ordering M^r Flamincourt to deliver up the
Fort of Madura is not capable of any answer but if those
who shall come in the Name of the King my Master, for to
labour with you in putting into execution that part of the
treaty relating to the East Indies are so kind in your Gen^{ls}.
men that readiness, cordiality & generosity that you promise
it depends but upon you to give a present proof of it by your
reply in leaving the Affairs of Madura in statu quo till
the

590 Fort St George 26 September 1763

the arrival of French Commissioners

This Gentleman with what I propose to open
as the most just & most reasonable (if you approve of it) I beg
you will send me a passport en blanc which I shall make
use of in sending Somebody to Caron Sail who will certainly
go wherever I shall advise him

I dont understand Gentlemen what
you mean about personal Invectives to which you pretend
I descend to. Upon perusing my Letters I do not see anything
that can give cause to such a reproach for I can hardly
imagine you should think it extraordinary that I should
complain of an indecent Threat uttered by one of the Com-
manders of your Troops, of hanging every Subject of the
King my Master taken in Arms in the party of Caron
Sail. I repeat again expressly without alleging anything
as to the force or manner of expression the Declaration I had
the honor to make upon this head in my Letter of the 9th Inst.

As to the rest, Gentlemen I flatter
myself you will do me the justice as to be persuaded that the
Resolution you have taken of complaining to the Represen-
tations of the French Nation of the manner & Style of my
Letters gives me but very little uneasiness. I shall never
deviate from my Duty in any point and I certainly can-
not be ignorant of what I owe to the Superiors of the British
Nations in India. In endeavouring to recall you as I have done
to the Spirit of the peace is by no means failing in it if you
marry that I stander was a very good Sort & I am agreeably
flattered when you say it agrees very well with my manner
of writing

I have the Honor to be

Wth

599 Fort St George 26th September 1763.

With the Sentiments of respectful Consideration,
Gentlemen

Tranquilbar

the 20th September 1763

Your most humble & most
Obedient Servants.

Maudave.

Copies to be sent to
General Lawrence?

Ordered that Copies of them be transmitted to General
Lawrence.

Having in our Instructions to General Lawrence
under date 12th July ordered that all Europeans taken
in Arms in Madras should be executed on the Spot
^{but} upon more mature deliberation We are of Opinion that
how much soever they may deserve such treatment
such a measure might not peace is established be looked
upon too severe, it is therefore agreed that these Orders be
countermanded & that General Lawrence be desired to
Order such as may be taken to be kept close prisoners
Ordered that all the French prisoners remaining at Trichin-
opoly & Vellore to be sent hither and that a General
Survey of all of them be taken that such of them that
are fit may be sent to Europe.

George Pigot
Robt Palk

Rich^d Fairfield
Charles Turner
J^r M^r M^r
J^r Alexander

600 Fort St George 26 September 1763.

Sent the following Letter to General Lawrence.
To Stringer Lawrence Esq^r.

Major General & Commander in Chief
of the Land Forces in India.

Letter to General
Lawrence.

Sir

Enclosed We send you Copies of
two Letters we yesterday received from M^r Monro.

In the Letter We had the Honor to
address to You on the 12th July We have said that, should there
"any of these Europeans prisoners of War on Board such ships
"escaped from us or Deserters or such as are not in any of these
"Cases abandon all off Cam upon this Declaration you may
"promise them full pardon & Liberty for all past Engagements
"to retire to such places as you shall think proper.
"such Declaration or Notification does not produce the Desired
"Effect you will be pleased to order every offender taken in
"Arm to be executed on the Spot.

That Letter was wrote before We had re-
ceived Advices of the Definitive Treaty being concluded. But re-
flecting upon this Subject We are apprehensive that how much
ever their Conduct might merit such treatment from us yet as soon
peace is now established such a measure might be thought rather
too severe we therefore recommend to you Sir to revoke any order
you may have given to Col. Monro in consequence of the above
quoted paragraph by inserting therein of We advise that all such Sub-
jects of France as may be taken be kept close prisoners.

We are With the Greatest Esteem
Sir

Your most Obedt. Humble Servants
George Pigot & Council

Fort St George

26 September 1763

601 Fort St George 26 September 1763.

Came in the following Letter from General Lawrence
To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from Gen^l
Lawrence.

Gentlemen

N^o 5.

This Morning I received yours of
the 16th with the papers inclosed & have forwaded the
Letter to the King of Tanjore.

Notwithstanding the Na-
bol is so sensible of the many Disadvantages he will
labour under in not going to Madras, he is determi-
ned at your earnest Desire of seeing him, to set out
to Madras, at which Time I shall set out likewise.

I cannot help observing I still
differ in Opinion with you in Regard to the Nabob
going to Madras, the few people he intends taking
with him would have been no further to the Army
and he himself would in all probability have been the
means of provisions being plentiful.

I was very much indisposed in the
Morning or I should have answered yours sooner enough
to have sent by Suppels.

I have the Honor to be
With the Greatest Esteem
Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Servant

Stringer Lawrence

Sachinopolis

21st September 1763.

2^d Sent the following Letter to Fort William & Mr. Bannister
Innov.

To

His the Nabob
proposed setting
out for this place
in three Days.

Fort St George 20th September 1763

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St George

Letter to Bencoolen

1000 Stand of Arms sent
Hitherto

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Agreeable to what We wrote you
under Date 2nd Instant, a Duplicate of which you have
herewith. We have taken the Opportunity by this Con-
veyance of sending you 1000 Stand of Arms and Ammu-
& Ball of Ladings of which come enclosed.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & Humble Servants

George Pigot Esq^r & Council

Fort St George

20th September 1763

29th Came in the following Letter from Amoy, the people
who brought it to us, they were detained 40 Days by the

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
at Fort St George.

Letter from Amoy

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Honor^y & Favor of the

15th ultimo We have received with one enclosed for the
King of Siam which We immediately forwarded to
him with the Subject of your Letter in answer to which
he informs us of his having collected his forces together
purposely to make a Division into Siam & Siam
he will put into Execution when advised that the Com-
mand Troops are arrived at Madura the King of Siam
at the same time sent us a Letter for the President which
goes enclosed.

We

603 Fort St George 29 September 1763

We have repeatedly informed the
King of Travencore of our having a Detachment
of Artillery here on purpose to assist him in the above
Operations but he has hitherto not thought proper
to accept of them

We are with respect
Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient &c &c

Thomas Whitehill

Luther King

William Stratton

Robert Sparks

Trincomalee
20th July 1763

October 2nd

A I received the Value from Trincomalee

I received the following Letter from Captain Wood
Commanding at Trincomalee

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r

President & Governor &c Council

Letter from Capt Wood

Honble Sir & Sirs

By this opportunity I have now the
Honor to enclose to you a return of this Garrison. I cannot
say I have many more particulars worth notice to ac-
quaint you with more than is included in it

In forming anything in regard to
our Views of Success or Intelligence in this part of the Coun-
try I cannot do that so well as the General who I hope is
by this time arrived with you perfectly well. However
notwithstanding all the Difficulties represented on the
Expedition against Madras I hope now to be able to have the
pleasure soon of acquainting you of us being reduced. I have
the

Fort St George 4th October 1763.

the Honorable with the greatest esteem and respects

Honorable Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient

And Devoted Obliged Hum^{ble} Serv^t

John Wood

Trichinopoly

October 1st 1763.

Monday

10th October

At a Consultation Present
George Pigot Esq^r Governor President
Stringer Lawrence, Robert Falk.
Charles Bouchier, Rich^d. Fairfield
Charles Turner, Josias Dupre
James & Alexander.

General Lawrence
returned from the Army.

General Lawrence being returned from Trichinopoly takes his Seat at the Board

Wood & Shott
sent from Vellore
Trichinopoly

The President lays before the Board a Letter he hath received from M^r Payne Paymaster at Vellore dated 28th Ultimo advising that he had sent 800 Sixty pound Barrells of Gunpowder & 1100 twenty four pound Shott & 60 Eighteen pound Shott to Trichinopoly.

The President also lays before the Board the following Letter received from M^r James Saylot.

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from M^r Saylot,

Calicut arrives at
Cingapatam.

Honble Sirs

The Batavia arrived here yesterday afternoon and M^r Nantellingem informed

605 th Fort St George 10 October 1763

in receipt of your Letter that he had already
dispatched the Boats to Calamere point in Con-
sequence of his receiving the Duplicate of the
two Dumps before he has been so kind as to sup-
ply us with two Black people that are well
acquainted with the passage from whose in-
formation I find it is impossible for a Ship to
proceed within thirty Miles of Fondi but that
Boats of the largest size frequent that place
therefore imagine We shall find no further in-
convenience on that Account that What may
arise from the delay in loading Boats with the Stores
the Batine proceeds from hence this Evening
I shall immediately address your Honor on my
arrival with the Stores at Fondi & am with
all due respect

Honble Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

James Taylor

Vigapatam

2^d of October 1763

The following Letter from M^r James Taylor is also read

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r
President & Governor & Council
of Fort St George.

Letter from M^r

Taylor

Honble Sir & Mrs We arrived at this
place the 1st Instant and M^r Vantellingen having
supplied the Batine with Pilots and acquainted us
he had in consequence of your request dispatched
the Boats to Calamere point We departed the 2^d &
anchored the 3^d between Cape Calamere & Topocuary.

606 Fort. St. George th 10 October 1768.

By the Pilots account the furthest place a Ship can proceed to, where to our great Disappointment We only found a Negapatam Chelinga and two Musolans arrived out of all that were sent from thence and Mardrafs to rendezvous there, those were laden with Shott and Rice and Lieutenant Fitzgerald having embarked on board with seven men they proceeded to Sondi Captain Parker after continuing another Day on that Station expecting their arrival returned yesterday to Negapatam where I immediately applied to Mr Vantellingen for his Assistance in procuring me two other Chelingas to dispatch the men & Stores in to Sondi with all Expedition that our disappointment might occasion as little delay as possible he has been so kind to assist me effectually in that respect they are already laden with all the Stores & men embarked I have paid sixty five Pagodas for the Extraordinary Chelingas this accident has obliged me to procure but have reason to imagine your Honor will not disapprove of my Conduct in that respect as the Consequence those Men and Stores may be possibly of to the Army at this critical Juncture naturally leaves me no room for any other consideration

The four Mponaders cannot properly go therefore Captain Parker will land them at Cudalore.

As those Boats may probably be detained or dispersed by contrary Winds and it is necessary I should be soon at Sondi to receive the Stores & dispatch them to the Army, I intend to proceed by Land as I find it

1
4
Fort St George 10 October 1763.

it is only three Days journey which is much sooner
than the Country Boats arrive there with fair
Winds I am with all due Respect.

Humble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Servant
James Taylor.

Baleine

Negapatam Road

October the 6th. 1763.

General Lawrence lays before the Board a Letter
he hath this Morning received from Colonel Mon-
son dated 20th September which is read as follows

Major General Lawrence
Commander in Chief in India

From Colonel
Monson to General
Lawrence

in despair
by Madurooth

Sir

This is the fifth Days firing
against the Fort: but with so little Success that in my
own Opinion I think We cannot take it, We have a two
Gun Battery within 200 yards of the N.E. Angle which
fires to ruin the face of it We have two Guns more at
about 600 yards distance to ruin the Shoulder and
re-entering Angle of the same Bastion We have
four Guns more which have been playing these 5
Days upon a large Bastion on the East Front but
have made little or no impression on it, if We attack
on our Side the Rebels immediately produce a Super-
ior one so that We certainly shall want Shot in four
Days. I have recommended to Mr Call pushing on to
Night as far as possible & gain the Glacis by a double
Sap as We cannot ruin the flank Guns as I think
We must wait powder & shot long before We can
expect to be supplied & that it will be impossible from
the