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# Diary

Recd the following Letters.

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## The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

&c &c &c.

My Lord.

From the Agents for the Ship Greenwich Offering to sell to the Company the Cargo of Rice on board that Ship & delivers the same at Trincomalie.

We have the honor to inform your Lordship that we have now on board the Ship Greenwich just arrived from Bengal 4000 Bags of Rice Musters of which accompany this Letter. and which if your Lordship in Council are desirous to purchase we will direct the Ship to Proceed immediately to Trincomallie where we Understand Rice is Required for the public Service.

We have the honorable

&c &c

Madras

6th February 1797

(Signed) Chase Sewell & Chase

To

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To W.m C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary at

Fort S.t George

Sir,

From the Secretary at Bengal enclosing Despatches to be forwarded to the Secret Committee.

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to request that the original of the enclosed despatches for the Honorable the Secret Committee, may be forwarded to Colombo, without delay to the Commander of the Dublin, and that the Duplicate may be committed to the Charge of the Commander of the Marquis Cornwallis.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c.

(Signed) G.H Barlow

Secy to the Govt

Fort William

the 26.th January 1797

Dispatched the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. N.os 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35.

To the Secretary at Bengal

To W.m Secretary Barlow - forwarding Intelligence received from the Mysore Country.—

To the Residents at Hydrabad & Poonah

To Major Kirkpatrick and Sir Charles Warre Malet to the purport above Noted.—

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To the Secretary at Bengal.—

7th To Mr. Secretary Barlow informing him that the Original Despatches for Sir G. K Elphinstone and the Court of Directors which accompanied his Letters of the 21.23. & 26th Ultto have been forwarded to — Columbo and that the Despliccates will be sent on the Indiamen now under Despatch from Madras.—

To the Barrack-master at the Presidency

To Lieutenant Macleane permitting him to hire a godown for the accommodation of the Stores of the 12th Regiment at the rate of Swen Pagodas Per Month.—

To the Commanding Officer on Ceylon

To Major General Doyle enclosing a Packet to be delivered to the Commander of the Dublin.—

To Ad.t George Parry informing him that the Payment of Mr. Caslon Eilbracht's Allowance is to Commence from the 19th November 1796.—

To Attornies to the owners of the Ship Fairlie.—

To Messrs Tulloh Lewis & Brodie informing them that the Stores sent on board the Fairlie having been Shipped without proper Authority must be — immediately relanded.—

To the Commanding Officer on Ceylon.—

8th To Major General Doyle informing him that every Exertion will be made to provide for the — regular Payment of the Troops at Columbo — that Lieutenant Lamey of the Regiment De Meuron is to draw his — Subsistence

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Subsistence from Mr. Paymaster McDouall — during his Stay on Ceylon — the period of which — Depending on his (General Doyle's) pleasure. —

To the Superintendant of the Revenue on the Island of Ceylon —

To Mr. Robert Andrews directing him to use every means within his Power to provide for the regular payment of the Troops at Colombo. — and Authorizing him to give a publick Assurance that the Bills drawn on the Military Paymaster General for Cash paid into the Colombo Treasury will be punctually paid when they fall due. —

To the Collector at — Guntoor. —

To Mr. G. A. Ram acquainting him that the Board do not think proper to comply with M.L Empereur's requests for leave to Visit Madras and Pondicherry. —

To the Collector in the Northern Division of the Vizianagrum Zemendary

To Mr. N. Webbe enclosing Copy of a Petition Addressed to Government by three french Men residing at Bemulipatam and desiring him to acquaint them that not being included in the Capitulation for the Surrender of Bemulipatam the Board cannot grant them any Subsistence; but that they will be permitted to go whithersoever they please except into the Nizam's Country on their Parole

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To Captain F. Pierce transmitting Copy of a Letter
To the Secretary to the Military Board.— with its Enclosures from the Secretary to the Supreme —"
Government.—

Received the undermentioned Letters Entered
in M.B. Nos. 36-37-38-39.—

From Major General Ellins enclosing a
From the Commandant at Vellore.— Representation from the Commandant of the 34th "—"
Battalion Native Infantry regarding the high Price of
Beetle at that Station.—

From Colonel Fraser advising of the
From the Commandant at Trincomalie appearance of five Ships off that Port on the Evening
of the 26th Ultimo.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Muat advising
From Lieutenant Colonel J. Muat.— of his having Embarked for the Presidency, leaving Charge
of the Vizagapatam District, with the next Senior
Officer Lieutenant Colonel Fatheringham.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Fatheringhame
From the Commandant of the Vizagapatam District.— advising of his having taken charge of the "—"
Vizagapatam District and of Captain Fenn "—"
having been placed in the Command of
Chicacole during Lieutenant Colonel Muat's absence.—

10th Despatched the undermentioned Letters
entered in M. B. Nos. 40. 41.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Orr granting him permission
To the Commandant at Chemundalem.— on to be absent from his Station for the period of three months.—

To

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To the Resident at Nagore.—

To Mr. Torrians - desiring him to take immediate Measures for beating 100 Garce of Paddy into Rice for the Garrisons of Trincomalé and Batticaloa forwarding it thether as Opportunities offer.—

Recvd the undermentioned Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 42. 43.—

From the Persian Translator at Bengal.—

From Mr. Edmonstone - enclosing Original and Copy of the Governor Generals Letter to the Nabob advising him of his intention of proceeding on a Visit to the Nabob Vizier at Lucknow.—

From Commandant at Trincomalé.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Fraser representing the Doubts entertained respecting the Description of the five Ships that appeared off that port on the Evening of the 26th Ultimo.—

Despatched and Recvd the following Letters.—

To the Agents for the Ship Greenwich Stating the Conditions on which the Government are willing to purchase the Cargo of Rice on board that Ship deliverable at Trincomalé.—

To Messrs Chase Sewell & Chase

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 6th Instant and to acquaint you that Government will

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10th will purchase the 4000 Bags of Rice upon the following Conditions —

That the Greenwich shall proceed on or before the 15th Instant for Trincomalé the rest of the Voyage thither to be with the owners. —

That the Rice shall be taken at the rate of Seventy Pagodas (70) Pr Garce, and paid for on the receipt of the Certificate at Trincomalé, in Bills on the Governor General in Council at the exchange of three hundred and fifty five Arcot Rupees Pr 100 Star Pagodas — and 30 days Sight. —

That Three Bags of the Rice shall be landed immediately and inspected and Reported upon by the Garrison Storekeeper and if approved the foregoing Conditions to be conclusive. —

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I am
Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
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W. C. Jackson Esqr
Military Secretary

From the Agents of the Ship Greenwich accepting the offer abovementioned

Sir,

In reply to your letter of this date, respecting the purchase of the four thousand bags of Rice, for Greenwich, we request you will have the Goodness

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Goodness to acquaint the President in Council, that we agree to the Stipulations contained therein, and will give directions for three Bags to be immediately landed for the inspection of the Garrison Storekeeper.—

We have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Chase Sewell & Shaw

Madras
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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M B. Nos 44. 45. 46.—

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr. Roebuck, representing that the Troops at Trincomalie are much distressed for want of Cash.—

From the Surgeon of the Centurion

From Mr. John Stithen, enclosing a Bill for Medical Attendance on a Detachment of the 74th Regiment embarked on His Majesty's Ship Centurion.—

From Captain Allan Grant

From Captain Allan Grant, requesting that the Arrears of Pay due to him may be discharged.—

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Received the following Letters.—

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To Major General Clarke
Commander in Chief &c &c &c.

Sir.

I have the honor to forward a Letter and enclosure from Captain Tanner of the Artillery, which you will perceive he has transmitted to me for that purpose.—

I have the honor to be with Respect.
&c &c
(Signed) Thomas Gells

Mount
10th February 1797

From the Commandant of Artillery forwarding a Claim preferred by Captain Tanner to be allowed to draw his full Batta and Tent allowance while Absent from the Nizams Detachment on his Trial by a General Court Martial.—

To Major General T. Gells
Commanding the Corps of Artillery and Ordnance
on the Coast

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a Letter for the Commander in Chief and request (that after your having perused it) the same may be forwarded to him.—

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) J A Tanner
Capt. 2. Batt. Artly.

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To Major General Alured Clarke

Commander in Chief of the Troops on the Coast

&c &c &c

Sir,

I beg leave to lay before you a Circumstance of Material loss to me in my present disagreeable (however immerited) Situation and to hope that you will take it into consideration as a matter of real grievance it is as follows, —

Upon my arrival here (agreeable to your Orders under date the 11th November 1796) I received through the Channel of Captain Lieutenant Darke now in charge of my Company an Extract sent from (Paymaster Goldsworthy) to him as from the Military Auditor Generals Office a Copy of which I have the honor to transmit to you — By it will appear that the Payment of my Field Allowances is Stopped on the plea of my having left Camp by regular reliefs (which was not the case) the Officer now in Charge of my Company and Command of the Artillery there being only a Captain Lieutenant, who agreeable to the New Regulations cannot be attached to it even when I am on the Spot and of course

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his Command of it can be for the present only temporary, and mine (with all due Deference to your Judgement) I cannot consider as of my own seeking any otherwise then being willing to meet and confute the Charges that are now against me: as becomes an Officer and Gentleman. — Let me also observe that on the Service under his Highness the Nizam, a constant Field Equipage must be kept up, nor cannot be procured at pleasure (mine therefore) is in readiness now at Hydrabad for me against my return as the Company then is returned as mine and I am eventually expected to rejoin it. —

The very great expence also attending my Journey through a Country of a Despotic Prince adds to my loss, if this Check of the Auditors is admitted all these particulars will I trust appear obvious to you, and that you will sanction my Claim and lay it before His Lordship in Council, that my Allowance in the Field may be continued as heretofore, nor have I drawn what is now granted me — untill this representation is considered. —

I have the honor to Subscribe myself with the Utmost Respect

Yr Yr

(Signed) I. H. Tanner
Capt. & Brt. Majr
Lieut.

St. Thomas's Mount
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# Lieutenant I Goldsworthy

Paymaster to the Detachment
Serving with His Highness the Nizam

Sir,

In answer to the Query contained in your Letter of the 8th Instant whether Captain James Tanner Commanding the Company of Artillery with the Detachment who has been ordered to the Presidency to be tried by a Court Martial, is entitled to his Batta and Tent Allowance.—

I beg leave to inform you, that under the Circumstances of the Case I do not consider him entitled to draw these Allowances after the day he left the Detachment particularly as an Officer of that Corps has been Ordered to Relieve Captain Tanner who will consequently draw these Allowances and as the Pay and allowances of one Captain of Artillery only, is estimated for and Chargeable to his Highness the Nizam.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Wm Sydenham
Milty Aud Genl

Military Auditor
Genls Office
Fort S. George
January 1797

True Copy
(Signed) In° Goldsworthy
Paymaster

I do hereby Certify the above to be a true Copy of

the

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The Extract sent me by Captain Lieutenant Darke

(Signed) J. A. Tanner
Capt.n Asty

# The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

&c &c &c

My Lord,

From the Commandant at Chandernaghurry Nauzee Reddy having been surrendered to Tippoo's Officers the Alarm at Munglapett subsides.

The Alarm occasioned to the Inhabitants of Munglapett by the arrival of a Detachment of Tippoos Troops in their Neighbourhood of which I had the honor to Apprize your Lordship in my Letter of the 30th Ultc. I have just now learnt has in a great Measure subsided; — The Polygar of Munglapett having agreed to give up Nauzee Reddy — and that an Amuldar of Tippoo's called noor Mahomed Deen Cawn was arrived at Munglapett to receive him. —

The Detachment was commanded by a Sirdar named Asad Khan. it consisted of 1500 Sepoys. 100 Horse — 2000 Carnatic Peons with 4 Guns. and was encamped when the Hircarrah came away at a place called Sadovoo near Gootocull. —

I have the honor to remain,
&c &c
P. Mealy

Chandernaghurry
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# Observations of Government

## Medical Board

13th Febuary 1797

From the Medical Board the Medical Storekeeper applies for an Increase in his Establishment of Servants. State the cause of Mr. Argdiis not being in possession of a Counterpart of his Covenants and Recommend that he be admitted on the Establishment. —

Copy of this Paragraph has been sent to the Secretary in the Public Department

Having communicated to the Apothecary &c. — Secretary Webbs Letter of the 25th Ultimo and directed him to furnish the Accountant General with a quarterly Statement of the amount Valuation of the Medical Stores, he has Addressed a letter to us of which we have the honor to forward a Copy, and — recommend, on consideration of the reasons he has urged, that he be allowed to employ One Additional — Conicoply. One Sirkledar. and four Coolies, and that the pay of the Writer and two Coolies so long employed in the Office be increased the former to 12 Pags. has

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for Month and the latter
to 3 Pagodas each. —
We have called upon
Mr. Brydie to produce his
Indentures. in answer to which
he States, that on his —
appointment, he applied for
a Counterpart of his Covenant
and was informed by the —
Secretary at the India House
that it was not necessary. —
That he went thro' all the
necessary Forms — obtained a
Diploma from the —
Corporation of Surgeons, — gave
the usual Securities and paid
the Fees of Office. Mr. Brydie
has also laid before us a —
Certificate from Captain —
Wilkinson Commander of the
Honorable Company's Extra
Ship Isabella, declaring that
he was Ordered by the Court
of Directors to receive on —
Board

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Mr. Bydie has been
Notified in General
Orders. —

Board Mr. Charles Bydie
Assistant Surgeon on the
Madras Establishment and
afford him a passage to India
and that this order was lodged
in the hands of the Master
Attendant at Calcutta on the
12th of December 1795 being
the day of his Arrival at
that place. —

Were it necessary to
add any thing to these
circumstances we should feel
no hesitation in pledging
ourselves for the Correctness of
Mr. Bydie's Statement, from
the very Strong recommenda-
tions he has brought with
him, and the testimonies
of the Gentlemen under
whom he Acted during his

Stay

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Stay in Calcutta — We trust Government will see sufficient grounds for Admitting him on the Establishment or at least permitting him to act as an Assistant Surgeon until the Authenticity of his — appointment can be Ascertained. —

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
Colby L Lucas
Chief Surgeon

Received the Undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 47-48-49-50. —

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions

From Mr. Thardon recommending that Troops and Sold to the Inhabitants — and that the rotten Firewood at that Station be written off to Profit and Loss — Orders Committees to set on Grain sent from Cottapatam and Masulepatam for Store in the Gunboat Circar which appears to be in a very bad Condition. —

From the Garrison Storekeeper. —

From the Garrison Storekeeper stating that the Musler Bags of Rice, the Cargo of the Greenwich are

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are of good Quality and the price fixed (Twenty Pagodas Per Garce) very reasonable. —

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly. —

From Major General Floyd Representing that the Men of the Travancore Battalion doing duty at Madura are in very great destress for want of Pay. —

From D: D:

From D: Recommending that the Officers of the 36th Regement be reimbursed the Expence they have been put to (Viz: 250 Pags) in building a Regimental Mess Room at Wattcore. —

(W.)

## At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor — President

Major General Alured Clarke
Commander in Chief

Edward Saunders Esqr.
and
Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.

Tuesday
the
14th February 1797

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved. —

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Adjutant General of the Army.—

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.
Secretary Military
Department

Sir,

From the Adjutant General forwarding a Distribution of the Off Reckonings for the year 1795.—

By desire of the Commander in Chief, I have the honor to forward for the inspection of Government, the Distribution of the Off-
-Reckonings for the year 1795, as settled by the Committee of which Lieutenant Colonel Brown sat as President.—

I have the honor to be,
&c &c.
(Signed) By Close
Adjt Genl. of the
Army

Adjutant
General's Office
7th February 1797

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# Distribution of Off Reckonings to the Several Officers of the Army for the Year 1795.

Fort St. George 26th January 1797.

## Artillery Fund

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amount of Stoppages from the two Battalions and Gun Lascars attached as p^r Military Auditor Generals Computation from the Adjutant Generals Returns of the 31st December 1795 | | 14,826 - 6a |
| To be deducted Half mounting Money as p^r half mounting Rolls of Corps and Military Paymasters Register of Payments made by him upon Certificates according to prescribed form for | 517 20 - | |
| Contractors Charges for Cloathing as p^r his Acct particulars | 4150 33 - | |
| Packing Cartage hire and transporting at 4½ p^r Cent on the above Sum | 186 35 18 | |
| | 4854 43 18 | |
| Remains to be divided | | 9971 2 42 |

## Extra Shares to Commandants of Battalions

| | |
|---|---|
| To Lieutenant Colonel Gils Senior Lieutenant Colonel & Commandant 1st Battn. all the year | 1000 - - |

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" " Smith Comm^d 2^d Battalion — — — — — D^o — 600 " " 1,600 " "

## Dividend to Field Officers and Captains.

as p^r Adjutant Generals List of Officers.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lieutenant Colonel | Thomas Gibbs | all the year | 617 20/72 |
| | David Smith | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| Major | George Hall | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | George Saxon | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| Captain | Charles Carlisle | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | Charles Fred. Mandeville | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | Robert Bell | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | Fredway Clarke | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | Richard Howley | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | John Bell | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | W. B. Isache from 3 June to 31 December both days inclusive 210 days | | 344 . 66 |
| | James A Tanner | all the year | 617 20/72 |
| | John Campbell | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | Thomas Hayes | Ditto | 617 20/72 |
| | | | 9971 2/42 |

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# Infantry Fund

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amount of Stoppages from the European and Native Infantry effective As per Military Auditor Generals Computation from the Adjutant Generals Returns of the 31st December 1795 | | 68,191 11 70 |
| To be deducted from the above half Mounting Money for 1795 and 1796 as per half Mounting Rolls of Corps and Military Paymasters Register of Payments made by him upon Certificates according to prescribed form | | 1564 3 40 |
| Contractors Charges for Cloathing as per his Accot particular | | 2809 11 . |
| Packing Coolie hire and transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above Sum with the exception of Corps Stationed at Fort St. George | 1169 29 14 | 30323 13 54 |
| Remains to be divided | | 37367 13 16 |

## Shares to Adjutants of European Battalions
### As per Adjutant Generals List of Officers at Pagod as 240 per Annum

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1st Battalion | Lieutenant A Boyd | all the year | 240 . . | |
| 2d | Charles Armstrong | Ditto | 240 . . | |
| 3d | Nathaniel Forbes from the 1st January to the 3d of April being 93 days | | 64 19 58 | |
| | T. Coghlan - from 15th April to the 31st Dect being 261 days | | 171 27 60 | |
| 4th | Samuel Crane all the year | | 240 . . | 956 2 38 |

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## Extra Shares to Officers in Actual Charge of European Battalions at Pagodas 800 ℔ Annum

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1st Battalion | Lieutenant Colonel Cosnyngham | from 1st January to the 17th September inclusive 260 days | 569 39 30 | |
| | Captain Samuel Seaniett | from 18th to 30th September inclusive 13 days | 28 22 10 | |
| | Captain Wm Hussey | from the 1st to the 9th Octr. inclusive 9 days | 19 32 50 | |
| | Major George Wright | from 10th Octr. to the 30th Decr. inclusive 83 days | 181 40 70 | 800 . . |
| 2d Battalion | Major George Mecat | from 1st January to 7th June inclusive 158 days | 346 12 60 | |
| | Captain Walter Andersson | from 8th to the 11th June inclusive 4 days | 8 34 40 | |
| | Captain Thomas Parr | from 12th June to 1st July inclusive 20 days | 43 37 40 | |
| | Captain Adam Lindsay | from 2 to the 4th July inclusive 3 days | 6 25 70 | |
| | Captain Walter Anderson | from 5th to 17th July inclusive 13 days | 28 22 10 | |
| | Lieutenant Colonel Folson | from 18th July to 31st December inclusive 167 days | 366 2 20 | 800 . . |
| | | | 800 . . | 3356 2 38 |
| 3d Battalion | Lieutenant Colonel Frent | all the Year | | |
| | | Balance Carried over | | 3011 10 58 |

Balance of Infantry Fund Brought out ——— 34011 10 5½

## Extra Shares to Officers in Actual Charge of European Battalions Continued

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4th Battalion | Lieutenant Colonel Bidcliffe | from 1 January to 18th May inclusive — 138 days | 302 | 22 | 20 |
| | Captain George Waight | from 19th May to 10th June inclusive — 23 days | 50 | 18 | 30 |
| | Lieut. Colonel Bremenare | from 11th June to 4th July inclusive 24 days | 52 | 27 | " |
| | Capt. George Waight | from 5th to 31st July inclusive 27 days | 59 | 7 | 70 |
| | Major George Wahab | from 1 Augt. to 22 November inclusive — 114 days | 249 | 38 | 90 |
| | Capt. Aldwell Taylor | from 23d November to 31 Decr. inclusive — 39 days | 85 | 21 | 20 |
| | | | | | 800 . . |

## Shares to Field Officers at Pagodas 400 Pr Annum

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Colonel | John Braithwaite | all the year | | | 400 . . |
| | Eelis Nixon | Ditto | | | 400 . . |
| | Charles Fraser | from 5 Augt to 27th April | | | 128 9 45 |
| | Edward Ellers | all the year | | | 400 . . |
| | Joseph Bildcliffe | Ditto | | | 400 . . |
| Lieut. Colo. | George Cuningham | Ditto | | | 400 . . |
| " | Dugald Campbell | from 1 Augt to 26th February | | | 62 20 65 |
| | Thomas Trent | all the year | | | 400 . . |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Thomas Pendergast | Do | 400 | " |
| | Richard Tolson | Do | 400 | " |
| | John Cuppage | Do | 400 | " |
| | Robert Sale | Do | 400 | " |
| | Peter Bonneveaux | Do | 400 | " |
| | Alex[r] Wyatt | Do | 400 | " |
| | Daniel Burr | Do | 400 | " |
| | Francis Gordie | Do | 400 | " |
| Major | Henry Malcolm | Do | 400 | " |
| | A A Langley | Do | 400 | " |
| | George Roberts | Do | 400 | " |
| | Urban Vigors | Do | 400 | " |
| | George Muat | Do | 400 | " |
| | Archibald Brown | Do | 236 | 31 40 |
| | Thomas Dunwoody | from 1st January to 14th Augt | 400 | " |
| | Robert Corker | all the year | 332 | 2 40 |
| | George Fatheringham | from 1st March to 31st Dec[r] | 52 | 27 . |
| | John Cox | from 6th May to 22d June | 201 | 29 35 |
| | George Wahab | from 1st July to 31st December | 149 | 1 40 |
| | George Waight | from 13th August to 31st Dec[r] | 103 | 62 32 25 |
| | | Balance Carried over | 23,648 | 23 33 |

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Balace of Infantry Fund Brought Over ..... 23648 23 33

Shares to Commandants of Native Battalions at Rg.d 400 P Annum

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1st Battalion | Captain Edward Ferguson | all the year | | | 400 .. .. |
| 2d | —— | John Halliburton | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 3d | | John Maclean | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 4th | | Gabriel Doveton | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 5th | | Alexander Ceppage | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 6th | | Alexander Macpherson | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 7th | | Thomas Brewer | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 8th | | Thomas Leighton | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 9th | | John Bannerman | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 10th | | J. B. Butler | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 11th | | Daniel McNeile | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 12th | | Cary Lelande | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 13th | | James Alves | Do | | 400 .. .. |
| 14th | | George Wahab from 1st Jany to 30th June | | 198.15.45 | |
| | | A Gibbings from 14th July to 31st Decr | | 187.18.30 | 385.33.75 |
| 15th | | Alexander Read | all the year | | 400 .. .. |
| 16th | | Thomas Coke | Ditto | | 400 .. .. |
| 17th | | Thomas Gordon | Do | | 40 .. .. |
| 18th | | Joseph Little from 1st Jany to 6th March | | 71.10.25 | |
| | | Tomas Coke the remaining period | | 328.34.55 | |
| 19th | | George Law | all the year | | 400 .. .. |
| | | | | | 400 .. .. |

1st Company 1/97 Sgt Major

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 20th | George Lethringham from 1st Jany to 3d March | | 67 42 40 | | |
| | P. C Defy from 6th March to 31st Dr. | | 329 53 70 | 397 36 30 | |
| 21st | David Campbell | all the year | | 400 - - | |
| 22d | James Crum | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 23d | James Campbell | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 24th | Anthony Beale from 1st Jany to 23 Novr | | 358 16 10 | | |
| | A Lindsay from 1 to 31st Decr | | 39 43 55 | 392 14 65 | |
| 25th | Robert Cameron | all the year | | 400 - - | |
| 26th | John Cox | from 1st Jany to 5th May | 136 42 65 | | |
| | James Forbes | the remaining period | 263 2 15 | 400 - - | |
| 27th | George Stewart | all the year | | 400 - - | |
| 28th | Robert Mackay | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 29th | James Dalrymple | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 30th | Thomas Halcott | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 31st | Frances Torrins | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 32d | Edward Gibbings | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 33d | Edward Selfrey | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 34th | Donald Mac Donald | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 35th | William Henry | Do | | 400 - - | |
| 36th | James Jones | Do | | 400 - - | |
| | | | | 14375 40 10 | |
| | Balance Carried over | | | 9272 28 33 | |

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Balance of Infantry Fund brought over ..... 9272 28 33

2 Dividend to Commandants of Native Battalions at Pagodas 200 ₱ Annum

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Battalion Captain Edward Ferguson | all the year | | | 200 - - |
| 2 | John Fallbuston | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 3 | Hector Maclean | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 4 | Gabriel Dalton | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 5 | Alex[r] Cuppage | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 6 | Alex[r] Macpherson | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 7 | Thomas Bowyer | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 8 | Thomas Leighton | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 9 | John Bannerman | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 10 | J B Butler | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 11 | Daniel M[c] Neile | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 12 | Casey Lalande | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 13 | James Oliver | Ditto | | | |
| 14 | George Wahab | 181 Days | | 99 7 62 | |
| | A Gibbings | 171 Do | | 93 31 35 | 192 39 37 |
| 15 | Alexander Reid | All the year | | | 200 - - |
| 16 | Thomas Coke | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 17 | Thomas Gordon | Ditto | | | 200 - - |
| 18 | Joseph Little | 65 days | | 35 27 57½ | |
| | Thomas Poole | 300 Do | | 164 17 27½ | 200 - - |
| 19 | George Vere | All the year | | | 200 - - |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 20th | George Fothringham | 62 days | | 33 43 60 | |
| | C. C. Pope | 301 Do | | 164 41 75 | |
| 21st | David Campbell | all the year | | | 198 40 55 |
| 22d | James Aram | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 23d | James Campbell | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 24th | Anthony Beale | 327 days | | 179 8 5 | |
| | A Lindsay | 31 Do | | 16 44 27 | |
| | | | | | 196 7 32 |
| 25th | Robert Cameron | all the year | | | 200 . . |
| 26th | John Cox | 125 days | | 68 21 32½ | |
| | James Forbes | 240 Ditto | | 131 23 4½ | |
| | | | | | 200 . . |
| 27th | George Stewart | all the year | | | 200 . . |
| 28th | Robert Mackay | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 29th | James Dalrymple | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 30th | Thomas Halcott | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 31st | Frances Torrens | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 32d | Edward Gibbings | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 33d | Edward Tolfrey | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 34th | Donald McDonald | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 35th | William Henry | Do | | | 200 . . |
| 36th | James Innes | Do | | | 200 . . |
| | | | | | 7187 42 44 |
| | | | Balance Carried over | | 2084 30 59 |

Balance of Infantry Fund brought over ..... 2084 30 59

3 Devedend to Commandants of Native Battalions at Pagodas 200 ℔ Annum

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Captain George Fothringham | 62 days | 33 | 43 60 |
| John Cox | 125 Do | 68 | 21 32 |
| Jorge Wahab | 181 Do | 99 | 7 62 |
| Thomas Leighton | all the year | 200 | . . |
| James Olivier | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| George Stewart | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| Frances Torsens | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| Carey Leland | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| David Campbell | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| Alexander Macpherson | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| James Dalrymple | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| Alexander Read | Ditto | 200 | . . |
| | | 2001 | 27 74 |

Balance formerly Carried to the Fund of the ensuing year to be given to Captain Daniel McNeile, next in Seniority to Captain Alexander Read, as ℔r late Resolution of Government ..... 83 2 65

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# European Invalid Fund

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Amount of Stoppages as Per Military Auditor Generals Computation from the Adjutant Generals Returns of the 31 December 1795 | | | 5,836 40 20 |
| Contractors Charges for Clothing as Per his Account particulars | | 900 31 40 | |
| Payment made by the Military Paymaster on Certificate according to prescribed form as Per his Register | | 3 - - | |
| Packing Coolie hire and Transporting at 4½ Per Cent on the Contractor's Charges with the exception of Clothing delivered at Madras | | 34 20 26 | 938 6 66 |
| Remains to be divided | | | 4,898 33 34 |
| Shares to Field Officers and Captains at Pagodas 600 Per Annum. | | | |
| Lieutenant Colonel John Dupont | all the year | 600 - - | |
| John James Durand | Do | 600 - - | |
| Major John Short | Do | 600 - - | |
| Robert Scott | from 1st Jany to 12th February | 70 30 52 | |
| Captain George Hodsen | all the year | 600 - - | |
| Caleb Pearson | Do | 600 - - | |
| William Godfrey | Do | 600 - - | |
| William Hammond | Do | 600 - - | |
| Capt Lieut Brudenell (by Authority) | Do | 600 - - | 4870 30 52 |
| Balance to be Carried to the Fund of the ensuing Year | | | 28 262 |

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## Native Invalid Fund

Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation &c &c ..... 7018 21 60
Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct. particular ..... 2681 37 40
Ditto ..... Ditto ..... for packing Coolie hire & transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above Sums 92 21 27 — 2774 13 67
with the exception of Clothing delivered at Madras
To Major A. Allan Town Major of Fort St. George ..... 4244 7 73

## Native Cavalry Funds

### Body Guard

Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation &c &c ..... 735 24 -
Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct. particular ..... 338 17 10
To Lieutenant A. Grant Commanding ..... 397 6 70

### 1st Regiment

Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation &c &c ..... 1372 12 -
Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct. particular ..... 616 40 60
Do ..... Do for Coolie hire packing & transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above ..... 27 34 18 — 644 29 78
To Major John Murray Commanding all the year ..... 727 27 2

### 2d Regiment

Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation &c &c ..... 1715 6 -
Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct. particular ..... 786 4 30
Do ..... Do for Coolie hire packing and transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above ..... 35 16 67 — 821 21 17
To Major John Cater Commanding all the year ..... 893 29 63

### 3d Regiment

Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation &c &c ..... 1715 6 -
Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct. particular ..... 784 40 10
Do ..... Do for Coolie hire packing & transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above ..... 35 14 32 — 820 9 42
Remains to be deveded ..... 894 41 38
To Major James Stevenson from 1st Jany to 14th November ..... 779 30 66
Lieutenant Colonel Dugald Campbell the remaining period ..... 115 10 32 — 894 41 38

### 4th Regiment

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation pr 28 | | | 1372 12 - |
| Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct particulars | 640 40 10 | | |
| Do Do for Cable hire packing and Transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above | 28 37 64 | | 669 32 74 |
| To Captain Lieutenant Thomas Dallas from 1st January to 1st September | 469 28 64 | Remains to be devided | 702 24 6 |
| Major W. Augustus Young the remainder of the year | 232 40 22 | | 702 24 6 |

## 5th Regiment

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| Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation pr 28 | | | 1372 12 - |
| Contractors Charges for Clothing as per his Acct particulars | 648 4 10 | | |
| Do Do for packing Cable hire and Transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above | 29 7 30 | | 677 11 40 |
| To Major John Orr Commanding all the year | | | 695 - 40 |

## Pioneer Fund

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| Amount of Stoppages as per Military Auditor Generals Computation pr 28 | | | 1493 30 - |
| Contractors Charges for Clothing as per Acct particulars | 625 33 - | | |
| Do Do for Cable hire packing & Transporting at 4½ per Cent on the above | 28 7 20 | | 653 40 20 |
| To Lieutenant Dowse Commanding | | | 839 34 60 |

(Signed) A. Brown President

Approved
(Signed) Alured Clarke

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Ordered to lie on the table

Petitions from Venkatachellum and Dasamootoo respecting Errors in Mr. Maxwell's Statement of Compensation due to them for Houses & their property destroyed on Hog Hill

Ordered to lie on the Table.—

Read two Petitions (as entered in No. B Nos. 51 & 52) from Venkatachellum and Dasamootoo Son of Iyatamby deceased Proprietors of Houses and Grounds on Hog Hill, setting forth that they have been hitherto deprived of a considerable part of their property in consequence of an Error committed in the Valuation affixed by Mr. Hugh Maxwell and praying reference to the Books now in the Secretary's Office which will fully explain the Mistake.—

The Secretary's Statement of the Merits of the Petitioners.—

The Secretary reports to the Board that having been directed to take for his Guide in ascertaining the Sums due to the respective Claimants the Report of the Military Board and

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the Valuation affixed by Mr. Maxwell upon the Houses and Grounds on Hog Hill, he was not at liberty to rectify any error in those Statements without the previous Sanction of Government — He finds on reference to the Books an evident error in the Calculation of the Sums due to the Petitioners — Vencatachellum instead of the Sum of 26. 34. 4 has in justice a right to Claim 265. 25. 17 — and Dasamootoo instead of 16. 32. 68 is entitled to demand 163. 30. 65.

Resolution on the foregoing Subject

Resolved that the Mistake be rectified and that the Petitioners do receive Certificates for the full Sums due to them

Read the following letter from the Officer Commanding at Amboor. —

To W. C. Jackson Esq.
Secretary in the Military and Political
Department of Council Fort St. George

Four Letters from the Commandant at Amboor respecting a Claim advanced by the Chargull Polygar a Dependant of Seppoo Sultaun on a Tract of Country in the possession of the Nabob below the Ghauts, — and representing

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you for the information of the Right Honorable the President in Council, a Copy of a Malabar Letter just furnished me from the Nabobs Cutcherie of this place which as far as

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representing the alarm occasiond by the appearance of Armed Peons sent to enforce this Claim — requesting Instructions for his Guidance and permission to make disbursements in procuring Intelligence.

I understand its contents contains matter of importance which renders it my duty, to lose no time in forwarding the information to Government, in order I may be honored with such instructions as may be judged requisite for any interference of mine in the busines having on a former occasion, been forbid by the Honorable the Governor Sir Charles Oakeley to enter into any Correspondence with the Sultaun's people on the borders, upon such topics. —

By the method I am given to Understand that Yesterday, several of the Sultaun's head Men, near the borders came down the Padinaig Durgum Pass escorted by about 50 Armed Peons into a part of the Nabobs Country which is at the foot of the Pass and laid Claim to a certain extent of Ground, said to be about 40 Cowis of arrable land besides a great extent of Hill pasture, all of which has for many years been in the possession of the Nabob. —

That upon being reasoned with by the Nabobs people about their conduct they said that

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that it was for want of power to lay claim to this land that they had not done it sooner, that they had Papers and Documents to shew their Right and that the busines must be settled in eight Days.—

The Nabobs people tell me, that they have also Papers to Shew their Master's Right.—

That the same claim had once before been made just as Hyder ally entered the Carnatic in 1780, but that since the Peace with Tippoo Sultaun in 1784, the lands in question had belonged to his Highness the Nabob.—

Notice has just been sent me from the Cutcheree, that the Peons belonging to the Sultans people, mentioned in the inclosed Malabar Letter, to have been left at the foot of the Pass, have returned up into their own Districts.—

They further inform me, that the Cawlygarry Poligar of these Districts, has sent notice that he has from good Authority been informed, that the Sultaun's Aamildars of Vinkettygurry and Padenaig Durgum, have received instructions to send from 2 to 300 Peons to plunder the Amboor Districts.—

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Of the Letter upon the said Subject I shall have the honor of transmitting a Copy, when it is received from Coreattam, where it had been sent to the Head Amildar. —

A Rumour which is not well confirmed mentions, that last night a body of Armed Men, supposed to be the said Peons from the Sultans Country, had passed at the distance of 6 or 7 Miles to the Southward of this place to a range of Hills which Separates the Amboor from the Agrum Valley and had halted at a place within the said Hills about 10 or 12 Miles to the South East of Amboor, with intentions to Commence the Plundering, as already intimated by the Cauliyagarry Poligar to be intended. —

Thar being no Hircarrahs allowed me, nor Authority for employing men to procure Intelligence, also no Interpreter I have as yet had only to trust to the information from the Nabobs Cutcheree; but in consequence of these Reports, as I must necessarily employ some of my own People on whom I can depend, I have to Solicit the Authority of the

Right

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Right Honorable the President in Council, for making such Charges as may be thought sufficient to answer these purposes and likewise to be honored with orders in respect to employing or not, such part of the Company's Garrison under my Command here, as may be deemed proper against these plunderers should these Reports prove true. —

The whole of the said arrable ground claimed is below the Ghauts. the furthest off part, from hence being about 7 Miles and the nearest part approaching to the distance of about 4 Miles from the fort. in a Narrow Stripe along the side of the River. —

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) A Macpherson

Lt Colt Com[d]t at Amboor

Amboor
the 3 Febry 1797

To W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary to the Military and Political
Department Council

Fort S. George

Sir.

When in the act of dispatching the Letter

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I had the honor of writing you, respecting the Contents of the letter in Malabass, now enclosed and then alluded to. I had notice sent that I would in an hour receive from the Nabob's Cutcherree the fair Copy as now enclosed, together with the Copy of the other Letter alluded to, which not coming as intimated, I thought it best not to delay the despatch of my Letter especially as it contained what I am pretty certain, will be found in the enclosed — The other promised Letter is not as yet returned. I have therefore to request you will be pleased to lay this before the Honorable the President in Council and I have the honor to Remain

Sir

&c &c.

(Signed) A. Macpherson

Lt. Colt. Comg Amboor

Amboor
3 February 1797
8 Oclock P.M.

P.S. I have not as yet received any certain information respecting the Peons said to have passed into these Districts as mentioned in my last; but am inclined to think it is a mistake. The Inhabitants I understand are very much alarmed. —

Translation

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Translation of a Copy of Cadjan Letter from Tursdar of Damulchary in Amboor District and Pauper Reddy Cavanden of Doolapully To the Cercar Cutchary Dated 25th Tymausum of Rachasha year Answering to 3. — February 1796. —

We (about 100 Persons) went to the Mark on the Borders of our Country where the Amildar of — Venkatagherry and Kelledar of Peddanaig Durgum together with Nautoo Lumbeerdy or Accountants and — Inhabetants also some Peons all to the Number of 50 belonging to Tippoo Sultaun waited with accounts Papers and Documents, a Conversation took place — between them and as they declared that the Borders of their Country exists from the westward of the River to the Palacasum or the begining of the River Channel of Cumbasamodrum one of our Districts. Our Answer was we have enjoyed it usually they then said they have Documents in the hands of their Lumbeerdy or Accountant to prove their Right to it, and Requested we would inspect them, we demanded Reasons for their not having had laid a Claim to it hitherto, while they

have

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have such Documents, they said, that the weakness of their Government in rendering them redress hitherto, was the means of our having enjoyed the same, - we told them, that we are in possession of Papers, Accounts, and Documents in the hands of our Shumbardy Accountant in Support of our right, - we will therefore represent the whole of this Circumstance to our Superiors, they requested us to bring and produce the Accounts and Documents and said that until this account may be settled neither of the parties to have any Interference with the Crops on the Ground now in question and fixed a time of Eight days; - The Amildar of Venkatagherry returned, some Persons remaining there Still - I write this for your Information. -

(Signed) Subarayamodely
Peshcar

A true translation from the Malabar

(Signed) Annadawmy
Interr.

To

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To William C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary in the Military and Political

Department of Council

Fort S.t George

Sir,

Owing to the head Amildar having gone to Arcot. I have been unable to procure the Copy, I had the honor of promising to furnish. of a Letter from the Cauleguarry of this place for the Information of the Right Honorable the President in Council. —

That which is now enclosed is only from the Verbal Report of the Servant or as he is called the Vakeel. of the Caulyguarry made to the Nabobs Servants in the Cutcherie and by them sent to me. —

I have however. from all information I could obtain every reason to think the Statement correct and Sending out for information thereon, has hindered my writing to Government Sooner —

From what I understand of its Contents it would Seem very evident, that the Sultaunee —

Amildars.

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Amildars near the Borders, particularly of Venkittygurry tho' not openly employing Peons to plunder our Districts as mentioned in my last, yet that they connive at those practices is evident, as they give protection to the perpetrators. —

The Pass in which the Murder and Robbery was committed as stated in the enclosed is in the Districts of Congoondy and Close behind Timmumpett, being under Major Read's Authority as Superintendant of the Baramahal Collections. —

The Congoondy Polygar is the Cawlegarry of this place and Receives the Ruchsome, or customary allowance for protection from the Nabobs Circar of Amboor and Ageum. —

I have certain information from the People I sent out, that the 190 Armed Peons said in the enclosed to have come into our Districts is true Sixty of them came and Plundered a Bottle Tope about four Miles from this near a Village of the Nabobs called Carumboor and upon hearing that a party from the foot was coming against them

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them. they returned by Perumbell and Peddoor. the former Village being ours about 8 Miles South west of this place and the latter belonging to the Sultaun about 3 Miles further on. The Village of Ramacoopam is the Sultaums The other party of the Peons are said to have gone into that part of the Baramaul lying South of this by the Route of Alinguim and Baliguinta

I have duly had the honor of receiving your Letter of the 5th Instant containing the Right Honorable the President in Councils Orders which shalls be Strictly attended to. —

The Zemindars and some old Inhabitants came to me Yesterday with Papers which they have ready to produce when Ordered by his Highness, shewing the possession of the ground Claimed to have been as at present for 90 Years back, and I find that it was at the begining of the first Hyders War and not his last that the demand was before made in the same manner. —

They assure me that the boundaries of the grounds in question are clearly marked with Stones

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Stones and ascertained by their written Documents so that I should suppose the business can be easily adjusted as soon as his Highness's Orders arrive. —

I understand that the Claim is owing to the Poligar of Chargull having Lately got the Padamaygurgum Country upon certain Stipulations from the Sultan, who I suppose is ignorant of the Poligars present proceedings. —

The plundering is said to be meant as a sort of Retribution in consequence of what had within these two years back taken place of the same nature in the Sultan's Districts by the Poligars under his Highness the Nabob's protection. —

I have the honor to be,
&c &c.
(Signed) A. Macpherson
Lieut Col Comg at Ambaor

the 9th February 1797.

Translation of a Malabar Declaration from Uncatapen Watcher of Ambaor District Dated 29th Tymauseum or 7th February 1797. —

There were five Merchants of Colaur in Tippoo Sultans Country carried Jaghery. Bottle neat and

other

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the Goods to Valayanagur, who were on their return beaten and Robbed by the Robbers near Sarekuccanamma or Pass of Dimmapettah in the District of Congoondy. That Vencaty a Boy (the Son of Rungaru late of Rama Coopum in the District of Vencatagherry but at present of Rausupettah in the District of Cungoondy) who was implayed by those Merchants to conduct the Bullocks loaded with their Goods has spoke to the Robbers in the manner following.—

"Did you not reside formerly in "Coopum (meaning Rama Coopum aforesaid) and near "to my House, was you (meaning one of them) not a "Boy of Pittle Conda, and was he not Brotherinlaw to "Ramah, and was he not Soor apa Dummada Veneata= "=maury caudoo of Soobapaudoo and when there is a "friendship Subsisting between me and all of you from "a length of time, O father is it proper in you to "Commit such a Robbery"

Answer from the Robbers.—

We will not Inquire you but we have some thing to speak to you and despatch you afterwards

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afterwards,—

They took him thus into the Woods, tyed him to a Tree and killed him by having cut and seperated his head from the Body.—

The Merchants aforesaid and the Parent of the Unfortunate Person together with the Watcher of the Woods, searched for the Boy and discovered the Dead Body and made a Complaint to Vencatapaty Naig of Cungoondy, who on being told the names of the five of the Robbers, as was called by the said unfortunate Boy when he was life, required his People to give an Account of the Place to which those Robbers belonged to.— their Answer was, that some of them Residents of Vencataghurry District and others of Ranna Coopum he then appointed four of his Officers named Mooto Veeraroh Puntee Timmanah Sevaramapooram Pittycawn and Sichelum Venkatapen and sent them with some Peons to go and treat with the Amuldars of Ramaucoopum and Vencataghurry and Seige and bring the Robbers before him after having shewn them to the above Amuldars, they went accordingly

and

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and gave proofs to the Amildar that the Robbers (now in question) were among the Detachment of 150 Coons and Requested to Restore the Property that was Robbed but they declared that the Stolen property cannot be returned, while the above said Officers were treating further on the Subject, The Detachment of 150 Robbers proceeded to the Eastward, some Friends for those Robbers demanded to know from them the reason of their proceeding to the Eastward when the Officers came from Cungoondy to demand the Property, their answer was evasive.- The Officers returned and made a Report of this Circumstance to the Naig (Meaning Venkatapoty Naig of Cungoondy) he by way of an Answer told the Owner or Merchants of the Goods that he is ready to punish the Offenders if he has Orders for so doing from any Superiors.- This is drawn by Amboor Peshcar

(Signed) in Gentoo Venkatapa Rauze
of Cungoondy

A true translation from the Malabars

(Signed) Annaswamy.
Interpreter

To

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To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary in the Military and Political
Department of Council

Fort St. George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, two Copies (one in Gentoos and one in Malabars) of two Letters brought to me this Morning from the Nabob's Cutcheree of this place, those marked Number one being Copies of what is said to have been written to the Poligar of Chargull, (now Stiling himself Pedr Naig) from the Cutcheree of this place, upon the first Claim having been made; and the two Marked N° 2. were given me as true Copies of the Poligars Answer. By it I am given to Understand that what was mentioned in my Letter of the 9th Instant, in respect to this Poligar, is Actually, not only the case, but that instead of the small Stripe of Land, as mentioned to have been claimed at first, that he now lays claim to a tract

Stretching

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Skatching in her Highness's Country from Coochbendo
Fort, which lies about 22 Miles North West of Amboor
all the way below the Hills which we call the Ghaut
by the way of Cudapanattam to Wanumbaddy, which
the Baramahal and is about 13 Miles to the South,
(a little westerly) of Amboor. — I am not able to ascertain from the Polygars Letter whether the Fort of Amboor, is meant by him to be included in his Claim, but two or Three of the Villages mentioned in his Letter are in the Amboor Districts, nor can I see how he could presume to lay Claim to the Strong Fort of Mallikurjingur any more than to this. —

Some considerable degree of Alarm having taken place among the Inhabitants I presume to hope, that it will meet with the approbation of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, should I find it expedient to Station a few Small guards, in our Villages upon the Borders in order to give confidence to the Ryots, and prevent such Loss of Revenue to her Highness the Nabob as might be occasioned

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occasioned by their absconding while these matters are in dispute. —

It is to point out the immediate probable necessity for such Guards that this Paper Marked № 3 is sent. The Village near which the Murder of the Man happened is not much more than 3 Miles from hence. The Guards will of Course be warned, against passing our Frontiers and positively prohibited from committing any Act of hostility unless their own defence or Seizing the plunderers should render such necessary. —

I have the honor to be,

&c &c.

the 11th February 1797

(Signed) A. Macpherson

Lt Colo Comg at Amboor

Translation of a Copy of a Letter To Pedda Naig Poligar of Peddanaig Durgum — Dated 30th Tymausum or 7th February 1797

You have called for the Western Man to lay a false Claim to the Ground attached to the Borders of my District near Puttalapulla

Saying

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Saying the same is belonged to the limits of Pedda Naig Durgum and yet you pretend to be ignorant of this matter - You have likewise Stationed your People to Commit Disturbances so as to infest the Roads by beating and Robbing the Merchants, and other Travellers from Paramampat in the District of Sautghur These Complaints reached to his Highness Ushmud Jung Bahadur in the Circar That although I personally endeavoured to impress in his mind that the People of Ghaurgul cannot be the means of such a Conduct at the time when I happened to call there, yet he intertained a great displeasure towards you, you are Poor and friend of mine, It was my intention to remove you from such a Strong displeasure, but you do not appear to deserve any honor, for you have taken upon yourself to act upon trifling occasion -

The Day before yesterday you have caused Six of the Weavers out of Ten to be beaten and Robbed of their Baggages containing Cloth to the Value of 20 or 30 Pagodas near Paria Tope, or large Garden of Paumoor on the Road to Paramampat

from

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from the Grand Market, you never omitted a day without Robbing the Travellers in the Road I have hitherto out of Regard to your Cowmes, saved you from the difficulties as well as from the displeasure of the Durbar; your have by your own Conduct brought such a Distress and difficulty upon yourself That if ever I hear the Disturbance of the Robber in future within these limits, you will then come to know, the punishment and Distress to which you will be Subjected — I desire you will consider the Spirit of this letter and desist such a line of Conduct in future you must have a precaution in regulating your future Conduct as the distress to which you will be rendered is inevitable incase any complaint of such a nature in any part of the place happens, you should not follow the Council of mean people, but act with Prudence in compliance with what is herein required I write this out of Regard to your friendship. —

The Inhabetants and Paurputtagar or Manager wrote to me that Vauly Venkatachellum came to Puttalapurla with your written order which he has

shewn

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shewn to all the Inhabetants and others, and informed them that he was employed to Seize the Villages in the Borders of Puttalapulla and Sickum and that he will do so within Sixteen Days — This Circumstance corroborates with the Arrival of Western People (which was eight days after) to lay a false Claim to the Ground in the Borders, & Sicrete what had come to my Knowledge —

This letter is a Copy of one addressed to Naig (meaning Pedda Naig)

Copied from Gentoo by Loobaray Moodely

A true translation from the Malabar

(Signed) Arinadawmy
Interpr.

There is a Gentoo Letter of the same Tenor and Date. —

Translation of a Malabar Letter from Pedda Naig of Pedda Naigs Durgum To Macar ally Cawn Saib Dated 3. Mausee or 11th February 1797. —

I received your Letter and Understand its contents wherein you informed me that Tursday or Manager wrote you a Letter acquainting you therein that I have caused Robberies to be committed in the Districts on the Borders of Puttalapulla and

Sickum

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Sickum, why should such an Order have been given by me to Seize the Villages within the limits of Puttalapulla and Sickum? — The Order which I have given must be respecting the limits of my Country. After any Person may appear with a Claim to the Ground to Establish the Circars Right The Judge who would make a particular Investigation will find that the limits of my Country exist as far as the Borders of Coothoopunta and Cuddapanatum to the Northward and as far as Mullavar Nullar Naigs Durgum alias Mullaverchana Durgum and Vaunsampandy — otherwise If there is any one who can run throughout the limits to establish the Right. it shall be Submitted to beyond all doubts, without following such a mode. It is improper to accuse me thus by the advice of others. I write this for your Information out of Regard to your Friendship, write to me what is to be done on the occasion. —

(Signed) Soobaroy Moodely

A true translation

(Signed) Annasawmy Interpr.

There is a Similar Letter of the same Tenor and Date. —

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Translation of a Paper in Malabars shewing the Particulars of the Robbery Committed within the District of Amboore by the Poligar of Shaurgul Dated 3. Maucee or 11th February 1797.—

The Poligar of Shaurgul at the destance of a Mile to the Westward on the Road to Amboore between Machumpet of the said District of Amboore and Choolaghery near Damelcheroo has frequently robbed the Baggages containing the Cloth of the Travellers once in every two or three Days, to the 27th Tymausum or 5th February cut and Carried the Crops as also Paddy heaps and Injured the Betle and Vegitable Gardens in the Circar Villages.—

On the 28th Tymausum or 6th February—Ten of his People came, beaten and Robbed the Weavers and Oil Mongers of their Merchantable Cloth which they purchased at Paranapet in the District of—Saulghur.—

On the 2d Maucee or 10th February one of the Travellers head has been cut on the otherside of Paulcore Tope or Gardin, and carried after having thrown the Body there.—

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The Inhabitants therefore say they cannot reside with safety under such Depredations.—

(Signed) Soobaroy Moodely
Peshcar of Amboor

A true translation

(Signed) Annasawmy Interpr.

(There is a Gentoo Paper of the same Tenor & Date.)—

On the 5th Instant the following Letter was Written to the Officer Commanding at Amboor.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson.

Commanding at

Amboor.

Sir,

To the Commandant at Amboor with instructions for his Guidance on the foregoing Subject. and Authority to incur such Expence as may appear necessary in procuring Intelligence.—

I am directed by the President in Council to Acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 3 Instant and to acquaint you that you are to afford every protection in your power, having due Regard to the Security of your post, to the Inhabitants actually belonging ~~to the Pensacles~~ and if any armed Poms belonging to the Mysore Country shall be detected in plundering within our Boundaries, you will use your best endeavours to apprehend their Persons taking especial care that the

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the Troops employed on the occasion do not on any pretence pass the Frontier — You will at the same time notify to the Nabob's Servants that they are on no account to enter into a discussion with Tippoos People — but to refer whatever Claims may be preferred, to their Highnesses who will communicate the same to Government. —

I am further directed to acquaint you, that all the Information that can be procured upon this Subject is very desirable and that every reasonable Sum disbursed by you in procuring Intelligence &c. will be defrayed on a Representation of the necessity of the case to the President in Council. —

I am
&c &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Sec.y

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Read the following Letter from his Highness the Nabob. —

Translation

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Translation of a Letter from His Highness the Nabob of the Carnatic &c &c &c To Major General Alured Clarke &c &c &c

Dated 7.th
Recd 8.th } February 1797

From the Nabob communicating the Claim advanced by the Chegalt Poligar to a tract of Ground in the dependency of Amboor and the depredations committed by the Peons of Venkatagherry and Pedrauy Durgum on the Districts of the Carnatic.—

I transmit enclosed, Copy of a Letter received from my Naib at Arcot and request that you would send a Transcript of my Letter and that of my Servant to the Nawab Tippoo Sultaun with a Request that he may depute a confidential person for the purpose of Adjusting the territorial difference which is a business extremely Simple.—

I intend God willing to send a proper Agent from hence on my part to meet the other Deputy.—

What more?

Enclosures

Translation Copy of a Letter from Meehmut Jung Bahadur.—

Dated 5.th Febrary 1797

I transmit inclosed for your Highness's — o
Information Copy of a Letter written by the Amil of
Salgur

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Satgurr and Amboor. detailing the arrival on the Banks of the Nedpilly River dependant on Amboor, of the Helladars of Venkatagherry and Pednaik Droog belonging to the Nawaub Tipoo Sultaun with a Body of Peons and their having made an unprecedented opposition to reaping the Harvest there under pretext that the Territory belongs to themselves - the Amildar however States that the Revenue there has always been Collected by the Sirkar - and that those Helladars have set on foot Claims equally unusual and unwarrantable. -

More would be disrespectful. -

Translation Copy of a Letter from Mahir Ali Khan - dated 4th February 1797

The Village of Nedpilly dependent on Amboor which is Situated near the Ghauts has, contiguous to it, a River which has its Source in the Cuddapanattah Bala Ghauts - the Mountains in the Vicinity of the abovementioned Village are Situated half in the Territory of the Nawaub Tipoo Sultaun

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Sultaun and half in that of the Sirkar the Ground on each Bank of the River is Cultivated and the produce is the property of the Sirkar as has been Admitted from a remote period —

The Zemindar of Charcull has lately asserted however that some of the Land contiguous to the River and Mountains belongs to him and I have this day learnt that the Zemindars of Pedmanaik droog and Venkatgerry dependent on Tippoo Sultaun having descended the Ghauts with a Body of Troops assembled at a Mosque in the proximity of the River, and oppose the Reaping of the Harvest there alleging that the Ground is their territory I have heard that a Claim of this kind was formerly advanced but I know that the produce has always been received by the Sirkar and that the place does not belong to them: —

I have understood that it is the Charcull Zemindar who has deluded the Hilladars with this Story and excited this trouble, for Venkatagherry and Pedmack droog were, formerly under him, tho now

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Sequestered by the Sultan. —

I have written to the Amil of Ambore.

directing him to proceed with some of the principal Ryots and Sympertics to the Village of Neelpilly and to take with him some Force I have also instructed the Amil of Satgur to repair to the said Confines, with a Body of efficient Peons, in order to confer respecting this business with the other party — and that if they refuse to be convinced and persist in opposition, the necessary Information e. should be expeditiously communicated to me, detailing the particular occurrences of every day. —

I have represented these Circumstances to you, that you may transmit the Statement for the Information of his Highness — and any Subsequent e. Incidents which may take place shall be duly reported. —

true translations

Signed J. A Falconar

Dy. Sy. to Govt.

Resolved

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Minute thereon

Resolved upon mature Consideration of the above Papers that the following Letter be written to Tippoo Sultaun.—

## To Tippoo Sultaun

To Tippoo Sultaun on the foregoing Subject communicating that the Claim advanced by the Chargull Poligar may be settled by an amicable Enquiry—and that immediate Steps may be taken for preventing his Subjects from making predatory Incursions into the Carnatic.—

It has been represented to me by the Officer Commanding at Amboor that the Amildars of Venkatagherry and Pednaig Durgum accompanied by a Number of Armed Followers entered the Boundaries of the Carnatic on the 2d of this Month, and Claimed from the Servants of the Circar a Spot of Ground on the banks of the Nulpilly River which had from a Remote period been considered as a portion of the District of Amboor and Consequently a dependency of the Carnatic— It has been further Stated that the Zemindar of Chargull has excited the abovementioned Amildars to prefer this Claim and not only so, but that he has given encouragement to Robbers to infest the Borders.—

I have judged it right in consequence of the Friendship which Exists between us to—

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communicate these matters to you, and to request you will give positive orders to your Servants to refrain from entering the Districts of the Carnatic with Armed Followers and to discourage these predatory incursions which are so baneful to both Countries. If the right to the Ground in question be not clearly ascertained, an amicable enquiry can be set on foot; and I shall be prepared to Adopt any method you may Suggest to this end. —

The means that have been recently employed by my direction to put an end to the disturbances on the Frontier occasioned by plundering Parties, must have convinced you of the Sincere disposition which I have to maintain the present tranquility I am sure you have this object equally at heart and will therefore feel every inclination to prevent any Circumstance from interfering with it

May Health and Prosperity ever attend you.

What can I say more?

(Signed) Hobart

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Read the following Letter from Sir Robert Abercromby.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council &c &c &c

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My Lord,

From Sir Robert Abercromby notifying his arrival at Columbo and his intention to retain his Command in Chief till he embarks finally for Europe.—

My determination to proceed to Europe on the Berrington Indiaman has been notified to you by the Supreme Government, and I have now the honor to inform you, that I arrived here this morning. As some time must elapse before the departure of the Ship, and as it is not my intention to resign the Chief Command of the forces in India during my continuance on this Island, I shall be happy to be honored with any Commands your Lordship may be pleased to give me.—

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) Robt. Abercromby

Columbo

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Ordered

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Minute thereon.

Ordered that the receipt of the above Letter be acknowledged.—

Read the following letter from the Commander of the Private Ship Fairlie.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council.—

My Lord,

From the Commander of the Ship Fairlie stating the terms on which he is willing to convey the 36th Regiment from Negapatam to Cochin.—

Understanding that a Ship is wanted to carry his Majesty's 36th Regiment from Negapatam to Cochin I beg to tender the Ship Fairlie for that purpose—

I shall be ready to proceed from hence to Negapatam on the 17th Instant to take on board the Regiment their followers Stores and Baggage (including any that may be at Madras) and from thence to go direct to Cochin, where I will land the Regiment &c. on Condition of receiving Two thousand five hundred Pagodas by Bills on Bengal, to be granted the one half on my departure from Madras, the other on a report being made of the Conditions of the Agreement having been fulfilled.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Elliot

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Minute thereon.

Resolved that the proposals of Captain Elliot be accepted.—

Read the following Letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal.—

To W. C. Jackson Esq.

Secretary at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal enclosing Copies of Regulations Established there as a Guide by which to determine the Amount of Compensation to be allowed to Officers for Horses and Baggage, lost in actual Service—and Recommending the Subject to the attention of this Government.—

The Governor General in Council, having had before him a Copy of the late "Regulations for the indemnification of losses Sustained by Officers and Soldiers of his Majesty's Forces on Actual Service;" and deeming it expedient that Regulations on the same Subject should be prepared, applicable to the Situation of Officers and Soldiers on this Establishment including those in the Service of His Majesty, has Resolved that the Rules and Rates of Compensation contained in the accompanying paper, shall be observed in future, and I am directed to request that you will lay them before the Right Honorable the

President

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President in Council with his recommendation that they may be Adopted at Fort St. George, as far as circumstances will Admit, provided his Lordship sees no objection to the measure. —

2d. As the General Officers on the Staff and all Officers attached to Native Corps on this Establishment are in the receipt of Monthly allowances from the Company, for the provision of Tents and the Carriage of them, and as all other Officers who have not a Monthly Allowance for Camp Equipage are furnished with that Article from the Company's Stores, the Governor General in Council considers any Indemnification for the loss of Camp Equipage or Carriage, totally unnecessary, and that Article has therefore been left out of the Table in the Accompanying Paper. —

3d In fixing the Table the rates of Indemnification established by his Majesty's Regulations have been adhered to, valuing the pound Sterling at 10 Sicca Rupees. —

4th The Quarter Masters of Cavalry in the Company's

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Company's Service being commissioned Officers they are to receive Indemnification according to their Ranks.—

5th The 17th Article of the King's Regulations allows a Servant not being a Soldier £3.10.. but as the Servants of Officers or Camp Followers in this Country are numerous the Governor General in Council is of Opinion it would be loading the Company with a heavy Expence to allow any thing for Servants; and as the Regulation was no doubt meant for European Servants, a description of people that does not take the Field with the Armies in India, they have not been included in the Table.—

6 There are no rates in the Table for the loss of the Baggage of Native Officers or privates of Cavalry, Infantry, or Lascars. the Governor General in Council not deeming it necessary to lay down any Regulation on the Subject, as these people are well paid, and have a very little and very unexpensive Baggage.—

7 His Majesty's Regulations provide Indemnification not only for horses killed or taken by

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by the Enemy; but for such as shall be shot for the Flanders; but the Governor General in Council, does not think it necessary to extend the allowance to such Cases.—

8 The allowances in his Majestys— Regulations for horses, are less than in the— Company's Service, but the Governor General in Council deems it fair that the Officers of both— Services should be on a footing according to their respective Ranks and the Table is made out— accordingly Confining the Indemnification for horses to the description of Officers specified in the Accompanying Copy of Regulations laid down by this Government on the 13th of March 1795- with a difference Suggested by the Commander in Chief in allowing 500 Rupees instead of 700 for the horses of Subalterns and to Staff of that Rank—

9 His Majesty's Regulations direct the Baggage of all Staff Officers both of Cavalry and Infantry, to be Valued as those of Subaltern Officers but in the Accompanying Table, Staff Officers

are

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are to receive Indemnification according to the
Staff Pay they may receive.—

10 The Governor General in Council
observes that the Troops Serving in this Country
are better paid and enjoy more Advantages than
those in any other part of the World; and tho the
publication of the printed Rules in his Majesty's
Service might be necessary elsewhere, yet foreseeing
that a great deal of Trouble and innumerable —
applications would result from the publication of
the Regulations here, he has therefore not deemed
it proper to publish them, but proposes only to —
consider them as rules for the guidance of —
Government in granting Indemnifications to Troops
on Actual Service, at the Recommendation of the
Commander in Chief, or the Commanding Officer
of the Forces. —

Fort William
the 16th January 1797

I am
&c &c.
(Signed) J. Thornhill
Sub Secy.

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# Draft Regulations Relative to indemnification for the Loss of Baggage and Horses on Actual Service.—

Art. 1. Table of Rates of Indemnification for losses Sustained by Officers and Soldiers of his Majesty's and the Honorable Company's Forces on the Bengal Establishment, on Actual Service, at the exchange of 10 Sicca Rupees per Pound Sterling. — £ S.a R.s

For the Whole Personal

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Infantry & Artillery | Baggage of a Colonel | 120 | 1200 |
| | Ditto of a Lieut. Colonel | 100 | 1000 |
| | Ditto of a Major | 100 | 1000 |
| | Ditto of a Captain | 80 | 800 |
| | Ditto of a Subaltern | 60 | 600 |
| Cavalry | Baggage of a Colonel | 140 | 1400 |
| | Ditto of a Lieut. Colonel | 120 | 1200 |
| | Ditto of a Major | 120 | 1200 |
| | Ditto of a Captain | 90 | 900 |
| | Ditto of a Subaltern | 70 | 700 |

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| Infantry & Artillery | For the Baggage of a Serjeant | 2. 10. | 25. | " " |
| | Ditto ... of a Corporal | 2. 2 | 21 | " " |
| | Ditto ... of a Drummer | 2. 2 | 21 | " " |
| | Ditto ... of a Private | 2. 2 | 21 | " " |
| Cavalry | For the Baggage of a Serjeant | 2 15. | 27. | 8. |
| | Ditto ... of a Corporal | 2 10 | 25 | " " |
| | Ditto ... of a Trumpeter | 2. 10 | 25 | " " |
| | Ditto ... of a Trooper | 2 10 | 25 | " " |

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4 A Certificate in the following terms must be produced in order to entitle a Person to Indimnification for loss of Baggage.—

I A B. do hereby Certify. upon my honor, (if a Commissioned Officer) that the whole, or half, (expressing the estimated proportion) of my Baggage, consisting to the best of my belief of (here follows the detail) was taken or destroyed by the Enemy

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Enemy on the — of — (as the case may have happened), at (the Place) whilst I was employed in the execution of my Duty Given under my hand at the (Signed) A. B.

5 When there is a Baggage Master, to the Army or Detachment he and the Officer Commanding the Rear Guard shall be required to attest the Circumstances of such losses and that the Person who shall have lost the baggage, was not deviating from any of the orders of the General, or Officer Commanding in Chief relative to the Baggage and to Countersign the Certificates after inserting such attestation. —

6 Certificate of the loss of Baggage of a Non Commissioned Officer or private. —

I. A. B. Commanding the Battalion Regiment, do hereby Certify upon my honor that I do verily believe that C. D. (the Name and Rank of the Non Commissioned Officer, or Private) belonging to my Company did on the date, of at (Place) lose by their being Captured

or

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or destroyed by the Enemy the Articles of Baggage, expressed, in the Annexed List which I have — Subscribed and that the Article so Captured, or destroyed (as the case may be) were equal, according to the best of my belief, and opinion in value to 1/2 1/4 or 3/4 or the whole of the scale established as the compensation for the whole Baggage for a non-Commissioned Officer, (or Private as the case may be)

Given under my hand, this of at-

A. B.

I Which Certificate must in like manner be attested by the Baggage Master and Officer, who Commanded the Rear Guard, or party from which the Baggage was lost as in Article 5) and be — finally certified by the Commanding Officer of the Battalion, to which the Non Commissioned Officer or Soldier belonged, expressing his belief of the Justice of the Claim made, —

Compensation

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8 Compensation for Horses.

Officers above the rank of Subaltern to be allowed for each Horse ——— £300. .. ..

Subaltern officers ... Do. ——— 500 .. ..

9 The Regulations ispued by Government on the 13th of March 1795 which specify the particular Officers entitled to Horse Money when their Horses are — killed. in Action. are Confirmed with the — Alteration abovementioned. —

A true Copy /

(Signed) I. Thornhill
Sub Secy

Minutes of Council 13th March 1795

"It being indispensible for the due — "discharges of the duties of Certain Descriptions of Officers "that they should be on Horseback in Action, and it being "Reasonable as well as Customary in all Services that "such Officers should receive a Compensation for Horses "which may be killed or disabled at those times, "the following Regulations are laid down —

That

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"That the Sum allowed as a
"Compensation for each Horse killed or disabled
"in Action be Sonat Rupees 300".—

"That the following description of
"Officers be entitled to this Compensation, Viz.t
"General Officers—Field Officers—Officers Commanding
"Corps in time of Action of whatever Rank—Adjutant
"General—Deputy Adjutant General—Quarter Mr
"General—Deputy Quarter Master General—Aid de
"Camps—Secretary and Persian Interpreter—Brigade
"Majors—Brigade Adjutants and Quarter Masters
"Adjutants of Corps—Quarter Master of Corps."—

"That upon Sufficient proof being
"laid before the Commander in Chief or Officers
"Commanding the Army engaged in Action that
"the Horse of an Officer Comprehended in the
"foregoing discriptions was killed or disabled in the
"Action he shall attest the same by Countersigning
"the Bill.—

"That the foregoing Rules apply to all
"Officers of Cavalry".—

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"The foregoing Regulations being framed on the Principle that Officers in the Situations specified in the 2d Article are in all Services expected to be mounted, no Plea is to be founded upon them for a Claim to Horse Allowance from Officers who are not entitled to the same by the existing Regulations.—

A true Copy

(Signed) F. Corfield

Asst to the Mily Aud. Genl

A true Copy,

(Signed) J. Thornhill

Sub Secy

Memde on the foregoing Letter from Bengal.—

Resolved that the Military Auditor General be furnished with Copy of the above and directed to Report thereon.—

Read the following Letters from the Resident at Tanjore.—

The

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The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Resident at Tanjore stating the Mode lately adopted by the Rajahs Renters in order to conceal Chinniahs influence in the Management of the Country from the Notice of the Company's Representatives - Copy of one of the Yaadees or receipts issued for Money paid to Chinniah, by the Renters enclosed -

The Rajahs Managers being under great Alarm and Anxious to Veil their Real Situation with Chinnia, have issued Orders that all Yaadees taken in future are to bear no trace of his Debt &c. I have procured a few Copies of some of these new Fabrications and enclose herewith Copy and Translation of one (N° 15) as an instance. —

Your Lordship will observe by this that the name of Chinniahs head Man of the Soubah is Studiously Omitted and the Circumstance of the Rajahs Debt entirely Sunk and in place of it the Sum is Represented as paid in part of the November Kist to the Company. —

I likewise enclose another of the first Sort of Yaadees for a Sum of Chuck 300 on Account of the Rajah's Debt. —

It is needless to Remark on the cause

which

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which has produced this Sudden Change in the
form of the Yaadies:—

I have the honor to be,
& &
(Signed) Alex.r Macleod
Rest.

Tanjore
26 January 1797

Yaadee (Memorandum.) given by Soubiah Puttuedar
of Tungoody in the Soubah of Tuwady in the 2 day of
Semmadil Nukur in the year Subbatefs Sign mya
Aliff (January 1797) That out of the late Casst Harvest
of the said Puttuerum was paid the Sum of
Chuckl. 170.

The above 170 Chuckrums was paid
at the Shop of Chunnia Moodely on Account of the
Rent of November last paid by Chunniah Moodely
to the Honorable Company at Madras—

This should be entered in the Treasury
account of the Circar here.—

Written by Krishnajee Sunnajee Vaigal
(Hejib) of the said Puttuedar

A true translation
(Signed) Alex.r Macleod
Rest.
Yaadee

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Yaadee Given by Gunnapetty Iyah Puttundar of
Ramachundrapoor in the Soubah of Trevady of which
Vencat Ramiah is head Manager on the 2 of
Summadi Aaker in the year Subbaliff Sign my a
Aliff (January 1797) That from the late Caar harvest
of the said Puttucum has been paid
Chuckrums 300.

The above 300 Chuckrums are on account of
the Debt due to Chinnia Moodely of Sr Pagodas
1,31,300.. 1/2 3 1/2 /6 and have been paid directly to
Anuntiah Chinna Moodely's Shroff here to
Certify the above payment I have written this
Paper to be Registered in the Palace accounts.

Written by Sewajee Sumbajee
Writer (Caapeneep) to the said Puttundar

A true Translation
(Signed) Alex. Macleod Asst.

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor in Council

From the Resident at Tanjore
States the Measures
Adopted by the
Mortgagees in order to
realize Money Expeditiously
on the Sales of the present
Caar Crop. Copy of
another Yaadee enclosed.

My Lord Fort St. George

I have the honor to acquaint your
Lordship that the Rajahs Managers have fixed
the prices of the Caar Paddy of this Fusley year
as follows.—

In

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In Trwady — G.F. 1/16th Pr Cullum

In Myaveram & Manargoody } 15/16th Pr Do.

In Combaconum 1 9/16 Pr Do

The above prices are generally allowed here to be lower than the Actual Average Selling price and it is said that the Managers fixed on these low Rates that they might Collect the Money with greater Rapidity, on Account of their Apprehension that the Soubahs will soon come under the Company's Management. —

The Pilly or Estimate of the Grain in the Amanee Lands has been fixed and orders issued to reap the Crops with the Utmost Expedition. —

The Werry or first Collection on account of the Dry Grain (Putt Cutt) of the Robiaum Harvest of 10 Fanams Pr % Cullums has commenced some days since. —

Yesterday Shanker Row the Sirkeel's Brother arrived at this place with posted Boys from Madras. —

I have the honor to be,
&c.
(Signed) Alex. Macleod Resr.

Tanjore
29th January 1797

P.S. I beg leave to inclose Copy and Translation of another Yaddee received this Day it is for 760 Chuckrs.

Translation

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## Translation of Yaadee

Yaadee (Memorandum account) given by Lamba Shiva Moodely and others Puttuedars of Terromurgul in the Mayaveram Soubah which is under the Management of the Villadar Vencatachel Iyan on the 1st of Rajub in the year Subbatiy Sign nya dliff (31st December 1796) that from the said Puttuvum has been paid. —

| | Pagoda Chuckrs |
|---|---|
| From the Cass harvest of the said year | 660. |
| From the Revenue of the Village Tupagalore | 100 |
| | 760 |

The above 760 Chuckrums have been paid on Account of the Debt of Chinniah Moodely of — Pagodas 1,31,300.. ½ 3 ½ 6. into the said Moodely's Shop to Anentiah his Shroff. — and must be entered in the Treasury account of the Circar. —

Written by Balajee Rayer
Heyb of the said Puttuedars

A true translation
(Signed) Alex.r Macleod
Resr.

The two foregoing Letters ordered to lie on the Table. —

Ordered to lie on the Table

Read

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Read the following letter from the Surgeons of the Honorable Company's Ships Rockingham Melville Castle and Princess Charlotte

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c &c

My Lord,

From the Surgeons of three of the Company's Ships stating the especial Grounds on which they claim the allowance of ten Shillings per Man for the King's Troops which arrived on the Ships to which they are respectively attached. —

The allowance usually paid to the — Surgeons of the Company's Ships for attending and furnishing with Medicines the Troops on their Passage to India, being refused to us, it behoves us in justice to ourselves to state the Grounds on which we found our Claim. —

The reason offered for this refusal we understand to be, that the allowance should be withheld from the Surgeons of those Ships, in which the detachment is accompanied by the Surgeon of the Regiment or either of his Assistants. This has Certainly been the case with us, but from enquiry we have found that Surgeons of Ships, precisely in the same predicament with ourselves, have not been prevented, by that circumstance, from receiving the Customary allowance, and we are even informed that this has been the Case with some of the Surgeons of a former Fleet of this Season. —

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Next — So far from being acquainted before leaving England, that any objection would be made to our claim on that account, every thing we could learn there contributed to assure us, not only that we were to receive the Allowance on our Arrival in India but that our attending the Troops on the passage — and providing them with Medicines was a matter of Necessity and not of Choice, When it is notified by the Court of Directors that an Indiaman is to provide for the reception of a certain Number of Troops the Surgeon of the Ship is expected immediately to petition the Committee of Shipping for leave to take on board Medicines for their use during the passage This Petition was granted to us as usual, and the Military Medicine Chests after being inspected and Approved by a Physician employed by the — Company were received on board, —

Lastly — When on the embarkation of the Troops at Portsmouth we found them accompanied in the Ships to which we belong by the Surgeon and — Assistant Surgeons of the Regiment we thought it

necessary

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necessary for our further Security to Get the opinion of Captain Coggan the Company's Master Attendant — whom we Understood to be well acquainted with every thing relating to the Company's Europe Ships — His Answer was that the Surgeon of the Regiment and his Mates were to be considered merely as Passengers on board and that it was our duty alone to give the Troops — Medical Assistance during the passage for which we should receive the usual Allowance on our Arrival in India of this declaration, if necessary a Certificate can be produced from the Commander of one of the Ships in the Roads and the Chief Mate of another. —

That we have faithfully discharged our duty may appear from the Certificates of the Captains of the Ships and Commanding Officers of the Troops and the Number of Deaths which happened in the Space of Seven Months, from the Embarkation to the landing of the Troops, do not shew much want of Success. —

After the above Representations we humbly Submit to your Lordships in Council the equity and Justice of our Claim to the Allowance, not only because the Medicines expended for the Troops on the Voyage

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Voyage had been purchased by ourselves but that we had the exclusive Charge of the Sick the whole time.—

We have the honor to be,

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&c &c

(Signed) John Lyme
Surgeon of the Rockingham

John Savage
of the Melville Castle

John Faithhorn
Surgeon Charlotte

Minute thereon — As it would appear from the foregoing letter that Medicines for the use of the Military had been Actually provided by the Surgeons at their own Cost — that the Care of the Sick was with them during the whole Voyage — and that they had reason to believe from the Communication made to them by the Company's Master Attendant that the Regimental Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of Corps, were but as Passengers on board the Ships it is Resolved to recommend the respective demands of the Surgeons &c. as Bills on the Honorable Court of Directors at the exchange of 8/ P Rupee and to bring the Subject to the Notice of the Court in the next despatch. —

Read

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Read the following Certificate of Mrs Mary Tyrrell Widow of the late Captain Tyrrell of this Establishment.—

Mrs Tyrell submits an Oath of Qualification intitling her to become an inamtant on Lord Clives Fund.—

Mrs Mary Tyrrell, Widow of John Tyrrell Esqr late a Captain in the Service of the Honorable United Company of Merchants trading to the East Indies — deceased, maketh Oath and saith that the said John Tyrrell Esqr her late husband was born to the best of her belief at Beccles in the County of Suffolk on or about the 14th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and fifty two and further that She intermarried with the said John Tyrrell Esqr on or about the thirteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Eighty five, and further Maketh Oath and saith that the said John Tyrrell Esqr her late husband died on or about the twenty first day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Ninety Six at Baramfour in the District of Ganjam. and further maketh Oath and saith that the said John Tyrrell Esqr her late husband at the time

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time of his decease was not possessed of or entitled to the amount in the Value together of one thousand Pounds Sterling.—

Sworn at Ganjam
this Second day of February 1797
before me.—

(Signd) Walter Balfour
Coll.

This is to Certify that to day Mr. John Tyrrell and Miss Mary Terrels were joined in holy Matrimony by me the Underwritten English Missionary.—

Vizpory the 30th of June 1795.—

(Signd) J Ph Fabricius

In the presence of

(Signd) J Balfour
Ann Hallam
Henrietta Balfour

We do hereby Certify that we have perused and Compared the above written Copy of the Certificate of Marriage of Mr John Tyrrell and Miss May Terrels with the Original and that the same is a just and true Copy thereof. As Witness our hands this Seventh day

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day of January 1797. —

(Signd) John Spencer
Lieut.

Chas. Fleming
Surgeon

Mrs Tyrrell admitted on Lords Clives Fund

Ordered that Mrs. Tyrrell be furnished with a Certificate entitling her to a Share in the Fund, commonly called Lord Clives Bounty. —

Read the following Letters from the Military Auditor General —

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

From the Military Auditor General — inclosing printed Tables of fixed Pay and Allowances to the different Branches and Ranks on the Military Establishment. —

My Lord,

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council, the enclosed Tables of the fixed Pay and Allowances to all Ranks in the Army including His Majestys Troops serving under the Presidency of Fort St. George —

These Tables have been compiled from the late Orders received from the Honorable Court of Directors and published on the 12th July 1796 respecting Pay

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Pay and Allowance in consequence of the new — Military Arrangements, connecting therewith the Subsequent explanations of Government thereon and include the Pay &c of the followers Employed with the different Corps, agreeably to the Existing Regulations of the Service. —

In consequence of your Lordships permission contained in Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter of the 22 November 1796, I have had a Sufficient Number of Copies printed and circulated to the different — Paymasters, Corps and Departments for their information and Guidance. —

I have the honor to be,
&c &c
(Signed) Wm Lydenham.
Milty Auditor General

Military Auditor
General's Office
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The Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council
Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General proposing an Office Establishment for the Payments

Conformably to your Lordships desire conveyed in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 21st Ulto. that

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Paymaster at Tremomalie recommends that a G.O. be published respecting the Allowances to be drawn by Officers ordered to the Presidency on Courts Martial, Quarter Sessions, Clothing and Invaliding &c. — Committee — Regulating also how Officers Bills for House Rent are to be vouched, in the absence of the Barrack Master Submits the Claim of Captain Lieutenant D Stuart to the Gratuity and half Batta of that Rank from the date of his Commission — requests permission to entertain Boys from the Male Orphan Asylum as apprentices in his Office. —

that I should Report my opinion upon the application of the Paymaster of Tremomalee for the same allowance for an Office Establishment as was Granted to his — Predecessor I have given due attention to the Subject, and on adverting to the Sums drawn by Mr. Macdowall who preceded Captain Hungerford as Paymaster at Trincomalee, I beg leave to propose that he be allowed one hundred Pagodas P.r Month on Account of Servants and Writers for executing the business of his Department and at 10 Pagodas Month for Office Rent this being the amount of what was drawn by his predecessor, but very short of what he himself has drawn without any — Authority, and consequently it became my duty to object to the excess which I presume has occasioned his application to your Lordship and it is proper I should observe that the Letter Captain Hungerford States to have written to me has never been received, and that your Lordship's Orders with a Copy of that Letter was the first — intimation I had on the Subject. In offering the above opinion I have considered the difficulty of — procuring people properly qualified to execute the business of a Pay Office, in a Situation so distant as

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as Luncanabee; and that Consequently they can only be obtained by Suitable encouragement — In this I have been the more confirmed by the Military Paymaster General having informed me, that he had engaged and sent a Writer to Captain Kingston who was to receive a Salary of Pagodas 50 per Month. —

In consequence of Officers who have been called to the Presidency from out Stations to sit on Invaliding and Off Reckoning Committees claiming full Batta, under the Government Orders of the 8th November last I beg leave to Submit to your Lordship whether it would not be the most equitable as well as Oeconomical mode to place those Officers on a footing with Officers ordered to the Presidency, and from one Station to another, to sit as Members of Courts Martial, from whom a Specific Allowance while so detached has been established. —

In the event of the above Suggestion meeting your Lordship's approbation I have taken the Liberty of enclosing the Draft of a General Order to that effect and Added a Paragraph for your consideration

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to remedy the Inconveniences that have been experienced by Officers entitled to House Rent in consequence of the impossibility of the Barrack Masters being present monthly at every Station where that allowance falls to be drawn to Countersign their Bills agreeably to the prescribed form —

Captain Lieutenant Duncan Stewart of His Majesty's 71st Regiment having been promoted by the Commander in Chief in India to the — Captain Lieutenancy of the 72d Regiment and devested to Rank as such from the 24th January 1796 a — period of upwards of 5 Months prior to the date of his Appointment to the same Rank in the 71st — Regiment (Viz 12th June) considers himself entitled for the intermediate period to the difference between the Allowances of a Lieutenant and that of a Captain Lieutenant in the 72d Regiment in consequence of his prior promotion in that Corps, however as the appointment of Captain Lieutenant Stewart to the 72d Regiment was not known until same time after his promotion in the 71st and as Captain — Lieutenant

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Lieutenant Whittle actually belonged to and drew allowances as such for the same period in the 72 Regiment and that an Officer of the same Rank was likewise doing duty with the 71st until Captain Lieutenant Stewarts appointment, the Regulations did not Warrant my passing Allowances for more than one Officer of that Rank in any of His Majesty's Regiments, but as Captain Lieutenant Stewarts case is rather singular and as no instance has occurred within my Recollection of an Officer promoted in his Majesty's Service and doing duty with a Corps in India not receiving the allowances of his Rank, under these Considerations I presume the difference between the Gratuity of a Lieutenant and Captain Lieutenant for the aforesaid period (the Subsistence being the same) amounting to Seventeen Pagodas and Twenty one fanams (17-21) may be allowed, as also the difference between the Half Batta of Lieutenant and Captain from 1st to 11th June 1796 being Pagodas three Eighteen fanams and thirty Cash (Pag.s 3.18-30) but as Captain Lieutenant Stewart, tho attached to the 72 Regiment never joined

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joined that Corps he does not appear entitled to the
Allowances peculiar to its Situation on the Island of
Ceylon.—

Being very desirous of Assisting the Male
Orphan Asylum in a way that is also likely to benefit
the public Service I request your Lordships Sanction
to my taking Boys from that Institution occasionally
as Writers in my Department and that such Boys
may be Articled as apprentices to me in my Official
Capacity of Military Auditor General for a certain term
of Years.—

I have the honor to be,
&c &c.
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Aud.r Genl.

Military Auditor
Genl's Office
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G. O. By Government

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1 All Officers called from the Stations to which
they belong to give evidence at or to become Members
of Courts Martial Invaliding and Pensioning Clothing
or Off Reckoning Committees or Summoned to attend the
Quarter

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Quarter Sessions at the Presidency, or any Service of the like Nature are to be allowed the difference between half and full Batta while travelling at the Established Rate of 25 Miles p.r day and during the time they are so Employed or their attendance required shall be entitled to draw the Sums stated under the head of Court Martial allowance according to their respective Ranks and House Rent, (if not furnished with Quarters) agreeably to the rates of the Station, provided this Allowance has not been drawn for them at any other place. The Bills for the first mentioned allowance are to be Countersigned by the Adjutant General at the Presidency and by the Public Staff Officer at Out Stations and those for House Rent by the Barrack Master agreeably to the prescribed form. —

2 In order to prevent the inconvenience that has been experienced by Officers entitled to House Rent from the Barrack Masters not being present monthly at every Station where that allowance falls to be drawn to Countersign their Bills, it is directed in future that in

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in the absence of the Barrack Master the public Staff Officer of the Station or where there is no Officer of this description the Commanding Officer on the Spot shall Certify on the Abstract or Bill containing a Charge for House Rent that the Officer or Officers drawing that Allowance were not provided with public Quarters or any to be had for their Accommodation"

By order of the Right Honorable the President Council. —

(Signed) W. C Jackson
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Ordered that a Copy of the Tables of the fixed pay and Allowances to the Army be sent to England a Number in the Next packet. —

Resolution upon the two foregoing Letters from the Military Auditor General. —

Resolved Agreeably to the Military Auditor Generals recommendation that one hundred Pagodas P.r Month for Writers and Servants and ten Pagodas P.r Month for Office Rent be the Office Establishment for the Paymaster at Trincomalé. —

Resolved

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Resolved that the draft of the General Order Submitted by the Military Auditor General be published to the Army. –

Agreed that the diffference of Gratuity and Half Batta between Lieutenant and Captain Lieutenant be paid to Captain Lieutenant Stewart. –

The Board can have no objection to General Sydenham's entertaining Boys from the Male Orphan Asylum or to their being Articled to him as Apprentices in his Official Capacity of Military Auditor General for a Certain term of years. –

Read the following Letter from the Military Board. –

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From the Military Board –
repairs Ordered to the Buster
Mills recommend that
the period for furnishing
the Estimates Valuation of
Ordnance and Military
Stores required by the
Accountant General be
postponed till the
Introduction of the new
Ordnance

My Lord,

We are honored by the Receipt of your Lordship's Commands under date the 9th Ult.; and in Conformity therewith have given the necessary directions for the Repairs being made to

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to the Powder Mills, agreeably to the Estimates for the purpose approved by Government.—

On the Subject of the Accountant General being furnished with a Regular Quarterly Statement, Shewing the Amount valuation of the Ordnance and Military Stores at all the out Garrisons, distinguishing those that are in Store from those Employed on the Ramparts, We beg leave to Submit to Your Lordship that as the new Regulations for the Store Department are in such a State of forwardness as to Warrant a belief that they will be laid before Government in the Course of a few Weeks and Consequently that any Statement prior to the introduction of the change of System will afford but very imperfect information whether the amount valuations required may not be withheld until the Books for the present year shall be Closed at which time an Annual Statement may be forwarded to the Accountant General in the same manner as is practised at Bengal, from which it is understood, that Quarterly Returns of all Magazines be shew only

Ordnance Regulations. Suggest an Arrangement for Adjusting Claims of the Clothing Contractor on account of Coats furnished for the 1 Battalion of Artillery recommend that the amount due to the Late Clothing Contractor also the amount of Bills presented by the Gun Carriage Contractor be discharged. recommend an Improvement in the Books ordered to be made up involving an Additional Expence.—

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only Quantities, and that rates are not affixed except Annually.—

We would Suggest also the expediency of the same period and Form being observed in transmitting to the Accountant General the annual Valuation of Stores in the Engineers Department, which we were called upon to direct in Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 25th Ultimo.—

It appearing from the Correspondence referred with the Letter of the 21st Ult.o from Government to us that there is not at present any Spare Clothing, of the description mentioned, in the Regimental Stores of the 1st Battalion of Artillery, We are led to presume that the Coats which appeared to be Spare by the Calculation of Major Clarke have since been issued to the proper Claimants and accordingly to recommend that the Contractor be Reimbursed the Cost of the Coats furnished by him on Indent (but for which the Committee declined to allow him payment from the Off Reckoning Fund) from the unappropriated

Stoppages

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Stoppages from the 1st Battalion of Artillery remaining in the Treasury.—

Mr. Brodie late Secretary to our Board having transmitted to us the Lascar Clothing Account for the year 1795; herein an Enclosure together with Indents and Receipts for the Quantity of Clothing provided and issued by him, which on Examination are found to Correspond. We beg leave to Recommend to your Lordship that Authority may be granted for Payment of the Balance due thereon amounting to Pagodas 916. 28. 10.—

We do ourselves the honor to forward herewith also, a Bill received from the Gun Carriage &c. Contractor's Agent amounting to Pagodas 2,159. 22. for Articles of Military Store delivered by him into the Arsenal, the whole whereof having been found on inspection by a Committee of our Board, to be made of good Materials, well wrought and in every respect fit for the Public Service, We Accordingly recommend that

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that it be paied for Payment.—

In consequence of the Orders of Government to the Pay Master of Fort St. George to make up One Hundred new Dooleis at the rate We had the honor to recommend to your Lordship, he has addressed Our Board in Regard to the construction of those now in use. pointing out their Several defects, particularly that of being by much too Short, and Submitting to our consideration an Improved Dooley. made up conformably to the Suggestions of some Medical Gentlemen at the Presidency, whose Observations of the bad effects of those used by the Army in the Field during the late War, have enabled them to form an accurate Judgement of the Construction &c requisite for a Dooley to afford ease and Comfort to the Sick and Wounded Soldier, the Expence whereof only exceeds that of the present construction by 37 fanams 65 Cash and which Dooley, being found on a Minute Examination by a Committee of our Board, not only well Calculated

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calculated to answer that desirable purpose but from being more Substantial, better Secured against the effects of the Weather thereby prospecting advantages sufficient, We would hope, to Warrant the encurring so trifling an encrease of Expence, and which induce us to Recommend it to your Lordship in Council for Adoption as the Established pattern for all Docks to be hereafter provided for the Public Service—

Mr. Cochrane having at the same time intimated a hope of being thought entitled to a certain per Centage on the amount of the Cost of any Docks to be hereafter provided by him, in the event of the purposed improvement in the construction being Adopted We Accordingly do Ourselves the honor to Submit to your Lordship the consideration of his application. —

We have the honor to be,
&c &c

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(Signed) Alured Clarke
Patrick Ross
Thomas Pitts
Wm Lydenham
Jno Richardson
BJ Close
George Hall

Ordered

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*Resolutions on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board.*

Ordered that the Accountant General and the late Contractor for Army Clothing be furnished with the Opinions offered by the Military Board on their Respective Applications and directed to Govern themselves Accordingly. —

Ordered that one hundred new Dooleys be made up on the new Construction and that none be hereafter provided for the public Service of a different pattern from that Submitted by Mr. Cochrane, whose Application for a per — Centage cannot be granted as it would interfere with existing Regulations. —

Resolved that the Payment of the Bills enclosed in the foregoing Letter be postponed. —

*Death of Lieutenant John Stuart of the Infantry. —*

The Secretary Reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant John Stuart of the 2d Regement European Infantry, at Calcutta on the 3d Instant. —

*Ensign Craigie removed to the Artillery Corps*

The Commander in Chief Recommends that Ensign Charles William Craigie be removed to the Corps of Artillery. Major General Giels having represented him as well Qualified for that branch of the Service. —

Ordered Accordingly. —

Read

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Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General.-

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

of

Fort S.t George

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General inclosing a Statement of the probable Additional Expence for the Current year that will attend the Introduction of the new Military Arrangement & remarks on the Subject.

In obedience to your Lordship's Commands communicated to me in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 18.th December last, I have the honor to lay before you for the information of the Honorable Court of Directors, the Annexed Statement or Estimate Shewing the probable difference of Expence that will result in the Current Official year in consequence of the new Military Arrangements under this Presidency over and above the Sum Estimated in the Annual Statement of the Establishments made up in my Office as they stood

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Stood on the 30th day of April last and of the —
Additional Corps lately Arrived from Europe —

The present Estimate is Computed
upon the same principle as the last Annual —
Statement, by considering the Several Corps of the
Army on a Peace Establishment with the exception
of those composing the Detachment Serving
with the Nizam, and for which a proportion
of the Subsidy Payable by His Highness is —
deducted from this Estimate, as well as in the
Statement of the 30th April last. I have —
considered this to be the most eligible —
mode of preparing the Estimate, the Chief
object of it being to exhibit the increase of
Expence that may be occasioned by the —
late Alterations in the Army under this Presidency —
Consequently neither the fluctuating Expences
of the year, nor the Extra Charges on —
account of the Troops employed on [illegible] foreign
Service are included. —

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The Comparison with the Statement of the 30th April 1796 & the Present Estimate as follows.—

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| Annual Expence of the Establishments calculated upon the Effective Strength of the Corps Composing the Honble Company's Army as in the Annexed Estimate from Page 1 to 19 inclusive after deducting a proportion of the Subsidy payt by the Nyzam as explained in the General Abstract Page 28 | 1,982,942 37 4 | |
| Deduct Annual Expence of the Establishments Calculated upon the Effective Strength of the Corps Composing the Honble Company's Army as in the Annual Statement of the 30th April 1796 from Page 1 to 66 inclusive after deducting the Subsidy payable by the Nyzam, as explained in the General Abstract page 166 | 1,722,197 7 4 | |
| Difference Annual Increase of Expence on account of the Honorable Company's Army in consequence of the new Military Arrangements | | 260,745 30 |
| Annual Expence of the Establishments Calculated upon the Effective Strength of His Majesty's Regiments serving upon the Madras Establishment as in the Annexed Estimate Computed for the same Corps as included in the Statement of 30th April last | 441,917 34 4 | |
| Deduct Annual Expence of the Establishment Calculated upon the Effective Strength of His Majesty's Regiments as in the Annual Statement of 30th April last from Page 137 to 153 inclusive | 385,283 8 56 | |
| Difference Annual increase of Expence in consequence of the new Military Arrangements on account of his Majesty's Regiments (as above) Serving upon the Madras Establishment | | 56,634 25 28 |
| Total Difference increase of Expence on account of the Corps of the Army in consequence of the new Military Arrangements | | 317,380 13 28 |
| Expence of His Majesty's Regiments lately arrived from Europe for the period of the Current year that they are likely to be a Charge upon this Presidency | | 85,352 4 40 |
| Total | | 402,732 17 68 |

Hence

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Hence it appears, that the probable increase of Expence beyond the Sum formerly estimated for the Offecial year 1796/7 in consequence of the new Arrangements will be Pagodas 3,17,380 .. 13. 28. and on Account of the Arrival of Additional Corps from Europe Pagodas 85,352 .. 4 .. 40 making in all the Sum of Pagodas 402732 .. 17. 68. This Sum may be considered the increase of Expence on account of the Corps of the Army in the Current Offecial Year but there is reason to believe, that the Total Aggregate expence of the Military Department will not amount to this difference when the Accounts of the year are Adjusted for the following Reasons. —

First . . The Expence on Account of the purchase of Horses in 1795/6. Amounted to Two Lacks Twenty Eight Thousand, four hundred and Twenty nine Pagodas - The Disbursements on this account in 1796/7. have hitherto been

and

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and are likely to be inconsiderable —

Second The Expence under the Contract for building and Repairs amounted in 1795/6. to Pagodas Twenty five thousand five hundred — and Seventy, this Contract expired in July last, and a new Arrangement has been made by Government on the Subject, with a view of uniting the advantage of occasional Contracts, with the Convenience of having Works and Repairs under a Certain Term executed by Officers of the Corps of Engineers, under express Regulations for that purpose, From the expence already incurred on account of the buildings and Repairs since 30.th April last, it is probable, that the amount at the Close of the year will be less than that Stated as the Expence of the year preceding —

Third The Relief of His Majesty's 36.th & 87.th Regiments and Detachment of Royal Artillery — which is likely soon to take place as well as the

Drafting

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Drafting of the 73d Regiment may also occasion an Alteration in favor of the Charges of the year, the whole of this Estimate being Computed upon the principle of Supposing all the Corps now — here to Continue a Charge upon this Presidency to the 30th April Next, —

A Considerable Expence has been — incurred as a consequence of the new Arrangements by the Payment of Additional Batta in Arrear both to Kings and Company's Officers promoted by Brevet, who were before in receipt of Batta with a retrospect to the dates of their Brevet Commissions, which being of a Contingent Nature has not been included in the present Estimate To this Expence however may be Opposed the Saving under the head of Commission upon the Revenues to Field Officers, a Sum equal to one month being only chargeable for the Current year instead of twelve — as estimated for in the last Annual Statement, which

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which difference may be equal to the Payment of the retrospective Batta to Officers promoted by Brevet. —

In this Estimate under each of the Corps lately arrived from Europe Viz.t His Majesty's 25.th Regt. of Light Dragoons the 12.th & 19.th Regiments of Foot is explained for what period they have been computed to be a Charge upon this Presidency in the Current Official Year. —

The Expence of the Swiss Regiment de Meuron is not included in this Estimate of — Establishments, because, both Kings and Company's Allowances payable to that Corps have been directed to be Carried in the Books of the Military — Department for the present to the head of — Expedition against the Dutch Settlement "but of which a Separate Statement is made out shewing the Strength and Monthly expence of the Corps. —

I have the honor to be,

& &

(Signed) Wm Sydenham

Mily Aud.r General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort S.t George
10.th February 1797

Ordered

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the Supplement to the Military Statement for the Current Official Year abovementioned, be forwarded to Bengal, and that another Copy be procured from the Auditor General's Office for the purpose of being transmitted to the Court of Directors by the present despatch. —

" Hobart

" Colin Saunders

" E. Falloon

"

" Sullivan

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# Diary

Received the following Letter—

From Major General Doyle.—

## The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council.—&c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord,

I have the honor to inform your

From Major General Doyle—the Nottingham & Exeter arrive at Columbo from Bombay, with a Detachment of the 19th Regiment of Foot. the Berrington also arrives from Bengal and the Dublin and Thetis touch at Point de Galle to land Rice shipped in Bengal for the Garrisons on Ceylon.

Lordship, that the Honorable the Company's Ship the— Nottingham and the Exeter extra Ship arrived here— Yesterday from Bombay, and brought the Detachment of His Majesty's 19th Regiment.—

The Berrington, from Bengal, anchored in these Roads in the course of last Night, and the Bridges— Water this forenoon. Sir Robert Abercrombie has just— landed from the Berrington.—

The Thetis and Dublin have put in to Point de Galle, for the purpose of landing at that place a proportion of the Rice sent by the Supreme— Government, for the use of the different Garrisons on Ceylon The necessary Instructions on this Subject have been sent to Lieutenant Colonel Bonnevaux.— J

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Head Quarters
Columbo 2nd February 1797.

I have the honor to be
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Wellbore Ellis Doyle
Majr Genl

the 15th

Sent the following Letters.

To Major General Doyle
Commanding the Forces on the Island of Ceylon
at Columbo.

Sir

To Major General Doyle the two Companies of Gun Lascars and party of Pioneers doing duty at Columbo to be sent to the Coast the former to Trichinopoly and the latter to the Presidency

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to desire that the two Companies of Gun Lascars, belonging to this Establishment doing duty at Columbo, may be ordered to the Coast, to land at the most convenient Port in the Southern Provinces, and from thence proceed to Trichinopoly.

I am further directed to desire that the party of Pioneers now on duty at Columbo, may be embarked for Madras on the earliest occasion their Services being much required in the Baramahal.

I have the honor to be,
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secy. to Govermt

Fort St. George
14th February 1797.

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To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 13th Instant, and to acquaint you, that his Lordship approves the Office Establishment recommended for the Paymaster at Trincomale — Viz.t One hundred Pagodas per Month for Servants and Writers, and ten Pagodas per Month for Office rent, of which you will advise Captain Kingston.—

The draft of the General order submitted by you relative to Officers called to the Presidency from Out Stations has been approved by his Lordship, and published to the Army.—

The difference of gratuity and Staff Batta between Lieutenant and Captain Lieutenant, may be paid to Captain Lieutenant Stewart agreeably to your recommendation.—

The President in Council can have no objection to your entertaining Boys from the Male orphan Asylum, or to their being articled to you as apprentices in your Official capacity of Military Auditor General for a

To the Military Auditor General one hundred Pagodas P.r Month allowed the Paymaster at Trincomale for Servants and Office Rent. General order published respecting the allowances to be drawn by Officers called to the Presidency on extra Duty— resolution respecting gratuity and half Batta in the rank of Captain Lieutenant to be allowed Doctor Stewart and the allowances to be made to the Surgeons of the Company's Ships on account of their attendance on the King's Troops on board.— permitting him to take Boys from the Male orphan Asylum as apprentices to his Office— 250 Pagodas allowed the Officers of the 36th Regiment on account of their regimental Mess Room at Warriore— pay to be advanced to the Travancore Battalion

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Battalion—his Opinion required on the Regulations adopted in Bengal relative to the compensation to be made for Horses and Baggage lost by Officers on actual Service.—

a certain term of years.—

I am directed to enclose Copy of a—letter from the Surgeons of the Honorable Company's Ships Rockingham, Melville Castle, and Princess Charlotte, and to acquaint you that as it would appear therefrom that Medicines for the use of the Military had been—actually provided by them at their own Cost—that the case of the Sicks was with them during the whole voyage and that they had reason to believe from the Communication made to them by the Company's Master Attendant that the Regimental Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of Corps were but as Passengers on board the Ships, his—Lordship has consented to discharge their respective—Demands (after they have been certified by you to be correct) by Bills upon the Honorable Court of Directors, of which you will be pleased to advise them.—

I am also directed to desire you will give directions to the Paymaster at Nagore to pay into the hands of Lieutenant Colonel Macdowall on account of the Officers of the 36th. Regiment, the Sum of two hundred and fifty (250) Pagodas, being the Amount—disbursed by them in building a Mess Room at Warriore

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and that you will instruct the Barrack Master in the Southern Division to take charge of the room as the Company's property. — Major General Floyd having reported that the portion of the Travancore Battalion doing duty at Madura is in extreme distress for pay, his Lordship desires you will instruct Mr. Hughes to draw upon the Collector of Polygar Peishcush for a sum equal to one Month's pay for those Troops. —

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a letter with its Enclosures from the Secretary to the Supreme Government, upon which you are desired to report

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secy. to Govern.

Fort St. George
14th February 1797. —

Received the following letter

Will.m Collins Jackson Esq.r
Military Secretary

Sir,

I have the Honor to inclose you a Copy of a Letter just received from Major Thomas Halcott Commanding Innidcondah. I have the Honor to be. —

&c. &c.

(Signed) Tho.s Leighton. —
Lieut. Colonel Command.

To —

From the Commandant in the Guntoor Circar with Intelligence from Major Halcott respecting the Strength & Movements of Tippoo's Troops from the Neighbourhood of Pooli. —

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To Lieutenant Colonel Leighton

Commanding the Troops in the Guntoor Circar

Sir,

Three Hircarras of mine are returned from Gootee which place they inform me they left this ten days ago They had before been there, and say that no other change has taken place in the Camp than that two Cafoons of Sepoys have returned to Seringapatam since they were last at Gootee which is about seven or eight weeks — The body of Horse they met at Ryilcherroo as mentioned in a former Letter of mine, they found still encampt at that place, and reports prevail at Gootee that the Camp now there is to move to Ryilcherroo for the convenience of forage — Ryilcherroo they say is eight Cofs from Gootee on the high road between that place and Gaudicotta. —

Seer Beg they inform me is still incampt seperately from Betta Gee who Commands the Camp at Gootee The former is encampt three cofs from the Camp at Gootee near a Village called Papilly — his force is the same as before Viz.t four Cafoons, and four thousand Horse — They were informed by several travellers and others that there was a Camp of both Horse and Sepoys at Pennagoodah twenty eight Cofs from Gootee on the Seringapatam road — They did not go

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15th. to Pennagoodah, but from reports the Camp there is nearly as large as the Camp at Gootie.—

If this report is well founded I think—almost the whole of Tippoo's army must be assembled in the four Camps (Viz.t) Gootie, Papilly, Ryitcheeroo, and—Pennagoodah.—

I request you will please to communicate this intelligence to Government and to the Commander of the Northern Division.—

I have the Honor to be,

Innacondah
February 9th 1797.—

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Thos. Halcott
Major Commd.g

a true Copy
(Signed) Tho.s Leighton
Lieut.t Colonel Commd.g.—

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters—

entered in M.B. Nos. 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64.—

To the Collector at Rammad.—

To Mr. Powney—desiring him to furnish such Sum of Money as Mr. Paymaster Hughes may indent for, for the use of the Travancore Battalion—authorising the Sale of some perishable Articles captured at Tutacoryn—provided the amount of the Sales be deposited by the Agents for the Captors in the Company's Treasury.—

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To Mr Dring informing him that

To the late contractor for Army clothing

that the Cost of the 10 Artillery Coats referd to in his Letter of the 12th Ultimo will be defrayed from the unappropriated Stoppages deposited in the Treasury.

To the Military Board directing the

To the Military Board.

Provision of One hundred Doolies of the new Construction and that more may hereafter be made up of a different Pattern.

To Mr Shardon desiring him to

To the acting Commissary Genral of Grain & Provisions

send the necessary Instructions to the Commissary at Trincomale respecting the 4000 Bags ± of Rice engaged to be delivered there by the Agents for the Ship Greenwich and to see that the Rice sent to that Station from Nagore be used before the supply now sent on the Greenwich

To Messrs Chase Sewell and Chase

To the Agents for the Ship Greenwich

directing that the Greenwich sail for Trincomale after having received such Dispatches as Mr Shardon may have to send to the Commissary of Provisions at that Station.

To Captain Elliott accepting his offer to

To the Commander of the Ship Fairlie

convey the 36th Regiment with their Followers Stores and Baggage from Negapatam to Cochin for the Sum of 2500 Pagodas.

To Mr Brodie directing him to ship

To the Garrison Storekeeper.

on the Fairlie the quantity of Provisions and Water that will be required

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15th required for the 36th Regiment during the Voyage from Negapatam to Cochin.

To Mr. Shardon directing him to

To the acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.

authorize Captain Darley to dispose of the old Paddy at Ongole in the manner he has recommended and to write off the unserviceable Firewood to profit and loss.

To Mr. Roebuck informing him that

To the Military Paymaster General

Mr. Andrews has been instructed to send 30,000 Porto Novo Pagodas to Trincomale for the Disbursements of that Garrison and authorizing him to assure Mr. Paymaster Kingston that the Bills he may in future draw upon the Military Pay Master General will be punctually paid in Cash when due.

To Captain Macleod enclosing Intelligence

To Captain Macleod at Namcul.

respecting Tippoo's Forces in the Neighbourhood of Gooty (received from Major Halcott) with a view to his comparing it with the Accounts which he may receive from that Quarter.

To Mr. Secretary Barlow transmitting

To the Secretary at Bengal.

Intelligence received from the Mysore Country.

To Major Kirkpatrick and Sir

To the Residents at Hydrabad and Poona

Charles Ware Mallet to the purport above Noted.

Received the undermentioned Letters

entered in M.P. Nos. 65, 66, 67.

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From the Commandant at Masulipatam.—

From Colonel Biddulph—recommending—that the surrounding Wall of the Burial Ground at Masulipatam be rebuilt—an Estimate of the Expence (Pag.s 671-7) enclosed—

From Military Pay-master General.—

From Mr. Rochuck—advising of his having communicated to Captain Kingston the purport of the Letter above Noted.—

From the Purser of the Orpheus.—

From Mr. Gilbert—enclosing Bills for victualling Six Artillery Men conveyed on the Orpheus from Penang to Peru.—

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Received the following Letters.—

## The Right Honorable Lord Hobart—

President in Council

&c.a &c.a &c.a—

My Lord,

From Major General Doyle—recommending that a supply of Cash be immediately sent for the Payment of the Troops at Columbo. That—Punctuality be observed in the discharge of Mr. McDowall's Bills on the Paymaster—General.—the Surgeon of the 73.d Regiment claims compensation for Extra—expences—incurred in the provision of Medicines Wine &c.a—

I have received representations from several Commanding Officers of Corps, stating the—inconvenience to which their Officers & men are subjected owing to the Arrears of pay now due, and from the inability of the Paymaster to make any issues of Cash for their—current subsistence. A report has also been made to me by the Register Mr. Gregory, that Six Months—Interist will be due on the Dutch paper Currency on the 15.th of this Month: and a considerable Sum of—

Money—

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16th Money will be immediately required to liquidate the Arrears due to the Officers of His Majestys 73d Regiment previous to their embarking for Europe, and to pay the Passage Money for them which will be required by the Commanders of the different Ships. — It appears too that disappointment has been experienced in not receiving certain Sums from the Revenues, which it was intended should have been applied by the Paymaster in making the Military and other Disbursements of his Office. —

From a serious consideration of all which Circumstances, I am under the necessity of repeating what has already been so earnestly urged by General Stuart and myself on the subject of a supply of Money being sent to Columbo from the Coast, with all possible dispatch. And, in order that I may have it in my power to receive occasional supplies to answer any pressing necessity of a contingent nature, I take the liberty of suggesting not only that the Paymaster may be authorized to draw upon Madras for the Amount of what Sums can be received from Merchants or Private Individuals on the Island, but also that measures may be adopted to insure punctuality in the payment of his Drafts — a failure in which has evidently checked this source of supply, and in

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no small degree occasioned the present scarcity of Money.—

At the request of the Commanding Officer of His Majesty's 73rd. Regiment, I have the honor to enclose a letter to him from the Surgeon of that Corps, in reply to the Communication which I directed to be made to him, in consequence of the Instructions of Government signified to General Stuart in Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 4th Ultimo.—

I have the honor to be,

Head Quarters
Columbo 5th February 1797.—(Signed) &c.a &c.a Willbore Ellis Doyle
Major Genl.—

To
The Honble Lieut. Colonel St. John
Commanding 73d. Regiment
Columbo

Sir,

I was a few days ago honored with a Copy of Mr. Secretary Jackson's letter containing the sentiments of the Governor in Council at Madras, on the application I made through you for a reimbursement of extra expences incurred by me in the purchase of Medecines Wine &c.a for the Hospital of H. M. 73d. Regiment during the Months of July, August, September, and October— as Government do not appear to be fully informed of the

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the justice of the charge, I take the liberty of troubling you with this further explanation.— The regular supplies of Wines and Medecines shipped on board the Epaminondas not arriving previous to the commencement of the Monsoon, I was directed by the Storekeeper at the Presidency to supply the Hospital with whatever might be wanted and that he would allow me the Amount of what had been indented for by Mr. Stewart the former Surgeon according to the inclosed table of Rates which was inadequate to the current price at Columbo, Madeira being never to be purchased here for less than Six Pagodas a dozen whereas I was only allowed three and many other articles equally dear in proportion.— General Stewart forwarded my claim for this extra expence for the months of April, May & June which was regularly allowed and payed— My claim is now for a similar reimbursement for July, August, & September— The Medecines shipped on the Mercury by the Storekeeper on the 28th September not arriving untill the 3d of November and none forwarded by Tappal after September, I was obliged to purchase every thing for the Hospital during October without any allowance whatever at the advanced price charged— The Storekeeper only paid

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16th the usual allowance according to the table of Rates for the Months of July August & September, and not the extra Sum as granted for the three preceding ones in consideration of the dearness of them at Columbo. I have now only to remark that as Medecines of every description should be supplied by the Storekeeper upon indent checked by the Hospital Board, I flatter myself my praying for a reimbursement of the extra expence incurred here in supplying the Hospital of 73d Regiment, cannot be deemed improper.

I have the honor to be,

Columbo
Jany. 29th 1797.

&c. &c.
(Signed) M. Campbell

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President & Governor in Council
Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to report to your Lordship, that I have this day furnished the Accountant General with an Authenticated Copy of the Books of my Office for the Year 1795/6, and I feel it also a duty incumbent upon me to state, that these Books do not contain any part of the Military Charges incurred at Malacca,

Amboyna

From the Military Auditor General containing remarks on the Incompleteness of the Books of his Department for 1795/96 and the Cause thereof recommending the publication of a G.O. regarding the forms to be observed by Officers going home on Furlough, in procuring

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procuring Certificates of the period up to which they have drawn their Pay.—

16. Amboyna & Banda no Accounts having been received from the Paymasters of those Stations, since the Expeditions took place, excepting an Account Current from Captain Meulh the Paymaster at Amboyna from the 1st. February to the 30th. September 1796, which not being accompanied by a detailed Account of his payments, or the necessary Vouchers, has hitherto put it out of my power to enter upon the Audit of the Charges contained therein.—

These Omissions have lessened the Military Charges of the Presidency for the Year 1795/6 by the Amount for which the Disbursements of those Paymasters would have been passed if regularly furnished, and will of course encrease the charges of the Year 1796/7 by the same Amount, if they are Audited before the Books of the Current year are closed.—

It is equally my duty to report to your Lordships, that no part of the absence of the victualling, Grain, and Provision Department on the Island of Ceylon, appears in the Books of the year 1795/6, not having been until very lately in possession of the Vouchers to enable me to proceed on the Audit of the Accounts of that Department, which however are now in hand, & will be completed without loss of time,

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The 4 & 6.th Paragraphs of the Orders of the Honorable Court of Directors regarding Furlough, published on the 13.th September last, having directed that officers returning to Europe shall produce Certificates from the proper Officers of the periods to which they have been paid in India & that the Company have no demands against them, it would seem necessary that some further Regulation with respect to the mode of obtaining such Certificates, should be established for the information & guidance of the parties concerned; I have therefore taken the liberty of submitting to your Lordship the enclosed draft of a General Order on the subject in hopes that it will meet your approbation.

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 16.th Febry 1797

Yo.r Mo.st Ob.t Servt
Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Aud.r Genl.

To The Right Honble Lord Lobart
Governor &c.a &c.a &c.a In Council
Fort St. George.

My Lord,

I do myself the honor of enclosing Duplicate of my Letter addressed to you on the 28.th September and

From the Company's Agent at the Cape advances 50 £ to Lieut. Bove St. Helena recruits for the Fort St. George Establishment

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Establishment embarked for Bombay – three Indiamen homeward bound from Madras arrive there. –

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and to inform you of my having as therein advised, drawn a Sett of Bills, on you under date the 31st. October, for fifty pounds Sterling, at Ten days Sight, to my Order being the Sum advanced to Lieutenant Bove, for which I enclose you his Receipts. –

The hopes I entertained relative to the dispatch of the fleet have been frustrated by a variety of Causes which have combined to detain it, the principal ones are frequent Stormy Weather, and the inadequate – means here to fit out Transports for a long Voyage. –

Captains Hilton, and Edmonds, of the Good Hope and Malabar, carry Sixty three St. Helena – Troops to Bombay, from whence they may be forwarded to your Presidency (according to Governor Brooks's desire) as you shall direct. –

The Fleet of Indiamen and Transports (the Latter for Bengal) are all dispatched this day and will sail tomorrow, under convoy of His Majesty's Ships Trident & Fox. –

I have the honor to be with the highest respect

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Yr. Yr.
(Signd) J. Pringle

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P.S. On the third Instant arrived the Honorable Company's Ships, Earl of Wycombe, Earl Fitz Williams & Henry Dundas they will proceed on their Voyage in two or three days.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

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

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I had the honor of addressing you on the 7th Ultimo, as per Duplicate enclosed. I have now that of informing you of the safe Arrival here since them of the Honble Company's Ships, Pitt, Royal Admiral Bassbridge, Walter, Boyd, Sir Stephen Lushington, Lascelles, Phœnix, Albion, and Queen.

The Phœnix will be detained some time to unload the Stores &c.a which she has brought out for this place, but all the others will, as I expect in the course of a day, or two. The six former with the Queen (originally destined for Bencoolen) for your Presidency, having on board His Majesty's 80th Regiment part

From the Company's Agent at the Cape Changes the Destination of the Queen Indiaman. & They States the Distribution of the Troops, on the different outward-bound Ships and the Amount of Cash advanced Lieutenant Russel of the Coast Artillery.

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16th part of the 78th left Sick here, and Two hundred and Sixty German Recruits, for Bengal—and the Albion for Bombay with a Detachment of His Majesty's 75th Regiment for that Presidency—They were detained here from the Nottingham, under a Supposition that that Regiment would have been ordered to the Cape of Good Hope—In consequence of probable Apprehensions entertained of the Six French Frigates, which sailed some Months since from Mauritius to the Eastward, going against Bencoolen—I have ordered the Dunn to proceed with the others to Madras for information, instead of proceeding direct to that Settlement, a Step I trust you will approve of, even should such Apprehensions prove (as I hope) Groundless.—She has on board for that place the Malays who were left at St. Helena from the Dutch Ships Captured off that Island in June 1795.—

I have advanced Lieutenant Russell of the Madras Artillery who was brought here on the Earl Fitz William in consequence of her not having—

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touched at Trincomalee as had been intended - Thirty two Pounds, three Shillings and Five Pence on Account of Pay and Subsistance - for which I also enclose you his receipt, and have taken the liberty to draw upon you under this date for the amount, Payable to my Order at ten days Sight. -

The Fleet will be Convoyed a certain distance by His Majesty's Frigate L'Oiseau - Saldanha and Vindictive. -

I have the honor to be with the utmost respect. -

Cape of Good Hope
7th December 1796. -

Vc. Vc.
(Signed) John Pringle

The Cargo of the Albion being from its Nature and Value equally important the Honble Company's Cruiser Drake Captain Bond, is ordered to accompany her to Bombay. -

(Signed) I. P.

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Received from John Pringle Esq.r Agent to the Honble East India Company, on account of Pay and Subsistance as Lieutenant of Artillery on their Establishment at Madras, the Sum of Thirty two Pounds, three Shillings and five pence Sterling, for which I have given three Receipts of the same Tenor and date. —

(Signed) J. Russell
Lt. Madras Artillery. —

Cape of Good Hope,
6th December 1796. —

£32..3..5 Stg.

Witness Sgt. Robt. Stuart —

To William Collins Jackson Esq.r
Secretary &c.a
Fort St. George

Sir,

On my arrival here, Mr. N. Kindersley delivered to me your Letter of the 10th August 1796 convey-ing an Extract from the Honorable Court of Directors in consequence of an application from me for the Payment of the late Captain Rutledge's Arrears, by which I learn the intention of the Honorable Court to accept of my Bond

From Mr. B. Torin enclosing Bills for arrears of Pay & allowances due to the late Captain Rutledge which he requests may be paid agreeably to the orders of the Honble Court of Directors

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the
16th Bond of Indemnity and to comply with my request on
behalf of the Estate and Legatees of the deceased. —

On Application to the Military Paymaster
General, I find Captain Rutledge's Arrears Amount to the
L.P.
Sum of 8684 3 10 agreable to the accompanying
Monthly Notes, taken from the Books of His Office. —

I beg you will acquaint the Right
Honble President in Council of my readiness to give the
Security required as soon as the Honorable Company's
Solicitor shall have prepared the necessary Deed, and
that I request Payment to enable me to answer the
Claims on the Estate. —

I have the Honor to be,
Yo.a Yo.a
Fort St. George (Signed) Bery. Torin
11.th February 1797. — Administrator to the
Estate of the late
Capt.n Rich.d Rutledge

the
17th Sent the following Letters. —

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To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to transmit to you the accompanying Brevet Commissions granted by his Majesty to the General and Field Officers on the Madras Establishment; and to acquaint you, that as the Honorable Court of Directors have advanced the Fees thereon, it is his Lordship's pleasure that the same be stopped from the Officers' Pay respectively, at 8 S. per Star Pagoda.

The amount is as follows.

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| Major Generals' Commission | £ 12 .. .. |
| Colonels' | 10 .. 8 .. |
| Lieutenant Colonels' | 9 .. 9 .. |
| Majors' | 9 .. 5 .. |

I am also directed to transmit Duplicate Certificates of pay drawn in England by Officers returning to their duty this Season and to inform you that if on examination of the Certificates, it shall be

To the Military Auditor General Stoppages to be made from the Pay of Officers promoted by King's Brevet whose Commissions have been received from England orders respecting Pay advanced in England to Officers on the Coast Establishment and a revision of Mr. E. Gasron's accounts communicating the late orders of the Court of Directors respecting the allowances to be drawn by Officers succeeding to the Command of Corps, in consequence of the absence in England, of the Officers standing appointed to such Command orders respecting allowances to be drawn by Captain Tanner, and Cash advanced at the Cape to Lieutenants Ruffel and Bover

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17 to be found that the pay has been overdrawn in any instance the necessary deductions are to be made in the future advances.—

I am likewise to acquaint you, that the Honorable Court of Directors have been pleased to permit Captain Daniel Fitzgerald Griffin to return to India without prejudice to his rank— and that an advance of £ 1000 has been made to this Officer upon his Bond to repay that Sum within three Years after his Arrival at this Presidency— £ 500 to be repaid within the first two Years after his Arrival.— Herewith you will receive Extract Para. 13 and 14 of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors dated the 27th July 1796, with copy of the letter and papers referred to therein, upon which you are desired to report.— The Honorable Court having considered with attention the resolutions of the Supreme Government of December 1795. "for granting permission to those "Officers who from indisposition, or the urgency of their "private affairs may be compelled to return to Europe "by the Ships of the present Season to do so without prejudice

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"prejudice to their rank or loss of Pay; and to extend the
"same benefit to those who are already gone from the
"Commencement of the present Season." — have been pleased
to express their entire concurrence in those resolutions, & to
order that the like indulgence be extended to Officers under
this Presidency, in the same predicament. They have
also directed that the whole of the Officers now in
Europe on leave of absence, as well that contained in the
list sent out with their letter of the 8th. of January 1796
as those who have obtained the permission of this
Government to return to Europe on leave since the date
of the then latest advices from Fort St. George / with
exception of such as have been allowed to retire from
the Service / be posted to the different Corps in the same
manner as if they were actually present, — and until
they return to their duty they are to be invested in the
Army lists as absent in Europe with leave. —

But in order to guard against a
misconstruction of their Intentions, the Court have desired
it to be understood that all Officers who left India on
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any former Season, can only be allowed while in Europe the Pay of the ranks they held at the time they were permitted to go home on Furlough; and that this rule is to extend to Officers who may be eligible by seniority to the Command of Regiments or Corps under the new Arrangement until those return to such Commands, the emoluments annexed thereto, but not the advanced pay are to be received by the Officers next in succession, who are present and daing duty with the Corps.

I am directed to enclose Copy of a letter from Captain Tanner addressed to the Commander in Chief, and to acquaint you that this Officer is to be allowed, besides travelling Batta on the road (which is granted to every Officer removed) to draw Tent allowance until the day of his Arrival at the Mount, at which period all extra allowances are to cease, and he is to be on a footing with every other Officer at that Cantonment.

I enclose a receipt of Lieutenant Russell of the Madras Artillery for the Sum of thirty

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two Pounds, three Shillings and five pence, advanced to him by the Company's Agent at the Cape of Good Hope, which is to be deducted from the arrears of pay now due to him. ~

The aforesaid Agent having also advanced the Sum of fifty Pounds Sterling to Lieutenant Bove of the Swiss Regiment de Meuron, the President in Council has directed me to transmit to you the receipts of that Officer for the same. ~

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
17th February 1797. ~

&c. &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secy. to Govt.

To G. H. Barlow Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
at Fort William

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to transmit for the information of the Supreme Government, Copies of Letters from His Royal Highness Field Marshall the Duke of York and the Right Honorable Henry Dundas, to Lieutenant General

To the Secretary at Bengal with Copies of the Dispatches from the Duke of York countermanding the Orders formerly given for drafting & reforming different Regiments on the Indian Establishment. ~

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17th General Clarke directing that the orders of the 5th of April last for drafting and dispersing of the Regiments therein mentioned, be not carried into effect. ~

His Lordship in Council has directed me in consequence to suggest the expediency of detaining, for the present, the 76th Regiment in Bengal. ~

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
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To Sir. Robert Abercromby, K.B.
Commander in Chief in India
at Columbo

Sir,

To Sir. Robert Abercromby by acknowledging Receipt of his letter of the 2d. Instant ~

We have had the honor to receive your letter dated the 2d. instant, advising us of your arrival at Columbo. ~

The Commander in Chief having addressed you on the subject of the 73d. Regiment, we have only to express our concurrence in his sentiments

We have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Hobart
&c. Council. ~
Bengal

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From the Garrison Storekeeper.

Received a Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper entered in M.B. No. 68, requesting Instructions respecting some Salt Provisions brought from Amboyna per the Yarmouth Transport.

Dispatched the undermentioned

Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 69. 70. 71. 72.

To the Commanding Officer of the Detachment of the 78th Regiment on board the Queen-

To the officer Commanding the Detachment of the 78th Regiment on board the Queen?

desiring that he will hold the Troops under his Command in readiness to embark on the Royal Admiral for Bengal

To Captain Fellowes - directing him

To the Commander of the Ship the Royal Admiral

to receive on board his Ship and convey to Bengal a Detachment of the 78th Regiment now on board the Queen.

To Captain Price - enclosing a

To Ditto the Hawkesbury.

Return of a Detachment of the 33rd Regiment ordered to embark on his Ship for Bengal.

To Ditto with a List of Men

To Ditto Ditto

ordered to embark on his Ship as Charter Party Passengers for Bengal.

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 73, 74, 75, 76.

From

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To

M. From Lieutenant Colonel Roberts

From the Officer Commanding the Nizam's Detachment — enclosing Copies of Correspondence of Little consequence with the Resident at Hydrabad. —

From Major Kirkpatrick advising

From Resident at Hydrabad. — of his Intention to proceed immediately to Bombay for the recovery of his Health. —

From Major General Floyd with

From Comenandant at Trichinopoly. — a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Brown requesting that an Adequate Allowance may be made to himself and the Officers Stationed at Dindigul Yericota and Periacollum to provide themselves with Quarters. —

From Major General Gels. requesting

From Commandant at the Mount. — that thirty six Pools may be allowed Monthly for the purpose of Watering the Trees in the Mount Cantonment. —

Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82 83. —

To the Accountant General informing

To the Accountant General. — him that he cannot be furnished with regular quarterly Statements of the valuation of Military Stores until the introduction

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introduction of the intended Change of System in the Conduct of the Store Department.—

To the Military Board.— enclosing —

To the Military Board.—

sundry Papers respecting Military Stores consigned to the Presidency from England on the Ships Sir Stephen Lushington, Pitt, Lascelles, Royal Admiral, Busbridge, and Tellicherry.—

To Ditto enclosing Copy of the 19th.—

To Ditto Ditto

Paragraph of the Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors of the 27th July last; and desiring they will pay particular attention to the Forms to be observed in drawing out the Certificates for Naval and Military Stores landed at this Presidency.—

To the Medical Board desiring their—

To the Medical Board.—

particular Attention to the observations of Doctor Hunter on the Indents of Medecines sent from this Presidency— and advising them of the permission granted to Doctor Duffin to return to his Duty on this Establishment— without prejudice to his Ranks.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Close, enclosing

To the Adjutant General.—

Copies of the 2d. 3d. 6th. 7th. 8th. 9th. 10th. 16th. 17th. 19th. 20th.

and

18th

and 21st Paragraphs of the Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors in the Military Department dated 27th July 1796. on points of Military Arrangement &c.a.—

To Mr. Brodie desiring that the

To the Garrison Storekeeper.— Salt Provisions on board the Yarmouth Transport may be landed without Delay.—

To Major Doveton enclosing a Letter

To the Commandant at Ryncotteh.— for Tippoo Sultaun and Copies in English and Persian for his Information.—

19th Received a Letter from the Nabob—

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.— entered in C.C. No. 15.) stating that the Ryotts of Cullianoor a Village in the Jaghire having set up Claims to Land in the Village of Saulivaur in His Highness's Country had prevented the cutting of the Grain to the great Detriment of the Inhabitants and Loss of the Circar also that Beshi and Timmah, plunderers belonging to the Hyder Circar, having effected their Escape, had recommenced their predatory Inroads on the Borders of the Carnatick.—

20th Received the following Letters from

Mr. Skardon.—

W. C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary to the Military Department

From Mr. Skardon relative to the Scarcity of Slaughter Cattle for the

Sir, I have the Honor to enclose herewith for

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the European Troops at Trincomale.— for the information of Government Copy of Letter dated 3rd February 1797, received this day from Captain Kingston Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Trincomalee.—

I am,

Madras Commiss.y Gen.l's Office 20th Febry 1797.—

Yr. Mo.st Ob.t Sert. (Signed) J. H. Skardon Act.g Comm.y Gen.l C.G.P.

John Humphrey Skardon Esq.r

Comm.y General of Grain and Provisions

Sir,

The great Consumption of Cattle by the European Troops since we took posession of the Island of Ceylon has lessen'd the Stock of Cattle so much in every part of the Island that there are very few now left more than what are required to assist the Poors in the Cultivation of their lands, on that Account Sir, it appears to me incumbent that this circumstance should be represented to Government in Order that they may take such steps as their wisdom may direct to keep up a Supply of Cattle on Ceylon for providing their Troops with fresh meat.—

Altho' Sheep do not thrive well on any part of the Island, there is no doubt that by encouragement and some additional expence in building

Houses —

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20th Houses and providing dry Fodder during the Rains (which are excessive here) a good deal might be done.—

I have the honor to be,

Yo.r Yo.r

3d. February 1797 (Signed) Strickland Kingston

Frankamali.— Comm.y of Provisions

a true Copy

(Signed) J. H. Skardon

act.g Com.y of Gen.l G.& P.

W. C. Jackson Esq.r

Secretary to the Military Department

Sir,

From Mr. Skardon submitting the different proposals received for supplying the Gram required for the Cavalry Regiments for the Year 1797/98 with his Opinions on each.—

Having directed the Deputy Agents to advertise for, Proposals for supplying the quantity of Gram required for their respective Regiments for the ensuing year (That is from 1st. March 1797 to end February 1798.) I have the honor to lay before you for the information of Government, Copies of the several Proposals received in consequence.—

Nos. 1 & 2 are, Proposals delivered in to Captain Monteath for supplying H. M. 19th. Regiment at Trichinopoly — No. 1 is considerably lower than No. 2 but as it comes from a common Conicoply & Man of no

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20th no Property, & whose Security is not to be depended on, I think it should be rejected. The other is from the same Person (Tellesinga Moodelier) who supplied the Regiment the two last Years and with whose conduct I have every reason to be satisfied, I therefore recommend it may be accepted. Last Years Contract for the 19th Regiment was at 58 Pagodas and the year before at 69 Pagodas Fanam. —

Venkatachellum, the Man who supplied the 1st & 11th Regiments with Gram last year at 68 Pagodas offers to contract this year at Sixty three Pagodas Fanam, no other Proposal has been received, and as this Person gave satisfaction last year, I recommend that his offer be accepted. Nos 3 & 4 are copies of his Proposals. —

Nos 5, 6, 7, & 8 are Proposals for supplying the 3d Regiment at Cuddalore. No 5 is the lowest offering & is strongly recommended by Captain Gukie, the Deputy Agent, in consequence, I recommend that Shamiah's offer be accepted, the last Years Contract for the late 3th Regiment was at 62 Pagodas Fanam. —

No 9 is the only Proposal received for supplying Gram to the 2d Regiment at Connatore, it is

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No 20.

is strongly recommended by Captain Sherriff I therefore recommend that the Offer of Vencataramah be accepted, the last Years Contract for this Regiment was 67 Pagodas Per Garce.

As the Season is far advanced I have to request that I may, as soon as possible, be enabled to make the necessary advances as proposed in the Advertisement which makes part of my Circular Letter to the Deputy Gram Agents, Copy of which No. 10 accompanies this.

I am

Madras
20th February 1797.

&c. &c.
(Signed) J. H. Shardon
Act. P. a. C. Sup.

No 1

To Captain W. Monteath
Agent for Cavalry Supplies
at Trichinopoly

The Humble Proposal of
Vencatachilla Pillay.

In consequence of the Advertisement fixed on the Gates, I do hereby engage to supply One hundred and forty five Garces of Horse Gram to His Majesty's 19th Regiment Dragoons at Worriore at 35 Star Pagodas Per Garce within 31st August next on Condition of receiving

one

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20th

One third of the advance on or before the 20th of this Month—
Should it so happen the Expression of word in the Advertise
=ment for receiving Gram during this Year was to Extend by
the Contractor as far as 31st December, the quantity which
may remain unreceivied after 31st of August— I agree to
supply all 38 Pagodas ₱ Garce— With regard to the further
Supply of greater quantity than the above as specified in the
Advertisement— I cannot engage to deliver more than Fifty
five Garces of Gram at such price and on terms as aforesaid
Two best Securities will be given if the above proposal will ~
meet your approbation.—

(Signed) Venkatachelum

Trichinopoly
1st February 1797.— (a true Copy)
(Signed) J.H.S.—

No. 2

To Captain Walter Monteath
Deputy Agent for Cavalry Supplies

Sir,

According to the Terms of your Advertisement
I am willing to furnish between the 1st of February 1797 and
the same day in 1798 any quantity of Gram required for the
use of Cavalry at Trichinopoly at the rate of (112) Forty two
Star Pagodas ₱ Garce in such quantities and at such periods as

you

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20th

you please Chitteram Pillay will be Security for fulfilling my Contract.

I am,

Vo.s Vo.s

(Signed) Tellisinga Moodalyar

Trichinopoly

30th Janry 1797.—

a true Copy

(Sigd) J. H. S.

No. 3

Proposals of Vencatachillum to contract for 183 Garce of Gram to be delivered at the Periods mentioned in the Advertizement — for the 1st Regiment N. C.—

Sixty Three Pagodas Garce and one Third of the Amount to be advanced, upon the delivery of one third of the quantity contracted for another third of the Amount to be advanced, and upon the delivery of two thirds of the quantity contracted for the remainder of the purchase Money to be advanced.— Security to be given the same as last year for the due performance of the Contract.—

(Signed) Vencatachillum

Arcot

1st February 1797.—

(a true Copy)

Signed J. H. S.

No. 4

Proposals of Vencatachillum to Contract for 190 Garce of Gram to be delivered at the Periods mentioned in the Advertizement.— For the 4th Regiment N. C.— Sixty

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20th

Sixty Three Pagodas Garce and one

third of the Amount to be advanced upon the delivery of

one third of the quantity contracted for another third of the

Amount to be Advanced, and upon the delivery of two thirds

of the Quantity Contracted for the remainder of the purchase

Money to be advanced.

Security to be given the same as last

Year for the due performance of the Contract.

(Signed) Vencatachillum

Arcot
1st February 1797.

a true Copy
(Signed) J. Leonard
Dy. A.C.S. 4th Regt.
N.C.

a true Copy
(Sign.d) J. H. S.

N.5.

I the undersigned Shamiah Bramin do

Agree to furnish One hundred and Eighty Seven (187) Garce

of Gram of the best quality Agreeably to the advertisement

published in Cuddalore at the rate of Fifty Seven Star Pagodas

p.r Garce all and every Article therein mentioned shall be

strictly adhered to, provided I have permission to collect the

Gram in the Honble Company's and Nabob's territories

Custom free for the accomplishing of which it is necessary

I

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20th

I should be provided with Dustucks Signed by the Honble the President in Council, or the President of the Revenue Board and by His Highness the Nabob, for the due performance of this Contract I will furnish — as the Country people are in want of Money in Advance, (should my proposal be acceded) I hope the first Instalment will be soon advanced, that I may be enabled to Secure the Gram on the Ground. —

(Signed) Samiah Bramin

30th January 1797. — a true Copy
(Sign.) I. K. S.

No. 6

To Captain Geekie
Deputy Gram Agent 3d Regiment Native Cavalry

Proposal of Videnadem Moodaliyar

of Cuddalore for delivering new Horse Gram, to the 3d — Regiment Native Cavalry at Chemundalum, Commencing from the first day of February 1797 until the last day of February 1798. —

Viz. I will procure and deliver the Amount of (187) One hundred and Eighty Seven Madras Garce of New Horse Gram in the Course of the above mentioned time of One year — That is 20 Madras Garce in the Month of

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20th of March, 73½ Madras Garce from the Month of March until July—the remaining 93½ Madras Garce from the Month of August 1797 untill the last day of February 1798 at the rate of 58 Star Pagodas ℔ Garce ℔ Madras Garce on Condition that upon good Security being given the Money for such Stipulated Instalment, on delivery of Gram shall be received by me in Advance.

Permission to be granted to me to Collect the aforesaid New Horse Gram in the Honble Company's and Nabob's Territories, without any Molestation, or paying any Duties or Customs, whosoever; and that I must be free from all dangers and Damages, in case of War.

All the aforesaid Horse Gram to be delivered at Chemundelum but should it happen that the 3d Regiment N. C. be removed from thence the Remaineng Gram to be delivered in the Fort of Cuddalore.

I am,

&c &c &c

Cuddalore

30th January 1797.

(Signed) Videnadum Moodalyare

(a true Copy)
(Sig.d) J. H. S.

Sir

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No. 7

Sir,

I Maloogeriah, Bramin Inhabitant of Munja Coopum do undertake to furnish One hundred, and Eighty Seven (187) Garce of Gram of the best quality on the terms published in the Buzar of Tropapaloor at the Rate of Sixty Star Pagodas P Garce Viz.t To furnish a small quantity of old Gram should it be required before the new Crop is ready, Twenty Garce within one Month after the new Crop is cut and to have always Gram ready to deliver when the Agent may call for it, Half the Contract shall be delivered on or before the Month of July next and the whole by the end of the end of the Year and should the 3.d Regiment of Native Cavalry move in the Course of the Year, whatever may remain due shall be delivered in Cuddalore, for the exact performance of the above Agreement should it be accepted, I will find good and ample Security

(Signd) Maloogeriah Bramin

28th January 1797.—

(a true Copy)

(Sig.d) I. H. S.—

Translation of an Agreement given by Goolam Mohieddeen under his Seal to the Honorable Company

Whereas I have engaged to supply the

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the
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the One hundred and eighty Seven Garces of Horse Gram at the price of Sixty Eight Pagodas for each Garce to the Honorable Company's Cavalry of Third Regiment, from February to January of the Hexra 1210, and out of which I will supply the Twenty Garces of Horse Gram, and the Remainder I will deliver at Cuddalore without delay, and if you will in-necessary require the Additional Quantity than the above, I will accordingly supply it, and the order has issued respecting the Money to receive at Three Kists for a Year. I have accordingly agreed the above Order. -

(a true Copy)
(Sign.d) J. H. S. -

Proposals for the Delivery of Two hundred (200) Garces of Gram agreable to the terms mentioned in the Advertisements Published on the 24th December 1796 in the Forts of Vellore & Arnee, at Arcott & Connatore by Captain Sherriff ~ D. a. G. S. 2d, Regiment N. Cavalry. -

I hereby engage to deliver Two hundred (200) Garces of Gram, of a Merchantable quality, at the Regiment Store house of the 2d, Regiment N. Cavalry at Connatore, or in the Forts of Vellore or Arnee, at the rate of Sixty

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20. Sixty two Star Pagodas (62....-) Hgarce, Company's measurement being 1100 Struck Marcals, or 4300 Seers to the Garce, for the performance of which, I will give sufficient Security.—

(Signed) Venkataramma Connatore

(a true Copy)

1st February 1797.— (Sigd) J. H. S.—

No. 10

Notice is hereby given that Captain Leonard Deputy Agent with 4th Regiment Native Cavalry will receive Proposals from any Person or Persons till the 1st day of February 1797 for the delivery of One Hundred and Ninety (190) Garce of Horse Gram in the Cantonment of the 4th Regiment Native Cavalry Conditions as follows.—

The Gram to be new and of the best sort.—

(Captain Leonard will here insert the Periods of delivery and in what proportions he wishes to receive the Gram)

Should any difference of Opinion arise regarding the quality of the Gram, a reference to be made to John Hemphry Thornton Esqr. Acting Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies and the Contractor to abide by his decision.—

That in the event of the 4th Regiment moving from its present Station in course of the Year, that is between

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Between 1st March 1797 and last day of February 1798 —

whatever remains to be delivered of the Gram contracted for, is

to be delivered of the Gram contracted for, is to be delivered at

Vellore or Arnee. —

One third of the Money will be advanced

on good Security being given, another Third will be paid

when Half the Quantity Contracted for is delivered, and the

remainder when the Contract is completed the Security to

make good all deficiencies. —

That should an additional quantity of

Gram be required in course of the Year for the use of the

4th Regiment, the Contractor is to furnish it at the same —

rate he contracts to supply the one hundred and Ninety

(190) Garce. —

To Captain Leonard

Deputy Agent with the 4th Regt N.C. —

Sir,

Be pleased to Publish the above, in English

and the Country Languages at Arcot and the Cusbahs of —

that Province, and send two Copies to Mr. Wynch with —

a request that he will have them stuck up at the Gates of

Arnee and Vellore. —

Whatever

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20th Whatever Proposals you may receive in consequence are to be forwarded to me on the 1st of February next. I am &c. &c.

Madras 10th December 1796

(Signed) J. Hx Shardon acting P. S. C. S.

(a true Copy)
(Signed) J. Hx S.

Received also the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 84-85.

From Captain Daines tendering the Ship Yarmouth to convey troops to the Malabar Coast.

From Commander of the Yarmouth.

From Mr. Roebuck accompanying his Indent of Cash for the ensuing Month.

From Military Paymaster General.

At a Consultation
Present
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President — Governor
Major General Alured Clarke
Commander in Chief
Edward Saunders and
Ernst William Fallofield } Esquires.

Tuesday 21st February 1797.

Minutes of last Consultation Read and Approved.

Read

623 Fort St. George 22d. February 1797. ~

Read the following Letter from the Adjutant General. ~

To William Collins Jackson Esq.r
Secretary Military Department

Sir, The Commander in Chief has desired me to request you will signify to the Right Honorable the ~ President in Council, his recommendation, that the following promotions may be ordered to take place to fill vacancies on the Establishment. ~

From the Adjutant General recommending sundry Promotions to fill vacancies occasioned by Colonels Oldham and Clarke retiring from the Service

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Captain

Fort St. George February 1797.—

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I am

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Captain

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Captain John Chalmers, to be Major,
vice Read promoted, date of rank 27th. July 1796.—

Captain Thomas Price to be Major vice
Mac Neile promoted; date of rank 27th. July 1796.—

Captain Lieutenant George Martin to be
Captain of a Company, vice Chalmers promoted date of rank
27th. July 1796.— Captain Lieutenant Thomas Green to be
Captain of a Company, vice Price promoted; date of rank—
27th. July 1796.— Brevet Captain William Berkeley to be
Captain Lieutenant, vice Martin promoted date of rank—
27th. July 1796.— Brevet Captain Robert Moncton Grant
to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Green, promoted date of rank
27th. July 1796.— Captain Lieutenant Thomas Peters to be
Captain of a Company, vice Fenwick deceased date of rank
5th. January 1797.— Captain Lieutenant Alexander Greenhill
to be Captain of a Company, vice Helaps, deceased; date of
rank 13th. January 1797.—

Brevet Captain George Bowyer to be
Captain

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Captain Lieutenant, vice Peters promoted, date of rank 5th. January 1797.— Brevet Captain John Markam —

Convenent to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Greenhill promoted; dated of rank 13th. January 1797.—

You will perceive that the above — promotions down to Captains Martin and Green, and — Captains Lieutenants Berkeley and Grant inclusives, bear — date the same as the Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors announcing Colonels Oldham and Clarke having been permitted to retire. — These Officers although promoted to those ranks on former occasions to fill vacancies of latter date, yet now succeeding according to Seniority to the dates of Commission given to them above, the places they formerly held being now given to Captain Lieutenants, Peters and Greenhill, and Brevet Captains Bonnes and Convenent, according to their Standing on the General list. —

I have the honor to be,

Adjutant Generals Office
21st. February 1797.— (Signed) &c.a &c.a
B.y Close
Adj.t Gen.l of the Army.—

Ordered that the promotions above — recommended be published in General Orders. — Read

The Promotions as recommended published in — General Orders. —

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Read the following Letter from the Collector at Ramnad.

## The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor and President in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Collector at Ramnad noticing the meritorious Conduct of Combie Nayr, one of the Manapar Polygars, in the Seizure of Chinna Govenden, Brother of the notorious Robber Tomboo Govinden.

As the circumstance of the Capture of Chinana Govenden, the Brother of the Notorious Marauder Tomby Govenden has no doubt been reported to your Lordship by General Floyd, I beg leave to represent the Meritorious Conduct of Combie Nauck, one of the Manapar Polygars, who was the Person who secured him, and who has on this, as on all occasions, shewn a sincere wish to recommend himself to the Favor and good Opinion of Government. As he is apprehensive that in the present instance he may incur the ill will of all the Polygars, it would be politick to bestow on him some honorary mark of distinction which will convince them all, that Government had approved of his Conduct and would support him. — a Present tendered to him in the Name of Government would not only be highly gratifying to the Young Polygar and his Counsellors, but would make a useful impression on the minds of the whole. —

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The Service that has been rendered in
Seizing this Fellow may prove important and fortunate, for
We may not only get information from him respecting
Tomboo Goveeden and his Allies, but it will certainly cause
a general distrust and suspicion amongst the Polygars
of each other, and they will be afraid to harbor him. —
I have the honor to be,

Ramnad
10th. February 1797. —

Yr. Yr.
(Signd) George Powney
Coll.

The Board entirely concur in the utility of
rewarding the meritorious Conduct of Combee Naig by a public
mark of their approbation — Resolved accordingly that Mr.
Powney be authorized to present him in the Name of Government
with a Palanqueen suitable to the occasion, its cost not exceeding
the Sum of Two hundred Pagodas. —

Minute thereon

Read the following letter from the Resident
at Tanjore. —

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

My Lord,

I beg leave to acquaint your Lordship, that
the

From the Resident at Tanjore advising of an increased price having been set on the Chief

Fort St. George 21st February 1797.

Coar Paddy, which he represents as extremely injurious to the Inhabitants encloses a Statement of the Payments made by the Rajah on account of his Agreements of the 31st August last.

the Nights before last a New Arrangement was made regarding the Price of the Coar Crop throughout the Tanjore Country and an addition made to the former Price as follows.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tirvady | Increase above the former Price | | G.Ps. 1/48 & 1/16th |
| | Per each Cullum | | |
| Combeconum | D° | D° | 7/16ths |
| Manargoody | D° | D° | 3/16ths |
| In one Division of Myaveram | D° | D° | 3/16ths |
| In another Division of Myaveram | D° | D° | 3/8ths |

The foregoing Increase on the Price of the Coar Crop will at the lowest Computation produce an increase of Revenue in that Crop of 32,000 Star Pagodas.

The Medium of the above, Prices will be rather more than Nine Tanjore Cash P Cullum of Coar Paddy I take Nine Cash, however as the Increase - reckoning the whole Paddy of the Country this year at One Hundred Lacs of Cullum - deducting 40 Lacs as the Inhabitants Share - remains 60 Lacs Sircar's Share - of this 60 Lac (which of course includes the Swamby Pesharum as the Coar Crop) the Coar Crop is as usual estimated at two fifths - which at Nine Cash P Cullum & at the Exchange of 2 1/2 G.Fs. P Star Pagoda makes Star Pagodas 32,000.

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In my former address regarding the fixing of the Price of the Caar Crop this year I mentioned the reason to which that low Price was imputable Viz.t a desire of making a rapid Collection of the Revenue. The Present change in the Price must be regarded as a Notorious breach of Faith on the part of the Circar and indeed it would not have been submitted to by the Inhabitants had not the first Price been acknowledged to have been much too low.

Inclosed I send an Account of the Amount paid by his Excellency on Account of his Agreement dated 31st. August 1796.

I have the honor to be,

Tanjore
12th. February 1797.

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Alex.r Macleod
Res.t

Lieut. Saunders

Dr.

# Dr. His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore in Account Current with the Honble Company Cr.

| 1796 | | Chs. | F. C. | S.Ps. | F. C. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dec.r 30th | To Cash due this Day on account of his Agreement dated 31st August 1796 | 56,000 | - | 2333 | 12 - |
| To Do. ..... 30th March 1797 | Do. ..... | 107,695 | 3 7/8 | 44,873 | 2 65 |
| | | 163,695 | 3 7/8 | 68,206 | 14 65 |

(a) 24 Fs. 7 Cs. Pags.

| 1796 | | Chs. | F. C. | S.Ps. Pags. | F. C. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dec.r 30th | By Cash received to the 30th December ..... | 54,532 | - 9 | 22,722 | 1 10 |
| By Balance ..... | | 109,162 | 4 7/8 | 45,483 | 13 25 |
| | | 163,695 | 3 7/8 | 68,206 | 14 65 |

Tanjore 25th January 1797

E.E.

(Signed) Alexr. Macleod
Resr.

Fort St. George 21st February 1797.

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Fort St. George 21st. February 1797.—

Read the following letters addressed to the Commander in Chief, and submitted by him for the Information of the Board.—

Dispatches from the Duke of York & Mr. Dundas to the Commander in Chief countermanding the Orders formerly given relative to the draughting & sending to England the 72d. 73d. 75th. 76th & 77th Regiments—the Royal artillery only to be sent to the Cape.—

Extract of a Letter from His Royal Highness Field Marshall the Duke of York to Lieutenant General Alured Clarke dated York House 3d. of August 1796

"I have now to acquaint you that

"since writing my Letter of the 8th. April, His Majesty

"has judged it expedient that the Force to be stationed in

"India under your Command, shall be more considerable

"than was then intended, and has in consequence been—

"pleased to order, that the 73d. 76th. and 77th. Regiments

"shall not be draughted as was directed, and that the

"71st. and 75th. Regiments shall also remain in India,—

"every Exertion will be used to complete those Regiments

"as expeditiously as possible, and you will be—

"pleased to give such directions as you shall think

"necessary in consequence of this alteration."—

a true Extract

(Signd) John Malcolm

Secy.

Lieutenant

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Lieutenant General Clarke

&c.a &c.a &c.a

Sir,

On a consideration of the extent and importance of the Territories and Settlements recently acquired by His Majesty's and the East India Company's Arms in various parts of India, it has been judged expedient that the orders, communicated to you in my Letter of the 5th. of April last for drafting and disposing of the Regiments thereon mentioned should not be carried into effect. I am therefore in conformity to this determination to signify to you His Majesty's Pleasure that you are to detain all of those Regiments in India; and every exertion will be used to

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to send out Recruits from hence to complete them to their proper establishments. —

You will consequently only detach to the Cape of Good Hope the Royal Artillery now serving in India, according to the Instructions you will have received for that purpose, and I shall apprise Major General Craig by the present opportunity of the directions now given to you, to retain the two Regiments previously destined for the Service of the Cape. —

I have the honor to be,

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Henry Dundas

A true Copy

(Signed) John Malcolm

Secy. —

On

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On the 17th Instant Copies of the

Minute thereon foregoing Letters were transmitted, by Express, to Bengal, suggesting at the same time the expediency of detaining, for the present, the 76th Regiment at that Presidency.—

" Hobart

" Colo Saunders

" E. H. Fallofield

" Fullerton

Colo.

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# Diary

21st The following Letter from Major General Brathwaite dated 24th December having been by Accident mislaid till this day is now entered in Records. —

## To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c &c &c

My Lord,

As it has been Announced that a Packet is Ofsered at the Post Office for Europe, I conclude that Government is about to forward a despatches. May I request your Lordship by this opportunity to remind the Honorable Court of Directors of the Pondicherry Prize Money, which remains still unappropriated, Although that of the recent (comparatively speaking) Captures from the Dutch has been ordered to be distributed to the Captors. —

From Major General Brathwaite requesting that the Propriety of making an early Distribution of the Pondicherry Prize Money may be passed upon the Consideration of the Honorable Court of Directors. —

The Troops employed under my Command at the reduction of Pondicherry look up to

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21st Summoned on the General Court Martial to be held upon Major Mackay, Sincerely anxious as Major Kirkpatrick is on private, as well as public Grounds, that the Trial in question should be brought to a Close. as Speedily as possible. he directs me to say that he feels the greatest concern at being obliged to withhold his Sanction under present circumstances to the departure of so considerable a part of the Detachment. Native as well as European. as is set forth in the endorsement of your Letter to be required as Witnesses on the approaching Court Martial and Making Altogether eighty three Persons. —

He does not know whether or not Government or the Commander in Chief are approved of the great Number of European and Native Officers, as well as Non Commissioned and Privates Summoned on this occasion, but if they are, he is inclined to think that it is not in their Contemplation that the Detachment should

21st should be so greatly reduced, without the deficiency being previously more or less provided for by some temporary means or other. —

Major Kirkpatrick has no objection to your making the Application in behalf of Mr. Surgeon Gillespie which you mention. —

I have honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Hydrabad
13th February 1797

Lieutenant Colonel G. Roberts
Comg the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

The bad state of my health making it necessary that I should try a Change of Air as soon as possible, I have to acquaint you that I am about to proceed immediately for this purpose to the Westward, and that during my Absence from my Station, the duties of this Residency devolve on my Assistant Captain Kirkpatrick. — I have the honor to be

Hydrabad
13th February 1797

(Signed) &c &c W. Kirkpatrick
Colo. &c

21st to me, and as I cannot be insensible of, or inattentive to their Merits, I am induced to give your Lordship this trouble. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Pondicherry
December 24th 1797

(Signed) John Braithwaite

Read the following Letters. —

## To W.C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary

From Lieut Col Roberts with continuation of his Correspondence with the Resident particularly relative to the number of Officers & men summoned to the Residency as Evidence on Major Mackay's Court Martial.

Sir.

I have the honor to enclose you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, Copies of Correspondence between the Resident at his Highness the Nizams Court and myself. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Camp near
Hydrabad
16th February 1797

(Signed) George Roberts
Lieut Colo

Lieut

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To
Lieutenant Colonel Roberts
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir.

I have the honor by Major Kirkpatricks direction to inclose you Copy of a Letter from Captain Mackinzie with the Bill that accompanied it. and the Charges appearing reasonable to the Major he has signed them and Requests you will order their Amount to be discharged.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c.

Hydrabad
22d February 1797

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant.

(Copy)

Lieutenant Colonel G. Roberts
Commanding the Ellore Detachment

Sir,

I am directed by Major Kirkpatrick to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of this Date, accompanied by a List of the Evidences summoned

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To

Captain S. A Kirkpatrick

Sir,

I am favored with your letter of this date accompanied by a Copy of a Letter from Captain Machengie to the Resident with four Bills which I shall direct the Paymaster to pay the amount of agreeable to the Residents directions

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) George Roberts

Camp near
Hydrabad
12th February 1797

(Copy)

Major Kirkpatrick

Resident at His Highness the Nizam's Court

Sir,

Having had an application from Mr. Gillespie head Surgeon to this Detachment for two months leave of absence to proceed to the Coast on his own private Business, and as Mr. Stewart lately Appointed Assistant Surgeon to

Ckd Fort St. George — February 1797

2d — to the 11th Regiment is Arrived in Camp. if it meets with your Approbation Ishall apply to the Commander in Chief for leave of absence for Mr. Gillespie, — Major Gibbings having also joined his Corps Ishould wish to know if you approve of Major Mackay and the Evidences required on his Court Martial (a List of whom Ihave the honor to enclose you) proceeding to the Presidency agreeable to the Orders Isome time since received from the Commander in Chief. —

Ihave the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) George Roberts —

Camp Near
Hydrabad
th
13 February 1797

William C. Jackson Esqr.
Military Secretary

From the Purser of the Centurion — inclosing Bills for Provisions supplied for the use of Troops to the Eastward, and for Subsisting Men conveyed from Port to Port on that Ship. —

Ihave the honor to enclose you my Bills for Provisions delivered to the Commissaries of the Honorable Company and Troops &c Victualled on board His — Majesty's Ship Centurion during the Expedition against

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To

Captain S. A Kirkpatrick

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I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) George Roberts

Camp near
Hydrabad
12th February 1797

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Hydrabad
the 13th February 1797

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Military Secretary

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against the Dutch Settlements in the Eastern Seas

also a necessary Bill for a Company of the
74th Regiment doing duty on board the said Ship
as Marines on a Cruize from Madras to &
Ballace Road and back again Viz.t

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| 1795 Decr. 10th | To amount of Provisions delivered Lieut. John Nairn Commissary of Provisions at Malacca as Pr Bill No 1. | 0 7 6<br>32 10 5 | |
| 1796 Feby. 17th | To Amount of Provisions Sepplied One Officer and Twenty four private of the Honorable Company Troops embarked at Malacca 22 January and landed at Amboina the 17th February as Pr Bill No 2. | 96 18 - | |
| June 6th | To Amount of Provisions issued to the Honorable Company's Troops at different times in the months of February and March 1796 as Pr Certificate of Captain Thomas Muchle Commissary at Amboina as Pr Bill No 3 | 287 22. | |
| | | | Carried over Pags. 416 7 5 |

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Brought Over — 416: 7 5

21st 1796
July 26th To Amount Provisions Supplied Dutch Soldiers and Sea Men Embarked at Ambaina the 6th June and brought to Malacca the 4th July & brought from thence to Penang and put on board the Mary Transports for a Passage to Madras the 26th July 7th Bill No 4 — 452 21. —

" " To Amount of Provisions Supplied Slaves and followers embarked at Ambaina, on the 6th June and put on board the Mary Transpt at Penang the 26th July 7th Bill. 5. — 47 26 —

" " To Amount Victualling 6 Malay Rajah's Prisoners of War embarked at Ambaina the 6th June, and put on board the Mary Transpt at Penang the 26th July as 7th Bill 6 — 188 4 —

" " To Amount of Necessary Money for Dutch Soldiers, Seamen and Malay Prisoners Embarked at Ambaina, the 6th June to the 26th July 1796 as 7th Bill No 7. — 27 5 7½

" " To Amount of Provisions and Casks Supplied the Mary Transport to Victuall Dutch Soldiers Seamen and others embarked on board the said Transport at Penang the 26th July for a Passage to Madras as 7th Bill No 8 — 128 7 —

To Amount Charge on Account of the Expedition Against the Dutch Settlements in the Eastern Seas — 1259. 27. 7½

To

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against the Dutch Settlements in the Eastern Seas

also a necessary Bill for a Company of the

73d Regiment doing duty on board the said Ship

as Marines on a Cruize from Madras to & from

Ballasore Road and back again Viz.t

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" " To Amount of Necessary Money for Dutch Soldiers, Seamen and Malay Prisoners Embarked at Amboina, the 6th June to the 26th July 1796 as Vr Bill No 7 — 27 5 7½

" " To Amount of Provisions and Casks Supplied the Mary Transport to Victuall Dutch Soldiers Seamen and others embarked on board the said Transport at Penang the 26th July for a Passage to Madras as Vr Bill No 8 — 128 7 "

To Amount Charge on Account of the Expedition Against the Dutch Settlements in the Eastern Seas — 1259. 27. 7½

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Brought Over Pagodas 1259.-27-79

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Feby. 8. To Amount Necessary Money
for 2 Officers and 80 Men of
the 74th Regiment embarked
from Madras the 6th Inst.
on a Cruize from hence to
Ballasore Road and back
again to Madras the 8th
February when they were
landed p. Bill No 9. — 21. 33 45

Total Pag.s 1281 . 18 . 44

The Amount due by the Honorable
Company to Mr. James Grant being Pag.s 1281-18-44
For the Payment of which I am to request you will
be pleased you will procure the necessary Order —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Ja.s Grant.

Centurion
Madras
13th February 1797

To

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To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St. George,

My Lord.

From Rear Admiral Rainier - Requesting that he may be supplied from the Company's Stores with an equal Quantity of Gun Powder to that which he is about to land on account of its requiring drying and sifting. —

As the waiting for the drying sifting and Restoring the Gun Powder of His Majesty's Ships when landed for that purpose under the Charge of the Ordnance Storekeeper here is necessarily attended with delay which might from the Sudden appearance of an Enemy prove highly detrimental to His Majesty's Service, I beg leave to propose that an equal weight to what is landed be immediately put on board the Kings Ships, account of the Wastage to be delivered to the Gunner of the Ships, when Ascertained, and giving a Reasonable Credit for the Value of it as the Salt Petre can easily be extracted in a very purified State. —

I have the honor to Remain

&c &c

(Signed) Peter Rainier

Despatched

Suffolk in Madras Road this 21st February 1797

21st Despatched the Undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. Nos 86-87-88-89-90.—

To Captain Taner directing him to prepare his Ship for the Reception of 250 European Soldiers who are under orders to Embark, on the 25th Instant. for Trincomale.—

To the Commander of the Freighted Ship Bellona.—

To Mr. Shardon acquainting him that the 80th Regiment, nearly 900 Strong, are about to embath for Trincomalie to relieve the 72 Regiment recalled to the Coast.—

To the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Mr. Brodie directing him to send on board the Fairlie Provisions, Wood and Water for 650 Men for fifteen days and on the Bellonia the same Articles for 250 Men for twenty five days.—

To the Garrison Storekeeper.—

To Major General Braithwaite advising him of the Intention of Government to relieve the 72d Regiment now at Trincomale and to Station it at Pondicherry.—

To the Commandant at Pondicherry.—

To Major General Floyd desiring him to give immediate Orders for the 36th Regiment going into quarters at Negapatam.—

To Commandant at Trichinopoly.—

Received

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22 Received the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 91-92-93-94.—

From the Adjutant General.— From Lieutenant Colonel Close advising of Major of Brigade Corby and Mr. Conductor Mahony having proceeded to England from the Cape of Good Hope agreeably to the permission granted to them by Government.—

From Captain Wm. Macleod.— From Captain W. Macleod inclosing Bills for Intelligence for the months of October November and December, and Requesting that the amount may be paid to his Agents Messrs. Daly and Cochburn.—

From Lieut. W. Beagley Commanding at Nairpilly.— From Lieutenant W. Beagley advising of a Frenchman named Le Empereur having passed his Station of Command (Nairpilly) on his Way to Madras on the 7th February.—

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks.— From Mr. Sharden enclosing his Cash Estimate for the ensuing Month.—

23 Received the following Letter from Major General Doyle.—

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# The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council &c &c

My Lord,

From Major General Doyle the Arrogant 74 with the Thetis and Dublin arrive at Columbo - Captain Lucas relands the Detachments of the 72 & 74 Regiments which he intended to convey to Trincomalee and Madras. -

I have the honor to report to your Lordship that His Majestys Ship Arrogant with the Thetis Indiaman anchored in these roads last night, and that the Dublin is now standing in. —

In consequence of a Note written to me by Captain Lucas of the Arrogant Copy of which is here with enclosed I have given directions for the disembarkation of the Drafts from the 72 and 74th Regiments which he undertook to land at Trincomalie and Madras. I am happy to inform your Lordship that Yesterday received a Report from Trincomalie that the Suffolks Tender, which Sailed from hence four days after the Arrogant arrived there on the 21st Ulto. with the Detachment of Drafts for the 72 Regiment which had been embarked on that Ship. —

Yesterdays Tappal brought me Mr. Secretary Jacksons letter of the 25th Ulto. with its enclosure

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entrance to which all due attention shall be given. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c

Signed / Wellbore Ellis Doyle
Major Genl.

Head Quarters
Columbo 10th February 1797

Major General Doyle
Commander in Chief &c &c
on the
Island of Ceylon.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you of my Arrival with two of the Honorable East India Company's Ships to take in the Specie and Captured Property at this Port. —

His Majesty's Ship Arrogant having on board part of His Majesty's 72d & 74th Regiments I should wish for them to be disembarked as soon as possible. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) R Lucas

His Majesty's Ship
Arrogant Columbo
Roads 10th February 1797

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Received the Undermentioned Letters

entered in M. B.ks 95-96-97-98-99.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Anderson enclosing

From Lieutenant Colonel Anderson.—

a Bill for Contingent Charges incurred in Marching

Seven Companies of the 2d Battalion 10th Regiment,

from Cafsemcotah to the Presidency amounting to

Pagodas 399.18.78.—

From Messrs. MacDowall, Fraser, and Hay

From Messrs MacDowall Fraser and Hay.—

enclosing a Letter from Mr. Harding at Bombay, owner

of the Ship Ewer, in which he requests that the

Freight falling due on Account of that Ship, may be

paid to them (Messrs MacDowall & Co.) instead of

Messrs Rocbuck and Abbott.—

From the Honble Major Monson &c

From the Commandant at Sanjire.—

representing the ruinous State of the Medicine Godown

and Recommending that it be repaired.—

From Major General Floyd - advising of

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly.—

Major Smart having furnished a Detachment of Troops

at the Requisition of Mr Pavney, for the purpose of

destroying a Party of refractory Peons, who had entered to a

Mud Fort near Shevegherry - Issues Orders for the

Monthly

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23 Monthly Relief of Detachments made from Sepoy Corps in the Southern Division —

From Major General Cullens requesting

From the Commandant at Vellore. — leave of absence to the Presidency for fifteen days. —

From Mr. Walter Balfour — expects that

From Collector at Ganjam. — Major General Erskine's Detachment will reach Ganjam by the 15th or 12th March. —

Despatched the Undermentioned —

Letters as entered in M B. Nos 100 - 101 - 102 - 103 - 104 —

To Major General Sydenham — referring for

To the Military Auditor General. — Examination the Estimate of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, and Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for March. —

To the Clerk of the Treasury — desiring him

To the Clerk of the Treasury. — to issue 2000 Pagodas to the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, on account of Additional Expence in his Department for January. —

To Mr Sharden — desiring him to accept

To the Acting Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies. — the Proposals for furnishing Grain for the different Cavalry Regements as suggested in his Letter of the 20th Instant. —

To Captain Dawse dismissing the —

To the Commander of the Brig'd Ship Yarmouth. — Yarmouth from the Service. —

To —

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Received the Undermentioned Letters

entered in M. B.ks 95-96-97-98-99.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Anderson —

From Lieutenant Colonel Anderson enclosing a Bill for Contingent Charges incurred in Marching Seven Companies of the 2d Battalion 10th Regiment, from Cafsemcotah to the Presidency amounting to Pagodas 399.18.78.—

From Messrs. MacDowall, Fraser, and Hay enclosing a Letter from Mr. Harding at Bombay, owner of the Ship Ewer, in which he requests that the Freight falling due on Account of that Ship, may be paid to them (Messrs. MacDowall & Co.) instead of Messrs Rocbuck and Abbott. —

From Messrs MacDowall Fraser and Hay.—

From the Honble Major Munro &c representing the ruinous State of the Medicine Godown and Recommending that it be repaired.—

From the Commandant at Sangine.—

From Major General Floyd - advising of Major Smart having furnished a Detachment of Troops at the Requisition of Mr Pavney, for the purpose of destroying a Party of refractory Peons, who had intered to a Mud Fort near Shivegherry. Issues Orders for the monthly

From the Commandant at Trichinopoly.—

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From the Commandant at Vellore. — leave of absence to the Presidency for fifteen days. —

From Mr. Walter Balfour — expects that

From Collector at Ganjam. — Major General Cosmos Detachment will reach Ganjam by the 15th or 12th March. —

Despatched the Undermentioned —

Letters as entered in M. B. Nos. 100-101-102-103-104

To Major General Sydenham — referring for

To the Military Auditor General. — Examination the Estimate of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, and Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for March. —

To the Clerk of the Treasury — desiring him

To the Clerk of the Treasury. — to issue 2800 Pagodas to the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, on account of Additional Expence in his Department for January. —

To Mr. Sharden — desiring him to accept

To the Acting Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies. — the Proposals for furnishing Grain for the different Cavalry Regements as suggested in his Letter of the 20th. Instant. —

To Captain Dowse dismissing the —

To the Commander of the Freighted Ship Yarmouth. — Yarmouth from the Service. —

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To the Military Auditor General—

To Major General Sydenham—referring for Examination Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Trechinopoly.—

To Do Do To Ditto Referring Mr. Roebucks general Estimate of Cash required in the ensuing month.—

24th Read the following Letter from the Sub Secretary at Bengal—

To W. C. Jackson Esqr.

Secretary at Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal fixing the exchange at which the Bengal Troops doing Duty on Ceylon are to draw their Pay.—

Having Communicated to the Vice President in Council your Letter of the 4th Ulto with the Enclosures relative to a Claim made by Brevet Major Barton, and the Officers of his Detachment for difference of Pay and Allowances, in consequence of the new Tables of Pay &c lately received from Europe, for the Madras Army, he requests that Major Barton and his Officers may be permitted

24th permitted to draw the Pay and Allowances of their Respective Ranks in the Currency of Madras, at the Exchange of 320 Sa Rs. per 100 Sa Pagodas, that being the rate fixed by the Honorable Court of Directors in framing the new Tables; and that they be allowed to draw extra Batta. —

He further requests that the same Rule may be applied to all Officers of this Establishment Serving under the Presidency of Fort St. George —

Fort William
10th February 1797

I am
&c &c
(Signed) I Thornhill Sub Secy

Received also the Undermentioned Letters as entered in the Bengal Book — Nos 106 107 108-109-110-111-112-113. —

From Lieutenant Rupel of the 2nd Battalion Artillery

From Lieutenant Rupel requesting that the Arrears of Pay with field Allowances may be paid to him, in consequence of his having been carried on to the Cape of Good Hope, against his Intention, on the Earl Fitzwilliam. —

From Lieutenant Dobbie of His Majesty's Ship Suffolk —

From Lieutenant Dobbie requesting to be allowed Batta for the period of his Command of the Armed

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24th Armed Brig Amboyna.—

Remark on the above Letter.—

The Decision on the above Claim is recorded in the Proceedings of the Publick Department.—

From Messrs Kindersley Watts and Co.—

From Messrs Kendersley Watts & Co. presenting for acceptance a Bill for £32.3.5, drawn upon Government by Mr. Pringle at the Cape of Good Hope.—

From the Adjutant General..

From the Adjutant General with a Letter addressed to him by Colonel Cuppage, in which he declines availing himself of the permission granted to him to proceed to Europe.—

From Colonel Cuppage.—

From Colonel Cuppage—Requesting permission to return to his Duty until a more favorable Opportunity presents itself of returning to Europe.—

From Lieutenant Colonel W. Vigors.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Vigors—requesting that the Arrears of Pay and Allowances due to him may be discharged.—

From the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops

From Lieutenant Colonel Beresford—enclosing his Accounts of Subsistence to the Kings Troops Serving on the Coast from 25th December 1796 to—

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24th to the 24th February 1797.—

From Colonel Lyon

From Colonel Lyon Advising of his Intention to Embark for Europe on the Melville Castle.—

25th. Despatches the Undermentioned Letters entered in Mo B Nos 114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123.—

From the Commandant at Masulipatam.— To Colonel Bibleffe enclosing an Invoice of Tents laden on the Snow Lechmia Narsimma for the use of the Garrison of Masulipatam.—

To Commandant at Ganjam.— To Captain Webber enclosing an Invoice of Stores laden on the Schooner Ligard for the use of the Garrison of Ganjam.—

To Commandant at Vellore.— To Major General Collins granting him leave of absence agreeably to his request.—

To the Secretary to the Military Board To Captain Pierce desiring that the damp Gunpowder landed from the Suffolk, may be replaced by an equal Quantity of dry Powder from the Magazine.—

To Commandant at Pondicherry.— To Major General Braithwaite desiring that he will prepare a proportion of the Barracks for the 72 Regiment, removed from Trincomale to Pondicherry.—

To the Residents at Hydrabad & Poona- To Major Kirkpatrick and Sir Charles Warre Malet forwarding Intelligence received from the Mysore

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25th Mysore Country.—

To the Secretary at Bengal.— From Mr. Secretary Barlow. to the purport above Noted.—

To Commandant at Tanjore.— To Lieutenant Colonel Fraser — advising him of the Boards Determination to relieve the 72d by the 80th Regiment — and desiring that as many of the Men of the former Corps may under his Command, be embarked on the Bellona for Pondicherry. =

To Commanding Officer in Ceylon.— To Major General Doyle — transmitting Copy of the abovementioned Letter for his Information —

To the Military Auditor General To Major General Sydenham — transmitting for Examination the Accounts of Disbursements of the Deputy Kings Paymaster General, for Subsistence from 25th December 1796 to the 24th February 1797.—

26th Received the Undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 124 — 125 — 126 —

From Commandant at Amboor.— From Lieutenant Colonel M.Pherson — Stating that he has undoubted Information that Tippoo's Subjects on the borders of the Carnatic give — encouragement to Plunderers — apprehends one of these plunderers, and sends out a party in quest of theives — desires to know if persons of this Discription are to be kept

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26th kept in his Guard, or delivered over to the Nabobs Servants.—

From the Commander of the Yarmouth.— From Captain Dawes inclosing a Bill for the Freight due on account of his Ship from the 22 to 26th Instant.—

From the Commander of the Gloucester Transport From Lieutenant King. Claiming Batta at the rate of 250 £ P.r Annum, while employed on the Command of the Gloucester Transport.—

27th Dispatched the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos 127. 128. 129. 130. 131.—

To the Collector at Ramnad.— To Mr. Powney desiring him to present Comba Naig in the Name of Government, with a Palanquin of the Value of 200 Pagodas as a Mark of Approbation of his Conduct in the Seizure of Chunnanee Govenden.—

To the Superintendant of the Revenues on Ceylon.— To Mr. R. Andrews desiring him to report his Opinion on the best mode of increasing the Stock of Cattle and Sheep for the Consumption of the Troops at Trincomale, and the other Garrisons on Ceylon.—

To the Commandant at Walajabad.— To Colonel Baird disapproving his Conduct in having (as Reported by the Board of Revenue) forcibly Seized a Stock of Sheep from the Conjeveram

27th Conjeevaram Distrect, and desiring him in the event of experiencing difficulty in future in submitting the Men of his Regiment, to Report the Circumstance to Government.—

To the Secretary

To Mr. Secretary Barlow forwarding Intelligence Received from the Mysore Country.—

To the Residents at Hydrabad and Poona

To Major Kirkpatrick and Sir Charles Warre Malet to the purport above Noted.—

Received the following Letters.—

## The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

My Lord

Auditors Report on the Military Paymaster General's Cash Estimate for March.—

Having Examined the Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the month of March 1797, I have the honor to Report that the Sum of three Lacks, three thousand, Nine hundred and Sixty Pagodas thirty Six fanams, and fourteen Cash (Pag.s 303960.36.14) is required for the payment of such Military Charges as became due upon the first of the Ensuing Month.—

From

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| | P | £ | ℔ |
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| From the General Treasury — | 239.119 | 29 | 19 |
| By Bills on the Military Paymaster General — | 64841 | 6 | 75 |
| Pagodas | 303960 | 36 | 14 |

In the Estimate of the Military Paymaster at this Presidency, is included One thousand four hundred Pagodas (Pagodas 1400) on account of Lieutenant Montgomery for feeding the Honorable Company's Supernumerary Horses, which I have not considered Admissible, as I apprehend the greatest part of the Horses lately under that Officers care, must have been drafted into His Majesty's 25th Light Dragoons, and of Course be fed and Charged for in the same manner as the Horses attached to the other Cavalry Regiments, especially as a Gram Agent has been lately appointed to that Corps.—

The Estimate from the Trichinopoly pay Office having Reported a Balance of Cash in hand equal to four hundred Pagodas (400) that Sum has been accordingly deducted from the General Estimate as has likewise an Error of One hundred Pagodas in extending pay and Allowances on account of a Detachment

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27th Detachment of the 2d Battalion of the 8th Regiment of Native Infantry Stationed in the Ittehapore District.—

In the Examination of Mr. Paymaster Wilson's Estimate for the ensuing month, I observe a Sum exceeding by upwards of one thousand Pagodas (1000) the Pay and Batta of Native Battalion is estimated for the late 12th Battalion, now incorporated into the 8th Regiment Native Infantry, that amount has therefore been deducted from the General Estimate, as no particular Cause has been assigned for this excess.—

To account for the increase in the Military Paymaster General's Estimate for the ensuing month, in comparison with what would be required for the Payment of the Troops at present on the Coast, I beg leave to State that the Total Amount herein Reported upon, includes thirty one thousand Six hundred and Eighty eight Pagodas (Pagodas 31,688) the amount of Bills drawn by the Military Paymasters at Columbo and Trincomale, which I have been induced to consider Admissible on the same Grounds as Stated in former Reports, on Similar Demands from those Pay offices the

amount

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Amount likewise Estimated for by the Principal Agent for Grain Supplies being twelve thousand Pagodas — (Pagodas 12000) has also been passed on a Presumption that the Agent must have agreed for the purchase of a large Quantity of that Grain under Instructions obtained from your Lordships in Council. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Wm Sydenham
Mily. Aud.r General

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
27th February 1797

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

My Lord.

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Jacksons Letter of the 21st Inst.o with the Estimate of the expected Disbursements in the Department of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, for the month of March 1797, and to Report thereon as follows. —

Auditor Generals Report on the Cash Estimate of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for March. —

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|---|---|---|---|
| Expected Disbursements at Madras | 815 | 41 | 40 |
| Chingleput. | 2 | | |
| Vellore | 1 | 12 | " |
| Tanjore | 23 | " | 60 |
| Madura | 22 | " | " |
| Palamcotah | 23 | 22 | 40 |
| Ongole | 124 | 33 | 48 |
| Tremcomalé | 2004 | 33 | " |
| Pag.s | 10,613 | 17 | 28 |

From the Total Amount of expected Disbursements as above Stated, the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions deducts the following Sums as not Issuable from the Treasury at the Presidency but Payable from the Subordinate Treasuries, for which Bills will be drawn upon him and transferd through the General Treasury.—

| | P. | f. | c. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Vellore | 71 | 12 | " |
| Tanjore | 23 | " | 60 |
| Palamcotah | 23 | 22 | 60 |
| Tremcomalé | 2004 | 33 | " |
| Pag.s | 2122 | 26 | 20 |

Consequently the amount Issuable at the Presidency on account of Disbursements in March 1797. as per Abstract of the Acting Commissary General of Grain & Provisions &c — Pagodas Eight Thousand Four hundred and Ninety

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Ninety, Thirty Three fanams and Eighty Cash (Pagodas 8490..33..8).—

The increase in this Estimate on a Comparison with the Usual Monthly demands,—

Arises from the Acting Commissary General of Grain having accepted & included, two Bills drawn by the Commissary of Grain & Provisions and Provisions at Columbo, Amounting to Eight Thousand Star Pagodas (Pagodas 8000).—

With respect to the Additional Estimate of Mr. Hawkins Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Tricheinopoly which accompanied Mr. Deputy Secretary Ince's Letter of the 22d Instant, I beg leave to Observe that I see no Objection to the Amount Vizt. One thousand Five hundred Pagodas (Pagodas 1500..-) being Advanced from the Treasury, as that Sum is required for Provisions &c for the use of the Royal Artillery and 36th Regiment lately Ordered to March from that Station.—

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Wm. Lydenham
Milty Auds General
&c

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The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

of

Fort St. George

My Lord.

Auditor Generals Report on the Cash Estimate of the Acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for March.—

I have the honor to Report as follows upon the General Estimate of the Acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for the month of March 1797 Accompanying Mr. Secretary Jackson's Letter of the 25th Instant.—

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| | | £ | ℔ |
| Expected Disbursements at Madras | —— | 1167. | 33. " |
| Vellore. | —— | 22 | " " |
| Chercacole | —— | 235 | " " |
| Ongole | —— | 365 | 4 16 |
| Lieutenant Colonel Roberts Detachment | | 277. | 29. " |
| Pagodas | —— | 2867. | 34. 16 |

From the Total Amount of expected Disbursements, as above Stated, the Acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks, deducts the following Sums as not payable from the General Treasury at the Presidency, but Payable from the

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the Subordinate Treasuries for which Bills will be drawn upon him, and transferred through the General Treasury. —

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| | | o | f | c |
| Vellore | 22 | . | " | " |
| Chicacole | 235 | . | " | " |
| Lieut. Col.o Roberts Detachment | 877 | .. | 39 | " |
| | Pagodas 1134 | .. | 39 | " |

Consequently the Amount payable at the Presidency as per Estimate of the Acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks for March 1797, is One Thousand Seven hundred and thirty two Pagodas, Thirty Seven fanams, and Sixteen Cash (Pagodas 1732 . 37 . 16.)

In Reply to Mr. Deputy Secretary Ince's Letter of the 22d Instant, I have the honor to Report that the Amount Contained in Mr. Hawkin's Additional Estimate Viz.t, One Thousand three hundred Pagodas (Pagodas 1300.) is for the hire of 700 Draught and Carriage Bullocks, employed with the Royal Artillery, and 36th Regiment and on different other Services which Sum may be

Advanced

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Advanced from the Treasury, in Order to enable the Acting Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks, to discharge the Bill drawn upon him for the same.—

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
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I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Wm Lydenham
Mily Asst Genl

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President in Council &c &c &c.

My Lord.

From Major General Doyle — the Drake Cutter arrived at Trincomalee bringing Accounts of the Departure of the 4th Fleet of outward bound Indiamen having left the Cape of Good Hope.

I have the honor to inclose Copy of a Report which I this Morning received from Lieutenant Col Bonneaux.—

The Drake is to touch here, in her way to Bombay — any other particulars respecting the Fleet, which I may be able to get from Captain Bond shall be immediately transmitted for the Information of Government.—

Head Quarters
Columbo 13th Feby 1797

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Wellbro Ellis Doyle
Major Genl

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Captain Bond of the Honorable Company's Cruizer Drake from the Cape of Good Hope left that place the 10th of December, in Company with the 4th Fleet of Indiamen, under Convoy of two Men of War which left them in a Certain latitude and returned to the Cape — The fleet of Indiamen consists of the Pitt, Lascelles, Busbridge, Royal Queen, Lushington and Albion. The last from Bombay with the Walter Boyd, Tellicherry and Camilla Extra Ships. —

Passengers in the Ships

Major General St Leger
Major General Dugett
Colonel St Leger the 80th Regiment of Foot
and a Regiment of Dragoons on board the Fleet. —

Point Degalle
12th February 1797

( True Copy )
( Signed ) R Turing
Actg Secretary

Sent

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Substance of a Letter to the Nabob.—

Sent Letter to the Nabob entered in Ltr. No 16. Requesting that he will immediately send such Orders to his Renter at Vellore, as may effectually relieve the Troops in Garrison there, from the Embarrasment they labour under, owing to the high price of Battle Grain &c.—

Dispatched the Undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 132-133-134.—

To the Resident at Tanjore.—

To Mr. Alexander Macleod—acquainting him that the Claims which he has preferred to a Surplus Revenue of about 3000 Pagodas, which he states to have been paid by him to the Nabob, while Collector at Madura does not appear sufficiently supported to Authorize a Revision of the resolution formerly passed upon the Subject.—

To Clerk of the Treasury

To the Clerk of the Treasury—directing Advances of Cash to Messrs Roebuck and Shardon on Account of their Respective Employs for the ensuing month.—

To the Acting principal Agent for Bullocks and Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

To Mr. Shardon—enclosing Copy of the Auditors Report on his different Estimates for

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28th for March and Acquainting him that the Amount therein Recommended will be issued on his Application at the Treasury. —

Recvd the Undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 135-136 —

From Messrs Lautour & Co. —

From Messrs Lautour and Co. requesting to receive in a Bill on Bengal, the amount of Freight due to the Yarmouth — Transport from the 21st January to the 22d Instant Viz. Pagodas. 2000. 11. 16. —

From the Commander of the Suffolk Tender

From Lieutenant Collier requesting that Orders may be issued for Supplying four Months Provisions and Sundry Articles of Marine &c. Stores — also some Composition Pintles and Gudgeons. —

At

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# At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President — Governor —

Tuesday 28th February 1797

Major General Alured Clarke

Commander in Chief

Edward Saunders and
Ernst William Fallofield } Esquires

Minutes of last Consultation Read

and Approved —

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from Major General Floyd with the Petitions of Chunniah Naig. therein Alluded to. as well as the Proceedings of the Enquiry into the Subject of Complaint held by General Floyd's Authority —

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Right Honorable Lord Hobart

My Lord,

In the beginning of last March I had the honor of your Commands through Mr. Adderley to enquire into the purport of a Petition of Chinniah Naik Bullock Maistry addressed to your Lordship, and which was forwarded to me exhibiting a great degree of Tyrany, excercised towards Chinniah Naik, Instructing me, if it appeared founded to endeavour to get him released from an unjust Confinement.—

The President lays before the Board today Papers relative to the Confinement of Chinniah Naig formerly a Bullock Maistry in the Company's Service by the Nabob's Brother at Trichenopoly, upon a Charge of his being indebted to the Nabob for Bullocks received by him from the Circar—which Charge from the Investigation made into the Subject, under the direction of Major General Floyd appears to be altogether groundless.—

I immediately applied to His Highness Hussein ul Mulk, Bahader Brother to the Nabob, and knowing that these imprisonments are often rigorous, I requested the Man might be delivered to me, making myself Answerable for the Person of Chinniah Naik.—

The Nabob readily enough gave him up, and Promised to afford every information regarding

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regarding the Cause of his imprisonment.—

The Nabob affirmed that he had a demand on Chinniah Naik a Bullock Maistrie of the Honorable Company for Bullocks furnished him by the Circar, as it is called, Amounting to Star Pagodas 18,886. 0.—

After tedious and frivolous delays by His Highness's people, a pretty Minute Examination has been gone through, which States the whole transaction in a very clear View, and Exhibits as Complete a Scene of Villany, Cruel injustices, and Tyrany, as can well be imagined to proceed from the most wanton and infamous abuse of Authority.—

To prove the Debt a writing is produced on the part of the Nabob, Hufeum ul Mulk, Signed by Ten Names purporting that they know Chinniah Naik had received 18,886 Pagodas for Bullock hire—and they bind themselves to Pay this whole Sum and a fine of 1200 Pagodas to the Nabob, if they fail of proving what

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what they affirm.—

Chinniah Naik was in consequence imprisoned in March 1794 by Order of His Highness Hupsun ul Mulk, who Got possession, by every strange means of Joys. Bonds. Cash. and Debts owing and belonging to Chinniah Naik, and his Family, to the Value of Upwards of 36,000 Pagodas.—

Proceeding to Examine the Persons who bound themselves to prove the Debt. it appeared that one was dead— One in Jail at Madras,— one Run away, hearing the affair was under investigation by order of your Lordship - and two for the same Reason had hidden themselves - Three depose that they were partly persuaded and partly Compelled to Sign the writing,— But that they know Nothing at all of the matter. and were told it was not necessary they should— and as to paying the Debt, and the Penalty They had not a Pagoda in the world, as every body knew- Two depose that they are altogether

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altogether ignorant of the writing, and cannot conceive how their names came there, as they had not the smallest share in the transaction.

It appears that the writing in question was procured chiefly at the instigation of two Conicoplis in the Bullock Department named, Madura Naik Pilly, and Sawmy Pilly, who used to receive the money from the Paymasters, for the discharge of Bullock hire. — There is reason to believe these two Men owe about 13,000 Pagodas to Chinniah Naick, for money thus received on his account, and there is a strong presumption that they contrived this charge against him to the Nabob in the design of thus getting rid of him and his demand together. —

These two Men Madura Naik Pilly and Sawmy Pilly are here — and I humbly conceive ought to be secured, and made to answer for themselves. However these two Men and another appear and depose that they never asserted Chinniah Naick owed the Nabob 18,886 Pagodas. — nor is any such thing consistent with their knowledge. —

Persons were then produced on the part

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part of the Nabob to prove that they had delivered Circar
Bullocks to Chinniah Naick, for which he stood in=
debted to the Circar - But they deposed exactly the Contrary -
That they had delivered Bullocks to other persons, but
none to Chinniah Naik. -

There is another person very deserving
of notice, who was present during this enquiry, and
who appeared on the part of His Highness Hufsum
ul Mulk, to conduct the proofs of Chinniah Naicks
debt - although he scrupulously attended to every question
and deposition that was made, he refused to sign as a
witness - This person acts as Chief Justice to His Highness
Hufsum ul Mulk; here, decides all disputes, and
was the Examiner and Conductor of the whole trans=
action against Chinniah Naik, and must have
been fully acquainted with all the Villany of the
proceeding - His name is Audy Narrain a
Bramin - He was transported formerly by Lord
Macartney to Bencoolen, from whence he got
to England - On his return to Madras he entered
the

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the Service of Paupiah - And betrayed him to the Nabob. She made also a very infamous figure in the prosecution of Mr. Haliburton -

His Highness Shujaum ul Mulk was repeatedly waited upon during this enquiry, and informed of the particulars of this scandelous transaction, and solicited to restore Chinniah Naiks property, as an act of justice that affected His Highness's Honour, and the reputation of his Family - His Highness Constantly answered - "But then the Circar /himself/ will lose all that money." -

Mr. Darke at my request went through this whole enquiry with a minuteness and attention not in my power to afford without breaking in upon my other avocations - and as the subject is, of an interesting nature to many Natives at this place, the examination was performed as publickly, as any thing of the sort could well be -

The whole of the proceedings are copying fair in Order to forward; as your Lordship may

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may direct. In the mean time the person of the Bullock maistrie Chinniah Naig, remains under my charge and in Confinement but not rigorous =

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

Signed J. Floyd

Trichinopoly
2. July 1799

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Colonel Floyd having received instructions from the Right Honorable the Governor, to enquire into the Busines of Chinniah Naick, Bullock Mastry, and the cause of his confinement by Hes Highness the Nabob Bussam ull Mulk, Bahauder at Trichinopoly. -

Accordingly upon the 8th. March 1796. -

Colonel Floyd waited upon his Highness Accompanied Highness by desire of the Right Honorable Lord Hobart if the said Chinniah Naick was by Order of his Highness confined - Hes Highness answered yes. Colonel Floyd desired to know on what account. Hes Highness said, that he had of the Circar Money Eighteen thousand and odd Pagodas, that there was proof of his having the Money, which he denied, and

would

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would not pay it to the Circar - His Highness was answered,
that if he had received the money for Circar Bullocks,
from the Honorable Company, it could easily be proved,
as the Company never pay money without receipts.
Colonel Floyd desired to know if the Circar had got
any of Chinnia Naicks Money, or property on this —
account. His Highness answered yes, but said he
could not say, how much until the account was
examined - Colonel Floyd then said that His —
Lordship was apprehensive the Man's person from
representations to him was in danger from —
Confinements and therefore requested His Highness
would Order him to be delivered over to his charge,
until the Business was settled, and if proved
against him he must pay the Money from the
property his Highness had got possession of, belonging
to the Man, His Highness consented to deliver —
him up to Colonel Floyds care, and promised to
send without delay the Charges, and proofs against
the Master, and an account of what money Joys
and other Effects the Circar had got possession of —
belonging

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belonging to Chinnia Naick to Mr Darke for to be examined into by him, and to be reported to Colonel Floyd from time to time, it was delayed, the sending of any Proof whatever or any attempt to do so, till on, or about the 1st April the following Cajan account — at after much entreaty was sent to Mr Darke, which was called proof against Chinniah Naick for Star Pagodas 18,886 —

Translation of a Penally Bond, and agreement Executed by part of the Persons named thereon To the Circar at Trichinopoly, dated the 19th Vyasee in the year Preemadeesa or the 1st June 1793 —

We Thoppyah Pilly, Vencatapatty Naick Chinniah Gopaul Naick, Veemah Custory Rangapah Naick, Corla Mootiah Pilly Vencata Chetty Pitchander Moodely Coopoo Naick son of Mungapatty Naick Verowah Pilly and Mootoo curapah Pilly. Do unanimously Execute this Penalty Bond unto His Highness the Nabobs Circar. That is to say — We know that Chinniah Naick hath received the amount of five and Pay for 13 Months 200 Draught Bullocks and 300 Carriage Bullocks making 500 Bullocks, which were

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were sent by Shunmooga Valayada Moodaliei during the Expedition towards the Westward / meaning the Expedition commanded by Colonel Fullerton in the Year 1782, Mr. Digby Paymaster and Tanjore — Ramah Naick his Dubash, and Madura Naick a Pilly and Auklanda Pilly Conycoplys Keeping the Bullock Accounts, and Pay account. / He has likewise received 19 Months Pay and hire for 80 Draught Bullocks, which were sent by His Highness the Nabob for the use of General Medows's Army. —

The Price and hire of the Bullocks for the said three Classes, amounting to Star Pagodas 18,886 Eighteen thousand Eight hundred and Eighty six, has been received by the said Chinniah Naick, the truth of which we do bind ourselves to Prove by Proofs, Documents, and Accounts — but in case of failure in proving it — We promise and Engage to Pay and account for the Amount of Cash, stated in this writing, and to Pay a fine of 1,200 Star Pagodas to the Circar, and to abide by their

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by their Orders, or advices - Thes; We have deposited this —
Penalty Bond or Mutchellaca at the Circar Adoulth —

Signed by
- Thoppyah Pilly
- Veemah Custory Rungapah Naick
- Corta Mooliah Pilly
- Vancata Chitty
- Pitchander Moodely
- Coopoo Naick Son of Mungapatty naick
- Verowah Pilly
- Mootoo curapah Pilly

These two persons not signed —
- Vancatah Putty Naick
- Chinniah Gopaul Naick

It appears that in consequence of the foregoing, that the Nabob Hussain ull Mulk — Bahauders caused Chinniah Naick to be Arrested and confined on the 25th May 1794, and Demanded from him the Sum stated of 18,886 Star Pagodas — to which he declared he had not received that Sum —

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Sum, or any Sum whatever on account of the Circar;
and that there never had been put into his charge
any Circar Bullocks, that if any one could bring
proof that he had any, he would readily pay the
Amount, and Prayed to be released to attend to
his Duty as the Honorable Company's head
Bullock Mastrie. But notwithstanding altho
no proof whatever was brought against him, he
was kept a close Prisoner and not allowed to
see or speak to any of his Family, or Friends, or
even his Servant, that brought him his Rice
and water, at the time that he was taken
Prisoner; he was employed in the Ceremony of
Marrying his Son, and three days after himself
was made Prisoner. The Nabob sent Sepoys
to his House near the Fort, who forced themselves
into every part of the House, and Seized his
Son and confined him in a Separate
Prison, without allowing any friend to see
him, so they remained until the 15th September
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During the time of his close confinement ——
Madura Naicka Pilly and Sawmy Pilly Aukslanda
Pilly's Son / whose Villainy very clearly appears in this
Business / where made head Bullock Mastries to the
Honorable Company at Trichinopoly, in his Stead: as
his Grandfather, Father and himself had been so ever
since the Honorable Company Garrisoned Trichinopoly:
These two men Madura Naick a Pilly and Sawmy Pilly
were continued in the Employ they before held: head
Conycoply's in the Bullock Dr.t Department. Chinnia
Naick says, when the Armies took the Field, he
always attended to his Duty in Camp, and left his
Gomasta at Trichinopoly, to attend to the Garrison
Bullocks, the Paymaster at Trichinopoly sent for him,
as they did before for his Grand Father, so long ago as
when Mr. Cope was Paymaster, at Trichinopoly, said
how many Bullocks was wanted for the army. —
advanced him Money, and he advanced to many
Mastrys under him, who dispersed round the —
Countries, and purchased the Numbers wanted, and

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he declares that no one can justly say, that he owes even one Pagoda, for any Bullocks that he purchased, for he always satisfied and paid ready money for them to the several persons brought from, for the Honorable Company's use, on the several Expeditions, that he always adjusted and settled his accounts with the several Paymasters, and so with the Contractors, since the time of the Contract to all their entire satisfaction, That the Village of Cherrocoover Pollium neas Trichinopoly Fort belongs to himself, his Family and relations, consisting of 300 Houses entirely their own property, where they always retired after the several Wars, ready when called upon to serve again, that of his relations in the Village are a great many Mastrys under him, that he could always depend upon for the Service, as well as the Bullock Drivers to the amount of 500 Familys, That he always had the good fortune to give satisfaction to the Commanders of the Armies, That at the Commence=ment of the late War with Tippoo Sultaun, Colonel Moorhouse and Major Campbell came to Trichinopoly, sent for him, and ordered him what

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what Number of Bullocks to provide, and made him head Mastry of all with the Army. That General Medows gave him his thanks in the Coimbatoor Country, and Lord Cornwallis sent for him to his Tent at Bangalore, gave him thanks for his good behaviour as Bullock Mastry, and presented him with two Shawls, and told him he should always have the Company's Protection. That himself and relations had retired after the late War to their Village, where no one ever made a demand upon him for a single Bullock, or the Value of one, nor could justly have done so, when Mr. Paymaster Garrow just before the Expedition against Pondicherry, sent for Chinniah Naick, told him the Company wanted him to provide 4,000 Bullocks, and advanced him 12,000 Pagodas. He provided them as speedily as possible, he could purchase them, and took them and the people under him for the Service against Pondicherry, when he arrived at Madras Mr. Cockburn ordered him to provide 3,000 more Bullocks, for the Service and advanced him 11,000 Pagodas, which Bullocks he also purchased.

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That after the Honorable Company's Army had taken Pondicherry Mr. Scardon gave him leave of absence for 30 days to go to Trichinopoly, to marry his Son, and then to return to settle his accounts when at Trichinopoly performing that Ceremony, five days after his arrival the very day his Son was married, on the 25th. May 1794, he was Seized and imprisoned as before Stated three days after that day, The Nabob Seized and imprisoned his Son, which frighted his Family, his relations, and Friends and Servants from his House, and their large Village, when Auklanda Pilly sent his young Brother with a Number of People who cut down from round his Gardon and Carried away 5,000 Bamboos, 50 large Trees in his Gardon, also Stole away 1000 Bundes of Straw, all of which they carreid to Auklaunda Pillys House, and they dug a French up to Chinniah Naicks House which stands upon the Banks of the Cavery of 200 feet long, and 40 feet Broad, and of an Elephants depth with the wicked design that when the floods came down, the river to wash down his House the said Auklanda Pilly a few days after went to the House of Chinniah Naick, with

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some of the Nabobs Seapoys, and Seized five men his — relations, saying they owed Auklaunda Pilly 60 Pagodas, and beat them until they gave the money, altho they did not owe him one fanam —.

Chinnia Naick not being able to return to Mr. Scardon. he was made acquainted of the reason by his relations, which caused him to write a Letter to Mr. Paymaster Hawkins, that he wanted Chinnia Naick to settle the Bullock accounts, and desired he would get him released, and send him to Pondicherry — Mr. Hawkins on the 15th. September 1794, sent his Dubash Aunanthia Bramine to the Nabob, to let him know that Chinniah Naick was wanted on the Company's Busines, desiring he might be released and sent to him immediately. He was released Accordingly, as Chinniah Naick and all his people say, and taken by Mr. Hawkins' Dubash, and Peon to Mr. Hawkins's House, where he was kept five days, for Madura Naicka Pilly and Auklanda Pilly Conicoplys and at this time head Bullock Mastries

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Mastries, prevailed upon Mr Hawkins Dubash to insist upon Chinniah Naick giving Security for the sum charged against him, before he was allowed to go to Mr Scardon, because these two Concoply's as well plainly appear were the instigators and sole cause of the wretches signing the Complaint and Penalty Bond to the Nabob against Chinniah Naick. Accordingly Aunanthea told him the morning after he was brought from the Nabobs Confinement, that he must give Security for the 18,000 and odd Pagodas, or his Master could not send him to Mr Scardon, but must send him back to the Nabob, he answered, he says, that he had no reason to give Security, that he owed nothing to the Circar, and that Mr Scardon had wrote to his Master to get him released, and send him on the Company's Business - but yet being Confined, and threatned, the Dread of being sent back to close Confinement at the Nabobs, made him call to him and assemble his relations and Friends, and provided the Security

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W.m Hawkinss Dubash Demanded, for which he deposited with the following three Persons, hoping that thro' W.m Skardon he should have justice done him, by the favour and Protection of the Honorable Company. –

Lodged with Chowcar Goopaul Dofs Soucar for him to become Security for him. –

| | Bal.s Pag.s | Fr.s | P.s | Pag.s |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ready Money . . . | " | 650. | 233 | |
| The Bond of Cullary Vangada Sawmy Naig and Appaul Naig to Goopaul Dofs Soucar on Account of Chinnia Naick for | " | " | 1,000 | |
| — Family Gold Joys &.c of Chinnia Naick and his relations Value . . . | " | " | 6,000 | |
| | " | 650. | 7233 | |

Lodged with Ramasawmy Moodeliar and Tagaroy Moodaliar to become his Security

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ready money . . . . . | 2016. | 2,000. | 100 | |
| Joys Rubys set in Gold &.c . . . . . Value | " | " | 400. | |
| 24 Interest bonds Payable to Chinnia Naick by Sundry persons and 10 Bills of Sale of Paddy Fields &.c Principal and Interest . . . | " | 6365. | 701 | |
| Chinniah Naicks own Bond payable to — a Ramasawmy Moodeliar and Tagaroy Moodaliar for | " | " | 2000 | |
| 2 Bonds of Chinniah Naicks Son to Tagaroy for | " | " | 80. | |
| Carried forward | 2016. | 8365. | 3281. | |

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| | Bal. Ps | Fr. Ps | Port. Ps |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brought Over . . . . . | 2016. | 8365. | 3281. |
| Paid to Sunumthia Bramin Wr. — Hawkins's Dubash for his favour to settle this Business, and for his promise that on Chinniah Naicks return from Wr. Skardon, he would talk to his Master to make him head Mastry again — | | 800. | " |
| Paid to Ramasawmy Moodeliar at Madras . . . — | | 10¼. | " |
| | 2016. | 9919. | 10514 |

The Amount of Chinniah Naicks property — Lodged with his Bail to enable him to get away from Confinement, and attend to his duty to settle the Honorable Company's Accounts with Wr. Skardon 2,016 Bahander Pagodas - 9919 Star Pagodas, 10,514 Port. Pagodas —

The following three Persons gave each of them the following Obligations to Wr. Hawkins. —

I do hereby bind myself in the Sum of Six Thousand Portanova Pagodas to Wr. Hawkins for the appearance of Chinnia Naick after his Accounts are settled at Pondicherry. Provided that in case of his absence from this place after that Period, he shall be able to give a Sufficient reason for not returning in proper — time

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time to settle the Bullock accounts with the Circar, should any accident happen to Chinnia Naick. I am answerable for the same sum for the appearance of his Son—

One Signed by Goopaul Dos one By Ramasawmy and one by Tagaroy.-

This was finished in five Days. Chinniah Naick and his Son were Released, Mr Hawkins's Dubash told Chinnia Naick his Master was security for him to the Nabob. Chinnia Naick immediately set out for Pondicherry to settle his Accounts, when he arrived there Mr Scardon was gone to Madras, where he waited on him and settled his accounts — and informed Mr Scardon how cruelly he had been treated, at the wicked instigation of Auklanda Pilly and Madura Naicka Pilly, who was Conycoply's under Tanjore Ramah Naick, Dubash to Paymaster Digby. Mr Scardon ordered Chinnia Naick to write him a Petition stating the Business, he accordingly did so, as follows in January 1795.—

To.

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To John Humphry Skardon Esq.

The humble Petition of Chinniah Naick -

Sheweth,

That your Petitioner humbly begs leave to trouble your honor with these few lines, and the charge against him stating that during the time John Sulivan Esq.r held the Collectorship of this Highness the Nabobs Countrys assigned, and stating that the late Shunmooga Valayada Moodeliar then Foujdar of Dindigul had sent 200 Draught and 300 Carriage Bullocks for the use of the Companys Army - Every necessary information respecting the hire and Pay of the said Bullocks 500, your Petitioner hopes could be obtained from Tanjore Ramah Naick Dubash to - Mr. Digsby, Paymaster to the Detachment, your Petitioner Solemnly Declares, that he did neither receive them, or settle, or adjust the accounts of hire, and Pay for them, nor receive the amount or any part thereof, as stated - against him.

Your Petitioner cannot say, or does he know any thing of the 66 Bullocks said to be sent from

from Pettah, nor can it be proved that he received the Value of a Sanam on that account.—

That at the Period when the said 80 Draught Bullocks provided by His Highness the Nabobs Sons were received at Trode, or at Daraporam for the use of the Army under General Medows's Command, one Maroothanagum Pilly Mastry was the Person who entertained them in the Service, and advanced Money for them at Trichinopoly. Your Petitioner humbly hopes that every necessary information respecting them may be obtained from Mr Cockburn, the Contractor. &c. &c. &c. The Petition states his Cruel Usage.—

Mr Skardon in Consequence applies to Tanjore Naman Pillay,

I Marmalong Ram Naig who was employed under Mr K. Digby agent for the Draught and Carriage Bullocks of the Southern Army, under the Command of Colonel W. Fullerton, in paying and Distributing the hire for the Bullocks employed in the Honorable Companys Service, Do Hereby Certify and declare, that no payment of any Sum or Sums of Money-

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Money whatever was ever made by me to Chinnia Naick on account of the hire of 300 Carriage Bullocks and 200 Draught Bullocks, furnished by Shunmoo=ga Valoyada Moodalier the Manager of Tousdar of Dindegul, under Mr. Sullivan Collector of that part of the Country Neither was the said Number of 500 Bullocks employed through Chinnia Naick, nor have I ever paid any hire to Chinnia Naick for the 66 Carriage Bullocks supplied to the Army from the Pettah, or Environs of Trichinopoly, nor were these 66 Carriage Bullocks employed through Chinnia Naick, as Witness my Hand

Signed Narrinlong Ram

witness the Signing of
Signed by Coduda Ramiah & A. Ramasawmy

Mr. Skardon wrote to Mr. Cockburn as follows.

Dear Cockburn.

Will you have the goodness to give me what information you can respecting the Business alluded to in the third Para.r of the Petition, which accompanys this and oblige

Yours truely
Signed J. H. Skardon

Office the 14th. February 95.

Answer

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Dear Skardon

I have perused the third Paragraph of the Petition, if it alludes to the Bullocks employed in the Contractors Service it is correct, Chinniah Mastry did not draw the hire to my knowledge.-

14th. February 94 date is a mistake

Signed Tho.s Cockburn

Chinnia Naick having settled his accounts, and obtained thro' Mr. Skardons favour, what he was — advised, was sufficient to clear him of the charge, he was about to return to Trichinopoly when as he was walking one Day in April 1795, near Triplicani Church. The Nabob Hussain Ull Mulk Bah.r then being at Chepauk sent Sepoys who seized him and Carried him and Confined him close Prisoner in Chepauk Gardens, and Demanded from him a Naza or present of 2000 Pagodas immediately, and likewise to give good Security for the Payment of 18,000 and odd Pagodas at Trichinopoly, and Demanded to sign a Penalty Deed, promising never to Complain to the English Governments, and to bind himself always to give attendance to the Circar, and threatned Chinnia

Naick

Naick if he did not do all this, to send him to Trichinopoly
Prisoner, and Keep him there in Cruel Confinement, the same
as lately one Saravanah Moodeliar was, and in the
same Dungeon where he Died Chinniah Naick says
he answered, that he had no Money, nor did he owe
any to the Circar, said that he understood Mr. Pay=
=master Hawkins was security for him, he was answered
that was nothing at all, hearing that he was about to be
sent Prisoner to Trichinopoly, he fortunately found means
on the 25th June 1795 to make his escape from Confine=
=ment, and went to Mr. Skardon for Protection, who
gave him a Letter to Mr. Hawkins advising him to
go to Trichinopoly to that Gentleman who would
protect him, and see all his Business Settled, accord=
=ly he set out from Madras, but with fear, and
arrived at Trichinopoly on the 20th September 1795, at
11 Clock at Night, and waited upon Mr. Hawkins
immediately with the Letter, which he received and
Ordered him down Stairs, his Dubash put him in
Charge of Sepoys and Peons, he was so Kept two
Days, on the third Day Aumunthiah Bramine
told him the Nabob wanted to speak two words
to

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to him, that he would go with him and bring him back, and in a short time his Business should be settled — when they came into the Nabobs presence, he was — ordered on one side, while Sumunthiah spoke with the Nabob, then the Guards laid hold of him and forced him into Prison immediately after The Nabob sent and seized Soucar Goopaul Dos and Sagaroy two of his Bail, that he had lodged his property with Ramasawmy being at Madras, but had left the Money and Joys with Sagaroy. Two days after Chinnia Naick was now again imprisoned, Sumunthia sent him a Message by his — Masters Peon, named Mootoo, that what Money he had from him, he had delivered to the Nabob, and that he had given up to his Bail their Bonds, and if he Chinniah Naick chose to be released again he must send 18,000 Pagodas into his hands, and that he would then talk — with the Nabob, and engage to settle his Business- for the Nabobs intention was to extort more Money from him, and had declared his intention was to receive — from Chinniah Naicks Debtors, the several Sums they owed him, for that purpose he had seized the persons of Madura Naiga Pilly and Sawmy Pilly and — demanded

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demanded the Sum of 13000 Pagodas from them due to — Chinniah Naick, but that he Annunthea was Bail for them, and they were released, mean while the Nabob — Nasen ull Mulk Bah.r threatned Goopaul Dofs and Sagaroy that they should be floged by Drummers if they did not deliver to him Chinniah Naicks property Lodged with them, the Soucar and Sagaroy said they could not deliver the property without Chinniah Naicks order — Therefore the Nabobs Russel Das sent for him out of Prison before him, and ordered him to give the order, on his not complying to do so, a whole Day, the next Morning Irons and Ropes was brought to him, and the Drummers ready to Flog him, which frightned him to order the delivery, Sagaroy had lent 500 Bahauder Pagodas and 2000 Star Pagodas a part of Chinniah Naicks money at high Interest to Cotapermaul a Renter whose Bond the Nabob also obliged him to deliver up, and have since received the Money from the Renter, as follows.

| | Bah.r Pagodas | f. | Sr. Ps. | - |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lent 11.th December 1794 . . . . . | 500. | " | 2,000 | " |
| Interest and Premium as paid to the Nabob 10.th October 1795. . . . . | 303. | 17. | 1,213 | 16. |
| Principal Lent & Interest | 803. | 17. | 3,213. | 16. |

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The Nabob had heard that Sunumthia —
Bramine had received Money from Chinniah Naick, he
was sent for and Ordered by the Nabob to deliver the —
Money which he did 800 Star Pagodas. —

The Nabob Hussain Ull Mulk Bah. —
arrived at Trichinopoly the 2d. February 1796. Eight Days
after Chinnia Naick was removed from the Prison
he had hitherto been confined in, and Lodged in
the Dungeon called Calie Naule or the Devils
hole, on the same day came Cawn Sail to him, and
told him, what ready Money the Circar had, the
Nabob would take on Account of his Debt, and that
he Chinniah Naick must directly agree to the sale
of all his Joys for ready Money, and as that was not
enough to pay the Nabobs Debt, what people owed him
money, he must give an Account of, and the People, and
if he had more Bonds of his Debtors in his House,
he must send for them and deliver them, all this he
must do directly, as the Nabob would wait no longer
for his Money, Cawn Sail brought Drummers and
people with Irons and Ropes, and Cat of Nine Tails,
said if he did not directly agree, there was the —
Drummers

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Drummers &c ready to flog him, Chinniah Naick — answered, what could he do, he was in their power, with all he had, and more than his own, that the Joys did not belong to him, some were those of the women of his Family, and of his Relations and Friends, — inhabitants of his Village, who lent them on account of his trouble to get Bail for his Liberty — The Cawn left him with threats — Some days after the Russel Dar and Reddy Row the head accountant and Cash keeper, sent for him out of the Dungeon into the Store house, ordered away all the working people, brought into the place 3 Silver Smiths and fire laid the Gold and Silver Joys down before Chinniah Naick who was guarded by and 6 Sepoys, told him the Nabob would have his Money directly, and had ordered that if he did not produce 5,000 Pagodas — directly for the Joys. he Chinnia Naick must order the Silver Smiths to melt the Gold and Silver directly. and the Jewels in them to be valued and Sold, Chinniah Naick begd that he might send for a Soucar to take the Jewels, and to give — Security to bring 5000 Pags in Lieu of them in 10 Days, no, they said that very day - one or twice they

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they put some of the Joys in the fire, which made him very sorry, as the Joys belong to many People in this — manner they Kept threatning him all day, at last Chinniah Naick to prevent the Melting of the Joys promised — to procure to redeem them 5000 Pagodas in 5 days, and they took him back to the dreadful Prison, they pressed him for the Money and threatned him so, that he gave him an Account of other Debtors Inhabitants, that owed him Money. as follows —

| | | | Pr. Pgs | Port. Pgs | f. C. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cash lent by Chinnia Naick to Pedumanabyah Principal | | | 520. | " | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Carconah Vancatarow | D° | " | 320. | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Vangada Chuttyar | D° | 795. | " | 23.40 |
| Ditto | D° to Mungapatty Naick | D° | 479. | " | 13.30 |
| Ditto | D° to Sooppiah Pilly | D° | 109. | " | 34.40 |
| Ditto | D° to Mootiah Pilly | D° | 204. | " | 4.30 |
| Ditto | D° to Rangham Chettoor | D° | 790 | " | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Syringam Custory Ranga Pilly | D° | 122. | " | 3/4. " |
| Ditto | D° to Poolleya Pilly | D° | " | 200. | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Mootiah Moodaliar | D° | " | 70. | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Sawmy Cheragaron | D° | " | 100. | " " |
| Ditto | D° to Anney Chetty — Vangama Naick | D° | 600. | " | " " |
| Ditto Owing to him by Auklandapilly and Madura Naick a Pilly | | D° | 13000 | " | " " |
| The whole Principal | | | 16619. | 692. | 19. 60 |

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The Rupsel Dar and Servants of the Nabob Seized the above Debtors, Demanded the Money, a few paid with Interest, some they confined, and — Flog'd, they received while Chinnia Naick remained Prisoner Star Pagodas 1028 and Port. P. 892-34-50 some of the above persons are now confined until they pay the Amount of their Debts

They also confined Sawmy Pilly, Sukkanda Pillys Son and Madura Naick a Pilly, but Annun: -thia Bramine became Bail for them, and the Nabob released them, which he the Nabob — acknowledged to Colonel Floyd and Mr Darke, but now denies it by the Desire of Annunthia - The Circar after this, that is the Nabob sent for the Soucars and Shroffs, some of them they forced to — lend Money, on part of the Joys, some of them were unwilling to do so, and some of them left the place, One the Principal Soucar at Trichinopoly Goopaul Dos, who is a Creditable Man, and Punctual in his Dealing, and a real loss to the place — On the Morning of the 8th March when Colonel Floyd went

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went to the Nabob respecting the Nasby. The Nabobs Dewan and all the Principal People of the Palace went to — a Chinnia Naick, he Declares, threatned him and — Coaxed him by turns to sign a paper, that he had em- bloyed the Cicars Bullocks, and that he had received from the Company on that Account 18,886 Star Pagodas of the Cicars money, and to bind himself to pay it. He answered, he says, how could he do so, that he never had one Cicar Bullock Employed, and only what Bullocks he had bought, and paid for. and that he never had received one Pagoda from the Honorable Company of the Cicars money, nor did he owe even one Pagoda to any Person on account of — Bullocks, or any thing else. He declares from 10 clock in the Morning till 5 in the afternoon they prest and threatned him, but he had notice that, Colonel Floyd was in the Pallace talking about him, and that — Mr. Darke waited to take him away, which was so, at 5 Clock he was let out of the Dungeon, and — delivered to Mr. Darke, who brought him to Colonel Floyds Quarter, where he now remains.

The Nabob promised to send the next Morning the Evidence and Proofs and accounts against

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against him to Mr. Darke, and laid much stress upon the proof he said he had that Chinnia Naick — received and Employed the Circar Bullocks from the Evidence of a Companys Serang, who he also promised to send. The Evidence and proofs not being sent as promised, The Nabob was applied to for to send them, He Answered some of the witnyss's was here, and — some at Madras, who he had ordered up, on constant application again he said, that three of the witnyss's — were upon the Road, expected in a few days, but not coming for many, Colonel Floyd said he would wait no longer, for he supposed they had no proof against the Man, and then hearing that three Men who went to Madras, one of them was Dead, one in Jail, and the other run away. therefore insisted That the Nabob should — send what Proof he had at Trichinopoly. On the 20.th of April last The Nabob Promised to send the Proofs he had to Mr. Darke at Colonel Floyds quarters. Madura Naick a Pelly and Sawmy Pelly was Summoned to attend in the Name of Colonel Floyd, and all the Bullock Masters of the place was summoned —

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Wednesday the 20th April 1796. A Dubash of the Nabobs Named Authenarrain Bramine attended on the part of the Circar to prove the Debt against — Chinnia Naick Bullock Mastry, said to be due by him to the Circar

Present — Mr. Darke

R. Gopaul Moodalier Colonel Floyds Dubash

Marriapah Mr. Darkes Dubash

N. Authenarrain Bramine Circar Dubash —

And all the Bullock Mastries belonging to Trichinopoly that Served in Hyder Allies War, and Tippoo Sultaums to the Number of upwards of 30 Persons were Present, and Madura Naick a Pillay and Samy Pillay now Head Bullock Mastries and Conycoply to the Bullock Department, and Chinnia Naick also —

Present. —

The Circar Dubash was desired to Produce his Proof that Chinniah Naick was indebted to the Circar of his having received under his — Charge, Bullocks belonging to the Circar, and not paid for, and of his having received Money for the hire of them, from the Honorable Company, that belong:d

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belonged to the Nabob, as stated against him, for which he had been Imprisoned and his property Seized. The Circar Dubash Produced the charge in the Penalty Obligation given to the Circar. as per the Translation Page 2. and brought all the Persons that was to be found who had Signd the Deed and was named therein to — Prove the charge - the Deed is wrote on Cajan in Malabars. -

The Persons named in it to Prove the Charge, was called upon to Appear, in order to — Prove what they had bound themselves to do. —

There appeared Veema Custory Rangapah Naick - Devaroyon Son of Shoppiah Pillay who had signed his Fathers name to the Deed, and Cottia Mootiah Pilly and his Son. -

The above Persons Signed the Obligation to give full Proof against Chinniah Naick. -

and there Appeared Vencatapatty Naick. and Chinniah Goopaul Naick — —

These two persons names are in the Deed, but not their Signatures to it. —

The following five Persons did not appear

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appear, those who knew them gave the following account of them—

That Vancatah Chitty was Dead at Madras—

" Pitchander Moodaly was in Jail at Dº at the Suit of Tanjore Ramah Naig—

" Coopoo Naick was at Madras, but hearing that Chinniah Naick's business was going to be enquired into by order of Government had run away and hid himself—

That Mootoo Curapah Pilly was at Tanjore, but had gone from thence, and hid himself for the above reason—

That Verowa Pilly was also at Tanjore and left it for the same Cause—

Mr Darke told the five Persons that appeared in the Presence of all the Company, that they had Bound themselves to the Circar to bring proofs—a and Accounts that Chinnia Naick was indebted to the Circar on Account of Bullocks 18,886 Star Pagodas,— and if they did not prove it, they had bound themselves to pay that Sum to the Circar and a fine of 12,000 Pago:=das The Deed was read to them and the Signatures—a shown them, which the first three acknowledged, they were then told, to give their proof, they had none they said. they were then told they must Pay the Money, they said

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said they were not worth a Pagoda those present, who knew them said they never had 10 Pagodas amongst them, they had not even a cloth to cover them, after much passing, which showed great Villainy and Cruelty, they was ordered seperately to declare to all the Company, the whole truth of what they knew of the matter, and why they signed to the charge against Chinnea Naick. Their Declarations was taken down as follows.-

First that of Vemacustory Rangapah Naick. the — Translation of the Malabars.-

Trichinopoly 20.th April 1796. -

I Vemacustory Rangapah Naick do give this Declaration to the Honorable Company -

That Auklanda Pilly. Madura Naick a Pilly. Vencatah Chitty Pitchander, Devaroyon, Mootiah Pilly, Coopia Pilly, Mootoo curapah and Verapilly altogether told me not to be afraid, since we desire you to sign, you may do it without any objection, so they forced me to sign in the Croud of Company in the Circar Cutcharee, and they gave me a good Deal of encouragement to make me Sign, I do not know any thing of Chinniah Naicks affairs, — whether he has received any money, or Ballance due

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due to him, because they made me sign by Violence in the Circars Penalty, where I was obliged to Sign myself, because so many people forced me to do it. But I do not know any Circumstance at all of Chinniah Naicks affairs. –

This Declaration in Writing I give with my full Consent before all the Company Present. –

/Signed/ Custory Rangapah

Witness's / Signed by / Chas. Darke, R. Gopaul and Marriapah. The Circar Dubash refused to sign as a Witness –

It being late they were all ordered to assemble the next morning at 9 o Clock. Which they did. –

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Second – The Declaration of Davaroyon Son of Thoppiah Pilly – The Translation from the Malabars. –

Trichinopoly 21st April 1796.

I Davaroyon Son of Thoppiah Pilly do give this Declaration to the Honorable Company. –

I do not know any thing of their giving the Penalty to the Circar, also I don't know any thing whether

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whether Chinniah Naick has received any Money, or any of these Circumstances Aukland a Pilly. Madura Naicka Pilly. Runga Pilly. Pitchander Moodily. Vancata Chitty Mootiah Pilly and Custory Rungapah Naick; altogether desire and perswaded me to give my Sign only to the Circar Penally, for which they perswade me, and told me, that you don't know any thing of these matters, You will not have any Occasion to give evidence, but we are ready to be Answerable, and prove the Accounts, whatever it is, so they forced me to do it, therefore I did sign myself, but I don't know any thing of these — Circumstances at all. —

Thus with my full Consent. I give this Declaration before all the Company Present. —

Signed Devaroyon

Witnesses
Signed by / Chas. Darke. R. Gopaul and Marriapah.

The Circar Dubash also refused to sign as a Witness to this — and all —

Third — the Declarations of Corta Mooliah Pilly. and his Son. The Translation from the Malabars. —

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Trichinopoly. 21st. April 1796.

We Bullock Mastries Corla Moodia

Pilly and Casava do both give this declaration to the

Honorable Company. —

We don't understand any thing of the

Contents of the Penalty Bond, we gave to the Circar

about Chinniah Naicks Cause, also we do not know

whether he received any money, or that he owes any to

the Circar, to the said Penalty, we signed by the force

and persuasion of our own People, when we desired

them to let us know the Contents thereof, they refused to

declare it, and said we had no occasion to know,

that we might just sign as well as so many others

People, and we shall talk with them and prove the

Accounts and every thing, so we were forced to sign

by all the great Mastrys named Aukkanda Pilly.

Madura Naicka Pilly. Runga Pilly. Vancata Chitty,

Pitchandy. and Custory Rangapah Naick altogether

forced me to sign in the Nabobs Cutcharee as all the

others did. We do not know any thing of his Ballances

or Demands, or any thing of the Circumstances in the

Penalty

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Penalty, we only know when the Bullocks pass and repass with the Army.

This Written Declaration we give with our full Consent in the Presence of all this Company.

Mootiah

Signed Casava

Witnesses

Signed Chas. Darke. R. Gopaul and Narriapah.

All Present was desired to attend again the next Morning. Suthenarraine the Nabobs Dubash was desired to let his Highness know faithfully what had passed, as was his Duty, and to desire that if the Circar had any Proof against Chinnia Naick to send it the next Morning.

All attended the next Morning the 22. April at 9 o Clock, but the Circar Dubash, and waited all the Morning for him who sent word he was coming at Noon, Mr. Darke sent his Dubash to let his Highness know, and to desire that some one from the Circar might attend as promised

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promised, and to send the proofs against Chinnia Naick if any they had, this Highness sent an Answer that Suthe-narrain was sick, but that he should attend the next morning the Truth is, he was not sick, but at the Durbar consulting with Madura Naicka Pilly and Sawmy Pilly, they were seen together there. —

On the 23.d April; all assembled again and waited as before for the Circar Dubash all the Forenoon, received the same excuse as the day before, with the addition, that Suthenarraine knew the business better than any one else, and that he should attend as soon as he was well. —

The Next Morning the 24.th April Mr. Darke waited upon this Highness by desire of Colonel Floyd and took his Dubash with him to interpret —

Mr. Darke respectfully told this Highness, that Colonel Floyd was much hurt at the delay of the Circar, not sending any proof to support the charge against the Bullock Mastry, which this Highness had promised to do on the Morrow after he was

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delivered to the Colonels Charge, now more than forty Days past, if he did not send proof, Colonel Floyd said he must without delay report to the Governor, that the Circar had no proof, told His Highness that the wretches who had appeared on the part of the Circar, and who had Signed a Deed binding themselves to prove a large Sum due by Chinniah Naick to the Circar, indefault of doing so, to pay it themselves, and a fine to the Circar, had appeared, as his — a Highness, must have been informed by his Dubash Authenarrain, and had publicly declared before more than thirty Persons, that they were forced and perswaded to sign the Penalty Bond to the Circar, and that they knew nothing of the matter, they are poor ignorant creatures, and not worth a Cash, said that His Highness must have been — deceived by some persons about him. for there had been no attempt to prove that Chinnia Naick had received one Bullock belonging to the Circar, or to any inhabitant in all the Districts of Trichinopoly unpaid for, or in any other District, &c.