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Diary

30th The following Letters having been misla'd are now recorded —

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord.

As the Military Arrangements are now arrested and for which Government I understand delayed taking into Consideration the Situation of the Paymasters. after they were deprived of all Emoluments of Office. except the Captains Pay and Batta. I beg leave to refer your Lordship to a joint letter of the Paymasters to Government under date of the 13th January 1793. at the same time permit me to state a few circumstances respecting my own particular Situation —

The accompanying Accounts will shew the Loss I have sustained by the exchange from February 1793 to 30th April 1796. amounting to Pagodas 11369. on allowed Emolument of the Court of Directors. in addition to the Pay and Batta — Should it appear to your Lordship that the annual Disbursements and responsibility in my Several departments amount to —

From the late Paymaster of Vellore Vizt stating the various Loss he has sustained by being deprived of the profit on the Exchange and the inadequate Salary which he has received since the month of February 1793. —

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Fort St. George — June 1797.—

30th Left a Sum above 5.24.231 Pagodas besides being bound in Security Bond of 20.000 Pagodas for the faithful discharge of my duty. a requisition demanded from no other Sett. of Civil Servants and my Pay and Emoluments altogether amount only to — 1.040 Pagodas pr. annum. when during the same period if I had been in no Employ. had no Office of Responsibility and been bound in no Penalty. I should have drawn from the Company 1000 Pagodas. making a difference only for the assiduity and attention inseparable from the duties of my Station. of 40 Pagodas pr. annum.— a case certainly unprecedented in any Service.—

From the length of time the Paymasters have waited. on so small and inadequate an Allowance. I hope your Lordship will take their case into your most serious consideration and that you will be pleased not only to fix a Salary adequate to the Charge and Responsibility of the Respective Paymasters. but that you will likewise allow them that Salary. from the time of their being deprived of the benefit of the Exchange which was an allowed Emolument of the Civil Court of Directors time immemorial.—

I am with the greatest Respect
&c &c
(Signed) John Wynch
Paymaster Vellore &c. &c

Madras
24th. May 1796.

Account

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Fort St. George 30th June 1797.

Account Differences of Exchange. are allowed Emolument of the Court of Directors to the Paymasters from time immemorial till Sir Charles Oakleys Government. Loss arising from that time to Mr. John Wynch Paymaster at Vellore. Amboor. Wallajahbad. Arcot. Arnee and Connatore as follows. —

	Cash credited to the Company	Differences of Exchange given away to different Offices and Departments.	Total Pagodas
Vellore Vm Vm Accounts from February 1793 to april 1796	5.524. 14.66.	5.844. 28. 70.	11.369. 1. 56.
Total Losses			11.369. 1. 56.

Annual Responsibility in Mr. John Wynch's Department as Paymaster. Military Storekeeper. Commissary of Grain and Provisions and Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks at Vellore. Amboor. Wallajahbad. Arcot. Arnee. and Connatore. —

Military Disbursements on a Moderate Average	324.000	" "
Military Stores	158796.	38. 22.
Grain and Provisions	16.140	13 53.
D: Disbursements in time of War these Dis.	22.424.	4 70.
Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks } bursements are Contingencies.	2210	21 48.
Total Pagodas	524.231	26 32.

27th May 1796.

/Signed/ John Wynch
Paymaster Vellore Vm Vm Vm

Jw.

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To the 30th
To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary to Government

Sir

From Major Allan—Requesting that he may receive a Bond transferable to England on payment of Certificate in the Tanjore Registered Debt.—

In Consequence of the late orders of Government I request you will be pleased to order a Bond transferable to Europe to be made out in lieu of a Certificate on the Tanjore Registered Debt in my possession for the Principal Sum of Pagodas 5000.—

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) A. Allan

Fort St. George
the
24th. April 1797.—

To Mr. Robert Woolf

Accountant General

Sir

To the Accountant General ordering that a Bond transferable to England may be issued to Major Allan in payment of his Certificate on the Tanjore Registered Debt.—

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to transmit to you Copy of a Letter from Major A. Allan and to desire that a Bond may be made out in the usual manner for the Sum

due

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due to him on the Furgie Debt. —

Have
&c &c
(signed) J. Webbe
Sub. to Government

Fort St. George
24th April 1797. —

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in

Mem. Nos 147-148-149-150-151. — —

From Major General Bridges - advising of his

From the Office Commanding the Northern Division of the Army. —

Intention to Embark the detail of the 2nd Division 2nd European Regiment and the Gun Lascars attached to the first Battalion of Artillery on the Margaret Captain Mackenzie. — —

From Lieut. Warren - soliciting an advance

From Lieut. James Taylor Warren of the Bombay Establishment

of Pay. —

From Mr. Brodie - forwarding Musters

From the Garrison Storekeeper -

of the Pepper Farmerish and Butchers Bill tendered by Mr. Maitland with his remarks on each Article. —

From Captain A. Lindsay - requesting

From the Commandant at Ashtoor. —

that Orders may be issued for passing Assistant Surgeon Gilmour's Bills for Medical attendance on the Sick of the 2nd Division 1st Native Regiment doing duty at Ashtoor. — —

From

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Fort St. George — June 1797.

From the acting Sec.y 30th.
to Major Genl. Doyle

From Captain Wilson — acknowledging General Doyle's receipt of the Boards Letter of the 21st May.

Despatched the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos. 152-153-154.

To the Military Auditor General.

To Major General Sydenham — referring for examination additional Estimates of Cash for the ensuing Month presented by the Military Paymaster General.

To the acting Commiss.y General of Grain and Provisions and Principal agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks.

To Mr. Sheldon — enclosing Copies of the Auditors Reports on his Cash Estimates for the ensuing Month. and returning the Sum that will be issued from the Treasury on his application.

To the Military Paymaster General

To Mr. Roebuck to the same purport.

July 1st.

Despatched the undermentioned letters entered in M.B. Nos. 1-2-3-4.

To Sir Paul Saddell

To Sir Paul Saddell — informing him that the Bond mentioned in his Letter of the 29. Ult.o will be received into the Treasury whenever it may be presented.

&c.

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Fort St. George — 1st July 1797. —

1st

To Major General Sydenham — referring for examination an additional Estimate of Cash required by the Paymaster to Lieut.t Colonel Roberts's Detachment. —

To the Military Auditor General —

To the Military Board — referring for their consideration and report an Extract of a Letter from the Military Auditor General, together with Copies of the Regulations which he has suggested for the future Conduct of the Department of Grain and Provisions. —

To Mr. Secretary Barlow. Mr. Whitehill and Captain Kirkpatrick — forwarding Copies of Mysore Intelligence. —

To the Secretary at Bengal — & Assistant Residents at Poona and Hyderabad —

Received the following Letter. —

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Lieut.t Colonel Vigors — enclosing Copy of his Proceedings in the Investigation committed to his Charge of which a Copy has been furnished to Calvin Mercy Carr the Nabob's Deputy on that occasion. —

I herewith have the honor to transmit you my proceedings at this place for the Information of the Right Honorable the President in Council and have to request you will be so good to inform his Lordship that I have done every thing in my power to come at the truth

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Fort St. George the July 1797.

truth, but that I found next to an impossibility while the evidences were immediately under the influence of the Renter of this place, and it appeared evident to me that the whole of the witnesses had been tampered with and that bribes and punishment had been held out to them, as he has commenced wreaking his vengance on those who did not give evidence in his favor by committing them to prison.

The young Man that came from Madras in the part of the Nabob, and who attended the whole time of the investigation, requested a Copy of the proceedings of which I had no hesitation in granting to convince him every thing was carried on above board.

On having Orgole I was under the necessity of Committing the Charge of the Fort and Garrison to a very young Man and having last Months accounts with those of the present Month to settle and the Object of my Mission being fulfilled, I propose proceeding to my Command tomorrow. I cannot however

conclude

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I conclude without observing that there were the names of several people signed to the Mahazar and Argee who were never known to the oldest Inhabitants of this place, and I have great reason to believe were never in existence.

I have the honor to be with respect

&c &c
(Signed) W. Vigors

Nellore
27th of June 1797.

Translation of Declaration from Runganaykula Pitty Swamy Auchary. dated 19th June 1797.

I declare that last night I was with Nagalapauty Venkatrow and Chedalawada Vurdachary when I heard the following words from Vurdachary and Venkatrow in a private part of the Renters House Viz.t

Vurdachary having told the Renter that if he would give him protection he would make the Inhabitants disavow the Counter declaration and thus prove the Mahazar to his satisfaction. the Inhabitants belong to us. and we have the authority in our own hands they will attend to our orders. and I will induce them to

give

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1st. give their evidence in your favor. on which the Renter told him. that when the business came to be heard. that if he would speak in the strong manner he had promised and succeed for him in this business. he would remit part of his Rents. and use and consider him as his own Son. besides rewarding him handsomely. and if you do not carry this point for me, I shall be disgraced. and you must therefore manage to do it without disgraceing me. Verdachary replied. that he would speak to all the Reddys and have it settled agreeable to his wishes, and in such a manner as would have the same effect as pulling out the Commanding Officers teeth. and joined his hand with the Renters as a pledge of his due performance of promise. and the Renter on his part made promises of doing great things for him in return. This Morning I met Verdachary. and asked him what he had done

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1st done towards the performance of last nights conversation,
he answered Sarn now employed about it and using every
exertion to effect it. this I know. —

/signed/ Samy Ayah

Caukaury Venkat Ramodo
Guddum Chinguum Butto } Witnesses
Annavuttahala Subba Butto

Cauvuempody Mookiah Reddy being called and sworn
according to his Cast. — The following questions were put to him. —

Question — Did you sign the Mohazer of the 15th of May at the
Cutchery: —

Answer — Yes.

Question — Did you know the contents of such Mahazer —

answer — Yes —

Question — Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes House
and sign a Counter declaration there: —

answer — Yes —

Question — Was there any compulsive measures taken by
Captain Forbes to induce you to make such a
declaration or did you do it of your own free will —

Answer

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1st

Answer — Yes- Captain Forbes kept me there as a Prisoner untill near 2 Clock P.M. —

Question — In your declaration to Captain Forbes- did you not say that you were not at Nellore at the time the Mohazer was wrote. and that you did not know any thing about it. —

Answer — Yes I did. it is very true. —

Question — Do you know of any Arzee having been given to the Renter after you left Captain Forbes's House, and what the Contents of that Arzee were. —

Answer — Yes- after I left Captain Forbes's House I went to the Cutchery. and signed the Arzee. —

Question — Was you at any time promised any reward in case you signed the Mazar. or threatened in case you did not do it. —

Answer — I did it of my own accord. —

Venkata Row. Vakeel of Seyd Abdul Cawder. being called and sworn according to his Cast. the following Questions were put to him. —

Question

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1st Question - Did you sign the Mahazar of the 15th of Assay at the Cutchery -

answer - Yes -

Question - Did you know the Contents of such Mahazar -

answer - I did not know what it was -

Question - Was you desired to sign it -

answer - Yes -

Question - Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes House and sign a Counter declaration there -

answer - Yes I did -

Question - Was there any compulsive means used to make you do so -

answer - No. I had some business at the Cutchery where I wanted to go - Captain Forbes told me when I signed the paper I might go - I accordingly did it -

Question - after leaving Captain Forbes's House did you go to the Cutchery and sign an Arzee -

answer - No. I knew nothing of an Arzee -

Mooty Ranj Rama Chundroodoo being called and sworn according to his Cast: the following questions were put to him -

Question

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Fort St. George — July 1797 —

1st Question — Did you sign the Mahazar of the 16th of May at the Cutchery — —

answer — — Ayes — —

Question — — Did you know the contents of such Mahazar — —

Answer — — Ayes — —

Question — — Was there any compulsive means used to make you sign such Mahazer — —

answer — — No I signed it of my own accord — —

Question — — Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes's House and sign a Counter declaration — —

answer — — Ayes — —

Question — — Was there any compulsive means used to induce you to sign such declaration — —

answer — — Some Sepoys were sent to bring me to his House. but no compulsive means were used to make me sign the declaration — —

Question — — Did you not write the Mahazer entirely at the request of the Renter — —

Answer — — Ayes I did — —

Question — — after leaving Captain Forbes's House. did you go to the Cutchery and sign an Arzee there — —

Answer

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1st answer - Yes I did -

Question - What concern have you as a Ryot, and what injury has been ever done you by Captain Forbes - -

No answer given to the above question - —

Pigada Pauze Nersoo Callaurney of Nellore being called and Sworn according to his Cast - the following Questions were put to him - —

Question - Did you sign the Muchuzer of the 15th of May at the Cutchery - —

answer - Yes I did - —

Question - Did you Know the Contents of such Muchuzer - —

answer - I know a little of what was in it, but not all - —

Question - Was there any compulsive means used to make you sign it, or did you do it of your own accord - —

answer - I did it of my own accord - —

Question - Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes's House and sign a Counter declaration - —

answer - Yes I did - —

Question - Was there any Compulsive means used by Captain Forbes to make you sign such paper, or did you do it of your own accord - —

answer

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1st. answer -- No. no compulsive means whatever were used to make me sign the paper - I came there in the morning. and remained there untill 2 O'Clock. and then signed it with a number of others. --

Question -- After leaving Captain Forbes's House did you go to the Cutcherry and sign an Argee. -

answer -- Yes. --

Question -- Was you desired to do so. --

answer -- No. -

Chs Delavanda Verda Charles being called and sworn according to his Cast. the following questions were put to him. --

Question -- Did you sign the Mahazer of the 15th. of May at the Cutcherry. -

answer -- Yes I did. --

Question -- Did you know the contents of such Mahazer. -

answer -- I know some part of it. but not all. -

Question - Was it not read to you before you signed it. -

answer -- Yes. -

Question -- Was there any compulsive means used to induce you to sign such paper. -

answer.

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1st answer -- There was about ten people there. I signed it at the same time with them --

Question - Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes's House and sign a counter declaration --

Answer - Yes I did.

Question - Was there any force used to make you sign such declaration --

answer - I was sent for to Captain Forbes at about 8 Oclock. and remained there until near two - no force was used to make me sign the paper --

Question - After leaving Captain Forbes's House did you go to the Cutchery and sign an Argee there --

answer - Yes I did --

Question -- Were you not in private with the Renter on the night of the 18th. of this month. when he by several solicitations and promises endeavoured to prevail on you to use all your influence with the different Inhabitants to give their evidence to the prejudice of Captain Forbes --

answer - I know nothing of it --

Question

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Fort St. George 7 July 1797 —

1st. Question. Did not the Renter promise you valuable presents and an abatement of the Rent of the Lands you now hold of the Circar, provided you stood his — Friend on this occasion. —

Answer — I know nothing. —

The Declaration No. 1. being read to him. he denies knowing any thing about it. —

Sammy Ashery being called and sworn according to his Cast. The following questions were put to him. —

Question — Was you with Nagalapainty Venkatrow Chickavadachery on the Night of the 18th. of June. —

answer — I was. —

Sammy Ashery having heard his declaration No. 1. read, swears to the truth of the whole. except that part respecting a remittance of part of his Rent. and taking him by the hand. —

Canakanty Venkat Ramdoo. one of the Witnesses to the Declaration No. 1. being sworn according to his Cast. the following questions were put to him. —

Question

4228 Fort St. George the July 5th 1797.

1st Question - Did you hear Samy ashury make any declaration -

answer - Yes. -

The declaration No. 1. being shewn him he swears that he wrote and Witnessed it. at the request of Samy ashury. -

Gudum Chinguen Butto. being called and Sworn according to his Cast. and being shewn the Declaration No. 1. declares that he heard Samy ashury depose as is wrote therein, and that he Witnessed it. -

Annavatchala Subba Butto. being called and Sworn according to his Cast. and being shewn the paper No. 1. says that he heard Samy ashury make the Declaration therein stated. and that he Witnessed the same. -

No person appearing of the Name of Meka Rauze the Venata Narsoo Stella Carnie Veera Reddy. the following Question put to Mosta Rauze Rama Chindroodoo. -

Question - Who signed the Name of Meka Rauz Venata Narsoo Stella Carnie Veera Reddy to the Mayer. -

answer

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1st Answer. I did. ~

Chercoomoody Caupeia being called for. not forth=
=coming. ~

Mahomed Ibrahim being called and sworn. the
following questions were put to him. ~

Question. Did you sign the Mahazer of the 15th. May last
at the Cutchery. ~

answer. I did. ~

Question. Did you know the contents of such Mahazer. ~

answer. Ayes.

Question. Was you induced to sign it from fear. or did you
do it of your own accord. ~

answer. I was not induced to do it from fear. I did it of
my own accord. ~

Question. Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes's House
and sign a Counter declaration. ~

Answer. No.

Chilcadoo Kistnama Naidoo not being present

the

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1st. The following questions were put to his Gomastah Shroo. who put his Masters Name to the Mahazer of the 15th. of May. ~

Question. Did you sign the Mahazer of the 15th. May at the Cutchery. ~

answer. Yes. ~

Question. Did you know the Contents of such Mahazer. ~

answer. Yes. ~

Question. Was you ordered to sign such Mahazer. or did you do it of your own accord. ~

answer. I did it of my own accord. ~

Question. Did you afterwards go to Captain Forbes's House and sign a counter declaration. ~

answer. Yes I did. ~

Question. Was there any force used to make you do so. ~

answer. No there was no force. I was kept there from 10 Clock A.M. untill half past 12. Oclock ~ I signed it of my own accord. ~

Question. Did you after leaving Captain Forbes's go to the Cutchery and sign an Arzee. ~

answer

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1st.

answer - No. it was signed for me by another man. -

Question - Did you know the Contents of that argee. -

answer - No. I knew nothing at all about it. -

Woodutta Venkatadree being called and not appearing - Venkayallaput Ramana. was called and Sworn according to his Cast - The following questions were put to him. -

Question - Did you go to Captain Forbes's House and sign a declaration there. -

answer - Yes I did. -

Question - Was there any force used to make you do so. -

answer - There was no force used - I wrote it of my own accord. - my Partner having signed the original Mahazer. -

Question - after having Captain Forbes's House. did you go to the Cutchery and sign an Argee. -

answer - I did.

Question - Did you know the Contents of that Argee. -

answer - some part I knew. some part I did not. -

Question

4232 Fort St. George — July 1797. —

1st Question. Was you desired to sign it. —

answer — No I was not. —

Ischum Reddy Sashaundry Reddy. being called
and Sworn according to this cast. The following
questions were put to him. —

Question. Did you sign the Memorial of the 15th May at
the Cutchery. —

answer — No I never signed it. nor do I know any thing about it —

Question. Did you sign a paper at Captain Forbes's. —

answer. Yes I did. —

Question. Was there any force used. or had you any promises
made you for so doing. —

answer — There was no force used. nor any promises made
me. — I was there from 7 Oclock in the Morning
untill one Oclock. when I signed the paper with
several others. —

Question. Did you after leaving Captain Forbes's House go
to the Cutchery and sign an Argee. —

answer. I did. —

Question. Did you know what it was. —

answer

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Fort St. George — July 3797. —

1st. answer — No some part I knew and some I did not. —

Depoo Ruddy Mootiah Ruddy being called for.
it appears that no such man was ever —
known in the Country. —

Paupia Ruddy Narrain Ruddy being called
and sworn the following questions were put
to him — —

Question — Did you sign the Mahazer of the 15th. of may
last at the Cutchery — —

answer — — Yes I did. —

Question — — Did you know the Contents of such Mahazer —

answer — I knew a little of it. —

Question — Was you desired to sign such Mahazer. —

answer — No.

Question — Did you go to Captain Forbes's and sign the
counter declaration. —

answer — Yes —

Question — Was any force used on the occasion — —

answer — No — no force whatever — several others signed it
and

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1st and I did the same ~

Question - Did you afterwards sign the Argee at the Cutchery ~

answer - Yes I did ~

Question - Did you know the Contents of such Paper ~

answer - It was read to me ~

Formul Reddy Venatarammandoo being called and
Sworn - the following questions were put to him ~

Question - Did you sign the Mahazer of the 15th of May last
at the Cutchery ~

answer - Yes I did ~

Question - Did you know the contents of the Mahazer ~

answer - Yes it was read to me at Captain Forbes's ~

Question - After leaving Captain Forbes's House did you go
to the Cutchery and sign the Argee ~

answer - Yes ~

Question - Did you know what that Argee was ~

answer - I only knew it from what I heard people say ~

Question - Was any force used to make you sign either the
Mahazer or the Argee ~

answer

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1st

answer - No. -

Poonoocotty Neambasowa Reddy being called. it appears that he has absconded. -

Ball Kistnah Native Commandant being called and Sworn. the following questions were put to him. -

Question - Was you at Captain Forbes's House on the 30th of May last. -

answer - I was. -

Question - Did you see the Ryots sign the Counter declaration there. -

answer - I did. -

Question - Was any force used on the part of Captain Forbes or any other person to make them sign such declaration. -

Answer - No. far from it. it was done of their own accord. -

Question - Was the Mohazer read over to the Inhabitants. -

answer - Yes. It was read three times. -

Perkh being being called and Sworn according to his cast. and the following questions put to him. -

Question

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1st. Question - Was you at Captain Forbes's House on the 30th of May last.

answer - I was.

Question - Did you see the Ryots sign a paper there.

answer - Yes.

Question - Was there any force used to make them do so.

answer - No. no force.

Question - Was the Manager read to the Ryots prior to their making the counter declaration.

answer - It was.

Mahomed Raza Subedar of the 2nd Battalion 9th Regiment Native Infantry being called and sworn the following questions were put to him.

Question - Was you at Captain Forbes's House on the 3d of May last.

answer - Yes I was.

Question - Did you see the Ryots sign the counter declaration there.

answer - I did.

Question - Was any force used to make them sign it.

answer - No. there was not force they signed it willingly.

Question

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1st. Question — Did you hear the Mohazer read to the Ryots at Captain Forbes's House prior to their signing the Counter declaration — —

Answer — I did — —

Question — Was you at Captain Forbes's House the whole time that the Ryots were there — —

Answer — There were ten people there when I came. the rest came afterwards — —

Germagee Puntuloo being called and sworn the following questions were put to him — —

Question — Was you at Captain Forbes's House on the 30th. of May last — —

Answer — I was — —

Question — Did you see the Ryots sign the Counter declaration — —

Answer — I did — —

Question — Was any force used by Captain Forbes to make them (the Ryots) sign it — —

Answer — No force was used whatever — —

Question — Did you hear the Mohazer read to the Ryots.

2nd

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1st. and the Inhabitants prior to their signing the

Counter declaration.

Answer. I did.

Question. Was you at Captain Forbes's House the whole time

that the Ryots were there.

Answer. No. they were all assembled before I came there.

I declare the whole of this Investigation to be

faithfully taken by me at Nellore on the 26th. of June 1797.

(signed) W.m Vigors

Lieut.t Colonel

To T. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir.

I have the Honor to transmit to you

for the information of the Right Honorable the President

in Council a Copy of a requisition from Thomas Snodgrass

Esqr. Collector in this District to me as temporary Commanding

Officer of the Troops.

In

From the Commandant in the Ganjam District advising of the Detachment he had ordered to take the Field under the Command of Lieut.t Fletcher on the requisition of the Collector with a view to the Seizure of the Person of Sreenah Pundee of Pellantiah.

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1st

In consequence of this requisition. I have thought it my Duty to order a Detachment consisting of two Companies and a half of Sepoys the strength of which will be nearly three hundred and twenty Men. / a Force to the best of my Judgment fully adequate to the Service they are going upon. / to rendezvous at Barrampore till necessary Arrangements have taken place for their movement. which I hope will be the 27th. or 28th. Instant at furthest. —

Lieutenant Fletcher's general acquaintance with the nature of this Service. and well versed in the Country Languages. added to that his local knowledge and a very conciliating Temper with the Natives. which last I consider an important object. has induced me to nominate him for the Conduct of this Detachment. —

I most respectfully hope that the Right Honorable the President in Council will approve of my Conduct. in having complied without loss of time. with the accompanying Requisition

for

4240 Fort St. George 4th July 1797.—

8th for the purpose of relieving the Southern part of this District from the oppression of an Usurper and the Inroads of the Bandittie.—

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) Thos. Poole

Captain.

Aska

20th June 1797.—

To Captain Thomas Poole

Commanding the Troops in the Ganjam District

at Aska

Sir

Having received instructions from the Board of Revenue to avail myself of the first opportunity for seizing the person of the Soma Pacha of Pellantrake. or for expelling him from the Company's District. I have considered that the Public Service will be most benefited by the early adoption of an Expedition for this purpose:- and as the principal objection which formerly existed to this undertaking was some time since removed. by the emancipation of the Minor Zemindar from the Custody

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1st. Custody of the Sonna Pacha. - as the usurpation of the latter also by its example alarms the Jealousy of the neighbouring Zemindars for the regular Descent of their own Tenures, and thence affords a reasonable ground for expecting aids from them. which as far as such aids can ever be effectual may be Depended upon for sincere application. - and as all the Corps are removed from the ground and the season of the year is the least active for Revenue Collection. I have been induced to be of opinion that present circumstances favor the enterprize in as great Degree as could be hoped from future contingence. which delay would tend to aggravate every evil consequence of the Violent usurpation and atrocious conduct of the Sonna Pacha. which having hitherto been attended with impunity has hardened him to a Defiance of all controul. -

I have therefore to request that you will as expeditiously as possible set forth a Detachment of such strength as may appear to you adequate, for the performance of this Service. which as far as my opinion may - allowed to have weight. I would suggest may

require

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1st. require three Companies, but certainly not less than two to execute it with that Vigour and promptness, which is requisite for its termination before the Sickly season, which is already too near at hand. ~

Sonna Pudia's usual place of Residence is on a Hill about three Cos from Bourgaum, called ~ Beddagaum, where he retains about Eighty Match-lock Peons. and one hundred Coords. and as he detains their Families there in pledge of their Fidelity, it is not to be expected that they will recede from his ~ Command, nor on the other hand do I apprehend any serious resistance from them bound to each other only by a community of Crimes. ~

They will probably attempt to escape on the first alarm, and it is therefore that I have wished for a force to be sent against them capable of Division and Detachment for pursuit and of Reserve for the protection of the low Country. ~

I request that you will appoint Barrampore for the rendezvous of the Detachment you may allot for this Service. And beg leave particularly to

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1st. to press upon your consideration the indispensible requisite of local knowledge in the officer who you may appoint for the conduct of a Service of considerable intricacy and difficulty.—

From Barrampore the Minor Zemindar of Pallantrah. with his Uncle Burrah Packa. will be ordered to move with the Detachment. and I shall use every good influence in my power with the Zemindars of Terradah. Soaringhie. Mundasaur and Bourawsinghie to bind an hearty co-operation to a Service interesting to their own prospects.—

Ganjam
17th June 1797.

I have the honor to be
Sir Sir
[Signed] Thomas Snodgrass
Collector Ganjam District.

To J. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir.

From the Secretary to Major General Doyle transmitting the necessity of being furnished with a further supply of cash for the payment of the troops at Columbo.

The indisposition of Major General Doyle preventing him from personally addressing the Right Honorable the President in Council. he has

directed

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1st directed me to request you will submit to Government the enclosed Copies & Letters on the subject of the pecuniary supplies required for this Island that such measures may be adopted in consequence as the wisdom of Government may deem adequate to the importance of the object to which they relate. —

I have the honor to be

&c &c

(Signed) J. Willson

Acting Secretary.

Head Quarters
Columbo 16th June 1797.

To Major General Doyle

Commanding in Ceylon.

Sir

I beg leave to inform you that on application to the Superintendant of Revenues for a supply of 25.000 Pagodas to enable me to go on with the disbursements of this and the ensuing Month. he has stated his inability to comply therewith. — as my payments must cease in consequence

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In consequence, I have to request that you will take such measures as may appear necessary for my being furnished with Funds to that amount.

The Kings Troops have received their subsistence to 24th. June, and Company's allowances to the 1st. Instant. The Company's Troops have received their allowances due the 1st. June.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) John Mac Donall
Paymaster

Columbo
14th. June 1797.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) D. Willson
Acting Secretary

To Robert Andrews Esqr.
Superintendant of Revenue &c
Ceylon

Sir

In consequence of a representation from Mr. Mac Donall the Paymaster here that a supply to the amount of 25.000 Pagodas will be required

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1st. required to enable him to go on with his Disbursements for this and the ensuing Month. I am directed by Major General Doyle to request that you will inform me what Sums you will be able to supply from the Revenue Receipts of the Island for the Exigencies of the Pay Office, in this and the ensuing Month: as he is very unwilling to trouble Government for supplies which it may possibly be in your power to furnish on the Spot. —

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) J. Willson
Acting Secretary

Columbo
15th June 1797.—

(A true Copy)
(Signed) J. Willson Act. Sec.

To Captain Willson
Acting Secretary
Columbo

Sir

I have been honored with your's of the

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In the 15th Instant, in reply have to inform you that I yesterday officially acquainted Mr. MacDonall Paymaster that it would not be in my power to supply him with above five thousand Star Pagodas of the Sum wanted within the period prescribed.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) R. Andrews
Asst. & Superint. Genl.

Columbo
16th June 1797.

A true Copy
(Signed) I. Willson
Act. Sec.

To
Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir

From Mr. Collector Brown desiring Instructions on the Subject of making Advances of Cash to the Paymaster of the Bengal Detachment.

In your Letter of the 22nd April you directed me to retain in my hands until the further orders of the Right Honble President in Council such Sums as might be paid into my Treasury from Mr. Collector Webb on account of the balance of the late Vizianagrum Zemindary, to the exception of

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1st. of 50.000 Rupees reported in my letter of the 6th April which I was promitted to suspply for the purposis of the Commercial Resident at Vizagapatam ~ No additional transfer of these balances has since been made by Mr Collector Webb. and the Amount contained still not more than 25.000 Rupees as formerly reported. ~

Having received an application from Major General Erskine. Copy of which I have the honor to inclose. applying to me for the Sum of twelve thousand Rupees. to the payment of the ~ Bengal troops Stationed at Cuddalore; I beg leave to refer to Copy of my reply. apprizing the General of the necessity of obtaining authority from His Lordship to enable me to comply with his requisition. But not to put the troops to inconvenience on the present occasion. I have informed Major General Erskine of my readiness to make such accommodation with Captain Hume the Paymaster for the Supply of the

Sums

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1st Sum now required, as may ensure the reimbursement of it to my Treasury. Should the orders of Government make that expedient, on this Subject I request to be honored with His Lordships further commands.—

I have the honor to be

Sir Sir

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Signed Wm. Brown

Collector

Lowapollum

25th June 1797.—

William Brown Esqr.

Collector 1st Division Vizagapatnam District

Sir

I beg leave to inform you that Rupees Twelve thousand will be required to pay the abstracts of that part of the Bengal Southern Detachment now at Cossimcotah for the present Month. I do request you will be pleased to inform me if you can answer from your Treasury the Drafts of Captain John Hearne Paymaster for that amount who will transmit the Bills to the Officers drawing Abstracts

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1st Abstracts by the 2nd or 3rd Day of the ensuing Month—

I have the honor to be
Sir Sir
[Signed] I. Erskine
M.G. Comm.d Dist.

Chicacole
21st June 1797.

[A true Copy]
[Signed] Wm. Brown
Collector

To Major General Erskine
Commanding the Vizagapatam
District

Sir

I have been honored with the receipt
of your letter of the 21st Instant and beg leave to inform
you that I shall immediately apply for instructions
from Government to know how far I may be authorized
to comply with the requisition it contains.—

In the mean time not to put the
troops at to [illegible] to any inconvenience from
a want of the 12000 Rupees required for their pay.
I shall take upon myself the advance of that Sum
for.

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1st. For the accommodation of Captain Hume the Paymaster on the present occasion (if particularly required) on the condition of considering the nature of the supply liable to such future arrangement as the orders of Government may direct.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Wm. Brown
Collector

Lovapollum
25th. June 1797.—

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Wm. Brown
Collector.

The Right Honble Lord Hobart
&c.
Governor in Council

From the President at Tanjore stating the manner in which the Rajah has remitted money to pay his Army and Tribute to the Company and that no regular steps have been taken for the ensuing Cultivation—

My Lord

Fort St. George

I think it incumbent on me to offer some Observations relative to the mode in which the Rajah has been enabled to make payments into the Treasury on the 15th. of the last. and the 15th. of

the

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1st The present Month, and to mention some points of the Casualties exercised on the Inhabitants for the Collection of the Revenue —

The amount paid on the 15th of last Month was arranged I believe in the following manner —

25.000 Pagodas worth of Fanams collected from the Country with 8000 in Gold. / part of the Collections / were carried down to Madras by one Bapoo a principal Servant of the Rajah — The Fanams turned into Pagodas there at the high Exchange of Twenty six G. Fanams p.r Star Pagoda —

10.000 Pagodas borrowed at Madras by Sevajee Pundit and advanced to the Rajah on = consum Customs — This advance is consequently an anticipation of part of the next years Revenue — 7.000 Pagodas borrowed here and a Bill given for the amount on Madras. The Rajah has since paid the Money from the Collections —

10.000

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1st. for the accommodation of Captain Keene the Paymaster on the present occasion (if particularly required) on the condition of considering the nature of the supply liable to such future arrangement as the orders of Government may direct.—

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

Signed Wm. Brown

Collector

Lovapollum

25th. June 1797.—

A true Copy.

Signed Wm. Brown

Collector.

To

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

&c.

Governor in Council

From the Resident at Tanjore stating the manner in which the Rajah has raised Money to pay his Peshcush and Tunkhas to the Company and that no Means should have been taken for the ensuing Cultivation —

My Lord

Fort St. George

I think it incumbent on me to offer some Observations relative to the mode in which the Rajah has been enabled to make payments into the Treasury on the 15th. of the last. and the 15th. of

the

4252 Fort St. George 1st July 1797.—

1st The present Month, and to mention some points of the Cruelties exercised on the Inhabitants for the Collection of the Revenue.—

The amount paid on the 15th of last Month was arranged I believe in the following manner.—

25.000 Pagodas worth of Fanams collected from the Country with 8000 in Gold. (part of the Collections.) were carried down to Madras by one Bapoo a principal Servant of the Rajah — The Fanams turned into Pagodas there at the high Exchange of Twenty six G. Fan.s p.r Star Pagoda.—

10.000 Pagodas borrowed at Madras by Sewajee Pundit. and advanced to the Rajah in = consum Customs.— This advance is consequently an anticipation of part of the next years Revenue 7.000 Pagodas borrowed here and a Bill given for the amount on Madras. The Rajah has since paid the Money from the Collections.—

10.000

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1st. 10.000 Pagodas borrowed from Chinnia at Madras + with the addition of a Sum to make good the loss + sustained by exchanging the Fanams at 26 p. Star Pagoda as above mentioned. —

The payment made on the 15th Instant was effected as follows. —

Star Pags.

18.000 — Sent to Madras by Golah Ponis.

9.000 — Remitted in two Bills by the Sowcars Codiram Trivady and Amba Sanker Trivady. —

8.000. —

7.000 — Borrowed at Poulicinopoly and with the 8.000 immediately preceding included in a Draft on Lingahur Pauperiah of Madras: — for the 7000. a bond is given at 24 p. Cent. and payable in two months.

10.000. — borrowed at Poulicinopoly on a Mortgage of some of the Rajahs Jewels. —

10.000 — A second advance by Sewajee Pundit on the Customs: this was obtained by a Threat that the Customs should be

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1st

be given to another person. if he did not make this additional advance.— Part of this Sum. tho' I cannot ascertain how much. has been repaid. it is Paid to Sewagee from the Collections.—

The remaining Sum to complete the Kist. 18000 Pagodas. has been borrowed at Madras by Nagobah surviving brother of the late Sirheel.—

The actual Collections from the Country received into the Fort of Sangeir from the 24th. May to the 25th June 1797 are shewn in the enclosed Statement.— The receipts of each day appear distinctly.— The Total is Star Pagodas 36892. 24.— of the latter Sum about 26493. Star Pags. were collected by the 10th June and went in part of the payment made to the Treasury on the 15th Instant.—

The smallness of the Sums in the latter part of the daily Receipts in the above Statement do indicate the probability that little more can be collected from the Country; indeed the Collections which ought regularly

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1st regularly to have been completed some time ago have been made, and still continue to be made, by every species of Cruelty and oppression which have at any time been practised in these Soubahs. - Corporal Punishments of principal Inhabitants have been carried to such a length that in the Combaconum Soubah one of that description expired under the Lash: and in Mananargoody another unable to bear it, stabbed himself. - the wound however has not proved mortal. the Sale of Cattle and of whole Villages has taken place throughout a great part of the Country - and in Mananargoody the Managar caused Sums most unjustly in several Instances by forcing Braminis to give their Daughters in Marriage. - when the Braminis being too poor to afford the - Customary Marriage Donation. the persons who espoused the Daughters were obliged to pay it, and it was then seized for the use of the Circar. -

No advances whatever have been made

to

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1st to Inhabitants for the ensuing Cultivation, the — Murramut or annual repairs of River-banks. — Watercourses &c. which ought to have been completed by the time before the swelling of the Rivers which are now all full, have been entirely neglected. —

From this however must be excepted some inconsiderable repairs made in part of Privadey in consequence of the Bars allowing a part of the Balances to stand over. — The amount is but trifling; only about Six hundred Chuckrums. —

In short every thing which could tend to Encourage the due Cultivation of the Land has been neglected, and every thing put in practice that has a tendency to the ruin of the Country and the distress of the Inhabitants. —

The continuance of the Collections or Attempts to Collect at this late season naturally disturbs the Cultivation by exacting money from the Husbandman while he should be employed in sowing the

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1st. the Sud. - In Triady much of the Cur Crop has been sown and some of the Pishanum - but in Combeconum and Onanargody not a grain even of the earliest Crop (the Cur.) has been put in the Ground. -

Two nights ago Nagobah the brother of the late Sirkul arrived post from Bandar. He and the other Servants of the Palace are endeavouring to contrive the means of paying the ensuing Kist It has accordingly been notified to some of the principal Persons that a Succy - murry or Pak of Gold would be asked upon them for that purpose. principals Offices in the Soubahs, it is said are to be sold to the highest bidders. - more of his Excellency's Jewels are to be pledged for Loans, and the Deficiency of the amount of the Kist to be made up by borrowing at Madras; on which they seem to rely with confidence. -

I have

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1st I have heard this Day, that the Draft on Sungher Paupiah, mentioned in the former part of this Letter, has not yet been actually accepted by him: but that he waits some further advice from Seringe as to the Terms of the Security for the Amount. I shall use my Endeavours to ascertain the probable effect of the measures now pursuing here for making good the payments to the Company, and address your Lordship on the Subject ~

I have the honor to be

My Lord

Your Lordships most

Obedt Servant

/Signed/ Alexr. Macleod

Resident

Tanjore

26th June 1797.

Statement

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1st Statement of Cash brought into Tanjore on account of the Revenue from the Districts of Combaconum Manargoddy Trivady and Patte Cotta from the 24th of May to the 25th June 1797 —

1797.

May		Pgs	F.	C.
24th				
25th		2847	—	—
26th		2220	—	—
27th		8520	—	—
28th		2595	—	—
29th		2350	—	—
30th		2805	—	—
31st		1554	7	—
June		2223	—	—
1st				
2d		2915	—	—
3d		2505	—	—
4th		11812	—	—
5th		2355	—	—
6th		1745	—	—
7th		1565	—	—
8th		1950	—	—
9th		2425	—	—
10th		11197	—	—
11th		3404	—	—
12th		2158	—	—
13th		2455	—	—
14th		1576	—	—
15th		1905	—	—
16th		1402	—	—
17th		2340	—	—
18th		803	6	—
19th		1512	—	—
		2220	—	—
Carried over Chuckrums		83359	2	

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1st 1797. June	Chs.	Fs.	Cs.	Star Pagodas.
Brought over	83.359	2	—	
20th	1407	—	—	
21st	859	8	—	
22d	902	—	—	
23d	882	—	—	
24th	135	—	—	
25th	998	—	—	
Total Chs.	88.543	—		
Star Pagodas				36.892 16 —

E. E.

[Signed] Alexr. Macleod Act.

The foregoing Letter from the Resident at Tanjore was sent in Circulation by the Right Honble the President with the following Draft of a Letter which his Lordship proposed should be immediately addressed to the Supreme Government —

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1st. Statement of Cash brought into Tanjore on Account of the Revenue from the Soubahs of Combaconum Manargoddy, Trivady and Patte Cotta from the 21st. of May to the 25th. June 1797. —

1797.

May	Pd.	Pa.	C.
24th	2847	—	—
25th	2220	—	—
26th	8520	—	—
27th	2595	—	—
28th	2350	—	—
29th	2805	—	—
30th	1554	7	—
31st	2223	—	—
June			
1st	2915	—	—
2d	2505	—	—
3d	11812	—	—
4th	2355	—	—
5th	1745	—	—
6th	1565	—	—
7th	1950	—	—
8th	2425	—	—
9th	11197	—	—
10th	3404	—	—
11th	2158	—	—
12th	2455	—	—
13th	1576	—	—
14th	1905	—	—
15th	1402	—	—
16th	2340	—	—
17th	803	6	—
18th	1512	—	—
19th	2220	—	—

Carried over Chuckrums .... 83359. 2.

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1st 1797. June	Pch.	f.	c	Star Pagodas.
Brought over	83.359	2	—	
20th	1407	—	—	
21st	859	8	—	
22d	902	—	—	
23d	882	—	—	
24th	135	—	—	
25th	998	—	—	
Total Pch.	88.543	—		
a Star Pagodas				36.892.44 —

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[Signed] Alexr Macleod Actg

The foregoing Letter from the Resident at Tanjore was sent in Circulation by the Right Honble the President with the following Draft of a Letter which his Lordship proposed should be immediately addressed to the Supreme Government —

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1st

To the Honble Sir John Shore, Bart.

Governor General in Council

at Fort William

2d Honble Sir

Letter purposedly Lord Hobart to be addressed to the Supreme Government in consequence of the foregoing Letter from the Resident at Tanjore —

Para 1. We have the honor to enclose a Letter

received yesterday Evening from the Resident at Tanjore.

2. Having already troubled you much at length upon the state of that unfortunate Country, we deem it unnecessary at present to do more than most earnestly to request that the subject may be favored by your earliest attention — and to apprize you that unless advances for cultivation be made in the course of a very short time, the Revenues for the next year must inevitably fail. —

3. Under a conviction of the invalidity of Amar Singh's title, and that his Possession of the Tanjore Government was derived from British Power

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1st. Power. we are the more sensible to the Calamities of that Country. and satisfied that the dictates of humanity and Justice will always have their due weight in your deliberations, we can have no doubt. that a serious consideration of the question on your part. will lead to your honouring us with such instructions as may appear to you most conducive to the Interests of the Company and the credit of the British Nation in India. —

We have the honor to be

&c &c

Signed Holdart
Jun Councel

Fort St. George
1st July 1797. —

As I have no reason to doubt the truth of the Residents representation I feel it my duty to concur in this address. —

M. Fullerton approves the proposed Draft of the letter to Bengal

/Signed/ E. W. F.

I. Lumsden

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Lieut. General Harris expresses his doubts of the propriety of the proposed address to the Supreme Government

1st.

I should be glad to know how far the treaty authorizes this or the Supreme Government to interfere when the Kists are paid as to the mode the Money is procured. and I should conceive that the letter from Mr. Macleod would be sufficient to be forwarded and to ask instructions on without remarking our conviction of the situation of affairs so strongly. - at least on my part I must profess my self not sufficiently convinced of what is advanced to have it forwarded as a certainty. -

/Signed/ G. Hs.

2.

In consequence of the foregoing observations from the Commander in Chief the President sends in Circulation the following Minute. -

Lord Hobart's Minute on the objections stated by the Commander in Chief to the proposed Draft of the Letter to the Supreme Government

Being perfectly convinced of the wretched State of the Tanjore Country. I conceive it to be my duty once more to draw the attention of the Governor

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2nd Governor General in Council to the subject, and do not concur with the Commander in Chief in the propriety of forwarding Mr. Macleod's letter without noting "the situation of affairs" —

With respect to the information received from Mr. Macleod I am satisfied that he has reason to believe it to be true, and under that impression has done his duty in transmitting it, and I must do add that from all I can learn I give full credit to the Resident's letter, but the Commander in Chief by a revision of the proposed draft will find that Mr. Macleod's representation is not "forwarded as a "certainty." If the Commander in Chief will peruse the records he will be informed that the Invalidity of Ameer Sing's title has been declared by the Supreme Board as well as by this, and I have no doubt of his being assigned that Ameer Sing was put into Possession of the Tanjore Kingdom by the authority of this Government. —

These points lead to the consideration of

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2nd of our interference under existing circumstances, but as the abstract right of that interference whilst the Kists are paid is not now under our discussion. I shall decline entering into the subject. —

I must however desire that the letter may be transmitted according to the Draft. —

/Signed/ Hobart.

Lieut. Genl. Harris approves the proposed Draft of this letter to Bengal under the explanation given above by Lord Hobart. —

Under the foregoing explanation I have not any objection to the draft of the letter — my desire is to be informed on points before I subscribe. —

/Signed/ G. H.

Lord Hobart's proposed Draft of the letter to Bengal being approved is ordered to be dispatched. —

3rd

The Draft of the Letter as proposed by the President is accordingly dispatched. —

Received the following Letter from the Secretary to Major General Doyle. —

To J. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Secretary to Major General Doyle representing the distress that will arise from a diminution of the Stock of Salt Provisions now at Colombo. —

Sir.

I am directed by Major General Doyle

who

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3rd who is much indisposed to transmit you Copies
of two Letters addressed to him by Mr. Atkinson
the Commissary of Grain and Provisions with this
request that you will lay them before the Right
Honble the President in Council.

As General Doyle has not received
the orders of Government on this point he would
not have anticipated their Commands by any
Observations on their effect. did not the Subject
in Question appear to him of the highest importance
as applied to the safety of the Garrison of Columbo.
Mr. Atkinson's Letter has stated the present difficulty
& procuring Supplies to be such as requires a
Store of salt Provisions to secure the Troops from
want. and in the event of an Enemy's appearance
our whole dependance must lie on this Store. as
from the disaffected disposition of the Inhabitants
of the Country no dependance can be placed on or
their assistance in driving Cattle for us. on the
contrary

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3d contrary there is every reason to believe that in case of attack the whole Country would unite with the our Enemies. —

In such a situation General Doyle begs to submit to the consideration of Government the danger of further reducing the very limited Stock of Provisions in this Garrison, and requests to be honored with their orders on the Subject. —

Head Quarters
Columbo 21st June 1797. —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) J. Willson
acting Secretary

To Major General Doyle
Commanding the Troops upon the Island of
Ceylon

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose for your information Copy of a Letter which I yesterday received from the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions at Madras. —

Conceiving that Government have it

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3d. It in contemplation to remove the whole of the Salt — Provisions now in Store, and that carrying such a measure into effect might expose the Garrison to very great inconve= =nience, having ever experienced great difficulty in procuring a sufficient number of Bullocks for the daily consump= =tion of the Troops. I consider it my Duty to State that you may represent the same to Government, that the — Collector and Paymaster have both informed me that they can no longer furnish Cash for the disbursements of my Department, and without ready money it will be impossible for me to supply the Troops daily with — fresh Meat. —

From Private resources I shall be able to supply them for the whole of next month and probably a great part of August, but beyond that period I cannot hold myself responsible for furnishing the regular and necessary supplies, unless measures are taken for furnishing me with Cash, and were we then to be deprived of the Salt Provisions the consequences might be very serious.

to

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3d to guard against which I conceive that a Stock equal to the consumption of the Garrison for a Month or Six weeks should be kept in store.

I have considered it necessary to state these circumstances in order to remove any responsibility from me in the event of a failure taking place hereafter in procuring the supplies for the Troops, but at the same time I beg leave to assure you that every exertion on my part shall be made to procure them, and that every Pagoda which I can possibly raise shall be appropriated to that purpose.

The Casks are already put into such a State of repair, as will enable me to comply with the orders of Government whenever a Ship may arrive to receive them.

I have had the Water Casks examined and shall immediately take measures to have them put in a State of repair, but many of them having suffered materially from the white Ants, and the Hoops from

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3rd from several being stolen. they will in general require a thorough repair and many will be found totally useless. I have therefore to request that you will order a Committee to assemble as soon as possible to inspect and Condemn such as are not in a State to be repaired. —

I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

(Signed) Edw.d Atkinson

Commiss.y of Grain and Provisions

Columbo
9th June 1797.

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Willson, Act.g Sec.y

Mr. Atkinson

Commissary of Grain and Provisions

Columbo.

Sir.

On receipt of this you will be pleased with as little delay as possible to repair and put in a State for exportation all the Casks of Salt Provisions in Store under your Charge. —

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Orders have already been issued by Government for sending immediately to the Presidency all the empty casks you have in store.—

Sam L. L.

Madras
Comm.t Genl.s Office
1797.

(Signed) J. H. Skardon
A.t G. G. & P.

(A true copy)
(Signed) Edw.d Atkinson
Commiss.y of Grain and Provisions

(A true copy)
(Signed) J. Willson Act.g Sec.y

Received and dispatched the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B. No. 5-6-7-8-9.—

From the Officer Commanding the Nizam's Detachment

From Major Hyndman advising of his arrival at Hydrabad with the Detachment under his Command.—

From the Commandant at Bangalore—

From Lieut.t Fletcher advising of his having been detached from his Station of Command by orders of Captain Doyle in pursuit of Sanah Cutha and inclosing a Return of the Detachment placed under his Command.—

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From the Sub Secretary at Bombay —

From Mr. Pearson — enclosing a letter for the Committee of the Bombay Government at Tellicherry. —

To the Secretary to the Committee of the Bombay Government at Tellicherry

To Mr. I. A. Grant — forwarding the letter above mentioned. —

To the Military Auditor General —

To Major General Sydenham — authorizing an advance of Pay to Lieut. James Taylor Warren of the — Bombay Establishment. —

At a Consultation

Present.

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor — President.

Lieutenant General Harris

Edward Saunders and

Ernst William Falloofield } Esqrs.

Tuesday 4th July. —

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved. —

Read the following letters from Hyderabad and Poonah. —

Do.

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor &c.

Fort St George

My Lord.

From the Assistant Resident at Poona relative to the reported Cabal between the French and Peishwa's Ministers that Nuggur Bhonsla will shortly enter from this Neighbourhood &c. Poonah to Nagpore.

I have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 26th. ultimo and 2nd. Instant. and to enclose for your Lordships Information Extract of my address of this Date to the Governor General.

I have the honor to be very respectfully

&c &c

Signed I. Uhthoff

Poona 17th. June 1797.

Extract of a letter from Mr. Joshua Uhthoff to the Governor General. dated Poona 17th. June 1797.

On the 13th. Instant Doulut Row Sindea went into town with a very large retinue. and paid Visits both to Baajy Row and to Nanna Furnavees being the only meeting that has taken place between

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Suire and Ramna for a considerable time "Distrust was apparent on both sides.

The ensuing day Ragoje Bhonsla waited on Baaji Row for the first time for near four months. to invite him to an entertainment in his camp. Ramna was present at the Durbar at this meeting; after which Ragoje Bhonsla proceeded to Ramnas house to invite him also. and accordingly in the Evening Baaji Row paid a visit to Ragoje Bhonsla. accompanied by Chinna Appa. Imrut Row and his son. Ramna Baba Furkia. and many other persons of consequence. Ragoje Bhonsla presented an Elephant Horse. Jewels. and cloths to the Peshwa and his two brothers. and to Ramna. and made suitable presents to the other persons who attended the Peshwa. This is considered as preliminary to Ragoje Bhonsla's early return to Nagpore. and it is expected that he will take leave of the Peshwa in a very few days.

I have intelligence from Azimul omrahs Camp to the 9.th Instant. when it was about

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sea Coast on the western side of Hindostan, and the intended march to Hyderabad was expected to be prosecuted with all possible expedition.—

One of Azim ul Omrahs Officers of some consideration has confidentially communicated to me, that he had learnt from Azim ul Omrah himself that some engagements had lately taken place between the French and Sippoys of a hostile tendency to the English Rouba also has intimated to me, that he had heard of such engagements having lately taken place, and that it is expected here that the Nizam would join us, in which case the Marattas would remain neuter till an opening offered for taking such part as might appear best suited to their Interest.—

Though I feel it my duty to submit these circumstances to you, I must confess Honble. Sir, that the impression made on my mind is, that we have not at present any thing serious to apprehend therefrom: as to the French, reflecting on the state of their resources and Naval Force in Europe, the domestic state

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of the French Islands and their Predicament with respect
to the Mother Country. It appears to me that if the French
can make any great Naval exertion it will be nearer home
than the East Indies where and at the Cape of Good Hope
our Governments and Naval and Land Forces are so truely
respectable: or if so distant precarious and rash an attempt
be made that its discomfiture will be an inseparable
consequence — as to Tippoo he has I think been too much
weakened by the last War, and is too well acquainted with
our Strength to involve himself hastily in Hostilities
with us in the hope of the precarious support of the French
who he knows from experience could not afford him any
effectual assistance. even when we were so much pressed
during the former War, by the French, Spaniards. Dutch
americans. and Marattas. while if he is really bent on
upon aggrandizement or at least upon the attempt thereto.
the distracted State of the Empire of the Peishwah and
and the Nizam must afford him prospects of success
infinitely more flattering than the very formidable and
respectable

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respectable state of the British power in India. —

It is not however unlikely that Mont.
Raymond or some other Intriguer of the Court of Hydrabad
may have propagated Stories of a Connexion between
the French and Scindia hostile to the English, nor even
that some French Emissary may have some Communi-
=cation with Scindia, but I humbly presume that
such Intrigues are but little formidable to us, though
it would be rash and improper to treat them with
total neglect. —

On the 12th. Instant Mr. Boyd's Corps
were at Kurmulla on their way to join Appa ul
Omra. who was expected to reach Bidder on that day. —

On the 16th. Nagoji Bhonsla gave
an Entertainment to Kasi Row, the eldest son of
Tukoji Holkar, and is to take leave of the Peshwa
and Nanna Furnavees this day. —

It is reported that Doulut Row
Scindia will Canton in this Neighbourhood during
the rains. Bannajee Kujra Brother of the late
Kishna

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Kistna is now his Prime Minister. Tuhojee Holkar's Infirmities have for some months past confined him to his Tent. Sodroo took leave of Doulut Row Sindea on the 15th Instant. but is still here—

Bragj Row continues to pay frequent Visits to Doulut Row Sindea.—

From Extract,
Signed J Uhthoff

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

My Lord.

I have the honor to acknowledge my receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter to me of the 12th and 15th Instant. the former giving Cover to a Persian letter forwarded by Major Doveton from Ryacotah. and the latter containing that Officer's latest Intelligence from the Mysore Country.—

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From the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad relative to the reported arrival of French Corps at Mangalore. Vakeels from Bragj Row and Doulut Row Sindeah arrive at Seringapatam and require the Sultaun to evacuate the Fort of Gooty. Sippoo deputes Soocaram Pundit to Hyderabad and recalls Medina Sahib.—

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The incomplete state in which from an unforeseen circumstance the Persian Cypher was transmitted by me to Fort St. George, leading me to think that a Compleat Translation of Khaujeh ali Khan's letter may not prove unacceptable to your Lordships in Council, I do myself the honor of inclosing it herewith and propose remedying the deficiency pointed out by the Persian Translator with as little delay as possible.

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordships in Council that the Prime Minister of this State Meer Alum pitched his Camp this Morning in the vicinity of Golcondah where his arrival was announced by a discharge of all the Cannon on the Works of that Fortress as well as on the Walls of the City of Hyderabad. Tomorrow being an auspicious day he is to pay his respects to the Nizam who for the present resides in Golcondah.

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect &c &c

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translation

Hyderabad
the 22nd June 1797.

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Translate of a letter from Kaajem Alikhan to Mohsin Alikhan - dated Seringapatam the 21st Zehcaadeh / or 19th May 1797. / received at Hyderabad / via Fort St. George / the 21st of June 1797.

On the 14th Shuwaul / 12th April /

Sipsoo Sultaun returned to Seringapatam from a hunting party. On the day following / 13th April / a French Embassador arrived at Seringapatam and pitched his Tents / without the City.

On the 15th Shuwaul / 13th April /

I was presented to the Sultaun, who accepting my Nuzzer and ordering me to seat myself near him, put several questions to me relative to the Nizam, the state of his Army, and the disposition of his Omrahs. To these questions I replied as appeared to me most suitable to the occasion.

On the 16th Shuwaul / 16th April /

the French Vackeel had an Audience of the Sultaun in the Dereah Dowlut Baug; four French Sirdars attended

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attended him on this occasion. Tippoo visits this Garden every day, and sends for the French Vackeel with whom he holds Consultation there till three in the Evening when he dismisses him, and about five returns himself to the Fort. I learn that Fifteen French Ships are arrived at Mangalore with eight Thousand Troops, and five Hundred Piece of Cannon on board, and the report is that Nineteen more of French Ships from Europe are likewise expected. The French Embassador demands of Tippoo some place in the Mangalore District for the accommodation of the French Troops, and likewise requires that Grain &c. may be sent for their use from the interior parts of the Country: upon these conditions he engages that they shall reconquer for Tippoo all the Country taken from him by the English reserving for themselves however the Sea Ports of the English Company. The avowed answer given by Tippoo to these demands is that the term of

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peace between them and the English Company is as yet unsettled. but when it shall be so, he will then take these propositions into consideration. or I am inclined to think however that he has already secretly agreed to them. from the great favor he shews to this Embassador. and from the long Consultations he daily holds with him. and which sometimes till noon, and sometimes till three in the Evening. —

I likewise am sometimes invited to sup at his Table, when he remains conversing with me till Nine or Ten at night. I think I have discovered from his Conversation that his Claims on Kurnool are a mere pretence for assembling Troops on his Frontiers towards Kurnool, and other parts. and that his secret and real object in doing so is, to watch the Nizams Death, and by a sudden movement on that event taking place. to get possession of his Dominions. —

On the 20th Shuwaul / 18th April / the

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the Sultaun dispatched Suwaram Pundit to Hydrabad attended by two Pair of Kirkarrahs, and has recalled Meddena Sahib from thence.

On the 24th. Shuwaul / 22nd. april. / he acceded to the requisitions of the French Embassador and hoisted upon him a Surpeith and Segah. the conditions upon which Tippoo agreed to the French Embassador's propositions were that he was to pay Thirty Rupees per Mensum to each French Sebeir untill all this Country was reconquered, but that they were to attend him wherever he should go themselves, or without hesitation go wherever he should order them. after this giving the Embassador an Escort Five Hundred Sepoys, he dismissed him, and issued at the same time orders for the disembarkation of the French Troops at Mangalore.

On the 28th. Shuwaul / 26th. april / Two Rajahs were brought Prisoners from Coimbetore, they offered three Lacks of Rupees for their enlargement but in vain, they being both put

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to death by the Sultaun's order.

On the 1st of Seudeah / 29th April /
Two Brahmins with Six pair of Herkarrahs arrived at
Seringapatam on the part of Baaji Row and Dowlut
Rao Saindeah. they were ordered by the Sultaun to
take up their abode on the Banks of the River
Cauvery, which they accordingly complied with. They
have made a very positive demand for Tippoo's
evacuation of the Fort of Gooty, and require of Tippoo
either to accede thereto, or to grant them their dismission.

On the 14th of Zeeaudah / 12th May /
a French Sirdar Named Monsieur Suffrein arrived
here with four Platoons / Pâhrâh / of European
Sepoys: Mons. Lally's Son-in-law went to his
encounter, and brought him in with him. The
aforementioned Sirdar represented to Tippoo, that
near eight Thousand Troops had disembarked. the
Sultaun has appointed a Spot for their Troops
on the Banks of the Cauvery, and about two Cos

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and a half west of the City. Each day there is much Musket and Rocket firing on the plains in the neighbourhood of the City by way of practice, and the Manufactures of those weapons are unceasingly at Work.

The Sultaun has despatched letters to Busserah and Muscat and other parts to procure Arabs (Soldiers) - The force present at the Capital amount to Fifty thousand Horse and Foot.

P.S. A pair of Sherkarrahs are stationed at my abode (by order of Tippoo) by way of watching me. This letter is written in compliance with Major Kirkpatricks directions. I have given the bearer of it Ten Rupees. Ryacotah is Eighty Cos from Seringapatam. Tippoo hangs a Man up on the slightest offence. This devoted person is sporting with his life from his zeal and attachment to the English. I depend hereafter upon Major Kirkpatricks favorable inclinations and knowledge of my value.

(A true Copy and Translate)

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

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To
J. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

From the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad forwards a corrected Key to the Cypher used in the Correspondence between Kauzeim ali Khan and Mahomed ali Khan states the strength of Tippoo's army collected near Seringapatam.

I have now the pleasure to inclose for the use of the Persian Interpreter of your Presidency the Persian Cypher requisite to be used in deciphering all letters from Kauzeim alikhan to Mahomed alikhan.

I likewise herewith transmit for the information of the Right Honble the President in Council Translate of the latest Intelligence received here from Jarmurry.

I am &c.
Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Hyderabad
24th. June 1797.

Translate of Intelligence from Jarmurri dated 14th. June 1797. Received the 24th.

The News received here from Seringapatam is as follows.

That

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That the Sultaun was at Seringapatam and that the Troops agreeable to orders were assembling at the Capital.—

The following are the Forces assembling at Seringapatam.—

	Cavalry	Infantry	Guns	Camels Laden with Rockets	Camels Rockets Sent
Under Syd Sahib / who lately arrived from Colar -----	4.000	20.000	20	25	20
Under the Son of Fyzoollah Khan / who came from Soondy Bednore / ---	6.000	20.000	20	"	"
Under Hummer ud deen Khan / who arrived from Coorg / -----------	4.000	20.000	40	"	"
Total --	13.000	60.000	80	25	20

That Ghazi Khan the Bedrah / Plunderer / is with a Body of three Thousand regular and twelve thousand irregular Cavalry / Bedrahs Plunderers Lootys / at Koorgul and that he had received orders from the Sultaun to stand fast for the present, but to be prepared to move at the shortest warning in any direction he should order him.—

It was formerly reported that the Sultaun would have entered his Lines after the Eid ozoha / Feast of Sacrifice which is passed / but he

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his intentions now are, it is said, to take the Field in person, after the Ramazan, when he means in conjunction with the French to invade the Carnatic.—

The English are likewise forming an Encampment at Kithinghery.—

A true Translate

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor &c.
Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Assistant Resident at Poonah Nagojee Bhonsla takes leave of this different Chieftains preparatory to his March towards Nagpore.—

I have the honor to present your Lordship my best acknowledgements for the early full and interesting Intelligence from Europe, contained in your Lordship's Letter of the 8th Instant.—

Farewell Visits have passed between Nagojee Bhonsla and most of the other Chiefs in this Quarter, and it is expected that he will commence his March to Nagpore in a few days.—

Your

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Your earliest and most authentic Intelligence relative to Azim ul Omra will in future be from the Assistant at Hyderabad, at which Capital he is probably by this time arrived.

I have the honor to be very respectfully

&c &c

(Signed) J. Uhthoff

Poona
20th June 1797.

Read the following Letter from Lieut. Colonel Macpherson.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir Fort St. George

I have the honor through you to signify to the Right Honorable the President in Council, that in consequence of repeated and most pressing applications from the Sultanis Maun from Madanapilly, I consented to attempt at seizing the Delinquents

From Lieut. Colonel Macpherson - a detachment under the Command of Lieut. Davies apprehends several of the Relations of Tummah and the Bishop in the Chittoor Pollam - receives certain accounts of the principals receiving protection and actually living in a Village in the Chittoor

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Chittoor District requests Instructions respecting some property belonging to their Relations secured by Lieut.e Davies's Detachment.—

Delinquents Tummah, the Father, Bishop, with several their Sons and Relations, all of whom on their places of abode be engaged to shew me in the Chittoor Circar or Pollams.—

I strongly doubted his informations from the Communications I have lately had the honor of receiving from Government, and consequently that he might not report us unwilling to apprehend those Ravagers, all together, sent my own people with him into the Chittoor Circar and Pollams, I found their Report so corresponding, that I sent a Detachment from hence on the 27th. Ultimo. under Lieut.t Davies to whose Letter for information I have now the honor to refer his Lordship, for the disposal of the Stranger here, I presume from its small value, that his Lordship will excuse my not waiting for his orders and will approve of my having told the Madanapilly Polygar, that the whole should become their property,

upon

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upon giving Receipts as part payment of the former stipulated sum to be paid in lieu of their losses or either to be taken by them as the articles stood. or agreeable to a valuation mutually agreed on. from every information I have received and judgement I can form. the whole cannot be worth five hundred Rupees. if half that sum. in the event of any considerable part of the Cattle dying. which is perfectly probable.—

I shall however avoid conforming to my said proposition. till I have the honor of his Lordships approbation. which not arriving speedily will occasion expence for keeping. and by the death of the Cattle and Mares. besides leaving me in an unpleasant State of uncertainty.—

Lieutenant Davies with his Men deserved most richly the whole of what was taken. could that consist with the nature of

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his Highness's Finances, and with the Right Honble the Presidents opinion, which I should hope will be evident from Lieut. Davies's Letter.

I have the honor to remain

&c &c

(signed) A. Macpherson

Lieut. Colonel

Camp at Palmanair the 30th June 1797.

P.S. I beg leave to signify for his Lordships information, that the Horse mentioned as having belonged to the Killed son of Abdulwahab Khawn Bahader, was given to him with Shawls & Sword and money at the time Bishop took Cowle at Chittoor: of this I have strong Proof.

To Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson

Dear Sir.

It is with much pleasure I inform you that we returned here this morning, after doing every thing in our power to execute the orders regarding Summa and Bishop, we arrived at their place about five

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five o'clock in the evening of the 27th Instant, and marched again three hours after. Seven Miles from or hence we separated into Detachments as you directed each conducted by some of the friendly Poligars sent with me. I accompanyed the main Party to Chittahana which instead of twenty miles from Vunkatagherry as our Guide had informed us, was upwards of 40 thirty, and the last ten Miles among Hills and Jungles so impervious that the Sepoys could with difficulty get along in Indian file. I reached Chittahana between six and seven o'clock. Last Bundoss Subidar with his division having by some unlucky accident separated from me, did not come up in till five hours after. so that I had only fifty men with me, there being no time to be lost we pushed on as quick as possible, and entered one end of the Village as Bissoy and part of his family made their escape out of the other, carrying with them their treasure

which

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which I am told amounted to a considerable sum. they had received previous intimation of our approach. yet I am of opinion if the day light had not exposed us to some Poligars upon a hunting expedition, who with their Horns immediately spread the alarm, we must inevitably have secured them. - Besides the younger brother, some Jewels of no great value, or quantity of Brass utensils two Bullocks and a quantity of Paddy were found in his house, an account has been taken. I judged it prudent to bring them away with us. they will all be delivered to you. - There being no farther occasion to remain in the Village, we left it at two o'Clock, being very desirous to get out of the Jungle before dark. - at this time the Poligar of a Neighbouring district, whose name to the best of my recollection is Chapura Nair, came up to me with about three hundred armed Peons, and demanded

demanded

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demanded the Mare. The said Bishop had given her to him. But I was assured to the contrary by Bishop's Brother. I told him if he would come to you at Palamcotta and establish his claim. I was persuaded you would cause her to be delivered to him. - These people followed close at our heels blowing their Horns and beating their Tom Toms untill we reached the open plain, when their numbers had increased to a considerable degree: at one time they pressed so much upon our rear, that I began to [illegible] some alarm for the safety of the Detatchment. had they attacked us. the Country was so favorable for them. I fear we should have fared badly. - Soon after I received reports of the other Detatchments. That to Chegerapilly had failed in making Prisoners Bishop's brothers. in their hurry to escape they left behind three Mares and a Horse. the latter I am told Abdul Wahab Cawn now rode upon, when he was killed at Cuckaul by the Maygoaal people. - the Mares were the property of

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of the Sultaun and plundered from Mallawgle—These and a Man of the Village who afforded Tummah and Bijoopis families protection are now with me—the third Detachment were fortunate in securing the families of Bijoopis Cousin. He himself was absent. they have brought twenty three Cows and some Goats belonging to the family.—

I was informed by one of your Thicarrahs that Tummah had been seen in a Village about three miles off before we came here.—But I learnt soon after that he had retired from it. and could not procure any certain accounts which route he had taken.—

We are all so much fatigued not having closed our eyes. or partook of any refreshment since we left you—that I think it advisable to remain here until to-morrow.—

I am &c &c
(Signed) H. Davies

Vankataghurry
Near Mangly 29th June.

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The President proposes that the following letter may be sent to the Nabob / entered also in C.C. No. 65. /.

To His Highness the Nabob Omdat ul Omrah Walajah &c &c &c &c &c

May it please your Highness.

To the Nabob communicating the proofs received from Lieut. Colonel Macpherson of the Protection afforded by the Jaghiredar of Chittoor to the Marauders Timma and Bissoo and requesting he will order the immediate discharge of the Sum agreed to be paid to the Broad Amapilly People in compensation for the property plundered by the Elmapilly Polygars and that funds may be provided for the Subsistence of the Prisoners and the full Charges of Lieut. Colonel Macpherson's Detachment

In my letters of the 9th and 24th ultimo I had the honor to inform your Highness that Timmah and Bissoo the two Marauders who have so long infested the frontier near Amboor had found such confidence and protection in the pollams of Chittoor as to enable them to elude the pursuits of the Troops which at your Highness's request had been ordered against them. In your Highness's reply of the 25th you are pleased to inform me upon the authority of Abdul Wahid Khan Bahader the Jaghiredar of Chittoor that these robbers had received no protection from

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from him.— I have now the honor to transmit for your Highness's information copy of an official report from Lieut.t Colonel Macpherson acquainting me with an attempt to seize those persons within the very precincts of the Chittoor pollam which had only failed of success owing to a communication having been made of the approach of the English detachment to their offenders by the poligars of the Chittoor Jahgeer.

the official report above mentioned puts this fact beyond all question. and I can assure your Highness that this is only one amongst many instances of the depredations practised by your Highness's Servants. if the information which reasonably reaches me be well founded.—

I have further the honor of acquainting your Highness that upon an adjustment of the damages which have been sustained in consequence of these depredations the Sum of

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£ 80781/2 Rupees was settled as the amount to be repaid to the ammildar of Tippoo Sultaun; but that notwithstanding the requisitions of the Colonel fully proclaim your Highness's Manager Mahomed Ally Khan has made little progress in the payment of this money.

I have also to request that your Highness will be pleased to issue orders to your manager to provide funds for the subsistence of the prisoners and the field charges of the detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson.

Fort S.t George
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I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Hobart.

Agreed to and ordered accordingly.

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following Minute.

Memorandum for the Commander in Chief

Minute of the Commander in Chief proposing

The Clothing for 1795 for the late 12.th Battalions

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proposing that the Clothing of the late 20th Battalion now at Vizigapatam be brought to the Presidency. that a Garrison Sergeant Major be appointed to Ongole that Lieut. C. Armstrong be appointed adjutant and Quarter Master to the 6th Native Regiment via Elephant on leave - and Lieut. A. Frith to succeed Lieut. Armstrong as adjutant to the 2nd European Regiment -

Battalion which by the new arrangements forms the principal part of the 2nd Battalion of the 7th Regiment. was sent to Vizagapatam and arrived at that Station after that Corps had marched for the Southward. where it remains under charge of a Sergeant 3 others -

The Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion of the 7th Regiment represents that the Men are in great want of Clothing. and wishes the Commander in Chief to obtain an Order from Government for the Clothing to be returned to the Presidency and from thence sent to Wallajahbad the present Station of the Corps -

At Ongole where there is no Staff Sergeant are posted. three Companies of the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment with whom there is no Staff Sergeant to assist in making out the Monthly Returns &c

Lieut. Colonel Vigors has represented the inconvenience of being without such assistance. the Commander in Chief therefore recommends that a Garrison Sergeant

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Serjeant Major be allowed for Angola the same as was ordered for Sankey Droog and Attoore.—

The Commander in Chief recommends Lieutenant Charles Armstrong Adjutant of the 2nd European Regiment to be Adjutant and Quarter Master to the 5th Regiment in the room of Captain Lieutenant on leave to Europe, and Lieutenant Arthur Forth to succeed Lieutenant Armstrong as Adjutant to the 2nd European Regiment.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Board.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart.

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 7th Instant. with Papers relating to the equipment of a Force for Foreign Service. under the Command of Major General Braithwaite, forwarded for the opinion

From the Military Board submitting Statements of the Provisions &c. &c. necessary to be provided for the use of the Troops ordered on Foreign Service with observations relative to the Period for which those Calculations are made. Suggestions regarding the Forms of accounts to be attended to by the Commissary of Provisions during the Voyage. Table of

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of Diet for European Troops on board Ships and Statement of Ammunition Stores. Camp Equipages &c. necessary to be held in readiness ordered.

opinion of our Board upon the nature and quantity of articles to be supplied; and the Subject having undergone every consideration that its importance required. We now do ourselves the honor to lay before your Lordships in Council a Calculation of Provisions in their several proportions necessary to be laid in for the specified Detail of European and Native Troops ordered from this Presidency for Foreign Service including likewise a Calculation for the Public and Private Followers estimated in the proportion allowed to the Troops employed against Trincomalee. together with a Diet Table proposed for the European Troops on board Ships - From this Statement and Table it will appear, supposing the Voyage to be performed in two Months, which is the general passage for a Fleet, that five Months Rice for the Europeans calculated at one Seer each per day, - upwards of three Months Biscuit and a considerable quantity

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of Flour will remain on their arrival at the place of destination, besides Salt provisions for four months at one pound each Man per day, and arrack equal to seven Months consumption. —

The quantity of Water is limited to two Months, as well on account of the difficulty of procuring Casks, as from the presumption that the Fleet will not find it inconvenient to Water at Prince of Wales's Island, or Malacca, at both which Ports it appears from the enquiry We have made, there are the means of supplying a number of Ships in a very few days. —

It has been usual to send Earthen Chatties on board for the European Troops, but as the quantity required is very great on account of their being so liable to break, We would recommend that Wooden platters, or Tin dishes might if possible be provided at the rate of one for every three Men. —

In calculating the Provisions for the Native Troops, exclusive of Rice, Dholl, and

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and other principal Articles for six Months. We have adopted the idea suggested by Lieutenant Colonel Mecat adopted the idea suggested by Lieutenant Colonel Mecat and recommended by Major General Braithwaite. by specifying a quantity of ready dressed Provisions for 30 Days to be put on Board. and to be served out in bad Weather. when other Provisions cannot conveniently be dressed. and also on the first landing of the Troops in case there should be a difficulty in providing for them in any other manner.—

Having also attended to the other points in Lieutenant Colonel Mecats Letter respecting Cook. Rooms. Ranges. and Stoves for grinding Curry Stuff. We accordingly recommend that three of each of the two former. and one Sett to every fifty Men of the latter be put on board every Ship.—

Two of the Cooking Rooms. or Fire Places to be covered. of the construction generally used on board Ships. and one of the kind recommended by Lieutenant Colonel Mecat. lined with Tin at the

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the sides, as each of the former admit of two Copper Boilers being placed in it sufficient to dress 65 ℔ Seers of Rice at a time, which is a point of great convenience to the Native Troops, as two Boilings in the three Cook Rooms will dress Rice for 390 ℔ Men, and three boilings for 520.

Private Followers being included in the calculation of Provisions. We would recommend to Government that all of that description / the proportion allowed allowed to each Rank being detailed in General Orders / be in the first instance supplied from the Public Stock on Board, but that the Individuals to whom they respectively belong, be charged with the amount thereof, in like manner as was usual in regard to private Followers in the Field. And as Rice is an article easily transported. We would submit to Government whether a further provision of it might not be sent in order to secure against every contingency.

We beg leave further to recommend to

your

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Your Lordship that the Officer or other Person who may be placed in charge of the Provisions on board each Ship may be furnished with a Form prepared by the Military Auditor General, for keeping the accounts of Issues during the Voyage so as to exhibit on landing a clear State-ment of Expenditure and Remain-der for the Commissary of Provisions, and for the satisfaction of the Officer Com-manding the Expedition.

We have the honor to submit also to your Lordship in Council a List of Articles required to be furnished by the Agent for Supply for the intended Expedition

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Expedition and to recommend that authority
for their being provided be accordingly &c
given — We have likewise the honor to
lay before your Lordships in Council a &c
Statement of Camp Equipage, and List of
Ordnance and Military Stores, which &c
we are of opinion will be required for the
intended Service.—

As it will be necessary &c
to assemble at the Presidency a consider-
able Detail of Lascars for the several
Corps and Departments proceeding on
Foreign Service. We have directed that
the whole of the Lascars at present
on the Returns surplus to the allotment

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for the Ordnance and Store Departments be sent forthwith to the Presidency for completing the numbers required for that Service, including the proportion that will accompany the several Corps on their march to the Presidency.

We have the honor to be

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&c &c
/Signed/ George Harris
" Patrick Ross.
" Thomas Teils
" Wm. Sydenham.
" Jno. Richardson.
" R.d Close
" George Halle

Calculations

Calculation of Provisions in their several proportions, necessary to be laid in for 2231 Europeans, as per the following detail, including the Tonnage – after deducting the different Articles expected from Bengal. –

Articles.	For what period supplied	Ration	Qr.	M. S.	Quantity to be provided at Madras.	Tonnage	Remarks
					L. M. S	Tons cwt lbs	
Rice	6 months	at 1 Seer per day per Man	"	" "	83. 265 "	345. 11. 56	
Salt	3 do.	at 2 Measures per day					
Biscuit	6 do.	at 1 lb. per Man per day	Candy 535.	Md. lbs. 8. 20	3 55 "	12. 19. 34.	
					Candy Md. lbs. 273. 8. 20.	61. " 80	
Flour	1 month	at 1 lb per Man per day	"	" "	133. 17. 5.	29. 17. 66	
Raisins	3 do.	at 1/2 lb per Man each Week is 13 Weeks	"	" "	14 10 1.	3 4 83.	
Peas	3 do.	at 1/2 Pint per Man per Week is 13 do.	"	" "	L. C. 9 Md. lbs. 99 "	17. 15 28.	
Sugar	3 do.	at 1/2 lb per Man per Week is 13 do.	"	" "	43. 10 2	9. 14 25	
Mustard Seed	3 do.	at 1/2 lb per Month each Week is 13 do.	"	" "	L. Gallo. 16 17.	1. 1. 65	
Vinegar	3 do.	at 1/2 Pint per Man each Week is 13 do.	"	" "	1812 1/2 " "	7. 11. "	
Water	2 do.	at 1 Gallon per Man per day	Gallo. 132860 or 1154 Casks of 116 each.	Gallo.	Md. of 116 Gallo		
			300 Millets		854 " "	570 " "	
Firewood	6 months	at 4 Billets per Man per day	10.70.880.	" "			

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				Tons			
				2.67.720	"	"	98. 10 "
Salt Beef ...	6 months at 1 lb. per Man each Week is 26 Weeks	2.32.024	"	"			
				lbs.			
				20.201.	"	"	9. " 41.
Salt Pork ...	6 months at 3 lb. per Man each Week, is 26 Weeks ...	"	"	"	174.018	" "	77. 13. 82
Oyster Pots	1 per 100 Men	"	"	"	23.	" "	" 18. 45
Chatties or Wooden Platters							
Arrack	at 2 Dozens per Man per day						
		Total Tonnage					1245. 1. 43.

N. B. Two Hogsheads of Vinegar to be sent on Board each Ship, for the purpose of sprinkling the Decks below. —

(Signed) Fred.: Pierce

Lieu.t & Assist.t Victl.g Board

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Victualling Office 5th May 1794.

Sam.l Hood Esq.r &c. &c. &c.

Calculation of Provisions. necessary to be laid in for

Fighting Men Natives ——— 3.522
Public Followers ——— 2.000. } 6.522.
Private ——— do ——— 1.000.

In their several proportions — as per the following article, including the Tonnage, after deducting the different articles expected from Bengal

Articles	Number Period supplied	Ration	G.	M.	L.	Quantity to be provided at Madras. G.	M.	Tonnage Tons	cwt.	lbs.	Remarks
Rice	6 months	at 1 Seer p. Man p. Day	244.	230.	"						
		Deduct the amount of this Article as per from Bengal	177.	69.	"	67.	161.	"	278.	1071.	
Dholl	6 months	at ½ Measure p. Ditto	36.	27½	"						
		Deduct the Amount of this Article as per from Bengal	26.	230.	"	10.	44½	"	41.	15	7/16
Salt	6 months	at 1/20 Measure per Ditto	"	"	"	18.	13½	"	75.	16.	"
Ghee	6	do. at ½ Palum	"	"	"	275.	2	22	61.	8	36
Tamarind	6	do. at ½ ...	do.	"	"	"	275.	2	22	61.	8 36
Chillies	6	do. at 1/16 ...	do.	"	"	"	30.	11	11	6.	16 5½
Pepper	6	do. at 1/16	do.	"	"	"	30.	11	11	6.	16 5½
Coriander Seed ...	4	do. at 1/16	do.	"	"	"	20.	7	16	4.	10 111
Cummin D: ...	4	do. at 1/32	do.	"	"	"	10.	3	20½	2.	5 55½
Garlick	6	do. at 1/3	do.	"	"	"	22.	18	15	5.	2 41
Onions	6	do. at 1/3	do.	"	"	"	22.	18	15	5.	2 41
Turmerick	6	do. at 1/3	do.	"	"	"	22.	18	15	5.	2 41.

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Beefe Net	4	do. at ½	do.		"	"	"	61	2	22	13 12 10½
Tobacco	3 ...	do. at 1	do.		"	"	"	91 lbs	14	8	20 9 50
Salt Fish	3 ...	do. at 1 per day			"	"	"	536.980	"	"	62 17 95
Firewood	4	do. at 4 Billets per Man per Day		3130.560 Billets	"	"					
				2236.800	"	"		2.43.720 Billets	"	"	89 4 42
Water	2 Months	at 1 Gallon per Man per Day			"	"	"	291.320 gal. = 3.3/4 Ton	c 10	Gal. qr 1	lb 16 } 2.250 13 3½
Extra Articles ...											
Sugar	20 Days	@ 4 lbs per 100 Men			"	"	"	36	10	12	8 3 6
Suet ready	20 ...	do. at 1 Seer per Man per Day			"	"	"	27.	70	"	112 5 105
Oatelle } dressed	10 ...	do. at ½ do.		do.	"	"	"	13	235	"	56 2. 108½
							Total Tonnage ---				3168. 5. 42.

N. B. Cookrooms Lined with Tin. 3 each Ships
Nurseries ..... 3 each Ship
Stones for Pounding Curry Stuff 1 per 50 Men. consisting of a roller and slat each
Ghee to be put in Casks. and not in Dubbers. –
Copper Pots 2. one to boil fifty Seers of Rice. the other 15 Seers. to be sent on board with each Cookroom. –
Two Hogsheads of Vinegar to be put on Board each Ships for sprinkling the lower Decks occasionally. –

Military Board Office
29th June 1797. –

/Signed/ Fred: Pierce
Sub. V. Accountt. to Mily Board.

Sables

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Estt. of Provisions for 1000 Men for 1 Year. 1797. –

Table of Provisions to be served to European Troops on Board Ships.—

	Per day						Per Week.				
	Bread	Rice	Flour	Raisins	Peas	Arrack	Salt Beef	Salt Pork	Sugar	Vinegar	Mustard Seed
Monday	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Ser.	1/4 lb.	1 Ounce	____	2 Drams per day each man	1. lb.	____	3/4 lbs per Week each Man	1/2 Pint per Week each Man	1/2 lb per Week for 100 Men
Tuesday	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Do.	____	____	1/2 Pint	1/20 part of a Gallon	____	1. lb.			
Wednesday	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Do.	1/4 lb	1. Oz.	____		1. lb.	____			
Thursday	3/4 lbs.	1/2. Do.	____	____	1/2 Pint		____	1 lb			
Friday	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Do.	1/4 lb	1. Oz.	____		1 lb	____			
Saturday	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Do.	____	____	1/2 Pint		____	1 lb			
Sunday.	3/4 lbs.	1/2 Do.	1/4 lb	1 Oz.	____		1 lb	____			

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29th June 1797.—

(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Sub. Accountt. Milit. Board.

Lists of Provisions served to Troops on board Ships 1797.

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List of Articles required to be furnished by the Agent of Supply for the intended Expedition by Sea. ——————

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Articles.	Number	Value P.	F.	C	Total P.	F.	C.	
Anvils Smiths	13	154	15	60.				
Bags Sand small	38.400	2.025	6.	"				
Baskets Rattan	1.700	51.	"	"				
Bunches Fuze	3.	21.	3.	50.				
Band Rolls	50	25.	"	"				
Cloths Long (70 Cov.) Pieces	150	450.	"	"				
" Tent White 18 D. D°	170.	147.	"	"				
" Waxed 18 D. D°	170	329	15.	60				
Compasses Iron Pairs	4.	4	"	"				
Flag Staff Park	1.	10.	"	"				
Iron Flat Bars	75.	135	"	"				
" Square D°	40	45	"	"				
Lead Pigs	6.	30	"	"				
Leather Tanned Europe Hides	6.	21.	"	"				
Line Log Skn.	100	25	"	"				
" Hambro' D°	10	5.	"	"				
Nails Iron of Sorts lb	70	8	31.	40				
Rope Europe 1½ Inch. Coils	8.	96	"	"				
" Country Coir D° D°	60	98.	18.	30				
Rasps Fuze	20	5.	"	"				
Skins Shute for Covering Mortars	24	1	6	"				
Stands for Scales and Weights Large	1.	6.	"	"				
" " " Small lb	1.	4	"	"				
Twine Gunny Skn.	60	1.	21.	"				
Thread Silk for Plummet	4	1	6	"				
Timber Teak artes	18.	189	"	"				
" " Sinnon Planks	30	292	21.	"				
" " Sheathing D°	200	100	"	"				
" " Joinsmalee Joists	10	11.	10.	40				
Vices Hand lb	18.	13.	21.	"				
Wax Bees	100	25	"	"				
Sinnon Planks thick 6 Inch. broadth. 14 Inch.	3	.....			30	"	"	Jamadi Pattamar for Mortars Grasps &c
		Pagodas			4.328	8.	40	
Dungree 19 Cubits Pieces	6.250	6.406	10.	40				
Gunny Tyers lb	2.062½	144	15	60				
Cotton Thread lb	1.500	321.	18.	"				
Wax Bees lb	187½	31	10	40				
		Pagodas			6903	12	60	
		Total Pagodas			11.261.	21.	20	

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29th. June 1797.—

(Signed) Fredk. Pierce
Sub. & Accountt. Mily. Board

Statement

Statement of Camp Equipage, Tents, Lascars and Artificers, required for the Corps and Departments destined for Foreign Service

Camp Equipage

	Tents					Lascars			Artificers								
	Field Officers	Officers	Private	Bell	Marketing	Sergeants	Tindals	Lascars	Mustering	Carpenters	Armourers	Smiths	Tinmen	Bullock Boys	Bullock Drivers	Churnalies	Pack Mallies
Royal Artillery	-	7	13	2	4	-	1	22	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	6
Coast Artillery - 1 Company	-	5	12	3	2	-	1	20	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
His Majesty's 12th Regiment	3	26	88	22	8	2	7	114	1	3	5	2	2	2	2	2	30
Ditto - Ditto 74th Ditto	3	22	76	22	8	2	6	110	1	3	5	2	2	2	2	2	30
1st Division 2nd Ditto	1	16	38	13	4	1	3	56	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	18
Two Troops Native Cavalry	-	3	10	-	1	-	1	17	"	-	2	"	"	"	"	"	2
6 Companies 3rd Regiment N. I.	1	7	26	13	4	1	2	40	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	8
7 Ditto ... 2nd Battalion 5th Regiment N. I.	1	7	29	15	4	1	2	41	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	9
33rd Battalion Native Infantry	1	7	24	17	4	1	2	41	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	10
34th Battalion Native Infantry	"	8	24	17	4	1	2	38	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	10
Engineers - 2 Captains, 8 Lieutenants	"	10	2	-	10	-	1	22	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Pioneers	-	4	4	-	2	-	1	12	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	4
Paymaster	1	1	3	-	1	-	1	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
Commissary, or Agent of Provisions	1	1	3	"	1	"	1	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
1 Head Surgeon	1	"	1	"	1	"	"	4	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
4 Assistant Surgeons	"	4	"	"	"	"	"	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1
1 Commissary of Stores	"	1	1	"	1	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
2 Conductors	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
4 Sub Conductors	"	"	1	"	"	"	-	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"

Muster Master	"	1	1	"	1	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
Judge Advocate	"	1	1	"	1	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
Agent for Transports	"	1	1	"	1	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
Provost	"	1	"	"	1	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
European and Native Brigade Staff.																			
1 Colonel	1	1	2	"	1	"	1	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
2 Lieutenant Colonels	2	"	4	"	2	"	2	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
2 Brigade Majors	"	2	4	"	2	"	"	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
2 Ditto. Quarter Masters	"	2	2	"	2	"	"	6	"	2	"	2	2	2	3	2	"	"	
General Staff																			
Adjutant General. and Office	1	2	3	"	1	"	1	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	
Quarter Master General. and Office	1	1	3	"	1	"	1	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	
Secretary	"	1	1	"	1	"	1	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
Interpreter	"	1	"	"	1	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
2 Aid De Camps	"	2	"	"	1	"	"	4	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	
Deputy Adjutant General Kings Troops	1	"	1	"	1	"	"	5	1 Corps	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	
Quarter Master Generals Establishment	"	"	"	"	"	1	2	30	1	1 Serv.	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	"	
Engineers Department	"	"	8	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
	19	146.	386.	124.	76.	10	39	664.	11	20	32	17	17	17	11	16	11	27	

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/Signed/ Fredk. Pierce
Sub. Acct. Milty. Board

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List of Ordnance and Military Stores required for Foreign Service

Articles		Number required				P.	F.	C.
Apron Howitzer Leaden	8 Inch	4.				"	12	"
Axes Pick with Helves		1200				659	21	"
" Broad		80				34	1	32
" Felling		100				30	17	70
Adzes Iron, Carpenters		1200				400	"	"
" Brass Coopers		6				4	4	10
Axletrees Wooden for Heavy Field		6				6	20	20
" Iron for Gun and Tumbrils		6				37	18	"
Augers of Sorts		4				38	31	40
Anvils Smiths Large		8				1	11	40
" " Small		10				118	27	"
Baskets for Mortar Grape Shot		4				28	"	"
Barrow's Hand		60				5	14	32
Brass Drum		12				12	27	"
Bags Gunny for Shot and Shells	Sets	40				4	"	"
" Sand Large		300				41	20	20
" " Small		"				"	"	"
Bellow's Forge Smiths		50,000				2,659	26	"
" for proving Shells	Pairs	60				9	13	40
Bitillas	Ditto	2				4	13	40
Boards	Pieces	3				3	"	"
Brushes Painting	lb	20				2	11	"
Barrels Budge		12				3	"	"
Bitts Gun Steel Large		6				9	"	"
" " " Small		24				1	3	24
Blocks Iron with Sheaves		12				"	19	52
" Purchasing Wooden & Sizes	Sett	1				20	23	20
		8.				4	"	"
					Carried Over	4,139	"	40

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Articles		Number required		P	F	C
			Brought Over --	4139	"	40
Boxes Dredging		8	" " "	9	"	"
" Tin Tube with Straps	8 Inch	4	" " "	"	28	35
Buckets Gun Leather	Spare	60	" " "	20	"	"
" " Wooden		24	" " "	24	"	"
Beds Mortar Spare	10 Inch	1	" " "	262	"	"
" " "	8 "	2	" " "	144	"	"
" " "	5½ "	1.	" " "	6	"	"
" " "		4000	" " "	120	"	"
Baskets Rattan		3	" " "	21	3	48
Bunches Fuze		50	" " "	25	"	"
Band Rolls		250,000	" " "	612	18	"
Balls Leaden Musket bore		4	" " "	520	"	"
Carts Mortar		10	" " "	225	"	"
" Platform for carrying Stores		200	" " "	600	"	"
Cloth Long (70 Covids)	Pieces	200	" " "	150	"	"
" Tent White (18 Covids)	D°	50	" " "	87	18	"
" " Blue (30 D°)	D°	250	" " "	484	13	40
" Waxed (18 D°)	D°	4	" " "	1	"	"
Compasses Iron	Pairs	6	" " "	1	33	"
" Brass Common	D°	1	" " "	"	24	40
" Caliber Large	D°	2	" " "	1	13	"
" " Small	D°	4	" " "	"	16	"
Canthooks with Ropes		7.22,000	" " "	3,971	"	"
Cartridges Musket Slotted		40,000	" " "	172	18	"
" Carabine - D°		1.000	" " "	41	24	"
" Siege Empty Gun	6 Pdrs.	1200	" " "	125	"	"
" " " Howitzer	8 Inch	2	" " "	28	5	"
Cloth Powder Canvas		6	" " "	6	"	"
Coins Mortar	13 Inch Ditto	6	" " "	5	22	40
" "	10. " "	9	" " "	5	22	40
" "	8 " "	9.	" " "	2	18	"
" "	5½ " "		Carried Over ---	11812.	26.	43

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Articles		Number Required		£	S	C
Cylinders Tin for loading	13 Inch	2	Brought Over	11812	26	43
" " "	10 "	3				
" " "	8 "	5		1	9	"
" " "	5½ "	5				
Caps Canvas Mortar	13 Inch	2		1	18	"
" " "	10 "	2		1	"	"
" " "	8 "	4		1	32	"
" " "	5½ "	4		"	10	"
Chests Laboratory Field		1		90	"	"
Candles Wax	Pounds	3		15	"	"
Caps Sponge for Howitzers	8 Inch	12		5	24	"
" " Mortar	13 "	2		1	18	"
" " "	10 "	8		4	"	"
" " "	8 "	16		7	20	"
" " "	5½ "	16		1	4	"
Crows Iron		50		38	19	40
Chests Copper		18		4	18	"
Canvas	Yards	8		88	"	"
Camphire	lbs	5		1	5	"
Carriages Howitzer Spare	8 Inch	1		360	"	"
" Transporting		1		138	"	"
Cords Drum		50		4	28	"
Chalk	lbs	75		"	4	55
Dammer	Pounds	3		1	31	40
Drivers and Sitters Wooden Sitts	13 Inch	8		1	6	"
" " "	10 "	8		1	"	"
" " "	8 "	12		1	10	40
" " "	5½ "	12		"	27	"
Dungree for making Sand Bags	Pieces	6		5	9	"
Eyes Iron		6406		6566	"	"
Engines Fuze Large		10		"	14	56
" " Small		1		9	30	52
" Fire		1		9	30	52
		1		150	"	"
			Carried Over	19324	18	58

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Articles		Number required				
				P.	F.	C.
			Brought Over - - -	19.324	18.	58
		lb	15	1	12.	50
Emmery			440	52	28	65
Fuzes Doove	13	Inch	1.100	77	"	"
" "	10	"	4.400	269	18	"
" "	8	"	2.200	66	"	"
" "	5½	"	20	47	18	"
Fire Balls Doove	10	"	20	40	"	"
" " "	8	"	1	"	18	50
Fish Gun with Staff			1			
Formers " Cartridges	24	Pdr.	1			
" " "	18	"	1	"	5	15
" " "	12	"	1			
" " "	6	"	1			
" " "	8	Inch	1			
" " "			5	4	11	"
Funnels Copper Large			5			
" " Small			10	26	9	"
Files of Sorts		Dozens	1	52	7	15
Flags Garrison Union Large			1	37	10	24
" " Small			2	3	10	10
" Gun			1	2	10	18
" Park			2	"	2	30
Fids			80.000	166	24	"
Flints Musket			4.000	8	12	"
" Carbine			1	10	"	"
Flag Staff Park			20	"	30	"
Gimblets of Sizes		do	20	3	20	"
Glue			12	2	"	"
Gouges of Sorts		Pieces	50	12	18	"
Gunny			1	60	"	"
Gin Complete			3	16	18	"
Glasses Perspective			2	"	20	70
" Time 2 Hours			4	1	5	60
" " 1 D°			2	24	"	"
Grease		Barrels				
			Carried Over - - -	20.309.	34	65

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Articles.	Number required		P.	F	C
Gauges Shot Brass ..... 24 Pdr.	No 2	Brought Over ---	20,309.	34	65
" " " ..... 18 "	2				
" " " ..... 12 "	2		2	"	"
" " " ..... 6 "	2				
" Shell " ..... 12½ Inch	1				
" " " ..... 10 "	2				
" " " ..... 8 "	2		15	7	40
" " " ..... 5½ "	2				
" Wads Wooden ..... 24 Pdr.	1				
" " " ..... 18 "	1				
" " " ..... 12 "	1		"	6	"
Gun Powder Madras 60 lb Barrels	850		2856	"	"
" " Madras D.	14		140	"	"
Hammers Sledge	10		10	"	"
" Claw	40		12	28	"
" Hand	12		3	12	"
Horns Priming with Belts	4		6	9	40
Haversacks Leather	48		15	"	"
Heads Rammers Spare Gun .. 24 Pdr.	24		1	11	"
" " " " .... 18 "	36		4	33	"
" " " " .... 12 "	24		2	27	"
" " " " .... 6 "	54		3	28	"
" Sponge " Howitzer .. 8 Inch	12		4	7	"
" " " Gun ... 24 Pdr.	16		2	"	"
" " " " .... 18 "	24		3	"	"
" " " " .... 12 "	16		1	"	"
" " " " .... 6 "	36		2	9	"
" " " Howitzer ... 8 Inch ..	8		2	"	"
Heads Drum Spare	50		2	15	40
Hoops Batter for Drums	25		5	29	20
" Flesh .... "	25		6566	8	"
" Lining .... "	25		"	"	"
Hooks Bill	600		158	12	"
		Carried Over	23561.	35.	45

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Articles	Number required		P	F	C
		Brought Over --	23.561.	35	45
Handspikes Traversing Howitzer 8 Inch	8	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	3	10	"
" Gun ..... Spare	4	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	2	"	"
" Purchasing	200	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	53	"	"
Irons Priming Large	12	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	"	21	"
" " Small	12	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	"	21	"
" Brake	12	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	48	"	"
" Sidering	2	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	1	9	"
" Caulking ..... Sett	1	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	"	18	"
Iron Flat ..... Bars	100	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	200	"	"
" Square ..... "	50	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	45	"	"
" Rod ..... Bundles	8	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	15	8	"
Indigo ..... Maunds	3	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	40	18	"
Jacks Hand Large	2	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	22	30	40
" " Small	1	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	8	"	"
Junk ..... Candies	3½	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	47	"	"
Knives Laboratory	25	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	3	4	40
" Drawing	2	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	"	12	50
" Fuze	6	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	2	3½	60
Leather Tanned European ... Hides	6	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	21	"	"
" " Country ... Do.	25	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	7	29	20
Ladders Escalading	25	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	143	27	"
Lintstocks with Locks ..... Sets	6	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	3	"	"
Line Log ..... Do	100	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	12	18	"
" Mer ..... Do.	20	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	1	11	40
" Hand ..... Do.	20	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	10	"	"
" Hambro' ..... Do.	50	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	25	"	"
Locks Pad with Keys	62	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	20	24	"
Lanthorns Horn	4	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	2	5	"
" Dark	1	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	"	18	"
" Mussany	4	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	4	18	"
Lead White ..... Maunds	3.	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~	13	18	"
		Carried Over --	24.320.	5	55

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Articles		Number required		£	S	D
			Brought Over ..	24.320	5	35.
Lead Rod	Maunds	2	——— ——— ———	2	"	"
"	Pigs	6	——— ——— ———	30	"	"
Mosquitoes with Valves		1,500	——— ——— ———	1.546	31	40
Marlin Spikes		2	——— ——— ———	"	4	24
Match Cotton		Lbs.	——— ——— ———	116	"	"
" Country		D.	——— ——— ———	29	"	"
" Quick		D.	——— ——— ———	12	3	"
Measures Powder Copper Large		Sets	——— ——— ———	16	24	"
" " " Small		D.	——— ——— ———	12	18	"
Moulds Musket		2	——— ——— ———	7	18	"
" Carabine		1	——— ——— ———	3	18	"
Mantelets		2	——— ——— ———	220	"	"
Needles Sail		50	——— ——— ———	1	1	40
" Gunny		50	——— ——— ———	"	10	"
" Small		200	——— ——— ———	"	15	"
Nets for Wads		28	——— ——— ———	9	12	"
Nails Copper	lbs	10	——— ——— ———	4	26	"
" Iron of sorts	lbs	130	——— ——— ———	8	4	40
Nippers for Musket balls		2	——— ——— ———	"	13	40
Ordnance Brass Howitzers	8 Inch	4	——— ——— ———	912	18	"
" " Mortars with Bds.	13 Inch	2	——— ——— ———	1.451	20	20
" " "	10 "	2	——— ——— ———	825	"	"
" " "	8 "	4	——— ——— ———	1.376	4	40
" " "	5½ "	4	——— ——— ———	180	25	"
Oil. Wood or Linseed	Gallons	25	——— ——— ———	25	"	"
" Cocoanut	Duffers	3	——— ——— ———	15	"	"
Pinches Musket		1600	——— ——— ———	2	24	"
Portfires		400	——— ——— ———	11	4	"
Primches Tubes		6	——— ——— ———	"	7	40
" Shell		2	——— ——— ———	"	2	40
Primers Tubes	Pairs	18.	——— ——— ———	3	13	40
			Carried Over ..	31.142.	12	19

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Articles		Number Required		£	s	d
			Brought Over . . .	31142	12	19
Pincers Fuze	Paris	6		4	6	"
Paper Musket Cartridge Europe	Doz.	1300		130	"	"
" " " Country . .	D°	50		3	"	"
" Portfire	D°	50		14	2	20
Plates Screw with Tapes Large		2		3	"	"
" " " Small		12		12	"	"
Paint mixed Blue	Dussers	1		25	"	"
" " Black	lbs	50		6	9	"
" " Red	Dussers	1		3	4	40
" " White	lbs	50		3	4	40
" "		1		6	"	"
Petard Brass with Moderier		15		"	27	60
Palms Steel		30		15	"	"
Pickets Park		4		16	21	"
Perpendiculars Spirit		40		40	60	"
Platforms Gun complete with Nails Yon.		16		20	48	"
" Mortar D° . . . D° . . .		12		2	3	60
Planes Europe of sizes		1		4	15	60
Pitch	Barrels	3		36	"	"
Planks Sinnoor thick 3 Inches Breadth 15 Inches		2		14	18	"
Quadrants Gun Spirit		4		28	30	"
" Mortar		6				
Rope Europe	4½ Inch Coils	4				
" "	4 " "	6				
" "	3½ " "	6		5	43	"
" "	3 " "	6				
" "	2 " "	10				
" "	1½ " "	8				
" "	Rattine . . " . .	4				
" Country Coir	5 Inch . . " . .	150		27	22	40
" "	1½ " "	10		11	"	"
" Coir or Small Coir	Maunds	10		27	"	"
" Tent White	D° . .	10				
			Carried Over	38534	9	19

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Articles		Number required		£	S	C
			Brought Over ..	38,534.	9	19
Ropes Tent Blue	Maunds	3	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	24	"	"
Ropes Long Howitzer	8 Inch ..	8	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	6	"	"
Delivers for Gun Searchers		2	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	1	10	60
" " Spikes		2	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	"	30	6
Ropes Fuze		24	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	6	24	"
Rubbers of Sizes		6.	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	3	18	"
Rosin	Lts	12	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	"	27	"
Rattans	No.	1000	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	11	13	60
Rule Camp		6	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	4	1	40
Ramrods Musket Spare		50	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	8	12	"
Shot Iron Round loose	1 Pdr.	10.000	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	123	27	"
" " " fixed to Bottoms -	6 Pdr.	900	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	112	18	"
" Grape Long Gun	6 Pdr.	180	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	60	"	"
Shells "Empty" " Howitzer	8 Inch	100	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	150	"	"
" "	12⅞ "	400	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	1225	"	"
" "	10 "	1.000	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	1407	"	"
" "	8 "	4.000	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	2891	"	"
Spikes Gun Round	5½ "	2.000	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	461	"	"
" " Ragged		24	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	"	12	"
" " Spring		24	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	"	12	"
Sponges Mortar	13 Inch	24	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	"	30	"
" "	10 "	6	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	3	27	"
" "	8 "	6	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	3	"	"
" "	5½ "	12	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	4	18	"
" with Rammer Heads Howitzer	8 "	12	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	3	"	"
Saws Fuze		18	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	13	18	"
" White		6	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	6	"	"
" Crescent		1	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	4	18	"
" Hand		2	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	6	27	"
Scales Gunters		4	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	4	"	"
Searchers Gun with Staves		4	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	1	24	"
Sieves Powder Hair		2	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	1	28	"
" " Lawn		2	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	2	7	"
		1.	~~~~ ~~~ ~~	3	33	60
			Carried Over ...	45.089	26	5

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Articles	Number required		£	S	D
		Brought Over ...	45089	26	5
	1	...	1	9	-
Sieves Powder Brasswire Single ..	1	...	1	31	40
" " " Double ..	50	...	4	31	-
Snares Drum ..... Sets	36	...	3	2	-
Sticks " ..... Pairs	8	...	3	18	"
Sponge Balls ..... 24 Pdr.	12	...	5	"	"
" " ..... 18 "	8	...	3	12	"
" " ..... 12 "	18	...	6	27	"
" " ..... 6 "	2	...	2	"	"
Slings Gun	250	...	187	18	"
Sponges ..... Rolls	100	...	29	12	"
Stars Sponge Ash or Tonicomallie Wood	8	...	"	25	"
Storks Portfire	25	...	8	24	40
Saphooks	500	...	220	17	40
Spades	150	...	78	23	20
Shovels	60	...	13	22	40
Scissors Laboratory ..... Pairs	12	...	1	24	50
Sal Armoniac ..... lbs	1	...	9	"	"
Scales and Weights Large ... Sett	5	...	25	"	"
" " Small ... Do.	5	...	5	"	"
Steel ..... Bars	4	...	"	14	"
Screws Wood ..... Dozens	10	...	150	"	"
Serge Flannel ..... Pieces	1	...	"	21	56
Shears Tinmans ..... Pairs	24	...	1	12	"
Shims Sheep for Covering Mortars .. lbs	25	...	3	27	"
Solder Copper ..... lbs	36	...	4	18	"
" Pewter	5	...	12	18	"
Spirits of Wine / 20 Bottles / Gallons	1	...	1	18	"
Stones Grinding with Handles	1.	...	1	"	"
Do. Do. without Do.	2	...	3	"	"
Do. Oil Turkey	1	...	5	"	"
Stands for Scales and Weights Large	1	...	3	"	"
" Small	2	...	5	13	20
Salt Petre Refined .... Barrels	1.	...	7	18	"
Sulphur Do. ..... Do. ..					
		Carried Over	45898.	21	71

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Articles	Number required		£	S	D
		Brought Over ...	45.898	21	71
Scabbards Bayonet Musket	500	ditto ditto ditto	53	29	40
" " Fuzil	100	ditto ditto ditto	10	27	40
Twine Gunny ..... lbs	2112	ditto ditto ditto	63	13	40
" Europe ..... Shs	300	ditto ditto ditto	37	18	"
" Country ..... Do	500	ditto ditto ditto	22	9	"
Tar and Grease ..... Dubbers	15	ditto ditto ditto	75	"	"
Do Common ..... Barrels	2	ditto ditto ditto	24	"	"
Tompions with Cellars Howitzer 8 Inch	4	ditto ditto ditto	2	18	"
Tarpaulins Magazine Large	20	ditto ditto ditto	265	"	"
" " Small	20	ditto ditto ditto	170	"	"
" Limber Howitzer .... 8 Inch	4	ditto ditto ditto	2	1	60
Turnbricks for Axles	6	ditto ditto ditto	900	"	"
Tubes Copper Empty Gun .... 6 Pdr.	1.900	ditto ditto ditto	28	18	"
" " " Howitzer 8 Inch	400	ditto ditto ditto	9	"	"
" " Filled " .... 8 "	1.250	ditto ditto ditto	43	27	"
Triangle for Scale and Weights	1	ditto ditto ditto	13	21	"
Tin Double ..... Sheets	40	ditto ditto ditto	3	12	"
" Single ..... Do ...	100	ditto ditto ditto	5	20	"
Tools Carpenters ..... Chests	1	ditto ditto ditto	33	1	60
" Miners ..... Do	2	ditto ditto ditto	43	24	"
Tacks Copper ..... lbs	12	ditto ditto ditto	3	27	"
" Sprunge ..... lbs	30	ditto ditto ditto	7	18	"
Thread Cotton ..... lbs	1.575	ditto ditto ditto	3 7/8	"	"
" Silk for Plummet ... Shs	4	ditto ditto ditto	1	12	"
Timber Teake Artues	18	ditto ditto ditto	189	"	"
" " Sirmon Planks ...	30	ditto ditto ditto	292	21	"
" " Sheathing ... Do ...	200	ditto ditto ditto	100	"	"
" Transomalts ..... Joists	10	ditto ditto ditto	10	"	"
Tints Field Officers } For Ordnance	1	ditto ditto ditto	7/4	"	"
" Officers ... } Officers Lod Horse	4	ditto ditto ditto	171	14	16
" Private }	6	ditto ditto ditto	112	6	"
		Carried Over	49.043	25	7.

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Articles.		Number required		P	F	C
			Brought Over	49043.	25.	7
			~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	1406	"	.
Tents Field Officers	}	19	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	609	5 22	40
" Officers ...	}	146	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	7524	38	40
" Private ...	} For the Troops	386	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	"	"	"
" Sepoy	}	124	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~ ~	887	13	.
" Bell	}	76	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	769	5	32
" Necessary ...	}					
Turnkeys Musket		1000	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	14	20	"
Tape Tent	Roll	25	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~ ~	5/4	"	"
Vices Bench		18	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	13	18	"
" Hand		18	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	"	14	16
" Compass		4	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	5	7	40
Vellum	Piece	1	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	"	30	"
Vinegar Bottles		6	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	10	"	"
Worms Musket		1000	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	1	"	"
" Fuzil		100	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~ ~~	17	13	"
Wadds	24 Pdr.	1.000	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	27	28	"
"	18 "	2.000	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	10	15	"
"	12 "	1.000	~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~			
"			~~~~ ~~~~ ~~~~	72	"	.
Wax Tres	lb	288.				
			Pagodas ...	65962.	25	15

Military Board Office
29th June 1797 —

(Signed) Fred: Pierce
Sec. & Accomt. to Mily Board

List

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List of the Packet

No.		Dates
1.	Report to Government	29th June 97.
2.	Calculation of Provisions &c. required to be laid in for the European and Native Troops, destined for Foreign Service	29th —— " —— "
3.	Diet Table for European Troops on Board	29th —— " —— "
4.	List of Articles required to be furnished by the Agent of Supply for Foreign Service	29th —— " —— "
5.	Statement of Camp Equipage, Tent Lascars and Artificers required for Corps and Departments destined for Foreign Service	19th —— " —— "
6.	List of Ordnance and Military Stores required for Foreign Service	29th —— " —— "

Military Board Office
1st July 1797.

(Signed) Fred. Pierce
Sub Ve Accomt. Mily Board

Ordered

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Ordered that the following instructions
may be in consequence sent to the Military Board.—

To Lieutenant General Harris
President &c. Members of the
Military Board

Gentlemen

To the Military Board
in reply to the forgoing
Letter.—

We have received your Letter of the 29th.
Ultimo. and approve the principle upon which you
have formed your Calculation of Provisions &c. required
to be laid in for the European and Native Troops de-
stined for Foreign Service.—

We desire you would appoint a
Committee of your Board to proceed on an Inspection
of the Articles Contracted for, and those ordered to be provided
by the Garrison Storekeeper, agreeably to the Intimation
conveyed to you on the 7th. Ultimo. You will also call
upon the Garrison Storekeeper for a return of the
Salt Provisions and other Articles which he can
supply

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supply from the publick Stores, and lay before us a compleat return of the whole of the articles remaining to be provided by this Government.—

We have issued orders to the Military Auditor General to prepare the Form for keeping the account of Issues, & remains &c. during the Voyage agreeably to your Suggestion.—

We desire you will issue the necessary Instructions to the Agent for Supply for providing the artiles mentioned in the Statement No. 4 accompanying your Letter.— The Ordnance and Military Stores as per List No. 6. we desire may be held in readiness, but we wish to have your opinion whether or not a deduction might be made without prejudice to the Service, in the number of Tents included in the Statement No. 5.—

Enclosed is List of articles which the Town Major has been desired to provide for the use of the Troops.—

We observe with concern the probability

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There is of a considerable deficiency in the article of Water Casks and desire to be furnished with your opinion of the Measures that should be taken to avert the Serious Inconvenience that must result for the want of so important an article.— We are in daily Expectation of a Supply of 300 Leaguers from Bombay.—

We have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

(Signed) Hobart

&c Council

Fort St. George
7th July 1797.—

Read the following letter from the Commanding Officer of the Southern Division of the Army.—

Right Honorable

The President in Council

My Lord

From Major General Floyd with a Letter from Major Cuppage detailing the particular circumstances which induced him to nominate Subadar Abdul Cawder and Benkaun Khan Soubadar of Lascars to the notice of Government.

In Obedience to your Commands of the 20th Instant I have the Honour to inclose Major Cuppage's Statement of the particular circumstances on which he founded his Recommendation of Subadar Abdul Cawder.

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Cawder, and the Tindal of Gun Lascars. And I beg leave to offer my grateful acknowledgements for the notice you are pleased to take of deserving Men under my command. And to assure your Lordship that all Ranks feel it with an animation that must be attended with favorable consequences to the publick Service.

I have the honour to be
&c &c
(Signed) S. Floyd
M. G.

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25th June 1797.

Major General Floyd
Commanding the Southern Division of
the Army.

Sir.

In consequence of Government's desire to reward the gallantry of Subadar Abdul Cawder, and the first Tindal of Lascars, during the late Service in Wynaad, and His Lordship in Council requiring the particular Circumstances upon which I recommended them for Consideration

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consideration. - I beg to inform you on behalf of Subedar Abdul Cawder Cawn. that the first Barrier I had to drive the Enemy from. was represented to me so formidable. that I thought it advisable to form an Advance party. or as it might very well be termed a Forlorn. hope. of a Havildars party from each of the flank Companies; on this duty Abdul Cawder earnestly desired to be employed. and though not his Tour. yet knowing how much he could be depended upon. and how essential it was to make a favourable impression on the Enemy in the first on set. when we had so many Posts of the same kind to dispossess them of; I readily gave him the Command. and the event proved the advantage of his alacrity to the Detachment. - In the approach to one and all of these Barriers. for fifty or a hundred yards. the road is completely Choked up with thorns. not loosely thrown in the open space. but planted in holes dug to the depth of about a foot and a half. wedged in. and pointed down. which renders the passage in every way

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way as formidable as the impenetrable Jungle on each side.- Those obstacles were surmounted by them, and his party in a surprising degree, reaching the bottom of the work before the Enemy had time for many discharges, mounting it, and dispersing them as he entered.- In which it is but proper to remark to you Sir, that he was closely followed up and well supported by Captain Potter and his Company.- This was on the night of the 15th April, and it was only the next, when his hazardous exertions, no more in his regular routine of duty than the nights before, became still more conspicuous, in the attack of the Barrier where the Detachment suffered so considerably.- On this occasion no sooner was the progress of the Detachment retarded by the usual impediments, and a heavy fire of Musketry opened upon us, than Abdul Cauder came forward for himself and Company, begging that they might be advanced.- although I felt that he should be only risked in his turn, when I could assure him of

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of nothing but my own thanks. yet so desirable was it
to have a man of this caution in front. that I
immediatly acquiesced. and when it became necessary
to relieve this Company by a fresh one. he still remained.
and it was with the very last man he retired. when I
found it necessary to draw off. as the day broke. —
notwithstanding all this. he was the first man with
Captain Trotter at the head of his Light Company to enter
and drive the Enemy out of this Work on the 18th. in the
morning. — and equally out of his Tour. — Although the
Poligars made no material stand after this. yet on all
occasions when we might expect opposition. Abdul
Cawder was not to be enquired for. he was ready to a
fault. and to him and the Native Adjutant or
Subedar Lekshuman Sing I seem to hold myself very
considerably indebted for their indefatigable zeal. and
the assistance they gave me on the score of Information

A. The Tindals merit became known at

A. Brown Cawn. first Tindal 18th Company 2nd Batt. Artillery.

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at the attack of the Barrier on the morning of the 16th. who was the only of all the Gun Lascars that stayed by the Gun and Mortar in advance, and who was to active in assisting the remaining Europeans / after Lieut. Bettson and two of the men had been knocked down, / that they came to me afterwards to a man begging that I would mention his Gallantry to you, as highly deserving reward. —

I have the honor to be

Sir &c.

Signed A. Cuppage

Major Comdt. 1st Batt. 5. Regt. N. I.

Trichinopoly
25th June 1797.

Minute thereon.

The Board have great satisfaction in noticing this further testimony of the Gallantry and conduct of Subadar Abdul Cawder; and in order to mark more strongly their sense of his merit. Resolved that Major General Floyd may be directed to present him with a horse in the name of Government, and that the Subadar be permitted to draw the usual allowance for a horse in addition to his other allowances. —

Resolved

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Resolved that first Tindal Burbaum
Khan be promoted to the rank of Syrang for his meritorious
Conduct. —

Ordered that the foregoing letter from
Major Cuppage with the consequent resolutions of the
Board be published in General Orders. —

Read the following letters from the
Military Auditor General. —

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Military Auditor General — communicating his opinion on the representation made by the Adjutant General on Ceylon relative to the Exchange at which Copper Money is issued to the troops. —

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 24th. Instant, referring to my examination and report, a letter from the Adjutant General on Ceylon, with enclosures on the Subject of Exchange. —

After an attentive consideration thereof,

2. I beg leave to offer it as my opinion, that the determination of

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Government communicated to Major General Stuart in a letter from Mr. Secretary Jackson under date the 26th April 1796. respecting the value of Copper Money on the Island of Ceylon, and the Exchange at which it was to be issued to the Troops, is very equitable, and calculated to remove all just grounds of Complaint, especially as the Bills drawn on the Military Paymaster in favor of Individuals are directed to be punctually honored.- I would therefore recommend, that this Regulation be confirmed, and that it be intimated at the same time to the Officer Commanding on Ceylon, that the Paragraphs in the Government Orders of the 24th March last, with the Subsequent explanation of the 16th May, quoted by Major Agnew, went merely to the renewal of a Regulation which existed previous to that which had been expressly framed for the payment of the Troops on Ceylon, and was republished without the most distant intention of making any alteration in that Arrangement.-

As.

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3. As Pagodas are not the Currency of Ceylon but are in great demand for other purposes than that of our Circulation. they consequently bear a higher price like all other articles of Merchandize in similar situations. this is the reason why the Exchange of the Copper Coin is so much below its relative value to Gold. and as the same cause must continue to produce the same effect a similar discount would probably soon follow if the Exchange should be fixed at the present rate. and consequently the same inconvenience and complaint be revived. —

4 The Copper Coin being the Currency of the Island. and its value having been fixed by Government at a just standard proportioned to the value of the former metal. if the Soldier from local causes is accustomed to suffer at any time from the Copper being occasionally in the Bazar. than at the Exchange established by the above standard. it ought to be remembered that this gain must be at least

equal

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equal upon the proportion of Gold issued to them as part of their pay.—

5. This Consideration when added to the punctual discharge of all Bills drawn on the Presidency should convince the Troops that the Regulations of Government are such as to prevent their having any just cause for dissatisfaction or Complaint.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.

Yr. Yr.

(Signed) W. Sydenham

Mily. Audr. Genl.

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George 29th June 1797.

Minute thereon

Ordered that a letter to the foregoing purport be addressed to the Officer Commanding on Ceylon in answer to the letter from the Adjutant General of the 10th Ultimo.—

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Military Auditor General— desiring Instructions respecting extra charges drawn

1. For the Distribution of Subsistence to the 12th Regiment of Foot from the 24th February to 24th March

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drawn for in the abstract of His Majesty 12th Regiment of Foot in account of a Surgeon on Staff and a Sergeant Major and Quarter Master Sergeant supernumerary to the ordinary fixed Establishment of the Kings Regiments.

March last the Order on which I had the honor of laying before your Lordship on the 31st May a Surgeon on Staff is drawn for at 7/16d a Day and an Extra allowance of 6d per Day for a Sergeant Major and Quarter Master Sergeant additional to the number of 50 Sergeants the Establishment of the Corps.

2. As these Charges have not before been made by any of His Majestys Regiments in India I consider it to be my duty to report the circumstance to your Lordship and to enclose copies of the authority produced in support thereof in order that they may be Sanctioned or that I may be empowered to reject them in future.

3. Should Government be induced to confirm these Charges as having proceeded from His Majesty's Order I beg leave to submit whether the additional Six pence pr Day as a Staff allowance to the Sergeant Major and Quarter Master Sergeant of His Majesty's 12th Regiment ought not to be deducted from the Staff pay which they receive under the head of

* Company's

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"Company's allowances." to put them on a footing with the Staff Serjeants of the same description in the Company's Service, otherwise there will be a distinction in favor of the former, which is contrary to the principle upon which they are respectively paid, and which I am not at liberty to admit without express authority. — The additional allowance to the Surgeon on Second was granted I understand when the Regiment was ordered to the West Indies, its original destination, and is meant to continue only "until he shall be appointed "to an established Surgeoncy. —

I have the honor to be with great respect

Sir

Your

Most obedient

Humble Servant

/Signed/ W. Sydenham

Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

To Lieutenant Colonel Marcus Beresford

Deputy Paymaster General to His Majesty's Forces

Serving under the Presidency of Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor of sending my general

Distribution

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Distribution of Subsistence for his Majesty's 12th Regiment of Foot from the 24th February to the 24th March 1797. in which is included the difference of Pay for the Surgeon En Second, and also the extra Subsistence of 6d. P. diem for the Serjeant Major and the D. Qr. Mr. Serjeant. agreeably to the War Office Letter on this Subject Copies of which are herewith enclosed. —

Captain Milton. Surgeon Grey. and the Men arrived from Europe. have received no Subsistence in England Subsequent to the 24th December 1796. whatever may be due to them up to that Period. will be charged by me to the Regimental Agent. —

I have the honor to be

Sir Sir

Fort St. George Madras
the 26th February 1797. —

/Signed/ J. Allen Capt.
& Paymr. 12th Reg.t Foot.

A true Copy

/Signed/ M. Beresford.
D.pty Paymr. General

A true Copy

/Signed/ J. Brunton
D.pty Mils. Audr. Genl.

Copy

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Fort St. George 4th July 1797.

Copy of a Letter from Messrs. Meyrick, to Captain Allen Paymaster of 12th Regiment of Foot. - Dated 4th April 1796. -

Sir.

We have just received a Letter from Mr. Lewis Dated War Office 31st of March 1796. informing us in answer to our application that Mr. Campbell will be Entitled as Surgeon En Second in the 12th Regiment of Foot. to 7/6. a day until he shall be appointed to an Established Surgeoncy. -

We are

&c &c

(Signed) Sloss & Jno. Meyrick &c

A true Copy.

(Signed) J. Allen, Capt. & Paymr.
12th Regt. Foot. -

A true Copy.

(Signed) M. Beresford
Depy. Paymr. General

A true Copy

(Signed) S. Brunton
Depy. Mily. Audr. General

Extract

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Fort St. George 6th July 1797.—

Extract of a Letter from the War Office to Major General Pictow.— Dated 29th November 1787.—

"I have the honor to acquaint you His
"Majesty has been pleased to order that the 12th Regiment
"of Foot under your Command shall consist of Eight
"Battalion Companies one Company of Grenadiers with
"a Company of Light Infantry, together with the usual
"Field and Staff officers as also with two Sergeants for an
"extra allowance of Six pence pr. diem each is provided
"on the Establishment."

A true Extract.
(Signed) S. Allen Captain
and Paymr. 12th Regt. Foot

A true Copy.
(Signed) M. Beresford
Dpty. Paymr. General

A true Copy.
(Signed) S. Brunton
Dpty. Mily. Audr. General

Resolved

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Minute thereon.

Resolved that the allowance of 7/. 6d. per day to a Surgeon on second and the extra allowance of 6/. per day for the additional Sergeant of his Majesty's 12th Regiment be confirmed: the Board however adopt the suggestion of the Military Auditor General for deducting this extra allowance from the Staff pay granted the Regiment under the head of Company's allowances.

Read the following letter from the Navy Agents.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart.

President and Governor &c. in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Agents for the Naval Captors of Colombo &c. with a letter from the Army Agents requesting that the claim of the captors to an early distribution of the Value of the Ordnance and Military Stores captured at Colombo and its Dependencies may be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Hon'ble Court of Directors.

Having forwarded to the Army Prize Agents of the Captured Property at Colombo, your Lordship in Council's reply thro' Mr. Secretary Webbe to the Captors Claims for Payment of the valuation of the Military Stores captured at Colombo and its Dependencies, they have in consequence transmitted to us a Letter to your Lordship from themselves upon this subject which we now have the honor to inclose, and beg leave only to

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To add as Agents for the Naval Captors that we please the fairest reliance on your Lordships representing in the most favorable point of view to the Honble Court of Directors the Captors Interest to the amount valuation of those Stores as actually declared Prize by His Majesty thro' His General Officer Major General Stewart in General Order dated 22d June 1796.

We have the honor to be

Madras
3d July 1797.

Sir &c
Signed Chase Sewell & Chase
agents for the Naval Captors of Columbo
and its dependencies.

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c &c &c
Fort St. George

My Lord

Messrs Chase Sewell and Chase as Prize Agents for the Navy, and our Attorneys have forwarded to us Mr Secretary Webbs letter of the 20th Ultimo, stating that your Lordship does not think yourself at liberty to purchase the Ordnance and Military Stores from the Captors on Ceylon, without previously obtaining the sanction of the Court of Directors for that purpose.

The King having declared in the dispatches to General Stewart under date the 16th January 1796. all property captured on Ceylon to be Prize, and His Majestys gracious pleasure having been published to the Army on the 22d of June following (a Copy of which G.O. we have the honor to inclose) your Constituents of course look up to us for the produce; we therefore intreat your Lordship will be pleased by the first dispatch to address the Honble

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Fort St. George 2d July 1797.

Honble Court of Directors on the subject, as the Payment of the Ordnance and Stores will be the only cause of delay in the distribution of the Prize Money.

We beg leave to point out to the attention of your Lordship and the Honble Court of Directors, that the Ordnance and Stores at Trinkamallee, Ostenburg, Jaffnapatam, Manaar and their Dependencies have been already in use for nearly two years, and at Columbo, Point de Galle and their Dependencies for considerably above one, that the Ordnance is highly serviceable and every thing has been valued at a low and moderate rate, as we trust will appear by the Proceedings of the Committee already given in to Government, and assembled by your Lordship's Order through General Stewart.

Many of the Stores have of course been expended for the Publick Service and must continue to be used, but we make no doubt from the liberality of the Honble Court of Directors they will on application order the immediate payment of the amount as stated in the Proceedings of the different Committees of valuation, and relying on your Lordship's well known attention to the interests of the Army, we trust your exertions in behalf of the Captors will procure a speedy decision on this subject.

And have the honor to be

Your

Columbo.
20th June 1797.

Signed J. Rodgers Capt. 1st Batt. 1st Regt. N. Inft.
" J. Torrens Lieut. 52nd Regiment
for selves and Prize Agents for the Army.

G. A. C. Columbo the 22nd June 1796.

Major General Stewart has much satisfaction in publishing to the Troops under his Command the following Extracts of a letter received by him from the Right Honble

Henry

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Henry Dundas His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department. and dated Horse Guards the 16th. of January 1796.—

"I lost no time in laying your letters with their respective inclosures before the King, and I have it in express Command from His Majesty to communicate to you his perfect approbation of your arrangements and Zealous Exertions, and of the spirited and gallant behaviour shewn by every description of Officers and Men under your command in carrying this important Service into execution.—

It was extremely pleasing to His Majesty to observe that a perfect good understanding was preserved between the Naval and Land forces on the occasion, and that they assisted each other with the utmost Cordiality in the operations rendered necessary by the Enemy's resistance at Trincomalee".—

Major General Stuart has also to congratulate the Troops on his Majesty being graciously pleased to signify his Royal Pleasure that the Captors should be authorized to take such measures, and to institute such Proceedings in the Competent Courts as may be requisite for obtaining Condemnation of all Effects for their benefit captured from the Dutch on this Island.—

(Signed) R. Turing Major Brigade

A true Copy from the Orderly Book of Lieut.t Monckton the then acting Town Major.—

(Signed) D. Robertson.
Town Major

Columbo
20th. June 1797.

Ordered

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Minute thereon

Ordered that the foregoing Application be pointed out to the Notice of the Court of Directors by the Next Despatch

Hobart

" Geo. Harris

Com.d Saunders

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" Ed.d Wallscield

John Turing Esq.r

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5th

Fort St. George — July 1797.

Diary

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From the Commandant at Vizagapatam—

From Lieutenant Colonel Fotheringham advising of Lieut Prescott's having proceeded to sea for the recovery of his health & of his having consequently appointed Lieut Creswell to officiate as Fort Adjutant and Post Master during his Absence.—

From Lieut Joseph Coupland—

From Lieut Coupland — representing that he has not been able to procure from Mr Corbett the Acting Paymaster at Masulipatam a Certificate of the period up to which he has drawn his Pay and allowances — and requesting that the Arrears due to him may be discharged at the Presidency.—

From

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Fort St. George 4th July 1797

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Fort St. George 4th July 1797

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" Geo. Harris

Con.d Saunders

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" Ellis Wallace field

John Turing Esq.

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From the Garrison Storekeper

From Mr Brodie requesting an advance of 10,000 Pagodas on account of his Employ.

From the Adjutant General of the Army—

From Lieut Colonel Close recommending Promotions in the Artillery Corps to fill the Vacancies occasioned by the Death of Captain Lieut Geoghagan—

From the Offier Commanding the Westenburg Regiment

From Colonel Wagner requesting that Lieut Bellretto now at Madras may be permitted to proceed to Ceylon for the Benefit of his Health.

Received also the following letter from the Commanding Offier at Trincomale

J. Webbe Esqre

Sir

From Colonel Champagne recommending that the Hedges and useless Trees near Trincomale and Ostenburgh, and such part of the Cocoanut Trees as lay between Trincomale and Ostenburgh and the former Mess and Neals house be cut down—

The late high winds having detained the Sapale on the Coast for some days prevented me from receiving your letter of the 14th Instant till last night—

The Cocoanut and palmeria trees with strong surrounding hedges are within 600 Yards

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Yards of the Fort, and so thick that a considerable Army might commence operations against the works without the Garrison being able to discover in the least their plan of operation -

I understand when General — Stuart attacked this place his proceedings &c were very much assisted by the Dutch not being able to see what was going forward on account of the numerous compact body of trees and jungle now in question - until openings are made I really think this Fort untenable, particularly with its present small Garrison.

Having paid much attention to this subject I beg leave to offer to the Right Honorable the President in Council the propriety of first cutting down the Stong hedges and useless trees which will be attended with very little expence, will add very much to the Health of all concerned, will thin the — Tope considerably, the Inhabitants will be put to very little inconvenience and should it

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be thought necessary hereafter to cut down the Cocoa trees & the business will be executed with much more ease.

Upon a late report from Columbo which I had the honor to send to Government, I directed an opening to be made between this and Ostenburgh, it is now compleated and has this advantage, that no body of Troops can pass from the natural place to expect an Enemy to land to Ostenburgh without being seen and exposed to the fire of one or both of the Forts.

Should it not be thought eligible at present to destroy the Trees between this and the Harbour, I beg leave to recommend a similar opening to be made to Neals house which is in some degree the way from the Harbour to Trincomale and it would open to our Guns a Tank which would afford considerable cover to an Enemy.

Lieutenant Fitzpatrick is not arrived or any part of the Pioneers: on the

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5th 16th Instant he was at Point Pedro, and had not then received orders to leave it.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) J. Champagné Col.

Trincomalie
30th June 1797

6th Sent the following Letter

To Major General Doyle
Commanding the Troops on
Ceylon

Sir

To Major General Doyle on the Subject of the Exchange at which the Copper Money is issued to the Troops—Orders given for sending Money from Negore to Columbo for the use of the Troops—No intention of diminishing the Stock of Salt Provisions at present at Columbo—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of a letter under date the 10th Ultimo from the Adjutant General on Ceylon upon the Subject of Exchange.

After an attentive consideration the Right Honble the President in Council is of opinion that the determination communicated to General Stuart on 26th April 1796 respecting the value of copper Money, and the Exchange at which it was to be issued to the Troops, is every way equitable and calculated to

remove

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remove all just grounds of Complaint: I am therefore directed to acquaint you that the President in Council is pleased to confirm that regulation, and at the same time to intimate to you that the paragraph in the Government order of the 24th March last with the subsequent explanation of the 16th May quoted by Major Agnew went merely to the renewal of a regulation in force previous to that which had been expressly framed for the payment of the Troops on Ceylon, and was republished without any intention of changing that arrangement

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The copper coin being the currency of the island has been fixed by Government at its real value relative to the value of Gold: if therefore the Soldier should from local causes suffer a loss by Copper sinking below this Standard it should not be forgotten that his gain upon the proportion of Gold issued as part of his pay will fully compensate for this imaginary loss.

This consideration and the means taken to discharge all bills drawn upon the Presidency, should convince you that the regulations of Government are such, as to prevent the troops from having any just cause for dissatisfaction or complaint: but I am directed to add that with a view to relieve the inconvenience

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to which the Troops upon Ceylon might
occasionally be exposed; and among which the
exchange might be numbered. Government
have hitherto continued the indulgence of
full batta. The President in Council
therefore directs me to express his
reliance upon you for impressing
on the Officers and Soldiers under your
Command a proper sense of the positive
advantages, which they enjoy in consi-
deration to the negative injury, which it
is pretended they suffer by not reaping
again upon the Exchange.

I am further directed to
acknowledge the receipt of two letters
from Brigade Major Wilson of the 16th
and 21st ultimo — In regard to the first,
orders have been sent to the Resident at
Nagore, when a considerable Sum of
money is collected, to use the best and
earliest means of conveying it to Columbo;

(and

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5th and Government will avail themselves of the first Safe conveyance of furnishing you with supplies of cash from the Presidency.

In respect to the last letter, I am to acquaint you that there never was any intention of diminishing the Store of Provisions at Columbo.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(signed) C. Webbe Secry to Govt.

Fort St George
5th July 1797.

To Major General Floyd

Commanding the Southern Division of the Army. at Trichinopoly

To Major General Floyd a Horse to be presented to Abdul Cawder and Horse allowance granted him as an additional Testimony of the Boards approbation of his — conduct — The Jemadal promoted to the rank of Syrang —

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 25th ultimo and to inform you that the Right Honble the President in Council has felt great satisfaction in publishing this additional testimony of the Galantry and Conduct of Subadar Abdul Cawder: and in order to make

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mark more strongly his Lordships sense of the Subadar's merit, I am directed to desire that a horse such as you approve may be purchased and presented to Abdul — Cawder in the name of Government who authorize him to draw the established horse allowance in addition to his other allowances—

The Tindal has, as you will observe by the General Order of this date been promoted to the rank of Syrang

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(signed) J Webbe Secy to Govt

Fort St. George
5th July 1797

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To the Commandant at Amboor

To Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson expressing of the Boards Satisfaction at the attempt made by Lieut Davies to seize the Persons of Shunmah and Bojaup—and approving his Suggestion regarding

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regarding the disposal of the Property taken from them and their relations.

To Lieut Colonel Vigors —

To the Commandant at Angole

authorizing him to appoint a Garrison Serjeant Major.

To Lieut Colonel Fotheringham, —

To the Commandant at Vizagapatam

desiring that the Clothing for the late 20th Battalion which has been landed at Vizagapatam may be sent to the Presidency by the first Sea Conveyance —

To Major General Sydenham

To the Military & Auditor General

with instructions respecting the Pay of the Surgeon and Second and the additional Serjeant Major and Quarter Master Serjeant attached to His Majesty's 12th Regiment — authorizing him to pass Mr Gilmour's Bills for the usual allowance on account of his attendance on the Sick of Detachment of the 2d Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry —

To the Town Major directing

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him to make up specified Numbers of —

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Tin Kettles, Platters, Mushucks, Spoons, Hammocks, and Cumblies for the Troops under orders for Foreign Service.

From the Garrison Storekeeper —

Rec'd a Letter from the Garrison Storekeeper / entered in Min. No 21 / advising of his having rec'd the penalty of 1000 Pag.s forfeited by the Contractor for water Casks and annulled his Contract —

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor. President

Lieutenant General Harris

Friday 7th July 1797

Edward Saunders

and

Ernst William Falkfield } Esqrs.

Minutes of last consultation read and approved

The President proposes that the

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the following letter of Congratulation be addressed to his Highness the Nizam upon the return of his Minister Azim ul Omrah to Hydrabad / entered also in C.C. No 66. /

To His Highness the Soubahdar of the Decan

&c &c &c &c &c

To the Nizam — congratulatory on the return of his Minister Azim ul Omrah to Hydrabad —

May it please your Highness

Having been informed by the Resident at your Highness's Durbar of the Arrival of Azim ul Omrah at Golcondah, I have much satisfaction in offering your Highness my sincere congratulation on this joyful event.

The wisdom of your Highness's selection, in placing an Omrah of his abilities, and virtue in so conspicuous a Station, as that of Minister to your Highness, has been manifested in the exercise of his superior talents, for the advantage and welfare of your Highness's Dominions;

and

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and considering your connection with the
Company as the cement by which
the strength and happiness of both
Governments must be secured, I —
cannot but view Azim ul Omrah's
return to the administration of
your affairs as an auspicious —
omen of the continuance of their
mutual prosperity —

Looking at the conduct
of Azim ul Omrah in the full and
splendid enjoyments of all the —
honors which attach upon the
confidence of your Highness, it
was not surprising that, sensible of
its high value, he should endeavour
to preserve it by a faithful —
performance of the important trust
committed to his charge, but I
must confess that it was with
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no small degree of admiration, that I — contemplated the vigor and firmness of that mind which, under all the depression of adversity, was capable of exerting an active and well timed energy, as unexampled, as it has been — successful in the advancement of your Highness's interests. —

Under such an impression it would be presumption in me to attempt to convey my ideas of the feelings of your Highness upon this auspicious occasion, or even of the satisfaction I experience in offering my congratulations upon it

What can I say more?

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Read the following Letter from the Attorney General—

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Presidents and Governor in Council

From the Attorney General communicating his opinion on the objection made by Mr. Mottet to the powers vested on the new Court of revision at Pondicherry.

My Lord

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's letter of 28th Ultimo covering one from Mons.r Mottet and desiring my opinion as to the objections of that Gentleman to the powers given to the new Court of Revision at Pondicherry.

In granting authority to that Court to hear and determine Requetes Civiles as well as Requetes en Cassation, in the same manner as they would have been heretofore determined in the Privy Council of the late French King— Mr Mottet thinks it had not come to the knowledge of Government that the first of these namely Requetes Civiles whereby the Local regulations of Pondicherry always decided in the Superior Council, and had never been taken cognizance

of

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of by the Kings Privy Council, and that therefore an error had in this respect crept unperceived into your Resolutions of 30th May — On this I would observe that the Court of Revision having been intended as a Substitute for the Privy Council, and expressly restrained to the powers it so exercised in cases of Inquiries — it seems to follow that if the Privy Council never took cognizance of Inquiries Civil, no cognizance of them can be claimed by the Court of Revision, which, in that case, retains only the decision of Matters in Litigation and of these it is not denied that the decision heretofore lay with the Privy Council —

In regard to the Amende of 450 Livres Mr Mollet intimates that it was some times not so heavy — but as this fine is only about 45 Pags and I believe forfietable only on failing to establish the matter complained of: possibly too, no more than a necessary check to litigation, I submit it to your Lordship: whether it may not as well — remain as it is —

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I have the honor to be,
My Lord, &c &c
(Signed) Benjn Sullivan

(Covered)

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Annexed thereon

Ordered that a Copy of the foregoing
Letter be sent to the Commandant for the guidance
of the Supreme Council at Pondicherry.

" Hobart

" Geo: Hames

" Con Saunders

" E Wallace

John Turing Esq.

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Diary

Received the following Letters.

To Josiah Webbe Esqr

Secretary at Fort St George

Sir,

From Bombay relative to a Demand made by Captain Bond of the Drake Cruizer on account of Major Agnew's passage from Tutacorin to Columbo and back again.

I am directed by the Board to — transmit you Copy of an application that has been made to them by Captain Bond of the Marine and to request you will be pleased to inform them if his Lordship in Council has any objections to the charge being carried to the debit of the Fort St George Presidency.—

I herewith inclose you a Packet for the Committee of Government in Malabar and have to request you will be pleased to forward it by the first conveyance

I have the honor to be

Sir &c &c

John Morris Secry

Bombay Castle

20th June 1797

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Philip Dundas Esqr
Superintendant

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose the following Letters, one from the Madras Government, one from Major Agnew Deputy Adjutant General on that Establishment, & one from Lieutenant Colonel Campbell of Kaylan, also a bill for your inspection for Major Agnew Deputy Adjutant General of the Madras Army on his being sent with a Flag of truce to treat for the Surrender of Columbo and the delivery of the Swiss Regiment of Meuron to the English his Passage from Columbo to Tuticorin and back which I hope will prove satisfactory and request you will transmit the Enclosed Do to the Honble the President in Council for their approval -

Bombay
12 June 1797

I have the honor to be
Sir, &c &c
(Signed) Chas. John Bond
Capt. of the Doake

true Copy
(Signed) John Morris
Secy

To

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To Captain Bond

or the Senior officer of the Honble Company's
Ships Cruising on the Gulph of Manar

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the
President in Council to desire in case Major
Agnew the bearer of this letter should require the
Services of one of the Honble Cruizers under
your Command, that you will obey any
requisition he may make to you to that
effect -

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

Fort St George
22d September 1795

true Copy
(Signed) John Morris Secy

To Captain Bond

Commanding the Honble Company's Cruizers in
the Gulph of Manar -

Sir

I have the honor to deliver to you the
orders of the Government of Madras, directing
you to comply with such requisitions as I
might find it expedient to make for the
Public

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Public Service — I have in consequence to request that you will convey me as soon as possible to the Roads of Columbo, where by such mode as you may judge most proper, you will enable me to communicate under a Flag of Truce to the Dutch Government of Ceylon, the purport of the Despatches with which I am charged from the Right Honble the Governor and Council of Fort St George.

Tutucorin
6th October 1795

I have the honor to be
Sir, &c &c
(signed) P. A. Agnew
Dep Adj Genl

A true Copy
(signed) John Morris Secy

To Captain Bond
or Officer Commanding the Honble
Company's Cruizers

Sir,

I shall sail Tutucorin on the 24th Instant and I expect a Gentleman there from Madras about that time, who will want the use of one of your
Vessels

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Vessels, I need not tell you that the Swiftest will suit best, and as it is on a public Service of importance, I trust that one will remain at Puna. bill for that purpose until you hear further — favor me with an answer by the bearer —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) D. Campbell
Lt Colo Comg Pallamcotah &
the Troops in the Tinnevelly Province

Kytar Cantonment
22d September 1795

The Honble Company Dr

To Passage and accommodation afforded to —
Major Agnew Aajutant General of the
Madras Army when sent with a flag of truce
to treat for the Surrender of Columbo and
the delivery of the Swiss Regiment of
Meuron to the English and back to &
Fullcurune agreeably to the requisitions
of the Madras Government —— Rs 400.

Bombay
27th May 1797 —

(Signed) Chas John Bond
Capt of the Drake

true Copy
John Morris Secy

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government

Sir

From Captain William Macleod with Bills for Expences incurred in procuring Intelligence from January to June inclusive -

I forward herewith my Accounts for Intelligence from the 1st of January 1797 to the 30th of last Month - the Amount of them if approved by the Right Honble the Governor in Council, I request may be made payable to Messrs Daly and Cockburn -

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) William Macleod Capt

Selum
5th July 1797

Abstract of Disbursements for Intelligence from 1st January to 30th June 1797 -

	Pay of Harcarahs	Rewards	Allowance	Total
	Ps. ℳ ℔	ℳ ℔	Ps. ℳ ℔	ℳ ℔
January 1797	23 11 20	9 24 18	50 " "	82 35 38
February	27 11 20	26 3 36	50 " "	103 14 56
March	27 11 20	35 3 36	50 " "	112 14 56
April	27 11 20	7 17 24	50 " "	84 28 44
May	27 11 20	22 27 55	50 " "	99 38 75
June	27 11 20	13 10 30	50 " "	90 21 50
	Pagodas 159 22 40	113 41 39	300 - -	573 18 79

Selum 5th July 1797 (Signed) William Macleod

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Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in MB Nos 22.23.24.25-

To the Secretary to the Committee of the Bombay Government at Pillicherry

To Mr I. A Grant enclosing a Letter for the Committee received from Bombay

To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Sydenham directing him to prepare forms of Accounts of Expenditures and Remarks to be observed by the Commissary of Provisions who will be appointed to accompany the Troops ordered on Foreign Service

To Mr Brodie desiring him

To the Garrison Store-keeper-

to furnish the Military Board with such information as they may require on all points connected with the Duties of his Department.

To Major General Braithwaite

To the Commandant at Pondicherry

enclosing Copy of the Attorney General's reply to the remarks of Mons^r Mattet on the powers vested in the new Court of Revision at Pondicherry-

Received the undermentioned Letters entered in MB Nos 26.27.28.29-

From Major General Sydenham

From the Military Auditor General

inclosing his Letter of Audit on the accounts of the Deputy King's Paymaster General, from the

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the 25th July 1796 to the 24th April 1797-

From the Commandant at Trincomale

From Lieut Colonel Champagne advising of his having appointed Sub-Conductor John James Brown to be a Conductor of Ordnance and attached him to the Garrison of Trincomale Battalion

From Lieut Colonel Stuart

From Lieut Colonel Stuart requesting that the Board will reconsider his claim to House Rent, while in command of the Vizagapatam District

From the Commandant at Vellore:

From Captain Forbes - advising of his having obliged a Foreigner of the Name of Wallerstrom travelling Northwards to return to the Presidency to procure the necessary Passport

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Sent the following Letter to the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad.

To the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad enclosing a letter for the Nizam Congratulating on a safe arrival Rowrah's return to Hydrabad -

To Captain I. A. Kirkpatrick

Assistant Resident

at

Hydrabad

Sir,

I am directed to inclose a letter, which

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which the Right Honble the President in Council has judged it advisable to — address to his Highness the Nizam upon the return of Azim ul Omrah to — Hyderabad.

Looking upon the restoration of Azim ul Omrah to his Highness's — Councils as the best means of preserving that alliance which was cemented by the treaty of Seringapatam for the maintenance of the balance of power in India, and of curbing the influence of a party inimical to the British interests, his Lordship — has judged it every way expedient to offer his congratulations on this event. Should however any circumstances have occurred not at present foreseen or should you have received any instructions — from the Supreme Government, which may render it necessary in your — judgement to postpone the delivery of this Letter, the President in Council —

must

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must of course rely upon your discretion in this respect still keeping in view his Lordships wish and opinion that such a communication should at this juncture be made to his Highness the Nizam

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I am
Sir &c &
(signed) J Webbe
Secy to Govt

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Received the undermentioned Letters as entered in M.B Nos 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35—

From the Military Paymaster at Fort St George—

From the Honble Basil Cochrane—enclosing an Account Sales of 132 East Horses, amounting to Pags 1793, 6, 40 for which Sum he has given credit to the Military Paymaster General.

From the Commandant at Nellore

From Captain A Forbes requesting that Government will authorize the Military Auditor General to pass Mr McKay's Bill for attendance on the Detachment of the 2 Battalion 9th Native Regt

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From the Commandant at Ryacottah

11th Regiment doing Garrison duty at Nellore.

From Major Doveton requesting that orders may be issued for paying the Arrears due to Mr Assistant Surgeon Carnie on account of his attendance on the Detachments of the 1st Battalion 4th Regiment Native Infantry doing duty in Garrison at Ryacottah.

From the officer commanding the Nizams Detachment

From Major Kynsman expressing his Acknowledgements of the alacrity and Zeal of the different Collectors in the Circars in providing the Supplies required for the use of his Detachment on its March—

From the Adjutant General on Ceylon

From Major Agnew advising of the Death of Major General Doyle on the Night of the 2d Instant

From the Commandant at Columbo

From Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple to the same purport

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor — President

Tuesday 11th July — Lieut. General Harris

Edward Saunders

and

Ernst William Tallofield } Esqrs

Minutes of last Consultation

read and approved —

Read the following letters

from Hydrabad and Poonah.

J. Webbe Esqre

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I herewith enclose for the information of the Right Honble the President in Council, Translate of a Paper of Intelligence put into my hands by Azim ul Omrah, at my late visit to that Minister. — (I have

From the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad — forwarding Mysore Intelligence communicated to him by Azim ul Omrah — promises to furnish the Statement of the Nizams account Current required by — Government — states that with the assistance of Mr Ushtroff he is enabled to pay off the first Kist of the Peishcush for Phuzely 1206 —

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I have likewise to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 21st ultimo, & beg you will assure the Right Honble the President in Council, that I shall pay every attention to the suggestion — contained in the close of the first Paragraph of your Letter, and furnish as soon as — possible, the statements required from me — in the mean time it may not be altogether unacceptable to the Right Honble the President in Council to know, that I have already paid this State a Lack and a half of Rupees in Spruce towards the — liquidation of the 1st List of A. F. 1206, and that Mr. Ichthoff the Assistant at Poonah has engaged, if required to do so by — Azem ul Omrah, to pay as much — more to his order there as will be necessary to compleat another Lack and a half, and towards the discharge of which that Gentleman has already paid either to the Minister or his — order

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order the sum of about Sixty thousand Rupees—

Hydrabad
1st July 1797—

I am
Sir, &c &c
Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translate of a Paper of Intelligence communicated by Azem ul Omrah, to Captain Kirkpatrick, and collected from a spair of Hircarrahs belonging to Tippoo Sultaun, employed in examining for that Prince's information, the state of the Rivers, Kistna, and Tungbudra

Hydrabad 28th June 1797—

The following is the account collected by some of his Highness the Nizam's people from a pair of Hurkarrahs belonging to Tippoo Sultaun, whom they met on the borders

That Tippoo Sultaun was at Seringapatam, that the inner wall of the City was completed, and that Coowds of workmen were employed night and day in completing

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computing the second or outward one, that two Frenchmen and a Dubash had lately arrived at Seringapatam, and that they had an interview with the Sultaun in the Diriah Dowlut Baug, at which they are said to have apprized him, of large — Squadron of French Ships of War, besides Transports having on board twelve hundred Europeans, and ten thousand Blacks, together with three hundred Pieces of Cannon, Shot and ammunition, in short of every kind, — being on its way to India, and that this Armament might be expected shortly at Mangalore. These Frenchmen therefore — requested that the Sultaun would allow them / the French / a Spot of Ground to erect a Factory upon at Mangalore, when they / the French / engaged to cooperate with him, with all their might and main not only to recover his lost territory from the English, but to root them out entirely from this part of the Globe. That

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Tippoo Sultaun told these Frenchmen in reply, that for the present he should give them no answer, but that on the arrival of the Ships &c in question at Mangalore, he would after an investigation of the truth of their report, let them know his determination. That the Vakuls in consequence set off for Mangalore, and soon after the Sultaun agreeable to their particular request, sent off thither a thousand Bungarah Bullocks laden with Grain for the use of the appointed Troops.

These Hirkarahs likewise report that some time after the departure of the French Vakuls, two Persons riding in Palanquins Arrived at Seringapatam, as Vakuls on the part of the English. That these latter set forth to the Sultaun, that it having reached the Ears of the English, that he (Tippoo) had received French Vakuls, who had applied for leave to erect a Factory at Mangalore, they had been deputed to him on

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on the part of the English to require him on no account, since friendship subsisted between their Sirkar, and his, to grant an inch of Ground for a Factory to the French, with whom they were at War, nor cultivate any friendship with them. The above argument however, had no weight with the Sultaun, being far from his views, he therefore dismissed the Vakeels without a Satisfactory Answer. That the Sultaun is absolutely bent upon — cultivating the Friendship of the French, with whom he means to cooperate and declare War against the English, his language in full Durbar being of late constantly this "The English have taken "from me a large tract of Country, and "enormous Sums, they likewise carried away "my Sons as hostages. I will therefore "once more try if I can take vengance "for the injuries they have done me, and "blot out if possible the very name of "an Englishman from this part of the World."

That

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That full of his revenge Tippoo dismissed the English Vakeels without the least ceremony though he had behaved very differently to the French Vakeels on their departure for Mangalore. That the Sultaun was anxiously waiting for the Arrival of the French Ships abovementioned.

The Hircarra's further reported, that some time ago a Bramin a Mullasuddie of the Sultaun's forged a Letter of traiterous Correspondence with Balagie Pundit which having been intercepted, was delivered to the Sultaun, who upon perusal of the same, found in it the Names of Kurreem Saheb, Tippoo's Brother Kummer ud Deen Khan, Shaistah Khan, Meer Sadie, Mahomed Reza, Baker Alikhan, and the Dewan Purneah. That this Letter at first gave him much uneasiness, but after a weeks investigation he discovered that the whole was a forgery, for which he immediately

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caused the Bramin Mullasuddy to be hanged—

The Hircarahs moreover reported that the Sultaun had Summoned the whole of his Forces, Cavalry, Infantry, and Peishdahs together with all the Aumildars — Killedars, and Talookdars throughout his Territories to the Presence; and that they had all accordingly proceeded to the — Capital, excepting the Force at Goote commanded by Syed Ghuffaar which it was Tipboos intention to reinforce — immediately after the Mohurrum with the whole of the Freebooting Cavalry — under Ghaze Khan, and Muddoo Khan the Beerah Chiefs

These Hircarahs further said, that they were sent by the — Sultaun for the purpose of bringing him advice of the Arrival of Azeem ul Omrah at Hydrabad, as well as for that

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of ascertaining the State of the Rivers
Kishna and Tungbudra

A true Translate
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor of Fort St George

From the Assistant at Poonah relative to two persons who have arrived there on the Capacity of Vackeels from the Nabob of the Carnatic a reconciliation said to have taken place between Sindia Rauojee Bhoonsla and Nana Furnavese

My Lord

I have the honor to enclose, for your Lordship's information, Extract of my Advices of the date to the Governor General, and to be very respectfully

My Lord &c &c
(Signed) J. Uhthoff

Poonah
27th June 1797

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Joshua Uhthoff to the Governor General dated 27th June 1797

On the 24th Instant arrived in Doulut Row Sindea's camp Kauder Yar Khan, and another person professing to be Vakeels from the Nawaub of the Carnatic. They brought a letter and a few presents from the Nawaub for Doulut Row. I am endeavouring

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endeavouring to collect the requisite information respecting them, which shall be hereafter submitted to you, together with what has lately passed here about Soobrow, who has not yet taken his departure.

At the meeting between — Doulut Row Sindia and Ragojee Bhonsla on the 23 Instant, Nanna Furnavees was present, and I am credibly informed that Oaths of reconciliation passed between the three: that Ragoje Bhonsla became security for — Nanna's good faith toward Baajy Row and Doulut Row, and that Doulut Row took on himself the responsibility of Baajy Row's acting with good faith toward Nanna. It is — expected that a meeting will take place in a day or two between Baajy Row, Nanna, and Doulut Row. Doulut Row's guards are still at the Peshwa's palace in town, and Ahmed-nuggur is not yet in Doulut Row's possession I know not that any period is yet finally — determined upon for Ragoje Bhonslas departure

True Extracts
(signed) J Malcolm

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Read the following Letter from the Creditors of his Highness the Nabob.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President & Governor &c in Council

Fort St. George

From the Nabob's Private Creditors remonstrating against the Loss they sustain from receiving their Dividends in Paper instead of Cash

My Lord

With due Submission we take leave to represent to your Lordship that in the course of the last twelve Months only two Dividends have been issued in Specie to the Creditors of His Highness the Nabob, the consequence of which has been that not only ourselves, but the Community at large have sustained very serious inconvenience from the Payments expected to come into circulation in Specie being issued in Paper—

We will not trouble your Lordship by dwelling on the well known Scarcity of Specie now in circulation, and of the extreme distress and difficulties that Trade

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trade in consequence labours under. but trust your Lordship will advert to these circumstances and be pleased to issue the ensuing Dividend in Cash. holding us at the same time excused in adding that we are considerable sufferers by receiving the last Dividend in Paper – as the quantity of the different descriptions of Government Paper now in circulation and which is daily increasing, necessarily occasions a progressive rise in the rate of discount on the issue of all Papers from the Treasury –

We have the honor to be
My Lord &c &c

Fort St. George
6th July 1797 –

Chase Sewell & Chase
for selves & constituents
George Westcott for selves
Rilling Hodgkins & Co for selves
and constituents
Benj.n Roebuck for selfe &
constituent
Coll.y Baker Day & Co.s for
selves and constituents
Kindersley Wales & Co for selves
& constituents
Fullok Jervis & Brodie for
selves & Constituents
Daly & Cockburn for selves
& constituents
F. Lauber & Co for Selves
& Constituents

Signed

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occupied as a Dispensary, and an Estimate of the Expence that would attend their execution.

The late Contractors for Buildings and Repairs having forwarded to our Board the accompanying Bills Nos 3, 4 and 5 amounting to Pagodas 32 42: 19: 32 for additional Work executed at Arnee, and Tiagar; and it appearing from a Minute of the Chief Engineer thereon, that the additional Work done at Arnee was necessary for the security of the Building from the nature of the Soil, although not authorized, we beg leave to recommend the Subject to the consideration of Government, as well as the Charge for repairs made at Tiagar by direction of Lieutenant Colonel Wahab, in consequence of the Roof of one of the Store Rooms having fallen in, and some additional Work being required for the security of the Granary and Magazines -

In consequence of the want of a Place at Kistnagherry and Sankeridroog wherein to lodge the quantity of Wet Stores ordered

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ordered to be laid in at each Station, Our Board directed a Survey to be held on the Grain at those Posts; and it appearing that the quantity surplus to the States Proportion is eighty four (84) Garce at Kistnagherry, and fifty Six (56) Garce at Sankerydroog, which being in a State of decay may now be disposed of to more advantage than if deferred, and the further object of obtaining room for the new Stores be accomplished, We accordingly recommend that authority be given to the proper Officers for the Surplus Grain before stated being sold off.-

On the subject of the Chief Engineer's Letter to your Lordship, forwarded to us with Letter from Government under date the 7th Instant, We have the Honor to state as our opinion, that the completing the Rampart of the East Face of the Fort is no less necessary for its preservation, than for general defence; and to recommend that the same be accordingly authorized, it being for the completion of a work long left in different stages of advancement

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advancement, we consider it to be of a nature to warrant a deviation from the general — principle of Contract, and therefore submit to your Lordship the propriety of its being finished on Estimate by an officer of — Engineers.

Having received from Mr Contractor Bowie the accompanying Bill, amounting to Pagodas 2220 — — for Tents delivered by him into the Arsenal all of which have been found on examination by a Committee of our Board to be in every respect fit for the Service, We in consequence beg leave to recommend that the same be passed for payment —

We have the honor to be
My Lord &c &c

Fort St George
26th June 1797 —

(Signed) Geo: Harris
Patrick Ross
Thomas Wells
Wm Sydenham
Jno Richardson
By Close
George Hall

(Major

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Major General Giles in perusing the Letter of Government of the 7th Instant, read Yesterday at the Board, observes with much concern, that his Lordship in Council, are pleased to follow up the Idea, of Major General Giles harbouring a wish to pursue delinquents which he uniformly disclaimed, and in proof of which, least his Minute of the 30th April, should admit of such a construction, he will take leave to transcribe the one he had the honor to offer, on the 8th of May, which does not seem to have been immediately noticed by Government

"Major General Giles deems it necessary only, in reply to the Adjutant Generals Minute of the 4th Instant, to disclaim every wish on his part, of going into retrospect, regarding the Store Lascars: such an Idea never once entered his mind, nor does he apprehend, that either the Letter, or Spirit, of his Minute of the 30th ultimo, to which the Adjutant General has reference can warrant

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warrant a conclusion of that tendency, notwithstanding the Adjutant General has drawn one Major General Gils in pursuing the line of his duty, as a Member of the Military Board, has pointed out particular abuses in the Service, and with all due deference has left it to Government, to apply such remedy as they in their wisdom may judge most expedient

"Major General Gils, concurs in opinion with the Adjutant General, that it is to be regretted, that as those abuses were generally understood, or rather that they existed many years ago, they were not then openly detected - At the period alluded to, Major General Gils was not a Member of the Military Board, and therefore it was not in his power to bring them forward, had they then been within his knowledge - as the past cannot perhaps be now touched on, with any good effect Major General Gils feels himself fully satisfied in

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in benefiting by the present moment to root out an existing evil, so that it may not be — injurious in future — The extent of the frauds, as the Adjutant General has been pleased to denominate the abuses, Major General Gils had held up to the view of the Board for their consideration and as far as it may be in their power, their correction — by an easy analogy justifies the Assertion, that one half of the present number of Lascars are sufficient for all the duties they ought to perform, and it is consistent with Major General Gils's knowledge and opinion, that one third of them, are as many as ought to be allowed in time of Peace — How far his opinion relative to this pay may be received, and consequently how far this may be a further saving to the Company, rests — entirely with Government.

"In concluding this reply, — Major General Gils wishes to impress on the minds of the Board, that in submitting to

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to their consideration, abuses that had come within his observation, he never meant that prosecutions should be carried on against individual Offenders.—Firmly convinced that the Company would not derive any advantage from the measure, even if it were practicable a correction of these abuses, a saving of — 30,000 Pags a Year to the Company, and the evident good of the service as the certain consequence of such correction, was his only object, and in his humble conception, a meritorious one."—

Government not appearing to view this matter in the same light with Major General Gaile it might be imprudent in him to press the subject further on their notice—

Major General Gaile was led into error regarding the Allowances of Mr — Bishop, as Superintendant of the Gun Powder Manufactory, from that Gentleman's own representation— The parallel between that

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that, and Major General Giles's own allowances, are no doubt in point, and he recollects the allowance was given to Major General Sydenham on his removal from the Town Majorcy — Major General Giles's succeeding to it, was not till after the Honble Court of Directors had determined his right to — Command the 1st Battalion of Artillery — which had been withheld from him, the Cantonment of the Mount, and his seat at the Military Board: and the Sixty Pagodas was allotted in addition to their other Regimental Allowances of Pay Batta &c yet it is much to be doubted whether either Major Generals Giles, or Sydenham, supposing they were otherwise duly — qualified, would willingly devote so large a portion of their time as the Superintendance of the Powder Works must necessarily exact — for the same allowance as enabled them to direct the conversion of Stores in the Laboratory of Fort St George, with the

assistance

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Assistance of a Sub Director, on an additional Salary also of Twenty five Pagodas P Month

Major General Giels feels extreme regret he should have incurred Government's displeasure in a matter he only meant to respectfully to offer for the good of the Service. The advancement of Mr Bishop from a Subordinate Situation, to an office of trust and responsibility he hopes will be found a furtherance of this; and however unguarded Major General Giels may have been in his manner of introducing a Person of more than common ability to Public notice, he trusts Mr Bishop's own good sense will guard him against, shewing the least dissatisfaction at the conduct of his Superiors, or any other sentiment but those of the most grateful acknowledgements for every indulgence of Government.

Mount 6th June
1797.

(Signed) Thomas Geils

True Copy
(Signed) Fred: Pierce
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Additional Regulations for the Military Board.

Article 37 The Military Board are in future to class their recommendations for all the Public Works under one of the following descriptions, assigning at the same time, the grounds upon which they consider the Works proposed to be executed, applicable to either class

1st Repairs, or new constructions, — which will not admit of delay without injury, or prejudice to the Public Service —

2d Repairs, which though not immediately, and indispensably necessary, would if deferred to a future period, occasion comparatively a much greater expence, when they should become unserviceable

3d Works which tho useful and expedient, in different degrees, may be postponed, or undertaken, according to the duration of Government.

38 All advertisements for Public Contracts, draughted under the orders of the Military

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Military Board, shall contain the form in which the Proposals are to be made, and a notification that any duviation from such form, will subject the Proposals to rejection in the first instance —

By Authority of the Right Honorable the President in Council

Minute of the Chief Engineer

The Chief Engineer informs the Board, that he has examined into the state of the Dispensary, and finds that great repairs are required to the Roof, Walls, and flooring, of all the Medicine Godowns, and that part of the Buildings allotted to the Superintendent is in such a ruinous state that it is in danger of falling in. He at the same time informs the Board that there is a Room under that part of the building constantly kept locked which it will be necessary to have opened before any account of the repairs can take

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take place, and he was deterred from breaking open the door, being informed the building is private Property. Having sent for the Proprietor, who delivered him the accompanying Petition with a variety of Papers in support of his Claim to Rent, which he requested might be taken into consideration previous to his parting with the Godown.

Major General Ross thinks it necessary to inform the Board thus much before any Estimates are prepared, as he wishes to have the opinion of the Board respecting the Extent of the repairs—

17th June 1797—

(Signed) Patrick Ross

True Copy

(Signed) Fred Pierce

Secry & Accountt Mily Board

To

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To the Honble George Pigot Esqre

President and Governor of Fort St. George

The humble Petition of Teagapah

Chetty

Sheweth

Your Petitioner begs leave to set forth his demand on Mutoomar Chetty, which are Viz.t

	Pags.
One Bond at Interest	8,000 - -
Your Petitioners Father being a quarter Share with Tomby Chetty as Company's Merchant Advanced him on this Account	10,000
After his late Father's Decease, a further was advanced him on this Account	10,000
Pagodas	20,000 -

These 20,000 Pagodas for which remains in his Possession, and to this day never settled this Account, nor paid a Single Cash, and besides in the Government of Mr Thomas Pitt, your Petitioners Uncle, Venkata Chetty, and Mutoomar Chetty's Grand Father, Kellava Chetty, were joint partners as Company's Merchants

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Merchants and jointly purchased the Spot of Ground where the Godown in Town now in the hands of Mutoomar Chetty stands, cost them the Sum of Pagodas 7000. for building. since Tomby Chitty's time, Tellesinga Chetty, always yearly received — Pags 500 for the Rent of the said Godown, which will amount to Pagodas 40,000 and kept it intirely to themselves without allowing your Petitioner any part thereof. The Purchase Bill of Sale of the said Spot of Ground, in the name of Killava Chetty and Vencata Chetty, remains in your — Petitioner's Custody till the late French Troubles here, when it was lost. half of the said Ground was pulled by the Company, and when Payment is to be made for it. Mutoomarry Chetty intends to keep it all to himself, the truth of all this in regard to the said Godown Mr. Monro — knows full well.

At the time of your Petitioners late father's Death, an Estate of 100,000 Pagodas was left him, appointed Linga Chetty, father

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Shewey Chetty, Tomby Chetty, Rungamar Tomby Chetty, and Triplasore Mar Chetty, the Money was locked up in a Chest and the Key delivered to the Care of Lunga Chetty's Father. Shewey Chetty, and Continued so till Mr Macrae's — Government when Tomby Chetty making — a present of Pagodas 3000 to the Governor got permission to take thy Key of the abovementioned Chest into his Custody and Squandered away a part of the Money.

The Accounts of Pag.s 21,000 — advanced him partnership as Company's — Merchants is in your Petitioners hands. but the advantages Reaped by this Trade is best Know to Muttoomar Chetty, your Pet.r therefore humbly Prays your Honor will be so good to order some proper person to Examine these Accounts and Stille it being very — desirous to see the same Adjusted as to your Honor shall seem just —

And your Pet.r as in duty Bound
Shall Ever Pray

true Copy
(Signed) Fred.i Pierce Secry & Accounts Sicky Board

(To

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To Lieut Colonel Gent Chief Engineer

Sir

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to transmit you Extract of a report from the Hospital Board, and to desire you will ascertain whether the Room adjoining the Dispensary be the property of the Native who claims it—

I am
Sir &c
(Signed) W.C. Jackson Secry

Fort St George
9th October 1794

A true Copy
Fred. Pierce Secry Pro tem. Hospl Board

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council

My Lord

In obedience to your Lordships commands under date the 9th October, desiring me to ascertain whether the Room adjoining Dispensary be the property of the Native who claims it, I beg to inform your Lordship that I sent for Tomby Chetty the Native whose property it

is

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to said to be, he has neither Grant or Bill of Sale to produce, but it appears that he pays the Honble Company Scavengers Duty and Quit Rent for the Premises and has done so for many Years past.

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22d November 1794

I have the honor to be
My Lord &c &c
(Signed) W. Gent

True Copy

Extract from the Books of the Engineers Office under the Head of Repairs of Buildings —

1764								
May	31st	Repairing	Mootiomar Chetty's	Godown		45	5	42
June	30	do	do	do		39	33	36
July	31st	do	do	do		31	35	45
August	31st	do	do	do		27	35	36
September	30th	do	do	do		27	12	38
October	31st	do	do	do		11	33	79
November	30th	do	do	do		13	10	49
December	31st	do	do	do		2	27	00
1765 June	30th	do	do	do		29	4	31
July	31st	do	do	do		4	32	34
September	30	do	do	do		6	19	—

A true Extract
(Signed) W. Gent
Chief Engineer

True Copy
(Signed) Fred Pierce
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List of the Packet

		Dates
No. 1	Report to Government	26th June 1797
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3	Additional Regulations for the Military Board	
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5	Minute of the Chief Engineer with the Papers referred to therein	14th —"—
6	Bills No. 3. 4 and 5 from the late Contractors for Buildings and Repairs amounting to Pagodas 3242. 19. 32.—	
7	Bill from Mr Contractor Bourie amounting to Pagodas 2220—"—	

Military Board
Office 3d July 1797—

(Signed) Fred. Pierce
Secy Vacount.
Mily Board

÷ approved and published in G.O. No 89— 11th July 1797.—

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board.

The Board observe that Major General Gels having declined to specify or go into a proof of the abuses, which he had stated generally in his former Minutes, has put it out of their power to pursue the subject any farther

At the same time the Board feel it incumbent upon them to record their entire disapprobation of so general an imputation of guilt as that brought forward by Major General Gels apparently without the means or even the intention of seriously substantiating it, and they think it necessary to warn the Court of Directors against charges of so vague a nature which, while they create difference among their Servants in India, must tend to mislead their Superiors in England.

The Board approve the additional Regulations, which have been suggested for the guidance of the Military Board. Ordered therefore that an authenticated Copy be transmitted to them.

Resolved that the regulations which

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the Military Board have recommended for conducting publick works, buildings and Repairs be adopted and published in general orders —

In compliance with the 24 recommendation of the Military Board. Resolved to direct that the rampart upon the east face may be completed by an Engineer upon estimate, and that the necessary orders may accordingly be issued by the Military Board to Lieutenant Colonel Gent.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council &c &c &c

From the Military Board recommend advances of Cash on Account of erecting the air Furnace and repairing musketry preconnicks also the repairing and washing the Company's Buildings in Fort St George desires to know the Extent of their control over the ordnance department on Taylors Bills for Repairs made to the Gram godown at Arcot recommended for payment —

My Lord,

and for the Arrack We have been honored by the receipt of a Letter of the 24th Instant from Government, wherein the construction of an Air Furnace in the Neighbourhood of the Powder Mills is authorized; and in consequence beg leave to recommend to your Lordship in Council, that an advance of one hundred (100) Pagodas being a third of the estimated probable Expence thereof, may be made to Colonel Gent, to whom the execution of the work is confided by the chief Engineer —

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The same communication having signified to us your Lordships Commands for accepting the terms offered by Mr Webb for repairing the Musketry in the Arsenal, we in consequence recommend that an Advance of one thousand /1000/ Pagodas be made to him on that account.

We are to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Webbs Letter of the 24th Instant, referring for our examination and report, Estimates for repairing and washing the Company's Buildings in the Fort, and being of opinion that the execution thereof will be useful as well as ornamental, we accordingly recommend that directions be given for the same

Report of a Committee assembled for the examination of Carriages made up, and others finished, by Major Barton when acting as Commissary of Stores at Columbo, having been forwarded by order of Major General Doyle to our Secretary, we do ourselves the honor to submit the Letter and Proceedings to your Lordships in Council, and beg

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beg leave to observe that although We do not doubt that the Carriages We have been made up under the authority of Government; yet as the Officer Commanding on Ceylon has been in the habit of corresponding occasionally with our Board; and as returns of Ordnance and Military Stores, have been transmitted regularly from thence in like manner as from other detached Stations, We are desirous of being informed whether it is the intention of Government, under present circumstances, that the general superintendence and Controul vested in the Military Board shall extend to the Departments on the Island of Ceylon

The accompanying Bill of Captain Wood, amounting to Pag.o 525. 25. 20. for repairs made by him to the Gram Cotowns of the 1st and 4 Regiments Native Cavalry at Arcot having been laid before us accompanied by the necessary Vouchers of a due performance of the Work, We beg leave to recommend

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Recommend that it be accordingly passed for payment

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3 July 1797-

We have the honor to be
My Lord &c &c

(Signed)
George Harris
Patrick Ross
Thomas Wells
Wm Sydenham
Jno Richardson
By Close
Geo Hall

To Captain F. Pierce,
Secretary to the Military Board

Sir

I am directed by Major General Doyle to forward to you the Report of a Committee assembled by his order to Examine Carriages made up and, — others finished, by Major Barton when Acting Commissary of Stores, and which have in consequence been brought on the Books of this Garrison —

Columbo
10th June 1797-

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Dep. Gen. on Ceylon

true Copy
(Signed) Fred Pierce
Secy to Accounts Mily Board

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Report of a Committee Assembled the 8th May 1797.

By order of Major General M.C. Doyle for the Examination of Carriages made up and others finished by Major Barton when acting Commissary of Stores.

Lieut Colonel Dalrymple. President
Captain Collier / Members / Lieut Castle

Major Barton lays before the Committee the following List of Military Stores

Carriages Transporting	Large		one
	18 Par		Two
" Garrison Trail	4 "	finished	Two
" Trail			Four
" Cheeks for Garrison Trail	18 "		Two
" " " "	12 "		Three
" " " "	15 "	Pairs	one
Wheels " " "	12		Two
" " " "	18		two
Transome Breast	"		two
" Center	"		two
" Trail	"		one
" Breast	12 "		one
" Center	"		one
" Trail	"		

The Committee having examined the abovementioned Military Stores find them made up of good materials and workmanship and in every respect fit for Service, do therefore recommend them to be brought on the Books of this Garrison.

Geo Dalrymple Lt Col 19th Foot President
James Collier Capt Lt 19th
W. Castle Lieut of Engineers

Columbo
8th May 1797.

True Copy / Signed
/ Signed Fred: Pierce
Secy & Accountt Mily Board

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board—

Resolved that the advance of 100 Pags. be made to Lieut Colonel Gent, and of 1000 Pagodas to Mr. Webb according to the recommendation of the Military Board—

Resolved to desire that the Military Board will consider their controul and Superintendance to extend to the different Departments on Ceylon in the same manner as any other place subject to the Authority of this Government, and that they will therefore proceed to reconsider the Proceedings of the Committee upon the examination of the carriages made up by Major Barton, adverting that no authority was granted for making them up.

Read the following Letters from the Military Auditor General—

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

at Fort St. George

Military Auditor General's report on the Paymaster General's additional Estimates of Cost for July—

My Lord

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr Secretary Webb's Letter of the 30th ultimo

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Ultimo, accompanied with Copies of Letters from the Paymaster General dated the 29th and 30th Ultimo and additional Estimate of Cash for the current Month.

2 The additional Estimate enclosed in the Military Paymaster General's Letter of the 29th Ultimo, amounts to Pagodas 33802.36 fas 8 & 5 Cash of this Sum Pagodas 2867.. 15 fas and 75 Cash is required on account of the Agent for the supply of Military Stores, which is admissible under the orders of Government signified on the face of the Bill passed a few days ago in my Office, and the Amount payable from the General Treasury — the Remainder of the additional Estimate Pagodas 30,935, 2 fas includes pay and allowances for June to the part of the Detachment in the Circars under the Command of Major General Loskine, and for the detail ordered to Hyderabad to relieve Lieut-Colonel Roberts's Detachment, two Month pay & Ration June and July — to enable me to examine this part of the additional Estimate as also to ascertain

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ascertain to what period the Detachments had been paid up in Bengal, I have had recourse to the Adjutant Generals Office for the latest Months returns of that Detachment, which I find is composed of one Company of European Artillery, two Companies of Gun Lascars, and two Regiments of Native Infantry 2/3 completed, with a proportion of Field Staff and Public followers of every description, all of whom are stated by Major General Erskine to have been paid up to the 1st of May last. As therefore the Pay and allowances of the Detachment will, I apprehend, be regulated conformably to the rates established for the Army on this Establishment, I am of opinion, that the Sums estimated for each Corps will not exceed what would be found necessary for the payment of the same Number and description of Troops of this Establishment on Field Service.

3 Having been informed, that the Detachment of the Bengal Army which served on the Coast during the late War with

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with Tippoo Sultaun, and who are supplied with
Cash by the Paymaster of the Madras Army
on the Receipt of the Paymaster to the
Detachment, had transmitted their Accounts
Disbursements regularly to Bengal for
Audit. I presume the same mode will be
adopted now, and as the Paymaster of Major
General Erskin's Detachment will, in all
likelihood, transmit Monthly Indents on the
Military Paymaster General for Cash for
the use of his employ, it becomes essentially
necessary that he should be directed to
forward to my Office an Abstract of his
Receipts and Disbursements in each Month
and a Copy of his Account Current to the
Military Paymaster General, according to the
established forms in order that both —
Offices may be acquainted with the —
Monthly Expence of the Detachment and of
the Balances of Cash remaining on hands,
and that I may be enabled to judge of the
Advances that may be required for any Month.

I have

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I have carefully examined the estimate forwarded from the Pay office at Trincomale, which comprehends Pay and allowances to the King's and Company's Troops at that Station and its dependencies, for the Current Month, Amounting to Pagodas 17,350 and Arrears stated to have been due on the 31st May and 30th June last, being Pags 21,350 with regard to the former Sum I have only to observe, that on comparison with the latest Months Accounts Disbursements & Returns from Trincomale, the Amount does not appear exceptionable, and in case the Resources of the Island are at present inadequate to the payment of the Forces stationed therein, as stated by the Paymaster, it will rest with Government to take such steps for the Payment of the Troops at Trincomale as shall appear necessary.

The Arrears for which Pagodas 21,350 is claimed can only be determined on by a Statement of his Receipts

and

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and Disbursements and accounts-current for the Months of May and June last, which have not as yet been received in my Office, I observe however in Mr Paymaster Kingstons Account Current for April last that a Balance of Pags 6,500 is due to him in that Month, and as he states to have been only supplied from hence with 21099 Spanish Dollars in May, it is probable, that the arears claimed for that and the following Month, may be found correct, which however, for the reasons before assigned, cannot be immediately ascertained; and consequently I cannot take upon me to state how for this demand may be complied with.

6 The Amount entered in Mr Paymaster Kingston's Estimate under the Head of Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, being Pagodas 1,270, should have been applied for and included in the Estimate of the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, and is therefore inadmissible

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inadmissible in the Estimate from the Pay-
Department.

I am reply to Mr Secretary Webbe's
Letter dated the 1st Instant, accompanying Copy of a
Letter from the Military Paymaster General, with
an Estimate of the Sums required for the Payment
of the Detachment lately serving with his Highness
the Nizam, under the Command of Lieutenant
Colonel Roberts, for the Month of June 1797.
I have the honor to report, that the Amount 86 of
Pagodas 11,000 does not appear objectionable, that
Sum together with that already noticed on
account of Major General Erskine's Detachment
/Pag 38935 and twenty one fanams/ is payable
at the Subordinate Treasuries, for which Bills
will be drawn on the Military Paymaster-
General

Military Auditor Generals
Office Fort St George 11th July 1797.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
Signed Wm Sydenham
Mily Audr Genl

Minute on the
foregoing Letter
from the Military
Auditor general—

Ordered that the Sum of two thousand
eight hundred and Sixty Seven Pagodas Sixteen fanams
and

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and twenty five Cash be advanced to the Military Paymaster General, agreeably to the recommendation contained in the Military Auditor General's report of the 4th Instant.

Ordered that extract of the foregoing Letter be transmitted to the Officer Commanding the Bengal Detachment with instructions for the regular transmission of the Documents therein required to the Office of Audit.

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

From the Military Auditor General desiring instructions regarding the Period for which Officers attached to Ceylon and the Eastward Conquests are to draw their full Batta while absent on leave on account of Sickness or otherwise - also respecting the charges for Batta to Officers succeeding temporarily to Commands held by Officers of the Rank of Colonels —

My Lord,

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship that appearing highly expedient to establish some rule upon which Officers belonging to Corps on the Island of Ceylon and to the Eastward may draw their allowances when absent on account of Sickness or private business, especially as they now indiscriminately claim full Batta for the whole period of such absence, I beg leave to solicit your Lordships Instructions on this subject, connected with which it

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It is proper to state, that the rules of Service have in general prescribed that no officer absent from his Corps or Station, except detached on Duty, shall draw Full Batta, and in the case of officers commanding Stations having temporary leave of absence, it has been the invariable practice for them to make good the difference of Batta to the officer on whom the Command devolved during their absence - officers obliged to quit the Field on Account of ill health have not been considered entitled to field Allowances beyon the period of their arrival at the Presidency, and it must be obvious that the admission of such allowances after that period would be productive of considerable inconvenience to the public Service

2 While regulating for the Officers on Ceylon and to the Eastward, it is proper to take into consideration that they may be put to a good deal of expence in coming to Madras and in returning to their Stations by Sea, and in this view of the Subject those absent from sickness appear to have a decided claim to the difference between

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between Half and full Batta until they land on the Coast and also from the time of their embarking again to join their Corps unless Government should make an arrangement with the Captain of the Ship for their Passage agreeably to the orders published on the 28th April last. But Officers having leave of absence from Ceylon or Settlements to the Eastward on account of their private affairs, are not, I conceive, entitled to Full Batta, as a local allowance, between the period of their quitting the station, and of returning to it after such Leave of absence has expired.

3 Another case has occurred upon which I have likewise to request your Lordships Decision.

4 During the absence of Major General Collins from Vellore to the Presidency with the leave of Government in the Month of March last / a period of 10 Days / Major Coke the next Officer, drew Full Batta as Commanding the Station until Major General Collins return.

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To this charge I have objected conceiving that the Honble Company should not be subjected to additional expence by the absence of an Affeir on private business – It has been urged on the other hand, that as Colonels are always on Full Batta, it cannot be expected that Major General Collins should from an established allowance which he would receive in any situation, make good the difference of Batta to the affeir on whom the Command might devolve during his absence, and consequently that in this case it should be paid by the Company, otherwise an affeir of the Rank of Colonel would be a loser by being placed in the Command of a Station which it is believed can never be the Intention of Government –

5 Should your Lordship be pleased to consider the matter in this last fromt of view I would beg leave to suggest that whenever an Affeir of the Rank of Colonel in Command of a Station has .....

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has temporary leave of absence from Government, it may be signified to my Office, as well as the period for which it is granted, in order to enable me to decide on the claim of the officer next in succession to the difference between half and Full Batta during the absence of the Colonel Commanding — It should however be clearly understood, that officers under the Rank of Colonel having temporary leave of absence on account of their private affairs must continue as heretofore to make good the difference of Batta to the officer on whom the Command devolves in their absence —

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St George 11th July 1797.

I have the honor to be
with great respect &c &c
(Signed) Wm Sydenham
Mily Auditor Genl

Minutes on the foregoing letter from the Military Auditor General

The Board deeming it expedient that some rule should be established for regulating the allowances to be drawn by officers attached to Corps on the Island of Ceylon or to the Eastward

Resolve that all officers who may be compelled by Sickness to repair to the Coast, shall draw their Full batta up to the day of their arrival on

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on the Coast and from the day of their embarkation to rejoin their Corps: but in regard to the Officers, who may be absent on account of private business, that their full batta shall cease from the day of quitting — until the day of rejoining their Station.

In answer to the reference which the Military Auditor General has made upon the subject of officers drawing full batta who may succeed to temporary Commands. — Resolved to inform him that the difference between half and full batta to an officer, who may succeed a Colonel Commandant, is to be defrayed by the Company, but that when an officer under the rank of Colonel may — obtain leave of absence from his station the difference of batta is to be made good by him to the Officer on whom the Command may devolve.

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Shaw

To

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

President in Council

Fort St. George

From Lieut Robert Shaw detailing the President on which he grounds his claim to Field allowance from the period of his setting out from Vizagapatam to join his corps at Hydrabad—

My Lord,

A final decision having not yet been made on my claims for Full Batta and Tent allowance from the time of my appointment to the Nizam's Detachment, as also for the purchase money of a Tent, I have presumed thus publickly to address the Honble Board on that subject, and to solicit a favorable attention of my Complaints.

Without taking up your Lordship's time and that of the Board by a recapitulation of facts, which if they have escaped Notice, may be found in the accompanying Copies of my Letters to Lieut Colonel Roberts, I shall only in addition to them, beg leave to state the cases of other officers, which when compared with mine, will I trust, make my Claims appear in a stronger light

When Major Gibbings was appointed to the 2d Batt 11th Regiment, he was detained for several

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several Months at Madras in charge of some Companies of the 10th Regiment. but on producing a Certificate from the Adjutant General of his having been so detained, he received his full Batta and Tent allowance from the day of his appointment

On my removal to the 1st Batt. 11th Regiment I was obliged to provide myself with a Tent, Lascars, Bullocks &c at a very considerable expence. I twice sent out to join my Corps, and was as often forced back to Vizagapatam from the return of a fever, which I had caught upon service amongst the Hills - Thus for near six Months I was detained and during that period a Surgeons Certificate was regularly sent to the Head Quarters of my Corps - still however I was obliged to keep up my Camp Equipage and field establishment of Servants. neither Quarters or House rent was allowed me, and after all when I joined my Corps at the distance of 450 Miles, in a weak state of health, and at the emminent risque of my life, I was informed

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that I could draw no tent allowance whatever,
and full Batta only, at the rate of 25 Miles a
day from Vizagapatam—

When Captain Lieut Clarke
of the Artillery was ordered to Join the
Nizams Detachment, his charge for Tent—
allowance, while marching from Madras to
Hydrabad was passed without a remark—
mine on the Contrary, while travelling from
Vizagapatam to Hydrabad was retrenched, and
has been refunded accordingly—

When Captain Mackay and
the Officers of his Corps marched from—
Masulipatam to form part of the Nizam's—
Detachment in August 1795. the Military
Board was of opinion that they were entitled
to some compensation for the expence of again
providing themselves with Camp Equipage, and
they received it accordingly—

Might not then my Lord, an Individual
object alike indulgence, who has spent the best
part of his life in the Honble Company's Service
and

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and has never yet injoyed any situation of ease or emolument.

So sensible was Marquis Cornwallis of the inadequacy of the Tent allowance to the — fatigues / incident / from it, that his Lordship instantly gave to Officers their Tents grates, but promised to recommend the allowance to be Continued for Six Months / If I am not mistaken / after they returned to Garrison —

The last contrast with my case which I shall make, is that most of the officers who joind the Nizam's Detachment from the Presidency at different times, received Tents grates from the General Stores —

If throughout this address, I have failed in respect to the Honble Board, or have trespassed unreasonably on their time I — humbly beg their forgiveness, and trusting from their love of justice, that some attention will be paid to my grievances. I remain with the highest respect

My Lords &c &c

/Signed/ Robt Shaw
Lt. Batt. 1 Regt

Masulipatam
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Lieut Colonel George Roberts

Commanding 1st Battalion 11th Regiment

Sir,

Finding that the Auditor General has given directions that no Officer appointed to the Detachment be paid field allowance until he joins, except travelling Batta reckoning at the rate of twenty five miles pr day – Considering it a particular hardship in my situation to be deprived of those allowances, when it was not occasioned by any fault of my own, I beg the favor of you to make known to Government the following circumstances, and I have no doubt but they will see the propriety of granting me field allowance from my appointment to the Detachment –

I was removed from the 2d Battalion 10th Regiment then in the Vizagapatam District to the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment in September last without any application of my own and entirely without my knowledge: I was at that time at Vizagapatam dangerously ill of a Hill fever which I contracted in the execution of my Duty –

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and from which my recovery was tedious owing to repeated relapses; Hoping however that it would not be of any long continuance, and having formerly belonged to this Detachment I know that no Tents could be had as all the officers were upon the Tent allowance I therefore — immediately upon my removal at a very — considerable expence provided myself with Camp Equipage, Carriage, Lascars &c &c proper for the Field, which necessarily occasions the same expence as if I had been present with my Corps.- It is scarce necessary pointing out to you the great inconvenience an Officer appointed to this Detachment is unavoidably put to in providing himself with a Marquee, Carriage, Cattle, Lascars &c and this being the second time since the end of the Year Ninety two that I have been brought under that — heavy expence I trust Government will not now deem my claim to purchase Money unreasonable, as I have not in the course of near fifteen Years enjoyed any situation of advantage

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advantage or emolument in the Service I am not now in circumstances to enable me to bear — extra expence of this kind—

From an anxiety to join in consequence of the General orders on that head I set out upon my march before the Doctor thought I was sufficiently recovered to undertake the Journey, but being taken ill upon the road I was both times obliged to return to Vizagapatam the nearest Station where Medical Assistance could be obtained and after finally leaving it I was detained several days upon the road by slight returns of the fever — being obliged to march with Tents and Baggage above four hundred Miles it must appear evident that so long a Journey could not be performed at the rate of twenty five Miles p day.

I am led to think that Government did not advert to those circumstances on the particular situation of this Detachment — when those regulations took place — and I request Sir you will inform the Honble Board that

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that nothing but a consciousness of their readiness to listen to the just representations of an officer who has had the misfortune to lose his health and impair his constitution in the execution of his duty would induce me to trouble them on this occasion.

Camp near Hydrabad
2d March 1797.

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) Robert Shawe
Lt 1st Batn 11th Regt

Lieut Colonel George Roberts
Commanding the 1st Battn 11th Regiment

Sir

I have been favored with your Letter accompanied by one to you from Mr Secretary Webbe in reply to my Letter of the 2d Instant stating my claims for field allowance from my appointment to the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment.

I must beg leave to observe that in Mr Webbs letter no notice whatever is taken of my claims to any field allowance but

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but that of the Monthly allowance of Tents. not even to the allowance of Purchase money for that Article or full Batta

As I had twice set out on my march from Vizagapatam to join my Corps tho' both times obliged to return for Medical Assistance it is evident I must have been at the same expence as if in the field the whole time — and I have further to observe that I was not provided with Quarters or House Rent — considering myself in every respect justly entitled to full Batta and Tent Allowance

I believe it is the invariably rule of the Service to provide Officers either with Quarters, House Rent, or Field field — Allowance none of which I received since my removal to the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment in September last —

Though I could wish to avoid again troubling Government on the Claims of an Individual yet in justice to myself I cannot help requesting you to make my sentiments known to the Honble Board as

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I cannot help thinking that in the multiplicity of more important affairs some part of my letter has been overlooked, as the Honble Board on the Representation of Captain Mackay in September 1795 was pleased to allow the officers of the 28th Battalion now the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment remuneration for the [illegible] again equiping themselves with camp & equipage when that Corps was ordered to the Field from the Garrison of Masulipatam and were of course in respect to Tentage in a similar situation with myself at present — I can not therefore have the least doubt but the same indulgence will be extended to me which have upon all occasions been granted to others —

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) Robert Shaw
Lt 1st Batn 11th Regt

Camp near Hydrabad
26th March 1797.

Upon a reconsideration of the circumstances stated by Lieut Shaw — Resolved that he be permitted to draw Tent allowance from

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from the day of his first setting out from —
Vegagapatam to join his Corps at Hyderabad. —

The Board proceed to read and pass orders upon the following proceedings of the Medical Board —

Resolutions of Government
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From the Medical Board — opinion on Lieut Colonel Macphersons application for a Medical Assistance for the Detachment — death of Assistant Surgeon Lockhart — recommend the repair of the Hospital at Trincomalee — Mr Nicole proposed to attend the Troops at Chicacole & the Collector of the Havelly. —

Medical Board
10th July 1797.

Read a Letter from Mr Secretary Webbe referring for our consideration and report an application from Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson for the appointment of an Assistant Surgeon to a Detachment of three Companies of Native Infantry at present under his command in the Field upon the Western Frontier. —

The deficiency of Assistant Surgeons renders it impossible to furnish the Native Corps with their

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their complete establishment,
and as the 6th Regiment
has already a Surgeon and
one Assistant Surgeon —
attached to it, we beg leave
to suggest that the Sick —
cases in the Detachment
under Lieut Colonel Macpherson's
Command may be sent into the
Garrison of Amboor — should this
however, be impracticable, we
recommend that Mr William
Rt. Bulman, Assistant Surgeon,
be directed to take charge of
the Detachment while they
remain on Field Service and that
Mr Henry Allen, Assistant —
Surgeon, perform the duty of
the 5th Regiment of Native —
Infantry, during his absence.

Ordered that a letter upon
this Subject be written to
Lieut Colonel Macpherson

Mr Collen Rogers —
Assistant Surgeon in charge
of the Detachment of Coast
Artillery at Trincomalee,
has represented to us that
the Hospitals at that place
has

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ordered that directions be sent to the Commanding officer at Trincomale for the repair of the Hospitals at that place has for a considerable time past been in want of repair: and that his applications to the Commanding officers have not been attended to, in consequence of which the Sick are exposed to much inconvenience,

As we conceive peculiar attention should be paid to the accommodation of the Sick in a Garrison so unhealthy as Trincomale has lately been, we recommend this subject to the early consideration of Government.

The death of Mr Lockart having occasioned a vacancy in Chicacole we recommend that Mr Patrick Nicoll, Assistant Surgeon be directed to attend that Garrison as well as the Collector of the Havelly.

Approved

Jas Anderson
Physician General

W. Raine Chief Surgeon

By Order of the Right Honble
the President in Council —
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

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The contract for Clothing the European Troops for the Year 1798 and the Native Troops for the Year 1797 being prepared. Mr George Lys attends the Board with his Securities and the Contract is accordingly executed—

The contract with Mr George Lys for Clothing the army executed.

The Secretary reports to the Board the death of Captain Francis Geoghagan of the 2d Battalion Artillery on the 16th Ultimo

Death of Captain Lieut. Geoghagan of Artillery.

In consequence of the decease of Major General Doyle, of which advice was Yesterday received, the President proposes that Brigadier General De Meuron, now on his way to join the Committee at Columbo, should be appointed to the temporary Command of the Troops and invested with the General controul of the Company's affairs on the Island.

The President proposes the appointment of Brigadier General De Meuron to the Command of the Troops and General Controul of the Company's affairs on Ceylon—

The Board concur in the Presidents proposal for the temporary appointment of Brigadier General De Meuron.

The President's recommendation approved—

Resolved that the following instructions and proclamation be transmitted to the Brigadier by express—

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To Brigadier General De Meuron

Sir

Letter to Brigadier General de Meuron on the occasion inclosing a Proclamation to be issued on assuming his command—

In consequence of the Death of Major General Doyle the Right Honble the President in Council takes advantage of your nomination to the Committee upon the Island of Ceylon to invest you with the Command of the Troops and with the General Controul of all the Company's affairs upon the Island, until a permanent arrangement can be made: I am therefore directed to desire that you will hasten your journey to Columbo in order to take upon you the Command.

During the time you may Command the Island. you will be permitted to draw the same allowances as were injoyed by Major General Doyle

I have the honor to enclose a proclamation which you will be pleased to issue upon your arrival at Columbo.

The late communications made to you upon the Subject of the Committee of inquiry

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enquiry of which you are still to be President — your own acquaintance with the affairs of the Island, and the correspondence between Government and the officers commanding on Ceylon render it unnecessary to furnish you with any further instructions for the immediate guidance of your conduct. —

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I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt

Proclamation

The Right Honble the President in Council of Fort St. George does by this or Proclamation publish to all officers Civil and Military, and to all the European and Native Inhabitants of the British territories on the Island of Ceylon, that he has been pleased to appoint Brigadier General De Meuron to succeed the late Major General Doyle in the exercise of the Chief Civil and Military authority in that Island until further orders —

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All officers, non commissioned officers and Soldiers serving on Ceylon are hereby ordered and required to obey the said Brigadier General De Meuron accordingly; and all persons employed on the Revenue and Commercial Departments of Government on Ceylon are required and directed to consider the said Brigadier General De Meuron as their immediate Superior and to obey all such directions as he may think proper to issue.

Dated in Fort St George 13th July 1797.

By Order of the Right Honble the President in Council.

(Signed) J. Webbe Secry to Govt

Brigadier General De Meuron's allowance fixed—

Resolved that during this Command Brigadier General De Meuron be permitted to draw the same allowances as the late General Doyle, but that his other allowances as a Brigadier General upon the Staff do cease—

Letter from the Honble Court of Directors in the Military Department under date

The Board proceed to read and pass orders upon the letter from the Honble

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dated the 20th January 1797 read and orders passed thereon. —

Honorable Court of Directors in the Military Department dated 20th January last and Received by their Ship Earl Talbot.

Para 1 date of last advices

Requires no answer

2 orders respecting fees paid for officers commissions in England

Orders have already been transmitted to the Military Auditor General for the Recovery of the fees paid by the Honble Court —

3 order for the exportation of Military Stores —

4 — His Majesty's Squadron to be supplied with ammunition —

Resolved that Copies of these Paragraphs be transmitted to the Military Board with directions to pay particular attention to the orders of the Honble Court.

5 Lieut Kelly permitted to return —
6 Assistant Surgeons Bitty &c
7 Cadets appointed —
8 Do — — Do

These Paragraph require no answer. —

Resolved.

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9 No muskets sent out last season—

Resolved that the Notice of the Honorable Court be attracted in a particular manner to the representation of the Military Board upon this Subject

10 enquiry to be made for Thomas Bailey a Soldier

Ordered that Copy of this Paragraph be sent to the Acquitant General with directions to make the necessary enquiries

11 Mentions a memorial of Mr Paymaster Hoare.
12 and of Lieut Hayes.
13 and Brevet Commissions.

The Board observe none of the Papers mentioned in these Paragraphs have been received by this Dispatch—

14 Head Surgeon Mein permitted to return
15 and Lieut Vaughan.—

These Paragraphs require no Answer—

The Board also proceed to read Copy of the Honble Courts orders of 22d March in the Military Department received viâ Bombay, which requires no immediate answer.—

Extract of a Letter from the Court of Directors dated 22d March and received viâ Bombay read.

Ordered

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A Dividend to be made to the Nabobs Creditors—

Ordered that One Lack and thirty thousand Pagodas be issued from the Treasury on the 14th Instant, To Mr. Thomas Cockburn, regester to be issued by him on the 15th of this Month, to the Private Creditors of His Highness the Nabob.—

H Ward

" Geo. Stanes

" E W Saunders

"

" C Wallace

John Turing Secr

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Diary

Sent the following Letters —

To the Principal Creditors of His Highness the Nabob Gentlemen,

To the Nabobs private Creditors — expressive of Concern that the Embarrassments of Government should oblige them to discharge their Dividend in Paper. —

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter dated 6th Instant to acquaint you that he is sensible of the inconvenience, which you have suffered by the payment of the dividends in paper, and to assure you that nothing but most pressing necessity could induce him to continue the same mode of discharging the present dividend —

I am &c &c

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(Signed) Jos: Webbe Secry to Govt

To

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To

Brigadier General D'Meuron

Commanding

at

Pondamalee

Sir,

To Brigadier General D'Meuron - the Command of Pondamalle to devolve on the next Senior Officer on his setting out for Ceylon. —

The Right Honorable the President in Council having occasion for your Services upon the Island of Ceylon & directs me to desire that you will deliver over charge of the Fort and Garison of Pondamalle to

and proceed to Columbo

where upon your Arrival you will begin the enquiries committed to yourself. Mr. Robertson Andrews and Major Agnew according to the Separate instructions which have been sent for the guidance of the Committee. —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Jos: Webbe Secy to Govt

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To

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To Colonel Josias Champagné

Commanding at

Trincomale

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the

Receipt of your letter dated 30th Ultimo and to

desire that you will immediately begen to cut

down the strong hedges and useless trees, which

surround the Topes of Cocoanut Trees. —

The Right Honorable the President

in Council also desires that the opening to Neally's

house Recommended by you may be made. —

As soon as this work may be so

finished you will Report how far it may then

be necessary to begin upon the Cocoanut trees

themselves. —

I am &c. &c.

/Signed/ Jos: Webbe

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Rec'd the following Letters I.

To the Commandant at Trincomale. Instructions for Cutting down the Hedges and useless Trees surrounding the Cocoanut Topes &c. &c.

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To
J. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at Tinevelly relative to Troops Water Casks and Firewood embarked on the Harriet —

Owing in my Opinion to much unnecessary delay, in the Master of the "Harriett" I have not been able to embark the Troops 'till this day — they are all on board and will sail this Night for Pondicherry first landing the Detachment of 1st. European Regement at Point Pedro

As soon as the 2d. division of the Malay Corps arrives from Jaffna the 2d. Division of Sepoys shall be dispatched for the Coast on the "Eliza Ann" —

I beg leave to submit the propriety of having a Detachment of Sepoys constantly here for the purpose of Assisting Collecting the Revenue, attending the Bazar, and occasionally to send into the Country to procure fresh provision,

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all of which they are more comet in executing than Malays, and with much more Satisfaction to the timid Inhabitants.-

Enclosed I send a return of the number of Empty Casks &c. and firewood sent by this opportunity to the Presidency.-

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Champagné
Colonel

Trincomallie
July 6th 1797.-

P.S. On the first of this Month the Pioneers had not Received Orders to leave Point Pedro, it is a Corps that would be of great Service here.-

List of Sundries Shipped by Order of Colonel H Champagne on Board the Ship Harriett Captain Archer Viz.t-

21 Empty Arrack Casks
25 Water Casks
95 Packs of Salt provision, Casks Containing 221 Casks.-

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13 Packs of Arrack Casks Containing 21 Casks
119 Bundles of Iron Hoops, Containing 1190 Hoops
9600 Billets of Firewood for the use of the Troops

23½ Gallons of Arrack
1 Cask of Salt Provision
29⅝ Marcals of Rice
} For the use of the Detachment 1st Regt European Infy.

(Signed) Strickland Kingston
Comy of Provisions

Received July 4th 1797 of Captain J. Norris Principal Engineer a Thirty one Boats load of Firewood said to contain Eighty Nine thousand Round billets of different Sizes to be delivered at the

(Signed) W. Brooks

Josiah Webbe Esqr
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

You will be pleased to lay the accompanying Extract of a Letter from Mr Paymaster Kingston of the 28th Ultimo before

From the Military Paymaster General relative to Captain Kingston's Claim to Interest for Money advanced from the Private Fund &c.—

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before his Lordship and Recive his Lordship's instruction for Mr. Kingstons information. —

I am &c. &c.

/Signed/ B. Roebuck
M.P.G.

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Extract of a letter from Captain Strickland Kingston Paymaster at Vizianagaram to Benja. Roebuck Esq.r Paymaster General dated 28th June 1797 —

In consequence of not receiving any part of the Thirty Thousand Pagodas I was informed I should Recive from Mr. Andrews sometime ago, I have streched my private Credit considerably to prevent the embarrasement of the Troops at this Station, and hope that it will not appear unreasonable to beg to be informed whether I may expect interest for what has hitherto been advanced on Account of Government. —

A true Extract.

/Signed/ B. Roebuck
M.P.G. &c

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To J. Webbe Esqr

Secretary to the Government

&c Fort St. George

Sir,

From Bengal. desiring information regarding the origin of the Regulations established at Madras for the victualling of Officers embarking on foreign service

Having laid before the Governor General in Council your Letter of the 19th of April last, with the General Order respecting the Allowance to be made to Officers about to embark on the intended Expedition & for defraying the Expence of their Table & whilst on Board of Ships, he has directed me to request, that you will acquaint His Lordship in Council, that as the practice that has hitherto obtained & under this Presidency, differs from the Rule proposed to be adopted by the Order moved with your Letter, he wishes & previous to coming to any determination &

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on the Subject, as far as regards Troops
that are to proceed from hence, to be informed
whether this rule is conformable to the
established Usage of the Service at Fort
St. George, or has been recently adopted by
His Lordship in Council and in the latter
Case, in what respect deviates from the
former Regulations, and the reasons for
the adoption of the deviation.—

I am &c. &c.

Fort William
the 26th June 1797.

(signed) J. Thornhill
Subsy

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
at
Fort St. George

Sir,

From Bengal advising of the Extent of Supplies of Rice ghee and Bullocks embarked for Ambayne and Bandar on the Castle Captain Nash

I am directed by the Governor &
General in Council to request you will lay
the following Papers before the Right Honble
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the President in Council for his Information, and acquaint him that the Cartier was dispatched this day.—

Copy of a letter to the Commercial Resident at Amboyna and Banda of this date.—

Correspondence of the Marine Board containing the Terms on which the Ship Cartier has been taken up to carry Rice and Ghee to Amboyna and Banda.—

Copy of the Instructions to the Commander

Copy of a Letter from Captain Nash to the Secretary to the Marine Board dated the 18.th May.—

Fort William
the 26.th June 1797.—

I have the honor to be,
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Jn.o Fl.d Barlow
Secry to the Govt.

John Shore Esq.r
Secretary to the Marine Board

Sir,

Permit me to state for the

information

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Information of the Honorable the Board, that when last at Amboyna, I tendered the Ship Cartier, to Mr. Jones the Resident there, on terms highly favourable to Government, to be imployed in procuring Supplys of Grain and Stock, for Amboyna and Banda from some of the Neighbouring Islands and adjacent Countries.—

The Terms were, that the War Risk should continue as before, on Account of the Honorable Company, and to pay in Calcutta, at the Rate of Six Thousand Sicca Rupees p Month, while so Employed.— Mr. Jones though he considered these terms as favorable, declined accepting them, as there was not a certainty that we should succeed in procuring Supplies, to obviate which objection I again tendered my Services, on the terms that if

I died

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I did not succeed in procuring Supplys, & I should be entitled to nothing Farther than the War Risk, continuing, covered back to Calcutta as it would otherwise have been this offer was highly approved by Mr. Jones as well as by the Naval Officer Commanding on the Station and would have been accepted, but that Mr. Jones did not think himself Authorized to guarantee the Continuation of the War Risk on Account of the Honble Company.—

I now beg leave to suggest that Supplies of Grain and Stock, might readily be obtained from various the Adjacent & Islands, and Countries, instance, Bugges Bay, on the South end of the Celebes the North East and of the same Island, & several Parts of the East Coast of Java & distant from the Settlements of the Dutch,

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the Island of Madura, and Bally to the N
Northward Magindanas and Soolo, and N
several other Islands, from these Supplies
could be obtained without difficulty, and
at less expence to the Honorable Company,
than sending them from Calcutta, on
a plan similar to that, proposed by me to
Mr. Jones.—

Should the Honorable Board,
deem this Suggestion meriting Notice, they
may acquire farther information, and N
I doubt not Confirmation from several
Gentlemen, now in Calcutta, well acquainted
with these Countries particularly Captain John
Canning.— I have the honor to be, &c.

18th May 1797 (Signed) James Nash

A true Copy

(Signed) J. Shore Junr. Secy Marine Board

A true Copy

(Signed) G. H. Barlow Secy to the Govt.—

To

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To The Honorable Sir John Shore

Governor General in Council

Honble Sir,

We have received Mr. Acting Sub Secretary Seton's Letter of the 3d Instant with its Enclosures, also a Letter from the Secretary to the Government of the 8th Instant; advising us it was the Wish of Government, that a preference should be given to the Cartier & Captain Nash, and the Union Captain M.Call, to carry freight for Amboyna and Banda.—

We have since received a Letter from Mr. Sec.y Lumsden and Nash tendering the Cartier of which we enclose Copy, The & Terms are the same as on his former & Freightment: The Ship has been surveyed and appears by the Report of the Master attendant to be in good condition, and capable of

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of taking, at the present Season about 6000
Bags of Rice, and the Ghee 315 Maunds,
as reported by the Garrison Store Keeper, ordered
for the 1,100 Natives.-

Deeming Mess.rs Tennent and
Nash's Terms to be Reasonable, we enclose a
Copy of the Letter addressed to them by our
Secretary expressing the Conditions on which
they were accepted, and we request an Order
on the Treasury in favour of the Marine &
Paymaster for Seven Rupees Thirty Thousand to
enable us to pay the Amount of the Freight.-

Sa.Rs. 30,000.

We are with Respect &c.a

Fort William
the 17.th May 1797

/Signed/ John Brestow
John Haldane

A true Copy
/Signed/ G. H. Barlow Secy to the Govt

To John Shore Esq.r
Secretary to the Marine Board -

Sir,

Please to represent to the Board
that

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that should the Honorable Governor General
in Council be in want of Tonnage for the
Moluccas Islands that we hereby tender
the Ship Cartier James Nash Commander
the whole Tonnage of the Ship
Cartier shall be at the disposal of the Honble
the Governor General in Council, agreable
to the Terms granted on the former Voyage
of the Ship Cartier to the Moluccas &
Islands, which we beg leave to enclose
a letter to William Fairlie Esqr from
the Marine Board for your guidance —

That the Ship when sufficiently
laden, agreable to the season of the Year, &
shall be liable to the Inspection of such
Officers as the Board shall please to
order to ascertain that she has a sufficient
Quantity of Cargo to proceed on her Voyage &

with

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with safety.—

We Remain &c. &c.

12th May 1797

/Signed/ J. Tennent for self
& J. Nash

True Copy
/Signed/ J. Shore Junr.
Secy Marine Board

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

To Messrs. Tennent & Nash

Gentlemen,

I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 12th Instant and to inform you, that the Board agree, in behalf of the Honorable Company to Freight the Ship Cartier for a Voyage to the Molucca Islands, upon the following Conditions Viz.t—

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1st That the whole Tonnage of the Ships
Castles be at the disposal of the Governor General
in Council, you engaging that she shall &
carry Tons Five Hundred, at least, the &
Tonnage of the Several Articles composing
the Cargo to be computed According to the
Rules Established in the Garrison Storekeepers
Office.-

2d That twenty days from the 22 Instant
on which day it is declared the Ships will be
Ready to Receive Cargo, be allowed for the &
Landing of the Cargo; in case the Landing &
shall be prevented by default of the Ships
the days on which such default may &
happen are not to be reckoned as part of
the Twenty days.-

3d That you engage, Winds and Weather
permitting, and the Ships being Loaded, &
that she shall proceed direct from the Port
of Calcutta and from thence to one or more
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of the Molucca Islands, according to the
Instructions which the Commander of
her may Receive from the Governor General
in Council - That the Places above specified,
she shall not touch at any other Ports or
Place during her present affreightment &
unless ordered by the Governor General in
Council, or compelled so to do by stress of
Weather, or by an Enemy, under a Penalty of
Sicca Rupees Two Hundred and Eighty
Eight for every day that she may Remain
in Port, or for every day that by a Deviation
from her Proper Tract she may appear to
have lost until she regains her Tract, &
also during such Deviation or stay in Port,
the Company shall be exempted the War Risk

4th That the Proportion of Cargo to
be landed at each of the Places specified in
the preceding Condition be determined by &

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His Majesty's or the Honorable Company's
Naval or Military Officers Commanding at
the said Places Respectively, or by such other
Person as may be Authorized to Receive the
Cargo. That Fifteen days be allowed for
Landing the Cargo at the said places, and it
is to be understood that, if on the Ships
Arrival at one of the Moluccas Islands, she
shall be ordered to another, the time allowed
for the delivery shall commence to be
computed from the time of her Arrival at
the first Island. The Commander of the Ships
is to send the Notification of his Arrival at
each Place or Island Respectively, to the Person
Authorized to Receive the Cargo, the Winds and
Weather permitting, immediately he may Cast
Anchor; and, in default of sending such
Notification, the time to be allowed for the
Delivery is to be proportionably prolonged

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without any Charge for Demurrage —

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5 That you engage not to permit any Opium to be laden or transported on the Ship Cartier during her present & Freightment under a penalty of Three & Hundred Sicca Rupees ℔ Chest. —

6th That you engage to deliver the & Cargo in like Condition as Received, and & agreed to be responsible to the Company for & any Damage which may happen to the & Cargo, at the Invoice Cost, and an advance & thereon of one hundred ℔ Cent, together with a return of the Proportion of Freight provided the Amount shall not exceed one fourth of the Ship's Earnings and it shall appear the Damage happened after, and not before, the Shipping of the Goods. —

7th That the Judgement of the Company's Marine Officers shall be conclusive in all Matters respecting

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respecting the Draft of Water at which the Ship may Sail, and her competency to the Voyage, and if declared by them incapable of carrying the Whole of the Tonnage for which she is engaged Viz.t Tons five hundred, a proportionable Deduction shall be made from the Freight.—

8.th The Board engage to pay you the Sum of Sicca Rupees Thirty Thousand for the Voyage, Payment to become due, on the Board's receiving the Report of the landing being Completed.—

9.th That Demurrage shall be allowed to you at the rate of Sicca Rupees Ninety Six per day if the landing be delayed longer than twenty days, the twenty days to be computed from the 22.nd Instant, provided the delay shall proceed from the Cargo not being sent on Board by the Company's Officers.—

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11 That Demurrage shall be allowed to
you at the Rate of Sicca Rupees Ninety Six
p day if the delivery of the Cargo shall be
delayed longer than fifteen days at &
Molucca and at the Molucca Islands to
which the Ship be ordered from one Island
to another the time allowed for the delivery
shall commence to be computed from the
time of her first Arrival provided due &
Notification of her Arrival be made as
explained in the fourth Condition.—

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12: That the Company engage to
take the Water Risk of the Ship for the
Voyage specified, and also for her Return to-
Calcutta provided the Ship returns direct
without Deviation or Delay, other than
such Stoppages as may be unavoidably &
necessary to obtain Water for the Ships Use,

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The sum of Fifty thousand Sicca Rupees &
shall be computed as the Value of the Ship,
payable by the Company in the Event of
her Capture or loss by reason of the Enemy.

If the Commander shall make any deviation
or Delay in the Voyage contrary to the Order
of the Governor General in Council or the &
Conditions of this Agreement, the Company &
shall in such case be relieved from the War
Risk, during the whole of the Remainder of
the Voyage. —

Sam Kt.

(Signed) J. Shore
Secy to the Marine Bd.

Fort William
the 8th May 1797

A true Copy
(Signed) Geo. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

Extract

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Governor General in Council in the Political Department under date the 22nd May 8th 97.—

Agreed that the Engagement concluded by the Marine Board for the freight of the Cartier be confirmed—that an order on the Treasury for 30,000 Rupees be issued in favor of the Marine Paymaster for the discharge of the Amount Freight—and that the Garrison Storekeeper be instructed through the Military Board, to put on Board the Ship the Quantity of Rice and Ghee it which She is reported calculated to carry.—

/A true Extract/
/Signed/ G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

/True Copies/
/Signed/ G. H. Barlow Secy to the Govt.—

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To

To William Jones Esqr.

Commercial Resident

at

Amboyna and Bandar

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letters of the 19th: 23d: 27th: and 31st. of January last.

2 The Cartier Captain Nash is now dispatched to you, with Six thousand Bags of Rice, Three Hundred and Sixteen Coirs, and Six Chattacks of Ghee, and Twenty thousand Dollars in Specie, the Bills of Lading and Invoices of which are now enclosed to you, together with a Copy of the Correspondence with the Marine Board at this Presidency, containing the Terms on which Captain Nash's Ship has been taken up; and a Copy of his Sailing Instructions.—

This

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11. This supply of Rice, added to Ten Thousand Bags which have been despatched to you from Fort St. George, as advised in a letter from the Government dated the 20th April last, the Governor General in Council presumes will be nearly adequate to the Wants of the Islands for one Year.—

12 4 The Governor General in Council is concerned that the Public Exigencies oblige him to limit the present supply of Specie to the Sum now sent to you. He trusts, however, that the proceeds of your Sales, and the Bill you may be able to negotiate, will enable you to procure such additional Sums as will prevent the public Service from suffering until further Aid can be sent to you.—

13 5 Enclosed you will receive a Letter from Captain Nash to the Secretary to the Marine Board, and the Governor General in Council understanding

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Understanding that Grain and Stock may be procured from the Neighbouring Islands as stated by Captain Nash, he Authorizes you in the Event of your deeming it necessary and advantageous for the Public Interests, to enter into Engagements with Captain Nash for the Employment of his Ships for such period as you may judge necessary, and on the Terms he has proposed, for the purpose of procuring Supplies, continuing the present War Risk on Account of the Company.-

6th I/ The Governor General expects further information from you regarding the reported Establishment at Mainbee, observing only, for the present, that no such Establishment has been Sanctioned by him.-

7 In the Event of your not deeming it proper to retain the Carteer agreeably to the

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the Authority above granted to you, the Governa & General in Council, desires you will return her with such quantity of Spices as & you may have ready for Shipping, & consigning them to this Government, or to the Government of Fort St. George, & According as may appear to you expedient on a consideration of the Season when the Ship is likely to return into the Bay—

8.th Your Bills in favor of Captain Moore have been honored.—

Fort Williams
the 26th June 1797

I am &c. &c.
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

To Captain

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To Captain James Nasho

Commanding the Cartier

Sir,

Having received on board the Cargo provided for the Cartier; and the Pilot having delivered over his Charge of the Ship, the following are to be the Instructions for your future Guidance.—

2 Your destination being intended for Amboyna and Banda, you are directed in the first Instance to shape your Course for Prince of Wales Island, and if there & should be no appearance of Enemy's Ships Cruizing there, you will touch & for Intelligence, and apply to the Commander of any of the King's Ships that may be there to convoy you as far as their destination

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powers may admit, or if there should not
be any Kings Ships lying there, you will
apply to the Superintendant for any
protection that the Company's Cruizers
can afford you thro' the Straits.—

3 In the event of your being
obliged to proceed from Prince of Wales
Island without Convoy you are to
consider it as your primary object to effect
your Arrival at Amboyna, with as little
delay as possible. The Governor General
in Council does not think it expedient
in that case to prescribe the Track you
shall take, deeming it more eligible to rely
on your own experience and discretion, &
which must be Regulated by Winds
Currents, or other Circumstances of
a precarious Nature, and above all by any
Intelligence

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Intelligence you may collect of Enemy's Ships
Cruizing in the Eastern Seas.—

4th You will be at liberty to touch at
Malacca for Intelligence, if you should have
reason to think that you can do so with
safety but if any Risk should attend your
doing so, it will be better avoided.—

5th You will receive charge herewith
of a packet for the Commercial Resident
at Amboyna and Banda for the time
being and a letter addressed to the Senior
Officer Commanding at Amboyna, which
you will deliver on your Arrival, and conform
thereafter to such Instructions as you
may Receive with Respect to Landing
your Cargo either at Amboyna or Banda.—

7 You will Conform to the terms of your
Assignments in all matters to which
it Relates, and which may not
be provided for under the present
Instructions

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Instructions —

Fort William
the 26th June 1797.

Jam &c. &c.
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Government

A true Copy
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt

To the Officer Commanding a Detachment of Pioneers at Point Pedro

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos 36. 37. 38

To Lieutenant Fitzpatrick — desiring that the Detachment under his Command may be embarked for the Presidency on the Duckingfield. Hall. —

To the Commander of the Chartered Ship Duckingfield Hall. —

To Captain Moring — with Instructions for bringing the Detachment above mentioned from Point Pedro to the Presidency. —

To D. D. Zephr

To Captain Scott — desiring him to be in readiness to sail for Calcutta on the 12th Instant with a Detachment of the 33d Regiment. —

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered on M.B. Nos. 39. 40. 41. 42.

From the Secretary to Admiral Rainier —

From Mr. Brownrigg — requesting that Instructions may be sent to the Commander of the Zephyr, to convey to Bengal two Captains two Lieutenants two Midshipmen and nine Warrant Officers of the Navy. —

From Mr. Roebuck referring a Bill presented by Lieutenant Murray 74th Regiment for Boat hire from Ceylon to the Coast. —

From the Military Pay. General —

From Captain N. Lendray — requesting that Assistant Surgeon Gelmour may be permitted to draw the regulated Allowance on account of his attendance on Detachment of the 2nd Battalion 1st and 2d Battalion 2nd Regiment Native Infantry doing Duty at Ahtoor. —

From the Commandant at Ahtoor. —

From Mr. Roebuck — enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash required &. for the Disbursements of the Current Month —

From the Military Pay. master General —

Dispatched