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Translation of a letter from Malouree Mohone Bhaie Saheb to the Right Honble Lord Robert Governor &c. &c. dated 26th July 1797. –

From Mohona Bhaie Saheb widow of the late Rajah of Tanjore noticing the Rajahs particularly her paying her annual allowance and requesting that Mr. Macleod may be Restrained from all Interference in her Domestic concerns. –

On the 17th April last I addressed a letter to your Excellency through the Dewan of Tanjore Tirumba Vakeel of maharaj Ameer Sing but, as you have not been pleased to favor me with an answer I have felt much concern – more than I can describe, I request however that your Excellency will take into consideration which I am now about to write, and favor me with an answer

In consequence of the family disputations, which according to my wish to madras, after my return to this place, those disputations ceased, and I rejoined my brother in law Rajah Serfojee Maharaj Amer Sing. He has since continued to pay me the annual allowance

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allowance appointed for me by Sir Charles Oakely — As Amer Sing is my brother in law, I have no connexion with Sherfoge, I received my annual allowance according to agreement — for this annual allowance Sherfoge has no right nor cause to press — Mr. Macleod has now stationed a guard of the Company's troops over the door of my apartment by which means people are prevented from coming to and from me. There is no reason for preventing people from coming to me I shall send to invite those to visit me, when I chuse; and I request that Mr. Macleod may be directed to remove all impediment to this. I entreat that this Gentleman may be restrained from interfering in the affairs of my family. —

On the 22d Instant Mr. Macleod came to my gate; and told me that I must clear out the palace in

which

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which my horses and furniture kept; and
if not that he himself would come the
next day, and cause them to be cleared out.
This gave me extreme concern, and I sent
to communicate it to Maharaz Answering
Mr. Macleod also write to maharaz
Answering upon this matter, and I
received an answer from him. maharaz
Answering has likewise written fully
to your Excellency. my horses have not
been kept in the apartments of P
Serfoge. The place of his residence is
separate under their circumstances it is
improper in Mr. Macleod to send and
desire that their places may be cleared
out, as your Excellency is just I pray
that you may be pleased to send a P
positive order to Mr. Macleod to prevent
his interfering with me. What should I write
more. &

True translation
Signed J. Webbe
M. I.

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Minute thereon.

As long as the widow of the late Rajah may be satisfied with the payment of her annual allowance the Board judge it unnecessary for the Resident to interfere; and in regard to the appropriation of apartments, Resolved that Mr. Macleod endeavour to form such an arrangement as will prevent complaints and reference to the Presidency.

The commander in chief lays before the Board

The commander in chief lays before the Board the following memorial from certain officers of this army founded upon the promotion granted to the officers of the Bengal Establishment by the minutes of Council of the Supreme Board as communicated in their letter of 28th May last to this Government.—

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To The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor and President in Council &c &c

My Lord

Memorial from the Senior Captains on the Establishment praying that Government will take off the Strength of the Army the Officers now at Home, and returned as absent with leave and make the consequent Promotions upon the principle that has so lately been adopted by the Supreme Government in regard to the Bengal Army. —

We hope the Subject, we have now the Honor to address you on, will be considered by your Lordship, as a sufficient Excuse, for intending at this busy Period while we flatter ourselves, with every Success, attending our representations, to you: who must be so perfectly acquainted with the Feelings of Soldiers; whose their future Prospects, & Military Men, and so deeply concerned. —

We are sensible my Lord you are too well acquainted, with the Standing, of every Officer, on the Coast Establishment, as well as their Merits: to require a Statement of our Claims: but if circumstances, may have occured of preventing to your Lordships Administration which you are unacquainted with & permit us with the greatest Respect to solicit your Attention. —

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We the undermentioned Officers have served the Honble Company, Twenty Two years, Eighteen, of which, have been with the Rank of Subaltern, the greater Part on Hard, and Arduous Duty, in the Field, or performing the most Unpleasant One of a Garrison and if Wounds, or Long suffering Want and long Confinement with an Enemy, can be deemd an additional claim to the attention of Government, some of those, who have now the Honor to address your Lordship will be found intitled to it

By the late Arrangements so liberally Granted, for the Company's Army such attention has been paid by the Indean Minister, in framing them that few indeed have suffer'd from the change while Numbers have benefitted Materially nor shall we have cause to place ourselves, among the suffering few should your Lordship be pleased, to extend that Liberal Part

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of the Arrangements, to the Coast Army; of
passing over all who are at Home, and
would be entitled to Promotion, or Regiments
had they availd themselves, of coming to India
on the Ships of 95 — & agreeable to Orders. —

Permit us, to add, your
Lordship, with that less Reluctance, in
complying with our Solicitation, when I
informd, that some of the Officers, now
absent, and consequently a Bar to our
Promotion, have been by Interest, and
lucrative Situations, placed in a Sphere
that exempted them, from the Unpleasant
Duties, of the Profession, to which, for
Eighteen years, we had been subject — And
that they can suffer little, or no Inconvenience
as their Rank, & by no means stopd our
our Promotion while we may be materially
Injured: should the Recommendation, of
Government, to the Court of Directors, for
the Continuance of their Rank, not be
approved on the final appointment of
Officers

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now in Europe posted to corps and if returned as absent with leave, the Board do not observe any explanation of the motives of the supreme Government nor any immediate exigency at this Presidency, which can justify them in adopting a resolution so foreign from & the letter and spirit of the orders from the Court of Directors, and if any one period could be more objectionable than another for taking such a measure, it would be the present moment, when by the latest intelligence from Europe we may expect the immediate arrival of the Marquis Cornwallis, who is entrusted with the final arrangement of military matters in India. –

It is natural for the officers who are on the verge of promotion to look with extreme anxiety to this object of professional pride; but whatever considerations may be due

due to the urgency of their claims it is P.
incumbent on the Board in justice to
the officers at home as well as in P
obedience to the orders of the 27th. July to
provide for the free operations of those
orders upon the faith of which the P.
officers about to return to this country P
will have embarked. –

The Board however do not P
admit the position laid down in the
memorial that the establishment of P
regimental rise will be injurious P
to their promotion. Whenever the orders
for establishing regimental rise may
arrive, it will become necessary to P
revise the present distribution of P
officers and to post them to corps P
according to seniority – In that event P
if the officers now returned as absent
with leave in Europe should return
they will of course be posted to corps P
according to their rank; and the officers

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who now lay claim to promotion in the room of those absentees, would become supernumeraries of their respective ranks; for as those officers would return; if they return at all, under the faith and orders of the Court of Directors, it would not be possible for this Government to exclude those officers from the strength of corps by an arrangement upon the spot, which would want the confirmation of the Directors. A compliance therefore with the present memorial would not only be nugatory in respect to the memorialists themselves but would wear the appearance of an attempt to contravene the intentions of the Company and to deprive absent officers of rights secured to them upon the faith of superior authority. —

Under this view of the subject there may be considerable doubt

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doubt whether the measure adopted
in Bengal may receive the confirmation
of the Court of Directors, but if that
promotion should be confirmed, the Board
can have no hesitation in pledging
themselves in the fullest manner to
use every means in their power
for obtaining from the Honble Court
the same advantages and from the
same dates for the Officers of this
establishment, who would be brought
in by a similar promotion to that
in Bengal. —

Upon this occasion the
Board cannot but record their regret
that they should be reduced to the
alternative of either acting diametrically
contrary to the orders of the Court of
Directors, or of refusing their assent
to a claim which by a comparison
with the Bengal establishment
does unquestionably bear hard upon
the individuals immediately concerned

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The Board have already stated their opinion to the Court of Directors respecting the situation of the Coast Army urging the justice of their claims to be put in all respects upon a similar footing with the officers upon the Bengal and Bombay Establishments, and they have no doubt that the decision of the Company will be favorable upon that point, of difference as well as the present, what it is the Intention of the Board if it be not previously remedied particularly to Notice and urgently to recommend in the earliest dispatch.—

Ordered that an answer to the foregoing purport be transmitted to the officers who have presented the foregoing memorial.—

Commander in chief suggestion.—

The Commander in Chief recommends that the Board should come to some resolution respecting the indulgences they judge proper to grant

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The native troops ordered for foreign service in regard to our advance of pay and their being relieved after the war shall be over

Resolved in consequence A

Resolution of the Board regarding the advance of pay be made to the Troops about to embark on Foreign Service and the prospect of relief to be held out to them. –

that one months pay be advanced to the officers commanding corps to be distributed in such manner, as they may judge best for the service, and to be accounted for at the place of their destination. –

Resolved that officers under orders for foreign service be permitted to draw one months pay and allowances in advance to be debited from the next months abstracts. –

The commander in chief is requested to have it communicated to the native troops that they will be relieved as soon after the war, as circumstances will permit. –

Read the following A

letters from the military Board

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of every information on the Subject, be
requested to ascertain, in communication
with the Collector, the best means of
obtaining the above quantity of Columbo
Arrack deliverable in the Months of
of March next, and to be transported to
Madras at that period by such Conveyance
as may be then determined on; and that
he will also suggest an arrangement by
which a regular Annual supply of Arrack
may be procured from Ceylon on the
most reasonable Terms. It will also
be desirable that he should state his
opinion with respect to the expediency of
a sufficient number of empty Casks being
sent to Columbo in the Months of September
or October next, for the purpose of providing
the Arrack, which will save the expence
of providing Casks on the Spot - a measure
the less necessary as the Agent for
Spirituous Liquors will have a number
of empty Casks at the Southern Garrisons
which, it is supposed can be conveniently

transported

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transported to Ceylon at that time. -

The offer of Majr. Colt and Lt. R.

referred to our Board with Letter from Government

of the 21st. June last, induced us to call for 8

Samples of the Sulphur tendered by them

for sale: the several sorts of which, having

been refined in the Laboratory, We do ourselves

the honor to lay before your Lordship a particular

Report of the result appearing therefrom, and to

state as our Opinion, that at the rate of 16 Pagodas

per Candy for No. 1 - 15 Pagodas for No. 2 - 20 Pagodas

for No. 3 and 13 Pagodas for No. 4 the procuring

such a quantity of Sulphur will be a desirable

measure. -

We are to acknowledge the receipt of

Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 17th Instant

with Enclosures, and in regard to the application

from Captain St. Leger upon the Subject of P

Quarters, We beg leave to recommend that

he be placed upon the same footing as the

other officers at Chemanduleem, which denies

of their drawing the usual allowance for

House Rent, when unprovided with Quarters. -

We have the Honor to be

Fort St. George

31st. July 1797.

Sign'd &c.

Geo: Harris

Patrick Ross

Thomas Guthrie

W. Sydenham

Jr. Richardson

George Hall

Statement

Report of the Sulphur tendered for Sale by messrs Lott Baker, and Day, and Refined in the Laboratory.—

Fort St. George July 27th 1797.—

Number	Articles	Received to be refined	Remains after being refined	Loss in refining	Remarks	Price established if tendered
		lb	gr. lb	g gr.		P T O
1	Lump Brimstone refined	37 8	16 5	8 1 28	of a tolerable good Quality	
2	Do. Do. Lumps Raw	12 6	11 13	" " 9 "	Do.	35 " "
3	Roll Do. Do.	" "	" "	" " " "	of an Excellent quality	20 " "
4	Manilla Lump Do.	16 2	6 15	4 " " 46	Do. Do.	40 " "

/Signed/ Fred. Pearce
Secy & Accountt Mil Board

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Resolved that the military Board be desired to conclude an agreement with the agent for Spirituous liquors for the purchase of three hundred leaguers of Batavia arrack at 38 Pagodas per leaguer

Resolved that extract of the foregoing letter in regard to the provision of arrack from Columbo be transmitted to Brigadier General Dr Meuron with directions to take measures in concert with the Superintendant to provide the quantity of arrack immediately wanted, as well as for procuring the information suggested by the military Board in regard to the general provision of arrack from Columbo

Read the following letter from the Secretary in Bengal.—

To

Military on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board

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To J. Webbe Esquire

Secretary to the Government

at Fort St. George

Sir

From the Secretary at Bengal requesting that Major General Erskine may be ordered to return to Bengal.—

The Governor General in Council desiring the Continuance of Major General Erskine with the Bengal Detachment unnecessary in consequence of the seperation of the Corps composing it has directed me to request that you will express his Recommendation to the Right Honble the President in Council that General Erskine may be ordered to return to Bengal, and in the event of his desiring it, that he be permitted to bring his aid de Camp with him.—

Fort William
the 17th July 1797.

I have the Honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt.

Ordered

M. C. 23/B

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Ordered accordingly that a Major General Erskine be directed to return to Bengal with all convenient expedition. —

Read the following Letter from the commandant at Malacca. —

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President in Council &c. &c.

Fort St. George

My Lord

I avail myself of the opportunity of a Ship to Bengal to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 29th March by the Swift on the 10th of May, she proceeded on her Voyage hence the 13th of the same month. —

The Transport Ballona arrived here direct from Madras on the 5th Instant and Sailed again on the 10th. by her I received Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 26th April — the Orders Contained therein shall be Strictly observed by me, and every exertion in the power of this Station used to forward the object of Captain Lieutenant Pittmans

From the Commandant at Malacca requests a Supply of Cash for the use of the troops notices the Demarcation of Revenue receipts owing to the Stagnation of Trade advances 4000 Dollars on account of the Naval Hospital states the sum disbursed in building the Hospital & requests the Boards Sanction for the Employment of a Malay and Chinese Interpreter and an Increase of allowance under the Head of Table Money. —

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Pettmans Mission. –

The Gloucester Transport on her way to Amboina & Banda touched at Penang on the 21st Ultimo and further that some Necessary Repairing had rendered it fit to land a part of her Cargo she may be expected here in the course of Ten or Twelve days. –

I beg leave to state to your Lordship that the low Condition of our Finances, that for a considerable time past We have been in a great measure disappointed from Money arising from the Sale of the Prize Property, as that Resource is now almost Exhausted, with no Prospect of disposing of the little that Remains and the Revenues being very inadequate of Lending it Necessary for me earnestly to entreat a Supply of Money by the first Opportunity It being impossible to procure Money here for Bills on any of the Presidencies, to add to which the great want of Current Specie in the Settlement

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Settlement which exceeds any thing of the
kind known before.—

The Revenue Farms for the
last 6 Months of this year, I shall, as hereafter
dispose of by Public Auction, the Import
of the Sea Post and Export Duties which
constitutes about four fifths of the whole
will fall short of what it is at present
in Consequence of the great Stagnation of
Trade since they were rented at the
beginning of this year, occasioned by the
few Ships that have visited this Port in
Consequence of the Uncertainty as to whence
the French Frigates had gone, together with
the Report of Privateers, which prevented
the usual Supplies coming from Bengal
particularly Opium on which a Duty of
15 S.C. Dollars Pr Chest is levied, and to
add to which the Coasting Trade has
and still continues to be much injured
by the Pirate Malay Proas, who come within
three or four Miles of this and Capture the

Coasting

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Coasting Trade, Murdering or Carrying
into Slavery their Crews, and this they do
with impunity from our having no
Cruiser to prevent them. When the Dutch
were here they found it necessary to keep
three Vessels of that description Constantly
Employed, permit me therefore to suggest
to your Lordship the good Consequences
likely to arise from a small Vessel of
Force being Stationed here to prevent
a Continuation of such shocking Cruelties.—

Mr. Shuttleworth, Assistant
Surgeon who was appointed by His
Excellency Admiral Rainier to take
Charge of the Sick Seamen of His
Majesty's Squadron, not deeming himself
authorized to Draw Bills on the Admiral
for the 4000 S.P. Dollars advanced him
out of the Treasury has furnished me
with his Receipt for that Sum, which
I hope will be found satisfactory
to your Lordship — I have the honor to
to enclose it you — In addition to which
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the Sum of 80 Dollars 1452. 2 was paid for the
Building of a Naval Hospital the plan and
Estimate as drawn out by Captain Lennon of
the Engineers, received the Sanction of His
Excellency, payment of which Authorized in
Consequence of his Order to that Effect.—

A Danish Ship arrived here
the 7th Instant from Batavia which she left on
the 26th ultimo when every thing was in peace
and Quietness, with the greatest abundance of
Supplies there from Europe furnished by
American and Danish Ships, the Rupture
between Great Britain and Spain was
known there the greatest apprehensions was
entertained throughout the whole Island
of Java of a Visit from an English Squadron
against Which, from every account they were
very Ill prepared.—

A Malay Rajah of Lengrein
on the Southern extremity of this Peninsula
writes to Some of his Relations Settled here
informing them that by late Letters he has
Received from Batavia he has Accounts that

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the French Frigates may be expected in these Straits, but When or in what number or With what Views, he does not mention, & his Motives are to put his Relations on their guard, the Authenticity of this Report I cannot vouch for further than what I have stated.

The various applications I have from the Chinese and Malay Inhabetants has rendered it absolutely necessary for me to entertain an Interpreter at the monthly pay of 20 S.P. Dollars which I trust your Lordship Will be pleased to admit. -

I beg leave to represent to your Lordship that the Table allowance is by no means adequate to the Expence attending their Station, the Purchase of Wine and every other Article being rated at a very high price, I therefore hope your Lordship will be pleased to make such an addition as you may deem Requisite. -

A particular Circumstance has occurred here Relative to a Soldier belonging

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to the Detachment Whose Name is Dennis Shea, it being he was some time ago Tryed by the Civil Court at Madras for the Murder of a Native near Poonamalee but was acquitted for want of Sufficient Evidence, a Remorse of Conscience has induced him to make a Public Declaration of his having Committed the Murder being at a loss how to act in so uncommon a Case Permit me to Request of your Lordship will be pleased to Honor me With your Commands on the Occasion: -

I have the Honor to be with the utmost Respect. -

&c &c

Signed Richd Tolson

Lt Comdg the Troops

Malacca
13th June 1797.

Ordered to lie on the Table. -

The foregoing letter ordered to lie on the Table. -

The Secretary lays before the Board the following oath of Mr. martha Lucas, entitling her to partake of Lord &c fleiving fund. -

Josiah

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

Sir

Letter from Mrs Lucas enclosing an affidavit by which she becomes entitled to participate in Lord Clives Bounty Fund

I have the honor to forward you the usual affidavit required for my partaking of Lord Clives Fund and am to request that the Honble the President in Council will be pleased to direct the Paymaster General to discharge my monthly Bills from the time of the Death of my late Husband Doctor Lucas.—

Madras
3d August 1797.

I have the honor to be
&c &c
(Signed) Martha Lucas Widow
of the late Colly Lyon Lucas Esqr.

Martha Lucas Widow of Colly Lyon Lucas Esqr. late a Chief Surgeon and Member of the Medical Board in the Service of the Honble East India Company on the Coast of Coromandel maketh Oath and saith that the said Colly Lyon Lucas Esqr. did not die seized or possessed of or Entitled unto any real or personal Estate to the Amount in Value together of Four Thousand Pounds 4000 £ Sterling.—

Martha Lucas
Widow of the late
Colly Lyon Lucas Esqr
Chief Surgeon.

Sworn to before me
this 3d August 1797.
(Signed) Thos. Sewell
Alderman

Ordered

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Mr. Lucas admitted on the Establishment on Lord Clive's Bounty Fund

Ordered that Mr. Lucas be permitted to draw the pension, which the widow of an Officer holding the same army rank as her late husband entitled to receive from the Fund

Read Lr of the Board relative to the Pension drawn by the Widow Gordon.

Ordered that this principle of assignation be observed in the payment of the pension to the widow of the late Mr. Gordon. —

The President lays before the Board a proposed establishment for the grain and provisions department & on the expedition and proposes that the salary of the commissary be fixed at two hundred Pagodas per month. —

Proposed

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Proposed Establishment for the Grain and Provisions and Victualling Departments on the intended Expedition

The Salary & Office Establishment of the Commissary of Grain and Provisions on the Expectation fixed by Government.-

Grain Department

1 Commissary of Grain and Provisions

1 Head Writer	@ 30 P. ᵖ Month	₰ 30 ..	
1 Head Conicopoly	@ 30	₰ 30 ..	
1 2nd Ditto	@ 20	₰ 20 ..	
10 Ditto Ditto	@ 12	₰ 120 ..	
2 Measuring Men	@ 10	₰ 20 ..	
2 Mayaulgies	@ 5	₰ 10 ..	
2 Peons	@ 5	₰ 10 ..	
2 Packers	@ 6	₰ 12 ..	₰ 152 ..

Victualling Department

1 Assistant Victualler	@ 80	₰ 80 ..	
2 Writers	@ 30	₰ 60 ..	
1 Head Conicopoly	@ 30	₰ 30 ..	
1 Second Ditto	@ 20	₰ 20 ..	
15 Conicopolies	@ 12	₰ 180 ..	
3 Measuring Men	@ 10	₰ 30 ..	
2 Peons	@ 5	₰ 10 ..	
2 Packers	@ 6	₰ 12 ..	₰ 622 ..
Establishment Pag.ᵃ			₰ 874 ..

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The Board are of opinion that the establishment proposed for this depart-ment are not more than adequate to the balance and responsibility of the employ-- Ordered therefore that it be adopted and transmitted to the military auditor General.-

Resolved that the extra Ships Eleja ann, Harriett, Crawe, and Princess Royal be ordered to Pondicherry on the 10th Instant for the purpose of receiving on board the troops, which are to embark from that place.-

The Extra Ships Eleja ann Harriett Crawe and Princess Royal to proceed to Pondicherry to convey to the Presidency the Troops to embark at that Place.-

Read the following Letters from Amboyna received by the Phenix.-

To Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor &c. &c.

Fort St. George

From Captain Packenham of the Resistance - inclosing this Captains Letter of the Dutch Settlement of Amboyna on the Island of Celebes of this nature for this enterprize and stating his opinion the advantage of retaining Possession of it adverting of the wreck of the Commander Ships crew on a double Island on the 1st February.

My Lord

I have the honor to inform your Lordship that as no supplies of Rice had arrived for the Inhabitants of the Islands of Banda and Amboyna and as they were accustomed

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accustomed to live entirely on that article &
and Sago which had likewise failed and
the Inhabitants being in an almost state
of famine without any hope of being speedily
supplied I thought it absolutely my duty to
make every exertion to relieve them and &
accordingly learning that the Islands had &
been very amply supplied in the time of &
Dutch from the Ports of Monado and Lambi
on the Island of Celebes but which places &
were garrisoned by the Dutch I determined
to attempt procuring supplies from thence
and having seen the different passages &
clear for the six outward bound Honble &
Company's Ships which I had the honor
to inform your Lordship of in my last &
I proceeded with H. M. Ship Resistance
to Monado ordering the Honble Company's
Frigate Bombay to follow and having &
prepared for storming the Fort the Governor
thought fit to surrender on assuring &
him that Private Property should be
secure – I therefore took possession of it

with

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with the Ships Crews untill I had procured
the supply of its present crop – the Fort is
now and in complete repair and mounted
with 28 Iron Guns of different sizes and 20
small Brass ones with every convenience and
having captured 5 Sail in the different Ports
I dispatched them to Amboyna Stilled with
Rice. –

I should your Lordship wish
to retain Manado the following are the
advantages arising from its being in our
possession – Forty Men and the trifling sum
of 8000 Rix Dollars annually will defray
the whole expence of its present establish=
ment which is not half what must be
paid for the freight of one Ship from
Bengal it produces yearly from 500 to 600
Casts of Rice 400 Casts of Indian Corn a great
quantity of Gold dust Hogs Tobacco Wax
Oil and other refreshments in great
abundance. –

I am sorry to inform your
Lordship of the loss of the Honble Company's
Ship

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Ship Ocean on Gaudle Island February 1st
and every exertion was used to save the
Cargo but without effect most of the Crew
I am happy to say have arrived safe at
this place – I have the honor to remain &
with great respect. –

Resistance of Fort Victoria
Amboyna May 12th 1797.

&c &c &c
/Signed/ Edwd Pakenham

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

My Lord

I had the honor of addressing
your Lordship in Council on the 18th of
January and I now take the liberty of
communicating in detail such events as
have come within the limits of my
duty since that period

The China Fleet under the
Commodore Drummond which was then
in this Bay, had intend Captain
Pakenham to meditate an immediate
attack

From Lieutenant Colonel Mignole stating the circumstances which induced to decline application from Captain Pakenham for the assistance of troops on Expedition against Amboyna and Banda Islands the Ocean and Sultan of the Dutch Frigates to the Mauritius the troops in want of Salt Provisions and three Months in arrears of Pay calls the attention of Government to the heavy expences to which the Officers are exposed and stating his Intention to an Embarkment on the Isle of Sprotaung &c

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attack upon Ternate, aided by those Ships on their voyage to Canton. We entered into some Cursory conversation with me upon the Subject of that enterprise; which brought the following considerations immediately under my serious attention viz. That in the event of Ternate being taken a garrison from this place would be directly required to maintain it. That the Fortifications and Ordnance of Amboyna being in all respects extremely defective, the defence of the place must depend upon the strength of the Garrison. That the Troops under my Command are certainly not more than sufficient for the common duties of the Islands upon which they are posted; and that any further division of them would greatly enfeeble the defence of these valuable possessions the safety of which ought not to be required for any object of less importance that the taking of Ternate was a measure both of military exploit and political consideration, that Mr Jones being charged with the whole Civil Government, and perhaps some degree of military control in the Islands except

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on the hour of attack by the Dutch or Tumate
it was at least questionable whether I had
any right to adopt or design an enterprize
without his concurrence; and it might be
no less doubtful, whether even at his
request I should be justifiable in dispersing
the Troops under my command beyond the
limits layd down for their duties and to
which my own professional cares have
been confined, and finally - that Ternate
being itself nearly as dependant on the coast
of Celebes for provisions of all kinds, as this
Island has heretofore been upon Java, -
I did not consider it of that consequence
which it seemed to be thought by Captain
Patterson, who spoke indeed of its capture
only as an eventual occurrence which
might depend upon favourable wind and
weather. Nevertheless deliberating upon
the above points, I judged it expedient
to apprize them previous to their departure
from hence, that I could not furnish a
garrison for Ternate in case of its falling

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into his hands, in order that he might not be
induced by any delusive hope of subsequent
support from Amboyna, to pursue measures
at Ternate which he might not otherwise
perhaps either adopt or approve — The Honble
Company's ships did not / as was expected /
accompany him to that place, he arrived there
with the Bombay Frigate and Amboyna Brig
on the 18th February but was disappointed
in his hopes of success against it —

The same considerations which
governed me in respect to Ternate, operated
/ if possible / still more forcibly to determine
me against granting 40 Men who were P
required for the very inconsiderable post of P
Manado from whence my intelligence gave me
but little hopes or expectations of receiving any
quantity of stock or supplies for their P
Garrison —

I am concerned to communicate
the disagreeable accounts of the loss of the
Honble Company's Ship Ocean, Wrecked P
upon one of the Islands. Captain Patton P

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the officers and Crew except a few men who
were killed upon the Islands have had the
good fortune to arrive at Amboyna. The
Alfred India man Captain Farquharson
came into this Bay on the 8th February to
inform us of that melancholy accident, in
order that the earliest Relief might be sent
to Captain Potter and his fellow sufferers
Captain Farquharson likewise informed,
that he had seen six French Frigates off the
straits of Bally, standing to the Southward
and subsequent intelligence in the same
month from Java informed us that three
ships had taken in a Lading Rice at that
Island, and had proceeded to the Mauritius
These Accounts corresponding exactly left no
doubt of the fact, and at the same time
brought under my consideration, that your
Lordship would have heard of the French
Frigates having proceeded to Batavia, but
that Government could not have heard
of their departure from thence; nor perhaps
with entire certainty of their destination. It

might

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might therefore be a reasonable conclusion at
making, that they meant to cruize either for
the purpose of intercepting our China Fleets, or
perhaps to stand on to try their fortune at
the Moluccas; in either case supplying for
these Islands dispatched to come direct P
through any of the southern straits might
be thought too hazardous. It might therefore
be deemed more expedient to send the Ships
intended for Amboyna at an early period
of the season, round Celebes, which
would bring them here sometime in July.
However erroneous these conjectures may P
have been, they served to determine me
upon a measure which was at least P
prudent, to put the Troops to the European
and Native immediately upon short P
allowance, so as to make our provisions
last until the end of August, by which
time they will be completely expended, P
even with our best oeconomy. The Troops
are paid for the Provisions which is P.
withheld from them, the Natives at the
rate

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rate of 105 Pagodas per Garce for Rice, and the Europeans 2 fanams per pound for salt meat the better to enable them to purchase other food - the Treasury not being equal to all the demands upon it, I have contrived to bring the garrison in Arrear of pay and allowances the Europeans 3 months and the Sepoys 4 to on the 1st Instant, to which they have submitted not only without a murmour, but with that chearfulness which has on many former occasions evinced in similar instances the Zeal and fidelity of the H Majesty's Company's Troops beyond example in any other source in the world.

In addressing your Lordship on the situation of the Officers on this service with regard to the disadvantages of the station, however unpopular the subject, I trust I shall considered as only fulfilling my duty to enable your Lordship to judge how far it may be thought worthy of attention, and encouraged by the Boards ordering which imparts a favourable consideration

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to the fair claim of the officers of this Detach-
ment to the attention of Government, I am
induced to state them with such observations
as immediately present themselves to my
notice. They arise my Lord not only from
an entire want of many of the necessaries
of life, but from vexatious monopolies
of those which are to be had. and from the
interior Oeconomy of the inhabitants of
their Islands, which occasions every article
that we are obliged to purchase to be sold
for nearly 200 p Cent more than at any of
our naval stations. Nay many things are
beyond all comparison of price. —

The Dutch servants who
formerly composed this Garrison and
settlement both Civil and military generally
considered themselves fixed to the Colony, or
were but little liable to removals; they
therefore observed the practice usual in
all Dutch Settlements of every person
supplying himself with slaves which
include Artizans of every description: The

consequence

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consequence of this System to us is that our many wants can only be supplied by them at whatever rate the proprietor of the slave may be pleased to fix; thus we are exposed to exactions grievously oppressive and in our own domestic expences to those of an excess which we have never before so much experienced in any situation; that is in the very high wages which the Officers were obliged to grant to their servants to induce them to follow the fortunes of their masters on this distant service. -

At Penang, Malacca, and several other places to the Eastward Colonies of useful Chinese trade, from whom the usual wants of life can generally be supplied on reasonable terms: but at this Island no such description of people appear, yet a Colony of Chinese of a different class exist at Amboyna from whom we experience the heaviest imposition. They engross the whole

market

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market of foreign articles, and by collusive combination may be said to plunder the public. —

Under these advantages we have experienced, and are happy to acknowledge with every expression of Gratitude the benefits arising from their attention of Government in sending us supplies of many necessary Articles without which we should have felt real distress, and even with them the situation of your officers in the Molucca Islands is inevitably more unfavourable than in any station in India; and occasions them on their present allowances to fall in priority short in the means of procuring those comforts and necessaries at Amboyna, which are easily within their reach with half the every where upon the coast. —

An increase of allowances being at present granted in the upper provinces of Bengal, situations far less remote

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remote and unfavourable than that in which we are now placed, encouraged a hope that we may receive such similar allowances as the unparalleled circumstances of our situation may appear to your Lordship to merit; and which being granted, can afford no ground of pretension for the like claim in other Troops; our circumstances being as much more unfavourable, as our position is remote from those sources from whence the usual comforts of life are obtained.

If I may be permitted to speak of my own peculiar circumstances I shall presume to solicit the favour of your Lordships countenance in a pretension which I trust you will think not improperly brought forward to those advantages of my station here which are sanctioned by Government to officers in similar situations upon the Coast. I allude to the profits arising from the restrained sale of spirituous liquors

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liquors, which is granted to officers Commanding
in Garrisons and Cantonments in India. —
I have the honour to be with
the greatest respect. —

&c &c

/Signed/ Dan.l Mc.Neile

Major Comm.g the Moluccas

Fort Victoria
Amboyna 16th May 1797.

Company's Troops in the
Molucca Islands. —

P.S. When I said that our provisions would be completely expended by the end of August I meant our Rice and Beef only — The former is the most important of all things I cannot convey to your Lordship an Idea of the distress which would be felt by all ranks and descriptions of people should we at any time be entirely without Rice. —

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The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Company of Grain and Provisions at Amboyna enclosing an Indent of Attack and Provisions required for the use of the Troops at Amboyna and Banda and noticing the small proportion of Rice and Salt Meat in store.—

I have the honor to transmit an Indent of Provisions for the Moluccas Islands for one year. In this it not included any for the Troops of the Company that may be here occasionally and for which it will be necessary to allow an Extra quantity, especially if the Bombay Frigate should remain on the Station.—

The quantity of Rice and Salt Provisions in Store at very reduced allowance is not sufficient with the utmost Oeconomy to last longer than the end of August.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.—

Amboyna
5th May 1797.

&c &c

Signed/ William Jones
Commy Gen. & Pres.

Indent

Indent of Provisions Wanted for the Molucca Islands for One year

	Gallons	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
	Arack	Salt meat	Rice	Flour	Dhall	Ghee	Tamarinds	Copper	Chillies	Turmerick	Garlick	Onions	Tobacco	Butter
Europeans at Amboyna	543	10,860	15,981	1,929	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Native troops at Amboyna	"	"	51,971	9,743	7,791	1,036	1,036	518½	518½	258¾	258¾	258¾	2,072	1,036
Natives of Amboyna	"	"	6,961	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Europeans at Banda	298½	5,970	9,662	1,102	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Native troops at Banda	"	"	16,892	1,599	2,532	337	337	169	169	85	85	85	674	337
Natives of Banda	"	"	12,830	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total Per One Month	841½	16,830	21,497	14,613	10,323	1,373	1,373	687½	687½	343¾	343¾	343¾	2,746	1,373
Total Per One year	10098	20,960	257,964	57,336	123,876	16,476	16,476	8250	8250	4125	4125	4125	32,952	16,476

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17th May 1797.

/ Signed / William Jones
Commy Genl & Pro.

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My Lord

I have this instant had the honour of closing an address to your Lordships in Council, but as there are yet a few circumstances with which it may be proper to make you acquainted, and which are not perhaps altogether so fit for a public communication, I must presume thus to submit them to your Lordships consideration. —

From Lieutenant Colonel M.Neile remarks on the consequences resulting from Captain Packenhams expedition against Ternate and the Coast of Celebes and on the circumscribed authority vested on him as Commanding the Troops at the Spice Islands — requests that the Corps now stationed there, may be relieved as early as circumstances will admit.

Captain Packenham having failed in his attempt upon Ternate of which he summoned on the 13th February and fired a few shot into it on the 19th I have judged it necessary to touch upon what passed here regarding that Enterprise prior to his sailing from Amboyna; as I know not how he may consider and consequently represent my having declined to furnish Troops corresponding to his views in that question; although those views were

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were not openly or decidedly communicated
to me, either publicly or privately. —

His other measures on the
Coast of Celebes and the necessity
of detaching the Intrepid for the relief of
the Ocean Crew, occasioned the absence
of all the ships during the whole of the
close season; and left those districts so
much exposed to hordes of smugglers &
who came, not only in the night, but
in Armed Sluts in the day from other
Islands, that to prevent their success
as much as possible it became necessary
to detach so many sepoys from hence
we had not a relief of the Guards &
remaining in Garrison — It is not &
however by the most vigelant attention
of Troops that smuggling can be &
prevented During the whole or &
rather the height of the Stormy &
season, Banda was equally uncovered
by any armed Ship. The consequence
will I suppose appear in Mr Farquhars

detaily

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details of events at that Island,

The letters which I have written
from Amboyna since the departure of
Admiral Rainier on the subject of our
security in this garrison, were in a
style suitable to the Uncertainty of the
conveyance; but as Lieutenant Foot
will in all events prevent this Letter
falling into improper hands, I can have
no hesitation in acquainting your
Lordship, that was any Force to land
here so much superiour to the A
strength of the Garrison as to be A
able to erect Batteries against it
I apprehend our situation would A
be very precarious; Nor have I all
those means in my own power A
which I conceive might tend to A
greater Security this however is a
subject on which I feel how A
inadequate the Talents of a plain
soldier are to the desire I have A
of stating facts of such delicacy A
without

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without offence, and which I fear may
have the appearance of arraigning the
wisdom of Government to whose service
a long, and not inactive period of my
life has been devoted, I trust with Zeal
and I am sure with the utmost P.
deference to its authority. With these
premises I derive considerable relief P
from a supposition, that when your
Lordship was pleased to circumscribe the
authority of the Officer Commanding P
and equally extend the powers of the
Commercial Resident at the Moluccas
your Lordship was but partially P
informed of the nature of those P
professions my final hope now P
rests, that in a subject of such Magnitude
a due attention will be given to P
considerations, which in their nature
involve the dearest interests of a P
Soldier with the public good – I am
indeed allowed to assume the authority

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necessary to the defence of Amboyna in case of an attack by the Dutch or French. Permit me My Lord to submit to your Lordships consideration how far it might be prudent in me to assume in the hour of attack and danger only, an Authority which could then be I apprehend but little productive of its proposed object, and when such assumption could only serve to attach a Responsibility which I hope I may be allowed to imagine cannot belong peculiarly to me under existing circumstances. This authority I must presume to think necessary at all times to be possessed by the Officer in General Command, if it is intended that he shall be completely responsible for his Conduct. I believe it has been confided to the Officers in Command at Ceylon and Malacca in which case there is a singular instance of the Power in the Officer Commanding

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Commanding in the Moluccas Islands.—

Following Admiral Rainier

in what he conceived to be your Lordships

intentions regarding the powers given to

Mr. Jones, every thing which was P

possible on my part has been conceded

to him. Every officer detached receives P

his orders and instructions directly from

himself without any interference from

me, and every thing in which I have

not anticipated his wishes has been

instantly performed at his desire

In short, he has been as completely

Governor as your Lordships inclinations

his own Ambition or the warmest P

wishes of his most partial friends P

could have desired — My humble office

has been to regulate military details

and to preserve order and discipline; as P

far as order and discipline can be P

obtained by orders in the Garrison P

independant of the Police and System

in the town which must always have

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an operation upon the habits of the Troops,
restricted to the performance of these duties my
circumstances will not I believe be thought
very enviable, especially by those who have
experienced, as I have myself before now
the unpleasant operation of something, which
seems to be inherent in the Civil line of
Service upon the Coast, and which is entirely
unfriendly to the feelings of the Military. Here
I must confess that I have felt that for a
Officer capable of the duties that are expected
of me would condescend to undergo for sake
of Cordiality – but every private feeling must
be suppressed when the smallest indulgence
might lead to public evil. I would not suffer
a Dutchman to fancy or a single officer in
the Garrison to imagine, that I felt any one
of discontent or dissatisfaction. The period of
it will I hope be short as should there be no
be relinquished in establishing a general
pacification, that limit may not be very
distant, and should they be retained, I
am persuaded that Justice, Feeling and
Humanity

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humanity will combine in your Lordships
Breast to induce a speedy relief of the Troops now
here, whose singular Zeal and fidelity prompted
them to embark upon this distant service
without any prospects or hope of pecuniary
advantage. Those who came with me, came
to do the unpleasant duties of an unpleasant
garrison. Those who preceded us had had the
honours and will enjoy the benefits justly arising
from their achievements — I must beg upon
Lordships permission to say that a speedy
deliverance of those Men, and a quick restoration
of them to their families, will brighten in
themselves and in their Corps, and will
diffuse throughout the Army in general
that spirit of enterprise for foreign
service, which in the present instance has
been manifested with so much advantage
to the state, which until of late years was
unknown in the Native Troops — which
your Lordships liberality will confirm
and which I trust will be strived upon
any future occasion by every Corps in

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Service But should any like necessity occasion
them to remain here for any considerable
time after a peace shall have been concluded
the effect may be different — After the
absence of a year or two from his family
another year is to a sepoy an age of exile
Unless it has been occasioned by a continu-
ance of War which still keeps up his
spirits and his hopes —

My own circumstances are
in all respects singular, the Honours
conferred by the selection of me for this
arduous and important station of which
no person could be more sensible than
I am myself / being the only agreeable
consideration connected with it. Some
influence, and some advantage is derived
from command in all other situations, but
not so at Amboyna —

I have taken the liberty of
soliciting your Lordship, to grant me
the profits arising from the restrained

sale

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sale of spirits, as they are allowed to officers upon the Coast; and I could submit to your L
Lordships consideration some peculiar claims to that indulgence, but that the detail might seem like an Ostentatious display of P
extraordinary in the correction of general P
abuses which I found established here. —

Certain considerations too P
which I have alluded in a former part of this letter, and a desire that every pretension of my own should first be decided upon by your Lordship have prevented me from making any contingent Charge whatsoever even where they might have been perhaps Unquestionably admitted. Lights and P
furniture for my Quarters if allowed to Mr.
Jones will I hope be granted. and it is P
still to be determined by your Lordships P
what may be allowed me for Writers and stationary. These are small matters My Lord scarcely worthy of notice, yet drawing, or making any charge for them would P
occasion Remark, and perhaps draw P

Observation

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observation from the Auditor General which can only be prevented by your Lordships positive sanction.—

I have taken pains to throw all the money I could procure into our little Treasury on Mr Jones's Receipts for the public service and I hope your Lordships will not deem it unreasonable that Government Bonds may be granted me in exchange, and of dates correspondent to the dates of those Receipts, which my agents at madras have instructions to present for that purpose.—

I am apprehensive that these solicitations may seem as Unworthy attention in an Officer honoured by your Lordships countenance, and placed in so distinguished a station. Permit me therefore to observe, that I am far from requesting any privilege for myself that can be considered as a new indulgence in the service; and still less any advantage, the desire of which might bear in the smallest degree a selfish appearance

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appearance I therefore wave and drop every claim or pretension which your Lordship may think in any shape irregular or unbecoming. –

Although no person upon Earth can be more deeply impressed with every sentiment of deference and respect towards your Lordship than I am myself, yet, little acquainted as I am with the ceremony and forms so much due to your Lordships high Rank and station, I fear that I may have deviated from a just observance of them in the freedom of this address; especially in obtruding expressions of private feeling when a just sense of public duty, and a Jealous and faithful execution of it should be the only subjects of my communications to your Lordship. I trust however that you will be assured, my Lord, these are the first objects of my care and attention from which I cannot swerve nor can I be diverted by any other considerations whatsoever, and while my Conduct shall appear to be guided by these principles and no longer, I shall with good reason hope for your Lordships indulgence, even in circumstances which might be unpardonable in a person as qualified, as I am desirous, of observing the most respectful and becoming style to your Lordship. –

This letter was intended to have been dispatched by the Interpid but uncertainty as to the time when Captain Pelhenham intends to order that Vessel to India, has occasioned the present dispatch, that your Lordship may be early informed of the wants we shall experience here, in case of accident or misfortune to any supplies that may have been sent to us.

I have the honour to be with the utmost Respect. –

[Signed] Dan.l Mc Neile

Ordered

Amboyna
20th May 1797.

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Minute on the foregoing Letters from Amboyna.—

Ordered that the foregoing Letters &
from Amboyna do lie over for consideration.—

" Hobart

" Gen. Harris

" Chr. Saunders

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" C. Wallace

" C. Wallace

John Turing Esqr.

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Diary

9th. Recived the undermentioned Letter -

entered in M.S.D. Nos. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51.-

From Mr. Skardon - representing that

From the acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.-

the Stock of Arrack at Trincomalle will only last till

the 1st October next.-

From Lieutenant Showers - requesting -

From Lieutenant Showers of the 35th Native Battalion

that the Arrears of Pay and Allowances due to him

may be discharged.-

From Mr. W. C. Jackson - advising of the

From the Collector at Ramnad

safe Arrival at Manar of 299 Bullocks and 978 Sheep,

sent by him for the use of the Troops Stationed at Trincomalle.-

From Captain Hayes - representing the

From Captain Thomas Hayes of the Artillery

Expence he has been exposed to in travelling to and

from Trincomalle - and Soliciting some Compensation,

either at the hands of Government or the parties who

lately Summoned him as an Evidence on the -

prosecution of Major Mandeville.-

From W. Bristow - enclosing Copy of the

From the acting President of the Board of Trade at Calcutta -

Sailing Orders Issued by him to the Commander of the

Royal Admiral.-

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From Ditto Ditto.-

From Ditto - Enclosing Invoices and Bill of Lading of Ordnance Stores and Provisions Shipped on the Royal Admiral.-

From the Officer Commanding in the Garrison District.-

From Captain Thomas Poole advising of the Total Expulsion of Sana Pantaw from the District and of his Intention to Solicit Mr. Collector Snodgrass's Authority for Recalling Lieutenant Fletcher's Detachment.-

10th Dispatched the Undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 52.53.54.55.56. 57. 58. 59.-

To Mrs. Martha Lucas.-

To Mrs. Lucas - informing her that she will be allowed the same Monthly Sum from Lord Clives Bounty Funds, as it Granted to a full Colonels Widow.-

To the Military Auditor General.-

To Major General Sydenham enclosing Extract of the Letter from the Court of Directors dated 20th January last Relative to the Memorials of Mr. George Hoar and Lieutenant Thomas Malet Hayes - referring Lieut. Fitzpatricks Claim to Compensation for the Carriage of his Kit and desiring that he will pass the Bills of the Assistant Surgeons occasionally doing Duty with the Detachment of Pioneers on Ceylon under the Command of that Officer. Order Relative to Mrs. Lucas's

participation

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participation in Lord Clives Fund and the Sum to be drawn in future by Widow Gordon. —

To Mr. Secretary Barlow — Mr. Ubthoff and Captain Kirkpatrick forwarding Mysore Intelligence

To the Secretary at Bengal and Assistant Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad

To Mr. Taswell — desiring that no boats may be allotted for any other Service than the Expedition. —

To the Master Attendant

To captain Fellowes — desiring him to move his Ship as soon as possible opposite to the North Bastion of the Fort for the purpose of facilitating her Watering). —

To the Commander of the Ship Royal admiral

To captains Stevens and Dawkins — advising them of the Boards Intention to employ their Ships on Foreign Service — and their expectation that they will be ready to receive Troops and Stores on board by the 15th. Instant — and desiring them to move their Ships abreast of the North Bastion of the Fort. —

To the Commanders of the Ships Ceres and Talbot. —

To captains Hughes, Archer, Stranack and Foubister directing them to proceed immediately to Pondicherry Roads, and on their arrival to put themselves under the Orders of Lieutenant Colonel Fraser or the Commanding Officer there

To the commanders of the Ships Eliza Adm, Hariot Princess Royal and Crown —

To Lieutenant Colonel Fraser with — Instructions for embarking the Troops ordered to assemble at Pondicherry —

To the Officer Commanding at Pondicherry

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Pondicherry on the Ships abovementioned and despatching them without loss of time to the Presidency.—

Receive the undermentioned Letters entered in Mss: Nos. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66.—

From the commanding Officer at Vellore—

From Colonel Sale recommending that some repairs be made to the Barracks occupied by the Detachment of the Munro Regiment in Garrison at Vellore.—

From the Collector in the Jaghire

From Mr. Place, stating the measures he has taken for providing Sheep for the use of the 71st Regiment at Wallajahbad.—

From the Commandant at Wallajabad—

From Colonel Baird—repeating his complaint of Mr. Place's inattention to his applications for Sheep for the Consumption of the Troops under his Command.—

From the Commander of the Ship Royal Admiral—

From Captain Fellowes declaring notwithstanding any Survey report that may be made to the Contrary, that his Ship cannot be put in fit Condition to undertake the Voyage on which it was intended to have employed her.—

From the Commander of the Ship Hamet.

From Captain Archer repeating his

Application

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To

application for an advance of Cash, and requesting to Know if
Government will take upon themselves the Risk of the Ship
during the Voyage on which she is about to be employed. —

From Ditto referring to his former Letters
on the Subject of Indemnity and advance of Cash, and
advising of his having Authorized Mess.rs Doring Gordon and
Connell to adjust these points on his behalf. —

From Captain Hughes Acknowledging Receipt of
the Boards Orders for proceeding to Pondicherry and
referring to his former protest relative to the deviation from the
Voyage appointed for his Ship by Charter Party —

Sent the following Letters —

To

Captains D.l Mc.l Donald.
Charles Corner.
James Forbes.
William Kenny.
and
James Innes.

Gentlemen

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of
Your Letter dated 6th. Ultimo. —

Having

the Commander of the Eliza Ann. —

the Senior Infantry Capts.s
Establishment in reply to
applications to be permitted
the Vacancies. —

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Having paid the most Serious attention to your application the Right Honble the President in Council is Concerned that the positive Orders of the Honble Court of Directors dated 27th. July 1796 and publicked to the army on the 7th. of April last prohibit him from granting the promotion which you Solicit: those orders indeed, positive as they are in themselves derive additional Force from the appointment of Marquis Cornwallis who, there is — every reason to suppose, is Charged with the decision of the Honble Court upon the Alterations which have been introduced into the late Military Arrangements — Under the positive Orders above mentioned and the expected — arrival of the Marquis which by the latest Intelligence may be hourly looked for the President in Council deems it utterly unwarrantable for him to anticipate the intention of the Court of directors in respect to absent Officers who, /if they return at all/ will by this time have — embarked for India upon the faith of the very Orders in Question. —

I have further directs to assure You that the President in Council has been induced to withhold

his

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his absent not from any want of consideration for your merits Individually or for the conduct of the army in General on this Coast to which he will always bear as he has already borne the most honorable Testimony, as the Contrary his Lordship Stands pledged upon the records to use every Means in his power for obtaining from the Honble Court of Directors, ~~in the~~ in the event of their approving the late promotion in Bengal the Same advantages and from the Same period to the Offices of the Establishment who would have benefited by a Similar promotion on the Coast, if it had been possible for his Lordship in Council to grant it.-

I am

Fort St. George
9th August 1797.-

Gentlemen
&c. &c.
(signed) J. Webbe. Secy to Govt.

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11.

To His Excellency

Rear Admiral Rainier

Commander in Chief of all His

Majesty's Ships and Vessels in

the East Indies

Sir,

To Rear Admiral Rainier returning to an advance of cash made at Malacca on account of the naval Hospital.—

We have the honor to inclose a receipt for 5,000 Spanish Dollars disbursed by the Commandant at Malacca for the use of the hurt and Sick Seamen left in charge of Mr. Shuttleman at that place which we request your Excellency will cause to be repaid —

We have the honor to be with respect.—

Sir,

Fort St. George
10th. August 1797.—

&c. &c.

[Signed] Hobart &c.

Council

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters

entered

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entered in Mem. Nos. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74.—

To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Sydenham - desiring that One Months Pay may be advanced to each native Corps under orders for Foreign Service.—

To Major General Erskine - desiring him to proceed to Bengal as soon as it may be convenient taking his aid de camp with him, and delivering over the charge of the Vizagapatam District to the Senior Officer—

To the Commandant in the Vizagapatam District.—

To Major General Floyd desiring him to offer a Reward of two fanams per each Dog Killed during the hot Season—

To the Commandant of Chittoor Poly—

To the Military Board authorizing the purchase of 300 Leaguers of Batavia Arrack from Mr. Cochrane and such part of the Sulphur Tendered for Sale by Messrs. Colt Baker and Co. as they may think advisable.— Authorizing them to give Orders for the provision of the Artiles which they have reported to be necessary for the Accommodation of the Troops on board the Extra Ships, and for the Construction of a Magazine Bulkheads for the Security of the Gunpowder and Ammunition - desiring that Means may be taken for

To the Military Board—

Sending

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Sending a Supply of arrack to Trincomalee —

To the Military Board —

To Do — Enclosing Copy of Mr. Hardom's Report on the Claims of the Bullock Maistries — Pacheapah Ramalingum and Weerabadron, and desiring them to State how far the Investigation made by that Gentleman Warrants a Diviation from the Opinion given by their Board on this Subject on the Year 1791 —

To the Resident at Tanjore —

To Mr. Macleod inclosing Copies of Letters addressed to Government by the Rajah of Tanjore and Mahona Bhair Saheb desiring him not to interfere in the payment of the annual Allowance to the Widow, so long as she shall be Satisfied with the Punctuality of the Rajahs Payments — and to endeavour to make such an arrangement, in regard to the Appointments as may prevent Dissatisfaction and Complaint —

To the Secretary to the Govert. at Bombay —

To Mr. Secretary Morris Communicating the purport of Major Agnews Report on Captain Bouds Claim — —

To the Offrs Commanding the Troops on Ceylon —

To Brigadier General De Meuron —

desiring

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desiring he will take measures in concert with the Superintendent of Revenue to provide a considerable Quantity of Arrack immediately wanted, as well as for procuring the information Suggested by the — Military Board in regard to the General Provision of arrack from Columbo —

Recived the following Letter: —

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
at
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am Mr. James McRoberts —

From Bengal relative to a pretant Surgeon Mr. Morris's claim for Medical Disbursements on account of a Detachment of the 33d Regiment during its stay at Madras —

Roberts

Assistant Surgeon of His Majesty's 33d. Regiment, having preferred a Claim "for Medical Disbursements for 100 Officers and Men of that — "Regiment from the 11th of January to the 15th "of February at the rate of 2 1/2 Rupees per "Month for each Man" whilst they were at Fort St. George, I am directed to transmit to you the

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the enclosed Papers on the Subject with the request of the Governor General in Council that the Honorable the President in Council will acquaint him whether Mr. Mc Roberts has any and what Grounds under the Medical Regulations at Fort St. George for making the Demand in question. —

Fort William
the 17th of July 1797

I am Sir
&c. &c.
Signed G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Government

To the Right Honble
Lord Hobart
Governor of
Fort St. George

My Lord

I have the honor to acquaint your Lordship, that Doulut Row Sindea has been put in possession of the Fort of Ahmidnuggur. His Guards continue posted at the Peshwas Palace

in

From the Assistant Resident at Poonah the Fort of Ahmednuggur delivered over to Doulut Row Sindea & Rajajee Bhonslah continues his March towards Nagpore

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in Town —

Tippoo Vackeels here have not yet had an Interview with the Peshwa, Nanna Furnavees or Doulut Row Sindea. —

Rugoje Bhonsla had by the last accounts, reached the Gunga Godavery on his way to Nangpore —

I have the honor to be very Respectfully —

My Lord

&c &c

Signed I. Ubthoff

Poona
29th July 1797.

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir

I herewith transmit for the Information of the Right Honorable the President in Council Translate of the latest Intelligence

Received

From this a fortnight Peshwa's Minister communicating Intelligence of Appa's army having crossed the North Bank of the Tumvery.

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received here from Tarmuni, and are

Hyderabad
1st " August 1797.

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Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translate of Intelligence from Tarmuni —
Dated the 23d July 1797. Received at Hyderabad
the 31st —

News arrived here this Day from
Seringapatam that the Sultaun having first
seen the whole of his Army with Ordnance —
amounting upon the whole to near two Hundred
pieces of various Calibres together with two Hundred
Elephants safe over the hither Banks of the Cauvery,
had himself likewise crossed, and entered his Territo-
ries — The Pondicherri wâllâh* was also it was said
with the army attended by a Body of Three —
Thousand Men.—

That the Sultaun was engaged in —
administering Oaths of inviolable fidelity to every
Officer, and even to every private Sepoy in his Army:

making

*The common designation of the French Envoy.

making them all swear also on the Koran to be
firm to a man in the Day of Battle.-

The Sultaun is described as having with
him the Royal Tygers whose Teeth and Claws are
taken out and in this State kept Chained at a narrow
entrance of his Ravauts. He has People whose Duty it
is to Watch the Countenances of all Persons of any rank
in his Army, as they pass these Animals, which they —
are Obliged to do very Close, and to report to him the
result of their Observations which sometimes happen
to be unfavorable to Individuals.— who are —
immediately on such Occasions, severely reproached
by the Sultaun for their fear and Cowardice.

It is likewise reported that the Sultaun intends
proceeding shortly to Bangalore, the dismantled fortifications
of which place he intends re-building, which it is supposed
he may be able to do Completely enough in four Months &
this point once accomplished he will, it is said throw of the mask
entirely and make War upon the English—

A true Translation
/signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick —
Assistant. —

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To the Military Auditor General

Sent a Letter to the Military Auditor General entered in Mil. No. 75. referring Assistant Surgeon Mr. Morris's Claim abovementioned — and desiring him to authorize the Payment of Mr. Brownrigg's Bills for an Allowance equal to Captains Pay and Batta for the period that he acted as Paymaster and Commissary at Banda. —

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Friday 11th August

Governor President

Lieutenant General Harris

Edward Saunders

and

Ernst William Fallofield

} Esquires.

Minutes of last Consultation — Read and Approved. —

The President Communicates to the Board the requisition to the Commanders of the Cornwallis & Ceres to prepare their Ships to proceed on the Expedition with Troops and Stores — and recommends that similar Orders be issued to the Commanders of the Nymphen Rose Houghton and Britannia. —

The President informs the Board that in Consequence of the Non arrival of the Sarcelles and William Pitt his Lordship had Yesterday

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yesterday given Orders to the Commanders of the Ceres and Talbot to prepare their Ships to receive Stores and Troops for the Expedition and that no exertion may be omitted for forwarding the Expedition his Lordship proposes that Similar Orders may be Sent to the Commanders of the Mentor, Rose, Houghton, and Britannia —

Agreed to and Ordered Accordingly —

The President's Suggestion approved —

Resolved that the Royal Artillery, His Majesty's 12th and 76th Regiments of Foot with the Corps already warned for Foreign Service be ordered to hold themselves in Readiness to embark at the shortest notice —

The Troops warned for foreign Service to be ordered to hold themselves in readiness to embark at the shortest notice —

The President proposes that Mr. Williams Wyse Gordon be appointed Paymaster to the Troops on the Expedition —

Agreed to and Ordered Accordingly

Mr. Williams Wyse Gordon appointed Paymaster to the Troops on the Expedition —

That Mr. Gordon be furnished with Instructions and that the Military Auditor General be called upon for an Establishment of Servants adequate to the duties of the Pay Office —

Read

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Read the following

Letter from the Military Auditor

General —

The Right Honble

Lord Hobart

President and Governor

in Council

Fort St George

My Lord

From Major General Oakham requesting that his Assistant Captain Bruce may be permitted to do duty with the Troops under orders for Foreign Service without prejudice to his appointment in his Office. —

Captain Patrick Bruce —

Assistant in the Office of Auditt having —

expressed an earnest desire to Serve with one of

the Corps ordered on Foreign Service I beg leave

to Solicit Your Lordship to grant him permission

for that purpose, without prejudice to his —

present Situation not only from the —

Commandable

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Commendable motive which has

actuated him to make this request, but

because he has brought up the business

of his Department to the latest

period, thereby enabling me to

make an Arrangement that will

prevent any material Inconvenience

from being felt during his absence.—

I have the honor to be

with the greatest Respect.—

My Lord

&c &c

(Signed) W. Sydenham

Mily Audr General

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

Resolved—

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Minute thereon

Resolved that Brevet Captain Bruce be permitted to do duty with the Troops without prejudice to his Situation in the Military Auditor General's Office

" Abbott

" Geo. Harris

" Edw.d Saunders

"

" C. Wallofield

John Turing Esqr

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11th Received the undermentioned Letters entered in No. B. N.os 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83.-

From the Commander of the Ship Epaminondas

From Captain Anthony Dunlop stating the Sacrifice he has made of his private Interest by furnishing the Bombay Government and the Commanders of his Majesty's Ships with original Maps and Information relative to the Navigation of the Philippine Islands and the China Seas; and requesting, as some Compensation, that Government will employ his Ship the Epaminondas as a Transport on the Manilla Expedition.-

From the Commandant at Bengale.-

From Lieutenant Colonel Vigors requesting that himself and his Staff Captains Grant may be reimbursed the Expences incurred in proceeding from Bengale to Nellore and back again.-

From the acting Deputy Adjutant General.-

From Captain Turing recommending the Promotion of Lieutenant Fireworker Peter

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Peter Grant to the vacant Lieutenancy occasioned by the Death of Lieutenant Murray.—

From the Com-mander of the Ship's Royal Admiral.—

From Captain Fellowes desiring to know of this Government will adjust his Claim on account of the Passage Money of the Officers and Men of the 80th Regiment Landed from his Ships from the Cape of good Hope.—

From the Officer Command-ing His Majesty's 12th Regiment of Foot.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Alston. Requesting that his Regiment may be allowed the Indulgence of one Months Pay on advance.—

From the Secretary at Bombay.—

From Mr. Secretary Morris. en-closing a Letter for the Committee of Govern-ment on Malabar.—

From the Com-mander of the Ship's Royal Admiral.—

From Captain Fellowes enclosing Bills for desiring Cadets for the Company's Service and Officers and Recruits for the Kings Regiments from Calcutta to Fort St. George.—

From Lieutenant Wm. Blair of the 1st Battalion artillery at Hurtanghery

From Lieutenant Blair. relative to Surplus Stoppages Made from his Pay on

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Mr
Mr

on account of a Horse purchased by him
from the Company.-

Sent the following Letters to
the Military Auditor General.-

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General.-

Sir,

I herewith have directed to
enclose for your information and guidance
the establishment which the Right
Honble the President in Council has
been pleased to fix for the Department
of Grain and Provisions on the expedi-
tion against Manilla.-

In which for the consideration
of the orders issued to you on the 8th
Instant respecting the Artificers to be
engaged for the expedition, the President
in Council is pleased to direct that
they may be put upon the same
footing as the Native Troops, and not
brought under Hospitages for provisions
untill

To the Military Auditor General-
a Detail of the
Office Establish-
ment of the Com-
missary of Grain
and Provisions
on the Expedition
enclosed- Artificers
to draw Provisions
gratis on the same
Manner as the
Native Troops- one
Months advance
of Pay to be issued
to the Europeans as
well as the Native
Corps proceeding on
Foreign Service.-

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until the troops themselves may be plun-
-der Messengers.-

The order issued to you yesterday
for an advance of pay to the Marine Corps
is to extended to the European Corps also
under orders for foreign Service.-

Fort St. George
11th August 1797.

I have the honor to be
Sir, &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to the Govt.

Establishment for the Grain and Provisions and Victualling Departments on the Expedition.

Grain Department.

1 Commissary of Grain and Provisions			200.-.-
1 Head Writer	P. 30	is	30.-.-
1 Head Comissioholey	P. 30	is	30.-.-
1 2nd Ditto	P. 20	is	20.-.-
10 Ditto Ditto	P. 12	is	120.-.-
2 Measuring	P. 10	is	20.-.-
2 Mussoulgies	P. 5	is	10.-.-
2 Peons	P. 5	is	10.-.-
2 Packers	P. 6	is	12.-.- 452.-.-

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Victualling Department

Assistant Victualler	D	80.	is	80. . .
2 Writers	D	30.	is	60. . .
1 Head Coriccopoly	D	30.	is	30. . .
1 Second Ditto	D	20.	is	20. . .
15 Coriccopolies	D	12	is	180. . .
3 Measuring Men	D	10.	is	30. . .
2 Peons	D	5.	is	10. . .
2 Packers	D	6.	is	12. . . 422. . .

Total Establishment . . Pags. 874. . .

Signed S. Webbe
Secy to Govt.

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.

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Received a Letter from the Nabob, entered in C. C. No. 73. enclosing the Sower nees Duetuck required for Passing from to the Cavalry Regiments.

Received also the undermen: tioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 84, 85, 86, 87, 88.—

From the Commander of the Ships Royal Admiral.—

From Captain Tellers requesting the assistance of an additional Member

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Number of Lascars to Expedite the Disembarkations of her Cargo.

From the Military Paymaster General.

From Mr. Roebuck enclosing an additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month.

From the Secretary at Bengal.

From Mr. Secretary Barlow advising of the Busbridge Indiaman and Calcutta having left their Pilots for Fort St. George on the 20th. July and that the Tailors Martha and Princess Mary will proceed direct to the place of Rendezvous.

From Dito. at Bombay.

From Mr. Secretary Morris enclosing a Packet for the Committee of Government in Malabar.

From the Paymaster at Masulipatam and its Dependencies.

From Mr. William Gordon returning his Bond duly executed and offering Doctor Pegelow and Mr. Peter Cherry as his Securities.

Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mo. B. Nos. 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102.

To the Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Colombo.

To Mr. Edward Atkinson informing him that Measures will be taken for

Forwarding

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Surveying Sirr with a Stock of Grain from the Coast authorizing the Purchase of a Month's Stock of Rice in addition to the 1500 Bags he has already contracted for.

and desiring Sirr to State the quantity of Arrack and Price at which it is to be procured on Ceylon; and to report the Price which he paid for the 60 Leaguers already purchased.—

To Major General Lydenham.

To the Military Auditor General.—

referring Mr. Roebuck's additional Estimate of Cash before Mentioned.—

To D.o desiring he will lay before the Board an establishment of Servants for the Paymaster to the Troops on the Manilla Expedition.—

To the Commanders of Ships noted in the Margin Communicating the Board's Intention of employing their Ships on the Expedition—and desiring them to be prepared to receive such Troops and Stores as may be ordered on board—

To the Commanders of the Ships Minerva Bom. Houghton and Britannia. Cert Talbot & Royal Admiral

To D.o D.o

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To the Commanders of the Company's Ships about to be employed in the Expedition informing them that one Pagoda p Diem will be allowed them on account of victualling each Officer to be embarked on their respective Ships and desiring them to attend to the Instructions of the Quarter Master General with respect to the Baggage to be received on board.

To the Commanders of the Ships Minerva Rose, Naughton or Britannia, Lord Talbot, and Royal Admiral.

To the Military Board.

To the Military Board desiring their Opinion on a Letter from Colonel Sale regarding Repairs Required to the Barracks occupied by the Detachment of the Minorca Regiment stationed at Vellore.

To D°. D°.

To D°. desiring them to furnish Lieutenant Goldsworthy the Commissary of Grain and Provisions on the Expedition with such Instructions and Forms of accounts as they may deem necessary for his Guidance.

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No 12.

To the Acting Fort Adjutant at Vizagapatam.

To Lieutenant Peter Caswell.

You Hereby Have to make up Three Suits of Slops for each of the French Prisoners under his Charge.

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

To W. Grant. forwarding a Letter from the Committee Received from Bombay.

To the Officer Commanding His Majesty's 7th Regiment at Pondicherry.

To Lieutenant Colonel Shawe. desiring Him to March with His Regiment under his Command to the Presidency so as to arrive early on the Morning of the 14th.

To the Commandant at Chingleput.

To Lieutenant Colonel Campbell. desiring Him to Deliver over Charge of the Fort and Garrison of Chingleput to the next Senior Officer and joine his Regiment at the Presidency.

To the Commanders of the Ships Noted in the Margine. directing them to proceed on board their respective Ships and to make every exertion in receiving the Stores and Provisions for the Expedition.

To the Commanders of the Ships Royal Admiral Rose, Houghton, and Britannia.

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To The Commanders of the Ships Hillsborough, Lord Thurlow, and Marquis Cornwallis.

To The Commanders of Ships Noted in the Margin desiring them to employ their Long Boats under the Direction of the Agent for transports in transhipping Salt Provisions and Arrack from on board the Superb and Success Galley to the Talbot and Ceres.

To The Commandant at St. Thomas's Mount.

To Major General Gillespie desiring he will give order for two Companies of the 73d. Regiment to March into Fort St. George on the Evening of the 16th.

From the officer commanding His Majesty's 7th. Regiment at Pondicherry.

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Received Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Shaw entered in Mem. B. No. 103. acknowledging Receipt of the Boards orders for proceeding with his Corps to the Presidency.

Received the following Letters.

From the Military Auditor General proposing an Office Establishment for the Paymaster to the Troops on the Expedition.

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George.

My Lord

Agreeably to the desire contained in

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No 13

in Mr. Sub Secretary Parry's Letter of the 1st Instant I have the honor to submit to your Lordships in Council the enclosed Establishment of Servants for the Paymaster to the Company's Troops under Orders for Foreign Service which Establishment I consider to be fully adequate to the Duties of this Office and the Rates such as will enable him to obtain People properly qualified for that purpose -

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily Aud. Genl.

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
14th August 1797.

Proposed Establishment for the Paymaster of the Company's Troops under orders for Foreign Service. -

		P	ʃ	℔	P	ʃ	℔
1 Head Writer and Accountant		30	"	"			
5 " Portuguese ditto	@ 30 each	150	"	"			
3 Head Conicopolies	@ 25 each	75	"	"			
2 Shroffs	@ 15 each	30	"	"			
2 Moochies	@ 10 each	20	"	"			
4 Peons	@ 5 each	20	"	"			
Total Pagodas					375	"	"

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(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily Aud. Genl.
Joseph

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Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to Govern.t

Fort S.t George

Sir.

From the Resident at Tanjore with Translate and Copy of a Letter addressed to him by the Rajah complaining of the seizure of the Vakeels both of Mayaveram and Manargody as equivalent only to the April and July Kists. Relates a Commotion about to be excited by the Rajah against one of his principal Servants for the murder of a Bramin.—

I Have here with I have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter which I have Received from His Excellency the Rajah of Tanjore.—

I have Received an Application from His Excellency which I have forwarded to the Collector of Manargody for the ascertainment of Certain Persons of that Description as evidences against a Principal Servant of the Palace charged with the Murder of a Bramin said to have died in Consequence of Punishment inflicted on the Collection of the Revenue—

I have also a Petition from the Connections of the deceased on the Subject.— When the Witness arrived and His Excellency enters upon the Case I shall transmit an Account of what

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Tanjore
10th August 1797.-

What steps are the occasion ...
I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c
Signed Alex.r Macleod
Res.t

Translation

Amer Sing Maha Rajah presents
his Salam to Alexand Macleod Esqr.
Resident ...

In the year 1792, an agree-
ment was made between the Honble
East India Company and me — viz
That if I failed in the
Payment of the Kist Money to the
Honble Company, a part of the Country
in proportion to the Kist Money should
be taken ...

Now the Kist Money which
was to be paid in April of this
year Amounted to 6,000 Pagodas as
this was not paid by me they have
taken the Coubah of Myaveram ...

&c.

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The whole Sum is income of Myaveram is 150,000 Pagodas and some thing above that Sum. this the Honble Company knows.

To be paid in July is 116000 Pagodas so this Sum is not paid there remains however a balance from the Money which is drawn from Myaveram.

However they have taken the Contract of Mannargody.

Now I entreat you that you will consider this Matter and write to the Honble Company, what they may look upon the treaty and take only so much Country as is equal to the Sum which is to be paid and deliver the rest to me. for I am to pay again the next year.

July 30th 1797.

What shall I write more

I Signed Alex. Macleod

Resident

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at Dindigul - with any earlier information ascertaining the practicability of opening the Route of Communication between Dindigul and Palgautcherry referred to by the Committee of the Bombay Government.-

On the 29th of June, I was honored with your letter of the 21st of that month, enclosing Copies of letters on the Subject of establishing a Route between Dindigul and Palgautcherry, the Acknowledgement of which has been deferred in the wish to communicate Result of Correspondence with the Officer Commanding at the latter Post which I endeavored to open by letter dispatched from hence the 2d Instant, but to which I have not received any Reply nor Tidings of its Bearer.

The Night before last I was honored with your Letter of the 31st Ultimo, conveying Copy of a Letter with its Inclosure from the Committee of the Government of Bombay in the Provision of Malabar, and have this day addressed

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a letter on the Subject to Mr. Waddell at Paulgautcherry, or, in his absence to the Officer Commanding, of which a Dispatch shall be dispatched by another Route in two days hence, and I will do myself the pleasure to transmit you the Result for the Information of the Right Hon'ble the President in Council.—

I have not yet been able to discover any one here who is acquainted with the Route laid down in the Sketch to which your last Letter gave rise, but I beg you to assure his Lordship my best Endeavors shall be employed to effect the object of safe Communication.

An Attorney assist in checking Reports in the Intelligence Department transmit the accompanying Extract.—

I have the honor to be

W.— W.—

Dindigul
9th August 1797.

p. Signed A. Brown

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Sent the following Letters.

To Mr. William Hesse Jordon.

Sir,

Lam. W. H. Gordon notifying the Salary annexed to his Appointment of Paymaster to the Troops on the Expedition and the Establishment of Servants allowed him. Instructions.

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to acquaint you that His Lordship has been pleased to annex a Salary of three hundred Pagodas P Month to your appointment of Paymaster to the Company's Troops under orders for Foreign Service as already Notified in the General Order of the 11th Instant.

Enclosed you will receive a Detail of the Establishment of Servants which the President in Council has allotted to you to enable you to conduct the Duties of your Office.

The accompanying Regulations established by Government, in addition to the Instructions and Forms of Accounts with which you will

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will be furnished on application to the Military Paymaster General and Military Auditor General are to be your guides on the distribution of the public Money.-

The President in Council is aware that Local Circumstances may render it necessary to admit of Charges which cannot be specifically provided for: but at the same time thinks it necessary to recommend to you the shortest alteration to the Regulations which refer to Expences of a Contingent Nature.-

The Money that will be sent for the Service of the Expedition will be placed under the Charge of Mr. Thomas Parker, who will have authority to Comply with your Indents when Countersigned by the Commanding Officer of the Troops.-

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The President in Council having thought proper to Commit to your Charge the Payment of Subsistence to His Majestys Troops ordered on the Expedition you will make out a seperate Account thereof monthly, and transmit it with an Account Current, by every opportunity, to the Deputy Kings Paymaster General at the Presidency, by whom the Disbursements will be inserted in his own Accounts and forwarded, in the usual Manner, for Audit.—

Fort St. George
14th August 1797.

I am
W. W.

[signed] J. Webbe
Acc.t Gen.l

Establishment

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No. 14.

Fort St. George. August 15th 1799

Establishment of the Paymaster of the Company's Troops under Orders for Foreign Service.-

		℘	₹	℘	₹
1 Head Writer and Accountt. p Month	20	.	.		
5 Portuguese Ditto @ 30 each	150	.	.		
3 Head Conicopolies @ 25 each	75	.	.		
2 Shroffs @ 15 each	30	.	.		
2 Moochies @ 10 each	20	.	.		
4 Peons @ 5 each	20	.	.		
	375	.	.		
+ For Servants employed in Keeping the Accounts of Sundries issued to his Majesty's Troops	25	.	.		
Total Pagodas		.	.	400	.

+ Establishment of Servants allotted to the Paymaster to the Troops on the Expedition.-

By Order of the Right Honble the President in Council-

Fort St. George
14th August 1799.

I Signed J. Webbe
Sec. to Govt.

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To James Anderson Esq.
President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

To the Medical Board desiring their opinions upon a Memorandum enclosed on the Subject of a Separate Hospital to be eventually established at Manilla.

In addition to the Regulations published in General Orders on the 10th Instant for the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons attached to Corps under Orders for the expedition against Manilla the Right Honble the President in Council is of opinion that it may eventually be necessary to establish a Separate Hospital; I am therefore directed to refer the Subject to your consideration with the enclosed Copy of a Letter for that purpose and to desire that you will state your opinions fully and introduce such additions or alterations as you may judge conducive to the public Service.—

Adverting to the Nature of the Service, and the duties which may be required from the Surgeons of the General Hospital

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You
Hospital will Report your opinions upon
the establishment of Servants and Supply of Medicines, which should be
allowed; and you will also Recommend
such a person as in your judgement
may be well qualified to perform this
important duty.-

I am directed to desire that
your Report upon this reference may be
as expeditious as possible, since the pre-
parations for the expedition will not
admit of delay.-

Fort S. George
14th August 1797.

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Govt.

Memorandum.-

Plan for establishing a General
Hospital for the Troops on the Expedition.-

1. That in the event of it's
being found necessary to establish a
General Hospital for such Cases among

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The Sick as cannot be properly attended or accommodated by the Regimental Surgeons the Staff Surgeons of the Army shall have charge of such General Hospitals and Should Sick more establishments of assistants &ca not be formed sufficient for giving due attention to the Sick, he will in this case receive such assistance from the Surgeons and assistant Surgeons attached to Corps as the Officer Commanding the Troops on the Expedition shall deem necessary.--

2 That when the Case of any Patient in the Regimental Hospital shall be such as to render his removal to the General Hospital indispensably necessary, he is no longer to be included in the daily indents for Provisions, but doy Batta at the rate of three fanams and thirty Cash (3 f. 30 c.) per diem is to be drawn for all the Patients in the General Hospital, which with the usual daily stoppage of two fanams and

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Forty Cash /2. 40/ per day from the sick Marine stay making together five fanams and Seventy Cash /5. 70/ is to be consi-dered in full for Victualling and Cloathing the Sick in the General Hospital without subjecting the Com-pany to any extra or Contingent charge whatever on the Account.-

3 The Hospital Surgeons to be supplied with Rice by indenting on the Commissary of Grain and Provisions at the rates at which it is issued to the Troops.-

4 The Commissary is like-wise to supply them with Sheep at the rates charged to the Company when the Bazars can not furnish the portion of Mutton required for the General Hospital, the Hospital-Surgeons indents to be countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Army.-

5 That the Regimental Surgeon shall

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shall Continue to draw the established allowance for every Patient transferred from the Regimental to the General Hospital, but for every Sick Patient the Regimental Surgeon shall pay to the Hospital Surgeon in addition to the Five Fanams and Twenty Cash /5. 20./ before Mentioned five fanams /5/ per day so long as he shall remain in the General Hospital..

6 That the Regimental Surgeon shall deliver to the Hospital Surgeon such a proportion of the Cot Bs Cloathing, Bedding &c.. as the latter may have occasion for and for which he is to Account to the Regimental Surgeon at a fair Valuation..

7 That the Regimental Surgeon shall also furnish the Hospital Surgeon with Wine, Spirits, Europe and Country Medicines, or other articles of Medical Store which has

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Forty Cash (2.40) per day from the sick Marine stay making together five pence and Seventy Cash (5. 70) is to be considered in full for Victualling and Cloathing the Sick in the General Hospital without subjecting the Company to any extra or Contingent charge whatever on the Account.-

3 The Hospital Surgeons to be supplied with Rice by indenting on the Commissary of Grain and Provisions at the rates at which it is issued to the Troops.-

4 The Commissary is likewise to supply them with Sheep at the rates charged to the Company when the Bazars can not furnish the portion of Meat Rice required for the General Hospital, the Hospital Surgeons indents to be Countersigned by the Officer Commanding the Army.-

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Forty Cash /2.40/ per day from the sick
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and Seventy Cash /5.70/ is to be con-
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6 That the Regimental Surgeon shall deliver to the Hospital Surgeon such a proportion of the Corps Cloathing, Bedding &c.. as the latter may have occasion for and for which he is to Account to the Regimental Surgeon at a fair Valuation..

7 That the Regimental Surgeon shall also furnish the Hospital Surgeon with Wine, Spirits, Liquor and Country Medicines, or other articles of Medical Store which has

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been issued to them by the apothecary at Madras in proportion to the Number of Men in the General Hospital for which the Hospital Surgeon is likewise to account to the Regimental Surgeons at the Regulated rates with the charges that may have attended the same—

8 Puckallies to be furnished to the General Hospital from the Corps in the Field, or on Foreign Service in proportion to the number of Sick &c.—

Read the following letter from the Military Auditor General—

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort S. George

Military Auditor's Report on the Paymasters additional Estimate of Cash required for Advance to the Troops about to embark for Foreign Service—

My Lord,

In Reply to Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 12. Instant, accompanying

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Accompanying an Additional Estimate of Cash Required by the Military Paymaster General for the Current Month I have the honor to Report as follows.

The Amount contained in the Additional Estimate of the Paymaster of Company's allowances to the King's Troops (viz.) Eight Thousand nine hundred Pagodas / Pagodas 8,900 / is admissible, being Required for the Payment of Field allowances N.o 1 to the 12.th and 74.th Regiments of Foot, the Royal Artillery and Guns Lascars attached ecruder orders for Foreign Service.-

The 1.st Division of the 2.nd Regiment of European Infantry and 33.d Native Battalion, about to embark from Pondicherry, for whom Subsistence for September and Arrears for the present Month, Amounting to Seven Thousand, one hundred and fifty Pagodas and Twenty one Fanams / Pag.s 7,150.21. /

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is admissible, and issuable from the General Treasury as well as one thousand, seven hundred and thirteen Pagodas, and two Fanams /1713.2../ being the Amount of Pay and allowances stated to be due to the 1.st Battalion of 6.th Regiment Native Infantry lately arrived at Pondicherry from Trincomale.-

From the additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General at the Presidency, Amounting to Nineteen Thousand, Seven hundred and fifty Pagodas /19750/ the following deductions have been Made- Pagodas Four Thousand two hundred /Pag.s 4200/ Estimated for the 33.d Battalion Native Infantry, that Corps having been included in the Estimate of the Military Paymaster of Pondicherry. Eight hundred Pagodas from the Amount Required for 6. Companies of Gun Lascars, as only Three Companies

exclusive

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exclusive of those attached to the Royal Artillery whose Pay has been estimated for by the Paymaster of Companies allowances to the Kings Troops, are directed to proceed on foreign Service, from the Sums estimated for the 2.nd Battalion of 5.th Regiment Native Infantry, and the 3d.th Native Battalion lately arrived at the Presidency from Vellore, has been deducted, one thousand Pagodas, being an excess on the Amount which is required to discharge their Pay and field allowances for the Current Month, the Amount which therefore appears admissible on the Estimate of the Military Paymaster at the Presidency is thirteen thousand, seven hundred and fifty /13,750/.-

As I find that the 6. Companies of the 2.d Regiment Native Infantry, which are shortly expected under the

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The Commandant of Major Cram's Corps proceeding on Foreign Service, have not been included in the Estimate of Mr. Paymaster Cochrane, and as their pay for September and Arrears for the present Month will I presume be Required on their arrival at this Presidency, I beg leave to propose that a Sum equal to three thousand Pagodas (P.s 3000) be issued in addition to the Sum reported admissible on the Estimate of the Military Paymaster of Fort S.t George, in order that no time may be lost in paying the Battalion previous to its embarkation.

The Gross Sum which it will become necessary to issue from the General Treasury at this Presidency for the payment of the Troops Ordered on the intended expedition, is Thirty four thousand, five hundred and thirteen Pagodas, twenty three Fanams.

(Pagodas 34,513. 23.)

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

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort S. George
13th August 1797.

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The following Order of Council having been sent in Circulation and approved, Was sent to the Clerk of the Treasury.-

Military Department.

Order of Council 4th August 1797.-

Cash Ordered to be advanced to the Paymaster on account of his Estimate abovementioned.-

Ordered, in Conformity with the recommendations of the Military Auditor General, That the Sum of thirty four thousand five hundred and thirteen Pagodas, and twenty three Fanams = Pay.d 34513.23.- / be issued from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on Account of the Estimate of Cash accompanying his Letter of the 12th Instant.-

By Order of the Right Honble Honble President in Council.-

/ Signed / J. Stebbe
Sec.y to Govt.

Despatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mo. B. Nos 104, 105, 106, 107.-

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To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General desiring him to pass for payment a Lieutenant Day's Bills for Adjutant's allowances during the time he acted in that Capacity to five Companies of the 74th Regiment quartered at Pondamalle.

To the Military Paymaster General.

To Mr. Bochuck notifying the Advances of Cash ordered from the Treasury on Account of this additional Detail.

To Do. Do.

To Do. enclosing Copy of Mr. Gordon's Letter of Appointment, and desiring him to furnish that Gentleman with such detailed Instructions as may enable him to conform in all Respects to the established Regulations of the Service.

To the Military Auditor General.

To the Military Auditor General desiring him to supply Mr. Gordon with such Forms of Accounts and other Documents as may appear necessary in addition to the Instructions with which he will be furnished by the Military Paymaster General.

Received

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Received the undermentioned

Letters entered in Mr. B. No.s 109, 110, 111, 112, 113.-

From Captain Barrow. desiring

From the Com=
=mander of the
Ship Brittannia.-

Instructions Regarding the disposal of
the Brass teacher Pounders on board his
Ships Consigned to Bengal.-

From Lieutenant Colonel

From the officer
Commanding at
Pondicherry.-

Fraser. acknowledging Receipt of the
Boards orders with respect to the Embarka=
=tion of Troops for the Presidency.-

From Captain Fellowes. representing

From the Com=
=mander of the
Ship Royal admiral.-

that considerable delay arises in the
preparations of the Ships from the
want of a sufficient Number of Boats
to land his Bengal Cargo.-

From Captain Hudson. acknowledging

From Leith. of the
Ship Houghton.-

Receipt of the Boards orders of the 13th.-

From Captain Fellowes. to the same

From Leith. Leith
Royal admiral.-

purport and representing his representa=
=tion of the delay occasioned by the want
of Boats.-

From Captain Keith. acknowledging

From Leith. Leith
Hillsborough.-

Receipt of the Boards orders for employing
his

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Sets long Boat on the Public Service.

To the Commander of the Ship Britannia.

Sent Letters to Captains Barrow entered in M. B. No. 114 desiring them to retain the 10 Brass Swivel Pounders on board his Ship.

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 115, 116, 117, 118, 119.

From the Commissary of Stores and Provisions on the Manilla Expedition.

From Lieutenant Goldsworthy. Requesting an advance of twelve hundred Pagodas on account of his Employ.

From the Commander of the Ship Pitt.

From Captain Gerard advising of the arrival of his Ships from Bengal in a very leaky State.

From the acting President of the Board of Trade at Fort William.

From Mr. Bruton. enclosing Invoice of Ordnance Stores and Provisions consigned to this Government on the Pitt.

From Ditto. Ditto.

From Mr. enclosing Copy of Captain Gerard's Sailing Instructions.

From Ditto. Ditto.

From Mr. enclosing Copy of Sailing Instructions given to Captain Heycott of the Lascelles.

Received also the following Letter from Mr. Uhthoff.

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart.

Governor of

Fort S.t George.

My Lord.

From the Assistant Resident at Poonah. Cannot consider the accommodation which has lately taken place between the Peshwa Nanna Furnavees the Rajah Sindia and Raggie Bhonsla as permanent Nature unless the Marquis Cornwallis is appointed to the Durbar.

On the 1.st Instant I had the honor to address your Lordship fully, respecting Dowlut Row and Hauder Yaikhan, and have now to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbs letter of the 15.th Ultimo.

Though an accommodation has lately taken place between the Peshwa, Nanna Furnavees the Rajah Dowlut Row Sindia and Ragoja Bhonsla, it does not appear to me that Cordiality is established among them, nor that affairs are settled on a Footing of respectability and Permanence.

Dowlut Rao Sindea is not yet in Possession of the Fort of Ahmednuggur, Ragajee Bhonsla of Gurra Mundla, or Rajah ally Khan of Dowlutabad. Dowlut Rao's Guards are still at the Peshwa's palace in Poona. Ragajee Bhonsla's Army commenced

their

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Their March yesterday in various directions, some to Jejury, some to Nasuck, and some to Nangpore.-

I have the honor to enclose extract of my address of this date to the Governor General, and to be very respectfully:-

W.m H.

Poona
4th July 1797.-

Signed J. Uhlthoff.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Joshua Uhlthoff to the Governor General, dated Poona 4th July 1797-

I wrote a Note to Mora Pundit on the 3d that Intelligence of three months and a Quarter from Europe had reached me, which I had been anxious to Communicate in person to the Peshwa at Nanna, but that the Meeting being put off, I could no longer defer communicating to him in writing the intelligence in Question. That official advice had been received of the appointment of Lord Cornwallis as Governor General, through he had not embarked

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embarked for India where the last accounts
came away. That as he (Moro Pundit) had
enquired the cause of his Lordship's appoint-
ment, I had to acquaint him, that I
understood it was Chiefly ascribable to
intelligence which had reached England
of its being the intention of your Noble
Sir, and Lord Hobart, to Retire from
India, and that it must be evident
to this Court, That a more fit personage
could not have been appointed, than
one, who had before ably conducted our
domestic affairs in that Situation -
for many years, and had successfully
cultivated the most cordial connexion
with this Court, to the Mutual advan-
-tage of both States.-

True Extract

(Signed) J. Webbe

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor President

Lieutenant General Harris

Tuesday Edward Saunders

15th August and Esquires

1797 Const William Tallofield

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and Approved—

Read the following Letter

from the Assistant at Hydrabad—

J. Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Fort St George

Sir,

From the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad enclosing a Letter from Lord Hobart from His Highness the Nizam—

I have herewith the pleasure to enclose a Letter from his Highness the Nizam to the Right Honble the President in Council, being in answer to his Lordship's late letter of Congratulation

on

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on the return of Agent at Omrah.- A
Copy of this letter having been shewn
to me by Meer Allum the Minister for
English affairs, I am under no necessity
of offering the Original, which contains
little more than an acknowledgment
of the receipt of Lord Hobart's letter, and
a recapitulation of part of its contents.-

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
assistant

Hydrabad
1st August 1797-

Translation of a Letter

From His Highness the Nawab Nizam ud Dowlah
Bahadur &c. &c. &c. &c. &c.
To the Right Honble Lord Hobart Governor of Fort St. George

Without Date-

Received 9th August 1797-

From the Nizam acknowledging receipt of Lord Hobart's Congratulatory Letter on Agent at Omrah's return.-

We have received your letter, containing
your congratulations upon the return
to Court of your favoured Fortunate and
Safety Son, the distinguished, Ameer,
the Minister and Plenipotentiary &
Vakeel

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Vakeel of the Asylum State Ageiem ul Omrah
Bahauder,- Signifying That the intimation
of this auspicious event had afforded
you extreme Satisfaction,- That the
congratulation made upon our Success
inspired mixed by the wisdom abilities
and Superior Talents of the abovementioned
Omrah had been manifested to all: and
that the Splended Services which
his wise Counsels had been productive
of towards the prosperity of our illustrious
State, at a time when he was himself
incompassed with many difficulties
had excited your applause and admira-
tion, and we perfectly understand the
Contents.-

Circumstances certainly did occur
which however averted they at first
appeared, have ultimately led to various
advantages which the discerning and
intelligent anticipated the result of.-

Thus the brilliant Talents and
Splended Virtues of our Sowcared Son Asoe
Sheded

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alluded to which had been sullied
by the suspicions of some envious and
ignorant men- appear now to shine
and for with a Lustre resplendent as the
Sun; hence it has been said.-

Hemistick

"In the path of rectitude whatever be =
"falls the pelgrim for "his good"-

And therefore whatever dispensations
our Omniscient and Omnipotent hath
ordered the revolution of time to produce,
they serve to excite our adoration of the
beneficent disposer-

Distick

If you understand the Wisdom of the
Omniscient Being" He makes our safety to
arise from what we fear and apprehend.-

Since the friendship existing between
our Illustrous State, and the Honble
Company continues to increase. We are
convinced that the safe happy and
honorable return of our said, dear Son,
and his elevation to the Administration

of

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of the affairs of our Court, is an event which must afford much satisfaction to your friendly mind concerning you as we do among the distinguished well wishers of our respective States. Consider our favour as extended towards you, and continue thus to inform us of the particulars of your situation.

What more shall be written

We true Translators

(Signed) A. Falconar
Per: Trans.r to Govern.t

To J. Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to Government
Sir,
Fort S.t George

From the assistant Resident at Hyderabad enclosing Copies of Major Intelligence collected at Poona and Sarmeer.

I herewith enclose for the information of the Right Honorable the President in Council Translates of the latest Intelligence received by me from Poona and Sarmeer.

Hyderabad
the 5th August 1797.

I am
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
assistant
Translate

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Translate of a Paper of Intelligence from Goote, down to the 26th July- brought by a Spair of Major Kirkpatricks Horkarrahs who left it on that day, and reached Hyderabad the 4th Instant 1797-

Durbar is daily held as usual at the Meer Meeraseers / Syed Ghuffoor /.-

On the 21st Inst a Slave of the Sultaneés arrived at Goote, with a force Consisting of 2,000 Infantry 300 Cavalry, 4 or Pieces of Cannon, and one Elephant, and brought Accounts of 1500 Horse lately arrived from Seringapatam being encamped at Arcot-poor, 12 Cos distant from Goote:-

On the 22nd Ramy Ram Meer Munzel [Meer Munzel] [illegible] Kind of Quarter Master General / took his Departure from Goote for the Village of Meerd-nogel which is about 14 Cos from Budhaari, and there was a Report in Camp, that the Army at Goote were to proceed likewise to that place on the 13th.-

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Buddeuvid Diers Khan the Hoompty:wallah, had received orders from the Sultaun to join Syed Ghuffaar; The force at present at Goote is as follows: 7000 Infantry, 3,000 Horse, and 18 Pieces of Cannon, which is to be Re:inforced /according to Report/ by a Body of 5, or 6,000 Cavalry under the Command of Kurreem ud dien Khan:-

Rutnagee Naick who had been dispatched by the Sultaun with Letters to Alif Khan, the Kurnool: waillah, had Returned from thence after a Stay of two or three Months: and Reported to the Sultaun, that there was no prospect of the demand upon Alif Khan, being realized.- In Consequence of this, it is said that the Sultauns intentions are to employ the Army at Goote, against Kurnool, and that, it is to enter that Country by the way of Nurd=roojeh.-

The People belonging to Hera Naick* make almost daily successful predatory incursions

* Hereby Naick this Zemindars Name being Spelt three time one way and three time the other.

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incursions into the Talook of Bulkhaur, from whence they carry off the Cattle. On the 21st Instant while Hera Naicks Peons were as usual carrying off the Cattle they had plundered, they were intercepted by a party of Horse from Bulkhaur, who beg an action with the Naicks People, in which they obtained the advantage, without however recovering the plunder, which is to be attributed to the assistance afforded on that occasion to Hera Naicks Peons by a party of One hundred and fifty Horse. from which, had attended Hurry Pan to Ward: rough, and happened to be at hand when the Bulkhaur party of Horse attempted to recover the Cattle:– One of Hurry Pants Horsemen was killed in this skirmish.– The above attempt of the Bulkhaur Horse to recover the property of his Highness the Nizams Ryots having proved unsuccessful, they by way of Retaliation entered and brought away Cattle from the Talook of Koompaly: in consequence of which

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Budder ud Deen Khan wrote a Letter to the Talookdar of Bulkhari, Gholaum Hussain Khan, Complaining of this aggression and Requiring restoration of the plundered Cattle.- To this Demand Gholaum Hussain Khan replied by saying that upon his Raiehs restoring the Cattle plundered from his Talook (Bulkhan) he would do the same on his part.- In Consequence however of a Subsequent order from his Uncle Mahommed Ameen Khan Arab, Gholaum Hussain Khan has actually sent back the Cattle taken by his Party and caused them to be restored to their respective owners, upon their giving a Receipt for the same.-

The Name of the French Commandant Vakeel according to the best Information that can be collected on this head at Goote is Mons.r Motreau * It is likewise currently reported in the Camp at Goote, that a French Force Consisting of 7000 Europeans, and 13000 Sepoys was encamped at Mangalore and

* Perhaps Mons.r Morieau.-

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and that Considerable Re:inforcements were still expected from France, or the Mauritius. That upon the arrival of such expected Re:inforcement the whole would proceed to Seringapatam.-

The Sultaun's Army is reported to be the following Strength.- Infantry (Firelocks) 40,000. Cavalry 16,000 Matchlockmen, and Rocket Boys 20,000.-

It is also reported that the Sultaun intends to Detach Mons.r Mõtreaux with the whole of the French Troops and a Con:siderable Body of his own Cavalry and Infantry towards Dindigul: Dharapooram, and with the Remainder the Sultaun intended joining by the route of Chittledroog the Force at present at Gooti where after making himself Master of Kurnool and Kurpa he will attack the Company's Poss:essions in the Northern Circars.-

On the 22.d July News reached Gooti that the Sultaun had entered his Ter:ritories and was encamped near the Mahe Fallow-

On

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On the 25th there was a vague Report of his having actually reached Chittledroog.—

In Consequence of the Sultaun's having taken the Field in Person the Inhabitants of Bulhari, Adoni, Kurnool, and Kurpah are greatly alarmed and ready to abandon their Habitations. Should any occurrence of importance take place, the same shall be instantly forwarded to Hyderabad.—

A true Translate.

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translate of Intelligence from Tannerie, Down to the 27th July 1797. Received at Hydrabad the 5th August 1797.

News is Received here from Seringapatam stating that Tippoo Sultaun entered his Lands on the 22d July. That his Camp was pitched near Deonul Kutt-gungah, and that

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That this Army was Composed as follows-
of

Horse, Regulars and Irregulars	20,000.
Infantry: Regulars and Irregulars	50,000
Rocket Men	5,000
Total	75,000

Carriers of various Calebre	200
Elephants	200
Camels loaded with Rockets	200
Cannon Carrying 6 Lb Ball, Carried on Mens Shoulders	100

That the French Ambassador was also with the Sultaun in Camp, and had a Force with him Consisting of one hundred Europeans, three thousand Blacks armed with Firelocks, and ten Pieces of Cannon. That the Common Report at Seringapatam was, that this Army would march to Poot.-

On the 23.d a Body of five thousand Infantry, a thousand Horse, ten Guns, and twenty Camel load of Rockets, Came and encamped

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encamped at Paurree and on the Day following /26th. July/ joined the Camp at Goote.

The Common Report every where is, that Tipsoo intends after the arrival of his Army at Goote, which he has greatly Strengthened, and made a Grand Depot of Ammunition and Provisions, to attack from thence the most vulnerable part of the English Possessions.

A true Translate

/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Read the following Letter from his Excellency the Admiral.

Right Honble Lord Hobart.
Governor in Council.

My Lord Fort St. George

From Rear Admiral Rainier requesting that a Number of Invalided Seamen and Marines may be sent to England as opportunities offer.

I beg leave to acquaint your Lordships that there is at His Majesty's Naval Hospital at this place one Hundred and

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and Eighteen Seamen and Marines
(Officers included) invalided for Surveys
on account of the Nature of their respec-
tive Complaints and Reported unfit for
any further Service in this Country
as per List enclosed: Eighty six of which
being now fit to embark I have to request
your Lordships will please give directions
to the Commanders of the Honble Company's
Ships now in this Road homeward
bound direct, or by the way of Bengal, or
China to receive on board and accom-
modate them with a passage to England
The allowance for their Victualling
and passage is established by act of
Parliament.

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your most

Madras Road

August 9th 1797-

Obedient Humble Servant

Signed Peter Rainier

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A List of Seamen and Marines Officers including Invalided at the Naval Hospital at this place, for a Passage to England, and now fit to be Embarked.— August 9.th 1797. Madras.—

Belong.g to		Belong.g to	
Suffolk	Abm. Alexander	Serjeant	Tho.s Dowell
	Mic.l Kelly		Corporale Warman
	Tho.s Peters		Lce Bomb 14.th
	Hug.h M.cCormick		Lce Corporight
	Wm. Buckley		Geo.e Lincolne
	James Henry		Lce Bomb 39.th
	James Whitlock		Lce Doyle
	Thomas Howlett		Geo.e Sandy
	Wm. Trenchham		Mary Birney
	John Atkins		John Hanwode
	Jos.h Wakelin		Lce Bap.t Morring
	Jos.h Mordey		Christ.r Carey
	John Woolenhalt		Hendrick Thyes
	Mr. Wm. Hellyer		
		Victorious	Jn.o Commerson
Invogard	R.t Henderson		Jn.o Hennigefeldt
	John Coyle		Rich.d Boxie
	John Hellenbeck		Hen.y Grant
	Fra.s Reans		D.l Chace
	J.s Melone		Sal.r Vickers
	Wm. Wright		Geo.e Medlock
	R.t Kennedy		Peter Frost
	John Fitzgerald		Peter Lacey
	Owen Lewis		Grisby Robinson
	John Ross		John Lidwell
			Rich.d Simpkin

Do.

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Belonging to

Victorious	John Blunt
	Peter Nichols
	John Woodyard
	Saml Solomon
	And.w Porter
	Geo.e Lucraton
	William Mason
Centurion	William Burley
	Martin Bateman
	William Marks
	George Jennings
	James Collins
	Thomas Bull
	Will.m Chapman
	John Antonio
	John Watson
	John Veeles
	Abra.m Garwood
	John Evans
	Benj.n White
	Thomas Clarke
	Will.m Cameron
Carysfort	Cha.s Dixon
	John Alexander
	Dan.l Keith
	Elijah Dennis
Fox	Tho.s Bell
Trident	Rich.d Richards

Forfeit

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The dispatch of November 11.th suggesting the equipment of an Expedition to Manilla: an Order to me from the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty enjoining a Regulation for the Stowage of Stores despatched from the Thames Company's Magazines to His Majesty's Ships on this Station, and 3 Papers of Intelligence, Copies of which are herewith inclosed which came from England in His Majesty's Ship The Trusty.. also a Copy of a Paper transmitted me by Rear Admiral Pringle for general information containing the true Site of the Rock in False Bay on which His Majesty's Ship Trident struck and received so much damage..

Suffolk Madras Road
August 12.th 1797.

I have the Honor to be
&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Peter Rainier

By the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain and Ireland &c.a

The Master General and Board of
Ordnance

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Ordnance having by their Secretary's Letter
of the 2d. instant requested us that the
practice which has been pursued in the course
of the present and former Wars by Officers of
the Navy employed upon Foreign Stations
particularly in the East Indies) in making
purchases of Ordnance Stores for the supply
of His Majesty's Ships under their Command,
and drawing for the Amount upon the
Board of Ordnance is very objectionable, and
requested that Orders might be given to the
Admiral or Officer Commanding the Fleet upon
that Station where any Ordnance Stores
shall be absolutely necessary for the Ships
of his Squadron, to make Requisition for
such Supplies as may be wanted, from the
Magazines belonging to the East India Com-
pany, whose Storekeepers in India will
be directed to Comply with all such demands,
and the value thereof will be accounted
for to the said Company by the Ordnance
in England: You are, therefore, hereby required
and directed to give strict Orders to the
Captains

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Captains and Commanders of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels under your Command not to make any such purchases in future. but when any Ordnance Stores shall be absolutely necessary to be supplied for the use of their respective Ships to make the same known to you that application may be made for such supplies from the Magazine belonging to the East India Company accordingly. Given under our hands the 28th of October 1796.

To the Commanding Officer for the time being of His Majesty's Ships and Vessels in the East Indies

Signed/ Chas. Small Pybus
H. Seymour
J. Gambier

By Command of their Lordships
/Signed/ Evan Nepean
/a true Copy/
/Signed/ John Braunckers
Secy

The

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Minute thereon

The Board observe that orders have already been issued to the Military Board for complying with such applications as may be made for stores for the use of his Majesty's Navy.

Ordered that the papers of intelligence mentioned in the foregoing letter be lodged in the office.

Read the following letter from Brigadier General Dalrymple.

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

My Lord,

I have received Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 13th Ultimo whereby I am informed that you have been pleased to entrust me with the Command of the Island of Ceilon ad Interim, this token of your Lordships confidence is highly flattering to me, and I will use my utmost endeavours to accomplish your views.

In

By a From Brigadier General Dalrymple - Enclosing his - Knowledgement for the appointment conferred on him - Notices the Insurrection of the Inhabitants of different Castes and the measures adopted for the restoration of Tranquility. -

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In conformity to your Orders I published the Proclamations which I received under cover of the above letter.

I am greatly concerned to inform your Lordships that I have found several Provinces in a State of Revolt, and that several Sepoys have been killed and some wounded. Before I caused the pursuit of the Rioters to be continued I published an advertisement of which I have the honor to inclose a Copy. I am informed that it has in some degree diminished the Spirit of Insurrection among the Natives, and that they may perhaps come to a Parley.

I will use every exertion to bring matters to an Arrangement before the Canadians interfere in the Business.

I remain with respect

&c. &c.

Head Quarters
Columbo 6th August 1797.

(Signed) P. F. De Meuron
Brigadier

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Brigadier General Pierre Frederick de Meuron Commanding on the Island of Ceylon, has learnt with much concern on his Arrival at Colombo, that there are Turnultuous assemblies on various Parts which disturb the public tranquility. - Before he adopts Serious Measures for the reestablishment of Order, he wishes to give a Paternal admonition to the Inhabitants of those Parts, exhorting them in the first instance to Return within those Bounds of Respect which become those who Solicit Justice, and there to come with confidence to him and explain the causes of their Complaints. - If he cannot himself adjust them, he will state the Case to the Government of Madras which requires only to be properly informed, to spread through all the Countries under its direction, the effects of its Justice and Benevolence. -

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The Detachments of Troops in the Cutcherry, have orders not to act offensively during five days from this date, unless the inspector conduct of the inhabitants compels them to do so.- If during this time, Persons deputed for the purpose from the Cutcherry, do not appear at Colombo which they may do with safety to prefer their Complaints respectfully to Brigadier General de Meuron, he will be under the necessity of giving Orders to Punish their disobedience in the severest Manner.-

Colombo 2d. August 1797-

Robert Andrews Esqr.

Superintendent of Revenue on Ceylon.

Sir,

I have been informed that some of the Renters in the Provinces have, upon their own authority, levied duties upon trifling Objects, which have never been

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been taxed by any Possessors of the Island previous to the British Govern= =ment's taking possession of it- These Collections, tiffing as they may a/pear border more upon oppressions than Collections of Duties, and may considerably tend to occasion desputa= =tions and Revolt-

I am therefore of Opinion that it would be prudent for you to specify in the Conditions, "That you "rent the Duties which the Sovereign "is entitled to, and which the Inhabi= "tants have been used to pay according "to the known Customs, for one year, until "a more positive Arrangement be made "by the Government of Madras."-

When you have received all the proposals I request you will communicate them to me, and the Names of those who make them from the different Cotes.-

I have the honor to be
&c.
Signed C. F. de Meuron.

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Colombo 6th August 1797-

Ordered

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Ordered to lie on the Table..

Ordered to lie on the Table
for further information..

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

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Sir,

From the Nabobs private Creditors in reply to the Remarks of Govnment on their late Remonstrance on the payment of their dividends in paper instead of Specie..

We have been favored with your Letter of the 31st Ultimo.

The Reply of Government dated 11th July to our first address of the 5th did not reach us until after dispatching our Letter of the 19th to the Register in consequence of this informing us that we were to be paid in paper.

We are on every account averse to trouble Government with Complaints, and most especially so at a Moment of public Embarrassment. While therefore the Dividends were

paid

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Paid in Paper, at a rate, and during
a season, so Little subjected ourselves as
Creditors to Little or no direct loss, We
Silently and Readily acquiesced, tho.
we necessarily suffered inconvenience
by the consequent Seizure of Specie; - In
professing That we were compelled
by duty to our Constituents to lay
our Complaints before Government, we
stated the truth: many of our Constit=
tuents tho' in Europe have heavy
debts running at 12 p. Cent payable
out of the dividends and to those
who are not in this predicament, no
remittance which are the present posture
of affairs locks up their Funds for so
long a period can be considered favorable,
when Navy Bills are to be procured at
8/3. and 90 days Sight. -

As it is not by any means our
object at this important Crisis to intrude
upon Government, a discussion of the
pretentions

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Representations of the Creditors of the Nabob's Consolidated Debt, we content ourselves with barely observing in Reply to the Remarks on the Subject, that the preferable Claim to Payment of the Military over every other description of Public Creditors, will not we conceive be found to apply to us and our Constituents, who are not, in the Matter in Question, Creditors of the Worlle Company, but of the Nabob, whose Payments to us, are made thro' the Channel of the Company under the guarantie of Parliament:- And that if this actual distinction did not exist, We submit whether the Question would even then rest on the prior attention due to Military Charges in which Investment we conceive to be providing:-

We have

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Without a wish however
to dwell unreasonably on these Topics,
We hasten to the immediate objects
of the Representation we now request
permission respectfully to make,
Namely, to rescue ourselves from
the Imputation of any deficiency
of the Public Spirit manifested by
the Monied Interest in England
Without disparaging the merits of
that description of Persons/ or urging
the obvious distinctions between principals
and Agents/ we beg to point out what
we humbly conceive to form an essential
difference in the Cases compared. In
England the Creditor of the public is
regularly paid in Cash, at all times,
even of the greatest difficulty, and
he is further allured by the prospect
of Gain to subscribe to the wants
of Government and therefore such
Loans are there in fact objects of
Competition

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Consideration - Were these Persons
on the Contrary, after receiving a
formal assurance of perpetual
Payment spared those assurances
given in express consideration of
the reduction of one half of the
annual sums before appropriated
to them) were they to be yet dis-
appointed and fraud only at a
loss, we submit what would be
the effect on their minds, and
what the consequence to Public
Credit.-

Should the monied
Interest of England have been
so tried a trial we heartily depre-
cate, and till they must it with-
out Complaint. We hope we shall
be held no less forward than them-
selves to promote the welfare of our

Country

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Country our King, and over &
Constitution.-

Fort St. George
9th August 1797.-

We are
&c. &c.

Chase Sewell & Chase
for Heirs & Constituents

Colt Baker Day & Co.

Pellons & De Tries & Co.

Hinderstey Watts & Co.
for Heirs & Constituents

Tulloh Jervis Brodie
for Heirs & Constituents

/Signed/ Benj.n Roebuck
for Self & Constituents

F. Saulsour & Co. for Heirs & Cons.ts

Daly & Cockburn for Heirs & Cons.ts

Tho.s Cockburn for himself & Executor
& E. Savage & Attorney to Geo.e Stanley

J. Taylor with.t for J. Taylor Esq.r

J. Taylor for the Estate of Taylor
Colt & Co.

Antonio de Souza
for Constituents.-

Ordered to lie on the Table.-

The foregoing Letter
ordered to lie on the
Table.-

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The Commander in Chief
lays before the Board the following
Application from Captain Collings
requesting to be invalided.

To Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief on the Coast

Sir,

Application from Captain Collings to be placed on the Invalid List.

I have the honor to
enclose to you a Letter I have
received from Lieutenant Colonel
Campbell who Commands the
1st Division of my Regiment, on
which were enclosed two Letters
from Captain Collings, the one
addressed to you, the other to the
Lieutenant Colonel, these also are
enclosed. The purport of all these,
Sir, are to request your approbation
and influence that Captain Collings
may be put upon the Invalid
List.—

Captain

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Captain Collings, I can take upon myself to say, is not at present, nor do I think he is ever likely to be, fit for the Effective List. I shall not conceal from you Sir, that his present debility is much owing to his own imprudence, but while I say this, it is but justice also to say that he has served long / more than twenty years / and well, he has on many occasions proved himself a valuable Officer, and though never extravagant, has ever been so liberal and disinterested a disposition that he is worth nothing. Weighing the whole of his services, and knowing well his situation, I do not hesitate to recommend him as a fair Object for the indulgence he solicits, and shall be much gratified

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gratified of his application meets with success.

Madras
16th August 1797

I have the honor to be
Sir &c &c

[Signed] John Brathwaite

Major General Brathwaite
Commanding the 2d Regiment E. I.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit you a letter addressed to me by Captain Collings of the 1st Division of your Regiment, with one also from him to the Commander in Chief, soliciting his consequence of his disposition, which incapacitates him from doing his duty on actual Service to be Invalided. As Captain Collings was formerly a very deserving and Active Officer, I presume to request you would be pleased to second his application with

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with such arguments as may induce
the Commander in Chief to obtain
for him what he so ardently
wishes.—

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) D. Campbell Lt. Col.
1st Division 2d Regt.—

Pondicherry
11th August 1797.

To Lieutenant Colonel Campbell
Commanding the 1st Division 2d Regt. C. I.

Sir

In consequence of the con-
currence of my indisposition I have
come to the Resolution of applying to
be Invalided and must earnestly
solicit your good offices in my behalf
with General Braithwaite in support
of my application which I have
the honor to enclose.—

and remain with respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) William Collings
Capt. 1st Division 2d R. E.

Pondicherry
11th August 1797.

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To Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.
Head Quarters Choultry Plain

Sir

I find very myself much debili-
tated by a disorder of long continuance,
which renders me unable to perform
the duties consequently attendant
on actual Service, and having but
little or no hopes of Recovery; I humbly
Request you will be pleased to recom-
mend me to be Invalided nor will
I insist that Right should the Governor
in Council have any objection thereto,
after a Service of upwards of twenty years,
deserving which Terms I take the liberty
to observe, I was often employed on Duties
of much responsibility and executed them
to the Satisfaction of my Superiors.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(signed) William Collings
Capt. 1st Division 2d Reg. N.I.

Pondicherry
15th August 1797.

Received

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Captain Collings admitted on the Invalid List.

Resolved that Captain Collings be admitted on the invalid list after a service of twenty years.

The Board take into consideration the following proceedings of the Medical Board.

Resolutions of Government in Council 15th August 1797

Medical Board 14th August 1797.

From the Medical Board recommending various Medical Appointments to Corps ordered on Foreign Service. and an arrangement for the Eventual Establishment of a General Hospital for the Troops proceeding to Manilla under the direction of Mr. Alexander Kidwell.

We have just received Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of this date, with its inclosure, and lose not a Moment in complying with the Orders of Government therein communicated.

Upon perusing the General Orders published on the 8th Instant we find that one Surgeon or

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or Assistant is directed
to attend the Cadets
the Native Cavalry,
Pioneers, and Gun Lascars,
which we consider as
too extensive a charge
for one person, and
therefore recommend
that an Assistant
Surgeon be appointed
to the Native Cavalry
and Pioneers, and
another to the Company
of the Honble Company's
Coast Artillery, and
the six Companies
of Gun Lascars -

approved

We recommend
the following ap-
pointments of Assistant
Surgeons to the Corps under
orders for the expedition -

To

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		To the Compeany of the Honble Compeany's Coast Artillery, and the Six Compeanies of Guro Lascars Mr. John Gordon, with an allowance of 15 Pagodas P Month for Medical expenditure.-
		To the first Division of the 2.d Regiment of Europeans Infantry, Mr. Anthony Babington.-
D.o	D.o	To the Detachment of Native Cavalry and Pioneers Mr. John Crelly, with the allowance of 26 Pagodas P Month for Medical expendi: ture.-
D.o	D.o	To the six Compeanies of the 3.d Regiment of Native Infantry, Mr. Alexander Innerarity, with the allowance of 15 Pagodas P Month for Medical expenditure.-
D.o	D.o	To the seven Compeanies of the 5.th Regiment Native Infantry, Mr. William Robert Baderaan, with an allowance of 20 Pagodas P Month for Medical expenditure.-

as proved and has been published in General Orders.-

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The Regulations will be published in General Orders.

The Chairs for the eventual establishment of a General Hospital, submitted to our consideration, appears to be fully adequate to the purpose, and we do not conceive any alterations or amendments necessary.—

Were it not, at this late period, impracticable to bring Mr Alexander Anderson from Masulipatam, we should have proposed that Gentleman to fill the Station of Hospital Surgeon to the Expedition, he having made a tender of his Services on the occasion. But as we find the preparations will not admit of delay, we are induced to Recommend Mr. Alexander Boisuell for the appointment, who is on the Spot, and very capable of executing the duties of a General Hospital.—

We Recommend that the Hospital Surgeons shall be allowed to carry from hence at the expence of Government, one Head Cornicopoly with an Establishment of Servants and Cooking Utensils in proportion for a hundred men, agreeably to the existing Regulations. The Wages of the Servants to be regulated by those of other Departments

For Medical expenditure for the General Staff of the Army, Engineers, &c. &c. we Recommend that the Hospital Surgeons shall

a Mr. Boisuell's appointment as Staff Surgeon on the Expedition and to the eventual Charge of the General Hospital will be notified in General orders.—

as proposed. Mr. Boisuell will be authorized to carry with him Two hundred Rupees in addition to the Articles recommended by the Military Board.

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Approved.

As Government are not enabled to judge how far Mr Lyons assistance may be required with the Corps they cannot avail themselves of his offer of service.

Mr. Alexander Baxter assistant Surgeon to His Majestys 73d Regiment Messrs Brown and Connell assistant Surgeon and Jacob Pascal Sub assistant will be paid under Mr. Boiswell.-

shall be allowed the Monthly Sum of 50 Pagodas.

Mr. Robert Lyons, assistant Surgeon to His Majesty's 75th Regiment, who is detained here and has no probability of being able to join his Corps for Some Months has offered to act as an assistant Surgeon on the Expedition, and as we are very much at a loss for assistants, we Recommend that his offer be accepted and that he be appointed to do duty under the Hospital Surgeon.-

We also Recommend that Messrs Alexander Noble Brown and Arthur Connell, assistant Surgeons and Jacob Paschal, Sub assistant Surgeons, be appointed to do duty under the Hospital Surgeon.-

/ Signed / Jas. Anderson
Physician General

W. Paine
Chief Surgeon

The

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Death of Lieut. William Murray of the Artillery —

The Secretary reports to the Board the Death of Lieutenant William Murray of the Artillery on the 7th Instant —

" Hotham

" Geo. Harris

" Edw.d Saunders

" E.d Wallace

" E.d Wallace

John Twining Esqr 4th —

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Diary

Received the following Letter

from the Secretary at Bengal.—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government

at Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor

From the Secretary at Bengal enclosing Invoices and Bills of Lading of Provisions &c. Shipped on the Martha, Princess Mary, Nancy, Abercromby, Ajax, Munster Lass Charlotte, and Consigned to the Commanding Officer of the Forces at the Place of Rendezvous.—

General in Council to transmit to you to be laid before the Right Honble the President in Council the undermentioned Invoices and Bills of Lading of Sundry Articles Shipped on the following Ships.—

Invoice and Bill of Lading of sundry Articles Shipped by the Garrison Store Keeper on the Extra Ship Martha.

Do. & Do. of Ditto on the Princess Mary.—
Do. & Do. of 1000 Bags of Rice on the Nancy Country Ship
Do. & Do. of 138 Do. ... of Do. ..... on the Abercromby ... Do.
Do. & Do. of 625 Do. of Do. .... on the Ajax ..... Do.
Do. & Do. of Articles by Do. .... on the Munster Lass .. Do.
Do. & Do. of Do. .... by Do. .... on the Charlotte ..... Do.

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2 I am also directed to forward to you the Bills of Lading of five Flat Bottomed Boats Shipped on the Triton, General Goddard, Hercules, Abercrombie, & Nancy, Proceeding to the Place of Rendezvous. ~

I have the honr. to be

Fort William
the 31st July 1797. ~

Vc.a Vc.a
(Signd) G. H. Barlow
Secy. to the Govt.

Remark on the foregoing Letter. ~

Copies of the Invoices accompanying the foregoing Letter ordered to be sent to the Military Board, and the originals Lodged in the Office. ~

Received also the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 120, 121, 122, 123. ~

From Captain Turing - recommending promotions to fill the vacancies occasioned by Captain Collings being placed on the Invalid List. ~

From the acting Deputy Adjutant General. ~

From Captain Kempt - representing the very leaky State of his Ship also requesting that

From the Commander of the Lascelles. ~

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15th that the Recruits he has brought from Bengal may not be landed till 50 Lascars are sent on board to releave them at the Pumps.—

From Major General Sydenham—

From the Military Auditor General.—

enclosing his Letter of Audit on the Accounts of the Deputy Kings Paymaster on Ceylon from the 25th March to the 24th April 1797.—

From Mr. P. Wilson—returning

From the Paymaster at Chicacole and its Dependancies.—

the Bond forwarded for his Signature and offering Mr. Robert Malcolm and Mr. William Brown as his collateral Securities.—

Despatched the undermentioned

Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 124, 125, 126, 127.—

To Captains Kempt and Gerard—

To the Commanders of the Ships Lascelles and Pitt.—

informing them that Colonel Richardson the Quarter Master General has been deputed to receive from them exact reports of the State of their respective Ships—and desiring them to be prepared to receive

Stores

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15th. Stores and provisions for the Expedition on the Morning of the 16th.~

To the Commander of the Ship Royal Admiral.~

To Captain Fellowes desiring him to attend the Committee of the Military Board for the purpose of assisting their deliberations in regard to the Lading of his Ship.~

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

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

To the Military Auditor General.~

To Major General Sydenham desiring he will authorize an Advance of 1200 Pagodas to Lieutenant Goldsworthy to be accounted for by him to the Paymaster to the Expedition.~

16th. Received the following Letters.~

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General propo. ses an Increase on the Monthly allowance for Servants to Lieutenant Goldsworthy.~

I have the honor of laying before your Lordship in Council the enclosed Copy of a Letter from

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From Lieutenant Goldsworthy Commissary of Provisions

on the Expedition respecting his Office Establishment

Having satisfied myself that it has not been in

his power to hire Conicoplies at a less rate than

15 Pagodas P.r Month, & considering it to be of great

Consequence to the public Service that he should go

provided with People who have been properly trained

in the Grain & Provision Department I beg leave

to recommend that he may be authorized to engage

them on these Terms which will occasion an Encrease

of Seventy five Pagodas (Pag.s 75) P.r Month to

the Sum before proposed, & allowed by Government.

With respect to the description

of People mentioned by Lieutenant Goldsworthy

as necessary to be employed hereafter in his

Department such as Butchers, Shepherds & Wood

Cutters (the latter only when Money in lieu of

Wood is not paid to the Troops) it occurs to me

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that Butchers may be procured when wanted from the Native Corps who will be satisfied with the Customary pay while so employed, & the assistance of Lascars & Artificers may in like manner be obtained from Corps & Departments on application to the Officer Commanding the Expedition whose authority will no doubt be given for employing ~ Butchers, Shepherds & Wood Cutters in the proportion allowed by the Regulations whenever such assistance may be found necessary. ~

I have the honor to be with the highest respect

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 16th August 1797 ~

Do.a Do.a
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mil.y Aud.l Gl.

Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General ~

Sir,

I have been furnished by Captain Brunton Deputy Military Auditor General with the

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the detailed list of Servants for my department, with the Sums annexed, which Government have been pleased to allow each Individual, to which every possible attention shall be paid on my part, but I trust I shall be forgiven for stating to you that I have used every Exertion as also my friends towards procuring Conicoplies at 12 S.P.s Fs. Month without success; but that the Service should not suffer any delay, I have made an Agreement with Servants of that description, at the rate of 15 S.P. have therefore to request you will submit this circumstance to the Consideration of Government, when I trust an increase of difference will receive their Sanction. — It becomes necessary also to mention that there are a description of Servants indispensably necessary in my department not noticed in the detailed list, such as Mastry Butchers — Butchers — Mastry Shepherds — Shepherds Wood Cutter &c.a

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Vc.a or Money in lieu of Firewood besides a sett of Artificers if required all those people were allowed to Captain Limrick on Ceylon, independent of his Establishment, which I hope Government will also allow me.—

I have the honor to be

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Vc.a Vc.a
(Signed) Jno. Goldsworthy
Commissary of Grain
& Provision Exped.n
on Foreign Service.—

A true Copy
(Signed) Pat. Bruce
Ags.t Mil. Sec.y

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to the Government
at Fort St. George

Sir,

From Bengal noticing Ensign Bradshaw's Appointment as Pay-master to the Troops proceeding on the Expedition from Bengal.—

I am directed to request, you will acquaint the Right Honorable the President in Council, that the Governor General in Council has appointed Ensign Barrington Bradshaw of His Majesty's 80.th Regiment, Pay Master to the Troops proceeding from this

16th this Presidency on the intended Expedition.— Ensign Bradshaw's Personal Allowance has been fixed at 500 Rs. Pr. Month,— including the Pay and Batta of his Rank.—

He has also been allowed 275 Rs. 2.— per Month, for the Establishment of his Office.—

I have the Honor to be,

&c. &c.

Fort William the 31st. of July, 1797.— (Signd) G. H. Barlow Secy. to the Govt.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in Mo. B. Nos. 128, 129, 130, 131, 132.—

To Major General Sydenham— in reply to his Letter entered above.— (To the Military Auditor General.—)

To the Commanders of Ships noted in the Margin, desiring them to attend to such directions as they may receive from Captain Bells of His Majesty's Navy on the Subject of loading their Ships.— (To the Commanders of the Ships Ceres— Minerva, Rose,— Houghton Britannia and Talbot.—)

To the Commanders of the Ships noted in the Margin desiring them to have their Long Boats (To the Commanders of the Ships Royal Admiral, Houghton Minerva, Pitt, Hillsbro' Lord Thurlow, and Marquis of Landsdown.—)

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16th. Boats with a yawl or Cutter anchored at the back of the Surf tomorrow Morning and to direct the Officers in charge to attend to such Instructions as they may receive from Captain Bells on the Subject of carrying off Troops and Regimental Baggage to the Trident and Victorious.—

To the Commanders of the Company's Ships ordered on the Expedition—enclosing Copy of a General Order regarding the distribution of Provisions to the Troops ordered on board their Ships—and informing them that they will be held generally responsible for the different articles sent on board.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Talbot, Minerva, Rose, Houghton, Britannia, and Ceres.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Beresford—

desiring him to furnish Mr. Gordon with such Forms of Accounts as may be necessary to enable him to disburse the Subsistence to the King's Troops employed on the Expedition.—

To the Deputy Paymaster General to the King's Troops.—

17th. Received the following Letters.—

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The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From the Military Auditor General reporting on the Claims of Lieutenant Fitzpatrick for Tent allowance and Assistant Surgeon Mr. Roberts for Attendance while at Madras on a Detachment of the 33rd Regiment.

1 I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letters of the 9th & 10th Instant with their several enclosures.

2 In regard to the Application of Lieutenant Fitzpatrick for an allowance for the Carriage of his tents from Columbo to Point Pedro, I beg leave to remark, that as Government have already decided that the Officers on Ceylon being in the receipt of full Batta, shall not be permitted to draw Tent Allowance, unless the Troops shall be actually in the Field, at which period it would be ordered to commence, it appears therefore, that Lieutenant Fitzpatrick's Claim cannot with propriety be admitted, as he was not employed

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in the Field, but only marching from one Station to another, & also because other Officers similarly circumstanced on the Island of Ceylon have been refused Fort allowance on the same grounds.-

In reply to Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 10th Instant, respecting the Claim of Mr. Mc. Roberts Assistant Surgeon of His Majesty's 33rd Regiment, I beg leave to observe that the Medical Regulations published in Government Orders of the 4th December 1793, appear applicable to the case of Mr. Mc. Roberts during the time he was in charge of the Detachment of the 33rd Regiment at this place, Viz. from 15th January to the 18th February 1797 and to entitle him to the regulated allowance of 30 fanams per Month per Man for the detail under the Command of Captain Elliot composed of One hundred Men Officers included.-

An Extract from the Orders

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before mentioned is Enclosed for your Lordships infor-
mation, & altho' it does not authorize the foregoing
allowances being drawn for Officers, yet as Mr. Secretary
Jackson's letter to the late Military Auditor General
dated the 24th April 1794, directs that the Officers
should in future be included & passed in the Surgeons
Bills, Mr. McRoberts appear to be entitled under
this order to draw the foregoing allowance for the
Officers of Captain Elliot's detachment while they
remained on the Coast, altho this rule in regard to
Officers does not appear to be conformable to the
Medical Regulations in force at Bengal. —

It may be proper to add that
Mr. Mc. Roberts has not been paid any Money
at this Presidency on the above Account. —

No time shall be lost in ascer-
taining and reporting on the points referred to in
the Extract of a Letter from the Hble the Court of
Directors

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17th/. Directors regarding the Claims of Lieutenant Hayes of His Majesty's 15th Dragoons and the application of Mr. George Hoar, formerly Paymaster to the Army under Marquis Cornwallis.~

I have the honor to be with the ~ greatest Respect. ~

Military Auditor Generals' Office
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&c.a &c.a
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mil.y Aud.r Gl.

Extract from Government Orders bearing date the 4th December 1793. ~

That for all Stations of European Invalids & Pensioners of whatever Number and for all Detachments & Garrisons composed of Effective Europeans, a fixed Monthly allowance shall be granted to the Surgeon of the Garrison, Station, or Detachment for Victualling, Cloathing, Country & Bazar Medecines, & every Hospital Expence, ~ Europe Medicines excepted, for each European on the

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17th the Strength of the Garrison on Detachment the Sum of thirty (30) fanams per Month when it exceeds the Number of 100 Men, and the Sum of Forty five (45) fanams or one Star Pagoda when the Number of Men exceeds fifty, and does not Amount to one hundred & the Sum of Sixty (60) fanams, or one Star Pagoda & fifteen fanams, when the Number does not Amount to fifty.—

True Extract
(Signed) J. Brunton
Depy. M. Gl.—

To The Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
at Fort St. George

My Lord,

Soon after the Capitulation of Cochin it was determined, under the Sanction of the Government General to continue to the Inhabitants their own Laws, to be administered by a Police and Court of Justice, composed of Natives of Holland

From the Committee of the Bombay Government desiring Information relative to the mode of conducting the Department of Police and administration of Justice at the Captured Dutch & French Settlements under

17. Holland, or of other Creditable Europeans in the Dutch

under the Government of Fort St George — Notice the re-establishment of Peace in the Coliroke District

Service; under an Oath of Allegiance, to his Majesty

The operation and effects of which were expressly

limited to the period of their Judicial Functions, and

more than a twelve Month, the System thus establish-

-ed, cotinued in full force; but within these few

Months, in consequence, we believe, of doubts and

jealousies, instilled into the Minds of the well disposed

part of the Community, it has been extremely difficult

to find Dutchmen who will consent to act as

Judges; and several of those now in office have

repeatedly solicited for leave to resign; under which

Circumstances, foreseeing that it may prove necessary

to substitute some other mode of administration;

We beg leave to trouble your Lordship, for

Information, as to that established in the several

reduced french, and Dutch Settlements, within the

Limits of your Lordship's Government, desiring more

especially

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17th especially to know, what Provision has been made for the administration of Justice, and the maintenance of the Police in Pondicherry, Pulicate and Columbo; to the end that, should it prove undispensibly requisite, we may avail ourselves of the Precedents thence afforded, in respect to the Settlement of Cochin, and it's Dependancies. ~

We take this opportunity of advising, that Peace has been re-established in the Cotiote District; which was the only part of this Province affected by the late Disturbances. ~

We have the Honor to be

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Pondicherry the 5th August 1797. ~

(Signed) " Jon.n Duncan
" J. Stuart

To
The Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council, &c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord,

I have to request that your ~
Lordship

From Major General Craig applies for advances of Cash on account of himself and Staff. ~

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1st 17th. I Lordship will be pleased to permit an Advance of Cash to be made to me and to my Staff on Account of allowances due by the Bengal Government.~ I shall have occasion for 2500~ Pagodas, Major Baynes will require 200 Pagodas and Brigade Major Parkhill 100 Pagodas.~

I have the honor to be

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&c.a &c.a
(Signed) T Craig
M. G.l~

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
&c.a &c.a &c.a

My Lord,

From the Military Board~ represent the low State of the Lascar Establishment & request permission to enlist the Number required to complete the Proportion allotted for the different Departments on Foreign Service, and to make such promotions as~ may be necessary.~

It having been represented to us by our Secretary that the proportion of Lascars~ Recommended by our Board, and approved by~ Government, for the Corps and Departments under Orders for Foreign Service, is considerably greater than can be supplied from the Establishment belonging to~

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17th to Fort St. George, and Additional Numbers received —
from the Out Garrisons, without the assistance of any
part of those daily furnished for employment in the
Arsenal and Laboratory, whom, it is our Opinion, should
not be withdrawn from so essential a duty: and after
a deduction of such, as from Age, and Infirmity, are
unfit to be sent on active Service; We accordingly beg
leave to recommend to your Lordship in Council that
authority be granted for enlisting such a Number as
shall be found wanting to complete the allotment,
as well as, for making any promotion that may be
absolutely necessary on the occasion.—

We have the Honor to be

&c.a &c.a

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(Signed) Geo: Harris
Patrick Ross
Thomas Geils
W. Sydenham
In Richardson
" George Hall

Received

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From the Military Paymaster General— Received a letter from the Military Paymaster General entered in M.B. No. 133. enclosing another Estimate for the current Month Amounting to— Pagodas 23,282.. 14.. —

Dispatched and received the under- mentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 134. 135. 136. 137. " " 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147.—

To the Military Auditor General— To Major General Sydenham, refer- ring the above mentioned Estimate for Examination, and desiring him to authorize an Advance of Pag.s 13100 to Major General Sir James Craig.—

To the Commanders of the Extra— chartered Ships noted in the Margin— enclosing Copy of a General Order relative to the Destribution of Provisions laden on board the different Ships for the consumption of the Troops, and informing them that they will be held generally responsible for the different articles sent on their respective Ships.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Atalanta, Crown, Princess Royal, Ducking field Hall, Eliza Ann, and Harriet.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Notting- ham and Albion.—

To Captain Barfoot and Turnbull requesting

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17 Requesting they will employ their Long Boats and Yauls in the Embarkation of Troops, Baggage &c.a on the different Ships.—

To the Commanders of Ships Noted in the Margin informing them that the Orders of the 15.th relative to the Employment of their Boats are to be considered in force until the first Division of the Fleet shall have sailed.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Houghton Minerva Pitt Hillsbro' Lord Thurlow, and Marquis of Lansdown.—

To Captain Dunlop informing him that however well disposed the Board feel to enumerate his Services they cannot in the present Instance comply with his wish of employing his Ship as a Transport.

To the Commander of the Ship Expedition.—

From Captain Gerard enclosing Bills for the Passage of an Officer and Troops from the Cape and Cadets from Bengal to Madras.—

From the Commander of the Ship Pitt.—

From Captain Fellowes stating that his Long Boat is not in a Serviceable Condition, but that he shall employ his Yaul and Cutter as ordered by Government.

From the Commander of the Ship Royal Admiral.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Fraser noticing the Period of the Arrival of the four Transports and

From Lieutenant Colonel Fraser of the 72.d Regiment commanding at Pondicherry.—

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17. And advising of his having been obliged to order Captain Archer of the Harriet to proceed on board his Ship to prevent procrastination.~

From Dr. Mein~ requesting pay-
From the Head Surgeon Nicol Mein ~ment of Arrears of Allowances due to them.~

From Mr. Sutherland~ enclosing
From the Contractor for Clothing the Army.~ an Indent for Cloth.~

From Captain Sentleger~ soliciting
From Captain Sgt. Eyre of Cavalry.~ a reply to his late Letter respecting his quarters.~

From Lieutenant Colonel Close~
From the Adjutant General of the Army~ requesting to be allowed while employed on foreign Service the Sum of fifty Pagodas Monthly for writers and Eight Pagodas for Stationary.~

From Lieutenant Goldsworthy advising
From the Commissary General of Grain and Provisions for the ~ of his having received an Advance of Sixteen hundred Expedition against Manilla.~ Pagodas from the Military Paymaster on account of his Employ.~

From Captain Stevens~ Stating the
From the Commander of the Ship Ceres.~ Impossibility of his rendering himself further responsible for~

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17th For the different Articles of Provisions sent on board his Ship, than for the Numbers of Packages of each Description

18th Sent in Circulation the following —

Letter from the Military Auditor General, accompanied by an order of Council for issuing the additional Sum required by the Military Paymaster General — The latter having been approved and ordered to be sent to the Treasury. —

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

In Answer to Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of Yesterday's date, accompanying an Additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Current Month, I have the honor to report, that of the Amount Viz. Twenty three thousand, two hundred and eighty two Pagodas, & fourteen Cash (Pags. 23,282..14.) the following Sums appear admissible, and payable — from the General Treasury. —

Military Auditor General's report on the Military Paymaster's additional Estimate of Cash for the Current Month — desires — Instructions as to the mode of accounting for retrenchments remitted in the Accounts of Mr. Edward Garrow —

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18. The Amount of Bills drawn by the Military Paymasters on Ceylon, to the Eastward, & by the Paymaster at Chicacole, equal to Nineteen thousand one hundred and fifty six Pagodas Twenty four Fanams and fourteen Cash / Pags. 19.156. 24. 14 / which I presume Government will order to be discharged as heretofore.—

An Advance of One thousand four hundred Pagodas (Pags. 1400) to Lieutenant Colonel Gent, agreeably to the Orders Contained in Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of 20th Instant.—

Pursuant to the directions communicated in Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 15th Instant the Sum of Twelve hundred Pagodas (Pags. 1200) estimated on Account of Lieutenant Goldsworthy Commissary of Grain & Provisions, is also admissible, but as no instructions respecting an Advance of Cash to Mr. Gordon, Paymaster on the intended Expedition have been received in my Office, the Sum of Seven hundred

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18th Hundred Pagodas (Pags. 700) in the Estimate appears — exceptionable, unless your Lordship shall be pleased to authorize it. — Fifteen Hundred Pagodas having been estimated for Lieutenant Colonel Gent, on account of repairs on the Sea face, the Sum of One hundred Pagodas has been deducted therefrom, as before Noticed. —

A few of the Retrenchments which were made from the Accounts of Mr. Garron late Pay-master at Trichinopoly & refunded by him previous to his departure for Europe, having been lately removed, the Vouchers required by Government in support of the — objectionable Charges having been transmitted to my Office the Bills were accordingly passed by me for repayment with directions to Mr. Taylor, Mr. Garron's Agent, to apply to your Lordship for an order regarding the Manner in which the Amounts should be liquidated; as I am unacquainted with the determination of your Lordship in Council on this Subject, I have not considered myself at liberty to Admit the Sum included

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included in the Military Paymaster Generals' Estimate,
on that head, Amounting to Seven hundred & twenty
five Pagodas and eighteen Fanams (Pag.s 725..18..-)
which has accordingly been deducted. ~

The gross Sum admissible on this
Additional Estimate, is Twenty one thousand Seven
hundred and fifty six Pagodas Twenty four fanams
and fourteen Cash (Pag.s 21.756..24..14-)

I have the honor to be with the greatest
respect. ~

Do.r Do.r
(Signed) W.m Sydenham
Mily.r Aud.r Gen.l

Military Auditor Generals' Office
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A further Advance of Cash ordered from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General. ~

Ordered that the Sum of Twenty three
thousand One hundred and Eighty two Pagodas and ~
Fourteen Cash be issued from the Treasury to the Military
Paymaster General on Account of the Additional Estimate
of Cash for the Current Month which accompanied
his Letter of the 16.th Instant. ~

In Cash ..... 1025..18..-
Bills on Bengal 19.156..24..14
Pagodas 23.182..... 14-

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Received the following Letters.—

To
J. Webbe Esq.re
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

I herewith enclose for the Information of the Right Honble the President in Council—

From the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad forwarding Mysore Intelligence collected at Tarmurri.—

Translate of the latest Intelligence from Tarmurri.—

I am,
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Hyderabad
8th August 1797.—

Translate of Intelligence from Tarmurri dated 31st July, received at Hyderabad the 8th August 1797.—

News has just reached this place—from Seringapatam of Tippoo having made three—Marches from Mootee Tullon towards Bangalore, the dismantled fortifications of which he intends (it is said) setting immediately about the repair of; even before he proceeds to visit Gooti.— It is the universal belief that Bangalore once re-fortified, the Sultaun will

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will lose no time in striking some blow to effect the recovery of the Possessions he lost during the late War against the Allies.—

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

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor and President in Council
Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have just received a Message

From the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad respecting an Advance of 25,000 Rupees — which Azim Ul Omrah wishes to recive from the Company's Treasury

from Azim ul Omrah intimating a desire of being accommodated with Twenty five thousand Rupees out of the Company's Treasury at Fort St. George.—

While conveying this wish of the Minister's to your Lordship in Council, it is proper I should acquaint you that there is still due to him the Sum of Eighty four Thousand and odd Rupees of an Assignment for Three Lacks granted to him by his Highness on the 1st. Fist of Paishaush for the Fusly

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Fasly Year 1206.— This Balance it has fallen to my lot to discharge here, in consequence of the failure of Mr. Uhthoffs endeavors to compleat the payment of his quota which was one Lack and a half. Should your Lordship in Council judge proper to gratify the Ministers wishes, I can take upon me to say that he will Consider such accomodation in the light of a favor, and if the sums in question be paid in Gold, the loss of premium / which is now about eight per Cent per Bills on Madras, but which it would not be proper to demand of him / will perhaps be more than Compensated, if he is content to receive it at the Company's fixed rate of exchange between Star Pagodas and Arcot Rupees.—

Azim ul Omrah having given me to understand, that the occasion for which he requires this Money at Madras is rather a pressing one, permit me to request that your Lordship will be pleased to Signify to me your determination on

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18 the Subject of this address as early as possible.—

I have the honor to be, with great

respect.— &c.ª &c.ª

Hyderabad (Signed) T. A. Kirkpatrick

9.ª August 1797.— Assistant

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor, Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge

From the Assistant Resident at Poonah states the purport of a communication between himself and Scindia Vackeel on the relative views of the French & the different Indian Princes &c.ª apprehends the Death of Tuckajee Holkar Wyavan Row Guy Kuwar, & states the probable consequences thereof.—

the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letter of the 19.ª

Ultimo, and to enclose, for your Lordship's information,

extract of my address of this date to the Governor

General.—

I have the honor to be, very respectfully

&c.ª &c.ª

Poona (Signed) T. Whitehoff

6.ª August 1797.—

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Joshua Whitehoff

to the Governor General, dated Poona 6.ª August 1797.

Trimput Roy, Colonel Palmer's agent

with Doulut Row Scindia, acquainted me, on the 2.ª

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18th Instant, that Doulut Row having summoned him had desired him to wait on Kishna Chitnavis.— (Abba's brother) who had some thing to impart to him; and that having accordingly attended him, he (Kishna) had observed, on the Part of Doulut Row, that.— Intelligence had reached him, that Lord Cornwallis was very soon expected at Calcutta, if he were not already— arrived there; on which, Doulut Row required inform— -tion from me, as also on the present State of Affairs in Europe between the French & English, intelligence having reached him, that, at the instigation of the French, Tippoo had lately sent an embassy, with bills of exchange and presents, to Zemaun Shah, who, in consequence, having settled the affairs which occasioned his return to Kaubul from Lahore, was preparing for an expedition toward Hindoostan the ensuing Season.—

To the above message, I returned an Answer, through Gunput Roy, to the following purport. that I had some time ago Communicated to him Doulut Row

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18. Row, Sindia / the appointment of Lord Cornwallis to the Government of the British Affairs in India; the abortive attempt and discomfiture of the French fleet; & the victory gained over the fleet of Spain, That the latest intelligence from Europe was within four Months, at which period, the War still continued, & Lord Cornwallis had not left England, though Preparations for his embarkation for India were then on foot, That I had to present him my acknowledgements for his friendly attention in communicating to me the intelligence respecting the French, Tippoo, and Zemaun Shah, and that I should be glad to know how far that Intelligence might be depended on as authentic, or if it was mear vague report, that a continuance of the communication of such Intelligence would be agreable to friendship, & peculiarly acceptable to me, and that I should not fail to furnish him with such intelligence as might reach me on the same subject. That I had not any intelligence, beyond mere report, of any intercourse of consequence subsisting among Zemaun Shah, Tippoo and

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18th and the French. That the great distance between Zemaun Shah & Tippoo, and the intervention of the extensive & flourishing possessions of the three allies, rendered it improbable that a confederacy should ever be established between them.— That as to Zemaun Shah, after twenty Years of threatened invasion of Hindostan by the Princes of Kaubaul, one Attempt had been made last Year, when Zemaun Shah had reached Lahore, which he had been obliged to quit precipitately, and return to Kaubul, without any Advantage that could encourage his making a second Attempt, which appeared in consequence to be an event not likely to take place.— That as to Tippoo, he was well aware of the Union & friendship between the Allies, and of the irresistible force of such a confederacy against him, which he was enable to stem when he possessed Country of double the extent & Value of his present dominions, & before he was subjected to the enormous

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expences that he incurred during the last War, when his Country & Subjects had sufferd extremely from which they had not yet recovered, nor was it likely that they would soon, if ever, recover. That as to the French, they had full employment for their force & resources at home, & in its vicinity; that we were greatly superior to them in naval power in Europe; that we had many possessions, & a respectable land & naval force, between Europe & India; while the French had not a foot of Ground in India, and but one port between Europe & India, Mauritius, between which place & France the most serious differences existed, the latter having sent certain persons to take charge of the Government of that Island, whose admission having been opposed by the inhabitants, they had been obliged to return to France.

I added, that though from the above Statement of facts, there appeared little or no cause for Apprehension, on the part of the French,

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18. Tippoo, or Zemaun Shah, jointly or separately; yet it being incumbent on all well regulated States, to be vigilent, & to guard against the worst possible contingency, however unlikely to occur, we should not be inattentive to the possibility of one or all of them disturbing the tranquility of India, which had of late subsisted so much to the advantage both of the — Marrattas & the Company. I proceeded That Vakeels had lately arrived here from Tippoo, ostensibly with congratulatory Letters & presents for Baajy Row, on his accession to the Peishwaship, and that it appeared advisable to ascertain whether their mission had any other, & what, object; and whether any information could be collected from them, as to the rumoured connexion between the French, Tippoo, & Zemaun Shah, I added, that he (Doulut Row) was acquainted with Sir Charles Malet's intended Departure for Europe; that he must have heard Colonel Palmer

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18. Palmer mentioned as Sir Charles's Successor, as the Company's Representative with the Pishwa, which I could now confirm by Letters just received on the subject from the Governor General, That Colonel Palmer was now at Futty Ghur, and would continue to Poona after the Rains.

You will observe, Honble Sir, that in what is above mentioned respecting Zemaun Shah, I have availed myself of the information contained in the 7th. Paragraph of your Letter to the Asistant at Hydrabad dated 8th. May last. Rumours have of late reached me, through two or three different Channels, That Tippoo had sent an embassy to Zemaun Shah, and that the latter would undertake another expedition toward Hindoostan the ensuing Season; but these rumours have been too vague to be deserving of implicit Credit, & the Name of Tippoo's Vackeel has not once been mentioned to me. One Account intimates that the embassy had proceeded by the way of the Indus.

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It is proper I should report to you Honble Sir, that Intelligence has reached me, for the authenticity of which, however, I cannot pretend to vouch, that at the visit which Tippoo's Vackeels paid to Baba Furkia, they acquainted him, that their Master had entered into a Negotiation with the French & had established a Channel of communication with the Nizam Dowlut Row Scindia and Ram Rajah of Travancore, and that he was very desirous of forming a general Confederacy against the English, to which Baba Furkia had replied, that the affair was of a very delicate Nature, and that he could not give them an answer on the subject without consulting Nana Furnavese.

Since writing the above, Sheshaudery Pundit has confirmed the Account of the fort of Doulutabad being in the possession of Nizam ally Khan, Doondo Mahda the late Killadar, having delivered charge thereof to Dhinkur Beebal, who had been deputed for that purpose by the Poona Court,

and

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and who had surrendered it to Sultaun Dyar Jung, the Nabob of Bhilsal Khan, Subadar of Aurungabad.—

I understand that both Tukoji Holkar & Govin Row Guzkewar are in a very infirm State of health & on their demise, there is reason to expect that their principalities will be convulsed & dismembered by dessensions among their Sons, and the advantage that will be taken thereof by the Poona Government & Doulut Row Sindia, The latter appears to have espoused the cause of Kasie Row, Tuckojee's eldest Son; & Nanna Furnavees that of his younger Brother Mulhar Row. Aunaba, Govin Row's eldest Son is said to be little better than an idiot, and his second Son Kunnoba, who was three years ago in rebellion, and has since been imprisoned by his Father, has lately made his escape, and is collecting followers.—

True Extract

(Signed) J Uhthoff.—

To

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To The Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor President in Council, &c.a &c.a &c.a,

Fort St. George

Madras

My Lord,

I take the liberty of transmitting to

From the Deputy Kings Paymaster General submits the Claim of Captain Allen of the 12th Regiment to some compensation for the Trouble of paying Clothing and Keeping the accounts of the Men of the diffrent Kings Regiments left sick at the Presidency.—

your Honble Board Copy of a letter addressed to me by Captain Allen, Paymaster of the 12th Regiment, on the subject of his having had the charge and trouble of paying Clothing—/Furnishing Necessaries Suitable to the Climate,/ and keeping the Separate Accounts of the Men of His Majesty's Corps left Sick &c.a at Madras.—

I have the honor to be with the highest respect.—

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Marcus Beresford

Deputy Paymaster Gen.l

Madras—

King's Pay Office—Madras

the 18th August 1797.—

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To Lieutenant Col. Marcus Beresford
Deputy Paymaster General

Sir,

Having had the charge of paying the Detachments of His Majesty's Regiments left Sick &c.a at Madras ever since the Month of January last, attended with considerable trouble and expence by being obliged to employ a Clerk, furnish Stationary for keeping the Numerous accounts of the Men, settling their Accounts in General Hospital, Monthly; without any sort of emolument whatever arising therefrom to myself; and as I am informed that Officers in charge of paying Detachments of the Kings Troops have invariably been allowed Batta for performing that duty, however few the Number of Men were that they had charge of, / this however has not been my case having had in charge upward of 100 Men, there being no Officer or non Commissioned Officer at Madras from the Regiments they respectively belonged to / and the Deputy Paymaster General appearing to me the most proper channel to

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18th to Address Government on the Subject, I have to request you will be pleased to lay this matter before the Right Honble the Governor in Council, whom I trust will be pleased to grant me a similar Allowance as above Stated.

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George (Signd) J. Allen—
August 17th.— 1797.— Captain & Paymr
12th Regiment

A true Copy—
(Signd) M. Beresford
Dep. Pay. Genl.—

To Josias Webbe Esq.re
Secretary to Government

Sir, I had the honor of reporting in my

From Lieutenant Colonel Fraser— dispatches the four Transports for the Presidency— Copy of a protest made by Captn Archer enclosed; Statement the Amount of advances made to the Troops by the Paymaster's Conveyance by Mr Harry Taylor—

Letter of Yesterday that the Ships Princess Royal, Crown Harriet and Eliza Ann were to sail in the Evening— the three first did sail Yesterday about 7 oClock P.M. the Eliza Ann, on board of which we sent 39 Leagers, 108 half Leagers, and 27 Pipes of Water did not get under way till between 8 & 9 oClock this Morning owing

to

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18. to the Weather having prevented the boats going off from Seven O'Clock last Night 'till three this Morning.—

Captain Archer having declared his intention of preferring a Complaint to Government, I beg leave to transmit Copies of a Protest and Letter from him.—— With some other Letters from the Captains of the different Ships. I do not deem it necessary to trouble you;— They had I understand, made not the smallest provision for themselves nor the Officers going on board their Ships previous to coming here, and they were therefore naturally desirous of making some stay at this place.—

In regard to Captain Archer's protest, I beg leave to observe that on my directing the Master Attendant to apply officially for a Return or Statement of the Quantity of Water on board his Ships, He made Answer that he could give no particular Statement, but that he had been watered for Six Weeks for 260 or 280 Men,— he did not know which.— As therefore I

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18th I had put on board the Harriet only about 180 Europeans with Between 30 and 40 Followers, and as We had to Water the Eliza Ann, the Captain of which made a demand for 27,000 Gallons, I did not think it necessary to detain the Ships an instant for the purpose of supplying Captain Archer when he had already so much water on board. — With respect to Captain Archer's letter I mentioned in my letter of Yesterday the reason of my ordering him on board, and I should have had all the Captains on board of their respective Ships, but for their having made no provision for the Officers until their Arrival here. —

You will be pleased to report that I ordered the Paymaster's Bramin to advance One thousand Pagodas upon the Receipt of Lieutenant Colonel Campbell on Account of the Officers of the Honble Company's 1st Division 2nd Regiment European Infantry, and Three hundred Pagodas upon Major Tolfrey's Receipt on Account of the 33rd Battalion Native Infantry. — Mr. Taylor has been so obliging as to advance Money to

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to Major Tolfrey on account of his Battalion, which

He will, of course, report to Government.

I have the honor to be

Pondicherry

16th August 1797.

Do. Do.

(Signed) H Fraser

Lt Col. 72d Regt

This is to Certify that the Ship Harriet

Commanded by the Undersigned did arrive in these

roads about 3 oClock P. M. of the 14th Instant,

that Seven Tons of Water was applied for by the

Undersigned at 5 P. M. of the same day for the

purpose of filling up such Casks belonging to the Ship

as in her stay at Madras had been emptied, and

such belonging to Government as during that stay

had in some measure leaked out, being by the

Master Attendant of that Port referred to this for

as much as might be wanted.

Now as that small though necessary

supply is refused by Colonel Fraser although in

readiness for being Shipd by the Master Attendant,

who

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18th —who informs the undersigned that the Colonel refers him back to Madras for his supply — He the undersigned considering the consequences that may result from his Ship proceeding to Sea incomplat — Protests against the cause of such Circumstance, and against the consequences — thereof whatever they may be — Solemnly declaring it to be the Act and deed of the said Colonel Fraser whom accordingly he the undersigned holds accountable to — Government for the same. —

(Signed) T. B. Archer

Done in Pondicherry
this 15th Day of August 1797. —

A true Copy
(Signed) H. Fraser

Julius Griffiths Esq.r
Master Attendant

Sir, I have received your Note — desiring by Order of Colonel Fraser that I will immediatly repair on board, in Answer to which I have to observe that I have only had one hour of day light on Shore, and that in

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in so short a time it is not possible to procure the few things necessary for the Ship.—

Having a Number of Gentlemen on board, it is my duty and inclination to render them as comfortable as possible, their Number and Rank being till now unknown provision could not be made sooner— I must therefore remain two or three hours longer on Shore to provide what is absolutely necessary, and do hereby protest against the rigour of Colonel Fraser of which and the probable consequences resulting therefrom I shall not fail to inform the Government of Madras, whose particular Study it is to render both Officers and Men as comfortable as possible in a Situation so new & disagreeable.—

I have the honor to be

&c.ª &c.ª

(Signed) T. B. Archer

Pondicherry
15th August 1797.—

a true Copy
(Signed) H. Fraser
Lt. Col. 72d Reg.t Dep.t

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Received also the undermentioned

Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 148, 149, 150, 151, 152,

153, 154.—

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr. Roebuck—enclosing his general Cash Estimate for September.—

From Mr. Shardon—requesting the

From the acting Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies

Boards sanction for passing a Charge under the Grain Agent of the 25th. Dragoons of two Pagodas pr Month for a Godown to contain Gunny Bags.—

From Lieutenant Colonel Read—request-

From the Commandant in the Ceded Districts

-ing Permission to visit the Sea Coast for the Benefit of his Health.—

From Captain Moring—desiring that

From the Commander of the Ship Duckingfield Hall.—

he may not be held farther responsible for the Provisions &c.a put on board his Ship than for the Number of Packages sent on board—their Contents & Weights being wholly unknown to him.—

From Captain Forbester—to the same purport.—

From the Commander of the Ships Princess Royal.—& Atlantic.—

From Captain Probeart—. Ditto—

From Lieutenant Vaughan, requesting

From Lieutenant J. Vaughan.—

payment

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18th Payment of the allowance of passage Money to England and of the Arrears of Subsistence due to him.- Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos. 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160.-

To Captain Sentleger, informing him that he will be placed upon the same footing as the other Officers at Chemundalum which admits of their drawing the usual allowance for House Rent when unprovided with publick Quarters.-

To the Commandant of the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry at Chemundalum.-

To the Military Board authorizing them to enlist the Number of Lascars required for the Service and to make such promotions as may be absolutely necessary on the occasion.-

To the Military Board.-

To Captain Boulderson ordering him to receive Mr. Carruthers a Cadet for Bengal on board his Ship at the Company's Expence.-

To the Commander of the Ship Marquis of Landsdown.-

To Lieutenant Colonel Read permitting him to proceed to the Sea Coast for the Benefit

To the Officer Commanding in the Baramahl.-

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18th Benefit of his health.—

To the Commanders of the Ships noted in the Margin desiring they will victual the few European Soldiers ordered on board their Ships from their own Stock of Provisions—the quantities expended to be returned to them by the Commissary—Lieutenant Goldsworthy on the disembarkation of the Troops.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Eliza Ann, Princess Royal Ducking field Hall and Atlantic.—

To Lieutenant Goldsworthy—enclosing Copy of the above mentioned Letter for his Information & Guidance.—

To the Commissary of Grain & Provisions to the Expedition.—

Sent the following Letters to the—

Military Auditor General.—

To Major General Sydenham

Military Auditor General.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honble the President in Council to refer for your consideration and report the enclosed Application from the Paymaster of His Majesty's 12th Regiment for an allowance for paying the detachments of his Majesty's other Regiments which

To the Military Auditor General his opinion required on an application of the Paymaster of the 12th Regiment for an allowance for paying details of King's Regiments left at Madras—an advance of Cash to be made to the Paymaster to the

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the Expedition orders relative to the mode of accounting for Sums remitted to Mr G. Garrow Major Oram to draw pay & Batta in the Rank of Lieutenant Colonel.—

which may have occasionally been left in Madras.—

The President in Council authorises the advance of 700 Pagodas to the Paymaster on the expedition, if you should be of Opinion that so large a Sum is required for that department.—

In regard to the Sum of Pagodas 725.12.— for which the Military Paymaster General has ordered on account of Sums due to Mr. Garrow his Lordship directs that as the bills have passed the Office of audit the Amount may be discharged; but that in future the Sums which may be given up to that Gentleman may be reported in order that bills in his favor may be granted upon the Honble the Court of Directors.—

In your instructions to the Paymaster upon the expedition you will provide that the pay and batta of the advanced rank may be paid to Major Oram in command of a detached Corps according to the Principles of the Service, but this indulgence is not to be extended to Officers in command

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18th Command of extra battalion from which they receive offices-
-nings.— I have the honor to be

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18th August 1797.—

Do.a Do.a
(Signed) T. Webbe
Secy. to Govern.

19th Received the following Letter.—

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

My Lord,

In Answer to Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 18th Instant referring for my consideration and report, an application from the Paymaster of His Majesty's 12th Regiment for an allowance for paying the detachments of several of His Majesty's Regiments left sick at the Presidency, I beg leave to submit to your Lordship in Council, whether as the Paymaster must have been at considerable trouble & some expence in paying those detachments the differ-ence between the half and full Batta of his rank may not

From the Military Auditor General proposes that the difference between half & full Batta be granted to Captain — Allow as a Compensation for his trouble in paying details of the King's Regiments left sick at the Presidency.—

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not be allowed to him for the period of his having such charge, or the principal of the same allowance having been usually granted to Officers detached in charge of Invalids, or the Sick of His Majesty's Corps.-

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

&c.&c.&c.
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mil.y Aud. Gen.l

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 19.th August 1797.-

To the Right Hon.ble Lord Hobart

President in Council.

&c.&c.&c.
Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Brigadier General De Meuron forwarding a remonstrance from the Officers Corps and Men's relative to the seizure & condemnation of some private property belonging to them which was deposited in the public Storehouses at Trincomale.-

At the desire of Mess.rs Officers Comrades and Men I have the honor to transmit to the Inclosed letter for your Lordship in Council.-

I have the Honor to be

&c.&c.
(Signed) P. F. de Meuron

Head Quarters
Columbo 7.th August 1797.-

To

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To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor and Council

at Fort St. George

My Lord & Gentlemen,

We the Andringa, John Friedrick

Comradi, and Lucas Atems, beg leave to represent to your

Honble Board. — That in the Month of May —

1795 your Petitioners Agents at Tuticorin shipped for

this place on board the Snow Columbo belonging to

the Dutch East India Company, a quantity of Piece

Goods to an Amount of Porto Novo Pagodas 3012 1/4

Viz. —

For Account of the First ..... P. N. Pags. 1112 3/4 —

" " Second ..... " 1350 1/2 —

" " Third ..... " 559 —

Total Amount ..... Porto Novo Pagodas 3012 1/4 —

as appears by the enclosed original Invoices marked —

N°. 1, 2, & 3. — That bad weather and Contrary

Winds drove the aforesaid Snow Columbo to Trincomale

where she was unloaded (in order to be employed in

the Service) and that your Petitioners aforementioned

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Piece Goods, were agreeably to the orders of the Dutch Company lodged in their whare houses, in order to be sent back to Colombo and to prevent their being sold before that the Import duty was paide. —

That in the Month of August — Trincomalee surrendered to the British Forces, which — Interrupted the Correspondence with Colombo, so that it was not before the Month of February 1796 after the surrender of this place, that your Petitioners were informed that — their said Piece-goods had been publickly sold together with other goods. —

That after having obtained this Information, Your Petitioners addressed themselves to — Major General Stuart and Captain Rodgers Prize Agents, requesting to have the Proceeds of the Piece-goods that had been sold, to which your Petitioners were Answered, —

"That the Piece goods having been found in the Company's Whare houses they had been considered and sold as property of the Dutch Company. —

That your Petitioners having proved their Claim to said Piece Goods received the following Answer. "That

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19th "That the 4th Article of the Capitulation
"containing that the Property of Individuals should be
"insured, had only Relation to the Inhabitants of
"Trincomalee."— To the first objection, that the Piece
Goods being found in the Whare Houses of the Company
were to be considered their Property.' your Petitioners
observe, that they have already here above shewn, that they
came to Trincomalee by mere accident, and that —
without the previous knowledge of your Petitioners, the
Piece goods had been lodged in the Company's Whare —
-houses, according to the Company's Order mentioned in
the Annexed Extract of the Farm Regulations Marked
N.o 4 containing the following words — "all Piece Goods
"when unshipped shall be brought to the Company's Whare
"houses," — and that it is not to be imputed to your Petitioners
that a proper Surrendry was not made according to the
tenor of the Capitulation, as it then would Clearly have
appeared, that the Piece goods were the Property of your
Petitioners and not of the Dutch Company. — Concerning

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19th Concerning the second objection, "that the "Capitulation with regard to the Property of Individuals "had only relation to the Inhabitants of Trincomalee." Your Petitioners observe, "That the 4th Article of the "Capitulation containing that the Garrison and Individuals "shall retain their private property," does not only nullify such an Exception, but to the Contrary extends itself to all property of Dutch Individuals, which perfectly corresponds with the Nature and Situation of the Case at Trincomalee was taken Possession of, at a time, when neither War, was declared between Great Britain and the Dutch Republic, nor that the News in this and every at atime when a perfect harmony existed between the Governments of both Nations in India, and this is clearly evinced by the proposition your Honble Board made after the Surrender of Trincomalee to the Dutch Government of Ceylon, to put themselves under the protection of the British Nation, in order to repell with Combined Forces any attempts of the French and

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19th and which is to be seen by your letter dated the 23d
September 1796, of which we have a Copy, but which
we conceive unnecessary to annex to this.—

Your Petitioners relying on the
Equity and Justice, of the British Government,—
humbly Pray that your Honble Board will please
to direct that the Proceeds of their Piece goods found
in the Company's Ware houses at the Surrender of
Trincomomalee may be paid unto your Petitioners, and
that till this cause shall have been finally Settled
and decided, the Money may not be destributed to
the Captors, but that it may remain till then in—
Sequestration, and

Your Petitioners have the honour
to remain with due Respect.—

Columbo
the 31st July 1797.—

(Signed) { O. Andringa
John Fredk Conradi
Ls Aems.—

&c &c

Received

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Received also the undermentioned—

Letters entered in M. B Nos. 161, 162, 163, 164, 165.—

From the Commander of the Ship Eliza Anne—

From Captain Hughes, stating that he is unable to lay in the Stock of Provisions requisite for the European Troops to embark on his Ship without a farther advance of Cash.—

From Captain Foubester—stating—

From the Commander of the Ship Princess Royal.—

that he has not the means of complying with the—Board's orders for victualling the Europeans to be sent on board his Ship.—

From Mr. Secretary Barlow—enclosing a—

From the Secretary at Bengal.—

—letter from the Secretary to the Military Board.—

From the Honble L. G. K. Murray

From the Paymaster at Innacondah & its Dependencies.—

returning his Security's Bond duly executed; and—promising to send in Shortly the Names of two—respectable persons as his collateral Securities.—

From Mr. Rocbuck—enclosing an

From the Military Paymaster General.—

additional indent for Pagodas 10,375.—

Despatched the undermentioned

Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171.—

To—

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To Major General Sydenham—requiring

To the Military Auditor General.— another additional Cash estimate presented by the Military

Paymaster General—

To Mr. Roebuck—with Copy of the

To the Military Paymaster General. Auditors Report on the additional Cash Estimate which

accompanied his Letter of the 16th and informing him—

that the Sum of Pagodas 23,182..14. will be accordingly

issued from the Treasury on his application.—

To the Commanders of Ships Noted

To the Commanders of the Ships Ceres—Minerva—Rose,—Houghton, Britannia Talbot, Atlantic,—Crown, Princess Royal, Ducking fields Hall, Elvira Anne, & Hercules in the Margin, desiring their particular case to the—preservation of all packages on board.—

To the Commanders of Ships Noted in

To the Commanders of the Ships Royal Admiral Atlantic, Lansdown, Ceres, Britannia and Houghton.— the Margin, desiring that all the Company's Lascars on their respective Ships may be immediately landed.—

To the Military Board desiring that

To the Military Board. an Additional quantity of ready dressed provisions may be sent on board the different Ships for the use of the—Rajpoot Sepoys.—

To Major General Geils—desiring that

To the Officer Commanding at St. Thomas's Mount.— thirty one Lascars of the Rajpoot Cast. who have been embarked for foreign Service may be relieved by an equal Number

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19th Number of Men of different Cast.

Sent the following Letter to the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad.

To Captain T. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant Resident at
Hydrabad

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 9th Instant I am directed to inform you that the Right Honble the President in Council being desirous of evincing his disposition to accommodate Azeem ul Omrah upon all occasions will punctually honor the bills which you propose drawing on his account to the Amount of Twenty five thousand Rupees.

To the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad Azeem ul Omrah's Bills to the Amount of 25,000 Rupees will be duly discharged

I am

Fort St. George
18th August 1797.

&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govern.

20th Sent in circulation the following Letter from the Military Auditor General, with the proposed orders of Council thereon, which having been Approved, was sent to the Treasury as a voucher for the Issue of the Cash.

The

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20th

The Right Honble Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

of Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the Honor to acknowledge the

Military Auditor General's Report on a further Indent of Cash required by the Military Paymaster General for the ensuing Month.

Receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 19th Instant accompanying an Additional Estimate of the Military Paymaster General for the Current Month, amounting to Ten thousand, Three hundred and Seventy one Pagodas (Pagodas 10,371.-) & to report, that I see no objection to the demand being complied with by an order on the General Treasury. — Of the foregoing Sum, Pagodas — Three thousand one hundred (Pag.s 3100.-) is required on Account of Major General Sir James Craig & his Staff Agreeably to the intimation conveyed in Mr. Secretary — Webbe's Letter of the 17th Instant. —

The Remaining Sum, being Seven thousand, two hundred and Seventy one Pagodas — (Pag.s 7271.-) is estimated for the Military Paymaster at the

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20. the Presidency, in which is included One Month's Advance for the Accommodation of One hundred and one Officers embarked on the different Ships Proceeding on Foreign Service, at the rate of One Pagoda each Pr. day, hire of Artificers & Lascars entertained for Foreign Service, and one Month's Pay in Advance for the Engineer Officers & Staff Surgeon & Mates on the intended expedition. —

I have the honor to be with the highest respect. —

Dc.a Dc.d

Military Auditor Generals Office (Signed) W Sydenham
Fort St. George 20. August 1797. — Mil.y Aud.r Gl.

Ordered, in conformity with the —

A further advance of Pagodas 10,371 to be made from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General. —

Recommendation of the Military Auditor General that the Sum of Ten thousand three hundred and seventy one — (10,371) Pagodas, be issued from the Treasury to the — Military Paymaster General on account of the Estimate of Cash accompanying his Letter of the 19.th Instant. —

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters

entered

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W. entered in M. B. Nos. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179.

To Mr. Roebuck - communicating the

To the Military Paymaster General. - above Resolution for making Sum a further Advance of

Cash. -

To Captain Bouldersone - with Instruc-

To the Commander of the Ship Lans- -down. - -tions to proceed immediately to Negapatam to convey the 36th. Regiment from that Station to Pondicherry - and the 73rd. Regiment from Pondicherry to the Presidency.

To Colonel Macdonall - with -

To the Officer - Commanding in the Southern Districts at Negapatam. - directions to embark with the Regiment under his Command for Pondicherry on the Lansdown and to take upon - himself the Command of that Place on his Arrival. -

To Lieutenant Colonel Fraser -

To the Officer - Commanding at Pondicherry. - directing him; on the Arrival of the 36th. Regiment at Pondicherry, to deliver over the Command to Colonel Mac- Donall, and to embark with the 72nd. Regiment on board the Lansdown for the Presidency. -

To Captain Hall - directing him to

To the Agent for Transports. - proceed to the Place of Rendezvous with the Ships of the First Division and obey such orders as he may receive

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20.

Received from the Senior Officer of His Majesty's Ships.—

To the Commanders of Ships Noted

To the Commanders of the Ships Ceres, Talbot, Harriet, Crown, Princess Royal Duckingfield Hall, Atlantic, Albion, Nottingham and Eliza Anne.—

in the Margin directing them to put themselves under the Orders of Rear Admiral Rainier and to obey such Instructions as he may judge it expedient to issue for the future Destination and disposal of their respective Ships.—

To Major General Systenham notifying

To the Military Auditor General.—

the Establishment of Servants to be attached to the Staff Surgeon on the Expedition and authorizing the payment of the difference between half and full Batta to Captain Allan on account of his trouble in keeping the pay accounts of Details of the King's Regiments on detachment and left sick at the Presidency.—

To Captain Colnett— notifying the—

To the Commander of the Ship King George.—

Board's Intention to dispatch his Ship with Troops to Penang— and desiring that every exertion may be made to prepare her for this Service.—

Sent the following Letters.—

To—

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20th

To Major General Bridges
Commanding the Northern Division
of the Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to desire that you will direct Lieutenant Colonel Roberts with the 11th Regiment of Native Infantry & the detail of Artillery from Hydrabad to march as soon after the arrival of this letter as possible to Walajabad, leaving behind parties from both battalions to recruit them for completing to the establishment with the fixed complement of additionals. These parties are to be sent to the head quarters of the Corps according to such arrangement as Lieutenant Colonel Roberts may establish concerning the posts from which they are to receive their pay & the necessary passports.

To the Officer Commanding in the Northern Division the 11th Regiment Native Infantry and Artillery detail attached to Lieutenant Colonel Roberts's Detachment to march to Walajabad the 11th Regiment leaving parties for the purpose of recruiting to the fixed compliment of additionals.

As the 11th Regiment may have many connections in the Northern Circars, the President in Council hopes that the above mentioned parties will be successfull in procuring Good Men and in completing the Corps.

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Gov.t

Fort St. George
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To

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List of Ships of the 1st Division with the Number of Troops on board of each.

		Number of Troops	
		Europeans	Natives
List of Ships sailing for the Expedition on the first Division with the Number of Troops on each	Ceres ..... 12th Regt and 2 Batt. 5th Regt N.I.	204.	500.
	Talbot ..... 74th Regiment	677	
	Harriet ..... 2 Regts Comp. Europ. Inft.	220.	
	Crown ..... 2nd Ditto ..... Ditto	230.	
	Princess Royal ... 33d Batt. N. Inft.		250.
	Elvira Ann ..... 33d ..... Ditto		350.
	Duckingfield Hall - Gun Lascars		186
	Atlantic ..... 2nd Regt 5th Batt. N.I.		260.
	Total	1331.	1546.

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20th August 1797.

(Signed) In. Richardson
D. M. Gl.

Statement

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No. 20.

Abstract Statement of the Provisions put on board different Ships in Bengal and dispatched to the place of Rendezvous.—

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Statement of the Provisions put on board the undermentioned Ships in Bengal, and dispatched to the place of Rendezvous.—

Ships	Rice G.M.S.	Biscuit Or. Mds.	Beef lbs	Pork lbs	Firewood Billets	Water Butts No.	Water Galls.	Porter Hds.	Peas Mds.	Remarks
Charlotte	26. 234. 8½	"	"	"	2256.	"	"	"	"	
Munster Lass	17. 286. 11.	"	"	"	700.	"	"	"	"	
Nancy	17. 286. 11.	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Princess Mary	56. 132. 11½	195. 34.	15570.	1344.	3412.	39	5467.	12.	"	
Ajax	11. 29. 4½	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Abercromby	2. 178. ½	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Martha	43. 118. ½	189.	9826.	5152.	4511	42.	5292	12.	60.	
Total.....	173. 961½	M.ds 384. 34.	25396.	6496.	10879.	81.	10759.	24.	60.	

True Extract (Signed) W. Lydenham
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

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20.

To Major General Sir James Craig K.B.

Commanding the Troops on the Expedition

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to inclose for your Information Copy of a letter which has been addressed to his Excellency the Admiral upon the Subject of transhipping a proportion of the Troops of the first division after their arrival at the place of Rendezvous, and to desire that you will transmit instructions to Major General St. Leger for conforming to the disposition, which may be made for this purpose by his Excellency.

I have the honor to be

Do. Do.

(Signed) T. Webbe

Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George

20th August 1797.

To Major General Craig enclosing Copy of the foregoing Letter to Rear Admiral Rainier with a request that he would forward the Necessary Instructions to Major General St. Leger at the place of Rendezvous.

21.

Received the following

Letter

To

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To J. Webbe Esq.re

Secretary to Government

Sir

From the Acting Adjutant General recommending promotions to fill the vacancies occasioned by the Death of Captain Forbes and invaliding of Captain Collings.

The Commander in Chief has desired me to request you will signify to the Right Honble the President in Council, his Recommendation, that the following promotions may be ordered to take place.

Captain Lieutenant Andrew Maccally

to be Captain of a Company, vice Forbes deceased,

Date of Commission the 5th August 1797.

Brevet Captain Andrew Boyd

to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Maccally promoted Date

of Commission 5th August 1797.

Captain Lieutenant P. Mapother

to be Captain of a Company vice Collings Invalided Date

of Commission 16th August 1797.

Brevet Captain A. Mac-Farlane

to be Captain Lieutenant, vice Mapother promoted,

Date of Commission 16th August 1797.

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Ensign John Fish to be Lieutenant vice Mac Farlane promoted Date of Commission 16th August 1797.—

Captain Alexander Beatson to be Major vice Price Deceased, Date of Commission the 18th August 1797.—

Captain Lieutenant Leeson Reilly to be Captain of a Company, vice Beatson promoted, Date of Commission 18th August 1797.—

Brevet Captain Alexander Maitland to be Captain Lieutenant, Date of Commission 18th August 1797.—

Ensign Edward Favell Davis to be Lieutenant, vice Maitland promoted, Date of Commission 18th August 1797.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St George
25th August 1797.

Do. Do.

(Signed) R. Turing
Act. Adjt.
of the Army

To

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21.

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor Fort St George

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge

From the Assistant Resident at Poona no Interview has yet taken place between Tippoo's Vackeels, and the Peshwah Scindiah or Nanna Furnaveese

the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's letters of the 19th and 21st Ultimo, and to enclose, for your Lordship's information, extract of my address of this date to the Governor General.

I have the honor to be very respect.

July, &c. &c.

Poona (Signed) F Whitehill

9th August 1797.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. Joshua Whitehill to the Governor General, dated Poona 9th August 1797.

No intimation whatever has yet been made to me, on the part of either Baajy Row or Nanna Furnavees, respecting Soobroo's Mission toward

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toward the Carnatic.—

Tippoo's Vakeels have not yet had a meeting with either the Peishwa, Nanna Furnavees, or Doulut Row Sindia, One of their principal Attendants informs me through a third Person that about four Months ago two French Agents Arrived at Seringapatam, and that one object of the Present Mission hither is to endeavour to prevail on the Marattas to form a Confederacy with Tippoo and the French against the English.—

True Extract

(Signed) T. Whitehill

To

Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

We request the Sanction of Government (Major Little being in England) for the Payment of the inclosed Bill for Diffirence of full Batta due to him, which, we are informed by the Muster General, is correctly Stated.—

We

From the Attornies of Major Little claiming the Sum of Pagodas 772..33..18. on Account of diffirence of Batta due to their Constituent.—

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We have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George

21st August 1797.—

(Signed) Kindersley Watts & Co.

Attys. for Major Little

The Honble Company ..... Dr.

To difference of full Batta between Captain & Major

on Commanding at Arcot for March 1794 Pags. 74.. 16. 6½

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D.o ..... D.o for July D.o ..... 74.. 16. 6½

D.o ..... D.o for August D.o ..... 74.. 16. 6½

D.o ..... D.o for September D.o ..... 72.. .. ..

D.o ..... D.o for October D.o ..... 74.. 16. 6½

D.o ..... D.o for November D.o ..... 72.. .. ..

D.o ..... D.o for December D.o ..... 74.. 16. 6½

D.o ..... D.o for January 1795 .....
D.o ..... 16 Days ..... } 38.. 16. 6½

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To the Military Paymaster

Fort St. George (Signed) Kindersley Watts & Co.

Attorneys for Major Little

To

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21.

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

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

My Lord,

From the Commander of the Lansdowne representing the weak State of his Ship's Company as an obstacle to his proceeding to the Southward

Having Yesterday Received your Lordship's Orders to proceed immediately to Negapatam; I repaired on Board my Ship, and by the Exertions of my Officers, with the Assistance of 20 Men from the Admiral's Ship, I am in readiness to proceed, but I think it my duty to inform Your Lordship, that having Seventeen Men Impressed into his Majesty's Ships, since I arrived here, and have now 12 Men on my Sick List, my Numbers are reduced from 90. to 61. so that in case of an Attack from an Enemy's Cruiser, I am rendered incapable of making defence, and from the Stormy Winds I may expect in working down, hardly sufficient Strength to Navigate my Ship, I therefore submitt to your Lordship whither it would be improper to request 20 Men to be Lent, from either of the Frigates, that

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that are to Remain at Madras, and for me to return
them after I have performed the Service I am ordered on,
If Notwithstanding the Situations of my Ship that I
have considered my Indispencible Duety to represent,
Your Lordship should consider it advisable that I
should proceed without receiving a reinforcement of
Men, I shall Instantly comply with your Lordship's
Orders & Sail without loss of time.—

I am

Ship Marquis Cornwallis
Madras Roads
21st August 1797.—

Do.r Do.r
(Signd) Joseph Bouldeson

Dispatched the undermentioned
Letters entered in M. B. Nos 180. 181. 182. 183.—

To the Commanders of Ships Noted
in the Margin directing them instantly to weigh anchor
and proceed on board the Victorious to receive Captain
Clarke's Instructions.—

To the Commanders of the Ships Ceres, Talbot Harriet, Crown, Princess Royal, Duchess of Hall, Atlantic, Albion Nottingham & Elizabeth Ann.—

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To the Commander of the Ship Marquis of Lansdowne.—

To Captain Boulderson— directing him without Loss of time to weigh anchor and proceed on his Voyage to the Southward agreeably to Instructions.—

To Thos. Oakes Esqr.

To Thomas Oakes Esquire— enclosing a Statement of the Treasures embarked in Bengal for the use of the Expedition.—

To the Commander of the Ship Marquis of Lansdowne.—

To Captain Boulderson— permitting him to receive Ensign Wheeler of the 36th Regiment on board his Ship as a Passenger for Negapatam and Pondicherry.—

22nd

Sent the following Letters

To Captain Rinnard Smith
of the Ship Minerva

Sir,

To the Commanders of the Ships to compose the T. Manilla Fleet directing them to put themselves under the immediate orders of the Admiral.—

You are hereby ordered to put Yourself immediately under the directions of his Excellency the Admiral, and punctually to obey such instructions as he may judge it necessary to issue through any of the Officers under his Command to you or any of the

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22nd the Officers on board your Ships.—

Dated in Fort St. George the 22nd Augt. 1797.

By Order of the Right Honorable the

President in Council.—

(Signed) T. Webbe

Secy. to Govermt.

The same to Captains Grey of the Ship Rose

Hudson.....Houghton

Burrow.....Britania

Hughes.....Eliza Ann

Richard Colnett.....King George

To His Excellency Rear Admiral Rainier

Commander in Chief of all

His Majesty's Ships and Vessels

in the East Indies

Sir,

In Addition to the great afsistance

To Rear Admiral Rainier on the Subject of victualling the European Troops embarked on His Majesty's Ships.—

which your Excellency has already afforded us by consenting to accomodate Nine hundred of the Troops for the expedition on board his Majesty's Ships we beg

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beg leave to request that you will give Orders for their being victualled in the same manner as the Seamen, and for laying in provisions for that Number of Men, for which we shall be accountable to you in case of a total loss; and if it should not be found convenient to allow the Persons to settle with the Company for victualling the troops at the usual rate of Six fanams for the Europeans and four fanams for the Natives, we shall readily pay for the quantity of provisions which may be issued to the troops of War at the same rate at which the provisions are supplied to the Navy.~

We have the Honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Fort St. George
21st August 1797.~

(Signed) Hobart
&c.a Council

To

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To His Excellency Rear Admiral Rainier

Commander in Chief of all

His Majesty's Ships and Vessels

in the East Indies

Sir.

I have the honor to acquaint your Excellency that with a view to obviate a renewal of the inconveniences which have been felt and to expedite the Service, the Commanders of the Ships destined for the expedition have been directed to put themselves immediately under your Orders, and I request that your Excellency will take measures for enforcing the directions which you may in consequence judge it necessary to issue.

I inclose for your Excellency's information Copy of the Orders which have been issued to the Captains of the Ships of the Second Division.

I have the honor to be

Do. Do.

(Signed) J. Webbe

Sec. to Govt.

Recd

Fort St George

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For Rear Admiral Rainier notifying the Instructions given to the Commanders of Ships above mentioned to place themselves under his Orders.

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Received the following Letter from

Bengal.—

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r

Secretary to the Government

at

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Secretary at Bengal—enclosing General Returns of Troops Provisions, Camp Equipage &c.a &c.a ordered to be embarked on the Ships sailing from Bengal to the Place of Rendezvous—and of Ordnance Provisions &c.a &c.a intended to be embarked on the Ships ordered to touch at Madras, as Transports for the Troops.—

I am directed by the Governor General in Council to transmit to you to be laid before the Right Honble the President in Council the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to the Military Board together with the original Lists referred to therein.—

I have the Honor to be

Fort William
the 11th August 1797.—

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt

To

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To G. H. Barlow Esq.

Secretary to the Government

Sir I have the honor to transmit a List of Troops, Provisions, Camp Equipage, Ordnance, Ordnance Stores, Ammunition &c.a intended for the Expedition, & proceeding on the Ships Lord Macartney Lord Camden, Lord Hawkesbury, Phoenix, Sir Stephen Lushington, General Goddard, Nancy, Abercrombie, & Jane (late General Archer) Munster Lass, Charlotte, Hercules, Chichester, Union, Princess Mary, Triton, Martha, — The Fire Ship Goomong Sppie, & the Bomb Vessel Vulcan: Also a List of Ordnance, Ordnance Stores & Provisions, which are likewise intended for the Expedition, but which have been dispatched to Madras on the Ships Pitt, Royal Admiral, Lascelles, Busbridge, Indra, & Calcutta: I am directed to request you will lay them before the Governor General, with Intimation that

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that the Lists contain the whole of the Stores ordered for this Service, and that they have been completed & dispatched from the Arsenal and Garrison Storekeepers Department.

I have the honor to be

Mil.y Board Office
the 7th August 1797.

&c.a
(Signed) Isaac Humphrys
Sec.y Mil.y Board

A true Copy
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Sec.y to the Gov.t

Received also the undermentioned

Letters entered in M. B. No.s 184. 185. 186. 187. 188.

From the Commander of the Ship Eliza &c.a

From Captain Hughes - representing that he is unable to proceed on Board his Ship for want of 500 Pagodas to discharge Demands upon him on Account of his Ship.

From the Commander of the Ship Harriet &c.a

From Captain Archer representing the Survey expences he has incurred on account of his

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his Ship since her Arrival in this Country and requesting that £1000 Pagodas at least may be advanced to his Agents Messrs. Dring Gordon and Connell in addition to the £1000 Pagodas he has already received. —

From Mr. Skardon — enclosing

From the Acting Commissary General of Grain and Provisions and Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks —

his Cash Estimates for September. — —

From Captain Darley — requesting

From Captain John Darley at Innacondah

Permission to proceed to England on Furlough for the recovery of his Health. —

From Mr. T. Carruthers —

From Mr. T. Carruthers Cadet for Bengal —

Requesting that he may receive ten Guineas on Advance on account of his Pay. —

Mr

Fort St. George 22nd. August 1797.

At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble. Lord Hobart

Governor President

Lieutenant General Harris

Edward Saunders and

Ernst William Tallofield } Esquires

Tuesday 22d. August

Minutes of last Consultation read and Approved.

President's Suggestions of putting the Commanders of the Ships to compose the Second Fleet for Manilla, under the immediate Orders of His Excellency the Admiral.

With a view to obviate a renewal of the inconveniences which have been felt from the inattention of the Officers Commanding the first division of Ships the President proposes that the Commanders of the remaining Ships be immediately put under the Orders of the Admiral, and that his Excellency be requested to take measures for enforcing the Orders, which he may in consequence judge it necessary to issue.

Read the following letters from his Excellency the Admiral. — Right

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Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the Honor of your Lordship's

From Rear Admiral Rainier, will make the necessary adjustment of the Account of advances to the Naval Hospital at Malacca, requests that Bonds may be issued to the Eastern Captors to the Amount of Two Bills drawn on Government by the Paymaster at Malacca for Money received by him from the Prize Funds.

Letter of the 10th. instant, inclosing a receipt for Five thousand Dollars disbursed by the Commandant at Malacca for the use of His Majesty's Naval Hospi-tal at that place, which I shall direct Mr. Henry Sewell Naval Officer here to settle at the proper Office. And herewith take the liberty to enclose two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Paymaster at Malacca on your Lordship's Government, and request your Lordship will please to order Company's Bonds bearing Interest at 8 per Cent to be issued to the Agents for the Amount, bearing date from the time they were presented for acceptance, the value received being the net proceeds of the Capture

of

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of Malacca and therefore to be considered in the same predicament as the Spices sold to the Honble Company.—

The original of the Bill copied as well as the remaining Setts are on the hands of Chace Sewell & Chace the Captors Agents.—

I have the Honor to be—

Suffolk Madras Road
August 19th. 1797.—

Do. Do.
(Signd) Peter Rainier

Ordered accordingly that Bonds of this Government bearing interest at 8 per Cent per Annum be issued in favor of the Captors of Malacca for the Amount of the Bills drawn on this Government by the Paymaster being 12,000 Spanish Dollars from 30th. December 1795 and 9038. 3h. from 25th. February 1796.—

Minutes thereon—

Ordered that the above Sums be carried to the Head of Expenditure against the Dutch Settlements.—

Right

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Right Honble Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

Fort St George

My Lord,

From Rear Admiral Rainier requests an advance of 6000 Dollars from the Company's Treasury.

Having occasion for Six Thousand Spanish Dollars in Specie for the use of His Majesty's Squadron under my Command to defray contingent expences during the present expedition, and there being none in the Market for Sale, I have to Request your Lordship will be pleased to Order that quantity to be Issued from the Government Treasury to Mr. Henry Sewell Naval Officer for that purpose, to be accounted for from the Cash Remitted by the Bengal Government to your Lordship on my Application for His Majesty's Naval Service, or by Mr. Sewell's replacing a Sum equivalent thereto in the Treasury if he can procure Cash for the Bills to be drawn for his disbursements

on

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on Account of the different Naval Departments in Londons, for which 'tis not usual to receive any tenders till some Ships are on the point of being dispatched from hence to England. ~

I have the honor to be

Suffolk Madras road
August 19th 1797. ~

&c.a &c.a
(Signed) Peter Rainier

Ordered in compliance with the Request of his Excellency the Admiral that Six Thousand Dollars be Advanced to the Naval Store Keeper upon Applications at the Treasury. ~

Minute thereon. ~

Read the following Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson. ~

To Josiah Webbe Esq.re
Secretary to Government, Fort St. George

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson the Madapolley Moors proceeds to his Country meaning to return to receive the Balance due to him. receives punitential Letter from Dasapah Naig suggests

The duties of my Station at Arnboor requiring my presence there on the 1st. of the Month, I have the honor to Communicate to the Right Honble

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Suggests the [illegible] placing his Son, a Minor, in possession of the Colmaspilly Country under certain restrictions as the best Means of restoring Tranquility requests Instructions respecting the disposal of the Prisoners under his Custody on the event of ordering the Detachment into Quarters.—

Honorable the President in Council, that on my return to this place, I found that the Maddanapilly Man, had proceeded with what he had received to his own Country, having told Lieutenant Davies, that he would return, to receive what further we might give him, when he heard of my Arrival from Amboor. I have to solicit His Lordship's directions respecting the Prisoners which are here and were taken by Lieutenant Davies's Detachment all except the Delawa & Talliara whom the Madanapilly Man objected to taking as not belonging to his Districts, but to those of Molwangle.— No reply, that has come to my knowledge, has been received to the Letter mentioned in my last, as sent by the Aumildar from this place, to the Sultaun's people at Malwangle, respecting the late Colmasspilly man Dasipraig; But I received a few days ago, a Letter from Dasipraig himself, dated at a Village in the Punganore Districts, tho' I have certain informations that he was then in the Molwangle District He in this Letter begs forgiveness and that if his Country cannot be restored to himself, that it might be given in the name of his Son, a young Boy of about Nine or

ten

ten Years of Age, that he would live quietly and never be concerned in any thing against the Circar. That if this request was complied with, he would send the Boy to throw himself at my feet and beg protection, upon my sending certain persons whom he Names to receive him. Being at Amboor when I received the Letter, I gave it to the Aumildar, who informed me he had forwarded it to his Highness the Nabob: in Order to receive his instructions upon this head, I can only say that if some Reconciliation such as proposed, could take place, & that the Neighbouring Poligars would be security, for the future good behaviour of the Delinquent and his family, which I learn some would be, that then this Detach.t might be withdrawn, on the other hand, such is the dread which the Inhabitants have of their late Masters resentment, that if the Country is kept from him self and Family, a very few will venture to till the land, or take Corn from his Highness's Renters, even if our Sepoys continue here, while the Delinquent lives and is not secured This I humbly conceive will render the Revenue less productive to his Highness, than receiving the Stipulated Peshaush as formerly, of this, the informations of his Highness's Aumildars, will enable him to judge, and I only trouble His Lordship with my Opinion on the occasion, in hopes it may hasten His Highnesses decision upon the business. Hó Dasipnaigue in this last Letter, asserts a Number of falsehoods in justification of his former conduct, yet he writes

upon

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upon the whole penitently — That he ought not to have the Country restored to his own management, I am clearly of opinion because he is a most faithless subject. Many Years ago when a Compy. of our Sepoys, sent by Colo. Lang had taken him from Colmaspilly, some Miles, He was rescued by many hundreds of Peons. who set upon the Compy. and he received no less than six wounds upon that occasion, then only Seventeen or eighteen Years of Age — The Crimes then were for plundering in the Carnatic. —

So vague and contradictory, are the reports which I have received, of the Movements making by Bodys of the Sultaun's Troops, towards this Quarter, that I cannot venture to offer any, for the Right Honorable the Governor's information one circumstance is certain, that a Large Body of Horse is at Colar, which lately keep Patroles and Videts, to examine all passengers from hence, is that I cannot get any one to undertake — going that length for Intelligence. — As this bears an hostile appearance, and as the Movements of his Cavalry are rapid. I have put this Letter under an Express Cover in order from his better intelligence to be honored with his Lordship's approbation, as to my moving the Detachment (small Guards at different Stations excepted) to the top of the Runyumpet or Cuddapanotham Passes, from whence (in case of necessity) a Retreat could be easily effected to Amboor. —

I have the honor to enclose the Batta Bills for last Month for Signature, with the Bill for Hircarrahs and writers, and to Remain. —

&c. &c.
(Signd) A. Macpherson
Lt. Col.
List

Camp at Palamnaire
10th August 1797. —

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List of Persons now in Confinement in the Fort of

Names.	Occupation	Cast	Place of Residence		When Confined in the Fort of Amboor
Chinnoo Cawn	Weaver	Paria	Chunakapilly	x	12.th March 1797
Shaik Bodda	Moor	Chargulla		x	12.th D.o
Shaik Emaum	D.o	D.o		x	12.th D.o
Shaik Ismall	D.o	D.o		x	12.th D.o
Kistnah	Sheepman	Gentoo	Narrienpettah		15.th D.o
Anamuntoo Gadoo	Weaver	Paria	Moordinah		25.th D.o
Padawatan	Toter	D.o	Baloor		24.th D.o
Bucher Gadoo	Plowman	Bader	Arallah		26.th D.o
Tremallie Gadoo	Bullockman	D.o	D.o		26.th D.o
Marie Chitty	Burarman	Bano Chitty	D.o		26.th D.o
Samiah	Conovapoly to Veerapah Naidoo Ramapah Naidoo Gauempah Naidoo Head Polygars at Arallah	Brin	D.o		28.th D.o
Changen	Smith	Malabar	D.o		29.th D.o
Venkatty Gadoo	Goldsmith	Gentoo	Kalapettah	x	3.d April
Venket Ramdoo	D.o	D.o	D.o	x	3.d D.o
Poonapah	Merchant	Cannadie	Old Amboor		13.th May
Ram Chitty	Banarman	Comatee	Papanapitty		13.th D.o
Narnapah	Plowman	Gentoo	Comaraswungalum		26.th D.o
Taden	Toter	Paria	Carumboor		26.th D.o
Handay	Snake Catcher	Malabar	Allen Coupam		26.th D.o

N.B. — Those Villages Marked thus x are on the Sultan's Dominions. —

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Amboor Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson?

Crimes.

Plundering & Robbing in the Arnee Districts.

Known to be a plunderer & Robber by Shaik Nattar.

D° D° D° D°

D° D° D° D°

D° D° D° D°

Murdering a Villager of Wallajana Ghurr near Ammanellore, Robbing him of about 110 Pagodas part of which he restored and owned to the Crime.

Plundering and Robbing in the Arnee Districts.

D° & D° in the Arnee Districts along with some Peons that came from Chargalli.

D° & D° D° D° D° D° Mallnaig pelly

D° D° D° D° D° D° D°

Giving Protection & Provision to some Peons that had been plundering in the Arnee Districts & for having part of the plundered property now in his possession.

For receiving into his house plundered property keeping it for a day or two & afterwards sharing with the Plunder.

Plundering & Robbing in the Arnee Districts & for furnishing Arms to other Peons to plunder with.

For Attempting to plunder in the Arcarum Districts with a party of Peons that came from Darampara.

D° D° D° D° D°

Being concerned in breaking open & Robbing the Houses of Boodipah & Chund Bipapah in the Trippatore Districts, as Reported by Lieutenant Colonel Read.

(Signed) A. Macpherson
Lt. Colo. Comg.

To

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To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson Stating the manner on which he has appropriated the property found in Bijapi's Delawa This opinion regarding the return of the Detachment into Quarters requests specific Instructions respecting the disposal of Bijapi's relations and other Prisoners. —

I have the honor thro' you, to signify to the Right Honorable the President in Council, that the Prisoners at this place, as Stated in my Letter of Yesterday, have hitherto been subsisted from value received upon some Gold & Silver Jewels, which Bijsa's Delawa, discovered to be the property of his late Master, pledged formerly, for Cash advanced by Merchants & others in these & Colmas pilly Districts. A fair & open valuation before the Aumildar & myself, was made of all, by Goldsmiths & Shroffs, in the Cutcherie & the Amount of the Bonds given by Bijsa to those who produced them, was given to them, respectively. The remainder was appropriated to the subsistence of the Prisoners who are all of his Family except the Tallairy who belonged to Dasiporaigue; some debts also which the Madanapilly Man & his Attendants, contracted with the Bazar people in these parts, were paid from the said Balance, as he wished

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wished to have them deducted from the 2019. Rupees the payment of which by his Highness I thought so precarious, that the poor Merchants might have last their Money, for which I became before Security. There still remains near thirty Pagodas which will for a long time be sufficient for the support of the Prisoners. When the new Aumildar arrived, I proposed delivering over those Prisoners to the Madanapilly Man. He however suggested that they, were so valuable particularly Bissa's brother, a Boy of only 9 or 10 Years of Age, that they ought to be given as payment & remittance of all future demands, in consequence of the Stipulation agreed on at Colmaspilly. The Madanapilly Man required time to get Instructions upon that head, which not being received, has prevented their being sent from hence.—

The Aumildar had orders in case I delivered them over to him that they were to be sent to Arcot. I have therefore solicited his Lordship's Orders, as to keeping them here, sending them to Amboor, or delivering them to the Nabob's Renter. —

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I beg leave to add, to what I had in my last the honor of Stating, Respecting the removal of this Detachment, that I conceive no bad consequence could attend it unless it might give alarm, unnecessarily to the Inhabitants, who as yet, seem to have no dread of being Molested, by the Sultan's Troops in this Quarter.

I have the honor to be

Camp at Palmanair
the 11th August 1797.~

Do:r Do:r.
(Signed) A. Macpherson
Lt. Col.e

As there appears to be no farther

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters from Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson.

Necessity for keeping the Detachment under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson in the field, Resolved that orders be issued for its return into Garrison.~

Resolved that Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson be directed to deliver over charge of the Prisoners to his Highness the Nabob's Manager.~

Resolved that the Military Auditor General be called upon for Statements of the extra~ expence incurred by the Company in maintaining the detachments in the field under Lieutenant Colonel~
Macpherson

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Macpherson and Major Cuppage.-

The President proposes that the-
following letter entered also in C.C. No. 75 be sent to
his Highness the Nabob in consequence of the above
resolutions.-

To His Highness the Nabob
Omdat ul Omrah &c.a &c.a &c.a &c.a

May it please Your Highness

I have the honor to inform your
Highness that I have ordered the detachment lately
employed under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel
Macpherson to be returned into Garrison, and that
I have directed that Officer to make over charge of
the Prisoners to your Highness's Manager at Amboor

I request therefore that the necessary instructions
may be issued for their being received from Lieutenant
Colonel Macpherson.-

In your letter of the 4.th Instant
Your Highness is pleased to say that this detachment
was

To the Nabob- notifying the orders given for the return of Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson's Detachments into quarters and delivering over the Prisoners to His Highness's Manager- Arguments in refutation of the Objection made by His Highness to discharge the full Expences of the Detachment.-

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was not ordered into the field in consequence of your request, and that it has been subsequently employed against the Robbers of Tippoo Sultan?: —

In regard to the first peroll, I beg leave to recall to your Highness's Recollection the letter addressed by you to Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson on the 18.th April last, in which you Request that Officer to continue his exertion for the suppression of these Robberies; — And in regard to the Second I beg leave to Remind your Highness of the indisputable proof conveyed to you in my letter of the 5.th Ultimo — that Dafsip Naig, the principal Robber, was protected and Sheltered within the Precincts of Chittoor, the Jahgar of your Highness's Uncle. — It is as little possible that your Highness can decline to pay the field expences of the detachment under Lieutenant Colonel Macpherson, as of that under Major Cuppage in Warriorpollam: I have therefore called for Statements of the extra expences incurred for both detachments, which I shall have the honor of forwarding to you in a short time

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time. — I have the Honor to be

May it please your Highness

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&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) T Webbe

Secy. to Govern.

Approved and Ordered accordingly. —

An Application to be made to the Supreme Government for raising 600 Gun Lascars for this Establishment. —

For the reasons contained in the — Commander in Chiefs' Minute in the Secret Department of the 19th Instant. — Resolved that application be made to the Supreme Government for raising a Corps of 600 Gun Lascars for this establishment. —

The Commander in Chief lays — before the Board the following application from — Lieutenant Gourlay of the Artillery for leave to — proceed on furlough to Europe. —

Lieutenant General Harris — &c. &c. &c.

Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will be pleased to forward, the enclosed Certificate to the Right — Honorable the President in Council, with as little delay as possible

Lieutenant Gourlay of Artillery applies for leave to proceed to Europe for the recovery of his Health. —

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possible to obtain the necessary leave for Lieutenant Gourlay's return to Europe, on Account of his health, and with my earnest request, to be favored with a speedy Answer.—

I have the honor to be

Mount
19th August 1797.—

&c.&c.&c.

(Signed) Thomas Gils

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This is to Certify that Lieutenant John Gourlay of the 1st. Battalion of Artillery being in an State of extreme debility from repeated Attacks of a Bowel Complaint and severe fever which latter complaint still continues — has our joint Recommendation and Opinion to proceed to Europe with as little delay as possible as being the only chance for his health being Restored.—

(Signed) Alexr. Boiswell
Surgeon 1st Batt. Artly.

(Signed) J. Gordon
Mf. Surgeon.—

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We Alexander Boiswell and John Gordon Surgeons of the 1st Battalion of Artillery do hereby declare on Oath that we are of Opinion it is absolutely necessary that John Gourlay Lieutenant in the 1st Battalion of Artillery should leave this Country and go to Europe for the recovery of his health.—

Sworn to before me
this 18th day August 1797.—
(Signed) W. Dring
Mayor

Agreed that Lieutenant Gourlay be permitted to proceed on furlough to England on account of his health.—

Minute thereon

The Board proceed to read and pass orders on the following proceedings of the Medical Board.—

Medical Board
21st August 1797.—

We have received a Letter from Mr. William Henderson, Surgeon to his Majesty's 77th Regiment, remonstrating

From the Medical Board forwarding remonstrance from Messrs. Henderson and Harris against Mr. Boiswell's appointment as Staff Surgeon on the Expedition

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Expedition_ proposes an Increase of allowances to the Assistant Surgeons attached to Native Corps ordered on foreign Service on Accounts of Medical Expenditure_ Mr. Paschal requests that he may not be ordered on foreign Service_ propose that Mr. Mein resume his Station as Head Surgeon in the Circars and that Mr. Fitzgerald attend the 1st. Battalion of Artillery during Mr. Boiswells Absence.~

Concluding that the Medical board are the best judges of the Medical talents, as well as the guardians of the rights of the Medical gentlemen, this Board passed the appointment of Mr. Boiswell for which they are of course responsible as being founded on their Recommendation; and as upon the Memorials now submitted the Medical Board are of Opinion that the rights of Seniority have been required, or the usages of the Service invaded

Remonstrating against the late Appointment of Mr. Boiswell; and another from Mr. Henry Harris, Surgeon to the Honble Company's 2nd. Regiment of European Infantry, on the same Subject. Copies of which we have the honor to lay before Government.~

Mr. Boiswell~

Appointment of Staff Surgeon on the Expedition, and to the eventual Charge of the General Hospital, does not give him any Advanced rank, nor entitle him to assume any authority over the Senior Regimental Surgeons who may be employed on the ensuing Service: We are therefore of Opinion that neither of these Gentlemen have reason to complain of Supersession; and that the Objections they adduce would be

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invalided, the Board see no necessity for reconsidering the Appointment in question.

Approved.—

Approved.—

be equally applicable to any other Staff Appointment in the Service.—

No instance has hitherto occurred of a Surgeon in his Majesty's Service holding a General Staff appointment in our Army; nor have the Medical Board ever had any interference whatever in their Appointments or Promotions.—

To obviate the only cause of dissatisfaction on the part of the Regimental Surgeons Senior to Mr. Boiswell, we recommend that, in the event of a General Hospital being established, his application for Medical assistance shall be confined to assistant Surgeons only.—

Having been furnished with a correct detail of the Troops, we find that the

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the Detachments of Pioneers and Native Cavalry are nearly equal to the Strength of a Native Corps on the old Establishment, and that the other Native Detachments contain more Men than we at first supposed. — The allowances to the Assistant Surgeons attached to these Corps, published in the General Orders of the 11th of August are consequently inadequate; and we are of Opinion that Mr. Crilly, in addition to the 25 Pagodas Pr. Month already granted, should draw the additional Monthly Allowance of Ten Pagodas. — That Mr. Inverarity's allowance of 15 Pagodas should be encreased to 20, and the additional Ten Pagodas as above. and that Mr. Bulman should also have the additional 10 Pagodas as above. —

We are sorry to find by a Memorial which we have received from Jacob Paschal, Sub. Assistant Surgeon, that his nomination

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Approved.—

Approved.—

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Nomination for the Expedition does not suit his purpose. We recommend that he may be excused from proceeding; and that Mr. Boiswell be directed to supply himself with a Sub Assistant Surgeon, and to draw for him the established Allowance of Ten Pagodas P. Month.—

Mr. Nicol Mein having returned from Europe and produced a Certificate of the permission of the Honble the Court of Directors, we recommend that he be directed to resume his Station as Head Surgeon in the Northern Circars.— We Recommend that Mr. Maurice Fitz Gerald Surgeon, be directed to take Charge of the 1st Battalion of Artillery during the absence of Mr. Boiswell; and that Mr. William Fallofield, Assistant Surgeon, be directed to take charge of the 4th Regiment of Native Cavalry during the absence of Mr. Babington.

(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General

(Signed) W. Raine
Chief Surgeon,

To

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To James Anderson Esqre.
First Member of the
Medical Board

Sir

The appointment of a Hospital Surgeon to the Expedition who is so much junior to me in the Service is so very extraordinary as to induce me to request your Sentiments on the subject, and to submit it to the consideration of the Medical Board. As for — myself I must look upon it as a most injurious supersession & equally contrary to the rules both of his Majesty's and the Honble Company's Service. —

I am not all desirous of soliciting any thing for myself, nor am I conscious of deserving a superior situation; tho' I cannot avoid expressing my sentiments freely and wishing them to be represented as I believe I shall be senior Surgeon on the Expedition this appointment effectually precludes me from any present advantage from my Rank, and what is much more, from any speedy hope of the promotion, usual in his Majesty's Service. — Any communication you may have to send me in Answer must be speedy. —

I have the honor to be &c. &c.
(Signed) William Henderson
Surgeon 78th Regt.

A true Copy
(Signed) V. Conolly Secy. M.B. —

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To James Anderson Esq.re
First Member of the
Medical Board

Sir

I feel much concern in the occasion which the G.O. of Yesterday for the Medical Department must give to every Man so circumstanced, as that order immediately places me to complain — after revoking the previous order of the 10.th Instant / under which all my disposition for the pending Expedition were carefully made / a total new System, as different from the usage of the Service, as it is ruinous to the fair pretensions of every Senior Servant, is issued, by which independent of bestowing the best & most honorable Appointment on a very junior Servant, other Authorities are left with him than the relative situations of both can at all fairly admit of. — I believe Sir, I have the humble merit of never having pretended to be a Candidate, as my Seniority might have encouraged me to do, for an Appointment of such a Magnitude, that I could only expected to see it in that part of the Line which has much the precedence of myself. — But when Mr. Anderson's incapacity to join in time, Mr. Boiswell who

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was my Senior Assistant in the Mysoore Country, stands recommended for the plenitude of pay and allowances in a four fold proportion to that which I am to draw and moreover, when myself & Assistant are liable/in the case of the field Hospital requiring further Medical help than it proceds Appointed with/at his requisition thro' the Commander in Chief; to be called upon to Attend, very probably a Number of the worst cases from our own Hospital Tents in his field Hospital, and become thereby of consequence subject to his Instructions and Authority, it is a painfull Addition of Mortification to the injury of the Supercession complained of.

I humbly hope Sir, that your Board will be pleased, therefore to take these circumstances into your Serious Reconsideration and prefer them to the Attention of the Honble Board of Government who, probably may not have been aware that the party at present Nominated can hardly pretend to complete, with any additional credential on the score of actual Service; than others so much his Senior can produce. — May I make bold to recall to your recollection

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recollection the Voucher on my behalf so lately delivered in by his Excellency the Admiral after my return from so remote and arduous a Service. Let me Sir, avail myself of so honorable a testimonial at least to spare me the distress of being within the Circumstances of finding myself in a few Months acting as Assistant Surgeon in the Tents or field Hospital of a Gentleman who was 6 Years ago my own Assistant. The press of this anxious Moment of Departure must be my apology for those inaccuracies arising from invitable hurry.—Mny honor, peace of Mind, rank and fortune are the Stake. Your Board will therefore candidly pardon accordingly, and in feeling for the grievances of the Individual, Shew that your concern is still to give to Seniority in the Line over which you so well preside and to Services entitled to it that pre-eminence which ever keeps Zeal Alive, and ensures to length of Service its proportionable Reward.—

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Henry Harris
Surgeon to the 2d Regt.
E. Infantry

Madras
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A true Copy
(Signed) V. Conolly Secy. M.B.—

To

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To James Anderson Esqr. M.D. Physician General
President and Members of the
Medical Board

The Memorial of Jacob Pascal
Sub Assistant Surgeon.

Sheweth,

That Your Memorialist has had the honor to serve the Honorable Company for upwards of Fifteen Years, during which period Your Memorialist can aver that he always assiduously and Zealously discharged every part of the duty allotted to him to the entire satisfaction of his immediate Superiors by which conduct he not only gained their applause, but that also of many Gentlemen in the Army amongst whom are some of the highest rank, who, Your Memorialist is well assured in his own mind, will if requested grant written testimonials of your Memorialist's good behaviour. — Under these flattering impressions, Your Memorialist was induced to solicit the Physician General for his influence and protection to forward him in the Service, and as the Expedition now on the eve of embarkation, was long in contemplation, your Memorialist thought it as the most proper Opportunity of being employed in any subordinate Staff situation whereby he could better himself. in some degree, to what he at present enjoyed — to that end your Memorialist made known his intentions

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intentions and obtained permission to be removed to the Presidency in full confidence, that his request would have been granted to him But to his unspeakable Mortification, Your Memorialist finds himself Nominated in General Orders to go upon the Expedition as a Sub Assistant only— Your Memorialist would not hesitate a Moment in paying the most implicit— obedience to the Orders of Government as it is a duty incumbent upon him so to do. But he begs leave with the highest submission, respect and deference, to offer a few remarks to the humane and indulgent consideration of the Gentlemen of the Medical Board it being a matter well known to them, that the allowances attached to the Situation of a Sub-Assistant is scarcely sufficient at any time of— affording the common Necessaries of life, much less to enable him to support a genteel and decent character, which your Memorialist has hitherto aspired to maintain, independent of this circumstance, He has a large Family dependent upon him to whose support he must contribute the greater part of his allowances, should he go upon the Expedition, he will have but little remaining towards his own maintenance. These are Gentlemen, the powerful inducements, that have made Your Memorialist submit his case, as it really stands to your candid and benevolent consideration, trusting that what he has herein setforth will appear to the Board in the same light and he humbly implores their interference in his behalf with Government to get him appointed to a Staff Employment during the Expedition, otherwise to have the Orders relative to him countermanded— And Your Memorialist as in duty bound shall Ever Pray.—

(Signed) Jacob Pascal
1st Assistant Surgeon

Madras
18.th August 1797.—

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Death of Major Bruce and Captains Forbes of the Infantry—

The Secretary reports the Deaths of Major Thomas Bruce and Captain James Forbes of the Infantry—

Mobd

" Geo: Harris

" E.W. Saunders

" E.H. Fallofield

Compd— Thos. Daniel—