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Cash inserted to his journal
from the Treasury on the
above account

Ordered that the sum of Six th
Thousand Six hundred and five Pagodas, th
fifteen Fanams / P. 6605..15/ be issued from
the Treasury to the Military Paymaster
General, on Account of the Additional Estimates
which accompanied his Letters of the 7th and
10th Instant. -

The Right Hon^{ble} Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council.

Fort St. George

My Lord

In obedience to your Lordship's &
Commands communicated to me in M^r Sec^y &
Secretary Parry's letter of the 21st Ultimo, I have
the honor to report that I have examined &
the enclosed Account of the Collection of the th &
Ganjam District for Articles supplied to the
Bengal Detachment at different places in
that

From the Military
Auditor General - relative
to the issue of Provisions
in the Ganjam District for
the use of the Bengal Detach-
ment. Recommended that
Five Pagodas & 15 Fanams
may be allowed the Paymaster
on Account of office Rent
at Nagore, Negapatnam &
and Haridwar.

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that District, and beg leave to observe that the issues made to the Troops are not supported by any Vouchers, and that the Wastage or Deficiency on the Articles supplied and Charged in the Account under the Head of "Total Loss" is too considerable to pass unnoticed, the Amount thereof being as follows. —

At Manikapatam	Rs.	As.	P.
	244	4	7
At Muticorah	203	2	5
At Mahalavadi	206	13	3
At Prayagah	187	13	4
At Ganjam	577	3	8
At Govindooporam	229	7	—
	<u>Rupies 1648. 12. 3.</u>		

above 15 % bent on the Amount purchased. — The Sum to be Debited to the Bengal Presidency, is Current Rupies Five Thousand five hundred and Two Annas, Fifteen Pie — and the Sum transferable from the Military to the Revenue Department, is Current Rupies Five Thousand five hundred and Sixty One, Annas two, Pie two

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2 W^m Paymaster Hawkins having in a letter addressed to me under Date the 8th Inst^t stated the necessity of his being provided with a place as an Office for conducting the duties of his Department at Negapatam, Nagore and Karical I beg leave under the conviction of that necessity to recommend that he be allowed to draw the usual Allowance of 5 Pagodas Month for the above purpose.

I have the honor to be,

with great Respect.

Yr^s Yr^s

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George 13 November 1797

(Signed) W^m Sydenham
M^y. Aud. Gen^l

Ordered that the Military Paymaster General do debit the Bengal detachment for the sum of Rupees 5500. 2. 15 being the Amount of provisions supplied by the Collector at Ganjam.

Ordered that the Revenue Department be credited, and the Military Paymaster debited

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debited in the General Books for the abovementioned
Sum of Rupees 5500: 2: 15

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

President and Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lords

From the Military Auditor
General. reporting on the
Claims of the Puckallies
of the 71st Regiment to
participate in the second
Mysore Donation - &
desires Instructions
respecting the Salary
of the Spanish Interpreter
appointed on the Mamille
Expedition -

The Claims of certain Puckallies attached
to His Majesty's 71st Regiment to share in the six
Months additional Donation granted by the Honble
The Court of Directors to the Army who served above
the Ghauts in the Mysore Country on the 1st February
1792, having been referred for my Report in M^r
Sub-Secretary Parry's letter of the 25th Ultimo, &
I considered it necessary to address the Quarter
Master of that Corps regarding the omission of
the Names of those Puckallies in the Long Roll
transmitted to my Office from the 71st Regiment
agreeably to the Government Order of 15 May 1793 -

and

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and the delay in not presenting their demands
in due time Copy of Lieutenant M. Kenzie's
Reply I have the honor to enclose, and as it
appears on Reference to the Records in my
Office that Thirty four Puckallies attached
to the 71st on the 1st February 1792, Received
the Donation granted by the Marquis &
Comwallis, and that the Six Months &
additional Donation to which they
are equally entitled has not yet been &
paid in consequence of the doubt entertained
by Lieutenant M. Kenzie, respecting the
Channel thro' which their Claim should
be preferred, I beg leave to propose that
such of the Men as are reported in the
Roll given in by Lieutenant M. Kenzie and
countersigned by Colonel Baird, to be alive
and to have been discharged the Service be
each furnished with a Certificate signed
by

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by Lieutenant McKenzie and countersigned by
the Senior Officer of the 71st Regiment now on
the Coast testifying that the person named
therein did actually serve with that Corps
on the 1st February 1792, and consequently
to the Additional Donation, and further
that each individual be directed to procure
to the Presidency, in order that their Certificates
may be audited and passed before payment,
to which I presume Government will see
no objection as the G. O. dated 12th June
1796 directs "that the period for receiving
"Claims to the Donation granted by the
"Army to the Troops serving before Seringa-
"patam is to ^{be} considered unlimited."

2 The Military Paymaster at the
Presidency having transmitted to me a
Bill presented by Lieutenant Thomas
Malcolm for his Allowance as Spanish &
Interpreter

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Interpreter to the late projected Expedition
from the 1st August to the 6th September at
the rate of twenty five Pagodas per Month
I beg leave to solicit Your Lordship's Instructions
respecting the salary which that officer is
to receive for the period before mentioned, and
it may be proper to observe in this place
that the allowance claimed by M^r Malcolm
is similar to that drawn and admitted to
M^r M^r Dowal as Dutch Interpreter on
the Island of Ceylon. -

Military Auditor
Generals Office
Fort St. George
13th November 1797

I have the honor to be with
great respect - &c. &c.
Signed/ W^m Sydenham
Mil^y Aud^r Gen^l

Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I had this day the pleasure
of receiving yours of the 4th Instant, respecting
the

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the claim made for the additional Donation to
the Puckallie People serving with the 71.st
above the Ghauts in February 1792, in &
Answer to which, I have only to inform
you, that at the period alluded to, all
Puckallies were furnished by, and drawn
for by M^r Hoare Paymaster to the Army, &
consequently they could not be included in
the long Rolls from the 71.st M^r Hoare leaving
the Country almost immediately after the
War, was the cause of their not making &
the Claim sooner, as without his Signature
they conceived it would not be admitted, but
finding that similar Claims had been &
admitted and paid upon the Signature
of the Commanding Officers and Quarter
Masters of Corps, they applied to Colonel
Baird upon his Arrival at Madras, who
upon examining and finding that they
served with Regiment above the Ghauts, &
Signed

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Signed their Claim, and expressed a wish that they might be paid, as upon all occasions they paid great attention, and kept constantly with the Regiment. -

Wallajahabad
5th November 1797

I have the honor to be,

S^r. S^r.

Signed / D^r. Mackenzie -

Lt. M^r. 71st Regiment

True Copy

Signed / Pat Bruce
Apt. M. A. G.

The Board approve the mode

Minute thereon

which the Auditor General has suggested for drawing out the Certificates for the Puckallins attached to his Majesty's 71st Reg^t.

Read the following letter from

the Military Board. -

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council S^r. S^r. S^r.

My Lord

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Government's letter of the 21st, 25th and 29th ult. also

From the Military Board
- recommending for payment
Bills for repairs of
Buildings on Tanjore and
Fort St. George report that
none of the Articles of
Ordnance and Stores &
applied for by the Regt
can be spared for repairs
that 12000 Payers can be spared
to the Garrison Storeskeeper -

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also of Mr. Sub Secretary Falconer's Letter, with the
their several Enclosures; and to Report to Your &
Lordship in Council that the necessary Orders &
have been given with respect to the Military
Stores required for the Service of the Escort of
the Resident at the Court of His Highness &
the Nizam; and to the Repairs required at &
the Honorable Company's Garden. -

2nd
In Consequence of the Enclosure from
Government of a List of Ordnance and Military
Stores applied for by His Highness the Nizam,
We have examined the Returns of the Arsenal,
and of the different Magazines upon the Coast,
and find that none of the Articles specified
in the List can be spared without inconvenience
to the Public Service. -

3rd
The Accompanying Bill for Repairs
made to the Out Office of the Surgeon's Quarter
at Tanjore, amounting to Pagodas 193:23:61 -
having

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having been transmitted to Us with the &
necessary Certificate respecting the performance
of the Work, We accordingly beg leave to
recommend that the Bill be passed for
payment. -

4th Having received also from Colonel
Gent a Bill for Repairs made to Officers &
Quarters in Fort St. George, amounting to
Pagodas 1237: 4: 63, which Bill was &
accompanied by the Voucher requisite on
the occasion, We do ourselves the honor to
send it enclosed, and to recommend that the
Bill be accordingly discharged. -

5th The Garrison Storekeeper having &
represented to our Board that some time
may elapse before the Account of Sundries
purchased by him for the late intended
Expedition has undergone the Audit &
necessary

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necessary for payment of the Balance being
authorized, and that the Merchants &c. are &
extremely pressing in their demands for a &
discharge of their Bills, with a request that
payment of 12,000 Pagodas may in consequence
be recommended to Government; and as a
Balance of Pagodas 15,404: 8: 7/3 is stated to
be due to the Garrison Storekeeper in his &
Account Current which we had the honor
to enclose to Your Lordship on the 20th Ultimo,
We therefore recommend that the sum of
ten thousand / 10,000 / Pagodas may be &
advanced to him in part thereof.

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14th November 1797.

We have the honor to be,

Sirs &c. &c.

(Signed) Geo: Harris

Patrick Ross

Wm. Jaydenham

Int: Richardson

B. J. Close.

Ordered

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Minute them

Ordered that the several bills
and Advances recommended by the Military
Board be passed. -

Ordered that the impossibility
of complying with the Nizams Application &
for the purchase of Military Stores be explained
to the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad. -

Read the following Letter from the
Attorney General. -

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart
President and Governor in Council

My Lord,

In obedience to your Lordship's
Orders of the 8th Instant I have pursued the
plan of the Court of Justice proposed by
Brigadier General De Meuron to be established
at Colombo; and as it directs the Judges to
proceed according to the Dutch Laws and
the

From the Attorney General
is of opinion that the
proposed Court of Justice
at Colombo may be
established. -

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the Customs of the Colony, it is my opinion conformable
to the Laws of England so far as they relate to
the Captured Provinces - I have therefore the
honor to report that I see no objection to
its being carried into effect until His Majesty's
pleasure shall be known, -

at St. George
November 1797

I have the honor to be,

S^r. S^r.

(Signed) Benj^m Sullivan

Minute the ^{then} person

In consequence of the foregoing opinion
resolved that the Commanding Officer on Ceylon
be authorized to establish the Court of Justice
suggested by him until His Majesty's pleasure &
shall be known and permitted to appoint Mess^{rs}.
De Wans & Frybrandt and Holst to be members
of it. -

Read the following letter from the
Prize Agent for the Captors of Colombo

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Right Hon^{ble} Lord Hobart

Governor and President in Council.

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My Lord,

From the Prize Agents
for the Captains of
Columbo &c. urging
their former application
for payment of the
amount of their claims
on the Company.

In consequence of Mr. Secretary
Parry's letter of the 25th Ultimo to Mess^{rs}. Tulloh,
Bradie and Co. enclosing by your Lordship's Order
One from the Military Auditor General, reporting
on some Prize Accounts which were laid before
your Lordship in Council in September last and
as the Vouchers for some of the Articles delivered
on Account of the Honorable Company, did not
appear sufficiently explanatory to him for the
regularity of his Office, they have applied to
me as one of the Prize Agents for the Army to
procure for them the necessary particulars. —

From the length of time that has
elapsed since these Articles were delivered, and
from

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from some of the Officers being now no longer in
the Command of the Stations they were received
at it may be difficult to obtain them altho'
I have written to every quarter for them, and
indeed it was hardly possible for the Prize
Agents / being obliged to employ people of all
descriptions to act at various places over
(Ceylon) to collect such regular and specific
Vouchers as the Regulations of Government
require for their established Departments. Nor
did we think it necessary supposing General
Stuart's signature to our Accounts would be
sufficient; but I trust from the Statements
and Accounts I have now the honor to enclose
that the Actual delivery of the Articles and
the rectitude of the Charges will appear
evident to your Lordship, as they are supported
by the Signature of General Stuart excepting in
one

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one case which is Account N^o 5 for Elephants and
 Sloops - This was not made out previous to the
 departure of General Stuart from Ceylon, as the
 Assistant Superintendent of Revenue said then he
 would pay the Amount, which Mr. Andrews &
 afterwards objected to his doing, and requested us
 to Charge it with the other Articles made over to
 the Company, but the Proceedings of the Committee
 of valuation on the same Company this which I hope
 will be satisfactory and that your Lordship will be
 induced to grant bonds for the few remaining
 Articles in the Accounts as follows.

In Account N ^o 4 for 112,833 Sars of Rice issued to Troops at and passing Manai from Nov ^r 95 until Feb ^y 96	1763. 28.10. 1715. 15.50
For Amount of Account N ^o 3	3098. 9.43
For Ditto of Ditto N ^o 5	6577. 8.23.

This Sum we have stated to the Army as realized
 and as these Articles were delivered upwards of a year
 before

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before others which your Lordship has already &
granted Bonds for in the Columbo Account, I trust
the liberality we have throughout had the honor
to experience from Government will finally settle
this Almost last Matter we shall have to trouble
your Honorable Board with until such time as
the Sanction of the Court of Directors shall be &
obtained respecting the purchase of the Ordnance
and Stores.

With Assuring your Lordship that as
soon as the particular Vouchers thought requisite
by the Auditor General can be obtained they shall
be laid before Government.

Fort St. George
November the 10. 1797

I have the Honor to be
My Lord
With the greatest respect.
Yr. Yr.

(Signed) S. Torrens
Lieut. 52nd Regt.
for self and Pay Agents
for the Army.

Ordered to lie for further Consideration.

Read

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Read the following letter from
the Commanding Officer at Trichinopoly -

Right Honorable
The President in Council
My Lord,

From the Commandant
Trichinopoly respecting
the detention of a prisoner
named Abdul Cawder -
and recommending his
readmission on the list -

Abdul Cawder, a Sepoy Pensioner
attached to the Garrison of Tanjore, disappeared
in February last, and has lately presented
himself to me here. Nothing having been heard of
him for some Months He was struck out of the
muster Roll; and cannot, I believe, be re-instated
but by Your Lordships Authority. This case is
such as induces me to state to your Lordship,
that you may give such Orders as you think fit.

Abdul Cawder was Sepoy in the late
20th Battalion: - In a very gallant attack on
the Enemy's Lines at Cuddalore in 1783, under
Captain Depe, Abdul Cawder was disabled by
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a Cannon shot in his Right Arm and Shoulder.
 About January last this person suffered a chain
 of Family Misfortunes, which deranged his Mind,
 and He absconded from Tanjore - His cure was
 undertaken by a Fakir, and He now appears to
 be quite well - He has, of course, Received no Provision
 since the Month of January last.

Trichinopoly

November 9th 1797

I have the honor to be,

Yr. H^{ble}

(Signed) J. Floyd M. G.

Minute thereon.

Resolved that Abdul Cawder be
 readmitted upon the list of pensioners.

The Board proceed to read and pass
 Order on the following proceedings of the Medical Board.

Resolution of Government
 in Council 14 November 1797

Medical Board
 13th November 1797

We are sorry to be
 acquainted Government that
 Mr. Charles O'Neil, Assistant
 Surgeon died at Nagore on the
 3rd Instant of a Mortification
 in his Bowels.

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From the Medical Board -
 report the Death of Assistant
 Surgeon O'Neil - Resolved
 that Mr. M. P. be permitted
 to take Charge of the sick
 of the 5th Regiment in his
 stead - that Mr. Martin be
 promoted to the rank of full
 Surgeon and posted to 7th
 Regiment of Native Infantry
 and that Mr. Galloway's leave
 of absence be extended.

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The Commanding Officer
of His Majesty's 52nd Regiment &
having represented to the Physician
General the necessity of another person
being immediately appointed to take
charge of the Sick in the Room of M. O'Neil,
we recommend that M. William
Betty, Assistant Surgeon, be permitted
to act with the 52nd Regiment until
further orders. -

Approved

We recommend that M.
Thomas Spalding, Surgeon, be appointed
to do duty at Negapatam and Nagore

Approved

We recommend that M.
William Marten, the Senior &
Assistant Surgeon, be promoted to
the Rank of Surgeon, in the Room of
M^r. Shippard deceased, and appointed
to the 7th Regiment of Native Infantry

M^r. Robert Gallaway,
Surgeon to the 6th Regiment of Native
Infantry on leave of Absence at the
Presidency on account of ill health,
solicits a renewal of his leave for two
months as he is still unable to
perform any duty &c

Approved. -

We

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We recommend that his request may be granted:-

(Signed) J. A. Anderson
Physician General

W. Raine
Chief Surgeon

" Hobbs

" Geo. Harris

" E. S. Saunders

" E. W. F. Fildes

W. F. Fildes
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Received the following letters.

J. Webb Esq.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George
Sir,

From the Assistant Resident at Hyderabad enclosing copies of correspondence with the Governor General in which he details different conversations said to have taken place between Medera Shah and a Secret Agent of the Residency concerning the relative interests of the Court of Hyderabad and the French and the reported arrival of the latter in force at Mangalore.

I herewith enclose for the information of the Right Honorable the President in Council, Extracts from my address of the 2nd and 5th Instant to the Right Honorable the Governor General together with Extracts and Copies of certain Papers therein referred to.

I am,
Sir, &c.

I Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Hyderabad
6th November 1819

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Extract of a conversation between Meer Allum
and Moushee Azimollah on the 25th Sep-
tember 1797.

Medina Sahib set out by
informing me (said Azim ul Omrah) of the
arrival of a Body of French Troops in his
Masters Dominions. In Reply I told him,
that I believed his assertions to be utterly
false, for if any such thing had happened,
Captain Kirkpatrick would have given
me immediate information thereof, nay,
he would have even awakened me out of my
sleep to say to me, Lifpoor Sultans in admitt-
ing a Body of French Troops into his Dominions
has departed from his Engagements, and
must be punished accordingly do you therefore
(meaning this State) prepare for action,
and were we not agreed by Treaty to
comply with such a summons, the
English would at one and the same
time fall upon Lifpoor and Chastee
as likewise for a breach of Engagement.

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I am therefore a perfect infidel with re-
spect to the arrival of French Troops in
your master's territories, the Sultan acts
very wrong in inviting the French to join
him; depended upon it, he will reap no
good fruit from such a step, and my
regard for the faith induces me to give
you this timely caution. To this continued
Ajim ul Omrah Mednia Sahib replied,
"well sir, if such be your opinion, exert
yourself to bring about an accommodation
between the Sultan and the English."
To this strange proposal I answered,
that Tipsoo Sultan had never
made any application to me on such a
subject, and that I knew of no differences
existing between him and the English,
requiring an accommodation; and were
I to mention such a matter, for instance
to Captain Kirkpatrick, he would be highly
astonished and ask me, as the English had
strictly acted up to their engagements to
Tipsoo,

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Tippoo, what could possibly make it
necessary to talk of an accommodation?

After this Medera Sahib remained silent
for a short time, when some unmeaning
and uninteresting conversations took place
on general topics, until he took his leave
and withdrew.

(above Extract)

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant.

Extract of a Letter from Captain Kirk-
patrick to the Governor General - dated
Hydrabad 2^d November 4/97.

"3^d Though the account given by
Medera Sahib in No 3 to Bhasker Pundit
of the pretended arrival of a large Body
of French Troops in Tippoo's Territories and
of their subsequent re-embarkation by
the express orders of Tippoo latter well
enough with the report mentioned
as current at Seringapatam in Captain
McLeod's letter of the 17th ultimo to the
Government

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Government of Fort St. George, yet it is far
 seems questionable, in as much as these
 Netherlands would not appear according
 to Medera Sahib's Khidmatgar Mohan
 in N. 4) to have stated any thing of the
 kind upon their being first interrogated
 by the Vakeel regarding the Amos at Oringa-
 patam. It may be worthy of remark how-
 ever that the Dutchmen can scarcely have
 failed to become acquainted with the
 sentiments of this Court at least, on
 the measure of calling in the French
 delivered as they have been repeatedly
 and unequivocally by Agent ul Omrah
 (according to his own account) to Medera
 Sahib and most pointedly so, as you
 will recollect, Mr. Wille in the translate
 of a conversation between Mr. Allum
 and Moonshee Ajeaz Bolla^h enclosed
 in my address of the 26th September
 last. It has not either probably escaped
 your recollection, that Medera Sahib
 is

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is made to say not very long ago, that
he had received orders from his Master
not to talk any more of the arrival of
French Troops in his Dominions. - I
am here inclined to conclude that
the story of the arrival of French
Troops, and of their re-embarkation
by Order of the Sultan is a fabrication
of the Vakeel in consequence of some
directions from his Master, which, it
may be supposed, the Mirkarrabs
were ignorant of when they talked of
their being nothing new at Singa-
patam.

Above Extract

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translate of a Note from a Secret Agent of
Major Kirkpatrick - Received 1st November 1797.
On the 6th Instant (which was 13th
October) a pair of Liffpoos Mirkarrabs
Arrived

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arrived here with a letter for Medera Sahib; the substance of this letter is, "that Medera Sahib must take leave immediately, and repair to Singa-
patam. That the Nizam's Ministers had promised him his congé, upon Azim ul Omrah's arrival, and yet it was very extraordinary that four months had elapsed since that Minister's return hither, without its having been granted to him; that he was now therefore at all events to press this matter to the very last." Medera Sahib tells me, that Tippoo's Hikalas inform him that they came by the route of Hooley and that when they left Singa-
patam it was reported, that a large Body of French had landed in Tippoo's Dominions, but had been desired by the Sultana to re-embark again, he not having occasion at present for their service.

true copy and translate

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Extract

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Extract of a Letter from Captain
Kirkpatrick to the Governor General
dated Hyderabad the 1st November 1797.

"It will not escape you
Honorable Sir, how hard Medera Sahib
appears to labour, from his own account
of what passed between him and
Ajem ul Omrah, to prove Tippoo's pea-
ceable inclination towards his Neigh-
bours, and consequent determination
not to allow the French to land
in his Territories; while sounding
him as usual however as to the
part this State would take in the
event of a Coalition between the
Sultann and them against the
English. Though I am by no means
yet prepared to believe that the
Sultann has relinquished his
designs of availing himself eventually
of French assistance, yet I think
it not unlikely that the continued
disappointment

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disappointment he has hitherto experienced in the hopes, which French Embarassments have most probably buoyed him up with, of the arrival of large Bodies of Troops of their Nations, joined to the avowed sentiments of Azem ul Omrah on such a measure, and the dread of the Marques Cornwallis's return to India, may have had the effect of looking his eageress for its accomplishment, and of inducing him at all events to assume the appearance of being averse thereto, until the chapter of accidents shall determine him either to resume or relinquish his late intrigues with the French.

3. The great coincidence between Bhasker Purdits and Fogg Sahib Khan's report of what passed between Medena Sahib and the Minister can scarcely fail, I humbly presume, of striking you with Sir, though this circumstance conveys certainly no more after all than a presumptive

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Translate of Note from a Secret Agent of Major
Kirkpatrick received the 3^d November 1797

On the 30th October in the Evening
Medena Sahib proceeded to Agemul Omrah's
House, where he was first received by
Intuz ul Dowlah who was accompanied
by Resaim Baiy. Shortly after the Minister
made his appearance, when, all the
attendants being ordered to withdraw,
he gave a private audience to Medena
Sahib, at which Intuz ul Dowlah assisted.
Medena Sahib (according to his account
to me of what passed at this interview)
began by congratulating Agem ul Omrah
on the Birth of a Son adding I have
also another visit to congratulate you
upon Sir.

(Agem ul Omrah) Pray what is that?

(Medena Sahib) You may recollect Sir, that
you wrote to me from Parrak to use my
endeavors to prevail upon Tipoo Sultan
to withdraw the Forces which he had
assembled

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assembled on the Frontiers. God knows accordingly the pains I took to persuade the Sultan to accede to your wishes, and I have now at length the pleasure to inform you that the Force in question has been withdrawn from Gooly and has actually reached the Capital.

Azam ul Omrah. All this is very true; let me now know what other news you have: and be so good as to tell me if the French Vessels are still with Tippee or not. (Medina Sahib) No doubt Sir, you will have heard the particulars of the Naval Victories gained by the French over the English in the Indian Seas: and of the recent Capture by the French of two English Ships from Surat, and three from Bombay. Lately also, about twenty French Ships made their appearance off Mangalore, but Tippee would not permit them to enter that Port. (Azam ul Omrah) How happened he to act in this manner towards them?

(Medina Sahib) Tippee's Father lent near three Crore of Rupees to the French on condition that

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That they should assist him with
Troops in his wars with the English
but hitherto it was not in their power
to comply with their Engagements, owing
to the superiority of the English over them.
Now however, that they (the French)
are victorious in Europe, they offer to dis-
charge their Engagements, but to this
Tipu replies, that he is at present in full
Peace with all his neighbours, without
having the least desire to intercept it; and
that they (the French) by coming in their
ships to his Ports, and landing in his
Territories procure him a bad name; in
doing which, they act very improperly, and
that he desires that they will defray
him the Money they owe him in
Spain, for if they do not, he will
send his Ships to their Ports (meaning
the Ports of the Isles of France) and
plunder them. He (the Sultan) has
even written two or three Letters to
them

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At the undenominated red office, assembled
by order of Major General Bridges Commanding
at Madraspatnam, having examined the Tent
the property of Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple,
and taking into consideration the Honorable
Company's allowance for the purchase of Tents,
estimate them as undenominated

10 Sloop Tents at 14 Pagodas each	140	"	"
1 Hospital Tent at 11 Pagodas	11	"	"
1 Sergeant's Tent at 9 Pagodas	9	"	"
2 Private Tents at 8 Pagodas	16	"	"
Sur Total Pagodas	176	"	"

Signed J. Taylor
Capt. and Secy.

Sanl. Crave. adj. XPM.
9. Oct.

Mr. Howe. Lieut. JPM.
2. D. 2. Oct. 8. 1.

True Copy

Signed Fred. Pierce
Secy. Milit. Board

Minute on the
foregoing letter
from the Military
Board.

Resolved in consideration of the
great quantity of Arrack in store that
all measures for the provision of that
Article at Colericks be postponed, and
that

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That the suggestion of the Military Board in regard to the Arrack contracted for in Bengal be submitted to the Consideration of the Supreme Government.

The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following letter from Lieutenant Colonel Mahab-

Major General Bridges

Commanding the Northern Division of the Army

Sir

From the deficiency of Field Equipage in the stores of Masulipatam for the accommodation of the 2^d Division 2^d Regiment when lately ordered on service under my command, I was under the necessity of appropriating the Tents that were furnished, to the use of the Men and which were not sufficient for above one half of them. The Officers were consequently left without

From Lieutenant Colonel Mahab. requesting that the Detachment of his Regiment sent lately on service to Feroz-koor may draw two months Tent allowances as a compensation for expenses they were subjected to in providing themselves with Camp Equipage.

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without any boxes and from the sudden
Departure of the Corps and the very bad
weather which set in on us during the
march, were put to much Inconvenience
and Compelled to provide at a considerable
Expense Carriage Equipage for themselves.

I have therefore request your sup-
port in recommending to Government
that Tent allowances be given to the
Officers of the 2^d Division of the 2^d Regi-
ment and to reimburse in some degree
for the Expense they have necessarily
incurred and I hope that two Months
Tent allowances will not be considered
unreasonable.

I am anxious with your appro-
bation to submit another Circumstance
to Government, which unfortunately
happened during the late Service.
It is in behalf of those Men who
came forward so zealously and assisted
themselves

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themselves so successfully in rescuing
 their fellow soldiers from the melancholy
 situation the Regiment was placed in
 crossing the Gattigarna by the sudden
 swelling of that River: those men to
 give as speedy assistance as possible to
 the distressed threw down their Hoespicks
 and cloaths on the Bank of the River
 and while they were so humanely em-
 ployed the rising of the Water swept
 off all their Property. As you was an
 Eye Witness to the distressing scene
 that followed 'tis unnecessary for me
 to say more on the Subject and I shall
 only add that any Recompense Govern-
 ment may be pleased to give on this
 Occasion. I shall be answerable that the
 Indulgence shall not be abused.

Masulipatam

 12th November 1797-
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I have the Honor to be
 Sir Sir
 Signed G. Mahab
 Lieut. Col. 2nd Regt Com.
 the 2nd Division.

To

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reference to Madras and Manipulations,
which I at present believe to be indispensably
necessary to my Cause.

From recollection of circumstances
I am of opinion, that many Evidences will
be required, whose attendance, from their
various and distant situations, it must
require some time to procure.

But independent of Witnesses now
upon the Coast, there are others, whose
Depositions are absolutely essential to
my Defence: These are Lieutenant Colonel
Mair Park Dalrymple of his Majesty's
Service; Colonel John Cressage and
Lieutenant Thomas Seton both of this
Establishment; the two former are gone
to Europe, and the latter is on Service
with the Company's Troops in the Eastern
Islands.

I am ready, My Lord, to declare
upon oath, that the Evidence of Colonel
Dalrymple

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Dalrymple and Cuffage, is essential in the highest degree to my cause, and indeed so extremely essential, that deprived of their testimony I should feel myself debarred from having any solid defence to rely upon. The above Gentlemen were personally present at Dindegul during the respective periods, when the transactions alluded to in the charges are supposed to have taken place. Lieutenant Sitors was also upon the spot, and can speak from his own knowledge, to points, which must form very material parts of my reply.

I beg leave to repeat to your Lordship that I am ready to attest the truth of the above in the most solemn manner.

It seems highly proper also to mention, that I should have availed myself of the immediate testimony of Colonels Dalrymple and Cuffage, had they not sailed
For

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for Europe some time previous to my knowledge of the Articles of Charge against me, or to any suspicion that such were in agitation. Under these circumstances I submit to your Lordship's consideration whether the ends of substantial justice do not seem to require, that a delay should take place in the Proceedings against me, proportioned to the importance and necessity of my cause, and I rely most respectfully on your Lordship's favorable attention to my representation, and that you may be pleased to issue such Orders on this occasion as may be most interesting to my happiness and Character, as you may deem expedient.

If, my Lord, a period of arduous service of nearly twenty eight years in this Country, which I have performed with Honor and Fidelity, the many Posts and Employments of Confidence and Trust, which I have filled with Credit

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to myself and advantage to my Employers
 of a character hitherto unscullied and irrepro-
 achable as an officer and a Gentleman,
 which the records of your Government and
 the Adjutant General's Office will bear
 honorable and ample testimony to, has
 any claim to your Lordship's indulgence,
 those I can say, with conscious truth, are
 mine.

Trichinopoly
 November 16th 1797

with the greatest respect.

I have the honor to remain
 &c. &c.

I Signed James Oliver
 Lieut. Col.

Resolved that the following answer
 be sent to Lieutenant Colonel Oliver -
 To Lieutenant Colonel Oliver

Sir,

I am directed by the Right
 Hon^{ble} the President in Council to
 acknowledge the receipt of your letter
 dated 16th Instant.

As far as you may lay claim to the
 indulgence of Government, his Lordship in

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 To Lieutenant
 Colonel Oliver in
 reply to the foregoing
 letter

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in Council would be happy in consideration of your character and past services that it was consistent with his duty to withdraw the charges which have been preferred against you; before full consideration of the grounds upon which they stand and of the nature of the charges themselves he cannot think their validity so much affected by the evidence of Colonel Bisset and Lieutenant Colonel Dalrymple as to induce him to withdraw the prosecution.

As far as your defence may depend upon the evidence of these Officers, I am directed to observe that it is a consideration for the Court and Martial, who will doubtless give that weight to it, which upon your representations it may appear

To

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22nd November 1797.

I am
8th 8th
Signed J. Webb

The Board proceed to take into consideration the following report of the Military Auditor General, upon the charges advanced by Mr. Samuel Johnston, and referred for revision, agreeably to the Minutes of Council of the 19th September.

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

From the Military Auditor General reporting on the different charges advanced by Mr. Samuel Johnston and referred to his investigation

Agreeably to your Lordship's Instructions, conveyed in Mr. Secretary Webb's letter of the 19th September, with abstracts and Vouchers in support of sundry claims preferred by Mr. Samuel Johnston formerly Paymaster at Trichinopoly, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement exhibiting

1st The several charges contained in the accounts transmitted for my Examination and Report marked No^s 1, 2, and 3.

2nd The Explanations of Mr. Johnston on those charges.

3rd My Remarks on the Vouchers produced in support thereof, and the usage and Regulations of the Service at the time the charges were made.

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
10th November 1797.

I have the honor to be

8th 8th

Signed W. Sydenham
Military Auditor

Charges

Charges objected to in the Audits on
 Mr. Samuel Johnston's Account
 as late Paymaster of Virginia
 July -

Charges made by Mr. Johnston
 in support of his claim for the
 salary of the Auditor General
 for the year 1807-1808.

1. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	1. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
2. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	2. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
3. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	3. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
4. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	4. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
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8. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	8. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
9. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	9. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
10. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	10. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
11. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	11. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
12. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	12. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
13. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	13. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
14. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	14. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
15. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	15. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
16. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	16. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
17. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	17. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
18. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	18. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
19. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	19. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.
20. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.	20. To the Auditor General for the year 1807-1808.

Practical in the Account of Mr. Samuel Johnston, former Paymaster at Treviso.
 July, referred to the Military Auditor General by Government. Mr. Secretary of the
 Letter under date the 10th September 1797.

Observations of the Military
 Auditor General on the Report of Government.
 signed by Mr. Johnston to the
 Remonstrance Audit.

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Permitted to the extent rooms -
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 Capt. Reid a Lieutenant Major for 26 years When then Chapin Mr. Johnston
 he being on Detachment with above no Regiment Major was
 recruits from the Smiley - 3. 21. attached to the Mercant. court
 Paid to Camp Labourer Their arrival at their stations a
 they being on Detachment
 with Mercant at 1st
 a day -
 1. 11. 11. When they brought Mr. John
 2. 12. 11. for their Chute signed by the
 Commanding Officer, Mr. B. altho' had made an error in the
 the

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Approved

Admitted

The Regulations do not permit
 any immediate authority for
 these charges yet they do not
 allow us to be made from the
 date of their appointment.

Quintus Williams to a Quarter Master was appointed to act
 under orders of the Regt. by the commanding officer as
 a
 8 " " and he received his pay under
 the signature of the commanding
 officer, which was usually used to
 warrant his being incidental
 charges of this station.

May 2-15-99

Oct 1. 24th Admitted.

Not Admitted

Paid repairs of - - - - - 8 12. "

Some Tools - - - - - 31. 61. 64. Acted upon the best of his

Judgment as to small
incidental charges, which
there is hardly any possibility
of providing against
Colonel Bruce who com-
manded is dead.

Paid Mr. Johnston's new mule
bought with the 3rd Regt. of
Madagascar - 192 31. 40.
Amount admitted by the
Comptroller General - 207 31. 40.

96. "

by Colonel's Name.

Amount of General's Name
paid to General's Name Colonel's Name
and Major's Name - 207 31. 40.

General's Name 207 31. 40. - 207 31. 40.
Colonel's Name 207 31. 40. - 207 31. 40.
Major's Name 207 31. 40. - 207 31. 40.
Amount of the Officers shall
be saved to be repaid.

cannot be allowed under the
proper authority to be paid.

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The Voucher to be returned
to Mr. Johnston of which can be
found in

Admitted

Paid Balance of B. & W. to
 L. & W. from 1st March 1897
 to 28th February 1898 in
 pounds . . . 20,364.
 Cash 50

The Garrison Lancers were employed
 at different times on duty which
 costed them to B. & W. the amount
 was generally settled with them
 722 3. 10 once a year and as they are under
 the immediate direction of the
 Paymaster no other Voucher was
 required from him, if necessary
 is made to Mr. Webb, Mr. Coltham
 and Mr. Howe directly, it will
 appear that their signature
 was considered a sufficient
 Voucher and the charges paid
 accordingly.

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reached to put them a decision
 on this article could be
 ascertained whether Mr.
 Johnston is able to find
 the original Bill detailing
 the services on which the
 salaries were employed. -

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The Attachment Confirmed.

Paid 14 Bunches Cattle for 2 Hags
 of Cavalry on command at
 Mungana from 15th Nov^r
 to 28th February - - - 200 - - -

Instead of - - - 24. 24. - - 3. 24. -
 Paid 50. 50. - - - 42. 22. -
 100. 1. - - - 100. 1. -
 100. 1. - - - 100. 1. -

Mr Johnston charged 2 Degrees
 for each Bunch - being the cost
 of the General Agents to this
 Charge in Mr Johnston's Account
 and adding him only at the rate
 of 1/2^d per acre in Mr Johnston's
 Account he is properly advised with the
 Agent to in Mr Johnston's
 which makes the Amount of
 the two Articles in question -

86 Bunches delivered into the stores in Mr Johnston's charge that the
 Comptroller of the General Store - Mr Johnston's Committee in turn
 of 16 January 1890 directing my - being having had from
 kind of full Equi page to be in 1890: from the store against
 - 100. 1. - - - 100. 1. -
 The Comptroller General, where
 drawn for not allowing the
 Charge Mr Johnston is now
 - granted with the Bunch
 was immediately delivered
 into the stores as testified by
 the store against 1890.

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Amended

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One hundred and fifty four
Pagoda allowed.

from Purchases in Sheep Skins. The Heads of the Trichingopoly,
 and the Shingayash District: Report upon this Article are
 sent under General Pittman's "with respect to the damaged
 Goods No. 182."
 Together - 17th 21.
 Do. - - - 18th 21. -
 Refer to an extract of General
 Pittman's Commissioning Office
 lying with the Comptroller
 General for the particular and
 the price, "admission might."
 has been the price charged
 by the carrier to Mr. Johnston
 he paid them to the Com:
 party at the same, making
 allowance for charges that
 might have attended keeping
 the sheep and afterwards for:
 adding them to the Detachment,
 and Mr. Johnston for the in:
 formation of Government after
 the Certificate given him by
 the Trichingopoly Carrier, Mr.
 Johnston therefore hopes it
 will be found that he is en:
 titled to receive the full amount
 of his original charges.

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The Detachment confirmed.

A list of vouchers which have
not yet been exhibited by
Mr. Johnston Page as - Feb. 25. 18.
A list of vouchers which have
not yet been exhibited by
Mr. Johnston and for which he
now claims to be entitled.

[illegible]

*A. W. Wardy for the use of the
Gen. Department. - - - 20. 22. 60.*

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The Charge Remitted

Admitted

No. 1. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
from the Regiment - - - - - 5. 27.
" 2. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
and 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 46. 9.
" 3. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
of the 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 31. 22.
" 4. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
to the 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 10. " "
" 5. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
to the 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 13. " "
" 6. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
to the 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 7. 32. "
" 7. 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps
to the 1/2 Bells to the Director of the Corps - - - - - 5. "

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Fifty nine Regt. admitted

admitted

Found entertained in
 Co. Infanteries - - - - - 15. " "
 Paid for monthly Rations
 the 4 Private - - - - - 2. 9. 32.
 " 10 Paid a Month the pay to
 Commissary of 6 Rations 1 " "
 " 11 Paid for killing Pariah
 Dogs in the Garrison - - - 22. "
Pagodas.. 103. 3. 54.

" 12 Paid for clothing money to the

by Commission to the Hospital - 10. " "

13 Paid in loan of clothing
 money to the Hospital Commission - 12. " "
 " 14 Paid clothing money for
 4789th Commission - - - 2. " "
 " 15 Paid Dr for 1789th do - - - } 1. 15. "
 Private - - - - - }
Total 21. 15. "

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This charge cannot be admitted
until the point suggested by
the Auditor be clearly ascertained.

N^o 16. The receipt of the Company
of Benin & Co. 1797. n. n.

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27 October 1797. The first of the
of the 1797 for the 1797 for the
1st Regiment of Foot - 1797 -

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Other charges cannot be
admitted except Mr.
S. has been as respects the
objections stated by the
Assistant General.

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The Charge Ami H. S.

N. B. Major Amiel Pelletier to Sullivan
and Coles - - - 75. 2h. - -

N. B. Quarters Master General P + L
Student - - - - - 67. 1. 50

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Ami. H. S.

Not admitted on that point
for the Vowels. -

No. 29 Military Academy General's
 Report of Capt. Henry S. S. S. S. S.
 supplied the Commission. L. O.
 of the Commission. 1872. 28. 11.
 1872. 28. 11.

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Minute on the
foregoing audit
W^m on charges -
advanced by Mr.
Samuel Johnston.

Ordered That a copy of the audit, with the
determinations of Government on each charge,
be forwarded to the Military Auditor General,
with instructions to afford Mr. Johnston
every assistance in collecting Vouchers to sup-
port the charges remaining in suspense, and
at the expiration of a period, to be fixed for this
purpose, to make a further report to Government,
and state the amount of the charges admitted.

Minute respecting
other charges brought
forward by Mr.
Samuel Johnston
and already decided
upon.

Resolved to communicate the above Res-
olution to Mr. Johnston, together with the Board's
determinations on the six following charges,
agreeably to the Minutes of Council of the
19th September. Viz^t overcharge for Gunnies Pay^t
2757. 32. 78. overcharge for Mustage of Grain
Pagodas 2290. 10. 13. Deficiency on Clothing ac-
tificates Pay^t 1259. 2. 9. Repairs to the Paymaster's
House at Trichinopoly Pagodas 1029. 18. Repairs
to the Mahab's House at Bellfort Pagoda 600.
Charge for Grain said to have been received by
Mr. Vaughan the late Paymaster at Madras
for the Public Service, Pagodas 283. 22. 32.

On

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Deliberation and
determination of the
Board on Mr Johnston's
claim to the balance
Rs. 3484¹/₂ 36¹/₂ 72 of a
grain account.

On perusal of the report of the Committee lately appointed and the proceedings of the Committee of investigation in the years 1790 and 1791 on the claims advanced by Mr. Johnston for the sum of Pagodas 3484¹/₂ 36¹/₂ 72, which he states to be due to him for the Balance of his Grain Account, the Board find that the full inquiry, which has been made into the subject, leaves no difficulty in coming to a Final Decision.

It appears, by the final Report of the Committee of Investigation, entered on the proceedings of Government of the 23 July 1791, that the above sum is composed of the value of three parcels of Grain, for which Vouchers, considered at the time of sufficient Validity, were produced. why these claims have so long lain dormant, the Board cannot judge; but they cannot in Justice supersede these claims in favor of Mr. Johnston, who has no Voucher to produce in support of his right.

The Board deem it necessary to record their opinion that ample Justice was done.

To

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To Mr. Johnston in the adjustment of his Grain Accounts, by allowing him credit for the sum of Rs. 9666. 31. 2. being the Value of the whole of Grain received "into the public Stores" exclusive of the quantity adjudged to belong to his Highness the Nabal which was not claimed by any Voucher produced.

Resolved that the foregoing observations be communicated to Mr. Johnston.

Read also the following letter from Mr. Johnston -
The Right Honble Lord Hobart.

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

Fort St. George.

My Lord,

When my Return from England I found, that Mr. Petrie and the other Members of the Board of Revenue had taken into their consideration a balance of Rs. 11,382. 53. 7. standing upon their Books, and which I had claimed before I left India, and that they reported upon it to Government on the 10th May 1792 in the following words; "We think it therefore proper to acquaint you, that we had occasion to refer to you some time ago on the subject of this Claim, which, under whatever shape it may appear now before you, is the same, as that preferred by Mr. Johnston, and is still on his Account."

Under the sanction of so decided a Report, and knowing that the Company have no claim against me, I hope your Lordship will be pleased to direct that the above mentioned sum with its Interest shall be paid to me.

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.

I Signed Samuel Johnston

The Board having directed the Secretary to select from the records the papers that have passed on the subject of the Grain in the Tinnevely District claimed by Mr. Johnston, he now reads two Extracts which are ordered to be here transcribed.

Extract

From Mr Samuel Johnston, on the subject of his claim to the value of grain, his property said to be lying in the Tinnevely country at the time of its appropriation by the Company in the year 1790.

Yours

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The Board here
record the resolutions
that have been passed
by former Governments
on the foregoing claim.

Extract from the Minutes of Council or a Letter from
the Board of assumed Revenue dated 26 November 1790.

"With regard to the mortgaged property in
the Tennevelly Country, claimed by Mr. Buchanan,
the Board have to observe that as transactions of this
kind have been repeatedly prohibited by the Company,
they cannot recognize the present claim: Besides,
as the Nabob some time previous to the assumption
of the Management of his Revenues, made over
to Government all the grain in the Country,
and particularly expressed that the Mortgages
were to look to His Highness for relief, no claim
can be admitted on the Company of any person
holding Mortgages on any of the districts of
the Carnatic."

Extract from the Minutes of Council 18th July 1791
on a letter from the Board of assumed Revenue
relative to Mr. Johnston's application to Mr. Torin
for information respecting his Grain Concerns
in the Tennevelly Country.

"With respect to the request
made by Mr. Samuel Johnston to the
Collector at Tennevelly, the Board think
it wholly inadmissible, the transactions,
he has avowed in his letter to Mr.
Torin, are expressly prohibited by repeated
Orders from the Company, and such
prohibition must have been known to
Mr. Johnston, whose duty it was, as a
servant of the Company, to have paid
implicit obedience to the authority under
which he acted."

Resolved

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and resolve not
to enter into a
further discussion
of the subject.

Resolved to inform Mr Johnston
that, under the decisions which have already been
passed, by former Governments, on his claim to the
Tinnevely Grain, the Board are entirely precluded
from entering into a further Consideration of the
Subject.

W. B. H.

Geo. Harris
Comd. Saunders

W. P. Wallfield

Comd.
G. Strachey

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be materially altered by the advance of
German Shale towards Hindostan or by some
other grand event.

True Extract

I Signed J. Whitthoff

Isiah Webb Esq

Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Captain
Loring. sends in
Mr. Jackson's
receipts for the balance
of Cash in the Com.
Military and Bullock
Departments.

I have the honor to enclose
the receipts of Mr. J. S. Jackson, for
the balance of Cash Rs. 000 account
of the Commissary and Bullock
Departments of these Districts up
to the 30th of September 1797-

I beg the favor of you to lay the above
papers before the Right Honorable the Pre-
sident in Council and to acknowledge
the receipt of the same.

Wesley Gurry
13th November 1797

I have the honor to be
Yours
I Signed C. Corner
Act^y Comm^y of the District

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I do hereby acknowledge to have
this day received from Captain Charles
Coomes late Acting Deputy Commissary of
Grain and Provisions in the Barramah N.
the charge of what employ the correspon-
dence and accounts belonging thereto
as follows: Separate lists, the stock of Grain
and Provisions remaining on the 30th
September 1797 as follows: Receipt specified
in Abstract of Returns and Balance
of Cash as follows: Accounts of the same date
Vizt Star Pagodas six hundred and
thirty eight farans thirteen, and
Cash seventy two (638. 13. 72) for which
Receipts are given in quadruplicate
of which this is the first.

Wistnagerry
1st October 1797-

Signed J. S. Jackson
Commiss. Grain N.
Barramah

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I do hereby acknowledge to have this day received from Captain Charles Corner late Acting Deputy Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks in the Barramahall &c the charge of that Employ the Correspondence and Accounts belonging thereto as per separate list together with the Balance of Cash remaining on the 30th September last Vizt Star Pagodas sixty three, four annas, and Cash thirty / Pag^{ts} 63, 4, 30 / for which Receipts are given in Quadruplicate of which this is the first.

Wistnagherry

1st October 8/97

I Signed / T. S. Jackson
Commis^r. Grain &c &c
Barramahall

J. Webb Esq.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
forwarding sundry
papers relative to the
Intercourse of modern
India in favor of the
French Interest and
some further Informa-
tion respecting the
French Native Agency
the persons residing
at present.

I herewith enclose for the information of Right Honorable the President in Council, Extract of my Letter

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Letter to the Governor General of the 8th
Instant together with Extract of the
Inclosure therein referred to.

Hyderabad
9th November 1797

I am,
Sir, &c.

Signed S. A. Miskpatrick
Assistant

Extract of a Letter from Captain Miskpatrick
to the Governor General dated Hyderabad
the 8th November 1797.

"I you will perhaps be of opinion,
Honble Sir, that the Ministers over
account of what lately passed between
him and Medera Sahib convey no slight
proof of the correctness of Bhaskar Pandit's
and Tyge Tullab Khari's late communica-
tions, and that it is calculated of course
to confirm that favorable notion of the
Intelligence received for so great a
length of time past from these agents,
which repeated former corroborations have
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gone a great way to establish. It is surely
necessary to remark, that Azim ul Omrah
would only repeat in all probability to
Meer Allum just as much of this
conversation with Lifford Vakeel, as
suited his purpose, or was fitted for
the former's ear.

(atru Catru)

(Signed) L. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Extract Translate of heads of a conversa-
tion between Meer Allum, and the
Resident's Moonshee, during a visit to
the former on the 4th November 1897.

"After the usual friendly
salutations, Meer Allum informed
me that when on Wednesday last
[4th November] with Azim ul Omrah he
[Azim ul Omrah] intimated to him
that he had some things to say to
him in private, and desired that he

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he would come on the day following
as Intuz Ud Donlah would not then
be present. Meer allum accordingly
went, and after some conversation, Azim
Ud Durrah informed him that Medina
Sahib lately requesting an interview with
him, upon the plea of having something
of importance to communicate, he accord-
ingly, ^{agreed} to see him, when the following
conversation took place, between them,
according to the Minister's account
of it to Meer allum.

"Medina Sahib said Azim Ud
Durrah began by informing me that
the French had of late become very
powerful, that ten thousand of their
troops were on board a Fleet now within
a few days of Korial (Mangalore)
What their Agents ^{were} as usual at Seringa-
patam. That Tippu demands repayment
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"of two Crore of Rupees lent to them by
"his Father Hyder and one Crore advanced
"to them by himself, as an earnest for
"their services against the English; and
"declares if they do not repay these
"sums, he will send his men of
"war mounting each from four to five
"hundred pieces of Cannon, to seize ^{their} sea
"Ports, and enforce payment. That
"the French with a view of conciliating
"Tippos declare their readiness to fulfill
"their engagements by assisting him
"against the English, though it is not
"in their power to repay the money;
"That in reply to this, the Sultan
"has told them, he has at present no
"occasion for their services."

"Medema Sahib further assured
"us (proceeded Azem Vel Enrah) that
"Tippos will not at present hear of the
"disembarkation of the French Troops on

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"on account of the umbrage it would
give the English, but intends waiting
until his plans are ripe for execution,
where he will employ them as occasion
may require."

"Medina Sahib mentioned Lord
Cornwallis having been intercepted
and attacked on his way out to India,
by some French ships, and that when
these accounts came away, the action
between the two hostile Fleets was not
over."

Mr Allen has interrupted
the thread of his discourse to tell me
that he was directed by the minister
to ask you (Captain Kirkpatrick) if
there was any truth in these Reports;
and how the matter really stood, with
respect to Lord Cornwallis. To this
I replied, that by the latest accounts
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over land from England his Lordship
had not embarked for this country,
and that with respect to Medina
Sahib's idle stories of the Engagement
at sea, and the arrival of ten thousand
troops off Mangalore, they were too ex-
travagant to deserve any reply. After
perfectly agreeing with me in this
particular, Meer Ali Khan resumed his
narrative of what passed between
Agemul Omrah and Tipper's Vakil
making the former continue to speak
in the first person.

"Medina Sahib next informed me
continued Agemul Omrah that Tipper
took very unkindly my having rallied
the English Detachment, after he Medina
Sahib had with great pains, through
the influence of Intiazud Dowlah and
Ahmedud Dowlah, prevailed on the
Nizam.

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Nizam to connect himself with the Sultan
"against the English and to agree to the
"dismission of the English Detachment.
"To this I replied, that I was utterly
"ignorant of any connexion or alliance
"between Tippoo and the Nizam and that
"supposing any such to have been
"entered into, it would have been but
"proper in Muzaffar Ali Dowlah and Ahmed
"Ali Dowlah to have made me acquainted
"with it, especially, when Tippoo's troops
"were advancing towards the Nizam's
"Territories under pretence of settling
"the Province of Karnool. If such was
"the case / meaning if any such engage-
"ment was entered into / Tippoo has to
"blame those two Chiefs for communicating
"the matter from me, not me. For, circum-
"stances considered, how could I do less than
"recall the English Detachment when I

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I was seriously thinking of suddenly
"repairing at all events to Hyderabad
"myself." To these observations of mine
"said Azim Ul Omrah / Madera Sahib
"made no reply."

"I have / said Meer Aliem / observed
to the Minister that this intrigue of
Madera Sahib, Intingul Dowlah and
"Humudul Dowlah had very near succeeded
"never with the Nizam's full concurrence,
in spite of the representations which
"he / Meer Aliem / prevailed upon
"Sunder Jais Mother to make to the
"Nizam on the occasion, where his / Azim
"Ul Omrah's / letter arrived at a most cri-
"tical juncture to save this state from
"irretrievable mischief." Azim Ul Omrah,
"in reply to these remarks of mine, said
"you know as well and better than I do
"the capacity and talents of the Nizam."
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This country has been preserved by the force of
good luck, not by that of wisdom.

"Agim ul Omrah then proceeded to
relate to me the remainder that passed
between him and Medera Sahel."

"Medera Sahel (said Agim ul Omrah)
next asked me with a good deal of apparent
fear and agitation, if in the event
of Tipsoo and the French uniting their
forces he (Medera Sahel) might expect me
to join them."

"To this I replied, that every one
no doubt was anxious for his own pros-
perity and advantage, but how was
I asked Medera Sahel to be satis-
fied assured, that Tipsoo Sultan was
really desirous of connecting himself with
this State? and that, if no such satis-
factory assurances were given to me, it
would necessarily follow that for my
own

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over safety I should cling to the allies
 "Upon this Medera Sahib put the following
 "question to me" If I procure and deliver
to you, Sir, assurances to the above effect
from Tipsoo Sultan, will you then be
satisfied. Certainly / replied / if you
 deliver me the requisite written assurances
 on this head, I may be satisfied. He
 (Medera Sahib) accordingly promised
 to procure and deliver them to me - There
 needed / said Meer Allum / the Minister's
 account to me of the interview between
 him and Medera Sahib.

I could not help observing here to
 Meer Allum, that the Minister's answer
 to Tipsoo's Vakeel appeared to me a very
 extraordinary one. He desired me however
 to let my mind at ease on this score,
 as Azim Ul Omrah's object in entering
 so readily into Medera Sahib's proposal

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was the obtaining possession of an instrument that might some day be converted to use, and would prove incontrovertibly & life-long real intentions.

Attest Extract and Translate

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Translate of a Note from a Secret Agent
of Major Kirkpatrick Received the 6th November
1897.

I now transmit for your information certain parts of the conversation between Azim ul Omrah and Medera Sahib during their late interview. According to the latter's account of it and which escaped me to commit to Paper, the last time I addressed you on this subject.

Azim ul Omrah observing to Medera Sahib, that it would be a difficult, if not impossible thing to oppose

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oppose the English with any success, the
Viceroy replied, that there were others
as good as themselves (meaning the French)
at hand to cope with them.

[Ajim ul Omrah] Even in such a
case, it would be difficult to cope with them
[meaning the English.]

[Madana Sahib] If the English were
to bring a hundred thousand men into
the Field, and Tippos Sultan had only
ten thousand to oppose them, he still would
fight them to the very last, and devote
himself against them in the Field of
Martyrdom; he is a Prince who is not to be
dismayed by even such powerful odds.

[Ajim ul Omrah] It should so
happen, that a body of French troops
were ever to join Tippos and he were to
determine upon throwing off the mask,
will he, or will he not in such case
give

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17 give due notice of his intentions to me? I ask this, because if he does give notice to me, I may write him some thing in reply, and if I receive an Answer from him thereto, some plan or Arrangement may then be devised; but if he gives me no notice on such occasions, in such case we are an ally of English and shall of course act in conjunction with them, against him.

(Medina Sahib) Have patience Sir, for a month or two longer, and see whether Tippoo will give you any such notification as you allude to or not.

(Azim ul Omrah) It is with an Eye to the possible event of the French prevailing over the English in India that I have raised up Raymond for if the Troops of the former land in Force on this Continent, he will make my peace with them.

(Medina Sahib) What will Raymond be able to do for you in such a case? The French Troops will be then entirely at the devotion of Tippoo

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¹⁷ Tippoo Sultaun and will just act as he directs them, not as may suit the views of Monsieus Raymond. You had much better Sir, carry on your negotiations with the French through my Master. You are right however no doubt to exalt Raymond, for whatever you Command, that will be execute, without contriving any excuses as the English do, whose Troops will not act at your requisition against any one but Tippoo as they plainly evince during your late war with the Marattas in which they were perfect indifferent Spectators.

(Agim. Ul Omrah) If the English Resident were to become acquainted with your present visit to me, it would give him great jealousy; notwithstanding it is so Customary in the World for people to visit each other.

Medena Sahib has just written a note to Agim Ul Omrah purporting that as he means to dispatch very soon back to Seringapatam

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Seringapatam the Miskarrahe lately arrived
from Munnar, he requests that he will accord-
ing to custom, send him the draft of such
a letter as he wishes him to write to Tippoo
Sultann.

A true copy and translate

signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Extract Translate of a Note from a Secret
Agent of Major Kirkpatrick Received 7th
November 1797.

I am endeavoring to discover the
Naib's correspondents at Surat, but
it being suspected that Captain Kirk-
patrick is in quest of Intelligence, con-
cerning this business, his the Naib's people
are now exceedingly close, and circums-
pect, particularly since the alarming
caution he and Mollah Khassor received
from the Nizam.

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My Intelligencers in the Service of
the Naib have obtained a Knowledge of the
object of the journey & that of the messenger
who lately arrived in the habit of a Colonel
from Surat and of whom I have already
given you some account. It seems he
was sent by his master / the French
Viceroy at Surat, but whose name he
was instructed to conceal / to the Naib
here, enjoining him to be very cautious of
the English Consulate's Resident as he
/ the English Resident / had sent descrip-
-tions to all the English Sea Ports of the
person of his Principal who left this
some time since, and even dispatched
people after him to murder him, and
seize his papers though he fortunately
evaded their pursuit. That Sir Charles
Malet had also his Enquiries at several
of the Sea Ports and had sent inquiries on foot
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For the same purpose of the Process at Bombay,
Upon the Mail receiving these accounts,
he immediately communicated them
to Ahmed Ali Dowlati who made them
known by letter to Azim Ali Basha, who
upon perusal thereof, gave a verbal
answer, desiring the Mail to be under
no uneasiness, as he would take care
to prevent any further discovery. The
Bearer of the letter to the Mail, has
been dispatched back to Surat with
a verbal answer to his Master. They are
at great pains to conceal his departure.

Extract and translate

Signature of A. A. Wiskpatrick
Assistant

Extract of a Note from a Secret Agent of Major
Wiskpatrick Received 7th November 1897

Medera Sahib had a long interview
with the Minister on the 31st Ulterior, at
which he urged him strongly to connect
himself

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himself with Tipsoo Sultans. In order to
persuade him thereto, he set forth Tipsoo
Treaty with the French and consequent
acquisition of strength. Azim Ul Omrah said
that he was at present connected with
the English, and had no desire to re-
-quish this alliance. But you will
-desire it / replied Medera Sahib / when
-you see ^{the} French Sovereigns of India" It
is by way of providing for such a con-
-tingency / rejoined Azim Ul Omrah / that
"I retain Mares". Raymond, as he will
-always be able to procure me good terms
from his Countrymen" To this Medera Sahib
-replied, that it might turn out, that
Tipsoo's Sultans and Mr. Raymond's
interests were opposite. This he replied,
might be as it would happen -

Azim Ul Omrah also promised
Medera Sahib at this Interview to introduce
him.

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here to the Nizam.

I hear from respectable authority
that Azim ul Durah has sent a Vakeel
from Bombay to France and that he is even
secretly cultivating the friendship of
Tippecoo God only knows however what truth
there is in all this.

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of Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

Received the undermentioned
letters entered in Mⁿ. Bⁿ. N^{os}. 75, 76, 77, 78, 79-

From Major General Lydenham.
enclosing his audit on the accounts of
the Deputy Paymaster to the King's troops
on the coast from the 25th June to the 26th
July 1797 as well as the audit of the accounts
of the Deputy Paymaster in Caylon for
the same period.

From Major General Floyd
requesting

From the Military
Auditor General

From the Commandant
at Fort St. George.

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requesting that Mr. John James may be
permitted to draw the regulated allowance
from the 22^d August for his attendance on
the sick of the 2^d Battalion 1st Regiment
Native Infantry-

From D^o D^o

From D^o requesting that Sergeant
Sobey of Invalids, whom he has appointed
to manage the signals established by
admiral Rairies to be made on shore at
Negapatam, may be permitted to draw
the customary extra allowance for this
Duty-

From Captain
W. Mauleod

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From Captain William Mauleod
requesting, that his Intelligence Bill
for July, August and September may
be passed for Payment in favor of Mess^{rs}
Wardersly Mauleod & Co-

From Military
Paymaster General

From Mr. Rebeck submitting
an additional estimate of Pagodas 22080.
33. 25 required by the Presidency paymaster
for

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for the current month.

Received the following letters -

J. Webb Esq.

Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort S. George

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
-last reporting the
progress of further
conferences between
Madama Sahib and
Ajim ul Omrah - the
Nizam intends to sign
the Amrah.

I herewith enclose for the
information of the Right Honble the
President in Council, Extract from my
letter of this date to the Honble the
Governor General, together with copies and
Extracts of certain Papers making Enclosures
of the letter here alluded to.

Hyderabad
10th November 1897.

I am,
Sir,
Yours faithfully

Signed J. A. Wickpatrick
Assistant

Extract of a letter from Captain Wickpatrick
to the Governor General dated Hyderabad
10th November 1897.

"2 There is a coincidence between
Ajim ul Omrah's own account to the effect of

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of the sounding questions put by him
 to Madama Sahib upon that subject asking
 him "what part he would take" in the
 event of Tippecoo and the French uniting
 their Forces" and the 5th Paragraph of the
 Paper N^o 1 (enclosed in Stars) which cannot
 fail I apprehend to draw Sir of attracting
 your notice, though I will not take upon
 me to say which of these approaches the
 nearest to what actually passed between
 Madama Sahib and the Minister on this
 subject, it may not be amiss to remark
 that Azim Ull Omrah would seem to have
 been playing his usual trimming game
 with Tippecoo's Vakeel for the double purpose
 of instilling a belief into him that he is
 by no means ill inclined to a connexion
 with his Master, and of engaging him,
 at the same time, to come forward with
 such overtures, as to make use of our
 arms

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Aller's confessions, may one day be con-
verted to some use against him.

5th The Minister, Mess^{rs} Aller has
just apprized me, has fixed upon tomorrow
evening for the purpose of my waiting
upon him, and I shall accordingly
take that opportunity of presenting him
your letter, Hon^{ble} Sir, Congratulatory
of the birth of his son, which I received
this day from Mr^r Persian Translator
Edmonstone; and of offering him at the
same time, my own congratulations on
the great seal of State being at length
entrusted to him, by his Highness, an
event, which took place, from all I can
learn, the day before yesterday, though
it has not to this moment been
notified to me by Mess^{rs} Aller, whose
silence on this occasion I mean to
complain

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Complains of in a friendly way when I see
him tomorrow. - Inclination and good policy
may perhaps both urge Azim ul Omrah
to execute now or long, what he has
professed to have had all along in con-
templation. The further selective exalta-
tion of Secunder Jah.

Attest Extract

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick,
Assistant

Translate of a Note from a Secret Agent of
Major Kirkpatrick Received the 10th November
1797.

Medina Sahib this day dis-
patched the pair of Shikarrabs, "
lately arrived here, back to Seringapatam with a letter to Tippoo Sultan.
This letter contains a detail of his
late Interview with Azim ul Omrah,
the particulars of which I have already
communicated to you. He likewise
advises

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advised his master of the death of Asaph and
Daulah, and sends him some heads of recent
Intelligence from Porrah. He shews in this
letter to his master what he (Tippoo) had
often expressed himself to him in conversa-
tion, eagerly desirous of going to the field
of battle with his wedding bracelet (Kungun)
on, and that he (Medina Sahel) having
lately taken to himself another wife,
of course was this mark of recent Matri-
mony, and should be happy in an op-
portunity of witnessing his zeal for his service,
by attending him to the field with
this ornament still fresh on his wrist.

Medina Sahel also writes his
master, as an Article of News, that the
Inhabitants of the Gulph of Kutch
(Ru Myawar) having been encroached
upon by some of the Company's Troops
belonging

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belonging to their Factories in those Ports,
had resisted such encroachment, and
finding the English still bent on taking
possession of one of their Sea Ports, they had
called in the French, with the assistance
of a few ships they had expelled the
English from their Coast, and now
Mediate in conjunction with the French,
a predatory attack on Surat.

True Copy and translate

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

J. Webb Esq.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I enclose for the infor-
mation of the Right Honble the President
in Council, Translate of my latest Intelligence
from Gode.

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
communicating hostile
intent of the breaking
up of Lord Gough's camp
and his retreat towards
Seringapatam - also
some unimportant
Intelligence from the
Mysore Country.

Hyderabad
12th November 8/97

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Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant
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Translate of Intelligence from Goch, brought
by a pair of the Resident's Hikkarrah, who
arrived at Hyderabad the 10th November 1897.

We left Hyderabad by your/Captain
Hickpatrick's order the 18th October, and
arrived within a day of Goch on the 25th
and as the Chakras would not allow us
to approach nearer the Fort we put up
at the Village of Amrit-poor which is
about three days off. During the day we
stayed here, we learned that the present
Garrison of Goch, consists of five hundred
regular Infantry, and an inconsiderable
number of Peahdars. We next proceeded
to the late Encampment of Mir Miran
Syed Ghaffar, which we found entirely
abandoned. We were informed by some
Inhabitants of Goch, that a few days
back, five battering guns had been
taken

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taken down by orders of the Sultan
from the Bastions of the Fort, but had
since been replaced by his orders also.

From Amrutpore we proceeded
to Shirdy Amrutpore (a Sherbahi) which
is twelve Gose from Goot, at which
place we were informed, that the Force
Stationed there and at Nag Summunt,
which is only one Gose distant from
it, amount together to one thousand
Regular Infantry -

From Shirdy Amrutpore we
proceeded to Purgoodah which is
twelve Gose from the former place, the
Force at Purgoodah consists of two
hundred Horse, and three hundred
Infantry -

From Purgoodah we went
to Poughur, the Garrison of which place
amounts to two hundred Infantry,
and

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and one hundred and fifty Horse. We also
remarked that there was from five to ten
Sefoys/regulars/ Stationed in every Village,
on our route, and upon enquiry we learned
that this practice was quite a new one,
and that it was supposed the forces thus
dispersed, throughout those frontier Dis-
tricts, might amount to six or seven thousand
Men.

We further understood that when
Syed Ghuffiar was marching up to Srirang-
apatnam, he had upon his leaving Pungoondah
detached two thousand Infantry from
his own force, to Murree Shuraid which is
in the Aracandy Quarter.

We heard at this place also, that Asif-
ud-daulah finding he had occasion for thirty
thousand draft and carriage cattle, instead
of purchasing them gave orders that a con-
tribution of two Bullocks should be levied
from

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from every Village in his Dominions, which
he reckoned would yield the required
number.

It was likewise reported in those
parts, that a general removal of all
Khilladars was in contemplation, at Seringe-
patnam, where Meer Sadic it was also said
was in some disgrace with the Sultan.

We heard everywhere great complaints
of the heavy arrears in which Tippoo keeps
his Army, who are in consequence much
indisposed against him. He has promised
them however it is also said to pay up the
whole of their demands very shortly and
to be as regular in his future payments
to them, as his Father Hyder Ali was.
There are still strong rumours throughout
the Gote Country of the arrival of many
French Ships, laden with Troops, and Munitions.
Lord Tippoo's Eldest Son is also said to be at the
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head of a considerable body of horse and foot,
in the neighbourhood of Bangalore -

We were told by some Hirkarraks
belonging to Alif Khan (the Nalob of a
Kurnool) that a secret correspondence which
had been carrying on for some time between
Omdut ul Omrah, and Tippoo Sultan
was lately detected by the English, who
had sent a stop there, and severely re-
proached at the same time the Nalob of
Arcot for so unwarrantable and clandestine
a proceeding -

These Hirkarraks (of Alif Khan) further
told us, that Messrs. Lardvill, Sabannu
&c. who are encamped at Pyltor, on the
Banks of the Krishna, keep up a corres-
pondence with Sally's son-in-law at
Seringapatam. We also learned from
these Hirkarraks, that Alif Khan had
lately made a tour through his country,
but

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but had since returned to Kurnool, where
he lately fixed a Salute of five Guns in
consequence of the receipt of Letters from
Parruck containing some news, which
pleased him so much, that he bestowed
a hundred Rupees on each of the two His-
tories who delivered the Letter to him.

Attest Translate

of Signed J. A. Wickstrick
Assistant

J. Parry Esq.

Sub Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
- requests copies of all
receipts paid by the
Nizam's servants
for money advanced
to them at Madras
on account of the
Peshawar.

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 25th ultimo and beg you
will acquaint the Right Honourable
the President in Council, that I propose
making known personally to your
Council at an interview which I expect
to have with him very shortly, his Lordship's
ready

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ready inclination to comply as far as may
be practicable, with his applications for
Ordinance and Stores.

The Minister in consequence of his
pressing demands for Cash, testifying at
length a serious inclination to come to
an adjustment of Pishkur's accounts up
to the end of A. D. 1795, permit me to request
that the Honble Board, will be pleased
to transmit to me as soon as may be convenient
Copy of Mohiuddeen Khan's Receipt for
a certain sum of Money advanced to him
by the Government of Fort St. George during
Sir John Hennaway's Ministry at this
Court, for the purchase of Elephants on
account of his Highness the Nizam,
together with Copy of Mohiuddeen Khan's
Receipt for the thousand pagodas, as
well as Copies of any other Receipts for
sums advanced to any officers of this
State

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State, that may be chargeable to the
Cashbook Account.

Hydrabad

12th November 18/97

I am

H. W.

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick,
Assistant

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Received the undermentioned

letters entered in M. B. N. 30, 31, 32.

From the Assistant
Resident at Hydrabad.

From Captain Kirkpatrick
expressive of his hope that the steps
taken by Government will put a stop to
any improper communication between
Messrs. Simpson and Bernard and the
French democratic agents at Trinquar
and Pondicherry.

From the Commandant
at Bellary.

From Colonel Cole requesting
that Mr. Watson may be permitted to
draw the regular allowance for his
attendance on the sick of the 3rd Battalion
Native Infantry.

From the Sub-Secretary
at Bangalore.

From Mr. Macey enclosing
Captain

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Captain Clarke's Receipts for Treasure trans-
ferred to his Charge at Pinang by the
Commanders of the Indiamen appointed
from Bengal on the Maratha Expedition.

A Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor - President

Lieutenant General Harris

Edward Saunders

and

Esquires

Ernst William Tallfield

Minutes of last Consultation

Read and approved.

Read the following letter from

Bengal.

To the Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governor in Council

at Fort St. George.

My Lord,

We think it proper to acquaint

you that we have judged it advisable

to

From Bengal. revised
their former resolution
of sending the 7th Regt.
to the Coast.
authorizing eventually
the raising of another
Regiment of Native
Infantry for the
East Establishment.

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So considered for the present the en-
listments of His Majesty's 76th Regiment
for your Presidency, and as the detention
of this Corps, added to the total of the
4th Native Regiment of Bengal Infantry,
and the drafting of the 52^d and 72^d Regiments
into the 75th and 77th Regiments serving
under the Presidency of Bombay, will
occasion a very considerable diminution
of your force, we authorize you in the event
of circumstances appearing to you to
render the measure necessary, to raise
another Regiment of Native Infantry in
addition to your present establishment.

Fort St. George
The 30th October 18197

We have the honour to be
Y^r Obedt^{ts} Serv^{ts}

J. S. Shore

Charles Clarke

P. Spake

W. Cowper.

The Commander in Chief

Requested

Minute thereon

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Requested to state his opinion upon the
necessity of augmenting the Native Troops
upon this establishment in consequence
of the foregoing communications from the
Supreme Government.

To Josiah Webb Esq.

Secretary to the Government

at Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor
General in Council to request, that you
will lay before the Right Hon^{ble} the
President in Council the enclosed Extracts
from a correspondence with the Agents
for the Property captured at Colombo
respecting the Dutch promissory notes,
with a copy of a communication, on
the subject from the Company's Advocate
General at this Presidency.

The Governor General in
Council not deeming himself warranted
in

From Bengal relative
to the application made
to them by the Agents
for the full
value of the promissory
notes purchased by the Com^{rs}
of the Company retaining only
a sum equal to the
amount of the Dutch
Paper Currency guaranteed
by the Capitulation
which has been to this
time presented, the
for short of the sum
specified in the

for

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according to the Agreement of the Supreme Government with us. The Reserve to be made on Account of the Dutch Paper M^t, you will perceive by the accompanying Certificate of the Honble Commissary's Register here, amounts to Six Dollars 169,280 or Star Pagodas 45141-15, exchange at 3.55 Sica R^up^{er} S^t. 100 Star Pagodas make Sica R^up^{er} S^t. 155737. 7.3. and to Account for the remainder of the Paper Money mentioned in the Articles of Capitulation, a Statement of it certified by the late Commissaries and ourselves is enclosed.

We have the honor of forwarding with this a copy of a letter from Mr. W. Donald to the Government of Madras, and in consequence of his appointment of Naval Commissary being done away, we have to request you will order the Promissory Notes to be made out in the names of Mess^{rs}. Chan, Swill and Chase
Provo

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Prize Agents for the Navy, Major Charles Gray, Captain James Rodgers, and Lieutenant Samuel Lorrain Prize Agents for the Army at the reductions of Columbo Point de Galle and their Dependencies, and in such sums as we have directed our Agents to apply for viz^t 20 Notes of 20000 Rupees each, 30 of 15000, 10 of 10000 and the remainder in small Notes some down so low as 1000 Rupees, that in case of a distribution being ordered they may be the more saleable.

We regret extremely the disappointment occasioned to the Company by the cardamoms not being found in sufficient order to be shipped for Europe, but we cannot conclude without expressing the entire satisfaction we experienced throughout the whole of the business from the conduct and abilities of Mr. Webb, whose liberal instructions

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instructions enabled him to close a purchase of so much consequence without a reference or disagreement of any kind.

Columbo

The 18th April 1897

We have the honor to be Sir

Yours faithfully
Signed John McDowell

late Comptroller &c D.
Navy Agents.

J. Rodgers Captain
5th Buff. I. Regt. N. Inf.

A. Lorrans Lieutenant
59th Regiment for above
and Pay Agents for the Army

Statement of Paper Money issued by the Dutch Company.

In Circulations used in which Interest paid by the English Company and Mr. Gregory the Register Certificate	Rs. 200	16,720
Found in the Treasury at Colombo used in possession of the Pay Agents	308,124	39,400
Found in the Treasury at Port de Galle	796	
Found in the Treasury at Colombo		
Found at Sankhansalla, used in the possession of the Two Major there and his receipt	4,900	
Delivered to Colonel Buchanan as payment of outstanding Balances at Galle	3,183	
Rice Dollars	4,957,72	

AB The sum stated in the articles of capitulation is said to be about 5,00,000 Rice Dollars.

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I do hereby certify that the amount of
Paper Money stated above to have been
found in the Treasury at Colombo and
Point de Galle and in the Disavoy at
Colombo is conformable to the Inventories
taken at the time it was received from
the Dutch Commissaries.

Signed Luc. A. Agnew.
agent for Capt. Rogers

We do hereby certify that the above state-
ment of the Paper Money, found at
Colombo and Point de Galle and received
by Colonel Bannerman at the latter place,
is correct.

Signed John. McDonald, late
Commis. & att. Mac. Agents
J. Rodgers Capt. 1st Batt.
1st Regt. Native Infantry
J. Torrens Lieut. 52nd Regt.
for robes and Prize agent for
the Army.

We do hereby certify that the Paper Money
above stated to have been found at Trincomalle
is correct.

Signed J. Rodgers Capt. 1st Batt.
1st Regt. Native Infantry
J. Torrens Lieut. 52nd Regt.
Prize agent for the
Army at Trincomalle

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I do hereby certify that the amount
of the Dutch Paper currency registered
and upon which Interest is payable is as
follows:-

In Kredit Breveas Rix Dollars 168,045

@ R. D. 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ % of Pagoda Rix 44312 ..

In Rix Notes .. 1735 .. 329 .. 15

Total R. D. 169,280 Rix 45141 .. 15

Columbo

10th April 1797

I Signed J. R. Gregory Register

To Mess^{rs} Chas Swell and Chas, Prize
Agents for the Navy, and Major Charles
Gray, Captain James Rodgers, and Lieuten-
ant Samuel Torrens, Prize Agents for the
Army at the reduction of Columbo, Print
at Galle and their Dependence^{ment} ^{Gentlemen,}

The Governor General in Council
has received your letter of the 8th April
and also a letter from your Agents, Mess^{rs}
Colours and Bayett.

Provisionary Notes have been directed
to be made out payable to you, the

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The Amount of S^{rs} Rufus 22,74,092. 7. 5. in
the sum requested by your Agents and
bearing an Interest of 8 p. 6. p. Annum
from the date specified in Mr. Kelb's
Certificate.

3 With regard to the sum to be
reserved by Government on Account of
the Dutch Paper Debt, altho' the Governor
General in Council presumes that the
Paper in the Treasuries, and in the
Possession of the Public Officers was liquida-
ted by the Dutch Government, and
that it forms no charge on the Pro-
perty, yet as this is not expressly stated
by you to be the case, he considers it
incumbent on him, under the Terms
of the Agreement for the Purchase
of the Property, to reserve for the present
Notes to the Amount of such Rufus
4,55,605. 2. 6. equivalent to Rix Doll. 4,95,223.
The

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The Amount of the whole of the Paper in Circulation as specified in the Statement, instead of the Dollars 169,230 the Amount in Circulation, until the Paper which constitutes the difference between these two Sums, shall be delivered up to him cancelled, with satisfactory Proof that it ought to be cancelled.

4. The Governor General in Council conceives, that the persons formerly in office under the Dutch Government can easily furnish the necessary Proofs from the Public Accounts and official Documents, and that they ought to cancel the Paper, which forms no part of the debt, should it not have been already cancelled.

5. On the receipt of this paper duly cancelled, or of satisfactory proof that it forms no part of the Debt for which

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where the Property is at present chargeable,
 The Governor General in Council will issue
 to your Agents an equal amount from the
 reserved Notes, retaining the remainder on
 account of what may appear to be the
 subsisting part of the debt, until it be
 finally determined whether the Captured
 Property is to be held responsible for it.

6 The rest of the Notes, after deducting
 the reserve of Seven Lacs Rs. 55,605.2.6, have
 been ordered to be delivered to your Agents.

Messrs. Colvins and Baggett.

Yours &c.

Fort William

The 5th June 8/97

To J. G. Barlow Esq.

Secretary to the Government

Sir,

We have had the honor to receive
 your letter of the 5th ultimo, acquainting
 us that the Governor General in Council
 had

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had directed Notes to be made out and delivered to Messrs. Colvins and Bazel for the amount of Captured property purchased by the Supreme Government receiving the whole Amount of Paper Currency instead of the sum stated by us to be actually in circulation, as attested by the Register Mr. Gregory, we have now the honor to enclose General Stuart's Proclamations preparatory to granting British Certificates, and the Register that none have been applied for since the time specified, which we hope will be satisfactory, and ~~induce~~ the Supreme Government to order Notes to be issued for the Amount specified to be in our possession, which having been issued by the Dutch Government as Cash and received back into the Treasury as such, without any interest whatever being allowed, stands of course cancelled thereby and shall be held at the disposal of the Supreme Government to be destroyed

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destroyed or otherwise as they may be pleased
to direct being too volarinnous to send by post.

Columbo

28th July 1797

We have the honor to be Sir

I Signed M. Young Lieut. Col.
for Major Gray

I. Rodgers Capt. 1st Regt.
for Col. & Page Agents
for the Army

I Signed Chase Swell & Chase
Page Agents for the Army

I do hereby certify, that the
sum of £69,280 Nine Dollars as stated by
me in the Certificate granted to the
Page Agents under date the 10th of April
1797 is the whole Amount of Paper Currency
that has been presented and registered
by me in consequence of General Mordaunt's
proclamations under date the 10th of August
1796, and which bears an Interest of 3% per cent
agreeably to the Articles of Capitulation.

Columbo

28th July 1797

I Signed Geo. Gregory Maj.

Proclamations

All persons in possession of Reddish Browsers
or Rafia Notes of the Dutch Company's
Currency

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Merchants and others, are hereby required to
present the same for examination at the
Treasury at Colombo, on or after the 15th day
of this present Month of August, that
the said notes may be registered pre-
paratory to the exchange of them for
British Certificates under the provisions
of the Capitulation signed the 15th of
February last for Colombo and its Dependencies.

The Office will continue open for
the receipt and Registry of these notes
every Tuesday and Friday from 9th in the
Morning till 12 o'clock, till the 15th of
December next, after which none will
be received on the List of those for
the interest of which the British Govern-
ment is held responsible. Head Quarters
in Colombo the 11th day of August 18/96

Signed J. Stuart

By Order of Major General Stuart

Signed R. Turpin
at. 11/10

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Attest Copy
Signed Geo. Gregory
M^g

The Secretary reports that agreeably to the order of the Governor General, he transmitted the letter from the Prize Agents dated the 28th July last, with the other papers relating to the subject, to the Advocate General from whom he has received the following communication.

I have read all the papers relative to the Dutch papers, which treat the subject of correspondence between the Supreme Government and the Agents of the Captured property at the Calcutta, but cannot say that the Agents have yet entirely satisfied the doubt, which gave rise to your letter to them of the 5th of June last.

The first point which it appears to me they ought to have ascertained was

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was the Account of the Dutch paper
actually in existence; and instead of
taking it from the Dutch Bank in
which it is to be deposited regular entries
of it when issued were made, they send
only a certificate of the Account which
has been brought in to be registered per-
suant to General Stuart's proclamation
of the 11. of April 1896, and of the amount
found in the different Treasuries, or
which was in the possession of the Town
Major or had been delivered to Colonel
Bourneaux, as you will find by a reference
to the Statement of Paper formerly trans-
mitted hither and the Certificate of
Mr. Gregory lately received and dated
the 26. of July last.

It may be true that all the
paper, which was outstanding and in
circulation was brought in to be registered
according

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according to the requisitions of General
Stewart's proclamations. But it is not
enough to have only probability instead
of certainty, and it may be true that
all such paper had not been brought
in pursuant to the proclamations; and
if any such Paper, which was not
so brought in, still exists I do not at
all consider it as annulled by the
omission or neglect to bring it in. To
give that effect to the proclamations
it would be necessary to show that
General Stewart's power of limiting the
time for producing and Registering
Paper was given by the Articles of
Capitulation which is not the case.

The next point still to be
ascertained in a more satisfactory
manner, is whether all the remaining
Dutch Paper amounting to 325,943. Rees
Dollars

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Minute on the
Following letter
from Bengal.

As nearly the whole of the Dutch
paper which was estimated to be in
circulation, appears to have been
ruined and deposited in the public
office at Colombo, Resolved that
instructions be sent to Brigadier or
General De Meuron for cancelling the
several notes in the manner recom-
mended by the advocate General.

Resolved also, that Mr. Gregory.
The register be ordered to affix his
name to each note so cancelled, and
to keep a regular register of the notes
in separate books to be provided for
that purpose.

Read the following
letter from the Assistant Resident
at Hyderabad.

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J. Webb Esq

Secretary to Government

Sir,

Fort St. George

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Sub Secretary Durr's letter of the 21st ultimo, and to beg you will assure the Right Honble the President in Council, that while highly sensible of his Lordship's prompt attention to my representations regarding Mr. Warragharn, I feel at the same time the most unfeigned regret at the necessity, which drove me to a step which has drawn upon that Gentleman marks of the displeasure of Government.

I shall not fail to pay early attention to his Lordship's wishes with respect to the transmission of quarterly accounts to the Accountant General of

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
with copies of his
correspondence with
Mr. Warragharn re-
lative to his advances
of 510 Rupees to Mr.
Cholaunmy Subel
the Nagarn Agent
at Masulipatam.
Submits how far it
may be necessary to
send in to the Account-
tant General any
statements of the
Peshcaw accounts
subsequently to the
close of the Fisco
year 1205.

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All sums received from his Highness
the Mysore on account of subsidy and
owed to the Hyderabad Detachment, as
well as of any sums that may be sent
off against Pishkesh on account of
subsidy is on any other account, but they
have to submit through you to the Right
Honble the President in Council, here
for it can be useful to supply Mr. Melf
with any Pishkesh accounts later than
the end of A. D. 1205, seeing that the
discharge of it from that period has
been provided for by this and the
Poonah Residency by Bill on the
Supreme Government, with the exception
of twenty five thousand rupees for which
I drew a Bill on the Right Honble
the President in Council on the 13. Sep-
tember last.

I herewith enclose for the
information

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informaters of the Right Honble the
President in Council copy of Mr. Collector
Kraughams last letter to me and of my
reply to the same, together with copy
of my letter of the 5th Instant to Mr.
William Gordon.

Hydrabad
6th November 1797.

I am,
Sir,

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

To Captain Kirkpatrick
Assistant to the Resident
at Hydrabad
Sir,

Mr. Golarry Sahib, Sec. Highwp
the Nizam's Agent at this place, being
indebted to me the sum of Madras
Pagodas Five Hundred (500) and having
for many months past delayed pay-
ment of this debt, and appearing
as he does, to shelter himself under the
cloak of his public situation; from the
Justice I have it in my power to take
into

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into my own hands, I now from respect
to the Nizam apply to you, assuring
myself that you will assist me, and
render various unnecessary in this
matter - You will I am persuaded
consider that a Demand of Interest at
the rate of Eight % per cent from the date
of the loan, is but just.

Masulipatam
12. October 8/97

I have the honor to be &c
Signed J. Warringham
Collector

True copy
Signed C. G. Wiskpatrick
Assistant

J. Warringham Esq.
Collector

Masulipatam

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the
receipt of your letter of the 12. Instant,
from the Tenor of which, as well, as
well as from information which
had

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had previously reached me on this subject from other quarters, I collect, that upon further consideration you have not thought proper to fulfill the determination signified by you to me in the conclusion of your letter of the 28th August last, of writing off to his Highness the Nizam's credit, the sum advanced by you to M^r Gaslamany Sahib.

Viewed merely as a private transaction, I shall with pleasure use my exertions at this Durbar to obtain for you the reimbursement of a sum which an obliging and ready attention to the wishes of its agent, evidently inclined you to agree to the advance of, without scrupulously awaiting the requisite sanctionary forms: though I shall, I confess, be very doubtful of

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of success in this attempt, would you
 care enable me to contradict a complaint,
 which M^r Golaury Sahib has made to
 his Employers of your having already
 had recourse to coercive measures against
 him. Without taking upon myself
 to say, how far his Public Character
 the Agent of his Highness the Nizam,
 shelters him from the common Curs
 of justice, it must be abundantly obvious
 that public considerations render for
 bearing on such an occasion highly
 expedient, were the sum in jeopardy,
 ever much more considerable than it
 happens to be, and accordingly assure
 myself that such considerations, joined
 to the respect which you profess to en-
 tertain for the Prince who deputed M^r
 Golaury Sahib to your Quarter, will not
 fail to regulate your conduct on this
 occasion

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occasions. I feel at the same time no less
confidence, that your possessing the
power to take justice into your own
hands, will be an additional inducement
to you to be scrupulously cautious and
slow in the exercise of it, ever if invested
with the right of doing so.

Hyderabad
15th October 1797

I have the honor to be &c.

Signed J. Heskpatrick
assist.

(true copy)

Signed J. H. Heskpatrick
assistant

William Gordon Esq.

Paymaster at Masulipatam

Sir,

In a letter from Mr. Sub Secretary
Perry under date the 21st ultimo I am
given to understand that the charge
of the general Treasury at Masulipatam
having been transferred to you it is the
desire of the Right Honorable the President
in

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is desired that in all matters relating
to Pischens my correspondence be carried
on with your office.

I am happy that it is in my
power to commence this correspondence
by acquainting you both for Mr. Man-
gla's information and your own, that
his Highness the Nizam has been pleased
at length to consent, that the five hundred
and ten / 510 / Madras Pagodas advanced
by that Gentleman to Mr. Goolammy
Sahib his Highness's Agent at Madras
patarn, be carried to the account of
Pischens for 2. ¹/₂ of Rs. 1205. It
will of course be necessary to obtain
a Voucher from Goolammy Sahib specifying
that the sum in question was
received by him in further dis-
charge of Pischens for the
Installation

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Installation above alluded to.

Hyderabad

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I have the honor to be &c.

Yours &c. J. A. Heskpatrick
Assistant

Attn: Copy

J. A. Heskpatrick
Assistant

J. Webb Esq.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose

for the notice of the Right Honble the

President in Council Copies of Letters

addressed by me under date the 14th

and 5th Instant, to Major Byrdmore in

consequence of a requisition from the

Minister of War at Benares for a Detach-

ment of five Companies of Sepoys and

a Gun to proceed to Kurrumumai

with the newly appointed Subedar

of that District, together with Copy of

From the Assistant
Resident at Hyderabad
a detachment of five
Companies of Bengal
Sepoys under Com-
mand of Major
Grant marches
towards the Kurrumumai
country on the re-
quisition of the British
the object of this
measure mentioned
Copy of this Letter
addressed to Major Grant
enclosed.

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of my letter of Instructions to Major Grant
The officer commanding the Party in your
force, which broke ground this forenoon
to Aspal, and will continue its march
towards Ahmmednagar, when joined
by Giers and soldiers Ahore.

Hyderabad
6th November 1817

Am.
N^o 8.

Signature of A. H. Mackintosh
Assistant

Major Henry Hindman
Commanding the Hyderabad Detachment
Sir,

It having been intimated to
me by the Durbar, that five Europeans
and a Gier from the Detachment under
your command will be required very
shortly to attend Giers and soldiers when
the new Talookdar of Ahmmednagar
to regulate the affairs of that district
which for some years past have been
in

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in an unsettled state. I have accordingly
to desire that you will be pleased to hold
the required Detachment ready to march
at the shortest notice.

It can scarcely be necessary to
point out to you that a discreet and
accommodating Temper, as well as experience
and Steadiness are desirable requisites
in the Character of the officer whom
you may select for this command.

Hyderabad
21st November 1797.

I have the honor to be Sir

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Adjutant

True Copy

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Adj.

Major Henry Wyndham
Commanding the Hyderabad Detachment

Sir

If the Genl. Bussicks arrive
in sufficient time from their place
of Forage, you will be pleased to direct
Major Grant to March tomorrow morning
to

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Hydrabad

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in the service he is about to proceed upon.

Hyderabad

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Have the honor to be &c

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Capt

(Attn Capt)

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

To Major L. Grant

Commanding a Detachment from the

10th Regiment of Madras Infantry

Sir,

I have now the pleasure to send
you such Instructions as may be useful
for your guidance in the service you
are about to proceed upon.

No actual troubles having been
reported to me to be our fort in the
Highlands the Mysore Province of
Khammamath, the immediate object
for which the Detachment under your
Command is required to proceed thither.
Case of course be only to give that kind
of Support and Countenance to the
New

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Now I look down your submission I have
who accompanies you the other, which
may be considered to such an establish-
ment of his authority in these parts
as may of itself be sufficient probably
for the preservation of order and tran-
quillity.

During your march, whether
and continuance in the District, I
need scarcely recommend to you to
preserve most carefully that order and
discipline among your troops, and
that harmony with the subjects
of his Highness of every degree which
have so essentially contributed hitherto
to establish and maintain the
high character of the Company's
troops, and to conciliate at the
same time the inhabitants of
these countries. You will of course
prevent

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prevent as much as possible any damage
to Cultivations during your Route, and issue
strict Orders against the Seizure by violence
of the most trifling article of property
belonging to the Inhabitants, an atten-
tion which is more particularly required
in general with respect to the Followers,
than the Fighting men.

Should any thing worthy of
particular Notice occur on your route, you
will give me immediate advice thereof
by means of Nirkharahs or Guides.

Upon your Arrival at the town
of Mummummarat you will report the
same to me, and I should be glad to
be favored at the same time with a
general account of the state and nature
of the Country you marched through
on your way thither, as well as with
any information you may have received
from

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From your subaltern Khari as to his future
views for the employment of the Troops "
under your command.

You will use your discretion in
furnishing the Subadar with such
occasional parties as he may require
for the service of the dikan, not forgetting
at the same time that they are not to be
employed in any undertakings incom-
patible with the duties of regular Troops,
detractory to the dignity of the Company's
Arms, or unnecessarily hazardous to the
credit of them. It is desirable also that
the integrity of your Detachment should be
preserved as much as possible, that it
may be enabled to act with more prompti-
tude as well as effect, should any
Military operations be eventually required
from it.

As such are exact after obtaining
the

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The best information, in your power, of
the nature and extent of the service
required from you, you will be no
time in reporting the same to me, and
even if the circumstances of the case
should admit thereof, will avoid
proceeding to hostilities until you
can receive my answer. If the Place
or Force you may be required to act
against, should appear to you so
formidable, to render it greatly hazardous
to venture an attack upon with the
Party at present under your command,
you will assign this to the Governor
as your motive for delaying operations,
until a reinforcement reaches you.

The extensive district of Kham-
muraat being little, if at all,
known to us, it is desirable on every
account that you use your endeavors
to collect all kind of Geographical
information.

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information regarding it.

Murgaul being only from fifteen to twenty days from Khummumait, you will send your dispatches for this Quarter to that Dawke Station, and I will issue orders for stationing an additional pair of Wickarrakes there, for the purpose of conveying letters to you from hence. When you have any communication to make to me requiring uncommon dispatch you will fix a small bell (of which I send herewith a few for your use) to the outside of your Packet, which will be an indication to the Dawke Moorache residing at Murgaul that it is an express, and of course to be forwarded hither without waiting for the Mail from the Eastward.

I herewith enclose for your information a Route from hence to Khummumait, and wishing you a pleasant March

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Hyderabad
6th October 1897

March, I have the honor to receive -

N^o 8th

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Capt.

Attn: Capt.

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant.

Route from Hyderabad to Khumnumait.

From Hyderabad to Copul	1 1/2
To Ghut Kivrahi	5
" Ghurroo	5
" Bhaurungghur	2
" Borj-ghur	2
" Ghuruliäl	7
" Sankhyapoor	5
" Purshääl	4
" Torngatorthy	5
" Tarumtula	7
" Soollair	3
" Hoakrainy	5
" Khumnumait	5
	<u>66 1/2</u>

In a North East direction.

Many other inconsiderable villages (names unknown) occur between the above intermediate stations.

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J. Webb Esq.

Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Assistant
Secretary at Hyderabad
with copies of his letter
forwarded on the 17th inst.
to the Secretary to the
Government at the
request of the Secretary
at Hyderabad.

I herewith enclose for the
notice of the Right Honorable the President
in Council, copy of a letter to me from
Major Grant of the B. S. Secretariat and
of my answer thereto, of the same date.

Hydrabad

20. November 1797

Yours
A. A.

Signed J. A. Mackpatrick
Agent

Captain J. A. Mackpatrick

Acting Resident Hyderabad

Sir,

I have the honor to acknow-
ledge the receipt of your letter of the
6th instant, containing the Instructions
for my guidance on the service I am
ordered on to Kurnool, and
I beg you will be assured that I shall
conform

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conforms to them in every particular as
far as lays in my power.

To enable me to do so effectually,
and to prevent any misconception on
my part permit me to request you will
favor me with explanations of the following
points.

The discretionary power vested in
me by your Instructions is confined solely
to the employment of the Detachment
on hazardous enterprises. I therefore
should be glad, if you would let me
know how far I am at liberty to refuse
or comply with any requisitions from
Gentl or soldiers Khan for the services
of the Detachment on any other occasions
where I may deem a compliance with
such requisition unnecessary or impro-
per.

Yours may depend upon my
transmitting

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transmitting to you every Intelligence
and Information respecting the
Detachment, but as the establishment
of guides and Hekarraks allowed by
the Bengal Regulations is sufficient
only for ascertaining the state of the
Roads and Route, and as the Detach-
ment may perhaps be employed
at a greater distance from the Dawke
Road than even Schunnuman is,
and that it would be improper to
wait for the arrival of your people
by whom I might return letters to
the Dawke Road, permit me to request
you will be so good as intimate to me
by what means I may procure proper
and Confidential Hecarraks or Agents
by whom I could forward my letters.
I am aware that I could probably procure
people

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people of this description from your sub-
ordinate. Wham but circumstances might
occur to render it unsafe to employ his
people on such occasions.

to Camp near Copul

8th 24th November 1897

I have the honor to be Sir

Signed L. Grant Major
Comd. 1st Bn. 11th N. I.

(true copy)

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Capt.

Major L. Grant.

Commanding the Muhammad

Detachment

Sir,

I am just favored with your
letter of this date from the contents of
which, I am led to be apprehensive
that my Instructions to you are not
so clear and intelligible as I could
have wished them to be, as you ap-
pear if I rightly understand the
second Paragraph of your letter to put
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a construction on a part of them, the very opposite to what it was my intention to convey. I have no time therefore in replying to your Desires, in doing which, I shall endeavour to clear up any ambiguity which my former Letter may contain.

The discretionary power, which it was my object to leave with you, appears to me sufficiently calculated for all common cases likely to occur, as it is only in those, where Military functions may be required from you, that I deem it necessary you should wait till the nature of the case will admit of it / the result of a reference to me you will of course therefore on all other occasions, use your discretion in refusing or complying with any other requisitions / though these of course can be only few and comparatively trifling)

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trifling) which give soldiers whom
 may make for the service of the Troops
 under your Command, keeping in
 your recollection at the same time,
 that it is highly desirable that you
 contribute all the assistance in your
 power to the peaceable and regular
 collections of the Revenues of the District,
 as far as you can, compatibly with the
 duties requireable from regular Troops,
 and with the dignity and credit of
 the Company's Government.

I must request you will be
 so good as to keep an account of the
 advances you make to Shikarrabs
 or bopids for carrying your Dispatches
 to Muzgul, both during your sojourn
 at Sherrumumait, and in the event
 of your advancing farther in that district,
 and transmit the same to me from
 time

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time to time for liquidation - you will
be at no loss in procuring men of this
description at the same moment, without
the assistance of him or others when
though I am not aware that any
circumstances are likely to arise, that
would render it unsafe to trust any
people procured through his means -

Hyderabad
8th November 1897.

I have the honor to be Sir

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Capt.

(true copy)

Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
Capt.

The Right Honorable Lord Hobart

Governer and President in Council

My Lord,

Fort St. George

From the Assistant Resident
at Hyderabad received an
urgent application
from the Minister for
the immediate pay-
ment of the whole
amount of Rs. 10000
due the Government
estimated and a great
deal stated how far
the Government can
afford assistance to-
wards meeting the
urgent wants.

The Poonah Court or rather District
Ran Suroodh having of late become very
urgent in his demands upon Ajim al
Omrah for the discharge of the instal-
ments due of the abated pecuniary
Engagements entered into by his Highness
the

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The Nizam at Khurdah, the Minister
justly apprehensive of the threatened
consequences of further delays on his part,
is devising all the means in his power
in order to satisfy them;—though these
by his own account (which particular
circumstances incline me to give credit
to) are as yet, very limited. Among his
resources however, he reckons confidently
on the immediate payment of what-
ever balance may be due to this
State of the 2^d Dist of A.F. 1205, and
of the 2^d Dist of 1206 which fell due
on the 31st Ultimo; but the latter expec-
tation it is wholly out of my power to
fulfill, here at least, as my Bills on
the Supreme Government are not negotiable
with the Bankers of this City.—This I
have not failed to apprise the Minister
of, with a view of satisfying him, that
any delay, that may occur in the
fulfillment of our pecuniary Engage-
ments to this State, is not imputable

To

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to ward of imputation or assertion on our
part, and have assured him at the
same time, that whatever balance
may be due for 1205, shall be paid at
Mascipatam the moment, he thinks
proper either to order a settlement of
Accounts up to that period, or to receive
such sum as I may tender him as
the balance according to my accounts,
and grant me a Receipt in full for
Paisheesh up to the period in question.

Agier ul Omrah has however
observed to me in reply, that if money
is not to be procured by me here, there
can be no objection that he is aware
of, to the Paisheesh being discharged
as formerly at Mascipatam, and
trusts therefore, that I will take im-
mediate measures for this purpose,
as he will on his part, for an immediate
adjustment

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adjustment of the Pishness amounts
 required by me. By way of obviating the
 foregoing alternative, I have observed to
 him, that the Supreme Government,
~~asking~~ it perhaps for granted, that the
 present Kist could like the last be
 discharged by money taken up here
 and at Poonah for Bills on Bengal,
 has probably not given your Lordship
 in Council any intimation to provide
 the necessary Funds at Masulipatam
 for the liquidation of the Kist in ques-
 tion. This argument however has had
 no weight with the Vizier at Conrah, as
 he cannot allow, he says, that it can
 be a matter of any moment to the
 Honble Company, whether, in the
 due fulfillment of their Engagements
 so comparatively trifling a sum as two
 or three Lacks of Rupees be paid here

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or elsewhere; adding, that I must be
 sensible that nothing but the extreme
 urgency of his wants, could induce
 him to be so pressing on this occasion.
 Since he has more than once allowed
 large sums of arrears of Pindrocks, to
 lay uncalled for at Masulipatam
 for years together.

I have thought it necessary
 to trouble your Lordship in Council
 with the above details, to enable you
 to determine how far it may be ex-
 pedient or practicable to take im-
 mediate measures for satisfying
 without loss of time the pressing
 but just claims of this Court, which
 amount to two Lacks and eighty
 two thousand ^{rupees} / 282,000 / on account
 of 2^d Dist of 1206, and may be safely
 reckoned at thirty five thousand
^{rupees} / 35,000 / more, on account of 1205. The
 reduction

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Reduction in the last list, is in consequence of an assignment for sixty eight thousand /68,000/ Rupees payable in Calcutta, granted by his Highness in September 96 on that Instalment, in favour of a Merchant from Benegal, of whom he purchased a string of Elephants to that amount.

Permit me to request that I may be honoured with early notification of your Lordship's determination on the subject of this letter, which I have been induced to address to you, from the two fold consideration that it is of some importance to meet if possible Agis ul Amrahis wishes, and of still greater to acquit ourselves of all our Engagements to the Native Princes, with that punctuality, which affords no ground for the slightest complaint against us on so delicate & important a point.

Hyderabad
21. November 1797.

Have the honor to be
Xth Xth
Signed J. A. Kirkpatrick
ordered

be

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Minute on the last
last letter from the
Assistant Resident
at Hyderabad.

Ordered that the receipt of the
above letters be acknowledged...

Read the following letter from the
Military Board..

To the Right Honble Lord Hobart
Governor in Council
N. N. N.

My Lord,

From the Military
Board. Resolved
pursuant being made
to Lieutenant Colonel
Roberts and Dalrymple
for the value of funds
furnished by them
for the use of the
11th Regiment Native
Infantry, an advance
of Rs. 10,000 to the Agent
for Military Stores.
Report their opinion
on the plan in
regulation of procuring
Arms from Calcutta
and propose a diminu-
tion of the quantity
of Arms intended to
be sent thither from
Bengal in consequence
of the large supply
of Arms already in
store..

Major General Bridges having
represented to us that, in consequence
of the very small proportions of Camp
Equipage, which was in store at Masulipatam
at the time of the 11th Regiment
of Native Infantry being ordered to
March from there, he had judged
it expedient, in order to enable the
corps to move, to accept of an offer
made to him by Lieutenant Colonel
Roberts and Dalrymple of disposing
of to the Company, at a fair valuation,
the

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to be determined in any manner, that
might be thought proper, a number of
Tents which they had provided for their
respective Battalions, where serving with
His Highness the Vizier. We accordingly
directed the assembling of a Committee
of Inspection to survey, and value, such
Tents in comparison with Mr. Bowie's
contract prices, making the necessary
allowance for the length of time they
might have been in use, as likewise for
any injury they might have received
therefrom, and having since learnt that
the acceptance of the above offer has been
confirmed by Government, We do ourselves
the honor to forward herewith to your
Lordship in Council the Proceedings
of such Committee, shewing the
number of Tents received, and the
rates paid for each description
amounting

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amounting to Pagodas 408, ... which rates
appearing moderate, We beg leave to recom-
mend that the same may be discharged.

Having in conformity to the Regula-
tions directed that an Indent for Stores
required for the Service of the Annual
during the ensuing Quarter be transmitted
to the Agent of Supply, the interested
account whereof is Pagodas 1733: 22: 10. We
therefore recommended that the usual
Advances may be authorized in conse-
quence.

On an attentive consideration of
the Subject of the Letter from the Command-
ing Officer on the Island of Ceylon,
referred for our opinion with Government's
Letter under date the 28th September last,
it appears to us that, of the two modes
suggested therein for obtaining supplies
of Arrack from Colombo, the second will
be

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be found the most convenient way to put
a proper Person in charge of the Arrack Godowns
with an Establishment of Coopers for putting
together the Casks that are to be sent to
behave by the Agent for Spirituous Liquors;
and to inform the Merchants by adver-
tisement that proposals will be received
for the supply of a certain quantity of
Arrack payable on delivery at the Arrack
Godowns.

The price of Arrack at Calicut, where
it is made, Brigadier General De Meuron
states to be about 50 Rupees per League,
without Casks, adding to which from
15 to 20 per Cent, for Carriage, Seabage,
and the Merchants profit, the Arrack
would then cost on an average 67 Rupees
per League when delivered in the
Godowns, and calculating the Establish-
ment of Coopers at 3 Rupees per League,
will make the total amount to 70 Rupees,
which

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which appears to be very moderate, and as there is at Coleraba a Commissary of Provisions to whom Government have allowed a liberal Salary, and an ample Establishment of Servants, We conceive that he would be the fittest person to take charge of the Arrack, and at the proper season to apply to the Commanding Officer, or the chief Civil Servant, at Coleraba for the means of transporting it to Madras at the least expense.

It appears however by a Statement laid before our Board by the Agent for Spirituous Liquors that the quantity in Store, and contracted for, being & nearly equal to three years consumption from the 1st of May last, will render it unnecessary to obtain a supply of Arrack from Coleraba until the beginning of the year 1799. The abstract of this Statement is as follows.

Quantity

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Quantity of Spirits remaining
in Store 1st May 1797. Measured Gallons
193,500

Rum arrived on the Royal
Admiral, Pitt, Buxbridge, and
Lancilles, averaged at gauged
Gallons 24,862½.

Rum imported from Bengal,
having been contracted for by
the Agent previous to the 1st
May 1797. 22,572.

Batavia Arrack purchased by
Order of Government at the re-
commendations of the Military
Board, in the Month of August
last 300 Leaguers, or gauged Gall^{ns} - 45,000.

Contracted for by the Governor
General in Council, as appearing
in the Bengal Gazette the
24th August last 700 Leaguers
of 150 Gallons each 105,000 or 181,639
375,139.

One Year's Consumption from the
1st May 1797. 124,200

Remaining on the 1st May 1798 } . . . 250,939
Measured Gallons

As

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As the principal object of obtaining
a supply of Rice from Bengal through
the mediation of the Governor General in
Council, was to secure its being sent to the
Coast upon the Company's ships, Freight
free, and as the quantity contracted for,
viz. 700 Leaguers, will probably be much more
than the ships of the next season can
bring hither, it has occurred to us, as proper,
to bring this circumstance to your Lordships
Notice, with a view to the Governor General
in Council being requested not to send
a greater quantity of Rice to the Coast
than the Company's ships of the ensuing
season can transport, and either to limit
the contract, if not finally concluded, to
the quantity that can be sent at that
time free of Freight, or, if the contract has
been made for the full quantity of 700
Leaguers, that the surplus beyond
what

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can be so transported, be kept at Bengal until the Season 1799, when it may be brought to the Coast by the Company's Ships. The saving of the Freight being an object of importance.

Fort St. George

11th November 1797

We have the Honor to be,

My Lord

X^o X^o

I Signed Geo. Harris

Patrick Robt

Thomas Gills

W. Sydenham

B^y Close

With the undersigned Officers assembled by order of Major General Bridges Commanding at Masulipatam, having examined the Tent the property of Lieutenant Colonel Roberts, and taking into consideration the Honble Company's allowance for the purchase of Tents, estimate them as undermentioned,

10 Army Tents at 20 Pagodas each . . . 200 " "
2 Private Tents at 16 Pagodas each . . . 32 " " "
Total Pag. 232 " " "

I Signed J. Taylor Capt. & Pres^t

Sam^l Crane. adj^t & D^r Mr

W^m Hawesdon & D^r Mr

2^d D^r 2 Reg^t 6th I.

I Signed J. D. Parce
J^r M^d Board

Me