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Sent the following [illegible] to Major [illegible]ing at Trichenopoly & to Major Campbell [illegible] Commanding

To Major Wood at Trichenopoly

Sir

We desire you will order Captain [illegible] Company after completing it to 100 Men [illegible] Officers to join the Troops under the Command of [illegible] Campbell they are to march by the direct [illegible] taking care to get the best Information they [illegible] motions of Nizam Ally's Horse. The enclosed [illegible] to Major Donald Campbell directing him to [illegible] you with 50 Men.

Letter to Major Wood ordered to send Capt Dormand's Company & 6 Companies of Seapoys to join the Army

The Seapoys you was yesterday directed [illegible] sent, may be joined to the above Europeans.

We are

Sir

Your most obedt humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George 15th April 1765

To Major Donald Campbell Commanding at Madura

Sir

You will immediately on the Receipt hereof [illegible] 50 Europeans including non Commissioned Officers under the Command of a Subaltern to proceed to Trichenopoly to do Duty in that Garrison

To Major Donald Campbell [illegible] to Trichenopoly

We are

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George 15th April 1765

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We are
Sir
Your most obedt humble Servant
Robert Palk &c Council [illegible]

Fort St George
15th April 1765

To Major Donald Campbell
Commanding at Madura

Sir

To Major Donald
Campbell [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Trichenopoly

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under [illegible] Command of a Subaltern to proceed to
[illegible]opoly to do Duty in that Garrison

We are
Sir
Your most Obedient humble Se[illegible]
Robert Palk &c Coun[illegible]

Fort St George
15th April 1765

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Enclosed is a List of Officers sent lately to your Settlement, & of the private Men with the Dates of their imbarking & Arrival in Tender &c

Weare

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c Council &c

Fort St George
17th April 1765 &c

Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army &c

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George

Letter from Colo Campbell

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the Honor to receive your Favor of the 4th Instant and am also firmly of Opinion that We should by no Means decline an Action with Nazam Ally in Case He gives a favorable Opportunity, and I shall take Care to take such a Post as he will find it difficult to oust him &c — I am now in Front of Labafeel and expect between two Hills [illegible] advanced in a strong Post two Miles in the Rear of which I could with Safety go to the Enemy Camp but I am further but then I might be forced to a sudden March the Army Communicates with Arcott & Vellore from hence that I have all my Supplies of Provisions and indeed even at this Distance I apprehend the Palah of Arcott more than any thing else for there seems to be such a Consternation amongst every Body belonging to the Durbah that I really believe the Sight of 500

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Camp
15th April 1763

18th Received the following Letter & Ships Speed well from the President & Council at Fort Marlbro'

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most faithfull & most Obliged
Humble Servant.
Charles Campbell

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Letter from Fort Marlbro'

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have already addressed your Honor and Council at large, under Date of the 11th Instant, by the Ld Instant, by the Ship Lyon Captain Richard Eccles Esqr. Despatches whereof you will please to receive inclosed in this Packett.

Agreeable to which Instructions We have sent you on board this Ship Speedwell, Capt Johnson Thirty Seapoys, Officers included belonging to this Garrison For the Particulars of whose Names you will be pleased to be referred to the inclosed List.

We have agreed with Edward Rawson for their Passage at Four Shillings each Man Dieting themselves which you will please to pay them on their Arrival at Fort St George.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt Humble Servants

Roger Carter

Joseph Darvall

Robert Hay

Geo Scott

Robert Nairne

John Herbert

Fort Marlbro'
11th January 1765

P.S. We have granted on your Honor &c the following Bill of Exchange viz

1 Sett payable from 30 Days sight to Mr Thomas Hay or Order Value received of Robert Hay Esqr Dep. Agt 89l. 1. 12 or R 557. 1. 64

Roger C

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Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell
Commanding the Army &c

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
of Fort St George &c

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Colo Campbell &c

The enclosed Intelligence I have just received & think it right to transmit to you, however I shall not depend upon it, however I shall not to move from hence another Movement with the Army than to keep on the Trichy Road, still observing the precautions for keeping the Communication with Arcot clear and having a strong Encampment, I think if my Army encamped on the Damal Cherry Road has occasioned the Nizam to change his Rout so as I have joined by the Troops that are on their march, he will therefore be cautious of risking a general Engagement and I shall be my chief Study till there is only engagement advantage as to Situation, but still appearing as if I wished to come to Action immediately I have the honor to be with much Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obliged & most Obed Hble Servt
Charles Campbell &c

Camp. 16. April 1765
Bat Night &c

Intelligence from one of my Horcars who came from Nizam Ally's own Camp at Damalcherry at 8 o Clock this Morning &c

That the Vanguard which lay at Coultet

Intelligence regarding Nizam Ally &c

compared of 18 Pieces of Cannon & 10,000 Horse with many Sepoys & match Lock Horse marched yesterday Evening to Palcer and from thence this Day to Chandr

Chandavaguy 2½ Cos from Tripatty, and that that Day the Nizam marched from Damul Cherry to Perlee and it was said was to march to morrow to Chandamangy The Calastry, Succaty, Curry & Bonowag Vackeels are said to be with the Nizam — The reason given in the Nizams Camp for taking this Road, was account of the motion of our Army on the Great Road to Damul Cherry —

Received the following Letter from Major Donald Campbell Commanding at Masulipatam —

To The Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George —

Letter from Mr Donald Campbell

Honble Sir

I have the Pleasure to inclose you the returns of the two Detachments, that marched from hence with Instructions to go to Vellore with all convenient Expedetion. The 1st Troop of Dragoons & the Troop of Nizars marched Yesterday Morning and the two Companies of Grenadiers marched this Morning —

Extract of the Instructions relating to

Notwithstanding your Orders to all Boats not to Pass the 24 Private Tents in the Fleet which he made up in the Country, the Season being many of these Troops going upon immediate Service, I thought it most advisable to let them be furnished with private Tents from hence where being many for the Fleet may be made here at any short Notice, I am with Respect

Honble Sir

Masulipatam
18th April 1765 —

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Recd the following Letter from Colonel Camp-
bell Commanding the Army

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c. Council of
Fort St George —

Letter from Colo Campbell —

advises of Nizam Alys being near Tripatty —

Honble Sir & Sirs —

By repeated Intelligence I find that the Detachment of Nizam Alys Army are near Tripatty and the main Body with himself at Pocket, and that he has altered his Intentions of coming the Damal Cherry Road to Arcot. I have also Intelligence that several Detachments of his Troops which were near to Encampatum, have marched back on the other Side of the Hills to the Northward — I am now encamped about 8 Miles from Arcot between the Tripatty & Damal Cherry Roads, and have this Day been with the Front of my Line Seapoys 15 Miles further on the Damal Cherry Road & find the nearer the Pass the more open & clear it is, indeed so very much so that I think Nizam Alley judged very prudently to change his Route by the Tripatty Road passes as fully & close I should encamp he will be very cautious how he attempts to advance especially with His Artillery. If I had now the Cavalry & Grenadiers I would immediately march up to him, being almost perswaded from his loosing so favorable an Opportunity by allowing us to assemble our Troops that he is not very desirous of meeting him, However if I should be deceived in this Conjecture & find that he should absolutely advance, I am under no kind of Apprehension but that I can at least secure

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my present Force against his whole Army as I should think it rather more favorable to await the Enemies attack before I attacked his whole Army, but as I am shortly to march declare it if he gives me a favorable Opportunity to Morrow or next Day I will undertake after a Movement which I get some Force to [illegible] the Army at only advance two or three Miles and [illegible] gives Spirits to the Inhabitants Force [illegible] do imagine it cannot be very pleasing [illegible] I have the Honor to be with the greatest [illegible]

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obly & Obt [illegible]

Charles Campbell

Camp 20th April 1765

Answer to which the following

to Wit

To Charles Campbell Esqr

Commanding the Army

Sir

The Nabob having applyd to us to [illegible] the placing any Sergeants or Corporals [illegible] his several Forts, not garrisoned by our Troops, and such Measure not disapproving absolutely, we [illegible] present, We recommend that more be sent to his Service.

We have received your Letter of the 19th [illegible] which & other Advices We judge that Negotiations will not enable us to give you much Trouble, but as your marching nearer to them may quicken [illegible]

We desire

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Captain Hart with the Seapoys & the Corps
of Pioneers before ordered to proceed towards Nizam
am as soon as Nizam Alys Army are entirely
of molesting him & He can march with Safety the
Topasses before intended need not accompany him

I Have
the
Honor
to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George
20th April 1765

Sent the following Letter to the President &c
at Fort William

To the Honble Jno Spencer Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
at Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter to Fort William

The Approach of Nizam Alys to the Bounds of
Damalcherry, & some of His Marratta Horse having act
worthy entered the Province, hath obliged us to draw all
our Garrisons to collect a Force to oppose his Army which
would otherwise ravage the Country. We have therefore
been under the Necessity of landing 418 Recruits from
the Kent, to do duty here, in order that We might be able
to send the Men we had before in Garrison to join the
Army &c

advised of our having landed 418 Recruits from the Kent on account of His Encroachments for which we are losing for Bengal &c

We Herewith send your Honor &c Council
account of Money disbursed in enlisting Men from His
Majesty's Regiments for which your Honors &c
We have taken the Opportunity of this Con
veyance, to send you some Guns & Shott according
the Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed &c

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Fort St George
20th April 1765

Hond Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

22d Came in the following Letter from Mr Desvoeux
at Wormupollam

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Yours just now been honored with your Commands of the 14th Instant, shall immediately march to join the Army under Colonel Campbell with the two Companies of Sepoys lately arrived here from Tondamandy, & all the Nabobs Topasses under my Command, consisting only of one Company.

There is an Officer from Tondamandy arrived at Arnialore to command those Corps: I wrote to him a Copy of yours: Ensign Scott will have the Command of the Troops here with the Nabobs Horsemen. In whom I have recommended in Case any Troubles are apprehended, immediately to apprize the King of Tanjore, & ask his Assistance, This I have also mentioned to the Nabobs Havildar.

I have the honor to be with much Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Wormupollam
18th April 1765

Your most Obedient & most humble Servt
Charles Desvoeux

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At a Consultation Present

Monday 22d April 1765

Robert Palk Esqr Governor President
Stringer Lawrence Charles Boucher
Richard Fairfield Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner John Call
George Stratton

Letter from John Pybus Esqr Chief at Masulipatam read as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council for the Military Department at Fort St George

Letter from Mr Pybus

Honble Sir & Sirs

In my address of the 4th Instant, I had the Honor of advising you that the Troops under the Command of Captain Madge accompanyed by Hussein Ally had moved from the Pettah to a Village about three Miles distant where they would wait for the Officers Paymaster & Surgeon arrived from Madras in the Porpoise Sloop, who with the Tents & other necessary Baggage they brought with them joined the Army the 5th which moved the next Day at Hussain Allys Request towards the Fort of Sellipelly belonging to the Zemindar of Davra Cotah, Paragannah, and find it abandoned took Possession of it. There was a small swivel Gun, one Tumbrill, and some Grain found in it which were delivered up to Hussain Ally who having garrisoned the Place with his own Troops, the Army returned to Gundoor & moved forward yesterday morning on the Road towards Rajahmundry. Hussain Ally proposes settling with the Zemindars of Elour & Nustaphaun

Hussain Ally takes possession of Sellipelly

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on his March to Cuddalore are some Advices Papers I have received from the Paymaster employed on that Service copies of which I herein send you for the purpose of preventing Impositions I have as yet received no Answer from him to the several Letters & Copies of Madge having employed for the other Messengers received from Madrass which he represented as very necessary in Case of sending against Hyder or any small Cavalry Force, I send it out to him yesterday Evening —

I have met with great Difficulties in procuring the Number of Bullocks Artificers & Labourers demanded for the Field, owing to a Backwardness in the People to engage in the Service of a Camp — Those who are now with the Army have been compelled to attend it. The Pay of Servants and Artificers of all kinds is higher here than to the Southward, which renders it impossible for me to conform to the established Regulations in the Appointments I have engaged to give these People in the Field — Provisions are chiefly furnished from those belonging to that Garrison who being necessitated to the Service of the Field, their Families are extremely distressed for Subsistance of which many Officers complain much of them, and I cannot prevail on others to undertake it, if therefore regard should be had to those who have been employed with the Army to the Southward, could be sent down here, they would be very serviceable —

The Detachment with Mr Smith towards Pyche marching after Hyder's Cavalry

In Obedience to your Orders relative to the Pay of the Garrisons for this Month I have with the Pagodas at the Rate of 350 instead of 370 Rupees for 100 Pagodas

The Magistrates Report that as yet none more over to the

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from Hussain Ally for a Lack Star Pagodas which I am in doubt whether I can depend on receiving any Supplies from him or not, But I will be careful to procure Security for the Stipulated monthly Payments from Hussain Ally for discharging the Charges of the Expedition

I am very respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedient & most humble Servt

Tobias Sybers

Mazulipatam 9th April 1783

A Letter from Hussain Ally Cawn received in Country Correspondence No 53 is read at the same Time advising of his Arrival at Mazulipatam & of his having marched with the Detachment towards the Circars leaving a Sufficiency of Stores & Cartridges, and disclosing his Intentions, in case Nizam Ally should endeavour to visit the Circars, of paying him a Sum of Money & other means to prevent his troubling them

Agreed that Colonel Campbell be directed when he detaches Captain Hart to Mazulipatam to join to the Detachment 100 Artillery Lascars & 100 Pykes & that Mr Sybers be directed to supply Hussain Ally with Stores & Cartridges & give him every other Assistance in his Power

We think Hussain Ally's Proposal of paying Nizam Ally a Sum of Money to prevent his troubling the Circars under Consideration But as We are apprehensive that the Investment to the Northward may be prejudiced if Matters are not soon accommodated with Nizam Ally, It is to be particularly recommended to Mr Sybers & Hussain Ally to settle Matters with him as soon as possible, Mr Sybers is also to be informed of the Motions of Nizam Ally

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Vizianagrum that whose Troops are marching towards this
with a View of Fastening the Pass between, it will be highly necessary
that both the Pykes & Elephants they are with them
Guard on

Letter from Col. Wilkinson read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St. George —

Honble Sir & Sirs

In pursuance of your Orders of the 13th February
I sailed from hence that Evening & arrived the 15th at Tondy
where I landed the Military Stores & European Artillery
and acquainted the Commanding Officer & Paymaster of
Madura therewith. I also sent the Honble President
Letters to Damerlerapatnam and Tondermalleak —

The 23d of February in the Morning I sailed
from Tondy, and in the Evening anchored between the
Islands of Ramysseram and the main, about half a mile
from the shore in 3 Fathom Water with a Sandy Bottom
Shoal to the Eastward of the Land and Soundings at high Water
I found at land down in Chart N 2 which I have the
Honor to present herewith — Not choosing to venture
that at first with the Vessel I sailed with I hired a Sloop
which I carried from Cuddalore to accompany the Package
between Ramysseram and Tondermalleak and which
on the Island of Ramysseram which the Dutch formerly
by took from the great Mogul — but abandoned it
Months after — I brought this Package from a Ship of
Fifteen Pounds Burthen to the Fort in about one & half

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Sea mile and there is a Ridge of dry Rocks which continues
in a regular Line like the Piers of a Bridge to within a
Quarter of a Mile of the Fort, where there is an entrance
Channel of about 100 Feet broad & thin the Rocks continue
before to the Bends of the Island —

In this Passage I found at high Water above
5 Feet & at low Water not quite 3 Feet but a Current runs
to the Southward of 3 or 4 Knots, which in the Westerly Mo
soon I imagine runs equally strong to the Northward —
The bottom of this Channel which continues shallow about
300 Yards appears to be a solid Rock and undoubtedly
that Rock has prevented the Current from working a deep
er Channel — By Information from the Country People
I learnt that in the Months of November, December & part
of January, the Water is about 4 feet higher in the Channel
than it is at any other Time of the Year which I suppose to
the Quantity of Water forced in from the Bay by the N East
Monsoon between the Island of Ceylon & Point Calymere
which cannot easily pass the Channel into the Gulph of
Manar. The same most probably happens in the Pas-
sage between the Island Manar and Ceylon during the
S West Monsoon —

On the Northside at the Distance of a Quar
of a Mile before you come to the dry Rocks there are
coral Rocks in one Fathom and many large Stones a
which there is only 3 Feet water, but as soon as you get
clear of the dry Rocks in the Channel to the South
Water deepens suddenly to 3 and 3½ Fathom with a
sandy Bottom, so that if the ~~Ship~~ passing a narrow Bank wh
runs from Point Ramen to an Island called Periatiwy

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care is taken to avoid a dry sand Bank on [illegible] NB. There appears nothing to obstruct an easy Navigation to the Coromandel.

Having examined that part of the Bank I perceived that it would not be practicable to get the Country Vessel thro' the Channel without taking out her Mast and every Thing on Board Consequently that the Navigation was not practicable for any Boats above 20 Tons and even such are obliged to take out part of their Loading at A on Chart N.2 and after passing the shallow part of the Channel take it on again at B. This Inwards & outwards of by small Boats navigating from the Northward with Paddys and by the best Information I could procure there pass from 170 to 200 every Year from the Northward to the Southward which pay 3 Rupees p.p Boat for unloading the Salt this Cargo, 12 Rupees for the Vessel, and 2½ p.Cent on the Value of the Goods and the same for reloading, besides paying 4½ Fanams p.cwt. Salt Customs to Tondiman's Pagoda for a Pass to them of the Dutch Resident at Nagore which is delivered to a Peon of 20 Years Age by the Dutch at Pannancotah The great Navigation costs and the aforesaid Duties of 12 Rupees 3 Rupees, and 5 p.Cent for about 15, or 16 Rupees

Being disappointed of a convenient Channel between Point Rameswaram & Ramysewaram I should have proceeded to examine the three Channels which are on the West I had not being able to discover the Current or even to Eastward

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Having ascertained that for the Boats I proceed that it would not be practicable to get the Country Vessel thro' the Channel without taking out her Mast and every thing on board & consequently that the Navigation was not practicable for any Boats above 20 Tons and even such obliged to take out part of their Lading at A in Chart No 2. and after passing the shallow part of the Channel take it on again at B. This Inner Navigation is reckoned 18 Miles long from the Northward with Safety and by the best Information I could procure there passes from 150 to 200 every Year from the Northward to the Southward which pay 3 Rupees for Boat for unloading her of this Cargo 12 Rupees for the Vessel, and 2 p.c Cust on the Value of the Goods and the same for reloading, besides paying 4 Fanams of Cheek & Fanams to a Pagoda for a Pass taken of the Dutch Resident at Nagore which is delivered to a Boat of 20 Tons Burthen by the Dutch at Pannamcotah The great Harbour rents and the aforesaid Duties of 12 Rupees 3 Rupees and 5 p.c Cust for about 15 or 16 Rupees for Years.

Being disappointed of a convenient Channel between Point Ramen & Ramisseram I should have proceeded to examine the three Channels which are marked to run thro' the Bank of Sand called Adams Bridge, but the Vessel I had not being able to stem the Current of sufficiently to round the [illegible]

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would have been productive of any useful Discovery however we were informed none of the Channels had ever above 11 feet Water at the highest Flood, and that no Boats ever left those rivers but such as were able to believe for Sure a Boat from Jeffenapatnam past at Paumancotah & was told that they rided no further Most however Jaffenapatnam or Negapatnam and the Dutch Settlements on the Maravar or Tinnevelly Country

At the three Islands South of the Channel are considerable Quantity of Chay Root for Dyes procured and sends it to Negapatnam and Madura — The Dutch Sure informed collect no Cloth out Release but Ayr or Striped Sure of a kind of Sail Cloth or Dungaree of Yards long and one broad. At Tuticoure are other Sloops on the Tinnevelly Country Sure told they got Salt there of 36 Yards long & 2½ broad to the Number of 200 per Sure at 2/5½ Pagodas the Sure, 23 Pagodas the ordinary Price 22½ pr Corge the ordinary, but I am apt to believe the Quantity is exaggerated —

The the Passage near Paumancotah will not answer the Purposes of a Free & easy Navigation between the Coromandel Coast and that of Malabar or from Madras to Tuticoure or Coilpatnam in the Tinnevelly Country, yet flat bottom Boats of 10 or 15 Tons or even more may easily pass to and fro as Monsoon favours, and Troops or Goods may with little Expence be transported from Madras to the Tinnevelly Country or from thence back to the Coast

From Point Pamben I sailed to Negapatnam rounding along the Coast as per Chart & 31st ditto from

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to Sandy where I took on board 30 or 40 Sepahs and packing the 19th March I attempted to stretch over with the Sandheby Head to Ceylon, thinking the Pagel Barge deep on the water would work over to the Island, but the current was to get right of the northermost End of it, from whence I took my Departure and returned hither the 23d I have hereunto employed an unsuccessful the two Charts which accompany this — I am with the greatest Respect

Hon'ble Sirs &c &c

Your most Obed't & most faithful Serv't

Wm Stevens

Fort St George
22d April 1765 —

We are well convinced no pains have been spared by Mr Stevens for making the desired Discovery, & are sorry He has met with no better Success — A Bill for the Charges attending the Enquiry amounting to Pag's is presented to the Board by the Chief Engineer & ordered to be paid by the Commissary General

Letter from Mr Lancelot Crauford dated as follows

To the Hon'ble Robert Palk Esq'r

President and Governor &c Council of Fort St George

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Mr Crauford

delivers in Power of Attorney from the Creditors &c

I take the Liberty of now laying before your Honor &c the accounts of the Cash disbursed by me while acting as Resident for the Hon'ble Company at Manilla. I think it necessary to explain to your Honor &c some of the Charges which otherways might appear extraordinary — The Gratifications of 2 Dollars p month to the Sepoys and Lascars, was an Allowance made by the Deputy Governor & Council

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Minds being at that Time so scarce as to render it impossible to get
these People to subsist themselves on their usual Pay, and the
Prices of every thing being as extravagant — when we were
evacuated Manila by the Permission of the Deputy Govern-
or & Council I continued to them that Allowance as —

Three Seamen belonging to Hes Majestys Ship
Falmouth who were left on Shore in the Fury of the Enemy
being destitute of any Relief I was under the necessity of allow-
ing to each of them four Dollars P Month for their Subsist-
ence, and as they afterwards embarked and were entered on
the Books of the Ship Pitt, I transmitted to the Honble Court
of Directors their Receipts for the amount of what they had
received, in order that it might be recovered out of the Sums
that should be due to them by the Time of their arrival in
England —

Francis Welsh a Seaman belonging to the Ship
Admiral Pocock, who had been taken Prisoner on the
East of Pangasinare in January 1763, and not arriving
at Manila till some time after the Departure of our Gar-
rison, I advanced him Sixteen Spanish Dollars, taking
his Receipt for it, which I also forwarded to our Honble
Masters by the Worcester in which he went home —

There not being left any of the Honble Companys
Surgeons with their Sick which remained behind I thought
the most frugal Method was to make an agreement with
the Surgeon of Hes Majestys 79 Regiment and accord-
ingly allowed him eighteen Spanish Dollars P Month
for his Attendance and Medicines —

The Deputy Governor & Council were pleased
to allow me a House for my own use, but I was likewise

under the Necessity of paying for another to serve as an Hospital there not being room in that of the Spaniards for our Sick &c.

The repairing of the Defiance Brig would undoubtedly appear most expensive to any Body that was unacquainted with the Situation of Affairs at Manila when I undertook that Work, as all the Captor Naval Stores were carried away by our Ships, what few remained in the possession of private Persons I was obliged to purchase at the most exorbitant Prices, however I must observe to your Honor &ca that she is well furnished with Guns, small Arms & Stores as well as Anchors, Cables &ca

I am with much Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient & most hble Servant
Quintin Crawford

Fort St. George
10th April 1765

referred to the Manila Committee

Ordered that the Accounts accompanying the above Letter together with the Diary of his Proceedings be laid before the Manilla Committee

Mr Spratt applies for Payment of a Bill for dieting the Seapoys on the Bulacan Expedition

&

for an allowance for attending the People on board the London

Read a Letter from Mr John Spratt dated 15th Instt enclosing a Bill for dieting Seapoys & Lascars on the Expedition to Bulacan from 29th January to 16th February 1765 at a Royal P Day each man amounting to Spanish Dollars 978.. 7.. 2 of which He received from Captain Thos Dollrs 150 & desiring the Balance being Dollrs 828.. 7.. 2 may be paid him. He also delivers in a Bill amounting to for Medicines & Attendance to the People on board the London & during their Stay at Balambangan.

Orders in Consequence

The Bill for victualling the Seapoys & Lascars on the Bulacan Expedition ...

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which to be paid them here, It is resolved to recommend that
it be deducted accordingly out of the Prize Money which may
be received on their Account — As to the Bill for Victuals
&c. supplied the People on board the Gindown, it is agreed
that Mr. Spratt be allowed at the Rate of 20 Pagodas per
Month during the Time He took Care of them, that is
for six Months, which is to be charged to the Expedition
to Manila

Letter from Major Wood Commanding at Sadras
ordered read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor & the Gentlemen of the Council
of Fort St. George —

Letter from Mr
Wood with an
Indent for Stores

Honble Sir and Sirs

I had the Pleasure Yesterday to receive your
Letter of the 9th Instant & immediately acquainted Major
Donald Campbell as you directed me concerning the
Want of Seapoys here; desiring He would order four or
Five Companies to this Garrison if he could spare as many
I have been obliged to send for two Companies
of Seapoys from Manapar to relieve Garrison they
which are there now, are all Sick. This Year that Gar-
rison has been much worse than ever Gingee was for
Disorders: And this Sickness has now reached Saving-
harum as far on that Side the River as Andavallore
& I shall soon expect it here if We have not Rain, for
never was known a greater Drought there has been
this Year all Over this Part of the Country —

If the Gentlemen you mention Mess[rs] Sum-
ner, Stokes & the Nabobs Doctor should come this Way

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I will assure them & said them to you agreeable to your Honr
Command I have now the Pleasure to transmit
You a Return of the state of the Stores in this Garrison.
The second is the Indent, and the last Column is the
Number and Quantity of each Article where the Indents
is compleated with. This is a Copy of what I have given to
Mr Hoyer which I hope will meet with your approbation
Sir —

Yesterday morning Captain Barker made the
Fort Since with the first Troop of Dragoons & Elephant
for Arcott. And this afternoon Captain Fitzgerald
follows them with the two Companies of Grenadiers.
This is all that I have at present to acquaint you with
from Sir your &c Sir Thomas having the Honor to be most
respectfully —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & obedient Hble Servt
John Hard —

Ordered that the Secretary accompany
ing the above Letter together with the List of Stores necessary
to be kept at Madurea, & the last Return of Stores at
that place to be laid before the Committee of Stores that
they may judge what may be sent to Trichinopoly
from thence & what must be supplied from this Place —
Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the
Army read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Fort St George —

Trichinopoly
the 22nd 1763. —

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Letter from Col. Campbell &c

I was Yesterday a good Way on the Trichinopoly Road which I found to be very bad for Horse, & there does not seem any probability that the Nizam will attempt coming that Way on the Damal & Chery Road to Arcott, at least while our Army keeps ready to intercept them &c

By last Night's & this Days News I learn that they have taken Chengamagary without Resistance & that the whole Army lays near Trichetty, I do not see any other Views the Nizam can have by the Route he has taken, but to endeavor to collect Money from the Polygars or an Intention of returning by Bellary or coming round by Trichinopoly, However at any Rate he gives us full time to assemble our Troops, & humbly think it would be but guarding against the worst if a Couple of Guns & some Stores were sent to Trichinopoly Fort, & as much Provision as possible collected there for in Case I should be obliged to march that Way I should find the Provisions very necessary. Tho I should imagine if the Polygars were very zealous in the Nabobs Interest, that they could be very troublesome to the Nizams Army. The Inhabitants have about begin to be more easy, & are returning to their Villages

I am with the greatest Respect

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most Obedient

Humble Servant

Charles Campbell &c

Camp
20th April 1765 &c

Orders thereon

Carriages for the Guns at Trichinopoly have already been sent thither, As to the laying up a Quantity of Provisions there, We think it needless, as We do not

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I will severe them & send them to you as soon as the Lascars
Cowle'd I have now the Pleasure to transmit
You a Return of the State of the Stores in this Garrison
The second is the Indent, and the last Column is the
Number and Quantity of each Article when the Indents
is complied with. This is a Copy of that I have given to
Mr Floyer which I hope will meet with your approbation
Return —

Yesterday morning Captain Rooke marcht
from hence with the first Troop of Dragoons & Hopson
for Arcott. And this afternoon Captain Fitzgerald
follows them with the two Companies of Grenadiers
this is all that I have at present to acquaint you with
from hence so I remain having the Honor to be most
respectfully —

Horrible Sir &c &c

Your most obliged & obedient Hble Servt
Robert Palk —

Order'd that the Account of Stores accompany-
ing the above Letter together with the List of Stores necessary
to be kept at Madurea & the last Return of Stores at
that place to be laid before the Committee of Stores that
they may judge what may be sent to Trinchinopoly
from thence & what must be supplied from this Place —
Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the
Army read & ordered —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Fort St George —

Trinchinopoly
16th April 1765 —

Dragoons Escort
arrive —

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Letter from Col.e Campbell &c.

I was Yesterday a good Way on the Road to Rondavelloch I find to be very bad for Guns, do not see no probability that the Nizam will attempt coming that Way or the Damal & Chery Road to Arcott, at least while our Army keeps ready to intercept them &c.

By last Nights & this Days News I learn that they have taken Chungamagary without Resistance & that the whole Army lays near Trichy, I do not see any other Views the Nizam can have by the Road he has taken, but to endeavor to collect Money from the Polygars or an Intention of returning by Bellary or coming round by Trepassore, However at any Rate he gives us full time to assemble our Troops, & shall by think it would be but guarding against the worst if a Couple of Guns & some Stores were sent to Trepassore Fort, & as much Provision as possible collected there for in Case I should be obliged to march that Way I should find the Provisions very necessary. As I should imagine if the Polygars were very zealous on the Nabobs Interest, that they could be very troublesome to the Nizams Army. The Inhabitants here about begin to be more easy, & are returning to their Villages

I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most Obedient

Humble Servant

Charles Campbell &c.

Camp
20th April 1765 &c.

Carriages for the Guns at Trepassore have already been sent thither, As to the laying up a Quantity of Provisions there, We think it needless as We do not

Orders thereon

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Letter from Chiefs &c Anjengo

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Herewith you have Letter of the 5th Instant
from the King of Travancore & Request Herewith inclose His
Majesty's Answer to your Honor to Him on the Subject
of the disputed Districts of Cadeed & Changotta, which
with the several Proofs annexed I doubt not will fully
& Clearly demonstrate his antient Title to them, & thereby induce your Honor &c to consider his Predecessors
to those Territories as much equitable right as may be
consistent with His Majesty's Duty to his Crown & Family.

We have received your instruct Endeavours
to dispossess His Majesty from possessing in that Dispute
but without the least Effect, as he seems perfectly con-
vinced of the Justice due to the House of Travancore
on this Occasion & therefore declares he will not voluntar-
ily resign his Claims — His Majesty has answered
the Honble the President's Letter to him, regarding
the Stores provided by Mr Hance the French Resi-
dent at Calicut on account

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to him on this occasion, We cannot on Justice to your Honour &c accept them on the Terms offered. — Hes Majesty complains that two of His Bradmans whom he appointed to collect some usual Customs paid annually to the Pagoda of Tripetty by the Inhabitants of Calicaud are oppressed by the English without any Reason, or cause shewn for such Hostility & therefore has requested us to endeavour your Honour &c.a to relieve him from this Grievance —

Our Superiors advise us that they have wrote your Honour &c.a regarding the Kings Dispute with the Nabob & the Priviledges wanted at this Settlement, therefore We have only to add our Assurances of doing our utmost to accommodate Matters agreable to the Intimation given us for this happy Purpose —

We are with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

Tho.s Whitehill

Arthur Kemp

Wm Taylor

I. A Pleyfs

Anjengo
26th March 1765

The Nabob to be made acquainted with the Ring of Travancores Claim

Ordered that the Letter from the Rajah of Travancore, with his Titles to the Calicad Districts be laid before the Nabob.

An Indent for Stores wanted for the use of the Army

Letter from Mr Pyne Storekeeper at Vellore dated 17th Instant enclosing an Indent of Stores for the Use of the Army delivered to him by Mr Mannavy late of Stores

To be complyed with —

The said Indent having been laid before the Committee of Stores & approved, it is Ord.d that it be complyed with

Mr Dodsdale
Lieut appointed
Paymaster & Store
keeper at Malacca
& his Commission
Sent him —

Bill for drawing
Drawers on Lord
Mt Edmonds —

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Mr Charles Smith who was appointed Paymaster &
Storekeeper at Madura & Palamcotah being prevented
by Indisposition from proceeding thither, Mr Arabdale
Palmer is appointed in his Room for whom Instructions
are to be prepared —

Bill of Captain Rider of the Lascarins for the Diets
of Prisoners from Bengal, on his arrival there and the Diets
from Batavia amounting to Pagodas 3800 is presented & to
the Board Ordered to be paid & charged to the Manilla
Expedition —

Surgn Sinclair
Lieut Painter
Master Gunner
to Negapatam

A Quarter Master being wanted to the Detachment
to the Northward, It is agreed that a Quarter Master's
Commission to the 2d Battalion to be made out for Ensign
Doyle who is to be ordered to join the above Detach-
ment —

d.

Letter from the
Nabob with Com-
plaints of Mr Pal-
mer & Palam
Polliams
&c —

Letter from the Nabob as entered in Country Corres-
pondence & Read containing Complaints against the
Officers Commanding at Palamcotah & Nellamcotah,
for preventing the Collection of the Cowle, the latter for ap-
pointing a Cutwal & Gunners putting the Nabob's Deputy
in confinement & his Officers —

Orders in Con-
sequence —

Agreed that Orders be sent to the Officer at Nel-
lamcotah to conform but Attention solely to the Disposi-
tion & Keeping the Troops in good Order & not to interpose
in any Shape in Affairs relating to the Cowle, but to assist
the Nabob's Deputy all in his Power — With Regard to
the Complaints against the Officer at Palamcotah, As
are well assured that the Nabob's Mismanagement & Op-
pression of the Country are the Cause of the Disturbances
the Exchange of Money &c but trusts the [illegible]

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Advantage, by which Means the Troops after so fatiguing a March may have indulged the Commanding Officer to order a Halt, to have the Saving the Exchange — The Natives therefore desired to fall upon some Method of regulating the Exchange in such a Manner, that neither the Company or the Natives, if possible, may suffer. —

Rob.t Palk
Harry Lawes
Wm Brereton
Rich.d Fairfield
Sam.l Ayliffe
Charles Turner
John Call
Geo. Stratton

3rd

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Sent the following Letter to John Pybus Esqr Chief at

Masulipatam

To John Pybus Esqr

Chief at Masulipatam

Sir

Letter to Mr Pybus

We have received your Letter of the 9th Instant

We have directed Colonel Campbell to send Captn

agreeable with Post

Hart with three Companys, before ordered, a Company of Sepoys, & 100 Artillery Lascars to your Assistance, that as soon

Captn Hart being ordered to march as soon as possible

as it may be done with Safety, Nizam Ally & Bussy can

meet at Pucholle Perry near Condapilly & put southern the

Carnatica; Colonel Campbell has Orders to march hither

here, with a View of chastising the Rebells, as he did

will be by the Way of Nellore & Guntoor. If therefore

toot.

be necessary that both your & Hussain Ally should be with

on your Guard. The enclosed is a Copy of a Letter from him

Zemindar. Answer. The Method he proposes of paying the Subsidy

ah a Sum of Money to get rid of him & prevent his disturb-

ing the Circars is certainly well judged, & we wish he

may be able to effect it. We are however on the more

Time of Perchesure our Investment to the Northward

may be jeopardized & would therefore particularly recom-

mend to you to do your utmost to settle Matters between

recommended to settle matters with Hussain Ally & Pesterannaze as soon as possible at last

for the present Year

You will furnish Hussain with the Muskets &

Cartridges he has applied for as well as with every

other Assistance in your Power. Since We have de-

termined to enforce his right that he should desist

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We are
Sir
Your affectionate Friends
Robert Palk &ca Council

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Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &ca Council of
Fort St George

Letter from Colonel Campbell

Honble Sir & Sirs

Before I had the Honor to receive your Favor of the 20th I had sent Part of the Baggage & advanced Guards of the Army on towards the Enterance of Bonnarange Country & tomorrow Morning I follow with the whole & will continue my March towards Trippetty. Your Orders concerning putting Sepoys in the Nabobs Garrisons shall be immediately obeyed as well as detaching Captain Hart to Masulipatam as soon as it can be done with safety. I have the Honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obliged & most Obedt Servant
Charles Campbell

Camp Sulingaravaram
21st April 1765

24 Received the following Letter from Major Donald Campbell Commanding at Madura

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Major Donald Campbell

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have this morning been honored with the Boards Letter of the 9th Instant desiring me to supply Major Wood with as many Sepoys from hence as he may have occasion

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represents the Weakness of his Garrison &c.

occasions for the Garrison of Fort St George. I beg leave to remark to you Sir, how little I can spare any Seapoys from this Garrison, there are only 3 Companies of your Seapoys here one of which I keep at Saloway, the rest I think it best prudent to keep together at this place. The Fort is very large almost two faces of it drawn to the Sea and obliged to carry on the Works besides this, I am obliged to furnish many Guards not even the People who work at the Lime & Brick Kilns on the other Side of the River are safe for the use of the Works are obliged to be protected by Seapoys, as the Gollaries are very troublesome. I am also obliged to furnish many Seapoys with the Guards for the Security of the Garden which is in the Field — You may perhaps imagine that I have a great many of the Salabat Seapoys, therefore beg leave to refer you to a Detail of them, which is as follows —

at Triveadore 1 Company

at Trivambore 2 Companies

at Saloway — 1 Do

at Shoolapuramum 3 Do

at Tripassuram 1 Do

and one Company at this Place —

If Matters were accommodated between the Nabob & the Travancore Rajah. We might draw some Seapoys from Pallamcotah but at present, cannot well spare Major Wood more than one Company &c —

Just now I received a Letter from Colonel Fullarton, acquainting me that the Nabob had sent Orders to his People in the Tinnevelly Country for to raise about 500 of his Horse and 1500 Seapoys which must leave that Country very [illegible]

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but the Nabob has not mentioned a Word of it to me
to me. I could not contradict it, as it may be proper with
the Service.

I am with the Respect
Honble Sirs
Your most Obed.t humble Servant
Donald Campbell

Madura
16th April 1765.

25 Came in the following Letter from Major
Commanding at Trichinopoly

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &c. Council of
Fort St. George &c. &c.

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Letter from major
Wood &c.

I am just now favored with your Letter of
the 14th Instant. Enclosing one under
Major Donald Campbell's Hand & Seal directed
for me. Did me the favor immediately to request a further
Supply of Seapoys from hence agreeable to your Desire.
Major Donald Campbell has just now informed
me of his having ordered two Companies of Seapoys to
this Garrison for two Companies which I regarded of
him, and which were necessary if he could spare them
But that Number he says would distress him too much,
Therefore could not comply any further at present with
my desire &c.

I told you in my last of my having ordered
two Companies out of the Four which were at Madura
for to relieve the two at Seringam, When these two Com-
panies arrive here which will be tomorrow or next
Morning, by that Time the two from Madura will be

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here: The other two I have ordered on from Masulipatam
Soon their Arrival here I shall then be able to forward
200 Europeans to join the Army at Arcott. I must observe
a Field Company as an Escort to the Troops of Horse and
Grenadiers the other two which are now with Major
Wedderburn will make up your Complement, which
I shall forward as fast as ever they arrive here;
giving them Directions to observe any Orders or Intelli-
gence they may receive from the different Garrisons
they pass agreable to your Request.

The enclosed Route is what I gave to the Troops
of Dragoons, Elephants & Grenadiers, and I should give the
same Directions to the other Troops that march from
hence, as it's the best & shortest Way to Arcott.

I think it impossible to draw more Troops
from Tanjore or Carnac, than what is at present there,
are two Companies at each of those Garrisons, one at
Tangar two at Wanapotam & Manalore and there is
only here 5 Companies, above the half of which are sick
& lying of the Tanjore Disorder.

The Enclosed Letter I have received from Mr
Pillaret at Carnac, I hope there is no Truth in it but as
it may be possible, I think its my Duty to make you
acquainted of it. As I have had no other Intelligence
from the Country People, neither has the Resident received
any such as he informs me. However I have requested
the Resident to keep on there a Number of Provisions into
that Garrison, which he has promised me to do. I shall
keep some People about for Intelligence on the Skirts of the

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as there is not the least Dependance on the Natives for Intelligence I think that will be quite necessary & what I hope you will approve of. I have the Honor to remain with respect fully —

Hon'ble Sir and Sirs

Your most Devoted & obliged

Humble Servant

John Wood

Trichenopaly
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A Route from Trichenopoly to Arcott — English Miles

From Trichenopoly to Samaveram — 15
D° Samaveram to Outatore — 22
D° Outatore to Vallconda — 18
D° Vallconda to Wandengore — 22
D° Wandengore to Tongoor — 24
D° Tongoor to Mannelloreputty — 22
D° Mannelloreputty to Shanamally — 20
D° Shanamally to Pallare — 16
D° Pallare to Arny — 22
D° Arny to Arcott — 189

Route from Trichenopoly to Arcott — Miles 189

The Letter from Mr Villaret to Major Wood

Lieut. Villaret as Chief of Hes having received Intelligence that a Body of Horse were on their March towards the Pass of Tellore —

advices of his having received Intelligence that a Body of Marattas were on their March towards the Pass of Salem with a View of entering the Province —

26 In Consequence of which the following Letter was wrote to Major Wood —

To Major Wood Commanding at Trichinopoly

Sir

Major Wood in Trichinopoly

I have received your Letter of the 20th Inst

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Should you receive a Confirmation of the Intelligence communicated to you by Mr Pallaret, or have reason to apprehend any Attempts being made on Fort or any Troubles in your Neighbourhood, you will detain any Troops that have not marched from Trichinopoly, & collect those that may be within your Reach, & order them to join the Army & with them to form as strong a Body as you can for securing Fort, and protecting the Country from the Incursions of the Nabob or Hyder Ameer's Troops —

I am

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

Sent the following Letter to the Officer Commanding at Nannapollam —

To the Officer Commanding at Nannapollam

Sir

The Enclosed is a Copy of a Complaint received by the Nabob from his Deputy Mustapha Mahomed Ameen at Nannapollam — We therefore think it necessary to acquaint you that the sole Intention of your being posted there, is to keep the Troops under your Command in good Order & Discipline & to do all in your Power for the Protection of the Country — Disagreements or Altercations with other Officers relating to the Service you are on no Account to interfere in, but to leave them entirely to the Management of the Nabobs Deputy, whom you are to assist as far as you are able —

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Where

Sir

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Your humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Comm.

27 Came in the following Letter from Major Wa
Commanding at Trichinopoly

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Major Wood

Hond Sir & Sirs

Your Favor of the 15 Instant I had the Honor to receive yesterday and agreable to your Directions have order'd to Relieve Dormonds Company consisting of a Hundred & Nine Officers included to march tomorrow with our Compliments of Seapoys, which I mentioned in my last to You, to join the Army at Arcott. This Detachment must with march by the Easiest Route which I order'd Your

Order Capt. Dormonds Company to Camp

I have given Captain Dormond who commands this Detachment orders to be on his Guard and carefully to procure the best Intelligence of any motion the Enemies Horse may make agreable as you desired me.

I had the Pleasure to forward by your Letter inclosed to me under a flying Seal for Major Donald Campbell immediately on the receipt of it.

The two Companys of Seapoys are, but just this moment arrived from Madura and this Evening the other two will be here from Manapar. Their not arriving sooner has detained this Detachment here this Day, as it was read this Morning, before it

marched, I shall do myself the Pleasure to transmit you a Return of it.

When Mr. Marchant & Dr. Martin went from hence, they had with them a Guard of one Jemmadar and thirty Seapoys, this is now two Months ago & they are not returned, nor have I heard one word of them since. And the Nabobs People had another Guard of the same Number some Time ago to escort the Nabob's Cattles and Plate from hence to Madras, & I have not heard any thing of them, most of our Five Companys of Seapoys that are left here now are raised with such Detachments & the Various Sick &c., so that at Present am obliged to mount an Officers Guard of Europeans over the Prison. I am most Respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your devoted & obliged Hble Servant

John Wood

Trichinopoly
22d April 1765

P.S.

Messrs. Turner Stokes & the French Doctor whom you ordered me some time ago to send prisoners to you are Cleared Warrenpollam I have desired Lieutenant Elgee to send them unto you in the same Manner as you directed me —

Received the following Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of
Fort St. George —

Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army

Honble Sir & Sirs

Captain Parker with the Cavalry joined me

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be with me tomorrow, but as there are Numbers of Bullocks Laden & Horses with sore Backs I shall have occasion which is likewise very necessary to get the Roads cleared they have been Barricaded in many places on account of Nizam Ally Bauneraize has sent a Cutcherry to endeavour at one of the Passes into his Country with all his Forces. The Nizams whole Army lays at Trichinopoly 20 Miles from Madras. The Report which my Harcarrs bring me is that they intend encamping there for our Army to come up that they have seven thousands of Horse already together the Companies Bandis, but this I look upon only as a Report however if he does not very soon move up he will not be long of Meeting us as the Trichinopoly Road is by much the shortest for Letters to come by I have placed Expects so for 3 others must be sent from Madras to that Place as soon as Company Army shall advance as Tadmore I beg to see or have for many Letters from — as there seems to be no great plenty of Provisions in that Country, it would not be improper in my humble Opinion of the Trichinopoly Sepoys were ordered to send some Constantly to our Camp or at least to have it ready to sell to our Bazar People when they go to that Country. I have the honor to be with great Respect

Sir & Sir

Your most Obligd & most Obedient

Humble Servant

Charles Campbell

Camp at Polypoot

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P.S. The enclosed Intelligence I have just received from Captain Clarke —

arrangements made in Letter by the Way of Trichinopoly

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To which the following Answer was immediately made

To Charles Campbell Esqr.
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell from Madras

We have received your Letter of the 25th Instant
In which have been related from Time to Time the
Orders have been given to the Commissary of Stores to
keep ready the Provisions for your Bazar Bullocks as soon as
they come for them — as of Stores Bullocks to send them
Company which We think he will not hesitate to do, as the
Neighbouring Polygars have already been very troublesome
some, which least oblige us to send what Troops We
could possibly spare to reinforce the small Detachment
already at Tripassore —

Captain Brown with 100 Europeans & 6
Companies of Sepoys marched from Trichinopoly
the 23d —

You will best be able to judge by the Bazar
Ally's motions & Intelligence of the Enemy when
to return & where —

Enclosed is the Journal of Colonel Fullarton's
March from Vellore to Arnee, the Post of which
We Yesterday forwarded to you —

I am

Sir

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27th April 1765 —

Your most Obedient humble Servant
Robt Palk Jr Council —

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At a Consultation Present

Monday
29.th April 1765

Robert Palk Esq.r Governor President
Stringer Lawrence. Charles Bonnechere
Richard Fairfield. Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner. John Call
George Stratton.

The President lays before the Board the
following Letter received from Colonel Campbell, with the
Answer he wrote him in Consequence

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor of Fort S.t George

Honble Sir

The Grenadiers & Lieutenant Colonel Draper
arrived here this Morning in all 150 Rank & File for
for Duty.

Bannerman writes me that the Nizam has
made many Demands on him for money which he has
always refused to pay. The Nizams Troops lays still
near Perpetty. I am with great Respect

Honble Sir

Your most obliged & Obed.t Hble Servant
Charles Campbell

Camp
26.th April 1765

To Colonel Campbell

Sir

I have received your Favor of the 26.th and am
sorry the Grenadiers and Lieutenant Colonel Draper's Detach-
ment are so much diminished in their Numbers, the Re-
turns when they marched made them out more than

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more than you mention to have joined you have now no
alarming Dormand's Detachment about one whole effec-
tive Force, all our Garrisons are in a manner left defenceless
which nothing can justify but the present Necessity you
will therefore take such Measures as you judge most likely
to put an end to the present Troubles, and at the same
Time remember that our whole Dependance is on your
Success, on your own approaching Safety Honour & Credit
will wholly safe to retire, tho he is so much enraged against
the Nabob and consequently against his Allies for not
protecting him, that I shall not be much surprised if he
proves more obstinate than He expects —

The Polygars about Tripetore have
this Opportunity to be very troublesome for which they
be called to account when Peace more at Liberty —

You will remember to give Capt Dormand
Orders according to Circumstances either to join you or
to Return, in Case this Assistance should come too late.
the Officer at Caroor seems to apprehend a Rout from
Bee Hyderam's which in part agrees with Captain
Parkes Intelligence, and I think cannot be true as we
have endeavoured to Keep on good Terms with Hyder
Naigue.

Should Dyram Ally not at it would be necessary
to acquaint him by Letter with his Road, sending you
Advices to the nearest Topsies on the Northern Road

Some of your Convoy Officers have enquired
their Correspondents here with the various Reports
that fly about the Camp, this is to be referred to
Communicated to

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much Terror, and Confusion, sorry above that you are
to write about them over Business only, and to leave all
matters to their Commanding Officer —

My Hopes and my Wishes are that Negotiations
may return, without further Ceremony, on whatever
Head you determine. I very heartily wish you success
and desire to have as frequent Intelligence from you as
possible, I am —

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servt

Robert Palk —

Fort St George
28 April 1765 —

P.S. Dormonds Detachment which in these Letters I
considerable will be so soon with you, that I cannot
help wishing Him may join before you engage, if by
Nizam Alys Perseverence you find matters drawn to —

To Colonel Campbell

Sir

Since my Letter of this Morning the Vaqeel
from the Gen.
Campbell
return'd
to the Nizam's
Army —
of
C
of

in Nizam Alys Camp writes that the Army marches
on Friday to Commanpilly with Intention of return-
ing to Golconda, leaving Venkatiggary on the left, thro
Sydapore keeping the Road 10 or 12 Coss West of Sir
-rapilly & Ongole to the Banks of the Kistna by the
Pass of Nazeerabade or Colour. Mustiyanagar, the Place
near Jonathern on their March yesterday, pursuing the
Road above mentioned, And when They are once past
Sydapore & Nellore Tchalle Think they are in earnest
to hasten their Return, and give them as little Time to
do Mischief as possible, I am you as soon as you advance to
Gooty

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Entry of Hart's Detachment &c may have agreed Effect

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Sir

Yours most Obedient humble Servant
Robert Palk

Letter from Major Donald Campbell Commanding at Madura read as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George

Letter from Major Donald Campbell

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honored with your Letter of the 19th Instant, and agreeable thereto have sent five Companys of Sepoys to join the Army at Arcott & two more Companies I shall dispatch tomorrow, which is all above two Battalions which you have been pleased to allow for the Distribution of my Detachment, and beg leave to observe that when I Mustered your Sepoys on the Coromandel Coast, having only two Companies instead of 24, which you mention in your Letter

I cannot omit this Opportunity of recommending to your notice the weak State of Defence this Fort is in at present, one side of the Works carrying on by unskilful Workmen, the Foundation and the opening of a new Gate and the Ramparts so encroaching, that in a few days the Bastion will be more so, are rendering many Sepoys useless

The dissatisfied Behaviour of two Battalions of Sepoys under the Colonel, render the Battalions you have been pleased to make of the Sepoys

Letter from Major Donald Campbell

Repairing the Fort & the Behaviour of the Sepoys

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insufficient, I shall nevertheless use all Endeavours to prevail upon
these People to our Interest, to the extent of any Commands I receive
the Country —

I have desired that the Nabobs Troops that
has ordered to Arcott, might be hastened to their Head Quarters
but I am not acquainted with what Number he has sent
for, any further than his Troops to Commence to Capture
many of the Nabobs Seapoys desert from the Service
velly Country —

I make little doubt but the Trauncore will
attempt the Reposession of the Calicut Districts, I have
however desired such precautions to be taken as to prevent
their Neighbours to which they are much exposed —

I shall not omit acquainting you with such
occurrences of this Country as may require your
Notice, and shall also do the same to Colonel Campbell

I am with due Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt Humble Servant
Donald Campbell

Madrass
25th April 1765 —

We are sensible that the Country dependant on
Major Campbells Command is left too much exposed, but
We hope We shall be able soon to reinforce him — The
Nabob has already been spoke to of the impropriety of
his ordering away his Troops without advising the Com-
manding Officer, & has promised that He will for future
always acquaint the Commanding Officer Herewith

Letter from W. Mostyn Esqr was read as follows —

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To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President &c &c Council of Fort St George

Hon'ble Sirs & Sirs

Letter from Mr Cuthbert with Bills for victualling Europeans and the Billaroe

The accompanying List marked A contains the Names of a Detachment of your Troops embarked some Time ago on the Negapatam Captain Hyde Parker who commanded that Ship has certified that they were entitled to Board the Number of Days expressed against their Names in this List, and the Purser of the Ship has duly Reduced & proper Allowances made him for provisioning by Mr James King, we refuse & therefore now take the Liberty to present the accompanying Bills, requesting Payment, the same Sum being Four Hundred Forty two 442 Pagodas. I have the Honor to be with due Respect

Honble Sirs & Sirs

Your most obedient humble

Mr Cuthbert

Fort St George
the 27th April 1765

Observation thereon.

We observe by the Bill for victualling the Europeans and Billaroe that the Callamarans and other Black People are charged at the Rate of Fanams per Day the same as the Europeans, whereas it has been an established Custom to allow no more than 11 Fanams per Day for the Diet of any Black People employed on Ship Negapatam or other Ships. Mr Cuthbert is therefore to be desired to rectify the above, before the Bills will be discharged. We likewise observe that some of the Persons victualled on board by charged on the

Reduction in Consequence

Paramount of the above charged for victualling Europeans

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from the Executors

Taylor, who was appointed to proceed with the Stores to Bengal and as He received an Allowance in Lieu of all Charges It is agreed that the amount of their Debt be demanded from the Executors —

The Committee appointed to examine the Accounts regarding the Illocas deliver in the following Report —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c Council

of Fort St George —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Report of the Committee regarding the Illocas —

Having considered the Charter Party and perused the Protest from Captain Fagan and other Passengers on board the Illocas against the Owners, We are of Opinion that the Terms of the Charter Party have by no means been complied with, that the Vessel was not fit to receive so great a Number of Passengers, that her Ships Company consisted only of seven Europeans borrowed from the Fort-mouth, and six or eight Lascars, and that she was navigated on her Voyage by the Companies Lascars, &c who are all charged on the Pedualling Book —

The Difference by this Means to the Company is very considerable, as the Expence of victualling exclusively from Bengal, is near a Month more than it ought to have been, if the Ships had been well found —

The extraordinary Expence at Vizagapatam and the Charges of bringing the Troops hither are to be imputed to the same Cause —

We find also that a Quantity of the Company's Arrack and Salt Beef has been expended on board & that Sago was taken on Board at Bengal, but whether

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[illegible] was paid for by the Owners does not appear

Tents were also made Use of for Sick. Upon the whole we think it would be but Justice to the Company if the Owners were obliged to make good the Difference of Landing and all other Charges, after allowing the Usual reasonable Time to make her Passage from Bengal Coast

And that, as the Ship was not properly manned the Owners should also be charged with the Pay and Victualling the Company's Lascars who were employed in navigating the Ship during her Passage

And a Charge should be also made to them of the Salt Beef, Pork, Arrack, Tents, and any Difference of Stores

By the the victualling Bill at 2 pence per Day from the 10th to 13th April the Hands of the Ships Company were victualled, which is scarce possible as Enquiry should therefore be made into this Charge, especially concerning the Number does not agree with the Muster Roll says the Account was to be paid

We cannot avoid remarking that Mr Parry gives the Owners 20 p Cent per annum on Cost & Charges or 3813. B. on 1756 £ the Money received in Advance 11081. 2 Dollars Cost & Charges for Beams & Plank for Lading 1150 Spanish Dollars with the Provision We judge should be paid back the said Timber & Plank being taken away before the Ship was ready to Depart

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April 27 1765

Humble Servants

Resolved that Mr Roft. Secretary to the Board do
Resolution thereon — forthwith Send with a Copy of the above Report Enquiring from
the Clerk the same a fair & just Statement of the Cost of Labour
But that We are willing for the Satisfaction of both Parties
to refer it to Arbitration — Mr Roft is also to be desired
to inform us what Quantity of Arrack Beer & other
other Provisions, belonging to the Company were put on
board the Vessels —

General Letters from the President & Council
at Fort Williams with an Extract from one to the Secretary
Department read as follows —

To
The Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c &c Council of
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

A Dispatch of your Letters Advices & Packets
you Since when We have received yours of the 24th Sept
and 2d & 20th Ultimo by the Ships Lovaina & Alexander
have safely arrived with the Reinforcements put on Board
them. And We must here tender you our grateful Acknow-
ledgements for this fresh Assistance afforded at so proper
at the same Time that you your selves will not experience
any further Troubles as you seem to apprehend Since
our last nothing material has occurred worthy to Advise you
Dowlut has entirely retreated out of his Dominions &
We are marching to take Possession of Lucknow and the
other Places thereof.

Letter from Fort St George

Skirmishes between Dowlut & his Dominions —

With your Second Letter advising the Arrival
of Monsieur Law with you, We duely received the Copy
mentioned to be enclosed Wherewith of your Honble Masters
General

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General Letter to their different Presidencies containing
their more particular Instructions for carrying into
Execution the Articles of the Treaty of Peace respecting their
Affairs. We have already in our Letters to the Nabobs Or-
ders for the Restitution of the Factories which they
they possessed in those Provinces at the beginning of the
Year 1759. and shall deliver the same to the Commissary
accordingly on his Arrival

Captain Hayes and Lieutenant Hopkins
were informed before they left us, that as their Applic-
ations to the Committee of Officers on having been ad-
-ded Some a Share in the late Nabobs Donation to
the Army had proved ineffectual, We would recommend
their Case to Your Lordships favour to obtain them a further
Compensation for the Same, and they may rest assured
that We shall not omit so doing as soon as other Duty
of more immediate Consequence are adjusted with his
present Excellency —

We have in Consequence of your Recommenda-
tion to his bringing in a Company granted to Lieuten-
-ant Hagerman as Captain's Commission from that Date

We are

Fort William
28th March 1765 —

Honble Sirs &c &c
Your most Obed. humble Servants
T. Spencer
C. P. Playdell
Ralph Leycester
I. Burdett
George Gray

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To the Hon.ble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council
at Fort S.t George —

Hon.ble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Fort William with an Extract of Stores

Enclosed We transmit you an Indent for the
many Stores which We are much in want of & must
may be sent us as soon as possible if they can be spared
without any great Inconvenience to yourselves —
We are with Esteem
Hon.ble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
T. Spencer
C. P. Playdell
Ralph Leycester
John Brooke
George Gray

Fort William
1.st April 1765 —

Extract of a Letter from the President & Council of Fort
William Dated 21.st March 1765 —

Extract of a Letter from Fort William signed by the Board and addressed to the Bute

On the Success which sailed in four Days
ago for your Place were sent you one Tindal & Thirty
nine Lascars of those ordered you on our last to have
been brought here by the Bute They have received their
Subsistence for one Month, & a Set of Slops towards
enclosed But Hemp not having it will not be able to send
you the Remainder this Season, as We do not know of any
Opportunity likely to offer

A true Extract
Jno.n Sudersey Sec.y

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Resolution thereon

We are concerned it is not in our Power to comply with the whole of the Indent for Stores transmitted from Bengal. The Committee of Stores are however to enquire what Part can be spared, that such may be forwarded by the first Conveyance & the Gentlemen at Fort William advised thereof. — As to the Lascars remaining there who arrived on the Bute from Batavia, It is agreed to recommend it to the President & Council to receive them into their Service & to discharge such as may refuse to enter.

Indent for Stores for the Garrison of Velour —

Letter from Mr Pyne Storekeeper at Vellore dated 25th Instant read enclosing an Indent for Stores for the Use of that Garrison, which has been laid before the Committee of Stores & approved except the Article of Fire Arms of which only 50 are ordered to be sent

Orders in Consequence —

The following is a translate of a Letter received by the President from Philip Jacob Dormieux Esqr Chief of Pulicat which could not before be translated.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr. President & Governor of Fort St. George &ca.

Sir

Translate of a Letter from Mr Dormieux complaining of the Phousdar of Ponery —

As I understand Ponery is under your Jurisdiction, I beg leave to trouble you with a Complaint against Sier Camanen Ayen Phousdar thereof, who has been for some time very troublesome to us. He was here on Easter Sunday attending the reading of a Ceremony, when he took upon him to order our Sepoys ...

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I thought it proper to release the messenger without
loss of time, than the Shanadars
followed him to the Gate of the Fort, with their Forces
Intention, upon refusal being made, to force the
intending to discharge them next Day with a proper
reprimand. Early next morning the Shanadars re-
moved the Company's Village of Pangeramake with force
armed. There took away some of the Chetty Inhabitants &
Head man of the Place and all the Cattle he could by
his hands on: which he still detains at Poney. He
likewise prevents the Inhabitants of the place from
him from gathering their Provisions &c. &c. threatning
them, if they should act contrary to his Intentions
Besides which he has without the least Provocation
caused that the Washers may wash no more of the
Company's Cloth at a place adjacent to him —
to the Prerogatives of the Company are greatly
by infringed by such practices, & in a particular Manner
ever violated by making prisoner one of their Servants
& carrying away the Inhabitants & Cattle from an
Company's Village — I humbly beg (as the Shanadar
is subordinate to you) that you will be pleased to
reprove him severely for the insults already done by
him to the Dutch Company & prevent him from doing
the like in future

I have the honor to be with Respect

Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
P. T. Dorrmentz

Pulicat
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Orders thereon

Ordered that a Copy thereof be sent to Succamanore
Upon the Phoenix & compleated & and that He be
desired to answer the same —

General Letter from the Honble the Court of
Directors dated 5th June 1764 received per Ships
Revolutions in Consequence of the Orders
General Letter from the Honble the
dated 5th June 1764 received per
the Military Department —

Pars Containing Orders

Orders on the Company's General Letter of 5th June 1764 —

for abolishing the select Committees at all their Presidencies —

9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. Paragraphs concerning the Establishment of the Troops on this Coast to be observed —

Pars

Read

Committee

to the Orders contained

Paragraphs but it

of conducting the

Settlement on the

at having been found by Experience
best calculated for carrying into Effect
the Masters Commands into Execution
be continued —

9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. three Paragraphs
with regard to the Military Plan
of 3 Battalions of Foot Marines
3 Companies of Artillery of each Plan
each 2 Troops of Horse for the Plan
each in all 2600 Europeans to be
compleated more at large in the
Records of this Season shall remain

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	been signified to Major Caillaud Campbell the Rank &c. Regts & the Company have been pleased to give him 8 Copies of the Clauses & Companies Commissions have been sent him & agreeable to your further some Force since which other Appointments shall be made in Consequence of this new Establishment —
18. Relates to the Company of Artillery ordered in 136. Parag.h of General Letter of 30 Decem.r 1763 to be kept vacant for Lt Robt Barker —	18. The 3 Companies of Artillery having already Captains appointed to them, & Captain by Commanding in Consequence of his being junior Officer the Vacancy intended for Lt Robert Barker is already filled up —
25 Advisory of the Bills drawn by the Spanish Government at Manilla on the Court of Spain being refused Payment & ordering Orders for this to endeavour to recover the same of them as well as all other Sums that have been lent or expended for the use of the Spanish Government or Prisoners —	25 Agreed that Application be made to the Government of Manilla for Payment of the Bills $ 13180 $ 8864 as well as for all the Sums of Money that have been lent or expended for the use of the Spanish Government or the Spanish Prisoners, & that the Accounts of such Disburse-ments be prepared to be sent by the first Conveyance and demanded of the Government of Manilla —

D. P.

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26 The Remainder of the Stores sent out for the Use of his Majesty's Squadron after the Ships are supply'd ordered by the Commissioners of the Navy to be delivered to the Company —

26 A Copy of their Instructions as well as the Letter from the Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy has already been sent to the Fort Agent Lieutenant Hardyer to his Majesty's Squadron in order that He may acquaint us if there was any Assistance or service he can render the Squadron for the Stores that may be [illegible] the Company —

35 Concerning the Debts owing to the late Nabob Dost Ally Cawn & Hadjee Ally Cawn

35 Mons. Sartine Minister General Letter of 5th November 1764 Nabob Dost Ally Cawn Hadjee Ally

31, 35, 36 Concerning the Grants of the Countries assigned over by the Nabob to the Company —

31, 35, 36 The Grants made have been already is a further Subsistence to [illegible] Sterling of £2,580,000 they are to pay for 3 Years at 32 p Cent £ 825,600 Pag[o]das calculating one thousand Pagodas more for Chinnamangee Pallandy Nagore Porto agreed for the Purpose of securing any Disturbance to be kept under the Management of the Gentlemen at Bengal the whole may be estimated at £ 3,500,000 Pagodas

37 Regarding the Limits from the Limits of Boundary

37 [illegible] that the Limits

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39 Recommended to take Measures for preventing the Troops from getting Possession of any of the Northern Circars —

41 Representing the Necessity of reducing the Batta and other Military Expences —

to the Hatred in the Minds of the People which has been pleased to recommend that We had proceeded upon the Principle of two Gold Pagodas per Month to accompany it.

39 We hope it will not be deemed Presumption in us to offer a few Observations for excluding the Troops from the Northern Circars —

41 No Opportunity has been neglected of reducing the Establishments in general, particularly those of the Field & Garrison Staff, and we shall endeavour to make further Reductions with the Safety for our Masters Interests, but it must be remembered that the Troops employed Upon the Coast of Coromandel have had much Difficulty not only in bringing Belt in Exchange for Specie but in procuring it at any Rate, and that the Military Regulations being much wanted

It was agreed that Messrs Fairfield & Cotton be appointed a Committee to examine & prepare them for the Board that they may take place as soon as possible —

It is also recommended to the said Committee that the Accounts in future of Batta as well as Pay be kept in Pagodas & Fanams. The Pay of the Sepoys may be settled at 350 Rupees for 100 Pagodas & the Batta reduced to three Rupees per month for the Force

Messrs Fairfield & Cotton to prepare the Military Regulations —

Orders concerning paying the Troops in Pagodas —

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at Bengal if possible. That their Cloathing be made up once a Year & to have no Connection with their Pay, & the Officers of Companies to be charged to the Nabob with their Cloathing, as by this Means the Advance of 12 or 14000 Pagodas in the Year, would be saved & the Sepoys more regularly cloathed —

Regarding the Sepoy Cloathing

Mr Sellon's Leave to resign the Employ of Conductor of the Laboratory & proceed to Bengal

A Petition of Mr Sellon Conductor of the Laboratory praying Leave to resign his Employ & proceed to Bengal —

Resolution thereon

Mr Sellon's request is responded to & his Employ at his own particular Request, & he is allowed an additional Allowance of 5 Pags p Month as an Encouragement. It is agreed that He be requested that He is at Liberty if He pleases to resign it, but that He cannot be permitted to go to Bengal or continue in the Country —

Mr Rowles's Letter

Mr Thomas Rowles having offered himself as a Cadet & being well recommended Agreed that He be received and ordered to join the Detachment at Wandewash —

Rob[t] Palk

Roger Lawrence

C. Bouchier

Rich[d] Fairfield

Sam[l] Wheeler

Charles Stevens

John Call

Geo. Stratton

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Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell

Commanding the Army

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &c. &c. Council

of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

I am informed by my own Hircarra & Cyrdars from Bommerauze that the Nizams Army encamped yesterday evening from near Tripetty towards Calastry

Nizam Army encamped towards Calastry

I have the Honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most obedient Servant

Charles Campbell

Camp at Pachapilly 27th April 1801

Sir I Received the following Letter from Major Dow Commanding at Madura

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor of Fort St. George

Honble Sir

Letter from Major Dow to Campbell

I was yesterday honored with the Board's Letter of the 15th Instant agreeable to which Lieutenant Mellwaith 50 Europeans and Ensign Andrews with 2 Companies of Sepoys marched this Morning to Tinnevelly.

2 Companies of Sepoys marched to Tinnevelly

Captain Frischman writes me the 21st that no manner the Poligars had Intelligence of the Nizams having moved his Camp to Tinnevelly in order to proceed to Attock, but there marched out of their Walls 1000 Sepoys, some Horsemen and 4 Guns & encamped at a Pope about 6 Miles from Panniagoody & were cutting down Trees and sending them into their own Country.

The Tinnevelly People begin to be troublesome

That they retired within their Walls the same Night

Ditto

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but came out again to the same Place the next Morning
At that Time Captain Trenchmans Representatives
to the Army of the rajah of the good that were nothing on
the Coast Distrest indeed him not to march favorable
but for I have already mentioned the Want of Horse and
from Orders to Lieutenant all such Troops that the Nabob
might have ordered to advance

I have only to Congratulate of Success during
now on the Madura Districts but I have desired Captain
Trenchmans to send me all the Papers concerning the
Statement made by the Board on the 22d of last Month

One of my Servants from Pondicherry informs
me that the Mysores are very apprehensive of being
visited by Nizam Ally Cawn, and are sending Troops
on that account — I fancy the Nabobs Papers that
desert from Tennevelly gave that King a wrong Notion

I Cont[inue] &c

Madura
23d April 1763

Your very Obedient Servant
Donald Campbell

P.S. Since writing the foregoing Letter from
Pondicherry says that the King of Mysore has made
his Escape & gone to Nizam Ally, that there is a Body
of Horse at Coimbetore near Madura, but that it is not
known whether those were Mysores or Nizam Allys
Camp — the following Letter from Major Wood
Commanding at Tinnevelly

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Major Wood
No 5

Honble Sir

I forwarded

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Captain Dormonds Detachment, which I had marched
which I have now the Pleasure to inclose you. And at the
same Time to acquaint you of his marching Yesterday
Morning, by the same Rout which I enclosed you —

sends in a Return of Captain Dormonds Detachment.

The two Companies of Seapoys relieved from
Tarriore arrived here yesterday & only twenty six men
which are fit for Duty out of the whole —
Major Donald Campbell has just now ac-
quainted me of his having ordered fifty Europeans
& two Companies of Seapoys to this Place, which marched
from Madura 23 Instant —
I have not heard a Word more from Tarriore
of the 24 Sysorians which M.r Vellaret mentions were on
their Motion towards it. I am most respectfully —
Honble Sir
Your very devoted & obliged
Humble Servant
John Wood

Pytchenopoly
23 April 1765 —

Received the following Letter from Colonel Campbell
Commanding the Army
To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St. George —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Colonel Campbell —

Nizam Ally now at or near Colestry

I had the Honor of acquainting you last Night
that Nizam Allys Army lays encamped near to Calas-
try by this Days News he remains in the same Situa-
tion, many People in his Camp reports that he is going
to return to his own Country & some others say he has
chose that open Country as most proper for his Horse to
act

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Sir

I arrived here four Days yesterday Morning & Sailed till 3 o'Clock in the afternoon, I expected to have found the Roads very Stormy but that instead of the Surf's were broke, and it was 4 this afternoon before every Things got to the ground and then I discovered a Letter to receive, that I have been obliged to let most of the Boys go to different Villages in Bonmenauze Country to provide themselves but I hope soon to get them Day it will be fixed yet as Bonmenauze has promised to give proper Orders to his People before I marched from Ventapollam and the Roads on the Coast were much [illegible] every Thing in peace & great Quiet in the Country recommended it in the strongest Manner to Mr Pigot have wrote to him repeatedly since he sent Boats to the Army, but he has not favoured me with any Representations nor has been of the smallest once to me since I left Vizagapatam, would he has an Influence over all the Country People that would for Days nothing is done He is so ignorant of the Natives Interest, or so unwilling to exert his Ability & Power for the Service that if Bonmenauze ever should prove an Enemy the Army would absolutely be obliged to return [illegible] Troops as long as possible complaining of the Want of Provisions, in Hopes that his Actions would remove the Blame from himself, I shall do my best to make the Friends of both Company by Exerting the Bazar people to the

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Rentes &c Merchants &c

Nizam Ally had a Vakeel with Bamerauy de-
manding Money, but when he heard our Army was ad-
vancing he ordered him back to join him the Day before Yes-
terday &c

I have seen several of the King of Tanjore's
Hircars on their Return, who were sent by the King
to the Nizam's Camp for News, but carried no Letters
they say the approach of our Army and same Rumour
of the Marrattas moving towards Golconda has deter-
mined Nizam Ally to return &c

I have sent a Jemmydar & 30 Sepoys to
wait at Trepassoor & to escort the Money for the Army
when it arrives there from Madras &c I have the
Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Oblig'd & obed't humble Servant

Charles Campbell &c

Camp at
Paupanelly
28th April 1765

P.S. I march early tomorrow Morning &c

May 1st In Answer to which the following Letter was wrote to
him

To Charles Campbell Esq.r
Colonel Commanding the Army
&c

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell in Answ.r

The Contents of your last Letter of the 28th
April have been communicated to the Nabob, who,
having receiv'd from you the same Remonstrance
against M[illegible] Saint, repeated last Night his Directions
to him for the Supply of the Army, & We wish They may
have a proper Effect, tho' We apprehend your Distance

from

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from Abroad with such Servants your being supplied from
thence as

Enclosed is Copy of an Advice Paper sent last
Night from Nizam Ally's Camp, We judge He certainly
is on his Return, but that He will make the best use
of his Time in collecting from the Zemindars on his
March, shall have Troops ready to
to their Presidency Payments for the Subsidy being imposed
to adjust all Demands

We are

Fort St George
1 May 1765

Your most Obedient
Robert Palk &c Council

P So Money was this Day sent to the Army
of Treasure as

Copy of the following Letter from Colonel
Commanding the Army
To the Honble Robert Palk Esq
President & Governor &c Council
of Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enemy Arrived here this Day about noon from
Moreover on their Return from Nizam Ally Camp
man has been killed yesterday 12 Miles this side Velore
on the Bangalore Road, and as they are on their Return
Powder on their Way they were to march every Day of this last
the Ease, they marched by the Side of the
Hills, but as all the
entrenched destroyed by Orders of Government Forthwith

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March with all possible Expedition, which will have my Army out of the Province for by all Accounts the Nizam does not like to try his Luck with Us. He has been 10 days and Nights & Day, with his Guns for 3 Days past, & gives out that the Nabob has promised to pay him a large Sum of Money, so that as his Business here is finished, he wants to be back before the Rivers Krishna rise. He has carried with him some Hundreds and Renters as Hostages I wanted much to lay hold of Bamerauze, but however the most Search of any, to the Nabob. However had the Nizam much more time allowed him, he would not likely have compelled him and some others to a Compliance

I have received all of Hyder Nayques Horses on their Return from the Nizams Camp, and they also say he is retreating as fast as possible

It would be very easy, I should imagine for the Army to furnish ourselves Returns, those troubles are of your about Trifanore

Mr Desvaux with the Topasses & Sepoys from Wariapollam joined me yesterday.

As I hope to be able to march as fast as Captain Dormand can follow, if the Nizams should wait every thing must be done before he can arrive, I have therefore wrote to him to halt at Arcot

I shall march sixteen Miles tomorrow

I have the honor to be with great Respect

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obliged & obedient Servant

Charles Campbell

Campbell Tripatty
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In Consequence of which the following Letters were dispatched to Colonel Campbell and the several out Garrisons

To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army &c

Letter to Col. Campbell

S.

We have received your Letter of the 30th April.

As soon as you are assured that Nazamalley is beyond Nellore in full March towards Histnahe we think there is no necessity for your proceeding further with the Army, but must leave you make the following Disposition of it

After you have, as before directed detached Captain Hart with the Battalion of Sepoys & Company to Masulipatam you will form a Detachment to consist of the 1st Company of Grenadiers

ordered to form a Detachment to march against the Polygars

1 Battalion Company with a Proportion of Artillery to make up in the whole 200 Europeans, with three Guns Captain Fitzgerald's Battalion of Sepoys, which is to be completed to 300 Black Horse Captain James Fitzgerald is to command the Party, & to be ordered by the Army is on its Return, to march to Pomery, By which time He will receive Instructions for his further Proceedings

Orders to him regarding the Disposition of the Army &c

You will also order one Company of Infantry completed to 100 Men Officers included to proceed to Trichenopoly to relieve Capt Dormonds Company, which is ordered to Tellore

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Subaltern Officer are to be sent to Wandewash & relieve
one whose Arrival Lieutenant Colygrave with the two
Companies now at those Places are to return to this
Garrison

We desire you will send hither two subaltern
Officers to do Duty in this Garrison

When you have made the above Disposition
you will march the Remainder of the Troops to Vellore

We are
Sir
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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To Captain Clark Commanding
at Wandewash

Sir

We have ordered a Company of Infantry which
arrived at Arcot from Trichinopoly under the Command
of Captain Dorrmond to proceed to Vellore where they
are to remain under your Orders Lieut Colonel Campbell
has also Directions after making such Detachments as
We have thought proper from the Army, to march the
Remainder to Vellore. You will therefore make the
sary Provision for their Accommodations and take
cular Care that proper Discipline is observed among
them

We are
Sir
Your Humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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To Captain Dormer or the Officer
Commanding the Detachment arrived
at Arcott from Trichenopoly

Sir

Letter to Captain Dormer ordered to send the two Companies of Seapoys to Trichenopoly

You on the Receipt hereof to send to Trichenopoly the six Companies of Seapoys brought from thence and you will with the Europeans also sent who came with you proceed to Vellore & remain there under the Orders of Captain Clarke

Encampment with the Europeans at Vellore

Should there be any other Troops on their March from the Southward to join the Army they are to be directed to return to Trichenopoly

We are
Sir
Your Humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

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To Major Wood Commanding
at Trichenopoly

Sir

Letter to Major Wood

advising of the Troops ordered to Trichenopoly

The six Companies of Seapoys with Captain Dormer are to return to you immediately & your Battalion are also to be replaced, & when the 4 Companies of Seapoys arrive at Wandiwash & Trivatore those you detached thither with the Officer are ordered back

In Case any of the Arcot Sepoys, Horsemen Seapoys, should be arrived from Pallamcotah you will order them to return, & you will also send back the Reinforcements you may have received from Madura when those above mentioned have join'd you. We are

ordered to return the Troops received from Madura

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Sir

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To Major Donald Campbell
Commanding at Madura

Sir

Letter to Major Donald Campbell

I have received your Favor of the 26.th April

ordered to detain the Nabobs Troops at Palamcotah

Nizam Ally being on his Return toward Golconda, the Nabobs Troops may remain at Palamcotah or be ordered back if they are marched, & the Europeans and Seapoys from the Southward are ordered to be replaced all except the Grenadiers & Cavalry

Probably the Travencore Rajah would have been glad if the Nabobs Troops had evacuated the Colleroad Forts, but I do not imagine We will venture to lay Siege to them

I am
Sir
Your most humble Servant
Robert Palk

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Delivered the following Instructions to Mr Archdale Palmer appointed Paymaster & Storekeeper at Madura & Palamcotah

To Mr Archdale Palmer

Sir

Instructions to Mr Palmer

We have appointed you to be Paymaster & Storekeeper to the Garrisons of Madura & Palamcotah & these Instructions are to serve as your Guide till We can furnish you with a compleat Book of Military Regulations which will be finished in a short Time.

You are to muster all the Military, Artillery, Cavalry, Seapoys, Lascars, & in short all that receive Pay from the Company in the above Garrisons,

monthly

monthly, or oftener if you are necessary on the Insurance of the Commanding Officer or one deputed by him, according to which Muster Rolls signed by the same Officer & yourself you are to issue the Pay, taking care that all Vouchers are regularly entered at the Foot of the Pay Rolls —

The Pay of the Military, Artillery and Cavalry is to be issued to the Commanding Officer of each Corps payable on Detachment on the Spot, But you are to pay the Seapoys, Lascars, and all others with your own Hand a Copy of the Pay Rolls of the Military, Artillery & Cavalry signed by the respective Officers of Government to the Detachments are to be transmitted to the Military Paymaster at Fort St George, & the Pay Rolls of the Seapoys, Lascars, & all others employed by yourself must be transmitted to the Commissary General as well as the Accounts of all other Charges whatever on which you must be very particular.

The Lascars must be utterly rejected under your Direction for the unlawful Embezzlement, Losing or Destroying the Stores under your Charge, & the Commanding Officer is to apply to you from time to time for such as He may require on Duty or immediate Service —

You are to keep an exact Account of Receipts Issues and remains of Stores, a Copy of which is to be transmitted monthly to the President according to the enclosed Form, you are to insert in a separate Column the remains of each particular Article indented for & no Invoice will allways be transmitted with the Stores sent you which you are to compare with them you must receive & inform Us of all Defects

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to send in to the Military Storekeeper an Acknowledgment for all Stores you may receive. If at any Time Stores wants may be made up as reasonable on the Spot as at this Place and the great Expence & Risk of Carriage saved, you are to inform Us —

The Commandant is to indent to you from Time to Time for such Stores as may be required on immediate Service & his Indents and Receipts are to be your Vouchers, which you are therefore to send us monthly that they may be compared with the Account of the Receipts & Issues of Stores —

Enclosed is an Order to be observed to enlisting Men into the Service & in their removing their Pay.

On your Arrival at Madura you are to take an Account of the Coolies daily employed on the Fortifications & to keep there a Seperate Account thereof is to be kept and the Value will take care to see that you are reimbursed —

Mr James Bourchier will deliver over to You such Orders as He may have received from Us which you are to observe, as if directed to you —

In Consideration of the Trust reposed in you & the many Garrisons at a great Distance from each other besides Madura & Palamcotah which you are constantly to visit, your Pay and Allowances are to be the same with the Paymasters of the Army in the Field —

We are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

Robert Palk & Co.a Council

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Sent

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Sent the following Instructions to Captain James Fitzgerald appointed to the Command of the Detachment ordered against the Polygars &c

To Captain James Fitzgerald

Sir

We have appointed You to the Command of the Detachment intended to proceed against some Polygars who have frequently been troublesome & have lately taken the opportunity of Nawab Ally's enmity with those Poligars to plunder & destroy the Country. Colonel Campbell has directions for forming the Detachment for this Service. And We will supply you with the ammunition stores & Stores as may be necessary.

The following are the Polygars who have been most troublesome, & whose it is necessary to punish &

Saib Naigue — A small Polygar in the Woods to the Northward of Satavid — Vedavenguy Vardapa Naigue, & Vadavangue Ranguppa Naigue near Pennaudoore. Annavam Brova Bargue — Pavare & Pacavoda Colore Canadavanum nagoo Great Range — The nearest Polygars are Endore Polygars

The Nabob has, at our Request, appointed Tiruvadoore to proceed with you against the above mentioned Polygars, who will be able to give you every necessary information regarding them & whose Representations you will therefore pay particular Regard to. And should any of them fall into your Hands, you will dispose of them as We may desire —

We recommend that you take all possible

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Heave Sir

Your humble Servants &c

Robert Palk &c Council

The following Letter was at the same Time sent to Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army &c

To Charles Campbell Esqr

Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Camp: with the above Instructions

Enclosed we the Instructions for Captain Fitzgerald appointed to the Command of the Detachment intended to Detest against the Polygars, which you will after perusing, deliver to him &c

You will also furnish him with such Proportion of Ammunition Stores as you may judge requisite for the Service &c

Heave Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

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Received the following Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army &c

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor of Fort St George &c

Honble Sir

Letter from Colonel Campbell &c

I have the Honor to receive both your Favors of the 28th Ultimo

My Hircars left the Nizams Army at Cadagoonta Pettah, and they were to march this Day as the Hircars were told to Sydapooram, where there are two Roads, one to Inagis by Woodagary, the other by Nellore

to Lower Karnam

some

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some People report that they are to return to Pulicondas, others to Rajamundrum, but all agree, that they are resolved not to wait for our Army.

I shall constantly acquaint Mr Pybus with what Intelligence I get of the Nizam's Rout.

I would agreable to your Desire detach Captain Hart with the Cavalry & his Detachment, but professions are so many Stops that more can be got on the Road, and was a Buxar to follow him, he could not move much faster than I can do with the whole, and suppose I was to make each Man carry some Days Provision and the Nizam get News of his Detachment being at a Distance from the main Body, he could very easily detach 20,000 Horse who might keep with them, before they had any News of their Coming, this would be such a Superiority, that Captain Hart would find it very difficult to make his Retreat good, and if an Advantage was gained over him, it would not only weaken our very much but might give fresh Spirits to the Nizam.

I shall caution the Officers against mentioning News. I should be glad to know who they are, that gave such Alarms, for some Letters from Madras, mentioning the Coffree Company being cut off & Major Wood writes, he hears our Army is retreating from the Nizam's there was a Moor Boy who speaks English & is well known to many Officers at Trichinopoly, as he used after & other Detachments on their march, & to every Body he told that the Country was destroyed & the Inhabitants

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over the Country, that every Village was given to devotion

I have the Honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir

Your most obliged & obed. Servt

Charles Campbell

Camp near
Arcapado
1st May 1765

6th Recvd the following Letter from Captain Dormond

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Capt
Dormond

Honble Sir & Sirs

This moment I had the Pleasure to be honord

acknowledges the
Receipt of their
Letters regarding
his Detachment

with your Orders dated the 3d Instant, to send back
three Companies of Sepoys to Trichenopoly, and two
this Day with me at Arcot and me, & Europeans to join
and to follow, in which Orders I shall be respectfully obey'd
there are no other Troops arrived here, for me to detain
but should have Reason the Copy of any Orders on the Subj
of Cuppa's Force Commanding the Fort recommending
them not to be too hasty for fear of your further Commands

I am with due Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble & obedient Servant

John Dormond
Captain of Infantry

Arcot this 2d May 1765
at 7 o'Clock at night

Came in the following Letter from Colonel
Campbell Commanding the Army to the Governor

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

Letter from Colonel
Campbell
advises of Nizam
Alys marching
back not Call Ex
dedition

Nizam Alys Army keeps still marching
on with all hostile expedition & I am told by the Vaquee
gary & Calastry Packets that when they Inclosed here they

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seemed to be in the greatest Consternation, and that they are hardly come to their Ground for Encampment when there is fresh Orders given to march again, by this Days Post they are beyond Sydapoor and moving on the Road to the left of Vellore, that is to say their main Body and Artillery, but the Horse scatters sometimes 10 Miles to the right and left, and they have made such Devastation amongst the Villages, that I cannot get any kind of Provisions but what follows me, and as Meer Sahet has not yet thought proper to assist me with the least thing I am some Times very much distressed, I am very Body about Tripetty pleads their being plundered But Bussanauze seems much inclined to render all the Service in his Power — We are in great want of Money, as I do not believe 500 Pagodas could be raised in all the Army for 15 Days past —

I have ordered Bowring Long Commandant from Conjeveram with all his Sepoys excepting Guards to go, and take charge of Trepassore when he will be more useful in assisting and getting Provisions &c as indeed for the Present it is of no Consequence his being where he is I hope this will be agreable to you —

I am with much Respect
Honble Sir
Your most Obliged and
most Obedient humble Servant
Charles Campbell

Camp near Calastry
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At a Consultation Present

Monday 6th May 1765

Robert Palk Esqr Governor President
Charles Bourchier
Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner, John Call
George Stratton

General Lawrence indisposed.

Letter from John Pybus Esqr Chief at Masulipatam

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council for the Military Department
at Fort St. George

Letter from Mr Pybus

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed I have the Honor to transmit you a General Muster of the Detachment in the Field under the Command of Captain Madge taken the 14th instant. There have been some more Lascars and Artificers sent out since & a few others are still wanting, which I am endeavoring to procure, and hope to furnish you with a compleat Return of the whole the beginning of next Month. You will also be pleased to receive under Cover, an Alphabetical Return of the Officers and Men now Commanding and belonging to this Garrison.

Commands in a Return of the Detachment

The Paymaster at Camp has acquainted me with an Application made to him by the Officers for an Allowance of Tent Money. His Letter with my Answer are inclosed, and I request to be honored with your Commands on this Subject.

Officers apply for Tent Money

The Mogulatore Rajah still evades giving me any Answer

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Answer to the Letter I have wrote them on the Subject of the Pay recommended me from Mafulapatam & Ally from whence I am ordered to expect he does not mean to accept them. Perhaps in Consequence of Information from Mafulapatam Ally, who I shall be mindful will open for the Honor shown by the Hon.ble Court for discharging the Charges of the Expedition —

The Commanding Officer of the Eleven Battalions remained at Mafulapatam & Ally at Ellore three Days ago and has promised to pay them some Money & join me with Troops — The Army may be from thence forward to Rajahmundry — I hear nothing more from Mafulapatam since my last — I am very respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very obedient Humble Servt

John Pybus —

Mafulapatam
22d April 1765 —

To John Pybus Esq.
Chief at Mafulapatam —

Sir

I have had Application made to me by most of the Officers of the Detachment for their Allowances & they having Engaged to comply with their Demands I beg to be favored with your Orders regarding the Allowances of Batta Money & the Officers are to have any such Allowances

Sir

Your most

Camp at Pooloveroo
the 16th April 1765 —

To Mr Thomas Hebbert
Paymaster & Commissary at Fort

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Sir

Letter from Mr Sykes to Mr Fetsall inclosing

I have received your two Letters of the 6th Instant one inclosing a general Return of the Detachment in the Field under the Command of Captain Madge. The other inclosing an Application to you by several of the Officers for an Allowance of Tent Money, who you will be pleased to acquaint that I shall communicate the same to the President and Council of Fort St. George whose Directions on the Subject I must wait for, as they have thought proper to furnish a Number of Officers Tents for the Service of this Expedition which are now in Store here, and would have been delivered if applied for.

I am Sir

Your very Humble Servant

John Sykes

Masulipatam 18th April 1765

Agreed that Mr Sykes do furnish the Officers with Tents out of those sent to Masulipatam for that purpose

General Letter from the President & Council at Bombay read as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr President & Governor &c. Council at Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Bombay

We have received your Letter of the 12th January with General Lawrences Letter to Captain Backhouse of his Majestys 79 Regiment enclosed, & which shall be delivered to him or the Commanding Officer for the Time being of the Detachment of that Regiment on board the Earl of Middlesex, as soon as that Ship arrives here, but We have not yet received any Intelligence of her.

It

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It gives us Concern that the Situations of Affairs in Bengal require further Reinforcements, as it is utterly out of our Power to send them any more Men, but as by Coventry Letters to Surat, we learn our Forces gained another compleat Victory over Shuja Dowlah on the 18th January, we flatter ourselves Affairs would soon after be reestablished, & as therefore the Reinforcement to form Europe must be arrived by this Time, We expect the Gentlemen at Fort William will not only be able to return the whole of the Detachment sent them directly from hence, but likewise the Artillery you have ordered thither belonging to this Establishment and which from your late State of our Garrison will render very acceptable to us.

Complain of their Want of Troops

Lieutenant Jonathan George Godsfield belonging to our Artillery having been promoted to the Rank of Second Lieutenant, a Commission for him is now enclosed, which you will be pleased to forward to Bengal.

We are

Bombay Castle
20th March 1765

Honble Sirs & Sirs
Your most obedient Servants
Charles Crommelin
Wm Hornby
H. St Pierre
Chas Watson
R. H. Boddam

Orders thereon

Ordered that the Gentlemen at Bengal be advised of what the President & Council at Bombay write regarding the Return of those Troops. And that the Commission for Lieutenant Godsfield be forwarded

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The President lays before the Board three Letters from Major Donald Campbell Commanding at Madura dated 26. 27th & 29th April, advising that the Raja of Travancore had collected a considerable Force & had taken Varrauddy & Trickanamgiddy two Forts in the Edavard Districts that the few Troops who were in them had been permitted to retire to Palamcotah, that He Major Campbell was much in fear for the Fort of Edavard, where a considerable Quantity of Grain is lodged. He likewise complains of a great Breach in one of the Bastions of Palamcotah

Raja of Travancore takes Varrauddy & Trickanamgiddy

The Garrisons retire to Palamcotah

a Breach in one of the Bastions at Palamcotah

The Travancore Rajah has taken Advantage of Mysore Affairs Invasion, & it is not at present in our Power to oblige him to retire. We do not however apprehend he will attempt any thing further than the Reduction of the Country in Dispute between the Nabob & him

Resolution thereon

As to the Breach in the Bastion at Palamcotah, the Nabob has already been spoke to regarding it, & has promised to order it to be repaired, & that 10,000 Pagodas shall immediately be lodged in the Hands of the Deputy Commissary at Madura for this Purpose

It is however agreed that He be again reminded thereof

Letter from the Committee of Works read as follows.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President and Governor &c Council
of Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

In order to fulfill your Honor &c Directions about stopping from the Salaries the Half Pay which their Families received here whilst they were fully paid at

Letter from the Committee of Works regarding their Directions to the Family of Lt Scott & stopping from the Maintenance

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at Manilha, we have caused an account to be drawn out of what Arrears of Pay are due to those who have returned since their leaving Manila to the Time of their Arrival here, which amounts to ₹1641 — Pagodas & the Advances that have been made to their Families, we find to be Pagodas ₹3635 we should therefore have deducted the Arrears due in part of what they had received above their Right, and stop the rest from them now they are, but they allege that they understood upon their embarking for that Place that their Familys should receive their Pay here exclusive of what Allowances they themselves were to receive at Manilha and they were now to be put under Stoppages for what their Familys received they could not subsist. The Lascars have mistaken the Agreement made with them, to give half Pay to their Familys here, the other half of which they were to receive at Manila, but as their having been paid the whole there hath subjected them to the Inconvenience they mention, we think the Gentlemen at Manila might have prevented if they had made the Stoppages they were directed to do by their Instructions from hence, we have agreed only to withhold what Arrears are due to such of the Lascars whose Familys received half Pay, and we submit the means to be employed for the recovery of the rest to the determination of your Honor &c. And also if We should not draw for the Arrears of those whose Familys had no Advances during their Absence which amounts to ₹270 — Pagodas.

We are with great Respect.

Hon'ble

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Noble Sir and Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants
Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner
John Call
Geo. Stratton
} Committee of Works

Order thereon

Ordered that a Quarter of a Pagoda pr Month be
kept out of the pay of the Lascars who are returned, on the
Families Indian Allowance during their Absence until
they shall have what is due to their respective Families
be discharged —

Mr Perring &c for Mr Jourdan lays before
the Board an Account Current of Mr Dodd for
ser of the Falmouth with the Company —

Mr Dodd's Acct presented against

As to the Charge for the Diet of Passengers & Com-
mon Boarded the Falmouth & Seamen it cannot be allowed, that
We cannot consent to pay for victualling His Majestys
Troops on board his Ships, as they were victualled at
the Kings Expence on their Passage to Manilha, they
should be charged to them on their Return —

Observations thereon —

With Regard to the Surgeons Bill for Medicines &c
to the Kings Troops on board the Falmouth it cannot
be admitted, as Stoppages are always made on that
Account, & no Allowance was made for them on their
Passage to Manilha —

Neither should any Allowance be made the Surgeons
for Seapoys & Lascars, tho' We observe that Rupees 600
have already been paid by Mr Jourdan on that Ac-
count which is contrary to the established Custom —

It is therefore agreed that the said Account be
laid before the Manila Committee, who are to state

referred to the Manila Committee —

the

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the same, that what may really be due to Mr Bolts may be paid him —

The President lays before the Board the Answer of Tercamein Phoundar of Poncey to the Complaint of Mr Dormieux Chief of Pullicat —

The Representation of Tercamien Moniddar of Poncey —

Answer of Tercamen to Mr Dormieux's Complaint —

A Relation of a Hospital Marriage made a Wedding at Pullicat, I was therefore ordered by him to attend the said Wedding, which Accordingly did — It is a usual Custom to carry two or three Peons with Columns of Paddy from the Poncey (or Toy) to Pulicat for sale & the Cocars measuring it, at that time this Man bought no Paddy of the Cocars to measure it, disputed for the Payment of the Dutch, during my Stay there on account of the Wedding, I demanded the Payment myself but he still seeming to dispute, I put him under the Charge of two the 30 Seapoys which I had with me, with an order to bring him to Poncey, to which place I returned, but the said 6 Seapoys were bringing him according to my Direction, the Dutch at Pulicat sent 10 Seapoys & four Soldiers of their own & seized the Seapoys & the measuring man and confined them in the Fort, upon which, I sent to acquaint them that the means of the Dutch Company's Merchants at Pulicat that the said measuring man belonged to the Cocars & not to the dutch Company & owed me Money, for which reason I put him under the Charge of the Seapoys to bring him as above, so that they had no manner of reason to confine either the Seapoys or the measuring Man as aforesaid and I desired therefore they might be sent to me, but they did not comply with my

Desire

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Desire, on the Contrary they detained them under Confinement on this, I sent to Wanjenaueck the Dutch Company's Village and brought away the Cattle of that Village as well as two People from thence to Ponery & confined them, but the Owners of the Cattle came and took Care of them, while the Affair was on this Situation the Company's Merchants at Pulleacat wrote me a Letter acquainting me that it was proper that we should be reconciled, & that if I sent back the Cattle & the People they would then speak to the Dutch Chief & release our Company's Seapoys. The Dutch Chief in the said place has also wrote me a Letter to this Purport, upon which I released the Cattle, and the Prisoners 8 Days ago thro' the means of the Chief Inhabitants of Ponery, Notwithstanding which he has not yet released the Seapoys on the contrary alledges that two of the said Cattle were lost & that unless I send for them he would not release the Seapoys. It is to be observed that at the time of my bringing the said Cattle they were not counted, the Owners of the Cattle came along with them & kept them under their Care & on my releasing them, the said Owners have carried them away, I neither counted them at the time of my bringing them away, nor do I know of any of them being dead as above, all which I wrote to Mr. Peral Kathaya, I can send for the Seapoys who are Prisoners at Pulicat in an half an hour's time, but I remain quiet, thinking that it is not proper for me to do any thing of that Nature without your Orders, I have since recovered the money which was due from the measuring man, The Dutch Chief still detains the Seapoys &c.

The reason of my stopping the Firewood &c. before was thus, that the Village of Cadapauck belongs to

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to our Company's Magazine in which the Dutch enjoyed formerly a Garden measuring one Cawny but now they are in possession of two Cawnys Inquired into the Truth & let them enjoy their ancient Right of one Cawny & put a Stop to the other, beside which there is another Village called Godaverany Cawny, which they enjoyed upon paying 5 or 6 Pagodas Tax Annum but they detained that money for these 10 Years last I have therefore put a Stop to the said Village but they did not mind the same, on the Contrary they carried away the Inhabitants of that Village as they thus act in open Defiance of our Order, I forbad carrying Firewood &c from the Country to their Bounds for the space of 4 Days & the Dubash Peshkar without whose Knowledge the Dutch could not carry on their Business went and talked to the said Headmen & was then ordered to let them have no more Provisions, complied with, Lastly to treat that the reason of my Stopping the Firewood &c aforesaid was owing to their taking possession of the One Cawny of Ground on Codyhauk & the Village of Godaverany Cawny as aforesaid as I was ordered by my Superiors Last Year for which Reason Monday of Pettiaud went to Madras to Complain to the Gentlemen there about the Pettiaud & the Dutch Peons in the Fort not to Guard Firewood Peons, their Business as to what was without the Fort & mine within the Fort but now they presume to usurp every acting unjustly I am ready to act in this Affair as you may direct

Orders

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Ordered that a Copy thereof be sent to Mr Dormieux who is to be acquainted that the Reason of He had not an answer sooner was owing to our being unable to get his Letter translated —

Copy to be sent to Mr Dormieux

The President acquaints the Board that having received a Visit from Shave Jung, Nizam Ally's Embassador to the Nabob, His whole Discourse tended to persuade the Nabob to march into the Deckan, & take possession of the Government; That He was convinced by all the Sardars of any Consequence, to make this Representation with an Offer of their Services having resolved to quit Nizam Ally as a most unfit man to be continued in the Subadary of the Deckan, That even his own Brothers would desert him, and the Marattas were ready to obey the Nabob —

Purports of Conference with Shave Jung —

He proposes to the Nabob to take Possession of the Deckan —

To which the President said, that as the Nabob had as much Country as He could well manage, He would hardly venture into so many Difficulties as the engaging in this Plan would certainly lead him to. The Nabob immediately replyed that He could not refuse the Deckan, when so fair an Opportunity offered of taking Possession, and hoped for the Assistance of his Friends the English, as it would be so much to their Honor, and the happiness of the Country. Shave Jung took his leave with desiring an Answer in a few Days, which the President endeavoured to evade, by telling him, that for the next four Months nothing could be done, & that hereafter We should act in all Cases according to

The President's Answer thereto —

The Nabob desirous of undertaking it —

The President's reply —

Circumstances

Fort St. George the 6th May 1765

Circumstances, and earnestly with our own Hearts
and the Nabob's real Welfare.

Fort St. George 7th May 1776

Sent the following Letter to the President & Council
Fort William & Ships Lascoria

To the Honble John Spencer Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter to Fort Wm

We have been favored with your Letter of
the 28th March & Accord

informed of the Quantity of Stores to be sent them

We would give us great Pleasure could We
comply with the whole Indent You have transmitted Us
for military Stores, but our present low State will not
admit of our sending you a larger Supply than is mentioned
in the accompanying List which we shall forward to You
by the Lascoria & when any Ships arrives from Europe We
will if possible comply with the whole of your Indent

We observe by your Letter to the Ford Report
of the 25th March, that you would scarce be able to
send further this Season the Remainder of the Lascars

regarding the Lascars recruited by the Bute

arrived on the Bute We would therefore recommend to
your Honor &c to receive those that remain into your
Service, or if they should refuse to enter to discharge them
The enclosed is an Commission for Mr George
Goodchild, which the Gentlemen at Bombay have de-
sired we would forward to you

We have the pleasure to acquaint You that

of Nizam Alley's Return

Nizam Alley is returning again to his own Country, and
We Hope the little Success he has met with in this Ex-
pedition will prevent
our being troubled with his further Incursions
Agreeable to our Honble Masters Directions
We desired the President & Council of Bombay would

Send

Fort St. George 7th May 1765

That the Gentlemen at Bombay desire their Troops may be returned

send round the Recruits embarked on the last Years Ships for this Side of India, but they now write very pressing for the Return of their own Troops, without mentioning the Recruits.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council.

Fort St. George
7th May 1765

Dispatched the following Letter & Pattamar to Bombay

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Bombay

Letter to Bombay

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Letter of the 20th March We received the 4th Instant

The Commission for Lieutenant Goodchild has been forwarded to Bengal agreable to your Desire, & We have also mentioned what You recommend concerning the Return of your Troops

advised of the Situation of Affairs at Bengal

By the last Advices from that Presidency We learn that Shuja Dowla had entirely retreated out of his Dominions & that our Army was marching to take Possession of Lucknow, & the other Places belonging to the Province of Oude

of Nizam Ally's Retreat

We have the Pleasure to acquaint your Honor &c. that Nizam Alley is returning out of the Carnatick, after having made a fruitless Attempt and We hope the little Success He met with in this Expedition will prevent our being troubled with his future Incursions

Having

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By the Ships of War sailing at this Time to the Coast & Districts &c

Having been obliged to withdraw most of our troops from Madura & Tinnevelly, the Travancore Rajah has taken the Opportunity of attacking the Forts in the Coast and Districts, two of which I hear are already surrendered.

I Have

Honble Sir & Sirs

Fort St. George
7th May 1763 &c

Your most Obedient humble Servant
Robert Palk &c Council &c

8th Came in the following Letter from Major Wood Com-
manding at Trichenopoly

To The Hon
Presidt
Fort St. George

Robert Palk Esqr
& Governor &c Council of

Letter from Major Wood &c

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your favour of the 26 Last Month I had the Pleasure to receive this morning &c

And should the Marattas or Hyder navgues Troops advance towards Coveor or make any Incursions into these Parts of the Country, I will do my utmost Endeavors to oppose their Measures. By following your Directions & by all the Intelligence I can procure Hyder Naigue is not in any Situation to make Incursions this Way, and the Marattas that were against him are gone towards their own Country &c

It is reported Nizam Ally corresponds with Hyder naigue and has been endeavouring to draw his Troops & the Marattas into this Country, It seems Mr Pallavert has got hold of some Part of this Story & has wrote me two other Letters much to the same

Purpose

Fort St. George 8th May 1765

Purpose as the one I inclosed you since that I
shall endeavour to procure the earliest
Intelligence of any Motions of the Enemies Troops on
this Side the Country & be careful to give you the timely
best Notice of it, In the mean time I beg leave to assure
you that I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged humble Servant

John Wood

Srichenopoly
2d May 1765 —

Sent the following Letter to Colonel Campbell Com-
manding the Army —

To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army
Fort St. George —

Sir —

Mr Pybus having represented to Me the great
Want He is in of Lascars you will, when you order Cap-
tain Hart's Detachment to Masulipatam, send to him
100 Artillery Lascars, & send also to Madura, all that
can be spared —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants —

Robert Palk &c Council —

Fort St. George
8th May 1765 —

9th Received the following Letter from Colonel Camp-
bell Commanding the Army

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
of Fort St George —

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have the honor to inclose your Honors &
the

Fort St George 9th May 1765

the 5th Instant. Nizam Alby did make a Demand of Money from Bommeravuze, Damerla Vancatapa Naigue, and Bangar Yachem Naigue, but the approach of our Army prevented them from either paying or promising any And as Nizam Alby has marched without halting one Day, I am perswadded he has had but very little Success in the money getting Way, and as the Inhabitants had full time to remove their Family's Cattle & Furniture to the Hills and Woods, I apprehend the only Loss to the Country is the grain that was on the Ground on the Roads they marched, & burning some Villages

advises of the little Success Nizam Alby had in collecting Money

By my Intelligence I gugh that in a Couple of Days more Nizam Alby will be out of the Nabob's Country. I shall continue marching on the same Rout he did, for to morrow & next Day and then go to Sattavar where I shall wait your Orders & to supply my Bazar property with Provisions, but will detach Captain Hart to Nuzudipatam agreable to your former Instructions. I have the Honor to be with great Respect

proposes following him to Sattavar his Return

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & obed. Hble Servant

Charles Campbell

Camp near Cuddapa Petta May 6th 1765

In Consequence of which the following Answer was immediately wrote him

To Charles Campbell Esqr Colonel Commanding the Army

Sr

Letter to him in answer

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Fort St. George 8th May 1765

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Letter from Major Donald Campbell

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St. George

Honble Sir

I arrived here at 8 o'Clock this Morning, and shall proceed tomorrow for Madura, but the Road brought me Intelligence of Scarcity, The Polygars Son & the Renter of Tinnevelly having taken upon them to detain them —

I am Large Body of the Travancore have surrounded Colacad in which are 15 Companies of the Nabobs Sepoys & 150 of

Colacad invested —

apart of the Nabobs Troops on their march for Arcot —

Sort St George
9th May 1765 —

Your most Obedt Humble Servant
Robert Palk Esqr Council —

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President & Governor of Fort St. George

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Captain [illegible] informs me that a

possible. We leave it to you to determine whether to march the Army in one Body or by Detachment back to Vellour. Provisions we apprehend being very Scarce, and Numerous at the time your Letter was wrote being advanced beyond Nellour. We hope you will not find it necessary to proceed further than Sydapore, but if you should be near Nellour when this reaches you, We desire that Fort may be supplyed with such Stores & Ammunition as it may be in want of.

As We have scarcely Men & Officers sufficient in Garrison to forrede Guards & Grenades, you will order a Company of Europeans to join Major [illegible] including the two Subalterns already on the Road —

We are

ordered to send into Madura a Company of Europeans & two Subalterns —

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in each Company, 30 Topasses, & some Black Horse - I fancy they dont intend coming any further than the Calacad Districts - as the Terms of Capitulation given to the Garrisons of Paungoody & Tricknamgoody enjoined them not to fight against the Travencores in the Calacad Districts only -

Its really, Sir, very vexatious to have any thing to do with these Troops of the Nabobs, there is not the least Dependance on them, they have but the bare Names of Soldiers -

I am with Respect

Honble Sir

Your most Obedient Hble Servant

Donald Campbell -

Madura
1st May 1765 -

Sent the following Letter to Major Donald Campbell commanding at Madura -

To Major Donald Campbell

Sir

Letter to Major Donald Campbell in Answer

I have received your several Letters concerning the Hostilities committed by the Travencore Rajas Troops in the Calacad Districts - If the Force in those Forts was not sufficient to defend them, the Commanding Officers did right in surrendering what was not tenable; but the Nabob complains, "of their being delivered "up before Siege was laid (indeed almost as soon as the "Travencore People advanced; and that instead of retreating to Calacad, the Garrisons returned to Palamcotah" in which I suppose He must have been misinformed, as the Company's Troops would not have returned, if there had been a possibility of holding out - however I hope

He

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we have not been obliged to abandon the other Places ca-
pable of Defence &c

I have often recommended to the Nabob to
repair the Breach in the Fort of Palamcotah. His Re-
plys is, that He has sent Orders, but last Night he
promised to lodge 20 Lacks of Money in the Commissary
Generals Hands for the Repair of the said Fort &c

Your Favor of the 1st is just now come to Hand
The Nabobs Horse must soon meet Purchases to return
Aman. Ally by your last Advices being Past Pallour
Your next I fear will advise of the Surrender
of Tricalore &c

I am
Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
Robert Palk &c

Fort St. George
9th May 1765 &c

Came in the following Letter from Lieutenant Colgrave
at Worriapollam &c

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor & the Gentlemen of the Council
of Fort St. George

Letter from Lieut.
Colgrave

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have had the Honor to receive your Letter
together with the Copy of the Nabobs Deputy's Letter
to appointing a Peadaroul or any other thing. I did not
when I came here, I found one in the Bazar & had
the Nabobs Deputy spoke to me about it, I should
have immediately delivered it over to him. I have now
agreeable to your Orders taken away the European Sol-
diers from over the Charge
of the Petamaul &c of
Nabobs Manager

Worriapollam
11th May 1765 &c

want from Honble Sir & Sirs most respectfully
Your obliged & obedient Humble Servant
John Colgrave

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At a Consultation Present

Friday 10th May 1765

Robert Palk Esqr. Governor President

Stringer Lawrence, Charles Boscawen

Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley

Charles Turner, John Cobb

George Stratton

Letter from Mr Arthur Cuthbert read as follows

To John Maxwell Stone Esqr

Sir

Letter from Mr Cuthbert

I am favored with your Letter of the 8th Instant together with a Copy of the Navy Board's Letter to the Court of Directors, & of a Paragraph of their Letter to this Presidency relative to the Remains of His Majesty's Naval Stores in India

Be pleased to acquaint the Board that by order of Commodore Tinker the whole of the Naval Stores remaining at this Place, except the Cordage &c. Blocks were Sold on the 25th March last at public Sale to the highest Bidder. I am

regarding the Disposal of the Stores of His Majesty's Squadron

Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Arthur Cuthbert Naval Storekpr

Fort St. George

9th May 1765

Report of the Committee appointed to examine Mr Crawfords Diary & Accounts, as also to state Mr Dodds Account Current with the Company read as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c Council of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Report of the Committee appointed to examine past Consultations &c

Agreable to your Orders We have read over

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Robert Palk Esq.r Governor President
Stringer Lawrence, Charles Boucher
Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner, John Call
George Stratton

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To John Maskelyne Stone Esq.r

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Arthur Cuthbert Naval Storekp.r

Fort St. George
9.th May 1765

Report of the Committee appointed to examine M.r Crawfurd's Diary & Accounts, as also to state M.r Dodd's Account Current with the Company read as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &.c Council of Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Report of the Committee appointed to examine M.r Crawfurd's Diary &.c

Agreable to your Orders We have read over

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over with Attention, the Diary kept by Mr Quintin Crawfurd who was left resident at Manila from April 1764 to February 1765, in which are inserted all his transactions during his Residence. We have only to remark thereon, that the Demands of sundry Spaniards to be paid by the Company for Cattle, Grain, and other Articles, taken in the Country for the Use of the Troops during open Hostilities, & thereupon Applications that the Company should pay the Debts of several Persons are claims of a very unprecedented Nature. The Proceedings of the Provisional Governor & other publick Officers at Manila, with regard to the Snow Philippina seems to be very unwarrantable, and We think that a valuation should be put on the several Articles of Stores & Provisions the immediate Property of your Company which have been very unjustly detained by the Government of Manila, and a peremptory Application made for their Amount, because there are many Articles that never did belong to the Spaniards, & cannot be construed by any Article of the Peace as belonging to the Garrison.

In examining Mr Crawfurds Accounts of Disbursements & money transactions, We observe that He has charged House Rent at 30 Dollars p. Month exclusive of the 10 and 6 Rupees p. Day you were pleased to allow him. As Mr Crawfurd drew on the Council of Supercargoes in China for 2000 Dollars we imagine Expedition to Manila must be debited to Account Current London for that Sum, account Current London debited to the Expedition for 15 Leaguers of Arrack sent on the Pitt to the Supercargoes. But as there appears no Invoice we cannot tell the Value.

We have also conformable to your Directions stated & drawn out an account Current between the Honble Company and Mr Dodo Purser of the

Falmouth

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Falmouth in which We have allowed him the Sum of 2000 Pags for victualling the Europeans & Blacks on board the Shew tho' the former were of His Majesty's 79th Regiment only We have on the other Hand debted him for the Rice Provisions, & empty Casks which he received of the Company's at Manila, and for the Ballance of our Account Current which he makes out with the Company dated the 5th August at Batavia, In that account he credits the Company for 28000 Spanish Dollars received in Cash from the Deputy Governor & Council at sundry Times for which ought to appear in the Cash Account £ Dr R B for 1243 Dr received of 9M. Notes for Bills making in all 29243 Dr 2 B and from March 1763 to March 1764 both Months included the Company are debited by M. Dodd for 2251 Dr 2 B being the amount of Stores supplyed for four small Vessels & other Uses, to which there is added £ Dr for half of goods sent on a Voyage to Marandugue & for Sampaniers making in all on the Debit Side of his Account 2316 Dr 5 Dr 2 B so that he owes the Honble Company by his account 60 Dr 5 Dr 3 Dr 2 B We have debited him accordingly and here it naturally occurs to us that the Stores supplyed during the aforesaid Time of thirteen Months, were probably part of those taken at Manila, & consequently the Company had a Claim to a proportion thereof. We therefore think Mr Dodd or the Agents in England should be applyed to for the Amount of the Company's Share & had We been certain of this Matter we should have debited him at least for one third of the whole, which would have made him Debtor to the Company instead of leaving a Ballance in his favor of 17 Dr 18 which now appears to be due, We are with Respect Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obed & faithful Hble Servts

Fort St. George
19th May 1763

John Call
Geo. Stratton
Samuel Ardley

Dr. The Hon'ble Company in Account with Richard Dodd — Cr.

	Rupees	Pag.s	F.	C.
To victualling 33,418 Europeans on board the Siam from Manila to Batavia for one Day at half Rupee pr. Day each man	16709			
To victualling 19233 Lascars on board the Siam from Manila to Batavia for one Day at 4 Fas. pr. Day 76932 at 42 pr. Pag.a		1831	30	—
To victualling 4680 Lascars on board the Falmouth removed thither from the Siam for 1 Day at 4 fans. pr. day 18720 at 42 pr. Pag.a		445	30	
To Timbers landed from the Siam at Manila valued at 1240 Pag.s but referred to the Company				
To Cash paid at Batavia for Surgeons Attendance on Lascars as pr. Account		79	—	—
	16709	2356	18	—
To Rupees 16709 at 350 pr. %		4774	—	—
Pagodas		7130	18	—

	Rupees	Pag.s	F.	C.
By 728 Cavans of the Company's Rice shipped on board at Manila at 2 Rs. pr. Cavan	1456			
By 38 Casks of Salt Provision delivered Mr. Dodd at 37 Pag.s ea.		1406	—	—
By 30 empty Leaguers delivered Do. at 3 Ps. ea.		90	—	—
By Ballance due from Mr. Dodd as pr. Account delivered by him at Batavia the 5th August 1764, 6075 Sd. 3. 2	12150¾			
	13606¾	1496	—	—
By Rupees 13606¾ at 350 pr. %		3887	—	—
		5383	—	—
By Ballance due to Mr. Dodd		1747	18	—
Pagodas		7130	18	—

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Errors excepted

Samuel Ardley
Pr. John Call
George Stratton

The Committee appointed to State the Account

Fort St. George 10th May 1792

Agreed that Mr Crawford be ordered to prepare the

Orders in Consequence — Charges be Laid made on Account of House Rent at the Allowances lately settled are judged fully sufficient for all his reasonable Expences —

Ordered that a Copy of such part of the Report as relates to Mr Dodd's Account together with the Account be delivered to his Attorney to whom the Balance is to be paid. And resolved that a particular Account of all the Demands made by Mr Dodd be stated & prepared to be transmitted to our Honble Masters; to enable them to ascertain what is to be demanded from the Agents on Account of Stores &c. taken at Manilar.

The Army take contend at Nellore to assist in reducing the Polygars &c

The Nabob having represented that now the Army is at or near Nellore, his Affairs in that Neighbourhood may soon be settled, if the Troops are permitted to stay there, till the Angole Raja & some other Polygars are reduced to due Obedience — It is therefore resolved after making the Detachments before ordered to canton what will remain at Nellore, & from thence to give the Nabob the necessary Assistance, Orders are therefore to be sent to Colonel Campbell accordingly —

Letter from Hydernaigue to his Vaquil concludes a Peace with the Marattas — desired by Nizam Ally to assist him in his Expedition into those Parts —

The President lays before the Board a Purport of a Letter from Hyder Naigue to his Vaquil as entered in Country Correspondence 8th 93 advising of his having made a Peace with the Marattas, who were returning to their own Country, & of his having been solicited by Nizam Ally to assist him in his Expedition into the Carnatic which he has declined —

Purport of a Letter to be wrote to him —

Agreed that a Letter be wrote to him in

Friendly

(1)

Fort St. George 10th May 1765.

Friendly Terms, & advising him of the Retreat of Nizam Ally on the approach of our Troops.

R. Pitt Palk
Roger Lawrence
Geo. Boucher
Rich. Fairfield
Sam. Ardley
Charles Turner
John Call
Geo. Stratton

115 Fort St. George 10th May 1765

Sent the following Letter to Colonel Campbell commanding the Army

To Charles Campbell Esqr.
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell

As the keeping the Troops at Nellour will we think be a means of countenancing the Expedition to the Northward, & enable the Nabob more effectually to bring the Angole Rajah & other Polygars to proper Submission We have determined, instead of sending to Nellour to cantoon them there at Nellour till this Business is settled - You will therefore on the Receipt of these Orders make the Detachment before appointed in our Letters of the 3d & 9th Instant, & put the Remainder of the Army in Cantonments at Nellour, reducing the Expence as much as possible & sending in a Return of the Army & the Detachments made from it

Ordered to canton the Troops at Nellour

As the Northern Dispatches may now convey the Letters, you need only appoint two Peons between you & the nearest Station on the Masulipatam Road

We Sir

Your most Obedt humble Servants

Fort St. George
10th May 1765

Robert Palk & Council

11th Came in the following Letters from Major Campbell Commanding at Madura

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

Letter from Major Campbell

I have the Pleasure herein to inclose You the monthly Returns of the Troops that I have the Honor

to

wth Fort St. George 11th May 1765.

to Command —

Captain Trichinopoly informs me that on Lieutenant Cookes Return he told him that when he went out on the Travancores approaching Trichinopoly to know the Reason of their coming there, he was answered to take that Fort, & that their King had received Letters from Madras to do so, and that when Lieutenant Cook refused to give up the Fort, they began to fire very briskly against it. Take the Liberty to mention this to you, Lest any Body else should make use of it.

regarding the Travancores Attack on Calicad —

Some of Captain Trenchmores Servants brought him Intelligence that on the Enemies approaching Calicad Captain Alexander one of the Madras Officers sallyed out on them with great part of the Garrison & got Intelligence that on them, that him & his Sergeant is wounded, and the Subadar of the first Company killed and about 9 or 10 others killed & wounded, but he has had no Confirmation of this from any Body at Calicad, it seems the Travancores want there still for a Body of 10000 more that they expected. I have desired Captain Trenchmore to give that Place all the Assistance he can without running any Risque You must be sensible, Sir, that the Situation of Affairs here wont admit of my giving any Assistance to them — I am with Respect —

Madura —
3d May 1765 —

Honble Sir
Your most obed! humble Servant
Donald Campbell —

To the Honble Robert Palk
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble

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Letter from Major David Campbell

Hon.ble Sir

The Nabobs People at Tinnevelly have offered to Captain Fischman for great many Arms to be given to Seapoys, which they say they are ordered by the Nabob to raise as many as they can, I shall therefore be glad of your determination on it, and if We shall be obliged to supply the Nabobs People with Ammunition at the rate they are now expending, We shall soon run short, I have given them repeated Orders to be careful of it, but to no Purpose —

What I wrote you last Night about M.r Alexander is conferred to Captain Fischman, by a Letter from him, who also complains much of the irregular Behaviour of the Garrison, what he proposes for the good of the Service, the Killedar or some one or other is sure to contradict, which consequently renders him incapable of executing any Orders that he may receive from Captain Fischman; at this Rate Tinnevelly cannot maintain itself long —

I have the Honor to be —

Hon.ble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servant

Donald Campbell

Madura
4th May 1765

In answer to which the following Letter was immediately wrote him —

To. Major Donald Campbell

Sir

Letter to Major Campbell in Consequence

Your Letters of the 3d & 4th are just now come to hand with the Returns for last Month. The Travencore Rajah I find thinks any Means lawful that are

are most likely soonest to compass his Views. He has never had the least Encouragement from hence to think We would ever consent to the Districts of Calicad being given up to him, & Imagine Lieutenant Cooke paid no little Regard to such a Countenance which could only be meant to deceive him, if Calicad should hold out I hope it will be soon in your Power to reinforce it, or to prevent the Travancores from further Conquests

Arms & Ammunition must certainly be given to the Nabob's People to defend his Country. Captain Freshman is the best Judge of what can be spared You will therefore give him Directions accordingly & also to assist in every other Respect as far as can be done with Prudence —

I have represented to the Nabob concerning the divided Command, & the Irregularity of the Garrison, & have desired him to apply the only Remedy by giving the Command to Alexander. I am

Sir

Your most obed.t humble Servant

Robert Palk —

Fort St. George
11th May 1765 —

12th Received the following Letters from Colonel Campbell —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St. George —

Letter from Colonel
Campbell —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having this Day received certain Intelligence from all Quarters that the Carnatic Nabob had taken leave of Nizam Ally & returned with his Troops towards

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receives Advice that Nizam Ally is nearly out of the Nabob's Dominions intends detaching Captain Hart

towards his own Country and that the Nizam expected to be out of the Nabob's Country as this Day. I think it unnecessary to go any further, I will therefore halt here to morrow & detach Captain Hart & return with the Army towards Arcot hoping on the way to receive your further Orders

I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most obed^t Hble Servant

Charles Campbell

Sydaporam
7th May 1765

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c^a Council of

Fort St. George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Colond Campbell

Last Night I had the Honor to receive your favour of the 3^d Instant & will duly observe the Contents. Provisions having met me from Nellour & some being on the road from Arcot. I shall begin my March back to morrow, as I had the pleasure of acquainting you Yesterday

was returning from pursuing the Troops with the

I propose sending Lieutenant Cosby with the 4 Companys of Seapoys to Wornapollam & Arnialore, As I look upon him to be as proper an Officer for such a Charge as any Subaltern we have got. There is no Money yet arrived for the Army. I am with great Respect

intends sending Lieut Cosby with 4 Companies of Seapoys to Wornapollam & to Arnialore

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most obed^t Hble Servt

Charles Campbell

Camp
Sydaporam
8th May 1765

Came in a Letter from Mr Brouwer at Tranquebar, advising of Mr Heigel's return from Ceylon, that the

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Advice from Colonel Forbes of the Situation of the Dutch &c

the Communication between Calcutta and Cossimbazar entirely cut off the King being at the head of a very powerful Army between those two Places, & that the Dutch had not for a considerable Time received any Accounts of the 1500 Men who had marched to Patna for whom they were under great Apprehensions

14th Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr President & Governor &c Council of Fort St George —

Letter from Colonel Campbell &c

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been obliged to halt here this Day am afraid will not be able to march tomorrow the money for the Army arrived. As the Seapoys who are to go with Captain Hart seem so much discontented at quitting their Country & the Army without geting their Pay to leave with their Fam I think it most prudent to see them paid before I detach them. I cannot conceive what detains the Money as you are pleased to say it set out from Madras the 1st Instant, & yet I have heard nothing further about it. I am with great Respect

Camp at Sydapooram 9th May 1765 8 at night —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & most obed Hble Servt

Charles Campbell —

In answer to which the following Letter was immediately wrote him —

To Charles Campbell Esqr Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell —

The Madras Seapoys delivered without

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advised of the Sums sent him

sent by you from Camp to Trepassore fifteen thousand Pagodas, & returned Luther with the Vaquil's Receipt Dated the 2d Instant. & fourteen thousand Pagodas were also paid early in the Month at Vellore by the Soucar Governdendo's to be remitted by Captain Clarke to Camp, these Sums We imagine must have arrived soon after your Letter of the 9th

Your halting at Sydapore, as you were ordered to Nellour keeps you nearer that Place, & We hope our Orders will be received before you move from thence. We are

Sir

Your most Obedt humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George
14th May 1765

Sent the following Letter to Captain Clark Commanding at Vellore

To Captain John Clark
Commanding at Vellour

Sir

Letter to Captain Clarke

advised of the Troops being ordered to remain at Nellour

Colonel Campbell being ordered to Nellour the Troops will not be at Vellour, at least for some time

We are Sir

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Your humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

The following Letter was also sent to Mr Pyne Storekeeper at Vellour

To Mr Pyne Storekeeper
at Vellour

Sir

Letter to Mr Pyne

50 Stand of Arms sent to Vellour

Fifty Stand of Arms which are all We can afford

Ord.d to repair the Arrack at Fort St. George

... afford to send, are ordered to Vellour. Irreparable Loss ... should be sent us by every Conveyance if your constant Attention should be given to repairing & keeping the rest in good Order. We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk & Co.a Council.

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15th May 1765.

To the Honble John Spencer Esqr.
President & Governor &c.a Council at
Fort William

Letter to Fort William

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what We wrote you since Dat ... of Instant, We have put on board the Snow ... the Passing what Stores can be spared for your Presidency of which an Invoice & Bill of Lading are enclosed. The Freight of them being Pags 309 has been paid here. We are

Sir

Your most Obed.t humble Servants

Robert Palk and Council.

Order to the Storekeeper to put on board the Snow

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The following is a Letter from Captain Hodges to Mr. Pybus with Mr. Pybus's Answer to him received by the President.

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief of Masulipatam

Sir

Letter from Captain Hodges to Mr. Pybus

I had the pleasure to receive your Letter of the 29th Ult.o on the Road from Muggeltore, as I pro...

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was returning from thence to Emp, but have been so busi-
-ly employed since, that I really have not had time to ac-
-knowledge the Receipt of it, nor to be able to send you the
monthly Return of the Detachment, which that you may
be the better convinced of, I shall take the Liberty to send
you an Account of our late Operations —

We marched from Neetur Bauan the 27th Ulto
to Duah, from thence I accompanied the Nabob to
Muggletore in the Evening, leaving the Command of
the Detachment to Captain Wallbank with Orders to
halt at that Place the next Day, and proceed the Day
after to Tepose, where I again joind him. Tepose is
situated on the Banks of the River Godavery, & about
eight Cos from Rajamundry, on the opposite Side of
the River & to the crossing this River was now become
the principal Object of our Consideration. We halted at
Tepose & the next morning at three o'Clock, I went
off with Captain Wallbank & Ibrahim Beg with 300
Cavalry, one Company of Seapoys, & a Gawdy to Ano-
angabad, about a Cos from the Fort on the opposite
side of the River. Here we made a Feint of sounding
the Ford as if We intended crossing it at that Place,
& waited till five o'clock in the Evening, in expectation
of the Enemies coming over the River to attack us:
our Hircars all the while employed in Sounding the
different Passes of the River, when finding they did
not think proper to come over, We again marched
back to Camp, & in our Way reconnoitred the Pass
at Tejecerrium, where We determined to cross the
River the Day after in the Morning. But the great
Fatigue the Party of Seapoys & Artillery had under-
-gone on this March would not admit of our marching

again

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again at the Time appointed, it was therefore deferred till the next Day in the Evening, when about ten o Clock the Tents were struck & the whole of our Detachment left Camp, and proceeded with all haste to Pursterawn, where we arrived a little before Day break, & whilst We refreshed the Coorpenars with a Dram, Abraham Boy was sent off with all his Cavalry & Seapoys with two Guns to take Possession of Port on the opposite Side of the River called Donolicherrum as soon as We gained it. He was in possession of it by near three Post. We prepared our Guns for crossing the River, which We passed in order of Battle ready for Readiness for giving the Enemy a proper Reception, should they attempt to attack Us in the Passage, but they did not think proper to come near Us. The We were near five hours in crossing the Bed of the River & all our Seapoys employed in dragging the Guns with Timbers, by which We were enabled to get the assistance of Abraham Boy in person, as the Raja it would not Raja in person, just in the Rear. We had drawn up on our present Encampment, which is only 200 Yards in front of our Post. We were upwards of ten hours in performing this last March which I believe is nearly ten Cos. two and a half of which We measured in crossing the Bed of the River

advised of his being encamped before Pajonnicotty

Weare now within a short Cos of the Fort where the Raja lies intrenched with 250 Europ Guns & Topasses with between seventy eight thousand Seapoys & Lance men, seven hundred Large & small Pieces of Cannon, two of which are Twelves Iron

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of Scataramrauzes Army —

an eighteen Pounder. As He is at present too strongly posted to admit of our attacking his intrenchments without being guilty of a confessed Disobedience of your Instructions, which confine me to attempt nothing beyond our Strength, & what We are pretty certain of succeeding in; I thought necessary to send him a Summons to deliver up the Fort & to come to a Treaty with the Nabob immediately, which I accompanied with a few Exhortations, which tho' they may not have the wished for Effect, they will however justify our further Proceedings —

Inclosed is the Answer I received to the Summons sent him at the Request of the Nabob, who also desired me to acquaint him in Return, that unless he had a mind to deliver up the Fort & come to Terms, it would be to no purpose to send out his Packet, as He should think he only intended to amuse us in order to gain time, to which I have not as yet received an Answer. We have received seven Deserters from his Camp, four of whom are English, who, as they came off with their Arms, I think may be trusted. They all agree in their Accounts of his Situation & assure us He is as well provided with Stores & Ammunition of all Kinds as We are. And that We must loose a great Number of Men, should We attack him in his Intrenchments & the only advantage We could expect from dislodging him from his Post is the driving him into the Fort, which I fear We shall find a difficult matter of carrying without the assistance of the Battering Cannon

and

and also a considerable Reinforcement; Especially as the Troops the Nabob has in his Service, are so mutinous & disorderly that We are under the Necessity of keeping them in awe, as well as the Enemy as he has little or no Money to satisfy them & his Credit is almost stock'd to its greatest Extent, notwithstanding the Strength of the Raja's Situation, the Nabob is very anxious for our attempting to dislodge him, or else of marching farther to the Nd. ward, & by that means draw him out, which will afford us an Opportunity of fighting him to more advantage, But as the former is contrary to your Orders & the latter a Step I shall be very cautious of taking without your Advice, I shall proceed no farther till I receive your Answer to this, nor come to extremities with the Raja, unless first attacked, or have an Opportunity of attacking him to more advantage as Our not being now in Possession of the Fort is entirely owing to the dilatory Proceedings of the Nabob, having squandered a whole month in traversing the Country, treating with petty Fellows, who he had nothing to hope or fear from, which has given the Enemy time to fortify himself, & to be prepared for our Arrival; Whereas, had We on our first setting out from Mafulipatam marched Directly to this Place, We should have taken it without Opposition, He has however no Person to blame but himself, as Tho' we are very sensible, it was my constant Request, that He would first reduce the Capital of his Country, & that the rest must then fall accordingly —

If

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If it is therefore resolved to support the Nabob in his Pretensions to the Country, it will be necessary to send us a Considerable Reinforcement both of Europeans and Seapoys, which as We have Accounts of the Nizams being out of the Carnatic, I should imagine, can be sent down immediately in Boats if no other Conveyance can be directly procured. In the mean Time if you think proper I will endeavor to amuse the Rajah by pretending to treat with him or else oblige him to quit his Entrenchments by marching to Tiddapore. It is the general Opinion of all the Officers present that We can expect but little Advantage for our driving him out of the Post he now occupies should We attack him. As We must expect to loose such a Number of Men in the Attempt as may oblige us instead of pursuing our Blow to act on the defensive. However if you will give me Leave I will attack him at all Events.

This is the best Account I can give You of our present Situation; and as I am very anxious for your Advice have dispatched this by the Way of Nagore & must request you will be pleased to send me immediately your Instructions for my future proceedings. The post Head present occupy secures to Us the Pass of the River, so that We can repass it whenever We may judge necessary —

I have sent you enclosed a monthly Return of the Detachment for April, in which I had forgot to mention the Promotion of Corporal Pain, who to prevent Suspicion was reinstated & broke by the Sentence of a Court Martial the Day before he was sent into

Pyramaday

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Rajahmundry. He joined the Detachment whose men-
tioned in the Return as received from Masulipatam,
and in Consideration of his good Services I have pro-
moted him to a Serjeant & to do Duty with the Se-
poys, on account of his understanding the Language

I am with the greatest Respect
Sir
Your most obedient hble Servt
T. Madge

Camp near
Rajahmundry 3 May 1765

P.S. The Armourer you sent us is of very little
Service, as you did not allow him to bring of his
Tools, which has distressed us greatly & I must
beg must beg you will be pleased to send them out
immediately if they possibly can be spared

The Raja has just this Minute sent out his
Vackeel to treat, at the Nabob's Request. I have in-
sisted on being put in immediate Possession of Raja-
mundry, & have advised the Adjusting the Whole
Country to your Determination, He is now going
back, & will give you a full Account of our Negotia-
tion tomorrow as it is now very late, & I have
the General to write to with his Return

To Captain Thomas Madge
Commanding the Troops in the Field
Sir

Letter from Mr Byles to Capt. Madge in answer.

I received late last Night your Letter of the 3d
Inst. whereby I find you are advanced very near
Seataramrauze's Camp, and that He was very strong-
-ly posted. I have already strenuously recommended to you
Sir

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(in Conformity with the Injunctions laid on me by the President & Council of Fort St. George not to attempt more than you should judge the Force you had with you might with a probability of Success undertake — Sitaramrauzes Situation seems by the Account you have given me of it, & in your Opinion, to be such as not to warrant your attacking him with the Force you have, I would not have you on any Account what ever attempt it, or put any thing to the Risk that can be avoided, For as it is highly probable Captain Hart with the Detachment at first intended for the Service of the Expedition you are now on, will soon be able to join you, and as the Governor & Council of Madras would rather chuse to endeavour to prevail on Sitaramrauze to evacuate Rajahmundry by fair Means than be drove to the Necessity of obliging him to do it by Force, you are not to proceed to extremities with him at present if it can be avoided nor do I think it advisable for you to move farther to the Northward, and leave the Rajah's Army in your Rear, as it might be difficult for you perhaps to regain the Pass of the River which you tell me your present Situation secures, and which I therefore think the best you can be in, 'till joined by more Troops, or the Rajah may come to an Accommodation with the Nabob, which last I am in hopes will be brought about if the Terms insisted on are not too disadvantageous & dishonorable for him to submit to — I wait the account you have promised me of the Negotiation with Sitaramrauzes Vaqueel, & if I find my Presence in Camp necessary for bringing matters

to

to a speedy & amicable Conclusion, I shall set out without
loss of time —

The Answer I sent to your last Letter
to Furnish himself with every thing necessary for his
Business, & several Bullocks and Sparks of others with
the only Spare Plate, We had on Garrison were sent
out with him —

I have received the Return of the Detachment
under your Command, & approve of the Measures you
have taken for rewarding Davis's Behaviour —

I am
Sir
Your very obedient Humble Servant
John Pybus

Mazulipatam
7th May 1765 —

15 In Consequence of which the following Letter was
wrote to Mr Pybus —

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief at Mazulipatam

Sir

Letter to Mr Pybus
His Orders to Capt
Madge approved

The President has communicated to Council
Madges Letter to you, with your Answer, He approves of
the Orders you have given him & hope Circumstances
may be prevailed on to give up Rajahmundry without
coming to extremities Captain Hart with the Detach-
ment has been on his March some Days to join the
Troops with Hussein Alby, you will therefore send
him such Orders as are necessary —

We have embarked on a Country Boat on
-ed the Conveyance thirty five Truck Carriages for
the Use of your Garrison, in Lieu of which with the

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the Syrang's Receipt come enclosed —

With regard to the Application of the Officers for Tents, you will supply them out of those sent to Mast. -sulipatam for that Purpose, Weare

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c. Council

Fort St. George
15th May 1765 —

16th Came in the following Letters from Major Wood Commanding at Trichenopoly & Major Campbell at Madura —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &c. Council of Fort St. George —

Letter from Major Wood —

Honble Sir & Sirs —

I had the Honor two Days ago to be favored with your Letter dated the 3d Instant —

And as soon as the Seapoys return to this Garrison, I shall immediately Order the Detachment to return to that Garrison, that went with Captain Dormond to the Garrison of Madura, agreable to your Directions; that Detachment consists of 50 Europeans Officers included & four Companys of Seapoys —

Mahomed Amaraty Canon the Amildar of Manapar desires the Troops on their Return to Madura may assist him —

Manapar, has been at me again to desire the Seapoys which were with him before; as he says the Polygars have refused to pay him the Rents, since that Detachment of Seapoys were taken from him, which they had agreed to before to pay him —

This Amildar says, were the Madura Detachment, to stop four or five Days at Touramcona-key, on their March to that Garrison, it would be a great Assistance to him, in obliging that Man, & the

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the Locke-Naigh Polygar to pay him. I have perswaded him that I would represent the thing to you, & if such a thing is agreable to you, there will be sufficient time for your Orders to arrive before the Troops can arrive here that went with Captain Desmond. I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servant

John Wood

Trichenopoly 11th May 1765

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor of Fort St. George

Letter from Major Campbell

Honble Sir

Captain Frischmann

Alexander has made another

upon the Travancores who

son of a Village near the Fort & drove them out of it

with great Loss to them. It seems they are only throw-

ing some Shot into the Fort from some Guns mounted

upon a high Bank of a Tank. The Nabob's Serdars

with two small Guns & 2000 Polygars are gone to

assist that Garrison — As Affairs with Mysore

are likely to prove favorable to Us, I have sent from

hence Captain Harper an Officer of Artillery & 18

Men & Companys of two Battalions & 82 of the Nabob's

Topasses to Tinnevelly. & have desired Captain Frisch-

man to act with great Prudence, with the Assistance

I have sent him, to manage it so as to secure Cala-

cad, till he can be better reinforced — This I hope

will serve to keep that Place till We can get more

Assistance —

Reinforcement sent from Madura under Captain Harper.

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Assistance, especially as I understand that the Bussy has Orders from the Nabob to return to Tinnevelly, & I have sent him an express to come with all possible haste if he really had Orders from the Nabob to return — The Colleroes about Us are very troublesome I am obliged to have People out every Night, to endeavour to apprehend some of them about 2000 of them have beset a Village about 40 Miles off and want to plunder it, but are kept off by half Company of Sepoys, so that I am obliged to send three Companies more — & I fancy its needless for me to apply to Major Wood for any Assistance now, knowing his Situation to be such that he cant well spare me any Men —

I am with Respect
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servant
Donald Campbell

Madura
8th May 1765 —

To which the following Answers were immediately wrote —

To Major Wood
Commanding at Trichinopoly

Letter to Major Wood —

Sir
We have received your Letter of the 11. the Sepoys that marched with Captain Dormond will soon rejoin you, but as you are to be reinforced with an equal Number of Europeans from Camps and Sepoys are also detached from thence to relieve those at Dindigul & Erealore it will take up a longer Time 'till they can all join —

Major Donald Campbell is now acquainted that We consent to the Madura Detachments

Major

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informed that the Madura Detachment may assist the Amildar of Manapar a few Days, if Major Campbell can dispense with their Absence —

staying a few Days with the Amildar of Manapar provided their absence can be dispensed with so long, if not the Officer must be directed to follow such Orders as He may receive from Major Campbell. We doubt not of your speedily sending them what Assistance you can possibly spare —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk &c.a Council —

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16th May 1765

P.S. Enclosed is the Nabobs Letter to his Officer concerning the Prisoners taken at Madura —

To Major Donald Campbell
Commanding at Madura

Sir

Letter to Major Campbell —

I have received your Favor of the 8th and am glad the Nabobs Officer at Calacad has been able to keep the Travencores at a Distance, with the Assistance you are sending from Madura & the Bussy's Cavalry. I hope the Fort will be soon out of Danger.

Major Wood has Directions to reinforce you as soon as possible, but is desirous that your Detachment on its Return may assist the Amildar of Manapar for a few Days which is consented to, provided you can dispense with the absence of those Troops so long. You will therefore acquaint him if a more speedy Junction is necessary. I am convinced You have at present too much Employment for the Cavalry Force We have been obliged to reduce you to. I am

informed of the Orders sent to Major Wood regarding assisting the Amildar of Manapar —

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Sir

Your most obedient Servant
Robert Palk —

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Received the following Letter from Colonel Campbell commanding the Army —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George —

Letter from Colo. Campbell —

Honble Sir

Enclosed I have the Pleasure to present you with the Returns of the Army. The 100 Lascars shall be sent after Captain Hart agreable to the Orders of the Board of the 8th Instant just received. I am with much Respect —

sends 100 Lascars with Capt. Hart

Honble Sir

Your most obliged & obedt. Hble Servt
Charles Campbell —

camp
12th May 1765 —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
at Fort St. George —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Capt. James Fitzgerald

I had the Honor of receiving your Favor dated the 4th Instant and received Orders the 15th from Colonel Campbell to march the 16th for Trichinopasore my Rout is from Kalastry to Ackamapattah Ramapouram, Gomarrapoundy & Trichinopasore — Enclosed you will please to receive a Return of the Detachment under my Command —

Iam

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient & Hble Servant
James Fitzgerald —

Attatoure about 12. Miles from Calestree
16th May 1765 —

addresses of his having received the Orders first Instt —

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We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council —

Fort St George
16th May 1765

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Commanding at Madura

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To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Coll. Campbell

Honble Sir

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sends 100 Lascars with Capt. Hart

Your most obliged & obed. Hble Servt
Charles Campbell

Camp
12th May 1765

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
at Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

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advises of his having received the Orders just now

Enclosed you will please to receive a Return of the Detachment under my Command

I am
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient & Hble Servant
James Fitzgerald

Allatoure about 12 Miles from Calestree
16th May 1765

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At a Consultation Present

Monday 20th May

Robert Palk Esqr Governor President

Stringer Lawrence, Charles Bourchier

Richard Fenfield, Samuel Ardley

Charles Turner, John Call

George Stratton

Letter from Mr Pybus Chief at Masulipatam

read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President and Governor &c Council

for the Meletary Department at Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Mr Pybus —

I have been honored with your Commands of the 17th 18th 23d and 27th Ultimo

I shall pay due Regard to the Directions you have been pleased to give me relating to the Stores received with Hafsun Ally from Vellore & all Charges which may be incurred on the Expedition on account the Northern Circars — The amount of the Former was included in my Accounts for March —

I am still Kept in suspence with Regard to the Money Expected from the Mogulatore Rajah, But I have hopes from the last Letter received from Hafsun Ally on that Subject that I shall be able to obtain the Rajahs Acceptance of the Bills we have on him. I do not hear that Hafsun Ally has as yet settled with any of the Zemindars in the Closer &c Mustaphanagur Circars although they have all been to meet him —

Hes

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His Demands I fear have been rather too high for one
in his Circumstances — I forwarded yesterday to the
President a Letter from Captain Madge with my
answer, to which I beg leave to refer for a particular
Account of the Situation of our Army & that of Shir-
=zaramraize, from whence it will I make no Doubt
evidently appear to you, that there is very little Pros-
=pect of doing any thing against him by Force at last
for the present — Should he be willing to hearken to
terms of Accommodation I am perswaded I will be
only thro' our Mediation, and as in that Case it may
probably be necessary for me to proceed to Camp, I beg
to be honored with any Directions you may think pro-
=per to give me for my Guidance in this Business —
I have no Accounts to be depended on of Nizam Alley —
There are Reports that a Body of Marattas were at
Ramcapatam, which seems to be confirmed by our
having had no Tattys from the Southward these
three Days — I have sent Hircars toward's Nizam
Ally's Camp to bring me Intelligence of his Motions
that should he seem to bend his March this Way, I
may give Notice thereof to Captain Madge & Hafyun
Alley. The latter I fear will find it Difficult to divert
the Soubah from marching into these Countries by
the means he proposed in the Letter you have been
pleased to send me a Copy of as I am well satisfied
he is much distressed for Money to pay his Troops — I
forwarded the President's Letter to him, the instant it
came to hand, with one from myself recommending
to him an Accommodation with Shirazaramraize. —

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But I have as yet no Answer from him. I have sent to Mr Pelham the Letter you inclosed me for him on your Commands of the 27th The Scarcity of that Grain Ragy occasions to him which you were pleased to transmit me in the first Notice I had of any Disturbances in that Neighbourhood But as the Ragy seems has been chiefly instrumental in bringing Disturbances into those Parts & has committed considerable Depredations on the Inhabitants, I am not surprized to hear of their seeking Protection on our Lands and that he should complain of it

I shall set about making Preparations for erecting Barracks for the Military & repairing the Gun Carriages as Garrison in the best Manner I am able, But a Supply of the latter from your Honour will be very necessary

Enclosed you will be pleased to receive an Account of the several Houses in the Place belonging to diverse Inhabitants & Merchants, which are occupied by the Company wherein I have particularized the several Purposes they are employed for — No Rent has been hitherto allowed the Proprietors for any of them But Applications has been frequently made to me on that Account — Mr Benchiers House is included in this List & is the only one that I hear of belonging to the French in the Company's Hands — Except one Room made use of at present as Barracks the Rent of which has been long since paid —

Enclosed I have the Honor to transmit you a General Muster of the Detachment in the Fort under the Command of Captain Hodges taken 30th

Ditto

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One of the Company's Brahmines has attended the Army as Linguist to the Commanding Officer & in the Nature of a Vackeel with Hussain Ally at an Allowance of Pags 115 p. Month and as I am informed he has rendered himself very serviceable I hope you will not disapprove my having employed him in this Manner — I have the Honor to subscribe myself very Respectfully —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very obedient & most Obliged Servant

John Lybus —

Masulipatam
9th April 1765 —

To John Lybus Esqr
Chief of Masulipatam

Sir

Letter from Capt. Maskelyne Lybus requesting terms —

Since my last of the 3d Instant the Rajahs Vackeel has been out twice at our Camp to treat with the Nabob, But his Demands have been hitherto so unreasonable, and his manner of making them, so dissatisfactory, that I think there is but little reason to expect the Affairs being amicably settled —

In Answer to our summoning him to deliver up the Garrison, and retiring out of the Nabobs Dominions, He sent out his Vackeel to know what Terms would be granted him on his complying with this Demand. the Nabob then asked him what terms he expected, which if they were reasonable, & proper Security given him for his observing the Conditions of the Treaty. He would not refuse to grant them, His Demands are, The being allowed the Chicacole Circar for which he would pay the usual Rents, to retain a small Zemindary in the Rajahmundry Circar, & to have the superintending the Rajah of Pedapore which if the Nabob would consign to him & Guarranteed — by

by the Company, He would resign the Fort & immediate-
ly retire out of the Country till the whole Affair could be
settled. The Nabob answered him, that as he had the Sa-
nnuds of the Country from Nizam Ally, He was therefore
accountable to him for the Revenues of them which as
the Rajah had collected for these two Years past, He had
a right to insist on his refunding them, But he was
content if He would only give Security for one third, which
when done, He was ready to grant him the Chicacole
Circar, as well as the little Zemindary in that of Rajah-
mundry, but with Regard to the Difference between
them and the Peddapore Rajah He would leave them to
settle it by themselves — If these terms were not accept-
ed of by the Rajah, he was further willing to leave the
thing the Chicacole Country to the Governor & Council
Madras & would engage to abide by this Determination

The Vakeel was sent back with this Answer at
three o'Clock this morning, with orders for the Rajah
to come to a Resolution by four in the afternoon, when
it was expected He would send out proper Security, and
settle the Affair immediately. But the time is ex-
pired upwards of six hours, and He is not as yet arrived
which, since the receiving your Spy's Intelligence, almost
convinces me of the Rajah's Insincerity, and therefore
think it will be necessary to draw him from his Fort
as soon as possible by marching to the Northward, and
perhaps when He sees we are in earnest, He will be
glad to come to Terms —

As soon as I am favored with your Letter and
nothing extraordinary intervenes, We shall comply
with the Nabob's Request to march to Peddapore —
where We may stay during the Rains should there

Therefore

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Violence obliges us to do it and at the same time to endeavor to protect our own & Settlements should he have Reinforcements to insult them. Will there be no news the Next Reinforcement of any such should be thought necessary may be sent from Madrass to that place at once If there Morning
Love your Letter does not contradict this and he does not come to Terms we will immediately pursue that Route & Hope, as He will be under the necessity of following Us to be able to get an Opportunity of engaging him on Us to be able to get an Opportunity of engaging him on more equal Terms, which We are determined to do the Moment he offers it.

It is with the greatest Impatience I wait for your Instructions which I hope will be more diversified than your Last, at least will be such as will allow me to run some Risque in endeavouring to bring him to action — when He knows not the least Doubt of His being soundly —

I am Sir

Your most obed.t faithfull Servant

Tho.s Hodge

Camp near Rajamundry
6.th May 1765

P.S. I shall detain this for the Vakeel may return to Camp it is now half an hour after ten at Night —

The Raja has again sent out his Vakeel & offers to leave Rajahmundry & retire to the Distance of seven Kosses from it and there wait the Resolution of the Governor & Council of Madrass, as to the settling the Circarate Country, assured by us of not being molested by the Nabob's Army, whilst the Letters are going & coming from Madrass, Notwithstanding those were the Nabobs own Conditions, he does not care to agree to them. He now Says

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says the Governor and Council have nothing to do with the Matter, but has however sent an Answer to the Rajah who desired two of the Nabob's principal Men to come & settle the Affair, that he must first send one of his & then he will condescend to let him know his final Resolution. If We could once get Rajahmundry, We should have nothing to apprehend from the approaching Rains which of course will oblige Us to go some where, or else build Huts for the Men. I am much of Opinion the Nabob has a Mind to set us & the Raja at Loggerheads, that he may be sure of our continuing our Protection when once We have broke with the Rajah. If I do not mistake I remember to have heard you say that if Rajahmundry was quietly surrendered, the Nabob would be obliged to treat for the other Circars. If there was sufficient Security given for his fulfilling his Engagement of delivering up the Fort, I dare say your Presence here would settle the Matter at once. But there is no Dependance on any thing either the one or the other says, as Breach of Faith is deemed of no Consequence by them, when opposed to their Interest. If therefore your Letter does not contradict any first Intentions of marching to the Northward, I shall comply with the Nabob's Request & march to Tadepore when ever I may again desire it.

The Letter from Rajahmundry was sent off last Night

To Captain Thomas Madge
Commanding the Troops in the Field

Sir

Letter from Mr Pybus to Capt. Madge

I received early this Morning your Letter of the 6th to which my last of the 7th Instant will in great Measure serve as an Answer. I only think

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think it necessary to add here that if Sittaramarauze will deliver up the Fort of Rajahmundry & retire to the Distance of ten or twelve Cos to wait the Determination of the Governor & Council of Madras relating to the Cession of Ceircale, Or Condition of not being molested by the Nabob's Troops on his March, I would have you endeavor to get Possession of the Fort, whether Hussein Ally agrees to the Terms or not, by engaging your Promise to Sittaramarauze that if Hussein Ally's Troops should attempt to give him any Disturbance on his March that you will assist him against them; in such I hereby authorize you to do, and you will be pleased to let Hussein Ally know that you have such Orders from me in case he refuses to comply with the above Proposal made by the Rajah which I cannot but consider as a very reasonable one and I now write to Hussein Ally to the same Purpose But should you not be able to get Possession of Rajahmundry by the Method I have proposed I would still have you remain where you are, and not move farther to the Northward till I hear further Accounts of Captain Hart who I conclude must by this time be far advanced on his March this Way

Orders how to take Possession of Rajahmundry if Sittaramarauze will retire with his Army & not to permit Hussein Ally to disturb him in

Sir, Your very obedient humble Serv.t
John Pybus

Masulipatam
10th May 1765

A List of the Houses at Masulipatam belonging to divers People, made use of as Accomt the Company & for which no Rent has been allowed the Proprietors, since the Place was taken by Colonel Forde

Ann Upper Room House, inhabited by the Chief, belonging to the Dutch

Ann Upper Room House inhabited by Mr Dawson belonging

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List of Houses at Masulipatam belonging to the Fort People & occupied by the Company —

belonging to Mannudy Longah a Dutch Merchant, now living at Pallicole —

An Upper Room House inhabited by Mr Hallsal & made Use of as a sorting Godown belonging to Mauja Mejem —

An Upper Room House inhabited by the Surgeon Mr Maule belonging to Parantael, a Servant attending the Dutch Resident here —

An Upper Room House belonging to Mr Bouchie, Master of the Pretenchen the French were in Possession of this Place. It was purchased by Sunna Joona a Moor Merchant married Sareb, & has been inhabited since the Place was taken by the Military Officer Commanding the Troops —

An Upper-Room House belonging to Mahomed Hussein a Moor Merchant inhabited by Ensign Forbes

An Upper Room House, belonging to the Fort now under Repair for Quarters for the Artillery Officers Messrs Wallbank & Oates —

A Large Lower Room House belonging to Moor Chitty Seddon a Moor Merchant made Use of as Godowns & for a Smiths & Carpenters Yard —

A Lower Room House belonging to Mahomed Beg a Moor Merchant, now made use of as Barracks for the Military —

An Old Upper Room House belonging to Mr Faubert a Frenchman deceased who purchased it from a Moor Merchant named Abboo Saeboo — It is now pulling down, that the Materials may be employed in building the new intended Barracks —

A large Upper Room House belonging to Pagar Cauru a Moor Merchant. The French made Use of it as an Hospital & laid out a great Deal of Money in repairing

If

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it. The Owner applied to them for Rent, but none
none, it has lately been completely repaired at the Com-
pany's Expence —

. An Upper Room House belonging to Shaik Ally
a Moor Merchant, inhabited by a Serjeant of Artillery —

. A lower Room House belonging to Thoondoory
Ranganah a Dutch Merchant inhabited by the Lieuten-
ant of Seapoys —

. A lower Room House belonging to
. Aya Ebraim a Moor Merchant
. A lower Room House belonging to
Shaik Terreeda Moor Merchant
. A House belonging to Aroula Mak-
reedoo a Dutch Merchant — } now made Use of as Quarters for Seapoys

John Pybus —

Fort St. George
9th April 1765 —

Purport of a Letter to be wrote to Mr Pybus in Consequence

Agreed that Mr Pybus be acquainted that when Nizam Ally sent Us the Sanads for the Circars in 1762 Vizeramraze laid no Claim to any of them except Chicacole, & for that offered to pay five Lacks of Rupees on Account of Arrears due from them, & 5 Lacks for the annual Rent of the Circar; We were satisfied with his proposals, & agreed to endeavour to procure from Nizam Ally a full Discharge in Consequence of his paying the above Sum — It is likely Scataramraze may not now make such advantageous Proposals, as We are not possessed of the Sanads — We however imagine He will agree to any reasonable Terms rather than come to extremities, & We think We should not at least for the present, insist upon such as He may have any real Cause to object to. It is however to be recommended to Mr Pybus to fix the Term for his renting the Circar of Chicacole as short as possible

And

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And if Mr Hitchcock has Interest at Court enough to procure the Grant of Fort St George, and Land of Country about it for a small Rent, it will be a very advantageous Settlement for the Company

Mr Pybus to procure from Sultan a small tract of Country about it

And as the Settlement at Gingee may be of considerable Service to our Northern Investment, Mr Pybus is to be directed to persuade Sadoranunga to give it up to the Company, if he can procure from him a small Tract of Country round it, it will be still more advantageous

Mr Pybus to give Sadoranunga to understand that he is to be directed to inform us of such Answer as he shall receive from him, that we may be enabled to give him Orders regarding the Premises

With regard to the Houses & Ground belonging to different People, Mr Pybus is to be directed to inform us of such as will be really wanted for the Company, either of those included in the List transmitted by him or of any others that may be demanded, & to set a Value on them, that We may if we shall see reasonable pay the Owners for the same

Letter from the Chief Engineer read as follows viz

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c Council of

Fort St George

Letter from Chief Engineer regarding the Fortifications of Masulipatam

Honble Sir & Sirs

Having attentively considered the Plan and Situation of the Town of Masulipatam & Inverted thereto several Projects for Fortifying the same the following Observations & Reflections have occurred

The Town of Masulipatam is very large & so situated that there is no approaching it by the East South or West Sides, which are surrounded by Rivers or the flowing Tide, but at but during a few Months in the Year, that the Northwest Northeast & North East Parts are more practicable than the other Quarters

This Situation undoubtedly gives a great

antient

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natural Security to Masulipatam, and were there any above
above of a moderate height and thickness, made round
the Town, it might justly be deemed a Place of great strength
for if an Enemy has no hopes of an Escalade, the effect
of Batterys, which cannot apparently be made nearer
than 800 or 1000 Yards, would not contribute much
towards taking the Place —

But this natural Strength of Situation ren-
-ders the application of Art more difficult & expensive,
because the Foundation must be bad, & a revetement
of Masonry to any Works with a wet Ditch would be
very tedious & costly in the Execution — The Importance
of the Place then should decide concerning the nature
of the Works to preserve it —

To me it appears that Masulipatam is now
at present, a Place of great Consequence for the Company
to support & preserve, and it is highly probable that its
Importance will augment rather than diminish —

I would therefore humbly propose for the pre-
-sent to throw up round the Town, a good Rampart of
Earth, preserving nearly the Form it has now, but mak-
-ing some of the Bastions larger & higher, & the Curtains
more substantial. On the out side of this Enceinte I
would leave a large Berm of 30 or 40 feet all round, &
beyond this I would have a deep Ditch of such a breadth
as the Earth taken for the Curtains, & Bastions would
produce, I would also contrive some Sluices in proper
Places to inundate the Environs of the Fort & occasion-
-ally to keep the flood Tide in the Ditch —

A Rampart thus formed of a clayish fat
Soil, cannot be expected to preserve its Form above a
Year

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Year or two, under such heavy Rains, as some Years
fall on this Coast, but by the Time it becomes defd
should Musulipatam condemned as Place of the Import-
ance it now possesses, I would recommend a thor-
Casing of Brick work to be carried round the whole
Covered, which as the Earth would be well settled, &
laid to a great Slope, would not be heavy, and not
not have any great depth of Foundation, because
the Berm would support & defend it against the Water
The greatest Object to me appear to be, the Ravine &
Loop not Ditch, & controuling to inundate the Covered
so that no approaches may be carried on near the
Any Rampart or inclosure erected by which
Enemy in
According to a Plan & Explanation which I
have by me, the French had intentions to render the
Musulipatam very strong, by carrying a good Ditch all
round it, and making four large Bastions, faced with
Masonry on the Northwest, North and
North East Quarters, besides two large Ravelins com-
posed of a Brick Wall only, without any Rampart but
a Foot Bank for Musketry, & by surrounding the rest
of the Town with smaller Bastions of Earth, & a Ram-
part near by of the Town it was in when taken by us.
but higher & more substantial. It also appears that
Sluices were intended for some Communication not
to be made by a cause Way to the Ditch. They could
have also provided a Difficulty in getting good Bricks,
& sufficient Quantity of Limestone, therefore it
would be

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resolved to face the Works which I have recommended it will be necessary to begin early with a Provision of these Articles —

It is impossible to be more particular as to the form of the Rampart I have proposed, or the Expence or the Time it may require for Execution, until I have on the Spot to examine more particularly the Nature of the Place, the Abilities of the People to be employed the Number of Task Diggers to be procured, and their Pay by the Day, or by the Measure. I can therefore only add that if you should be pleased to order any Work to be begun I can go thither by Sea in July or August, carry an Engineer with me, Trace the exact Plan, give him Instructions for proceeding with it, and after seeing the work begun, return hither in less than a Month or six Weeks, for which Time as soon as I can judge at present my absence from hence may be dispensed with, without any Interruption to the Works going on at this Place —

Take this Opportunity to mention that the 6 square Redoubts of Brick Work, which are on the inner Hedge to the North of the Black Town are almost fallen into Ruins & inconvenient to the new Line at present carrying on. I therefore beg leave to demolish them as our Work advances, and to employ the Bricks to face the new Batteries — I am with great Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient & very faithful Servant —

John Call Chief Engineer

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Leaves the 6 Redoubts at the Inner Hedge to be raised —

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Orders in Consequence

Ordered that a Copy of such Part thereof as relates to the Fortifications at Masulipatam be sent to the Pybus, who is to be directed to inform us of such Particulars as Mr Call is unacquainted with, especially with regard to the Expence of Coolies, Tank Diggers &c the Probability of procuring Bricks, Chunam &c other Materials, & also to give Us such further Information as He may be able —

Ordered also that the Redoubts mentioned by Mr Call be demolished & the Materials employed where they may be wanted —

Letter from Mr Lauritzen Crawford read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council
of Fort St. George —

Honble Sirs & Sirs —

Letter from Mr Crawford —

The Season of the Year being favorable for leaving Manila, the 11th February last I imbarked with the few Troops that remained on board the Worcester Company's Brig Pigot, and gave the Captain Orders to proceed for this Place, where I arrived the 3d Inst. By the Returns sent General Lawrence from Ensign Kent of His Majesty's 79th Regiment, Your Honors &c. will be particularly acquainted with every thing regarding the Soldiers —

regarding Stores &c left at Manilha

When the Town was evacuated by our Troops I delivered the Keys of the Warehouses to the Commissarys appointed for receiving the Place, but made them in my presence take an Account of the Provisions and Stores belonging to the Honble Company, for which I demanded a seperate Receipt, but

was

was refused, however they are included in the general Receipt given for every thing found in the Garrison on the Departure of the English Forces, which I now enclose your Honour

The Provisions & Timber I had valued by competent Judges, & sent the Account to the Governor, purposing to embark the Carriages on board the Bay Ships sailing, but I neither could obtain Payment of the first nor Liberty to put in execution the other, for he acquainted me that until the Stores should be accounted for that were wanting of those found by us in the Town the 6th October 1762, he would detain whatever the Deputy Governor & Council had left there, I represented to him the little Right he had to any such Demand, & allowing that his pretensions were just, the unlawfulness of seizing those effects, but this tending to no Manner of Purpose I protested against him for all the Losses that might result to The Honble Company from such Detention —

The Philipino Swan which was lying in the Port of Cavite loaded with Stores, in order to transport them to this Settlement by an unhappy Accident blew up, a few Days before the sailing of our Squadron, the Gentlemen before they left that Place took out the most valuable Part of her Cargo, but they acquainted me in General that many things still remained in her & desired I would endeavor to save what I possibly could, I therefore took the most effectual Measures to obey their Commands, but had no sooner begun than was prevented by the Commandant of Cavite, upon which I made application to the Governor at Manilla but —

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but he acquainted me that he looked upon that Vessel as the Property of the King his Master, & therefore could not possibly grant me Liberty to take any thing from on board: having in Vain used every Means to have her restored, I also protested against him —

I herewith enclose a List of the Provisions & Stores which were detained by the Spaniards & agreeable to the Desire of your Honour &c. I have valued them to the best of my Judgement, excepting the Carriages whose Price I am ignorant of.

During my Residence at Manila many of the Inhabitants gave in Petitions to the Spanish Governor representing the Hardships they had suffered & to which the English Commander in that Place, & requesting he would endeavor to procure them Satisfaction, as I noticed these to me desiring I might answer them, I satisfyed those People so far as lay in my Power, & for the Injuries they complained of having received from Adherent Enemies I acquainted them, that as his Power was entirely distinct from that of the Deputy Governor & Council, whatever they might accuse them of, in no respect concerned the Honble Company —

The Spanish Governor sent me a Letter from the Fiscal, proving the Islands of Mindanao & Xolo to belong by right of Conquest to his Catholick Majesty and protesting against any Forces being landed or Establishments made at either of those Places —

As all the Letters I sent and received are noted in my Diary, which I delivered to the Secretary, I shall avoid troubling your Honour &c. any further, but beg leave to subscribe myself with the greatest Respect —

Honble

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Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt & Faithfull Hble Servant

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Dunlop Canford

List of Stores &c.a belonging to the Company detained by the Spaniards at Manilha

In the Warehouses of Manilla

List of Stores detained by the Spaniards at Manila

20 Arrobas of Salt Petre a 7 Dollrs ₰ Picul	25 4 4	
1251 Cavans Paddy a 4 Reals ₰ Cavan	625 4 —	
85 Arrobas of Tobacco a 1 Dollr Arrobas	85 — —	
282 D.o clean Rice a 1 Dollr ₰ D.o	282 — —	
18 Arrobas Pepper a 18 D.o ₰ Picul	58 7 3	
3 D.o Turmaric	3 — —	
200,000 Sticks of Firewood	200 — —	
27 Pelons of Sugar a 3 Dollrs ₰ Picul	54 — —	
2 Casks Salt Provisions a 40 Dolls ₰ Cask	80 — —	
17 Tarrs Hogs lard a 4 Dollars ₰ Tarr	68 — —	

In Cavite

Timber

N.o 1	72 mean Girth	68	
2	84	64	
3	88	72	
4	70	80	
5	83	70	
6	100	44	
7	68	72	
8	78	72	
9	72	68	
10	84	68	
11	114	68	
12	48	16	
13	70	64 valued with another a 80 Dollrs each	1040
1 Galley on the Stocks purchased ₰ Honble Company from the Captors			1000
Mast of the Sloop Peking taken for the Santa Rosa			150
Carried Over			3782 3 7

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Brought Over		3782	3 7
The Phillipina Snow with Stores &c on board		6000	— —
Spanish Dollars —		9782	3 7

List of Carriages &c left at Manila —

Carriages —

2	30 Pdr	@ 150 — —	—	300	— —
7	24	@ 139 . 18 —	—	976	18 —
6	18	@ 120 — —	—	720	— —
3	12	@ 112 . 27 —	—	338	9 —
3	4	@ 88 . 12 —	—	265	12 —
Lumbers —					
1	18 Pr			20	— —
3	8	@ 12 — —	—	36	— —
10	Dispence Magazines	@ 15 — —	—	150	— —
16	Centry Boxes	@ 14 — —	—	224	
3	Transport Carriages	@ 93 . 6 . 60	—	279	20 20
25	Travelers Mounted	@ 78 — —	—	390	— —
18	Small Wheels without Irons and Spindles	@ 7 — —	—	126	— —
6	New Chests	@ 3 — —	—	18	— —
4	New Axle Trees	@ 2 — —	—	8	— —
2	Wheels finished	@ 12 — —	—	24	— —
8	Barrels Cannon depositd	@ 1 . 18 —	—	12	— —
19	Frames for D°	@ 1 — —	—	19	— —
Pag°				3906	29 20

Order thereupon —

Ordered that the General List of Stores left at Manila with the Known Stores Receipt for them be kept here, and that a List of those belonging to the Company detained at Manila, be sent thither, and the Amount of them demanded from the Spanish Government

Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army read as follows —

&c &c

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To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c Council of Fort St George

Letter from Colonel Campbell

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have just had the honor to receive your Hono of the 10th & tomorrow Captain Fitzgerald will march with a Detachment as ordered, Also Capt. Baillies Com-pany for Madras, Lieut. Crosby with two Companys of the 5th Battalion & the two Companys of Seapoys which came with Mr Desvoeux for Wormapollam & Arnaulo & Captain Long for Tricheneopoly

I have ordered all the recovered Men that were at Arcot to Vellore, & Captain Clark to give an equal Number of Men to Capt. Long to make his Com-pany 100

We have had 15 Europeans deserted since the 2d Inst

By deducting from the Monthly Returns sent the President the 12th Instant, the following Detachments & Casualties will shew what Force remains now with me, but on my Arrival at Vellore I shall send an exact Return

State of the Army

Detachments & Casualties since the 1st May

with Capt. James Fitzgerald 200 Europeans & 800 Sepoys

with Capt Long 100 Europeans, with Captain Baillie 3. 3.. 49 Europeans, with Lieutenant Crosby 4 Com-panys of Seapoys, with Capt Hart the Coffree Com-pany & 900 Seapoys — Deserted — 15 Europeans —

Dead — 6 Do

The sick List increased 26 Do —

applies for Doctor &c

It will be very necessary for the Preservation of the Mens Healths, that proper Doolies be sent to Camp, as those they are now carried in are so extremely bad, that the Surgeon thinks the Men suffer great-ly by them, & many fall sick daily, yesterday two died suddenly with the excessive Heat, as the Weather is by much more so at present than I ever

felt

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Jt Wt Medicines & Hospital Bedding will also be march-
ranted at Nellore

Mr Dowsett acquaints me he has wrote to
the Commissary General concerning the Payment
of Captain Fitzgerald's Detachment —

I have the Honor to be with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obligd & most obed Servant
Charles Campbell —

Cornet Calastry
14th May 1765 —

Resolution in
Consequence —

Agreed that Colonel Campbell be desired to
build Pandalls for the People which the Board will be
better for them than Tents, & ordered that 50 Dollrs
be made up & sent to Nellour with all Expedition, as
to the Bedding, the Surgeon is to be ordered to make
up Cases to be filled with Sheaves, which were found
to answer very well at Madura, & the Paymaster or
to pay for them, & when the Surgeon sends in an
Indent for Medicines it shall be complied with as
far as possible —

As He would have Captain Dowsett return
to Trichinopoly Captain Clark is to be desired to de-
tain Captain Lang with his Company at Tellore, & to
endeavor to send with Captain Dowsett the same
Number of Officers & Men He brought from Tanjore
with him, & to take Care that as few of them as possible
are the same Men, who he came from thence —

And it will be necessary that some Officer
should proceed to Nellore to relieve Mr Dowsett in
the Confidence of Paymaster & Commissary to the Army
that he may return to his Station at Cuddalore —

Mr Perring appointed Paymaster & Commissary to the Army —

Mr Perring is appointed to those Employs, and
ordered that Instructions be prepared for him —

And as a Paymaster & Commissary will be

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Mr Cumming appointed Paymaster & Commissary to Capt Fitzgerald's Detachment.

be wanted to the Detachment under the Command of Captain Fitzgerald — Mr Cumming is appointed to those Employments —

Letters from the Nabob are entered in Country Correspondence N° 82 enclosing Bills for Pagodas 114283 — 1/4 being in Exchange for four Lacks of Rupees the Amount of March & April Rists; desiring He would assist him in reducing the Ongole & Pulnaud Districts to Obedience which are dependant on Nellour, expressing great Satisfaction at the Treatment he has met with during his Stay here. Desiring to know what Batta our Troops at Madeira & Pallamcotah receive, as his Troops at Worriapollam had applied for the like Allowance and requesting that his Troops in the Arnialam and Worriapollam Country may be under the Direction of his Manager — And recommending that proper Persons may be appointed to collect the Customs & Imposts which the Polligars at Worriapollam collected from the Districts of Cuddalore — as they are a Grant given to the Company 84 Desiring that his Troops at Calicad may be supplied with Arms &c —

Agreed that a Letter be wrote to the Nabob acknowledging the Receipt of the Bills, & that Credit be given Him for the Amount. He is also to be informed that Colonel Campbell has marched the Army to Nellour, & will be ready to reduce the Ongole Rajah & bring the Pulnaud & other Polligars to submission. That Battering Cannon & Stores are ready to be embarked for this Purpose, if they are found necessary He is also to be acquainted that our Troops at Worriapollam receive no Batta, or extraordinary Allowance that at Madeira, We have on Account of the great Scarcity of Provisions been obliged to order Rice to be served out to the Garrison at 60 Pagodas pr Garce, when

it

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it is not to be bought at that Price. As the Number of our Seapoys doing Duty at Warriapallam & Arrialore are sufficient for those Places, the Nabob is to be desired to dispose of his, as He pleases. As to the Customs & Incomes He is to be thanked for having conferd them on the Company. & informed that a proper Person shall be appointed to collect them. The Nabob is likewise to be acquainted that Orders have been frequently sent to Major Campbell, to supply his Forts in the Tinnivelly Country, with whatever may be necessary & can be spared.

Rt Palk
Stringer Lawrence
Ed Bourchier
Rich. Prizefield
Sam. Ardley
Charles Turner
John Call
Geo. Stratton

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Delivered the following Instructions to Mr

Perring —

To Mr Peter Perring

Sir

Instructions to Mr Perring —

You are appointed Commissary & Paymaster to the Army under the Command of Colonel Campbell on the room of Mr Dorsett and these Instructions are to serve as your Guide, till You can be furnished with a compleat Book of Military Regulations —

You are to muster on the Presence of the Commanding Officer or one deputed by him all the Cavalry Artillery, Military, Seapoys, Lascars, Artificers Coolies &c. that receive Pay from the Government monthly or oftener, if time & place will permit, & to note all Casualties — One Copy of which Muster signed by You, & certified by the Commanding Officer or the Person deputed by him must be kept by You, & another certified in the same Manner transmitted to the Board — These Musters are always to be taken as near the end of the Month as possible, as they are in some Measure to be your Guide in the Issues of Pay —

You are to call for every Night the Notes, which have been delivered daily from the Commanding Officer of each Company or Detachment, for the Number of Men to be victualled — These you are to compare with the Muster taken by you of the Number of Men paid in Camp, by which Means you may be able to vouch for the Number of Men daily victualled —

You are also to send into the Commissary General at the end of every Month, a Return signed by You of the daily Account of Men victualled & the Musters —

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Mustert, you shall have taken of all Sergeants Drum-
mers & Men who are victualled by the Contractor dur-
ing that Month, as also a Return of all the Bullocks
employed in that Month for the Service of the Army
which you are to muster, & see that they are able & fit for
Service, constantly discharging all that are not —

The Quarter Masters of Cavalry, Artillery &
Military, are to deliver to you every Night a Demand
for the Number of Lascars, Artificers & Coolies for
the next Days Service, You are to provide them & see
that they are employed on the Companys Service, in
the Evening You are to muster these & to pay them
agreeable to the Muster so taken —

You are to give the Pay of Cavalry, Artillery
Military, Sergeants, Lascars, Artificers &c agreeable
to the Muster Rolls taken & certified as aforesaid, tak-
ing great Care that all Casualties are regularly not
You are to transmit Monthly to the Military Fund
master the Rolls & Accounts of Pay of the Euro-
Soldiers — The Rolls or Abstracts of Sergeys Accounts
of Batta, and all other Accounts of the Army. You
are to send in to the Commissary General —

The Pay of the Cavalry, Artillery & Military
is to be paid to the several Captaines or Officers Com-
manding each Company or part of a Company ac-
cording to the Rolls signed by them, taking Care that
they agree with the Musters taken by You. But
the Sergeys Lascars & all others who receive Pay
from the Company, are to be paid by You, every
Man with your own hand —

You are to pay no Bills of contingent
any Charges

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Charges presented to you signed by the proper Officer & certified by the Commanding Officer, provided such Bills appear reasonable, otherwise, you are first to advise the Commissary General as you are of all occasional Charges —+

Mr Dowsett has Orders for delivering over to you such Orders & Regulations as He may have received, & to give such further Explanations concerning your Employs as may be necessary —

× Colonel Campbells Pay is 25 Shillings ℔ Day and His Allowances in the Field are 300 Pagodas ℔ Month, and in Cantonments, or out Garrisons 25 Rupees ℔ Day —

We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends —

Rob.t Palk pr Council —

The following Letters were at the same time sent to Colonel Campbell & Mr Dowsett

To Charles Campbell Esqr.
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell — advising of Mr Perrings Appointment

Mr Peter Perring being appointed Commissary & Paymaster to the Army in the Room of Mr Dowsett, He now proceeds to Nellour to take Charge of those Employs —

Colonel Campbells Allowances —

Your Subsistance as Colonel is 25 Shillings a Day your Allowances when Commanding in the Field 300 Pagodas a Month, the same as what Col.o Monson received, and your Batta in out Garrisons, or Cantonments or when not commanding in Chief 25 Rupees a Day —

We

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Sir

We are Sir
Your most Obedient humble Servts
Robert Palk &c Council

To Mr Robert Dowell

Sir

Mr Peter Perring being appointed Commissary
& Paymaster to the Army on your coast, You will on
his Arrival deliver over to him the Charge of those
Corps, together with all such Orders & Regulations
as you may have received from us, and after you have
made him acquainted with the Method of conducting
the Business you will proceed hither

We are Sir
Your affectionate Friends
Robert Palk &c Council

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Sent the following Letter to Captain Clark & Lieut

To Captain Clark
Commanding at Vellore

Sir

As it would have Captain Lang with his
Company remain at Vellore instead of proceeding
to Tondiman's Poly, You will acquaint us whether you
cannot send from your Garrison to Tondiman's Poly
100 Europeans with Captain Dormell, without being
obliged to return Hither many of the Men who are
from thence

We are Sir
Your affectionate Friends
Robert Palk &c Council

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To Captain Clark
Commanding at Vellore

Sir

Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

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To Captain Ross Lang

Sir

Letter to Captain Lang — ordered to Vellore with his Detachment —

You will on the receipt hereof proceed to Vellore, with the Men under your Command & put your self under the Orders of Captain Clark —

We are Sir

Your humble Servants —

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Robert Palk & Co.a Council —

22. Dispatched the following Letter to John Pybus Esqr Chief of Mazulipatam

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief at Mazulipatam

Sir

Letter to Mr Pybus

We have received your Letter of the 9th Inst.t with Meer Nezam Ally sent us Sunnads for the Circars in 1762. Vezaramraauze who was desirous of having under our Protection offered to pay 5 Lacks of Rupees in full for all Arrears that were due to Soubah to 10th September 1762, on account of the Circar of Chicacole as also 5 Lacks of Rupees for the annual Rent of that Circar, But did not make any Claim to any of the other Circars; We were then satisfied with his Offers, at least for the present, & promised to endeavor to procure for him from Nezam Ally a full Discharge in Consequence of his paying the above Sums —

It is likely Seataramraauzes Proposals may not now be so large, since We are not in Possession of the Sunnads. However We think He will submit to any reasonable Terms, rather than run the risque of making us his Enemies. And We are of Opinion that We should not, at least for the present, assist to take such, as He may have any real Cause to object to. We

regarding Seataramraauze &c.

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We would recommend that the Turrs fixed for the mounting them should be as short as possible as we may get Guns at all events of getting the whole for the Company. if you judge your Presence at Camp may be a Means of settling Matters with more ease, you will proceed thither.

We desire you will also endeavour to procure Sentrys accustomed to give up to the Company their Duty of Guards. & if you can procure from Suria or Surat a small Sort of Country wood it will be still more agreable.

We send you herewith a Copy of a Letter from the Chief Engineer concerning Forts Augustus & Jatara. You will give Us all the Intelligence you are able with regard to such Matters as We Call it not acquainted with, particularly as to the Expence of Fascines, Tank Diggers, & the facility of procuring Bricks, Chunam, Lather Materials &, & any other Observations you may think necessary.

regarding the Works at Augustus & Jatara

You will be pleased to inform Us what Houses will really be wanted for the Company of those mentioned in the List transmitted to Us, or any other liable to be demanded. And set a Value on them, that We may, if it should appear reasonable, pay the Owners for them.

We are

Sirs

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c Council

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22d May 1765

Sent the following Letter to Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army

To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 19th and

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Boyles to be sent here —

have ordered 50 Boates to be made up, & sent up with all Expedition: As to the Bedding, The Surgeon must make up proper Cases to be filled with Straw, which Heave no formed were found to answer every well at Madura & Paymaster must Defray the Expence thereof —

When the Surgeon sends in an Indent for Medicines, We shall order it to be complied with as far as possible —

We would recommend, while the Troops remain at Nellore, that you set about building Pandalls for them, which will be of more Service than Tents, in keeping them from the Weather —

Pandalls to be built for the Men —

Weare

Sir

Your most Obedient Humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George
22 May 1765 —

At a Consultation Present

Robert Palk Esqr. Governor President

Stringer Lawrence, Charles Bourchier

Richard Smith Samuel Bradley

Charles Turner. John Call —

George Stratton —

The President acquaints the Board that He has made Enquiry regarding the Strength & Situation of Angola & Ellaver, & the following is the most particular Account, He has been able to procure regarding them —

Account of Angola & Ellaver —

Angola is distant from Pondicherry the Seaport about 10 or 12 Miles, It is not much bigger than the inner Fort of this Place, about 40 Yards each Side of the Square, a Bastion at each Angle, but so much out of Repair that they would scarce bear to be fired from On the Centre of the Curtain is a Elevation, the Gate

May

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Gate Way is of Mud, the Foundation of the Fort is of Stone & the upper Part Mudd. There has been a dry Ditch, which as well as the Fort was much out of Repair in June last. The Country about is free of Wood. The Pallah is to the Southward close to the Fort, which is open to the Northward, & partly to the Eastward —

Ellour about 5 or 6 Miles West or North West of Bloor

of Ongole, is a Fort of about the same Size with it built with Mud, but surrounded by a Pallah, which is quite open —

Letter from Colonel Campbell read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c. Council of
Fort St. George

Letter from Col. Campbell —

Honble Sir and Sirs

This Morning I arrived here with the Army & from what I have yet seen of the Place I imagine our Quarters will not be very good, however if Houses cannot be got, I shall soon get Sheds made —

The Honble Board not having been pleased yet to acquaint me what Bullocks ought to be kept in the Service, I am at a Loss how to act in that particular, but as I can employ them, the Lascars & Coolies in building Sheds & Conveniency's I shall not discharge any until I am favored with an Answer to this, but at the same time beg leave to observe, that what Bullocks are now to be dismissed we shall find it extremely difficult to replace them, in Case hereafter the Service requires them for they are all from over even

desires Orders regarding the Number of Bullocks to be kept up —

Settlement

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Settlements & Factorys Full Return of Cruizings the above
I have the Honor to be with great Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obligd & most obedt Servant
Charles Campbell

Campsacar
Pollore
21st May 1765

As We imagine that Angola & Ellour are the only
Purport of Letter to Mr Spencer
Places where We will meet with any Opposition, the
Account We have received of them, is to be sent him,
from which & the Information, He may form a
He will be able to judge what Number of Boa-
boks are necessary to be kept up, as also whether
any & what Battering Cannon will be required, of
which He is to inform Us — And it is ordered that
some Battering Cannon with Stores, be kept ready
to be sent by Sea, in case they should be wanted —

The President acquaints the Board, that He
had not been able to obtain Information of the Num-
ber of Grabs from Bengal &c, He had desired Mr
Spencer to use his Influence with the King, to confer
the Management of these Grabs on the Company,
under his royal Phirmaund, The Particulars of
which are as follow —

Amount of 3 Grabs

Chucacole, Rajahmundry, Ellore, Nursaphanagar
Nursaranagar or Guntoor —

These Grabs when over Cultivated have been
estimated the four first at 31 Lacks & Guntoor at 12 Lacks
of Rupees yearly, upon the whole We judge their
present Value to be about 30 Lacks or 15 Lacks of
Rupees clear of Sibendy & other Charges The Presi-
dent at the same time lays before the Board a Copy
of the Letter He had wrote to Mr Spencer on the Subject

Extract of a Letter from the President to
Mr Spencer —

Sir

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The President writes to Mr Spencer on the Subject

In my last which your Hon'd not mention'd I sent a Persian List of the four Circars. These Circars are bounded by Cattack to the Northward, by the Sea Eastward, by the Hills Westward, & by the Carnatick of which Nellore is the Northermost, to the Southward. They are the Countries which were granted to the French by the Soubah of the Deckan, & taken by Col. Ford who gave them up for the good Pleasure of Mansulipatam & its Dependencies. We have endeavored to Rent them but without Success, Nizam Ally, no Friend of the Kings, is the present Possessor & as they are the only Opening on this Coast where the French can act to advantage, it is necessary to find Means of keeping them out which the Grants I have desired will effectually accomplish, & therefore they are of Consequence to the Company, especially as they ought & in time will do produce one half of our Investment —

To hopes of obtaining them —

The President takes occasion acquaints the Board that he had received a Letter from Mr Spencer advising him of his having applied to the King agreable to the President's Request & was in daily Expectation of receiving the Sanads —

The President lays before the Board the following Letter from Captain Madge to Mr Pybus

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief of Masulipatam —

Letter from Capt. Madge to Mr Pybus

Sir

Seal of surrender Surrenders Rajahmundry —

I have at last the Pleasure to acquaint You, that our Troops are in Possession of Rajahmundry, which the Rajah surrendered this Morning by Treaty: He is now retiring towards the Cheecacole Country, where he will wait the Determination of the

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the Governor & Council of Madras with regard to the Set-
tling that Country —

I am so much fatigued with the hard Duty
I have had for these two Days past, that it is with great
Difficulty I can keep my Eyes open to send You this
Scrawl, tomorrow Morning I will send you a more
Satisfactory Account, & am in the mean Time, with
the greatest Respect.

Sir

Your most obed.t Hble Servant

Fs Madge —

Rajahmundry
14th May 1765 —

We are well pleased that Scotarasawayze has
surrendered Rajahmundry, without obliging Us
to come to Extremities; And as We hope We may re-
ceive the Grants for all the Circars from the Mogul
Mr Pybus is to be desired to defer, as long as possible
entering into any Agreement with Scotarawayze
regarding Chicacole, as possibly the Reinforcements
expected this Year may enable Us to take Possession
of those Circars —

Resolution in
Consequence —

Rob.t Palk
Wm.m Lawrell
E.d Bourchier
Rich.d Fairfield
Sam.l Ardley
Charles Turner

John Call
Geo. Stratton

24.

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Sent the following Letter to Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army viz.

To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell

We have received your Letter of this Date

You will meet with little or no Opposition in your March to Angola & Ellour, & of those Forts the following is the most particular Account We have been able to procure —

informed of the Strength &c of the Forts —

Angola is distant from Pondetta the Place about 10 or 12 Miles, Its size is not much bigger than the inner Fort of this Place, about 120 Yards each Side of a Square, a Bastion at each Angle, but so much out of Repair that they will scarce bear to be fired from — Both the Centre of each Curtain is a Gateway & the Ramparts of Stone & the upper Part of Mud, There has been a dry Ditch round it as well as the Fort, some small Repairs have been done last — The Country about it is free of Wood — The Beach is to the Southward close to the Fort which is open to the Northward & Eastward to the Land —

to see the Number of Bullocks to be kept up in

Ellour is about 5 or 6 Miles West or North West of Angola, is a Fort of about the same Size with Angola, built with Mud but surrounded by a Ditch which is quite open —

From this Account together with the Intelligence you may procure with regard to the Strength of these Places, you will be able to judge what Number of Bullocks should be kept up, & what Means

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what Battering Cannon will be wanted to reduce them of which you will inform us; And We shall keep ready a Battering Train with the necessary Stores to be sent by Sea to Pondarie should you judge them requisite

This being the only material Business to be done will serve as a Guide to you, in keeping a proper Number of Bullocks, or any other Part of your Comp.a that cannot easily be replaced at Nellour

We are

Sir

Your most Obed.t humble Servant

Robert Palk &c.a Council

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Received the following Letter from Batavia which arrived in a Dutch Ship at Negapatam

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St. George

Hon.ble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Captain Hunt & others of the Death of Capt.n Stevenson & of the Killedar by Lion

By the inclosed from the late Captain William Stevenson who died here the 7.th Instant, it will appear to You that he drew on your Honor &c.a in the Month of February, in favor of Shaneer Sultan, the Sum of three Hundred Pagodas for his & my Subsistance, as well as that of the four Sepoys left with me, & I have further to advise your Honor &c.a that afterwards having found that Sum insufficient, he retook the said Bill of three Hundred Pagodas & drew One for Five Hundred

I give this Letter of advice of these Transactions happening to my certain Knowledge at the Request of the Armenian Merchant Johannes Manuel

of

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Transmits Captain Skinners Letter with his Port &c

of this Place we informed the Hon.ble Captain Skinner having omitted it before his Departure we have enclosed the Copys of his Request to Captains Godfrey & Bourdet & their Answers as well as Application from Captain Fletcher for an Advance of Hire to enable the Troops under his Command to Join us

As the Particulars of our Affairs have been recommended in Packets Captain Skinner will receive from the Hon.ble Select Committee Therefore only acquaint your Honor &c.a that he is expected to sail from hence for Bencoolen in about twenty Days — in that he cannot expect to be on the Coast before the Middle of June — Since our Return to this place We have been pretty lucky in regard to the 79th Regiment, having lost only six or eight Men —

Receipt of the above by the Hon.ble Skinner & Reply thereto

The Argo Frigate & Pluto Sloop arrived here from Bengal the 12th January & sailed from hence the 29th the Pitt Packet for China remains here the Duke Gloster Captain Bourdet, Earl of Elgin Captain Cook & the Duke Richmond Captain Legrey / This Fleet is now wholly recruited to the Command &c reserved by the Death of Captain Godfrey / These Ships are all bound for China I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Horrible Sir & Sirs

Your most obed.t & most obliged Hble Servt

W.m Flint

Batavia March 16th 1765

To the Hon.ble Robert Palk Esq.r President & Governor &c.a Council of Fort St George

Hon.ble Sir & Sirs

Soon after my Arrival here from the Dom.s

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appointed Captain Fletcher of the Middlesex to convey Part of his Majesty's Regiment to the Coast, neither the Swan nor the Falmouth being in a Condition to proceed, & the Men in a most miserable Condition owing to the unhealthyness of the Climate I embarked myself on board the Middlesex as she sailed best, & I thought the Security of Engineers might render my Services necessary at Madura, We sailed from Batavia for Bencoolen the 24th September Captain Fletcher having on board some Troops belonging to that Settlement that he had brought from the Manilas. As Mr Jourdon & I thought the Troops would be much wanted on the Coast & were apprehensive that touching at Bencoolen first would retard their Passage there, We recommended to Captain Fletcher to proceed immediately to Fort St George, but he was of Opinion that going there would make no material Difference, he therefore spent near five Weeks in an unsuccessful Attempt to reach that Place after which they were obliged to return to Prince's Island to wood and Water, on the 15th November We sailed from thence & endeavoured to make the outward Passage, but there being a strong North West Wind & Northerly Current We could not weather Java, indeed We narrowly escaped being drove on the Rocks we anchored the same Night in the Streights of Sunda & waited till the 20th for a Wind to get out, but not having a favorable One Captain Fletcher determined rather than wait longer to make his Passage thro the Streights of Malacca, by the 20th December We had reached

refused me

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reached the North End of the Straights of Banca
where we sprung a most dangerous Leak that oblig
-d us to return to Batavia with all Expedition, on
my return here which was the 27th December I
found in the Road the Ships Duke of Richmond
Captain Godfrey & Duke of Gloucester Captain Bur
-dett both which had lost their Passage to China by
the common Track & had no Intention of attempt
-ing that of the Straits to the Eastward, I therefore
immediately applied to Captain Godfrey & Burdett
to receive the Troops that were on board the Mid
-dlesex, & convey them to Madras, as their Middlesex
could not be repaired & ready to sail for three Month
which I thought would be a long time for the Hon
-ble Company to maintain near 200 Men with
their Officers, & be without their Services, whom the
China Ships could carry them to the Coast without
making any material Difference in their Investment
in China next Season, both those Gentlemen readily
consented from carrying them, a Copy of my
Letter to them & their answers are inclosed, as well as
an Application from Captain Fletcher for an
Advance of Money to victual the Troops with my
Answer to him

applies also to Capt Godfrey & Burdett who became themselves

Captain Flint & my self being very much
distressed for Money, as well as the few Seapoys
that We brought with Us from the Admiral Pe
-cock, for our Protection in the Prow, We came here
in last August, I have taken the Liberty to draw
on your Honor &c. for three Hundred Pagodas

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favor of Shamier Sultan for our Subsistance here
I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obed.t & most humble Servt
William Stevenson

Batavia
10th February 1765

To Captain Benjamin Godfrey
Commanding the Duke of Richmond

Sir

As I am the only Person remaining of the
Manila Agency, I think it encumbent on me to re-
quest of you that in Case you do not attempt the Pas-
Passage, you would receive on board your Ship and
convey to Madras the Troops belonging to his Ma-
-jesty's 79 Regiment that are on board the Ship of
Middlesex, that Ships springing a Leak having
obliged her to return, & prevents her from proceed-
-ing that Service, & she will probably not be able to
go to Sea these three Months, during which Time
the Men already sickly will be falling of daily, & the
Honble Company be put to a great & unnecessary Ex-
-pence in maintaining them here, at a Time their Ser-
-vices may be of the greatest Consequence to their Af-
-fairs on the Coast. Your immediate Answer will
greatly oblige

Sir

Your most obedient humble Serv
Wm Stevenson

Batavia
29th Dec.r 1764

P.S. I wrote the same Letter to Captain Brisdett

To William Stevenson Esqr

Sir

Your request concerning my receiving the
Answer

Serv

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Troops now on board the East of Middlesex & convoy
ing them to Fort St George. I have just now received
& do assure you I should with the greatest Pleasure
embrace the Opportunity of doing the Honble Com
=pany so necessary a Service did not the Distressed
Situation of my Ship & People render it absolutely
impossible. We were from the Latitude of 18° South
& upwards forced back into this Road with the Loss
of 21 of my best Men, by a malegnant Fever which
we caught at Poole Bay, & forty four more on the
Surgeons List incapable of Duty, of which Number
15 only are yet capable to lend any Assistance, and
having two of my Masts to Fish & repair some of
which will take at least three Weeks to compleat
and my sick People to recover, I have all the reas
imaginable to think it will be entirely out of my
Power to proceed to Sea for the Space of two Months
& upwards — I am

Sir

Your most Obed. Humble Servt

Benj. Godfrey

Batavia
30th Dec. 1764

To William Stevenson Esqr

Sir

Capt. Burdett
Passover —

Yours I received and am sorry for your
Misfortune of loosing your Passage to the Coast and
as to your request of my taking on board his Majes
tys 79 Regiment that is on board the East Middlesex
& carry them to Fort St George is quite out of my Power
to do, nor can I answer so doing, having on board
Packets for China, and therefore cannot possible
comply with your Request —

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Sam Sir

Your most obedient & humble Servant

Robert Burdett

Batavia

29th Decem 1764

To William Stevenson Esqr.

Sir

Letter from Capt. Fletcher to Capt. Stevenson

I am sorry to acquaint you, that the Scarcity & Dearness of both Salt & Fresh Provisions in this Place, puts it out of my Power to victual Hrs Ma=jestys Troops which are now on board my Ships, dur=ing my Stay here, at the Rate the Honble Company commonly allow. Unless I have a sufficient Quan=tity of Money advanced, to enable me to purchase the same

I am distressed for Money myself, to pay for the Repairs my Ships wants, and I cannot bor=row any, but at a very extravagant Rate

I shall this Day write to Captain Backhouse to the above Purport

I am with the greatest Respect

Sir

Your most Obedt. Hble Servant

Henry Fletcher

applies for an advance of Money to purchase Pro=visions

Batavia

7th Jany 1765

To Henry Fletcher Esqr

Commanding the Earl of Middlesex

Sir

Capt. Stevenson's Answer to him

I was favored with Yours dated the 7th Inst. this Morning I am sorry to find that the Honble Company's usual Allowance will not enable you to maintain the Troops, & more so that I am neither impowered to increase it, or make you any advance

but

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but I make not the least Doubt, that on your representing the Case to the President & Council of Madras on your Arrival there, they on considering the Disadvantages you labour under will make all due allowance

On our Departure from Manilla no Advance was made to the Captains of the Ships that received the Troops on board nor any extraordinary Allowance for victualling them, altho there was the greatest Scarcity in the place on our Departure. If then the Government of Manilla did not think themselves authorized to advance Money without they Lessen their Profession, or encrease the usual Allowance, how much less can I take upon me to draw on the Company for to make those advances — I am with the greatest Respect

Sir

Your most Obedt Humble Servt

Wm Stevenson

Batavia
9th Jan 1765 —

Received the following Letter from Captain Clark Commanding at Vellore

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George
& Co Council —

Letter from Capt Clark
regarding the Honble
Escort to Trichinopoly —

Vellore
22d May 1765 —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Last Night I received your Favor I am sorry I have but Two Hundred Men with Captain Dormond to Escort the Provisions to Trichinopoly including Twenty four Topasses without sending one of them that came from there, They to know of Capt Dormonds Officers are to go with them or take the Duty by Rank I am

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedt & most humble Servant

John Clark

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25th In answer to which the following Letter was sent him

To Captain Clark

Sir

Answer in Consequence

We have received your Letter of the 22d when Capt Lang's Detachment arrives, You are to receive them into your Garrison & to detach Captain Dormond to Trichinopoly immediately with the same Number of Officers & Men he brought from thence, to be formed out of your Garrison including the 2d Topasses

We are Sir

Your humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

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Sent the following Letter to John Pybus Esqr Chief of Mazulipatam

To John Pybus Esqr
Chief of Mazulipatam

Sir

Letter to Mr Pybus

Our President has communicated to Us Captain Madge's Letter to You advising of the Surrender of Rajahmundry, & We are well pleased to find you have got quiet Possession without coming to Extremities

We conclude Seatarammarauze will now retire into the Circar of Chicacole, We would therefore wish to defer entering into any Agreement with him regarding it, Untill We know whether We may not be able to obtain Grants for all the Circars for the Company, in which We have some Reason to hope for Success

Ordered to defer coming to any Agreement with Seatarammarauze regarding Chicacole

We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c Council

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Letters from Major Donald Campbell to the President received as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George —

Letter from Major Donald Campbell regarding Calastri

Honble Sir

Calastri is still holding out, & there are now in it about 2000 Armed Men which I think pretty sufficient to hold the Place against such an Enemy, the very numerous but Cowardly Complaints against the disorderly Conduct of the Natives People there, they expend the Ammunition with great Profusion and at Random, and Mr Alexander does not say a word; but hope this will be shortly remedied as Captain Frischmann will send a Detachment for his Garrison, which must, I think maintain the Place till the Enemy can be compelled to retire, the Means of which I am in daily Expectations of hearing from You —

It seems the Enemy have not Strength for the Place, but leaves us Masters of going in & out of the Fort at Pleasure —

I have nothing yet of the Buxy's Return

I have the Honor to be —
Honble Sir
Your very Obedt humble Servant
Donald Campbell —

Madura
12th May 1765 —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George
Honble Sir

Letter from Tinnevelly Country

Captain Frischmann acquaints me that some Nights ago about 3 or 400 Colleries entered the Pettah of Tinnevelly plundered the People, carried off

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Some, and went off again; by what he can learn he says there are 1000 of the Pulliveras Polligars entered into the King of Travancore's Service, & that they are them that came to Plunder the Tinnevelly Country the Reason he says he hears for it is, because most of the Polygar Chiefs are close Prisoners at Palam Cotta by the Nabobs People, and have been so ever since the Nabob first went up in that Country: its very extraordinary, Sir, that these Colleries should come into such an open Country as Tinnevelly, and to go off again without the Nabobs People being able to come to Captain Trichman from whence they came or which they went to! it seems that the People in that Country are so oppressed as makes them very disaffected —

I have ordered that Captain Harper with 2 Companys of our Seapoys, some Artillery Men, and Nabobs Topasses might be sent to Calcad, which I hope will serve to keep some Degree of Order in the Place, & maintain it, till We can be able to make the Enemy retire —

Mr Alexander acquaints Captain Trichman that the Enemy have made two or three Redoubts & Batteries from which they fire about 50 Rounds a Day into the Town which does little or no Damage — there are now eleven Companys of our Seapoys under Captain Trichmans Command & all the Seapoy Officers except one that I have here. I have the Honor to be

Honble Sir

Your very obed^t Servant

Donald Campbell —

Madura —
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P. S. The Buxys not yet arrived

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To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

I have been honored with your Letter of the 9th — its very evident much is not to be depended on what the Nabobs People write home; for I can make it appear that the abandoning those two Places in the Time they were done, has been the means of saving Caleicad so long, Paungoody has but a small Fort in which had no Water at that time & Trichinopoly had not a Sufficient Garrison to defend it against the Numbers that were brought before it, for Lieutt Cook who commanded there would not had given up the Place had he seen the least Probability of maintaining it any longer, and those Garrisons were obliged by Capitulation to go to Pallamcotah & by my Desire other Troops were sent to Calecad in their Room The Buxy is not yet arrived, so you see Sir, how much can be expected from him, who has been these Seven Days from Trichenopoly, tho' on such pressing Occasion as this, when myself with Infantry and Guns have marched it in three Days

I hope Calecad will be safe enough, till I can get a Reinforcement to compel the Enemy to retire.

Captain Frischmann says by what he can learn that the Rajah to whom Wardagerry formerly belonged has joined the Travencore's People with some thousands of Polligars, The King of Travencore having promised to put them in Possession of it again in which I hope they will both be disappointed, I

regarding giving up Paungoody Trichinamgoody

P.S.

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Shamcolah may be carried by such Numbers as are brought before it —

I have applied three Days ago to Major Wood to send me all the Assistance he can —

I am

Horible Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servant

Madrass 16th May 1765 —

Donald Campbell —

To which the following Answer was sent —

Sir

Letter to Major Campbell

Answer

I have received your Favors of the 12th 15th & 16th Major Wood writes me the 17th that on your proposing Application, He had ordered back your Detachment of Europeans & Seapoys, so that with the Assistance you have already given, the Return of the Nabob's Country, & what more may be spared when your Detachment returns, it is to be hoped Colroad will be out of Danger, and the Travancores be obliged to retreat, at all Events we depend on your giving such Orders & sending such Supplies as are necessary & can be spared —

I am

Sir

Your most humble Servant

Robert Palk —

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27th Sent the following Letter & Ship Berkshire to the President & Council of Fort William —

To the Honble John Spencer Esqr

President & Governor &c Council

at Fort William —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter to Fort William

Thus serves to enclose to You our Invoice and

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advising of Mons Puget Wrote Just then

and Bill of Lading of a Box of Musquet Barrs put on board the Ship Berkshire for your Perusing

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Weare
Honble Sirs &c
Your most Obedt humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

At a Consultation Present

Monday 27th May 1763

Robert Palk Esq. Governor President
Stringer Lawrence, Charles Bourchier
Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner, John Call
George Stratton

The President lays before the Board a Letter from Colonel Campbell, with his Answer.

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from Col. Campbell

Honble Sir

In Consequence of your Desire I have made all possible Enquiry concerning Ongole, the Intelligence I received, I now have the Pleasure to enclose, The Scarcity of Water seems to me to be the greatest Obstacle, but hope on further Examination to be able to remove even that

sends an account of Ongole &c

Force he requires to attack them

Therefore if you are pleased to think proper to have it attacked, Two 18 Pounders with the 5th Company of Grenadiers & Fitzgerald's Battalion of Sepoys with about 240 Rank & File, which I judge I can take from this will I imagine be Force sufficient allowing for the usual Sickness, this will make 300 Rank & File and 1500 Sepoys

All

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All the Stores may be sent by Water to Entaveram, Mummure, or Pasimore —

I have the Honor to be with great Respect

Honble Sir

Your most obliged & obedient Servant

Charles Campbell —

Camp near Nellour

23d May 1765 —

Account of Jingee &c —

Ongole a small Polygar Fort about 40 Coss North of Nellour and 5 Coss of the Sea, it is a square Form with a strong Mudd Wall, eight small Bastions and a narrow Foot Passage or Rampart from one to the other, but not wide enough to move a Gun on, nor is there Room in any Bastion except the Angle Ones to work a small Gun in, The Gate Way strong faced with a black Stone, & fronts the South, No kind of Ditch to the South West, is a Choultry called Byragnot, with a Parapet round it, & a young Tope & Well, And from the Choultry to the West runs an irregular high Hill, both within Musquet Shot of the Fort, on this Hill the Polygars generally maintain a Post or Redoubt to the East & North, are two Tanks, frequently dry at this Season, & a Pettah between the Fort & East Tank, the Banks are not very high, here likewise they support a strong Post, The Country entirely open and dry from eight to 10 Miles quite round. There are 6 Brass 3 & 4 Pounders mounted without the Walls, & manned with French Deserters, some few Iron Hammered Iron Shott, Lead, Stone &c. about 20 black Horse and 4 or 5000 Poons armed chiefly with match Locks, he is much befriended by three other Polygars the first called Mulraze, Narsan-ndid his Place Viniguinda with a thick Wood near it and

Letter from the Gov.
to Colonel Campbell
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and about 2 Days march to the North of Angole, the 2d is his Brother who last North West of home to Mata Sais. Mud Fort called Andalcore, the 3d last 4 Days March North East. Plain called Marijuere an open Country, but at this Season three Days to pass, It is the Custom for the People to support each other Friendly on all Occasions

to Angole is a small Mud Fort belonging to Bon=gar Naigue, called Pollam, where there is a small Supply of Water, and for the rest of the Road to Angole scarcely any Water at this Season, except a Morass Salt Water Lake not deep & about ½ Mile North of Pollam. The Road tolerably good the whole the to the West of Pollam about ½ Mile distance is a thick low brush Wood the rest of the Country inter=by open

To Colonel Campbell

Sir

I am favored with your Letter of the 23d enclosing the Intelligence which You have been able to procure of the Strength of Angole, the Want of Water will be an insurmountable Obstacle. I therefore desire Enquiry may be made as soon as possible for if this Difficulty cannot be removed, it will be in vain to undertake the Reduction of Angole at this Season

I am

Sir

Your most obed.t & Hble Servant

Robert Palk

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The Board observing that Colonel Campbell is desirous, in case of his attacking Ongole, of being join'd by the Detachment now on Command with Captain Fitzgerald, and as We cannot conveniently order it to return, Colonel Campbell is to be directed to acquaint Us if the European Cavalry may not upon an Emergency be dismounted, & act in the Battalion, He is likewise to be directed to send in a complete Return of Ours & the Nabob's Troops both Horse & Foot, that We may know what We have to depend on.

Observations thereon —

Resolution in Consequence —

As it appears by the Returns that the Number of Horses in the Troop of Hussars exceeds that of Men & that out of 50 Horses, 15 are sick, Lame, & unfit for Duty, Colonel Campbell is therefore to be directed to deliver over all the unserviceable Horses to the Paymaster, who is to dispose of them at Outcry; and it is agreed that in future no more Horses be purchased, or men removed out of the Infantry into the Cavalry without express Orders for that Purpose.

unserviceable Horses to be disposed of —

no Horses to be purchased, or Men removed into the Cavalry without Orders from the Board —

Letter from Mr Pybus Chief of Masulipatam read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c.a Council for the Military Department at Fort St. George —

Letter from Mr Pybus

Honble Sir & Sirs

I forwarded to the President the 16th a short Letter from Captain Madge of the 14th advising his being in Possession of Rajahmundry, & waited the further Accounts he then promised me relating to the Conditions on which Sitteramrauze had evacuated it, to address your

sends in an Account of the Surrender of Rajahmundry —

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your Honor &c. on this Subject, which having this Moment received, I now send you Captain Madge's Letter of the 15th with my Answer; You will likewise be pleased to receive under Cover, The Copy of a Letter from Sentaramanrauze & one of the Articles demanded by him of Hufsain Ally which he has engaged on his Part to fulfil. Sentaramanrauze's Letter to the President likewise now wants on you with the one he wrote me accompanying it. I have not received a Line from Hufsain Ally since I forwarded to him the President's Letter inclosed me in your Commands of the 23d Ultimo. He has not sent me a Bill as he ought to have done the 1st of this Month for the stipulated Monthly Payment for defraying the Expences of the Expedition, nor have I yet any Answer from the Mugulatore Royah, whether he will accept or not the Bills of Hufsain Ally has given Us on him for Rupees 150,000, so that I believe there will be an absolute necessity for my proceeding to Rajahmundry to settle these Matters in Person, which so soon as you will be pleased to honor me with your Determination relating to the Evacuation of Chicacole I shall be ready to do, if it meets with your Approbation —

Hufsain Ally fails in his Monthly Payments &c

The Mugulatore Royah has not accepted the Bills

I had a Letter yesterday from Captain Hart dated the 12th Instant advising his being arrived at Nellour with the Coffrey Company & a Battalion of Seapoys on his Way hither — I expect him here in two or three Days when he will continue his March directly to Rajahmundry —

Captain Hart arrives at Nellour

I have given Orders to the Paymaster to

continue

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Hes Directions to the Paymaster

continue full Batta to the Commanding Officer of the Detachment at Rajahmundry, & Half Batta to the other Officers so long as they continue in Garrison there. To strike off all Batta to Sepoys, Lascars, Artificers & others from the Day We took Possession of the Place, And to dust the Men on the Company's Account for no more than four Days after, As the Army were to be considered as in Cantonments so long as it continued there. The Draught & Carriage Bullocks I have ordered Them to continue on Pay till Affairs are settled between Hussein Alby & Sullivan relating to the Circar of Chicacole That they might be in readiness in Case there should be occasion for taking the Field — The Directions relating to the Officers are as nearly as I could collect conformable to the System established at Trichenopoly both out Garrisons on the Coast — If I have been mistaken I Hope to be excused — And beg leave to request being furnished with a Copy of the established Rules any Regulations for my Guidance on Matters of this Nature in future —

I hear nothing of Nizam Alby or the Marattas at present. The getting Possession of Rajahmundry will restore Them in Hopes Peace & Tranquility to the Countries this Way, & prevent any Disturbance being given to our Factories or Interruption to the Investments — I send under Cover Copy of a Letter I thought it necessary to write Hussein Alby as well to remind him that he had not fulfilled his Promise of sending me his Bill for the Monies

stipulated

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stipulated Payment for defraying the Expences of the Expedition, and to press the finishing with the Mogul=tore Rajah for Negotiating the Bills he had given us on him, & to give him to understand, That our Troops must remain in Possession of the Fort of Rajahmun=dry. And not be quarter'd in the Pettah as seemed to be his Intention, which I consider as the most effect=ual Measure that can be taken for enforcing his Compliance with the Engagements he has entered in=to with Us — I am very respectfully —

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedient & most humble Servt

John Pybus —

Masulipatam —
19th May 1765 —

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief of Mazulipatam —

Sir

Letter from Capt. Madge to mr Py=bus

In my Letter of Yesterdays Date, which in=formed you of our being in Possession of Rajahmun=dry, & of the Rajah's returning to his own Country, I Promised to send You an Account of the Treaty agreed on between the Nabob and him, which as the Articles were such as you authorised me to Guarantee, I assured the Rajah of the Company's Protection if He abode by their Determination, & as the Terms allowed him by the Nabob were so very reasonable, He must be lost to his own Interest if He hesitates a Moment to accept of them —

giving an Account of the Surrender of Rajahmundry.

He said He depended very little on the Nabob's promises & would therefore never agree to submit to them But as the Company had offered their Mediation in

the

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the Affair, He intirely threw himself under them
on, & will with the greatest Chearfulness undertake
ever may be their Determinations. He gave me a Co
=ving a Letter for the Governor of Madras, Sent by
Post which he requested might be sent off with the
ost Expedition, and for the greater Security
to inclose them in one of mine, but the Nabob
=cept them in

Enclosed

by the Nabob, & those demanded by the Rajah with
=ference between them is remarked, considering
as the latter by retiring out of the Raja's
try will entirely lose his Influence with the
He must soon find, should he ever venture to
with the Nabobs Affairs, or in any
=fringe on the Treaty agreed on between them
as he so readily obeyed our Orders, for quelling the
=ty. It seems to rely so much on the Determinations of
The Council of Madras, I should imagine the Affair
will be settled Amicably; if not We can oblige him
to do it by Force, when the Detachment
Madras, Finally the Nabob would be prevailed on to
disband the major Part of his Troops, and keep the re
=mainder regularly. I will engage to effect it myself if
only allowed a Reinforcement of 400 Seapoys.

The Nabob seems greatly dissatisfied at the
Rajahs insisting on the Affairs being settled by the Gen
=tlemen, who He now says have no Right to interfere in it
As He alone, is answerable to Nizam Ally for the Reve
=nues of the Country, and is therefore obliged to see them
regularly paid. This was his own Proposal & what He

desired

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desired me to offer the Rajah, as from himself in order to draw him off, which as it is now effected, He seems very loth to adhere to His Behaviour since the Retreat of his Enemy has been so very unbecoming that I have been obliged to reprimand him very severely and indeed during the whole time We have been on his Service, He has behaved in so indolent & remiss a Manner, that instead of acting as Auxiliaries We have been obliged to assume the Direction of Principals in his Affairs, in order to keep the Polygars in Subjection. His Troops every Moment threatning to desert him, & go over to the Enemy, which since our Leaving the River has obliged me to keep our little Detachment continually at their Arms, with nearly half of them facing his Camp, as a Guard on his Troops, who have more than once given Us Reason to suspect their Intentions —

Mr Kelsal informs me of your ordering him to strike off the Batta, on our taking Possession of the Garrison, But the Nabob does not think proper to allow Us to stay in it, and wants us to encamp in the Pettah, I suppose as the Officers are to be allowed half Batta the Nabob will give the Men the same Allowances as they had when encamped at Mafulipatam —

I must request your immediate Instructions with regard to the delivering up the Fort to the Nabob, & whether We are to proceed any further with them; But I have not as yet received an Answer to my Letter concerning your Coming to Camp, I still flatter myself with being favored with your Presence at Rajamundry

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Rajahmundry, & therefore continue the Pallankin Boys at their Stations. tho' as the Business seems to be pretty well settled, I do not imagine there is any Necessity for your Undertaking so disagreeable a Journey

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient faithful Servant
T. Madge

Rajahmundry
15th May 1765

To Captain Thomas Madge
Commanding the Troops at Rajahmundry

Sir

Letter from Mr Pybus to Captain Madge in Ans.r

I received this Morning your Letter of the 13th inclosing me two Letters from Settaramrauze & Copy of the Articles demanded by him, & promised on the Part of Hussain Ally, I have dispatched Settaramrauzes Letter to the Governor by this Days Tapsies, and expect the Determination of the Governor & Council relating to the Circar of Chicacole, on which will depend my coming to Rajahmundry & your taking the Field again or not — In the mean Time you will be pleased to keep Possession of the Fort and not consent to remove into the Pettah with the Detachment under your Command on any Account whatever — But if you are satisfied that there is not sufficient Room in the Fort for quartering the whole of your Seapoys without putting Hussain Ally to Inconvenience, you may station one, two, or three Companies of your Seapoys in the Pettah as you may see proper — I now write to Hussain Ally on this Subject, & inclose you the Letter which you will be pleased to deliver him —

I have given the Paymaster Orders to discontinue —

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discontinue all Allowances to the Detachment under your Command Except such as are usual to Troops in Cantonments at Trichenopoly, & other but Garrisons on the Coast, in which Light you are to consider Your Present Situation — The Nabob is at Liberty to make what Allowance he pleases to the Men, but they can have no right to insist on any, and if any is made them you will be pleased to let them know that it is by the Nabobs free Will and Choice, and what they can have no Right to, Indeed Indulgence of this sort ought to be discouraged as much as possible, in whatever Manner they may be conferred, as the Men who are accustomed to them, will not be easily persuaded but that they have a right to them, and will be too apt to be dissatisfied & troublesome when they are discontinued

I am sorry to find you have so much Reason to complain of Shujaim Alby's Behaviour, but hope he will give you no Cause to do so in future The Protection of Raja Ummundry must give him Influence and enable him to settle his Affairs with the Zamindars to Advantage —

I have a Letter from Captain Hart dated the 12th at Nellour advising his Intentions of proceeding further with the Coffrey Company & a Battalion of Sepoys, so that I expect him here in two or three Days & he will proceed directly on to Rajahmundry

I am
Sir
Your very Obedt humble Servt
John Payton

Masulipatam
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The President also lays before the Board the Follow-

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following Letter from Mr Pybus

To The Honble Robert Palk Esqr

Honble Sir

Letter from Mr Pybus to the Govr

Since closing my Addrs to the Board under this Date, The several Letters which were come under Cover have been brought me by Hircarrahs from our Vakeel in Nizam Alys Camp from whence it seems to be certain, That his Intentions are to come this Way - The Sowcars on the Pettah have likewise received such Intelligence, which has alarmed the Inhabitants much on account The Marattas attending his Army, & as I cannot spare two or three Companies of Seapoys from the Garrison for their Protection, I may perhaps be under the Necessity of detaining that Number from Capt Harts Detachment for this Purpose, when he arrives I shall furnish the Vakeel with more Hircarrahs that I may have constant Intelligence of the Soubahs Motions & Designs - Should a Visit from me, or the Company's Broming who was before employed at his Court, be thought necessary to him, I shall expect to be honored with your Commands for that Purpose, and am very respectfully

advises of Nizam Alys Intentions of entering the Circars

Honble Sir

Your very obedient & most Hble Servt

John Pybus

Masulipatam 19th May 1765

Mr Pybus is already furnished with our Orders relative to Chicacole, We have no Objection to his proceeding to Rajahmundry, if he thinks that may be a Means of his settling with Nizam Ally the sooner As to the Mogul above Rajah, We always looked upon him

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from to be so much in the Power of the Chief of Masulipatam as not to dispute the Payment of the Bills drawn on them, Mr Pybus is therefore to be directed to insist upon his immediately accepting those drawn on them by Hussain Ally — With Respect to any Allowance to be made the Officers at Rajahmundry, Mr Pybus is to be acquainted that on account of the Scarcity of Provisions at Madura & Trichinopoly, & the great Distance of those Garrisons from the Coast, We were under the Necessity of allowing Half Batta to the Officers, & giving Rice to the Men, when it could not be purchased at 60 Pagodas per Garce, But as We understand Provisions are plentiful at Rajahmundry there will be no Occasion for such an Indulgence to the Men. With Respect to the Officers, as they have hitherto received Half Batta, We agree to its being continued to them, particularly as they are obliged to have all their Necessaries from the Coast & Masulipatam. We approve of Mr Pybus's insisting on Rajahmundry's being garrisoned by our Troops, as it is the most effectual Method of obliging Hussain Ally to stand to his Agreement, And as He is now in Possession of that Country, Mr Pybus is to be directed to insist on his getting the Assignments for the whole of the five Locks of Rupees accepted, If Hussain Ally should go near Masulipatam, Mr Pybus is to be directed to detain the whole of Captain Harts Detachment with them, & to order that under Captain Madge to remain at Rajahmundry, until the

Mr Pybus to insist on Payment of the Bills from the Rajahmundry Raja

Extra Allowance to be made the Men at Rajahmundry —

Half Batta allowed the Officers there

Rajahmundry to be garrisoned by the Troops —

rest

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can learn what the Soubahs Intentions really are, And
in Case He or any of his Ministers should make
any Overtures, Mr Pybus is to transmit them to
us, & acquaint the Soubah He must wait our Orders.

As it will be necessary that the Nabob
should be credited & the Expedition on Account of
the Northern Circars debited for the Arms &c sent
with Captain Hart's Detachment, Mr Pybus is
to be desired, on Captain Hart's Arrival, to send us
a List of them, that an Invoice may be made
to be transmitted to him —

A List of the Arms &c sent with Capt. Hart's Detachment to be transmitted Mr Pybus —

Translate of a Letter from Don Joseph De Bal
verde read as follows —

To the most Illustrious
The Governor & Council of the City of Madras

Gentlemen

Translate of Letter from Don Joseph de Balverde — containing Complaints of many of the Inhabitants of Manila against Mr Cornish & the Deputy Govr & Council —

Don Joseph de Balverde an Inhabitant
of the City of Manilha, & now in Madras lays before
You the following Representation. That during the
Dominion of his Britannic Majesty's Arms in the
City of Manilha the Subjects of the Catholic King of
Spain suffered many Abuses & of which happening so as to be
so presented to the Governor and Council residing in
that City, and others in whom the Administration
of Justice was lodged, and they not attending to them
but despising their Petitions, they apply to the Tribunal
of Madras, as the greatest in India. As their Complaints
are many and I am entrusted by them with full
Power to lay them before You, & my Residence in this
City will be very short, I shall make my Relation as

short

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short as possible in the following Manner

1st The Owners of the Ship Guadalupe, otherwise called the Siam, who are the Marquis de Monte=castro, Don Andres Blanco Fernandez, Don Blas Joseph de Castrillon, & Don Juan Infante demand their Ship, because it was seized in the Harbour & Citadel was delivered up without Resistance upon General Dempers promising that nothing should be taken out of the said Harbour. The Owners account their Loss at more than 40,000 Dollars. The Methods they took for the recovery of which, may be seen in my Powers from them, which I shall exhibit in case of Necessity.

2dly Don Juan Antonio de Bustamente, Inhabi=tant of Cavite, who during the War was Governor of the Province of Tebu, had a House furnished and many Effects in his Godowns there which the Town Mayor of Cavite lived in. Who having absconded for Reasons best known to himself, the English Gentlemen for no other Reason Sold every thing that was in the House, notwithstanding they were acquainted that nothing belonged to him. The Loss of which the said Busta=mente computes at 3000 Dollars which he deserves may be also paid.

3dly Don Joseph Herrera Igliaas, Inhabitant of Manila, having represented to the Governor and Council of Manila that two Christian Chinese were indebted to him in the Sum of 15568 1/2 3/4 and being answered that he should be satisfied, they after wards went away under the Protection of the said Governor

Don

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Don Quintin Crauford, the English Commissary, brought
the Original Papers concerning this Affair.

4thly Don Pedro de Astigueta, also inhabitant of Ma-
nila demands 4680. 6. 2 which two Chinese were
indebted to him; who went away under the name Bal-
ish Protection, as appears by the Original Papers in
my Possession —

5thly Don Antonio Gonzales de Chavarri & his Wife
D.na Augustina de la Prozay Aguilar demand 8135.
6. 11 The said Chavarri and his Wife being absent more than four months after the taking of Manilla
the English Provost entered their House and took
out Goods & Money to the Amount of the said Demand-
I have in my Possession this poor Womans Papers
translated into the English Language which I shall
produce if necessary —

Therefore beg of You Gentlemen that hav-
ing laid before You, the said Demands, the injured
may be satisfied, which is a Favor I hope for from
your Goodness — Also:

Don Juan de Infantte, demands besides the Sum
the Sum of five thousand eight hundred Dollars, which
General Don Samuel Cornish seized in the Port of
Cavite in Sugar, under Pretence that He would
pay for it when it was weighed, which he never
did, But having given an Obligation for the said
Sum; when it was presented to the Government,
it was not only not paid but the Obligation given by
the Said General Cornish was suppressed & they never
chose to return it. Which I therefore desire may be paid as
well as the above — Joseph de Baloerde

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Purport of sundry other Letters containing also Complaints of the like Nature

Letter from the Marquis de Monte Castos &c. Owners of the Guadaloupe Galatey the Swan Stogether with a Letter from Don Juan Infante are also read containing the Complaints mentioned in the above Letter regarding the Seizure & detention of the Ship Guadaloupe by Admiral Cornish, & his refusing to pay for a Quantity of Sugar bought by him of Don Juan de Infante —

A Representation from Don Placido Pegolle to against Admiral Cornish for seizing a Ship belonging to him, in Cavita Road, which was on the Point of sailing for China with a Cargo she brought from Batavia. As also a Letter from Don Gabriela Ramo & Don Joachim Martinez Executors to Don Fernando Norriega deceased complaining of Admiral Cornish's having seized sundry Effects on Board the said Ship the Property of Don Fernando Norriega are also read —

Purport of an Answer to be returned to them —

As to the Complaints relating to the Behaviour of Admiral Cornish & the Agents for the Cabbaye We can only refer them to the Court of England for Redress, with regard to those against the Deputy Governor & Council, We can return no Answer to them till Mr Drakes Arrival when Enquiry will be made concerning them —

Resolutions regarding the Protest of the Spanish Governor against our settling at Solo

With regard to the Protest of the Spanish Governor of Manila against our settling at Solo as entered in Consultation of 1st October last, It is agreed that he be informed that We think He should have deferred making it, till He was well assured

on

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over Intentions of establishing a Settlement there, Have also to be advised of our having been obliged during the late War to lodge some Stores & Goods there, & last Year some Troops, for want of Conveyances to get them away, & that We are now endeavouring to find Means of transporting the whole of them to this Place.

The President lays before the Board two Letters from the Spanish Governor of Manila complaining of the Behaviour of Captains Hall & Nairne for refusing to receive a Guard on Board their Ships, & for landing sundry Goods contrary to the Orders of the Government there. In Answer to which it is agreed that the Spanish Governor be informed that We will on the Return of those Gentlemen to this Place, repose sent to them the bad Consequences of giving them any real Cause of Complaint —

The Behaviour of Captain's Hall & Nairne at Manila complained of —

Purport of an Answer to be returned thereto —

Letters from the Spanish Governor, & many of the principal Inhabitants of Manila are read setting forth the prudent Behaviour of Mr Crauford during his stay there —

Recommendation of Mr Crauford to Manila —

As it is necessary that some Person should proceed to Manila, to make a Demand of the Money advanced on Account of the Spanish Prisoners, agreeable to our Honble Masters directions in their Letter of the 4th June last, as also to apply for the Stores belonging to the Company detained by the Government of Manila, & for Payment of the Gun Powder & fixed Ammunition delivered to them by Captain Brereton out of the Company's Stores — It is resolved that Mr Quintin Crauford be appointed to return to Manila to make the above Demands, & that Instructions be prepared for him —

Mr Crauford appointed to return thither to make the several Demands We have on that Government —

The President acquaints the Board that the Nabob being desirous of having a Watch presented to the Maratta

A Watch presented to the Maratta Vaqueel —

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Maratta Vaqeel in Consequence of which He the President had caused one to be purchased for Pagodas 73 — and presented to him, Ordered that the Export Warehouse-Keeper do pay for the same —

Account of Offreckonings of the Troops at Manilla laid before the Board —

The Paymaster lays before the Board an Account of the Off-Reckonings for the Troops at Manilla amounting to Pagodas — who are nett Pay was only advanced there.

Orders in Consequence —

Ordered that the Paymaster do pay the Amount to the Agent for Military Cloathing, except the Sum of Pagodas 66 — being the Stoppages for the Cavalry, which, as the Company were at the Expence of Cloathing them, We think should be reserved & carried to the Credit of the Head of Expedition to Manilla —

Robt Palk
Stringer Lawrence
C Boscawen
Rich Fairfield
Saml Ledley
Charles Turner
John Call
Geo Stratton

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In Consequence of the Resolution of this Day the following Letters were sent away —

To John Pybus Esqr.
Chief at Masulipatam

Letter to Mr Pybus

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 19th with the several Papers enclosed — And the Presid-ent has communicated to Us your Letter to Him of the same Date —

You will be advised by our Letters of the 22d & 25th Instant of our Intentions regarding the Chic-acole Circar: But We have no Objections to your proceeding to Rajahmundry for the Purposes you mention, if you think it necessary, & if you find any Settlement can be made regarding Chicacole for the Present —

We always conceived the Mugulatore Rajah to be so much under the Influence of the Chief of Masulipatam, as not to dispute the Payment of Bills drawn on him, We desire you will therefore insist upon his immediately accepting those drawn on him by Hussain Alby —

On Account of the Scarcity of Provisions at Trichenopoly & Madura, & the great Distance of those Places from the Coast, We have been under the Necessity of allowing half Batta to the Officers & of issuing an Allowance of Rice to the Men, when it cannot be purchased at 60 Pagodas a Garce, — But as we are informed Provisions are very plentiful at Ra-jamundry, We think there is no Necessity for such an Indulgence to the Men at that Garrison, with Respect

to

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to the Officers as they have before received half Batta
We consent to its being continued to them, particular-
-ly as they are obliged to have many necessaries brought
from the Coast

We approve of your insisting on Rajahmundry
-days being garrisoned by our Troops as it is certainly
the most effectual Means of obliging Him ever Ally
to keep to the Agreement entered into - And as He
is now in Possession of that Country, We would have
you insist also upon his getting the Assignments for
the whole of the 5 Lacks of Rupees accepted -

If Nizam Ally should come near you, We would
recommend your detaining the whole of Captain
Detachment with you, & ordering that under Captain
Madge to remain in Rajahmundry until you can
learn what Nizam Allys Designs really are, & should
you receive any Overtures from Him or any of his
Court You will transmit them to Us; & acquaint him
that you must wait our Directions

On Captain Harts Arrival We desire You
will send Us a List of the Arms & Accoutrements belong-
-ing to his Party, and an Invoice of them shall be
returned to You, that the Nabob may be credited, and
the Expedition on Account of the Northern Circars
debited for the Amount -

We observe that the Tappals are longer on
the Road than usual, owing to their going to Nellore
you will therefore order any Letters for the Army
to be put in a separate Packet and lodged at Cudore
where Peons will be ready to carry them to Camp -

&c

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We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends
Robert Palk &c. Council

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To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell

We observe by your Letter of the 23d to the Pre-
sident, that in case You proceed to Ongole you are desi-
rous of being joined by the Detachment, which is already
ordered on Service under the Command of Captain
James Fitzgerald — As this Detachment cannot con-
veniently be ordered back, We desire to be informed
whether the European Cavalry may not upon occa-
sion, be dismounted, & do duty with the Battalion —
You will likewise acquaint Us what Number of the
Nabobs Seapoys may be taken from Nellour, & send
Us a complete Return of the whole of the Troops,
Horse & Foot at Nellour, or may be collected there, both
of yours & the Nabobs That We may know what We have
to depend on —

By the Returns We find that the Number
of Horses in the Troop of Hussars exceeds the Number
of Men, & that out of fifty Horses, fifteen are Sick, Lame,
& unfit for Service, We would therefore have all those that
are unserviceable delivered to the Paymaster who has
our Orders to dispose of them, And We would not have
any more Horses purchased or Men recruited from the
Infantry into the Cavalry without our express Directions
We observe that Men belonging to the Cavalry are left

in different Garrisons therefore the replacing them, wher-
ever this happens will be too great a Tax on the Infant-
ry, already much too few in proportion —

The Tappals from Mazulipatanm are long-
er on the Road than usual, owing to them going by the
Way of Nellore, Our Intentions were that you should
detain Peons to Cudore or the next Tappy Stand to
receive any Letters which may be for Camp, which
will always be sent from hence in a seperate Packet

Weare

Sir

Your most Obedient Hble Servants

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Robert Palk &c Council —

Received the following Letter from Major
Campbell Commandant at Madura —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George —

Letter from Major Campbell —

Honble Sir

Since my last to You, Captain Trichman
Shunotah surrenders to the Francoises — represented me of Shunotahs having surrendered to a large
body that attacked it, the two Companies of the Nabobs
Seapoys that were there are permitted to come to Tinnivel-
-ly with their Arms and Baggage. Ensign Dawson
writes that there is but one Well in Wardagerry the
water of which is very brackish; I hope they will not
be blockaded so close as to prevent their getting Water
from without the Fort — Ensign Dawson is instructed
however to hold the Place to the last Extremity —

The Bussy arrived here yesterday with only
200 Horse, and with much ado I have perswaded him
to march to Night to Pallamcotah, the rest of the Horse

He

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The Polligars hostile
some in the Tinnevelly Country

He tells me are upon their March hither from Trichinopoly, who I shall also forward — The Polygars made another attempt upon Tinnevelly but some of our Sepoys being there drove them off before they could do any hurt —

I am with Respect
Honble Sir
Your very obedt. humble Servant
Donald Campbell

Madura
18th May 1765 —

Came in the following Letters from Captain James Fitzgerald —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
Governor and President of the Council at
Fort St. George —

Sir

Letter from Capt.n James Fitzgerald

Trinnalvore informs me that of the different Polygars pay the Damages they have done that they are to remain in their Places — Vadanongee Verdapa Naigue & Vadanongee Rangapa Naig has sent Vaquels to settle with Trinnalvore —

Your Instructions inform me that Trinnalvore is to proceed with me, but he says he will not go but that he will send another Man with me — I have no Instructions from Colonel Campbell to attack any of the different Places —

I think it my Duty to acquaint You of this, & of my marching to Marrow Morning for Mallwar Woods where I shall wait for your further Orders —

I am Sir
Your most obed.t & most Hble Servt.
James Fitzgerald —

Sepposes marching for Mallwar Woods —

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To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
Governor & President of the Council of
Fort St George &c

Sir

Letter from Captain James Fitzgerald desired by Trivalore to postpone his March

In my last Letter to you of the 23d Instant I acquainted You that I should march the 24th for Mall Raieries Woods, but when Trivatlore Joined I designed to march, He came & beged that I would not till I Received your Answer. The reason He gives me is that He has wrote to the different Polygars, and have not as yet received an Answer from each of them. I write this may turn out for the good of the Service, but if not & it does not, that my Character may suffer, & I should be very sorry that any one should think that I would neglect the least Part of my Duty

I am Sir

Your most obedt & most Hble Servt

James Fitzgerald

Trivalore
26th May 1765

Arrived this Day the Honble Company's Ship Earl of Middlesex from Batavia last from Fort Marlboro, with the Remainder of His Majesty's 79 Regiment consisting of 8 Officers & 155 Non Commissioned & Private

Received p Earl of Middlesex the following

Letter from the President & Council at Fort Marlboro

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c & Council of
Fort St George

Letter from Fort St Davd

Honble Sir & Sirs

We duely received your Favor of the 15th March by

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by the Admiral Watson Captain Blevoit, who has delivered Us the Sepoys, Coffrees &c. you sent over by that Ship, We are convinced of your kind Intentions in sending us this Supply yet having more than a sufficient Number of Sepoys on this Establishment We could have wished You had omitted sending these at this Juncture.—

Sepoys not wanted

It is impossible for Us as yet to give You any determinate Answer to the request You make Us of sending over some European Troops. You may however rely We shall do every thing possible in our Power for your Service, & as the Solebay or Brokinghame will probably proceed to your Presidency as soon as We Slaves by them have been landed, We shall take that Opportunity of transporting them, if We can any Ways do it without distressing our own Garrisons — We remain

cannot resolve upon sending at any Event

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Hble Servants —

Robert Nairne
John Herbert
Hen. Stewart
John Guido —
Roger Carter —
Rich.d Wyatt —
Joseph Darval
Robert Hay

Fort. Marlboro' —
9th May 1765 —

29th Sent the following Letter to Captain James Fitz-gerald —

To Captain Fitzgerald

Sir

Letter to Captain Jas Fitzgerald

We have received your several Letters, The Polygars taking Advantage of the Troubles in this Country & the Absence of the Nabobs Troops, generally employed at a Distance on other Services have possessed themselves of many Villages & usurped an Authority to which they have no Right. You have therefore been detached with a

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a proper Force to punish those Polygars that they may not in future disturb the Company or the Nabob's

ordered to attack the Polygars

Dindicul

Maudewage to be first to be attacked after him

Bomma Naig Polygar of Pannadore, should they or any of their Adherents fall into your Hands, You are to make them Prisoners, sending them to Tripatore

Pondamalee or Palliss as shall be most convenient to make this Expedition as little expensive as possible,

Your sick may be sent to Madura & any Part of the Troops or Stores not immediately wanted may be left at the nearest Fort or Place of Security.—

You are from the Smuldar of Tripatore who will attend you, & point out to You as far as he is acquainted in what Manner to distress the Polygars.

We are Sir

Your humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

30th Came in the following Letter from Major Wood Commanding at Trichenopoly —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr President & Governor &c Council of Fort St George —

Letter from Major Wood giving away the Dindigul Polygar to Council

Honble Sir & Sirs —

I had the Pleasure to receive your two Letters of the 15 & 16th Instant the 22d ult. both at one & the same time and should then have done myself the Honor to have acknowledged them only wanting to tell You the Prisoners of War, all marched from hence this Morning for Madura Number 175 Private men escorted by one Company

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Company of Seapoys. The two Officers Mr Des Marche-
-ais, & de Perimy, went off last Night, The Killedar of
this Place has sent Abdell Reymond one of the Nabobs
People to deliver them at Karical agreable to your
Directions —

I could only enlist two Dutch Men out of the
French Prisoners before they were sent away. Gone has
desired to stay with the Nabob, as he is said to be a fine
Gunner; There was one Man more would have enter-
-tained in the Artillery; but they all say our Pay is too
small to maintain them, as being accustomed to such
large Pay among the Country Powers; besides thirty
three of these Men had served with Wolff Canon as
Officers; and in short near the whole of these Prisoners
had been wounded & maimed therefore could not be
fit for our Service; and indeed will not reconcile them-
-selves to stay with their own Nation after being so
long with the black Powers. I fancy you will not
think it worth while to have me send you these two
new Recruits alone; therefore I shall take the Liberty
to detain them here until I have your further Orders
concerning them —

entertains two Dutchmen —

I had the Pleasure some Days ago to acquaint
you of my having sent off the Madura Detachement
from hence to that Garrison where I am informed
they arrived the 21st Instant —

The six Companies of Seapoys that were with
Captain Dormonds Detachment are arrived here.
But the four Companies are still at Warriapollam
& Irrialore, neither have I had any Account of the
Detachment

The Seapoys with Captain Dormonds Detachment arrive at Tinnevelly —

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Detachment of Europeans you mention being on their March hither in the Room of Captain Dormondes When the four Companies of Seapoys arrive here from Warriapollam, I shall then be able to send a sufficient Detachment to assist the Marratta Army dat agreable to your Desire and of which I have acquainted him

I have been obliged to send another Company of Seapoys to Tarrore, which I have divided together the Villages distant from the Fort, as they will be I fancy more healthy out: It seems the Natives & Inhabitants will not stay at their Villages without a Force to protect them against the Colleryes. The Nabob has desired there may be always a Battalion of Seapoys at that Place

I have the Honor to remain most respectfully

Honble Sirs & Sirs

Your most obliged humble Servant

John Wood

Trichenopoly
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The Ship for Manila being about to sail the following Instructions were delivered to Mr Quintin Crauford

To Mr Quintin Crauford

Sir

Instructions to Mr Quintin Crauford

Having some Demands to make on the Spanish Government of Manila, We have thought proper to appoint You to proceed thither for that Purpose

The first Demand is for Subsistance &c advanced on Account of the Spanish Prisoners at Manila, amounting to Spanish Dollrs 62374 — as will appear

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appear by the enclosed Certificate, one Copy of which was transmitted to our Honble Masters from Manila by the Falmouth in February 1764, and another from the late Archbishop Governor of Manilla gave Bills of Exchange by the Carnarvon in March last on the royal Treasury of Spain for Spanish Dollars 238044 a part of the above Sum which Bills have been presented for Payment, but have been refused. As You will perceive by the accompanying Extracts of Letters from the Honble the Court of Directors dated 30th Decemr 1763 & 21 June 1764 we have therefore recommended to Us to use all possible Means for the procuring Payment of the above two Sums, as well as of any others that may have been lent or expended for the use of the Spanish Government. You will therefore do every thing in your Power for the Recovery of the said Sum of Spanish Dollars 62374 — representing that their refusing Payment thereof is a direct Breach of the third Article of the Treaty of Peace —

The 2d Demand is for Subsistance & Money advanced at this Place, on account of the Spanish Prisoners brought from Manila, & for their Return thither a particular Account thereof is enclosed —

The third Demand is for sundry Stores belonging to the Company detained by the Spanish Government of Manila, & for the Amount of what was sold of the Philippina Snow with her Stores &c. an Account of which you have herewith —

The fourth Demand is for the Amount of a Quantity of Gun Powder, & Sized Ammunition supplyed the Spanish Government of Manila by Captain Brereton, a Copy from the Spanish Governor to Captain Brereton

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Brereton & Backhouse requesting the above Supply with a Copy of the Commissaries receipt for the Stores are enclosed —

What Money may be recovered on Consignment of the above Diamonds, You will consign on the Company's Account to the Supercargoes in China if any good Conveyance offers otherwise it is to be imbarked on the Ship returning to this Place —

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c. Council

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The following Letter was at the same time wrote to the Spanish Governor of Manila —

To The most Excellent Don Francisco De la Tore.
President Governor & Captain General of the
Philippine Islands —

Letter to the Governor of Manila —

Most Excellent Sir

We have been favoured with your Letters of the 9th April 1764, and the Governor has communicated to us your several Letters of the 6 & 7 February. The first containing a Protest against our making a Settlement on the Island of Solo the others complaining of the Behaviour of Captain Jackson Hall & Nairne —

We cannot but think your Protest regarding the Island of Soloo rather premature, as You could have had no certain Intelligence of our Intentions of establishing a Settlement there. Your Suspicions therefore could only be founded on Conjecture, which ought not We think to be looked upon as sufficient Grounds for a Protest —

Your

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Your Excellency may be assured that before We think of establishing a Settlement in any Place, We shall take Care to be first well convinced of our Right thereto, & it shall be our constant Study at all Times to avoid any Action which may be deemed an Infringement of the Treaties subsisting between our Respective Sovereigns During the War We had occasion to dispose some Stores & Goods at Tooloo & last Year some Troops for Want of Conveyance to bring them further, & We are now endeavouring to send Means of bringing them whole to this Presidency —

Your Complaints against Captain Jackson Holt & Nourse, seem to have arose principally on Account of their refusing to admit a Guard on board their Ships, We are sorry their Conduct should have been such as to merit your Displeasure, & at their Return to India We shall take an Opportunity of enquiring & representing to them the bad Consequences which must attend their having given You any just Cause of Complaint —

We have received a Letter from the Spanish Commissaries complaining of one Mr Cowdens being permitted to come away from Manila under the English Protection, As this Gentleman is not arrived here, We have not had it in our Power to make the necessary Enquiry into the Affair, to enable Us to give you a satisfactory Answer thereto & We begin to be apprehensive for the Safety of the Ship in which He took his Passage —

It is a great Pleasure to us, to find that the

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the Behaviour of Mr. Saunders Crawford during his Residence at Manila gave You, as well as the Inhabitants in your Government so much Satisfaction — We have therefore pitched upon him as the most proper Person to return to You with some Demands — We are under the Necessity of making, & which We hope your Excellency will comply with. He is fully furnished with our Instructions, and will lay before You the several Demands he is ordered to make —

We have the Honor to be with the most perfect Consideration —

Most excellent Sir

Your most Obedient & Humble Servants

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The following Letter was also delivered to Don Joseph de Balverde, together with Answers to the several Complaints received from the Inhabitants of Manila —

To Don Joseph de Balverde

Sir

We have received your Letter containing sundry Complaints & Representations of the Inhabitants of Manila, and as several of them have addressed Letters to us, on the same Subject, we now return a seperate Answer to each of them — We wish it was in our Power, to give them more Satisfaction, if they have been really injured — The several Answers Answers are under flying Seals for your Perusal which We request you will deliver to the Parties concerned —

We

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We are
Sir
Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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To the Marquis of Monte Castro, Don Andres
Blanco Fernandez, Don Blas, Joseph de Castrillon
& Don Juan Infante

Gentlemen

Letters to the Several Inhabitants of Manila in answer to their Complaints

We have received your Letter of the 1st February last containing a Complaint against Admiral Cornish for having seized a Ship belonging to You called the Guardaloupe afterwards the Siam. Don Joseph de Balverde whom You have authorized to lay this Matter before Us, hath likewise delivered to Us a Memorial regarding the Same.

As Admiral Cornish is not Subject to our Orders, We could not was he at this Place, oblige him to give You any satisfaction. But as He is returned to England, We would recommend to You to apply to the Ministry there, who alone can procure you Redress for any Injustice He may have done You.

Your Letter is registered by which Means the Company will be acquainted with your Demands.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t humble Servants
Robert Palk & Council

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To Don Juan Infante

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 23d January last complaining against Admiral Cornish for having

refused

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refused to pay for a Quantity of Sugar Hee purchased from You — Don Joseph de Balcarde hath also in-cluded your Demand among many others He hath been authorized to make —

As Admiral Cornish is not subject to our Orders, It is not in our Power to oblige Him to give You any Satisfaction — All Heaven does is to acquaint You that the only Method you can take for procuring Redress for any Injury He may have done You is to apply to the Ministry in England —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk & Co.a Council —

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To Don Juan de Bustamente —

Sir —

Don Joseph de Balcarde has represented to Us that your Honor was plundered by the English of Goods & Effects to the Amount of 3000 Dollars and desired We would procure you redress —

As We find that this Affair was done by the Agents for the Captors who acted by the Orders of Admiral Cornish & General Draper, We have it not in our Power to give You the Satisfaction you desire, as those Gentlemen are not subject to our Commands The Court of England can only redress such a Grievance as You complain of —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

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To Don Anthonio Gonzales de Chavarri.

Sir

Don Joseph de Balverde having complained to Us, that the English Provost had taken out of your House Goods & Money to the Amount of Dall 8135. 4. 11 We can only acquaint You that as the Agents for the Captors acted entirely under the Orders of the Commanding Officers of His Britannick Majesty's Troops who are not subject to our Commands, It is not in our Power to give You the Redress you require.

Weare

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George
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To Don Joseph Herrera Tylicra.

Sir

We have received from Don Joseph de Balverde a Complaint against our Governor & Council at Manila, for suffering two Christian Chinese to leave the Place who were indebted unto You in the Sum D^{rs} 15,568. 1. 3. On Enquiry We find that all the Effects of the said two Chinese were sold towards satisfying your Demand. We shall however on Mr Drakes Arrival make him acquainted with your Representation that He may give Us a Satisfactory Account regarding it, with which We shall not fail to acquaint You.

Weare

Sir

Your most humble Servants

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To Don Pedro de Artiguita

Sir

Don Joseph de Balverde having repre-
sented to Us that two Ships are indebted unto
You in the Sum of o/s $ 9680. 6. 2 wantaway
under the English Protection. We shall on our Arrival make further Enquiry into the Affair, & endeavor to procure you such Satisfaction as the Circumstances thereof may require —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

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To Don Placido Pegolotti

Sir

Your Letter complaining of the Behaviour of Admiral Cornish for seizing a Ship belonging to You We have received, and cannot by no Answer thereto, that We have no Authority to oblige him to make you any Satisfaction, & that you must apply to the Ministry of England for redress for any Injury he may have done You — We are —

Sir

Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

Fort St George
30th May 1765 —

To Donna Gabriela Ruma & Don Joseph Joachim Martinez
joint Executors to Don Fernando Norroga deceased —

We have received your Representation concerning Admiral Cornish having seized sundry Effects on board a Ship belonging to Don Placido Pegolotti the Property of the said Don Fernando Norroga —

To

Fort St George 30th May 1765

It is not in our Power to give You any Satisfact
on, as Admiral Cornish is not subject to our Orders the
only Method you can take is to apply to the Ministry
in England for Redress for any Losses M.r Naraya
sustained by his Means We are
Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c.a Council

Fort St George
30th May 1765

At a Consultation Present

Thursday
30th May 1765

Robert Palk Esqr. Governor President
Stringer Lawrence
Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley
Charles Turner, John Call
George Stratton

Letter from Captain James Fitzgerald read as fol-
lows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since I had the pleasure of addressing the
Governor under date the 6 Instant with much Trouble
I got Trimalrow to consent to march with me the 7th
in the Morning. on that day I arrived within two Miles
of Maudraccez Woods, & the next day quite close to them.
Upon that he sent out 3 Vaquels to treat with Trimalrow
but they could not come to any Terms, and Judging
treasonably a Scheme of Maudraccez to prolong the time
resolved to attack him & gave Orders for it last Night -
This Morning I marched to the first Barrier & forced
it without any Loss. The second made a good Resistance,
when

Mr.s Maudraccez
Woods

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wounded.

when I received a Wound in my Arm, & the same time 6 Europeans & 12 or 14 Sepoys more killed & wounded, I was obliged on account of my Wound to quit the Field & Captain Fletcher afterwards forced the Barrier. The Enemy then run to the Village, but upon that being attacked they all run away. Most Range & most of the People have escaped & got into the Woods. I am sorry to say that the Accident which has happened to the Detachment was entirely owing to Trimbakrow's Negligence, who had promised me Guides to the second Barrier, but after they had conducted me to the first, declared they could not guide me any further.

Obliged to give up the Command to Captain Fletcher the Barrier & Village taken.

Captain Fletcher pursued the Enemy about 5 or 6 Miles in almost impenetrable Woods (where only one Man could go abreast & that with difficulty) & took the Road to Pulliacatte. As I am rendered incapable of Service for some Time, I have given over the Charge of the Detachment to Captain Fletcher (who is in possession of the Village and a Post within 3 or four Miles of it) till such Time as you shall be pleased to send further Directions.

The Men in general behaved extremely well & with great Alacrity & Spirit. I am with the greatest Respect.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed't & humble Servant

James Fitzgerald Cap.t

Camp at Cullycanpory
29th May 1765.

The President also lays before the Board the following Letter from Captain Fletcher.

To the Hon'ble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor.

Hon'ble Sir

Letter from Captain Fletcher.

Captain Fitzgerald having resolved to take

Possession

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Gurrongaree Coconat & taking Maud Ravizes Pollaree

Possession of Maud Ravizes Barriers this Day, We were vigly attacked & carried the first with little Opposition But I am sorry to inform You that the second was not carried easily, As Captain Fitzgerald received a Wound in his Arm, which rendered him incapable of acting, & which occasioned his resigning the Command to me, this Place was made considerably strong with felled Trees & prickly Briars for about fifty Yards on the Road from the Peons Tope, & I believe their whole Strength — But they were soon dispersed, by a few Platoons of the Infantry & Shot of the Artillery, and pursued to the Village & from thence about seven or eight Miles in the Woods, but without the smallest Possibility of catching the Head. Many were killed the Pollicat. We are now in Possession of this Village & the principal Entrances to the Woods on both Sides And as Captain Fitzgerald approves of the Methods I have already taken, with his concurrence I shall endeavour to guard those Posts until I am honord with your further Commands — I am with great Respect

Honble Sir

Your most obedt humble Servt

Thos Fletcher

Maud Ravizes Pollaree
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Captain Fitzgerald leaves the Command of the Detachment with Capt Fletcher & come to Madras

We are concerned at the Accident Captain Fitzgerald has met with, & as He may have better Assistance here. He is to be directed to leave the Command of the Detachment with Captain Fletcher & to furnish him with the Orders He has received from Us & then repair hither. Captain Fletcher is also to be informed thereof & to be cautioned to expose the Europeans as little as possible, And as it will

be

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be necessary in order to drive the Pollygars & their Adherents entirely out, that their Woods should be cleared as effectually as possible. Mr Call is appointed to proceed thither to point out to Us the most proper Means of doing it — And it is recommended to the Committee of Works to forward on the Wood Cutters to get their Wood from thence —

Mr Call to proceed to Wandiwash Woods to judge of the proper Means of destroying them

Letters from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army read as follow —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George —

Letter from Col. Campbell —

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have now got the Infantry pretty well provided with Quarters, & hardly put the Inhabitants to any Inconvenience, & every Body is now employed in getting Pandalls for the Cavalry & Artillery, as it was not so convenient to bring them into the Fort, however they are on a fine Spott close to one of the Gates, & will shortly be extremely well off —

I have the Honor with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obliged & most Obed. Servt

Charles Campbell —

provides Quarters for the Men —

Sullaveir
25th May 1765 —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St George —

Honble Sir & Sirs —

I have the Honor to receive your Favor of the 25th & as I think it will be adviseable on a more certain Plan having two 18 Pounders, I beg leave to recommend that they & a proper Quantity of Stores may be sent —

desire two 18 Pdrs & Stores may be sent —

The

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The Enclosed Return is I hope agreable to what You ordered me to send — I shall keep a sufficient Number of Bullocks, Lascars & Coolies for 6 Field Pieces two 18 Pounders, and the necessary Stores for 300 Military, European Cavalry & Sepoys present — I am with the greatest Respect —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & obedient Servant

Charles Campbell —

Colloor 26th May 1765 —

Resolution thereon

Agreed that Colonel Campbell be informed that the Guns & Stores are ready to be sent on Boats, as soon as We find there will be sufficient Water for the Troops on their March to Ongole —

Letters from Major Campbell read as follow —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir —

Letter from major campbell

I have been honored with your Letter of the 11th — Mr. Alexander upon the Strength of a Reinforcement of the Nabobs Topasses he received has attempted another Sally, but by the poor Mans being mortally wounded & Mr Gold one of the Topass Officers being either killed or

a Sally made from Calacad —

taken Prisoners together with the Nabobs Sepoys & Horse leaving them to fight it out, they were obliged to retire with a loss of 8 or 10 killed & about 20 wounded

Before now Captain Harper must be in the Place, & as Major Wood acquaints me of his having sent me the Detachment of Infantry, & some of the Sepoys that he had from me, when they arrive, I purpose setting out with them, & as many more as I can spare from hence to Pallamcotah for the Relief Calacad — You must be sensible Sir, of the few Friends the Nabob has here, that can give me the least Assistance —

I

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I have taken the Liberty to order twelve Pri-
vate Tents to be made at Tinnivelly for there are
none either here or at Palaam Cotah which I hope
will meet with your Approbation —

I have the Honor to be —
Honble Sir
Your most obedient humble Servt —
Donald Campbell —

Madeira
20th May 1765 —

P.S. Nothing extraordinary from Wandagerry —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

Captn Frischman acquaints me of Captn
Harpers having got into Calacad without the least
Molestation & that the Enemy are a good Distance from
the Fort — The Detachment I mentioned to You in
my last, I expect will arrive to day, and I shall make
as little Delay as possible in going to Calacad — I have
given Captn Harper Directions to demolish the
Village I mentioned to You was so near the Fort
Walls. I find great Difficulty in procuring draught
Bullocks for our Artillery — As the Officers here
will be distressed for Tents, and I doubt not but you will
allow of the Necessity of them. I have therefore taken
the Liberty of ordering three or four to be made at as
reasonable Rate as possible —

Captn Harper arrives
at Calacad —

I am informed that four Sergeants of the
Detachment sent to Trichinopoly deserted from
thence & about 30 of the Seapoys also.

I have delivered an an Indent for Stores
necessary for this & Palamcotah Garrisons, to
the Storekeeper which I hope will be taken Notice of

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I fancy I need not mention to You, how necessary it is for to have more Troops in this Country for to maintain Peace in it —

Mr Gold, one of the Nabob's Officers who I mentioned in my last was missing, One of our Servants brought Intelligence that his Head was cut off & carryd thro the Enemie's Camp in Triumph. Mr Alexander is now at Pallamcotah but badly wounded —

I am with Respect

Honble Sir

Your most Obedt. humble Servant

Donald Campbell —

Madrass
22 May 1765

Major Campbells proceeding to Calacad approved of —

We are well pleased Major Campbell purposes proceeding himself to Calacad, & hope the Force he may have with him will oblige the Travencores to retire —

Letter from Mr Andrew Ross Attorney for one of the Owners of the Ship Illocos read as follows —

Letter from Mr Ross

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since the Receipt of the Letter from your Secretary, which accompanyd the Report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the Accounts of the Voyage of the Ship Illocos, I have applied to some Gentlemen here to take the Trouble of settling them by Arbitration agreable to your Desire. But they were so unwilling to undertake it, that Mr Antonio De Souza (who is a Part Owner) & had arrived here a few Days before) & myself, have thought it more eligible, to give all the satisfaction in our Power to your Honor &c. In regard to the Disbursements readily made by the Owners of the Illocos, in rendering what was thought by the Gentlemen at Manila, & which, I humbly hope, will also be considered by your Honor &c. as an essential

Service

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Service to the Honble Company, by removing from Manilla, so great a Part of their Garrison, in the only Manner that was then practicable, & for that Purpose Made the Liberty to lay before your Honours &c. A State of an Account of the Disbursements & Receipts of that Voyage, by which you will see, That the Owners are in Advance, about Pag.s 200 Pag.s besides some Charges which are not included, so that they would be but very moderate Gainers, for their extraordinary Trouble & Services, if they were paid upon the Footing of the Account Current which I had the Honor to deliver to You on their Behalf. In which the Ballance of Freight for 4 Months is ——— 2850 ——

with an Account Current of the Owners of the Vessel with the Company &c.

The Additional freight for 2½ Mo.s if supposed to be calculated in proportion to what was paid for 4 Months will be ——— } 1464 ——

The Victualling Bill is ——— 4076 ——

Pag.s 8390 ——

The Money advanced to the Owners at Vizagapatam deducted ——— 1943 ——

Remains for the Owners ——— Pag.s 6447 ——

From which the Ballance of their Disbursements being deducted, your Honours &c.a will be pleased to consider whether what would remain, is more than an equitable Consideration for the Trouble & Service which the Owners have rendered to the Honble Company. To which I have only to add, that I am willing on behalf of the Owners to leave it to the Judgement of your Honours &c.a to settle this Account according to what you shall think reasonable, requesting it as a Favour, that the Matter may be determined as soon as possible, as Mr Antonio de Souza, who has an Affair of two Thousd Pagodas is under necessity to depart for Manila in two Days ——

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I have the Honor to be with much respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedt Servant

Andrew Ross Attorney of Captain John Watson acting Owner of the Fleet

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The Board being of Opinion that the Account Current accompanying the above Letter is stated in an equitable Manner

It is ordered that the Ballance thereof being Pags 6168.26 be paid Mr de Souza who owns one of the Owners & Agent for another, having agreed thereto

The Ballance to be paid

Read the following Letter from the Governor & Council at Tranquebar as follows

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President and Governor & the Council of
Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter from Tranq. number

The 28th July last year We had the Honor to inform You of some Altercations between the Royal Dane & Tanjore Gats, desiring you would be so kind as to interpose your good Offices to the procuring of Quiet and Tranquillity, and the restoring of the former good Understanding between Us & the said Court, which on the 3d August You were pleased to honor Us with of the 5th same you were pleased to honor Us with another letter you promised to employ your Endeavours to effectuate, sometimes past in which we heard nothing material relating to that Affair. But now the King has given his Orders, seemingly through the Influences of the Party, Permaul Naickker is still able enough to entertain at his Court, for the stopping of every sort of Provisions & other Necessaries to be carried from his into our Territories, & other Insults are spoken of to be

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complimenty of the King of Tanjore

be intended which necessarily will end in an open Rupture, if not timely prevented. And as Weare perswaded, that You are informed We never gave nor mean to give the said King the least Cause of dissatisfaction, as also of your good Will and Friendly Disposition to our Nation, and of the Means you have by your Interpositions to be effectual in consider= ing Us Service in this Instance, so We are engaged a second Time to desire that you will be so good as to employ in a proper Manner, and something ex= peditiously, your Influences in Her said Court, to procure Tranquillity, to prevent Disorders, and to restore, if possible, the good Understanding that in all Times subsisted between Tanjore & Tranquebar.

We have already informed and shall further inform our Company of your amicable Proceedings towards Us on all Occasions, & We have the Honor always to remain with the most perfect Esteem and Consideration

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servants

Fort Dansborg
20th May 1765

Falk
J. H. Gille

Henry Meestee
P Haubeek
O Bie

Agreed that a Copy of the above Letter be sent to the Raja of Tanjore, who is to be desired to do every thing in his Power consistently with Reason, to accommodate Matters with the Govern= ment of Tranquebar. A Copy of the Letter from the Governor of Tranquebar to the Nabob request= ing his Interposition in this Affair, which the

A Copy to be sent to the Raja

President

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President lays before the Board, is also to be transmitted to the Rajah —

The President acquaints the Board that the Nabobs Secretary had made frequent Application for the Fees of his Office on Account of the Grants of the Countries given to the Company: It is therefore agreed that upon the usual Present is made the Nabob on his Departure, that Cloth to the Value of Pagodas 500 & five hundred Pagodas in Specie be given to his Secretary —

A Present to be made the Nabobs Secretary in Consideration of his Fee for the Grants of the Countries —

Robt Pitt
Spencer Lawrence
Rich Fairfield
Saml Sydley
Charles Toovey

John Call
Geo Stratton

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In Consequence of the Resolution that Day the following Letters were dispatched viz

To Captain James Fitzgerald

Letter to Captain James Fitzgerald

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 29th & are much concerned at your Misfortune, & would have

Ordered to leave the Command of the Detachment with Captain Fletcher & come to Madras

You leave the Command of the Detachment with you may have the best Assistance. You will also acquaint him with the Contents of our last Letter, that He may be advised of our Intentions — We are

Sir

Your humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council

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To Captain Fletcher

Letter to Captain Fletcher

Sir

The President hath laid before Us your Letter

Ordered to take the Command of the Detachment

of the 29th & Captain Fitzgerald is directed to leave you in the Command of the Detachment, & come to Madras, after furnishing You with such Orders as He may have received from Us by which you will be informed of our Intentions —

We purpose destroying the Woods in Maud Rauze's Country as effectually as possible, & drowning him & his Adherents entirely out — Mr Call will therefore set out tomorrow in order to point out to Us the most proper Means of doing it —

As the Loss of Europeans is not easily repaired We would recommend that You expose them as little as possible. Seapoys will generally perform any Service of this Kind, & Europeans should only be employed to support

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support them when it is absolutely necessary —

We are

Sir

Your humble Servants

Robert Palk &c. Council —

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30th May 1765 —

31st Came in the following Letter from Captain James Fitzgerald —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
Governor President &c. Council
of Fort St. George

Letter from Captain James Fitzgerald

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have received your favor of 29th Instant & shall communicate your Orders to Captain Fletcher I acquainted you yesterday of Maubrauzes being drove out of the Woods and I am informed this Day that he is gone to Equapolla, Trimalrow is apprehensive of his Return if the Detachment is withdrawn till the Village is settled, which he says will take up two or three Days, I therefore advise Captain Flether to remain till Trimalrow thinks the Departure of the Troops will Occasion no fresh Disturbances after he will I believe march after Beema Baut but on this Head He will advise You himself —

The sick & wounded shall be dispatched as soon as possible to Madras — I am with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servant

James Fitzgerald —

May 30th 1765 —

P. S. Mr Bowen who dressed my Wound this afternoon hopes I shall be able to take Charge of the Detachment in a few Days —

Fort St. George 1st June 1765

June 1st Received the following Letter from Captain Clark Commanding at Vellour —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George &c Council

Letter from Capt Clark — Honble Sir & Sirs

Captain Dormonds Detachment marches for Trichinopoly — Yesterday Captain Dormonds marched for Trichinopoly with one hundred & Nine including Officers —

I send enclosed a Return of the Detachment the Reason it differs so much from what I wrote before is thirty Men Lazy gone into the Hospital since that is was obliged to take thirty Six Men from Captain Dormond's Company Iam

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Servt

John Clark —

Vellour May 30th 1765 —

3d Dispatched the following Letters —

To John Pybus Esqr
Chief of Masulipatam

Letter to John Pybus Esqr with a Copy of a Letter from Elephant & the Answer thereto

Sir

Enclosed is a Copy of a Letter from Elephant Ally with our Answer, by which You will observe that He principally recommends reducing his Expences settling amicably with Sellabatmurrauze & depending on our Assistance, You will give him the same Advice & earnestly represent to him the Necessity of discharging his Troops, which otherwise must eat up the Revenues of the three Circars — Chuncole is a Country Fit for Fruit Trees, & an Attempt at this Time to reduce it, would involve both the Company & Elephant Ally's Affairs in endless Difficulties —

The

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We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c. Council

Fort St George
3d June 1765

To the Honble Herman Abbestee Esqr.
President & Governor &c. Council of Tranquebar

Honble Sir & Sirs

Letter to Tranquebar, regarding their Dispute with the Raja of Tanjour

We have had the Honor to receive your Letter of the 20th of last Month, & have communicated the Purport of it, as you will observe by the enclosed to the Rajah of Tanjour, who We hope will in Consequence, & agreable to the Presidents earnest Entreaty consent to cease Hostilities, & prevent those Disorders which must attend a Rupture —

The Tanjour Government being independant of us We can do no more than endeavor to persuade & entreat, at the same Time laying before the Rajah the bad Consequences which such Disputes must be attended with if not speedely accommodated —

We hope to receive a favorable Answer, which We shall immediately make known to You, We have the Honor to be with perfect Esteem and Consideration —

Honble Sir & Sirs —

Your most Obedt Humble Servants

Robert Palk &c. Council —

Fort St George
3d June 1765 —

Came in the following Letter from Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army —

Letter from Colonel Campbell —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &c. Council of Fort St George

Honble Sir & Sirs

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I have this Instant received your Favor of the 27th I believe I have since the 23d mentioned to the President, that I should not desire more Troops if there was any other Service for them, and I am still of Opinion, that I can do very well with the Men I have got, & Return of which I had the Honor to send You the 26th Instant, and as soon as possible I will send a Return of the Artillery Troops &c

As the Number of Horses in the Hospital have for many Months past exceeded the Number of Men, I have by expected the Orders I have now received concerning them, and I had the 26th Inst given out Orders for disposing by public Outcry the first of next Month, all the unserviceable Ho

I have always been very scrupulous in changing or giving Men to the Cavalry for the Reasons mentioned in the Honble Board's Lett but when I reviewed them in Camp, I found they got them at Madras, which gave me no Reason to doubt but that it was your Intention to keep the compliment with the best Men, indeed on our marching from Arcot, I gave & changed some Men, before my they might have an Opportunity of acting but now you may depend upon my conforming strictly to your Orders, I shall also observe your Directions concerning the Tapsalls

By all the Intelligence I can get from my own Servants, the Native Renters & other Persons acquainted with the Aragole, I find there is no Water nearer to it, than Seven Miles, and that the Cattle from Aragole are obliged to go that Distance

Scarcity of Water near Aragole

For

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for Water, but they say the place is of no Strength And are of Opinion on the Appearance of our Army they will abandon it —

As this is the Case, I humbly offer it as my Opinion, that the Army should march as near as Water can be found, & perhaps on our coming there they may quit the Place, if not, I shall have an Opportunity of reconnoitering it, and seeing if it can be immediately attacked, but if there is no Likelihood of succeeding that Way No Hostilities need be committed, but Money demanded, which, I think he would readily pay, to get Us out of his Neighbourhood & I am told that but last Year he paid a Detachment which the Nabob sent Viz. 30.000 —

The Enclosed is the Surgeon's Indent for Medicines — I have the Honor to be with great Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs —

Your most obliged & obedient Servants

Charles Campbell —

for horses marching near Angole —

Nellour
29th May 1765 —

4th To which the following Answer was returned —

To Charles Campbell Esqr.
Colonel Commanding the Army &c.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 29th May & approve of your proposed March towards Angole We therefore recommend that you prepare to put the Troops in Motion, as soon as the Nabob who proposes to set out from hence in two or three Days, shall arrive at Nellour. In the mean Time We shall [illegible] the

Heavy

Letter to Colonel Campbell in Answr. His March towards Angole approved

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Cannon & Stores to be ready —

heavy Cannon & Stores ready to be sent You at the shortest Notice, if you find the Roads cannot be brought to the Nabobs Tanks without proceeding to Extremities —

Heare

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4th June 1765 —

Sir
Your most obed.t humble Servant
Robert Palk &c.a Council —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St George —

Letter from Colonel Campbell —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreable to your Orders I have now the

Sends in a Return of the Nabobs Troops

Pleasure to enclose You a Return of the Troops in this Country these mentioned present I have ordered 400 of the Seapoys 160 of the Topasses and 200 of the Horse may march with the Army — I am with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obliged & most humble Servt
Charles Campbell —

2 Nellore —
2d June 1765 —

Came in the following Letter from Captain Thomas Fletcher

To the Honble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St George —

Letter from Capt.n Fletcher —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Takes Baum Naigs Redoom —

I have the Pleasure to acquaint You that I attacked & carried Baum Naigues Barrier this Morning, after an obstinate Dispute which lasted upwards

Ensign Topplady killed

of an hour — In this Affair Ensign Topplady was killed

and

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and Ensign Neale wounded thro the Arm. five Grena=
=diers & one of Captain Nixon's Company. & I believe
20 Sepoys are killed & wounded, tho' of the latter I cant
positively ascertain the Number. Our Loss is consider=
=able, Yet, I have the Satisfaction to think it was un=
=avoidable, And Gentlemen of Experience in India tell
me it is the strongest they ever saw in the Country
besides this in the inside there is a Redoubt with three
small Guns & a Number of Gingalls Pieces mounted.
The Attack was first made by the Seapoys who were
drove back several Times, & till there was no possibility
of making them shew their Faces at all — The only Re=
source then left was to advance the Grenadeers, which
was done with great Success by Street Firings, with
the front File of them upon their knees putting out
the Brass which were fixed in the Ground as We
went along —

We are in possession of the Village which is a
very fine one, and have reconnoitered the Roads
on each Side for several Miles, but no Appearance
of the Polygar who has certainly fled thro' one of
the narrow Paths of which there are several —
There is nothing found but some Paddy, which I
have in some Measure promised to the Men, on
account of their Behaviour which I think deserves
it, & I hope You will have no Objections to their re=
=ceiving it — As We have expended a good Quantity of
Ammunition, I have taken the Liberty to inclose you
an Indent for more, I shall wait your further Orders

deserves the Paddy may be distributed among the Men —

Supplies for Ammunition

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient & Humble Servant
Tho' Fletcher —

Fort St. George Pallam
June 5th 1765 —

P.S. Doolies for the wounded are greatly wanted —

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In Answer to which the following Letter was wrote Him.

To Captain Fletcher

Sir

Letter to Him in Ans.r

We have received yours Letter of Yesterday advising of your being in Possession of Bauour Vaigues Pollam, after an obstinate Resistance, in which Ensign Topsady was killed & 11 Seapoys wounded, with Some of the Grenadiers, which gives Us Concern, Till We can send out more Seapoys to keep Possession, We desire You will remain there, endeavouring as well as You can to destroy the Barrers & open the Woods The Camp Doolies with six more from Vence, and the Ammunition before indented for, have been already despatched & We are now preparing six more Bullocks

We have also ordered Serjeant Jones to the Seapoys at Maul Ravizes Pollam, that Mr Stevens may visit that of Bauour Naig

Your Men has behaved so well that We have sent to your dividing the Prize among them

If the Indent You have now sent is immediately to be complied with, It will be necessary that You send in 10 Carriage Bullocks & to follow the same Method whenever they can be spared to bring you any Stores You may want

We are

Sir

Your Humble Servants

Robert Palk & Co.a Council

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The following Letter was also wrote to Captain Clark Comanding at Vellore

To

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To Captain Clark
Commanding at Vellour

Sir

Letter to Captain Clark

ordered to send a Company of Seapoys from Vellour to garrison Nayuen Pollam

Upon receipt of this You will order a Company of Seapoys now with you at Vellour to march to Tripermadore, & from thence to Nayuen Pollam which lays about 5 Miles to the North thereof, & which was yesterday taken by our Troops under Captain Fletcher. This Company is intended to remain there in Garrison, & you will order them to obey whatever Officer may be there when they arrive. We are

Sir

Your humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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5 June 1765

The Nabob applies for an Escort for Money from Palamcotah to Trichinopoly

The Nabob having applied for an Escort for some Money from Palamcotah the following Letters were wrote to Majors Campbell & Wood

To Major Campbell or
The Commanding Officer at Madura

Sir

Letter to Major Campbell or Officer

Enclosed is Copy of a Letter from the Nabob concerning escorting some Money from Palamcotah to Trichinopoly to which We desire You will have Regard advising Major Wood also to assist if necessary, as He can afford it better than you.

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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5th June 1765

To Major Wood
Commanding at Trichinopoly

Fort St. George 5th June 1765.

Letter to Major Wood

Sir

If Major Campbell should apply to You for Assistance to escort some Money of the Nabobs from Madura, We desire You will order a proper Guard

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Robert Palk &c. Council

Fort St George
5th June 1765.

6th A Company of Sepoys this Day marched from hence under the Command of Lieutenant Kelly to remain at Bawmee Nugs Pollam of which Captain Fletcher was informed.

7th Sent the following Letter to Colonel Campbell Commanding the Army

To Charles Campbell Esqr
Colonel Commanding the Army

Sir

Letter to Colonel Campbell

The Nabob being desirous of obliging the Ongole Rajah & the Pollygars of Palnaud & Sydapoor to pay the Tribute that is due from them, You will with the Troops & Artillery under your Command accompany the Nabob, & take such Measures as are necessary to bring them to Compliance We shall keep two Pieces of battering Cannon ready to be sent by Sea in case They are wanted, which may go onto Kistna patam, & there proper People may be stationed to conduct the Boats, wherever it will be most convenient to land the Cannon. We are

ordered to proceed against the Ongole Raja &c.

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Sir

Your most obedt & Hble Servts

Robert Palk & Council

P.S. We have sent with the Nabob Lieut. Backnal & two Companies of Seapoys, who are to return hither from Gomarpoondy or when an Escort from you joins the Nabob.

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At a Consultation Present

Friday 7th June —

Robert Palk Esqr Governor President —

Stringer Lawrence

Richard Fairfield, Samuel Ardley

Charles Turner John Calla —

George Stratton —

Mr Bourchier indisposed —

Letter from Lieutenant Cosby Commanding at Arrialore & Worriapollam read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor & the Gentlemen of the Council

Fort St George —

Letter from Lieutt Cosby — arrives at Worriapollam

Honble Sir & Sirs —

I arrived here this Morning with four Companies of Seapoys, to which I have detached to Arrialore Lieutenant Cotsgrave from whom I have received Charge of these Places proceeds with his Seapoys to morrow for Trichenopoly —

The Works there much out of Repair —

The Rains which have lately fallen here has entirely washed down one of the new raised Bastions & the others I much fear will soon be in the same Condition, I have the honor to be with the greatest Respect — Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very Obedient & most hble Servant

H. M. Cosby —

Worriapollam May the 28 1765 —

Letter in Answer

Agreed that Lieutenant Cosby be directed to take the best Measures He is able for the Security of the Places under his Charge — And as the Nabob has desired that his Seapoys may be under the Orders

The Nabobs Seapoys put under the Orders of his Manager —

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Orders of his Manager, Mr. Corby is to have Direct-
-ions accordingly — The frequent Complaints made
against Officers in the Out Garrisons for interfering
in the Business of the Circar, makes it necessary
to give Lieutenant Corby particular Directions to
confine his Attention solely to the Care of disciplin-
-ing the Troops under his Command. — As the Gar-
-risons of Arrialore & Verriapollam are hard from
Cuddalore, if it may be necessary for the Command-
-ant on account of their vicinity to that Place, to receive
from thence, He is to be directed to transmit to the
Chief a Monthly Return of those Garrisons, and
to obey any Orders received from him —

The President acquaints the Board that Mr.
Wood in a Letter to him advises that Lieut.t Cotsg-
-was returned to Trichenopoly with only two of the
Companies of Sepoys, the other two Companies beg
detained by Lieutenant Corby at Arialore & Verra-
-pollam, which are therefore to be ordered to retur
to Trichenopoly —

Letter from Major Donald Campbell read as
follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.
President & Governor &c. Council of Fort St. George —

Letter from Major Campbell —

Honble Sir & Sirs —

The Nabobs Affairs are in such a Situation
in the Tinnevelly Country, & from the Incursions of
the Travancores in the Calicad Districts, The Particu-
-culars of which have been laid (from time to time) before the President,
that I have ordered a Detachment from hence to
Pallamcotah consisting of about 100 Europeans 2
Six Pounder Guns, 5 Companies of our Sepoys, and
some of the Nabobs which marched yesterday, the

Orders a Detach-
-ment to the Assist-
-ance of the Calicad
Districts —

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with what I can take from the Tinnevelly Country
I hope to be able at least to secure Calicad, till I am
Supplied with your Determination, I shall do my En-
deavors to get the Nabobs Troops there in as good Or-
der as I can, which is much required, the Six Hon.
left Trichenopoly the 10th They were not arrived at
Tinnevelly the 24th — I set out myself this Evening
and leave Captain Bellingham to command in
my Absence, with Three Battalions Sepoys
nik & well, six Companies of our Seapoys & some of
the Nabobs, which I hope will render this Place
safe enough —

Upon my Arrival at Pallamcotah I shall
acquaint You with the State of the Detachment
which I shall be able to take out with me —

I am informed that the Tinnevelores before
Calicad are strengthening their Encampment and
making Battaries against the Fort —

The Enemy have appeared no Nearer Wardo
-gemy, as yet, than Shencotah —

I hope this Step which I have taken will
meet with your Approbation, I am with Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs —
Your most Obedt humble Servant
Donald Campbell —

Madura
26th May 1765 —

The President lays before the Board the follow-
ing Letter from Major Campbell —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St. George
Honble Sir

I have the Pleasure to acquaint You of
the Arrival of the Detachment here, mentioned of
in

purposes proceed-
ing thither himself

Letter from Major
Campbell —
The Detachment
arrives at Pallam
Cotah —

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in my last Address to the Board, I found things are not in that Readiness here, which I expected owing to the Difficulty in procuring them — I shall make all possible Haste in taking the Field & march to Calvecad. The Buxy's Horse went thither last Night, & encamped under the Walls of the Fort, instead of shewing some Alacrity in surrounding the Enemy I have however wrote to him to march back & join me, as he can be of no Service in laying there —

The Enemy has not made their Appearance yet before Wandagemy, but lye at Shuncotah, I have the Honor to be —

Honble Sir

Your most obedient Humble Servant

Donald Campbell

Pallamcotah
30th May 1765 —

Letter from the Chief Engineer read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council of
Fort St. George —

Letter from the Chief Engineer — regarding destroying the Pollygar Woods

Honble Sir & Sirs

Agreable to your Resolution in Council the 30th Ultimo I set out from hence the next Night, and arrived at Coltyconpong where our Troops were encamped the 31st about eight in the Morning, so that I compute the Distance to be about 20 Miles West North West from Madras. Upon examining the Woods, & the Situation of Maul Rauzes Pollam, I was soon convinced that it would be an endless Labour and Expence to attempt to destroy the whole, even tho' all the Wood for the Brick Kilns & consumption of the Settlement should be cut there The Pollam of Maul Rauze lays about 2 Miles or 2½ Miles

nor thwards

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within the Wood, on a rising Ground, & seemed to be intended only as a secure Place of Retreat & a Residence for himself & his armed Prows. The only Passage to it is on the West Side about 6 feet Wide, & secured at three Places by strong Barriers, where a few resolute Men might have defended it against all that could find room to act against them & there is no possibility of attempting or attempting a Passage for more than one Man in a creeping Posture at any other Part — In keeping such a Place would increase our Garrisons, & in my opinion tempt Mord Rauze to return, & endeavor to surprize it & establish himself again I gave Orders to Mr Stevens Engineer whom I left there with 100 Lascars and Tools, to begin immediately to enlarge the Passage into the Pollam to the breadth of 60 feet, destroy the Barriers and burn all the Thorns that would take fire When this is done the Buildings in the Pollam may be destroyed, & all Inducements for the Polygar to return removed, or Your Honor &c may replace him under certain Conditions if the Considerations I shall presently point out, are of sufficient Weight to induce You thereto —

That as little Time as possible might be lost, & that You might have some certain Knowledge of the Situation of the other Polygars to be reduced, and the Service the Troops had to perform, I collected from Tremalrow & others, the following Information & composed the accompanying Chart which will be of great Use to shew the Position of the several Polygar's Pollams with respect to Madras & other principal Places —

Bauun Naigue Polygar enjoys a Yearly Revenue of about 10,000 Pagodas, which he has chiefly seized on out of the Poonamallee, Conjeveram Trepassore and

and Chinglaput Countries. He usually keeps up about 300 Peons, tho it is probable he has now 500, if he suspects the Party was to march against him. This Pollam lays about 5 Miles to the North of Tripermadore on the right of the Road to Arcot, which his People sometimes infest. There is but one Road thro the Wood into his Pollam, the Entrance of which is on the North West Side, the length of this Passage is about 2½ Miles with four Barriers —

Rangapah Naigue & Verdapah Naig enjoy a Yearly Revenue of about 15,000 Pagodas, & have generally been very troublesome to the Tripassore Country out of which they have seized 22 Villages. They usually keep up about 600 Peons. Their Pollams lay about 10 or ten Miles North Westerly from Tripassore on an Hill of very easy ascent, about 12 Miles asunder, & have a Communication with each other. There is an Entrance to each Pollam on the South Side of the Hill which is covered with a thick brush Wood. In each of the Passages which are very narrow, there are four Barriers & a Village on the Right or left of each Passage about half Way to the Pollams, which Villages must be first attacked & taken to prevent the Pollygars from coming in the Rear of our Troops —

On a large rising Ground covered with thick Wood about 18 Miles North West from Tripassore lay the following Polygars —

Channa Vellacundama Naig Peddana Cundama Naig	Their Pollams are situated on the South Side & they enjoy about 15,000 Pag.s annual Revenues with which they support 800 Peons —
Ball Naeg Kistnama Naig	Their Pollams are situated on the West Side of the Hill, They enjoy about 6000 Pag.s annual Income & keep about 700 Peons —
Tornberry Pollam Lacca Cherry Pollam	These Pollams are situated on the North Side, the Polygars have a Yearly Revenue of 3000 Pag.s & keep about 300 Peons —

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Moodapah Naig
Saib Naig } These Pollams are on the East Side of the Hill. They enjoy about 7000 Pags annual Revenue & keep up 800 Peons —

These Polygars divide the Hill which is pretty large into four Quarters, but there is no Connection between them except those whose Names stand together & their Pollams have a Communication with each other so that they must be attacked two at a Time —

Muddoor Pollam further North West, but the Polygar is not of much Consequence, and has made no Encroachments, so that unless he receives and protects his Brother Maul Rauze, there is no Cause to march against him —

Gruarauze & Nellapah Naig enjoy a Yearly Revenue of 10,000 Pagodas out of the Penery Country; they generally keep about 500 Peons their Pollams lay 3 Miles North West of Gumarapundy, near the inland Road from Madras to Nellore, and have been very troublesome to Passengers as well as great Plunderers.

Ingevar Pollam lays East of Shettavedu also near the Road to Nellore. The Polygar enjoys about 6000 Pags Yearly Revenue & keeps 500 Peons —

There are two other inconsiderable Polygars near the Lake North West of Pulleacat, but these I have named are the principal Ones, who have at Times plundered the Country, or seized on several Villages chiefly belonging to the Company's Jagueer, & together enjoy above 70,000 Pagodas a Year Revenue, but part of that is undoubtedly produced from the Villages originally belonging to them. By the Chart it appears that these People entirely surrounded the Tripassore Country

and

and while the Government of the Carnatic was contending for by the Troops otherwise employed, these Polygars were upon the Villages most contiguous to their Pollams and if they were not permitted to enjoy them, plundered the Country and made them of little Advantage to the Renters or Government. Another Cause of the Increase of Power to these Polygars was the Number of People who on the overthrow of the Marattas or other troubles in the open Parts of the Country, fled into the Woods for Protection to themselves and their Effects, and consequently paid something for their Safety -

To attempt the Recovery of what has been plundered, or unjustly seized, by Force or Negotiation with the Polygars, will be to no purpose; for nothing but the last Extremities will make them tractable. In Pursuit of these Extremities their Pollams must be taken, & it is then to be considered whether they shall be totally extirpated or replaced under certain Conditions

If the former Plan is to be pursued it appears to me, that the only Method after taking the Pollams, is to enlarge the Road leading to them, or make if possible more than one to each, level all the Barrier born the Wood that is cut down, and destroy every Building in the Pollams, so that they will not soon be erected as a Residence. Every Person dependant on the Polygar, or relation that can be discovered, must be disarmed; and strict Orders given to the Country People to discover any Adherents, that may return or foment to raise future Troubles. Besides these Precautions, Four or five Companies of Seapoys, under an European Officer must

must for the first Year be kept at Tripassore, & upon the least Intelligence of any Polygar or his Adherents returning, he should march to the place, and endeavor to seize & disarm all those whom he suspects, and indeed it should be a standing Order, that no Peons or others should keep or carry Arms unless employed by Us or the Nabob, or some other Power allowed to keep a Force. By the present state of the Polygars, the Tripassore Country is quite surrounded by them and subject to their continual Depredations, not to mention that out of 72 or 80,000 Pagodas a Year which they enjoy half or more has been seized & detained by Force —

To the latter Proposition it occurs that the Polygars have undoubtedly an original Right, to some Villages or Duties — And it is probable the Extirpation of them will in Case of future Troubles, subject many poor People to be plundered who usually took Shelter in the Polygars Woods —

If these Considerations should plead in their favor, they may be replaced in their Pollams, with a certain number of Villages specified for their Support, on which they should be allowed to keep a fixed Number of Peons, & be obliged on all occasions to join the Company's Forces, for the Defence of this Settlement, or the Company's Possessions near it. The Roads to their Pollams should be enlarged, and their Places should be visited whenever We thought proper, and they should be bound to protect & not plunder Travellers or the Country. I am very respectfully

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your very faithful & obedient Servant

John Call Chief Engr

Fort St George
5th June 1765 —

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As the Proceeding against all the Polygars at this Season of the Year, may be a Means of ensnaring many Men: And as it is probable that many of them may be induced by fair Means to submit, It is agreed that Circular Letters be wrote them, assuring them of Favor in case they come to Madras & settle their Affairs: and representing to them the Consequences to be expected, if they oblige Us to proceed to Extremities.

Letters to be wrote to the Polygars inviting them to submit &c

Letter from John Pybus Esqr. Chief of Mazulipatam read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &c. Council for the Military Department at Fort St. George —

Letter from Wm Pybus —

Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honored with your Commands of the 15th instant advising of having taken on a Country Boat thirty five Gun Carriages for the use of this Settlement — The Defaulter arrived here & the Carriages have been received conformably to the Bill of Lading: The Amount of them shall be duely carried to the Credit of your Settlement —

Under Cover you will be pleased to receive a Letter from Captain Madge to me accompanied by one from Sittaramyer to him, & two from Messrs Low & Panaon to Mr Swan Alby concerning their Establishment at Yanaon Alby Answer to Captain Madge comes inclosed. Mr Swan Alby's non Performance of his Engagements for paying the stipulated monthly Sum for the Disbursements of the Army has obliged me to make the Paymaster Remittances from hence, Since my

Opinion

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Opinion the most effectual Method for enforcing more Punctu-
ality, is to determine not to move from Rajahmundry, and
to keep Possession of that Place till some Security or Engage-
ments on trustworthy Zemindars can be obtained for the
Payment of the greatest Part of the Money he is responsible
for to the Company — My Orders to Captain Madge not to
remove from the Fort are founded on this Principle and he
tells me the Garrison he has left in it will effectually secure
the Place in our Hands — Sittarammraauze is I believe not
much to be confided in, but his Power & Influence must be
considerably diminished by our being in Possession of Ra-
=jahmundry — Myshepatarow the Zemindar of Samala
Cotah whom Capt Madge speaks of is a Person who
was established in that Zemindary by Sittarammraauze.
It had been in his Family many Years & was his
Right, but an Uncle who was Guardian to him during
his Minority had usurped the Authority & kept the Count-
=ry in his Hands, which Sittarammraauze divested him
of, & put the present young Man in Possession. He is
therefore it may be supposed attached to him in some
Degree as his Benefactor; But I am informed he has
made Overtures to Hafeen Ally for accommodating
Matters with him if he is not unreasonable in his De-
=mands —

Captain Madge you will be pleased to observe
has applyed to Mr Kelsall for supplying their Men
with a Pound & a half of Rice p Day alledging it an
Allowance made to the Garrisons where Officers re-
=ceive half Batta — As I am unacquainted whether
any such Indulgence is allowed or not Inquest to be

honored

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honored with your Directions on the Subject.

Nizam Ally is on this Side the Bezoar a Pass He has sent an Officer to Hussain Ally to press for Money, which I believe he will find a Difficulty in furnishing Inclosed are some Letters received from the Vackeel in Nizam Ally's Camp Yesterday. I am very. Respectfully Honble Sirs Sirs —

Your very Obedient & most hble Servant

John Pybus —

Masulipatam
30th May 1765 —

To John Pybus Esqr
Chief of Masulipatam

Letter from Capt Madgett to Mr Pybus regarding the Proceedings of Detachment

Sir —

I have received your Letter acknowledging the Receipt of those from Sellarum Razo together with the Copy of the Treaty agreed on between the Nabob & him which I have now the Satisfaction to acquaint you that the Nabob continues to observe in the most punctual Manner —

I delivered him your Letter concerning the keeping Possession of the Garrison of Rajahmundry, But he had before agreed to our remaining in it, as I had told him that it would be expected — The Troops designed for the Garrison are now settled which is to consist of five Companies of Sepoys three of which are to be furnished by Us & two by him, the rest of the Detachment are to remain in Pandalls, which are now constructing near the Fort, and will be much more eligible Quarters, than any We now have in Garrison, as the Place is intirely in Ruins, & not above three Houses besides the Nabob's Palace standing in the Place, I shall leave Ensign Warren in the Fort as Commandant of

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of the Troops composing the Garrison, and have the Nabob's Word that all his People are to be under his Orders, and the Keys to remain in his Possession.

The Remainder of the Detachment will remove to their Cantonments in three or four Days, tho' I believe We shall not long remain inactive, As there will be a Necessity for our marching to the Northward in order to see the Rajah out of the Rajahmundry Circar, As our latest Intelligence from his Camp speak but little in his favor with regard to his observing the Conditions of the Treaty agreed on betwixt the Nabob & him, As he was not to interfere with any Business relative to the Rajah-mundry Circar, nor in any wise assist the Zemindars of that Country should the Nabob have occasion to make use of Force in collecting their several Rents. But on the Contrary was if called upon to come to the Assistance of the Nabob. The Nabob on the other Hand was not to encourage any of the Zemindars of the Chicacole Country in opposing the Rajah who was to remain inactive at Ata-lawarrum for the borders of the Chicacole Country till the Determination of the Council & Nizam Ally should arrive to which both Parties engaged to pay an implicit Obedience.

Instead of adhering to this Agreement Sittar-amrauze has left a Part of his Cavalry at Pangady a Village within five Cos of our Camp, who have made several of the principal Inhabitants Prisoners, in order to exact Money from them, and has left 1500 of his fighting Men with 4 Pieces of Cannon in the Fort of Samul Cotah under pretence of taking Care of some of his Baggage, which He could not take from thence for want of Bullocks & Coolies. The Polygar of Samul Cotah was the only principal Zemindar of the Rajamundry

Circar

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Circar, who continued with the Rajah after our Army crossed the River, and when We took Possession of Rajamundry. Sellar Ammavee introduced him to me, and desired I would intercede with the Nabob on his behalf as he was to join us as soon as the Rajah had passed Samul Cotah. The Reason he assigned for his accompanying him Thither was on account of his being the sooner furnished with Bullocks and Coolies, for the continuing his March to Sattalavarroo. As he was on his Arrival at Samul Cotah, to send back all those the Nabob had supplied him with to enable him to move from Rajahmundry.

But instead of sending back the Polygar according to Agreement. He has taken him along with him, and has also left a Garrison in his Fort, while the other is provoding the Place with Provisions with all Diligence, in order as is suspected to stand a Siege.

As the Nabob's Affairs are not present situated he has desired me to represent to you the necessity of immediately marching with a Detachment to join the Rajahmundry Circar, and wait the Determination of the Rajah either at Pedapore, or Samul Cotah the latter of which is ten Coss distant from Sattaravarroo where the Rajah is to remain till the Affair is settled.

I received a Letter from Sattaravarroo this Morning, which I now inclose you as also one from the Nabob with two sent him from the Governor of Pondicherry & the Resident at Varuam requesting his Permission for their reestablishing their Factories in his Dominions. He refers them to the Governor & Council of Madras.

I am intirely of your Opinion as to the Aurungs not being continued their Batta by the Nabob, whilst in Cantonments, as they may probably by and by claim it as their Right from the Company, and have therefore refused

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refused his request. At Trichenopoly the Europeans are allowed a Measure & half of Rice p Day and also in all Garrisons where Officers are allowed half Batta, I have therefore desired Mr Kelsal to supply them in the same Manner

desires the Men may be allowed the same as at Trichinopoly

Since Settaram rauze left this Place the Nabob has been reinforced with upwards of 100 Europeans from his Camp, who came off with Mr Bon Enfant who assures me that if We march to the Northward he will engage to get off all the Frenchmen in the Rajahs Service, which he says may amount to about seventy or eighty Men

Enclosed is an Indent for Artillery Stores which I received from Captain Wadbank. Which I beg you will be pleased to forward as soon as possible. if We are to march to the Northward it will be better to send to Coringa. I hope you will send me your Orders as to complying with the Nabobs Request of marching to observe the motions of the Raja & to protect the Rajahmundry Country, and how I am to act should the Raja continue to ravage the Country

I am with the sincerest respect

Sir

Your most Obed.t faithful Servant

Tho.s Madge

Rajamundry
23.d May 1765

To Captain Thomas Madge
Commanding at Rajahmundry

Letter from Mr Pybus

Sir

I have received your Letter of the 23.d Instant with the several Papers mentioned to be inclosed

If you are fully satisfied that the Number of Troops you propose to leave in the Garrison of Rajahmundry will be sufficient effectually to secure the Possession of it in our Hands. The rest of the Detachment may be quartered where it can be done with most Convenience

Captain

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Captain Hart is arrived here with the Coffrey Company and a Battalion of Sepoys & will proceed for Rajahmundry to take upon him the Command of the Army tomorrow Evening — As I am in daily Expectation of Orders from the President & Council relating to Sittavaramraova Captain Hart will have Directions from me to remove from Rajahmundry till he hears further from me, and you will be pleased not to undertake any thing before he joins You —

The Stores indented for shall be forwarded to Coringa — I am pleased to hear of the Desertion of Sittavaramraova's Europeans and hope those remaining in his Service will soon follow —

I am Sir

Your very obedient humble Servt

John Pybus —

Mazulipatam
30th May 1765 —

The President also lays before the Board the following Letter from Mr Pybus —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

Letter from Mr Pybus

Honble Sir

Enclosed you will be pleased to receive a Return of this Garrison for last Month, and one of the Detachment under the Command of Captain Hart —

I likewise send under Cover a Letter brought in this Evening from the Vakeel in Nowsim Alys Cawn which has occasioned my having ordered Captain Hart to detach three Companies of the Sepoys he has with him back to the Pettah to prevent its being totally deserted, as the Inhabitants are leaving it in great Numbers on the News of the Soubahs near Approach — Copy of my Letter to Captain Hart comes inclosed —

I am with much Respect —

Honble Sir

Your most obedt & hble Servt

John Pybus —

Masulipatam
1st June 1765 —

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To Captain Simon Hart
Commanding the Troops on the March to Rajahmundry

Letter from Mr Pybus
to Capt Hart

Sir

As I have received certain Information since you moved from the Pettah, that Nizam Ally intends to proceed towards Rajahmundry by the Way of Elour and that for the Convenience of Water he will keep his Army on the Banks of the Kistna on the Road to this Place within the Distance of about twenty Miles & as the Inhabitants of the Pettah alarmed at this Intelligence are deserting the Place in great Numbers for fear of being plundered by the straggling Horse belonging to his Camp. You will be pleased on the Receipt hereof to detach three Companies of the Seapoys now with you, to the Pettah with Orders to halt at the Ground you moved from and there wait my further Directions. One Sergeant & Major with the Detachment will be necessary - I would recommend to you to move with the Remainder of the Troops under your Command as expeditiously as you can towards Rajahmundry lest the Inhabitants should desert the Villages on your Rout on hearing of Nizam Ally's Intentions, by which Means you might be distressed for Provisions on the March -

On your Arrival at Rajahmundry you will be pleased to send hither, The Syrang Tindalls & Lascars which went from hence & have been since under the Command of Captain Madge, as I suppose the Number you brought with you will be full Sufficient for any Service you may be hereafter employed on. You shall be constantly advised of Nizam Ally's Motions & Designs as far as I am able to procure Intelligence of them -

I am
Sir
Your very Obed.t Humble Serv.t
John Pybus -

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The Letter from the Vaquiel on Nizam Alys Camp as entered in Country Correspondence N°119 is also read advising of Nizam Alys Intentions of proceeding to Ellore by the Way of Rajahmundry with a View of getting some Money from Hussain Ally —

advice of Nizam Alys Intentions of entering the Circars —

Dupuis to be directed to be particularly careful that he be treated with all possible Respect & Submission If He apprehends our Troops remaining in Rajahmundry may give Umbrage. They should have orders to withdraw & Nizam Ally must be acquainted that it was in Compliance with his Request to assist Hussain Ally that they were first sent thither & if he pleases they shall return into the Company's Districts, in which Case Mr Pybus will prevent their being interrupted on their March to Mazulipatam — If the Soubah should resolve to march to Chicacole, He presumes He will not want our Assistance, Mr Pybus is therefore to take the most effectual Means for securing our Factories & Investments — We should be very unwilling that our Troops should be employed against Sultan Ameen, & could such a Reconciliation might be brought about between the Soubah & him, in which Mr Pybus may offer his Mediation — should Nizam Ally make any Proposals for our renting the Circars, further than the great Want of Money is very likely, Mr Pybus is to acquaint him, that We desire nothing more than his Friendship & that Weare willing to abide by our former Offer provided the Countries are not ruined & laid waste in Case they are, an Abatement must be made for the first Year in proportion to the State of the Country

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An Allowance of Rice made the Military at Rajahmundry —

We consent to the Military at Rajahmundry receiving the same Allowance of Rice as at Madura which is to be discontinued as soon as the Country is settled & Rice may be bought at the usual Price —

Complaint of the Renter of Gingee against an Officer

Read a Letter from the Renter of Gingee transmitted by the Nabob as entered in Country Correspondence N° 114 complaining of the Behaviour of an Officer who passed that Way with a Detachment —

As We have no Officer of the same Name mentioned in the above Letter. It is ordered that a Copy thereof be sent to the Paymaster at Gingee who is to be directed to make Enquiry into the Affair

Letter from the Nabob advice of Troubles in the Districts of the Mysoreans

Letter from the Nabob as entered in Country Correspondence N° 116 enclosing Intelligence from the Managers on the Manapar and Carcoor Districts setting forth that the Mysoreans from Dindegul were committing Hostilities in those Districts —

Opinion of the Board thereon —

Tho we do not apprehend there can be any real Foundation for the above Intelligence / As We are assured Hyder Naigue will not countenance any Hostilities against Us or the Nabob / Major Wood is however to be directed to make Enquiry regarding it. and if he finds the Amildar of Dindigul has any Intentions to disturb that Country. He is to write to him to desist.

Indent for Stores for Camp to be complied with

Indents from the Clerk of Stores & Quarter Master for sundry Stores wanting in Camp, which approved by the Committee of Stores & ordered to be complied with —

The President acquaints the Board that the Surgeons had informed him that some wounded Seapoys

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Order regarding victualling Soldiers in the Hospital

were received into the Hospital from Camp, He therefore desired to know in what Manner they are to be victualled — Agreed that the Surgeons be acquainted that if they have no Persons to take Care of them, He must draw their Pay from the Commissary General & diet them —

Robt Palk
Stringer Lawrell
Richd Fairfield
Saml Ardley
Charles Purnell

John Call
Geo Stratton

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In Consequence of the Resolutions of Yesterday the following Letters were dispatched —

To John Pybus Esqr

Sir

Letter to Mr Pybus

We have received your Letter of the 30th of May and the President has communicated yours of the 1st Instant with a Copy of one from You to Captain Hart — We are concerned to find that Nizam Ally has entered the Circars as he apprehend it may cause some Trouble by wasting the whole Country & perhaps prejudice our Investments —

To prevent this as much as is in our Power We recommend that the Soubah be treated with much Respect & Politeness, for in Case our Troops remain in Rajahmundry is like to cause a Rupture or to give Umbrage, They should have Orders to withdraw & you may acquaint the Nizam that it was only in Compliance with his Request to assist Hussain Ally they were first sent thither & that if he pleased they should have immediate Orders to return into the Company's Dominions & to effect this if it becomes necessary you will take Measures as may prevent their being entirely cut off in their Retreat to Masulipatam —

Should the Soubah agreable to Hussain Ally's advice resolve to march to Chicacole, in that Case I presume He will not want our Assistance, & your Neutrality may be taken up in securing our Factories & Investments We would not willingly have our Troops employed against Salabat Jung We rather wish that a Reconciliation could be brought about between him & the Soubah, which

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which You may offer your Mediation —

With Respect to an Allowance to the Militia for the present
cary at Rajahmundry, We consent, that they be on the
same Establishment with those at Madura, that is
each Man to receive one Pound & half of Rice a Day.
which is to be discontinued whenever the Country
is clear of Troubles & Rice to be bought at the usual
Price.

Should Nizam Ally make any Proposals concern=
=ing our renting the Circars You may acquaint him
that We desire nothing more than his Friendship &
that We are willing to make good our former Offer pro=
=vided the Countries are not ruined & laid Waste in
Case they are such an Abatement must be made for
the first Year as will be equal to the State the Country
is in We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends —

Robert Palk &c.a Council —

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To Lieutenant Cosby Commanding
at Vizeapatam

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 28.th May.
& would have you take the best Measures in your
Power for the Security of the Places under your Com=
=mand.

The Nabob being desirous that his Seapoys
should be under the Orders of his Manager to assist
him in conducting the Business of the Circar. You
will therefore have them entirely under his Directions
As We have received frequent Complaints of our

Officers

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Officers interfering in the Civil Affairs, You will carefully avoid meddling in any Shape therewith, & confine your Attention solely to the well disciplining & keeping your Troops in good Order.

The Garrisons of Worriapollam & Arnialore being paid from Cuddalore, & as it may be necessary for You to receive Orders from thence you will constantly transmit to the Chief a Monthly return of the State of those Garrisons & obey any Orders you may receive from Him.

Major Wood in his Letter of the 1st June acquaints the President that Lieutenant Colgrave returned to Trichenopoly with only two Companys of Sepoys the other five being detained by You agreable to Orders received from Colonel Campbell. We desire those Seapoys may no longer be detained if they still remain with You contrary to your Intentions

We are Sir
Your humble Servants
Robert Palk &c. Council

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9th Came in the following Letter from Captain Fletcher at Bauree Nague Pollam

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

Letter from Capt. Fletcher

I had the Honor to receive your Commands of the 5th & shall punctually comply with them in destroying the Barriers & opening the Woods I have already begun with five Companies of Sepoys & all the Lascars & Coolys of the Detachment, which

tells about destroying the Woods

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shall be continued on working Party while Iron can
here, they proceed very slowly for Want of Tools which
I hope you'll please to order with the Party intended
for this Place. The Woods are thin & which may easily
be rendered uninhabitable for Polygars for the future
In order to catch these Polligars different Attacks at
each of their Passes will be absolutely necessary. If
and I believe it might be accomplished with Success —

I have sent inclosed a Return of the Guns &
ends on a Return of Stores taken Ammunition taken at this Place — Com

Honble Sir

Baum Naigue Pollam Your most obed^t & humble Servt

June 7th 1765 — Thos Fletcher

In answer to which the following Letter was im-
mediately wrote him —

To Captain Thomas Fletcher

Letter in answer Sir

The President has communicated to Us your
Letter of the 7th with the Return of the Stores found in
Baum Naigue's Pollam —

You will on the Receipt of this Order one
Ordered to leave Company of your Battalion of Seapoys to remain
Company of Sepoys with Lieut Kelly with Lieutenant Kelly at Baum Naigue Pollam
Kelly — besides the Company sent from hence, & when the Sea-
poys which We have ordered from Vellore arrive there
he will send the Company you leave to join you again
with the rest of the Detachment under your Command
Ordered to proceed to Trivalore — you will march to Trivalore, & when you arrive there
Sepoys to be stayed part by over Sepoys into the Pettah of Batty till we send
off Boats on their arrival there. more

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you further Orders. The Lascars & Coolys that can be spared you will leave at Berry Nargue Pollam to be employed under the Engineer Mr Steevens in destroying the Barriers & the Woods.

We shall send you tomorrow a Letter to be forwarded to the Polygars near Trivalore to require their Presence at Madras if they comply 'tis well & their Affairs may be settled without proceeding to Extremities if they are obstinate we shall try other Measures & reinforce you in such a Manner as may enable you most effectually to execute our Orders — when you are arrived at Trivalore you will send what Bullocks & People you can spare to remove the Guns & other Stores mentioned in the Return to Tripassore Fort where they are to be delivered into the Charge of the Serjeant Commanding — Weare

The Stores &c to be removed to Tripassore —

Sir
Your most humble Servants —
Robert Palk &c Council —

Madrass
9th June 1765 —

Came in the following Letter from the Chief &c at Anjengo

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council at
Fort St George.

Hond Sirs & Sirs

Letter from Anjengo regarding the Proceedings of the King of Travancore —

We have received your Favors of the 30th March & 2d April enclosing Duplicate of the former & this gives Cover to an Address from Us to our Superiors at Bombay, which We request your Honor &c to forward as it contains the Annual Accounts of this Settlement —

B

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By Report the King of Travencore has in-
vaded the Calicaud Country without apprizing us of
his Intentions, tho' he had applied to us to write your
Honr &c on his Behalf, Yesterday a Relation event
Intercession, as We apprized him that your Honr &c
would use your Interest with the Nabob to do him Jus-
tice, provided he would hearken to Reason but he
throws in Reply here daily, If appears to be on very
good Terms with us. Weare with Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient humble Serv^ts

Thos Whitehill

Arthur King

Wm Taylor

T. A Glass

Anjengo
25th May 1765

Sent the following Letter to Major Wood Com-
manding at Trichinopoly

To Major Wood Commanding
at Trichinopoly

Letter to Major Wood

Sir

regarding the Fourths apprehend in the Travancore Districts

The Nabob has informed Us that his Man-
agers in the Manapar & Tavoor Districts are appre-
hensive of being troubled by the Mysoreans from
Dendigul & tho' We dont think there can be any
real Foundation for their Fears, yet we desire you
will make Enquiry into the Truth of the Affair &
if you find the Amuldar of Dendigul has any
Intentions to disturb those Countries You write
him to desist, as You are very sure Hyder
Ally Cawn will not countenance any Hostilities

against

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against Us or the Nabob
& Weare Sir
Your most humble Servants
Robert Palk &c Council

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10th June 1765

Dispatched the following Letter to Captain Fletcher

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To Captain Thomas Fletcher

Sir

Letter to Captain Fletcher
Ordered to send away the Nabobs Seapoys

The Nabob being desirous that all his Se-
=poys which were with you should be sent away, you
will be pleased to send a Company of Captain Fitzger-
=alds Battalion for the Present to Maud Rauze Pollam
& order those of the Nabobs to proceed with the Rester
or to whatever Place they may have Directions, In
a few Days a Company will be sent from hence to
relieve the Company you send to Maud Rauze Pollam

I am Sir
Your obedient Servant
Robert Palk

Madras
10th June 1765

P.S. Many Complaints have been made by the Rester
against the Serjeant of Topasses, please to enquire into
them

Ord to enquire into Complaints of the Serjeant of Topasses

12th Received the following Letter from Major Camp-
bell

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Honble Sir

I have the pleasure to acquaint you that the
Travancores returned last Night with their whole Force
from before Calacad I have not yet learnt where they

Letter from Major Campbell

Travancores returned to their respective Places

For

have made a Stop at, but as soon as I find they remain in any of the Nabobs Districts I will immediately towards them & would have done it before now but the Diffiently of getting Bullocks for our Artillery & to collecting the Nabobs Troops together has detained me, by to morrow I hope to be able to write you more particularly: I have been just honored with both your Favours of the 25th ulto & am upon the Spot I shall use means of reconciling Matters concerning the Affair you mention, but cannot omit observing that the People here take a great Dealupon them on Account of their Distance from their Royal Master - I am with Respect

Hble Sir

Your most obed.t humble Servant

Donald Campbell

Pallamcotah
3d June 1765 -

The following Letter was also received from Captain Fletcher.

To the Hble Robert Palk Esq.r
President & Governor &c.a Council of
Fort St George -

Letter from Capt.n Fletcher

Hble Sir & Sirs

I was honored with your Instructions of the 9th this Morning & have given the necessary Orders for marching to morrow Morning at 3 o Clock -

I prepares to march for Tripasore -

As some Seapoys will be requisite for Camp Guards &c.a I shall keep one Company with me until I receive Orders to the Contrary, & the rest shall be sent into the Pettah immediately on our Arrival at Tripasore As the Seapoys employed in working at Arrival

=ove

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Arrialore of Wornapollam were paid for it, then expect
here expect the same Allowance, but have declined
saying any thing about it until I know your Pleas-
sure - Mr Stevens arrived here this Morning &
have ordered sixteen Artillery Lascars to be left
with him, which is all I think can be easily spar
as fourteen of them have deserted since We came
here, I believe on Account of one Mamatoy's being
being killed & two Lascars wounded -

I shall loose no Time in sending for the Guns &
Stores, which with one Gun & some other things
that have been found since I sent the Returns shall
be given in Charge to the Sergeant at Tryplicane -

I am
Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Serv't
Tho's Fletcher

Baum Naigues Pollam
June 10th 1765 -

P S I have this Instant received the two Letters mentioned
in yours of the 9th & have therefore forwarded them according to
Came in the following Letter from Brown Major Wood
Commanding at Trichenopoly
To the Hon'ble Robert Palk Esq'r
President & Governor &c Council of Fort St George

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

I did myself the Hon'r to acquaint You by
Letter from Major Wood - Time ago, of the Mysoreans Passes Inten to attack Caroo
dower of the Ex- & at the same time inclosed you a Letter from Lieut.
cursions of the My- Pollard who commands them in my Allegence to the
soreans - same Purpose. This in some Mesure of e has proved to
A one Ramiah Naigue with Four Hundred Horse
two thousand Seapoys, with three thousand Collerys

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On I am with Respect ... of the Event Honble Sir ... have Intelligence confirmed attacking Sad ... ing towards Carroor & their Night a De ... mah Naigue, I sent out from hence last European Detachment of 2 Subalterns, 2 Serjeants, 90 with 2 ... Infantry 2 Topasses 4 Companys of Sepoys Comm ... ber ... Pounders & six Artillery Men under the ... Bonjour who has with him one Company of Sepoys apace, who has with him one Company of Sepoys Hundred Black Horse with four or five hundred to ... Peons and Colleries, which I hope will be sufficient force ... Swamie Naigue, and attack the Enemy be- ... are of their Force can join ... Detachment arrives ... Captain Bonjour ... ends ... on the Relief of Tri ... two Companies ... there near two Years, & the other fro ... which had ... the French Prisoners to Karrical. Then I shall ... recalling the reinforce Captain Bonjour with a few more Europ ... to

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being Killed & two Lascars wounded. fit for Field Service
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Lyres, which with one Gun
Boyd [illegible] been found since rites me of his having re-
=ceived Iron Charge to the Sick no better than a Company
of Invalids [illegible] Topasses. And except the 36
Men of his Company [illegible] carried from hence, few are fit
for marching or Field Service. A Return of which Detach-
=ment I have now the Pleasure to inclose you, which I
have received from Captain Dormond. The Hundred
Men Captain Dormond marched from hence, were the
choice picked men from the two European Companies
fit for marching on any Service, then think what these
Companies will be now. Imagine it was never your Or-
ders to return such Men as these for those that were sent
from hence, makes me take the Liberty to represent it
to you. as for the Twenty Topasses I would rather have
been without, as We have more of them & Invalids than
I know what to do with here, nay in my Opinion its
scarcely worth the Expence & Trouble of marching them
so far.

The Indent of Stores which I sent to Mr. Floyer

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some time ago, has not any Part been complied with yet/ a Copy of which Indent I had the Pleasure to inclose you, and I am now obliged to take the Liberty of mentioning it again, as being in Want of many Articles yesterday to fit out a small Detachment for the Field, not knowing so much as one single Tent for Men or Officers, nor even one of any Kind to lodge the Men's Arms under - I have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Your very devoted & humble Serv't.

John Wood

Trichinopoly 9th June 1765 -

To which the following Answer was immediately returned -

To Major Wood Commanding at Trichinopoly -

Sir -

Letter to Major Wood in answer

We are sorry to observe from your Letter of the 5th that you have been under the necessity of sending a Detachment to join the Jemadar of Manapar in Support of Swamy Nag. We hope you are well assured that this Polygar owes Obedience to the Nabob otherwise We shall contrary to our Intentions commit Hostilities against the Mysoreans which it is the Nabobs Interest to avoid, for this Reason Letters were sent to You last Night to be forwarded to the Jemedar of Dindygul, to whom it is always right to complain who never such Hostilities are threatened.

Lieutenant Corby has had Orders to send you the two Companies of Sepoys, if you want more from

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thence, We imagine the Nabob's Officer at Wandiwash may supply you on your Application. The Seapoys being under the Direction of his own Manager there —

When you send us the State of the Detachment received from Vellour, Enquiry shall be made concerning it

Your Indent has been ordered to be compleated as far as possible, but as Bullocks were not to be had We shall endeavor to send them to Cuddalore by Sea or even up the Coleroon if practicable —

Weare &c

Sir

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Robert Palk &c Council —

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The following Letter from the Paymaster at Madura to the Commissary General came in this Day —

To Charles Bourchier Esqr
Commissary General

Sir

Letter from the Paymaster at Madura regarding the Money Offers by the Nabob's Manager for the Pay of Batta &c —

The Jemadar of Palamcotah has by the Nabobs Orders tendered the Sum of Pags 10.000 towards the Expence of repairing that Fort, But as this Money was tendered in Jamans at 14 Tinnevelly for the Rupee when the Exchange in the Bazar was Jan$ 15.3 Doodles Mr Bourchier would not receive it at that Exchange as I am in a few Days going to visit that Fort, your Directions herein will much oblige —

Sir

Your most humble Servant

Archdale Palmer —

To Madura
4th June 1765 —

In Answer to which the following Letter was wrote

Sirs —

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To Mr Hockdale Palmer
Paymaster at Madura & Palamcotah

Letter to Mr Palmer

Sir

In answer to your Letter to the Commissary General of the 4th Instant I am directed by the President & Council to acquaint You that you are to receive the Pagodas 10,000 in Jamauns from the Nabobs Agent, and to exchange as many of them into Pagodas at the best price you are able as well to reimburse the Company for the Advances made by the Paymaster for the Repairs of the Fortifications at Madura, and to reserve them for the future Expences of repairing the Works at Madura & Palamcotah, issuing them in Jamauns & keeping a seperate Account — I am

Sir
Your most humble Servant
J. M. Stone

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12th June 1765

Came in the following Letter from Major Donald Campbell

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor of Fort St George

Letter from major Campbell

Honble Sir

As I find the Enemy have made a Stand at Trichinangoody, I purpose marching with 6 Field Pieces & as many men as I can collect together tomorrow Morning

Trichinopoly People make a Stand at Trichinangoody Major Campbell marches against them

I am extremely obliged to you Sir, for the News you favored me with — You may rely upon my utmost Efforts for the Relief of these Districts, I am with Respect

Honble Sir

Your most obedient humble Servt
Donald Campbell

Palamcotah
4th June 1765

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Sent the following Letter to Mr. Moncton Paymaster at Wandawash &c.

To Mr. Moncton Paymaster at Wandawash &c.

Sir Captain Airey having reported that the Magazine at Wandawash is going to Ruin if may be repaired at a small Expence We desire it may be done in the most frugal manner & that also the Parapet of the Counter Guard may be filled up & finished — We are

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Robert Palk &c. Council

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15th June 1765 —

16th Received the following Letter from Major Campbell —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor of Fort St George —

Hond Sir

I arrived here this morning and find that the Enemy have abandoned Trickonmgoody & Paungoody & I fancy by night they will retire within their Walls. Captain Harper with some Seapoys, & the Boys Horse are gone to reconnoitre these Places, & I shall leave the Garrison in them, as soon as they were surrendered — to the Fort nearest, and as soon as I find they go into their own Country I shall march back to Pallamcotah, where if I find they still keep themselves within their Walls myself or send a Detachment sufficient to force them to retire from thence also —

I have the Honor to send you the Monthly Returns of the Troops under my Command, & am with Respect

Hond Sir

Your most Obedient Humble Servt

Donald Campbell

Camp at
Cotacad
6th June 1765 —

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At a Consultation Present

Monday 17th June 1765. Robert Palk Esqr. Governor President

Stringer Lawrence ——

Richard Sanfield, Samuel Ardley

Charles Turner, John Call —

George Stratton —

Mr. Boucher indisposed —

Letter from Colonel Campbell read as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr.

President & Governor &c. Council of

Fort St. George —

Letter from Colonel Campbell —

Honble Sir &c. &c. &c.

I have the Honor to receive your Favors of the

4th & 7th Instant & will have the Army ready to march

when the Nabob arrives —

As the Officers have been obliged on account of

expecting soon to take the Field again to keep all their

Madras Coolies on pay, I humbly hope the

Board will be pleased to allow them half Batty dur-

ing the Time they were cantoomed here Same with

the greatest Respect —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obliged & obed. Servant

Charles Campbell —

Vellore

11th June 1765 —

As We are sensible of the reasonableness of

Colonel Campbells representation We agreed that

Officers be allowed half Batta, during the Time they

remain in Cantonments —

The President lays before the Board the Follow-

Letter

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Letter from Colonel Campbell

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr

President & Governor &c.

Honble Sir

Letter from Colr Campbell—

As we have not above 45 Artillery Men fit for Duty, and as Captain Horne acquaints me that there are a good many at Madras. I hope you will be pleased to send 10 or 12 of them by the first Boats that

There were 5 Men of the 2d Troop of Dragoons

lives of the Men left sick at Cuddalore

left sick at Cuddalore they are now recovered but cannot be sent to join their Corps without your Directions to Mr Smith. There were also several Men of the Detachment sent with Lieut. Pollard left sick at Chinglaput, who are now well, but as there are no other fit for Service in any of those Garrisons. I think if you [illegible] it would be better they were ordered to Madras or Vellore where they might be exercised & taken proper Care of, all the Men belonging to the Companies in Camp that were left sick at Cuddalore are still there. I am with the greatest

Respect Honble Sir

Your most obliged & obedt Hble Servt

Char: Campbell—

Agreed that Colonel Campbell be informed that the Boats are sent with Stores, we will take that opportunity of sending some Artillery men, and that the Chief &c at Cuddalore be again directed that the first Opportunity of sending by Sea, the Men who were left sick there, if are recovered—

The Secretary lays before the Board an Account of

Acct Sale of unserviceable Horses —

unserviceable Horses in Camp transmitted to him by the Paymaster.

Orders in Consequence —

We cannot but observe by the Acct Sale before Us: that 10 Horses died not all for the Value of half a Months feeding, and are sorry they were not reported unserviceable as soon as they became so, that they might have been immediately sold off — It is therefore ordered that in future whenever any Horse is rendered unfit for Service that he be immediately delivered to the Paymaster to be disposed of, and that none be taken into the Field but what are really fit for Service. And that Colonel Campbell be informed of this Order.

Letter from Mr Pybus Chief at Masulipatam dated 5

as follows —

To the Honble Robert Palk Esqr
President & Governor &c Council for the Military Department
Fort St George

Letter from Mr Pybus — Honble Sir & Sirs

I have been honored with your Cons
the 22d, 25th and 27th Ult.

I have perused the Letter you ha
to transmit me from the Chief Engineer on with
for fortifying this Place, and shall in Obed
mands give you the best Intelligence I
the Workmen and Materials to be prd
may be wanted for carrying the Plan We

His answer regard the Repairing the Warehouses at Masulipatam —

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