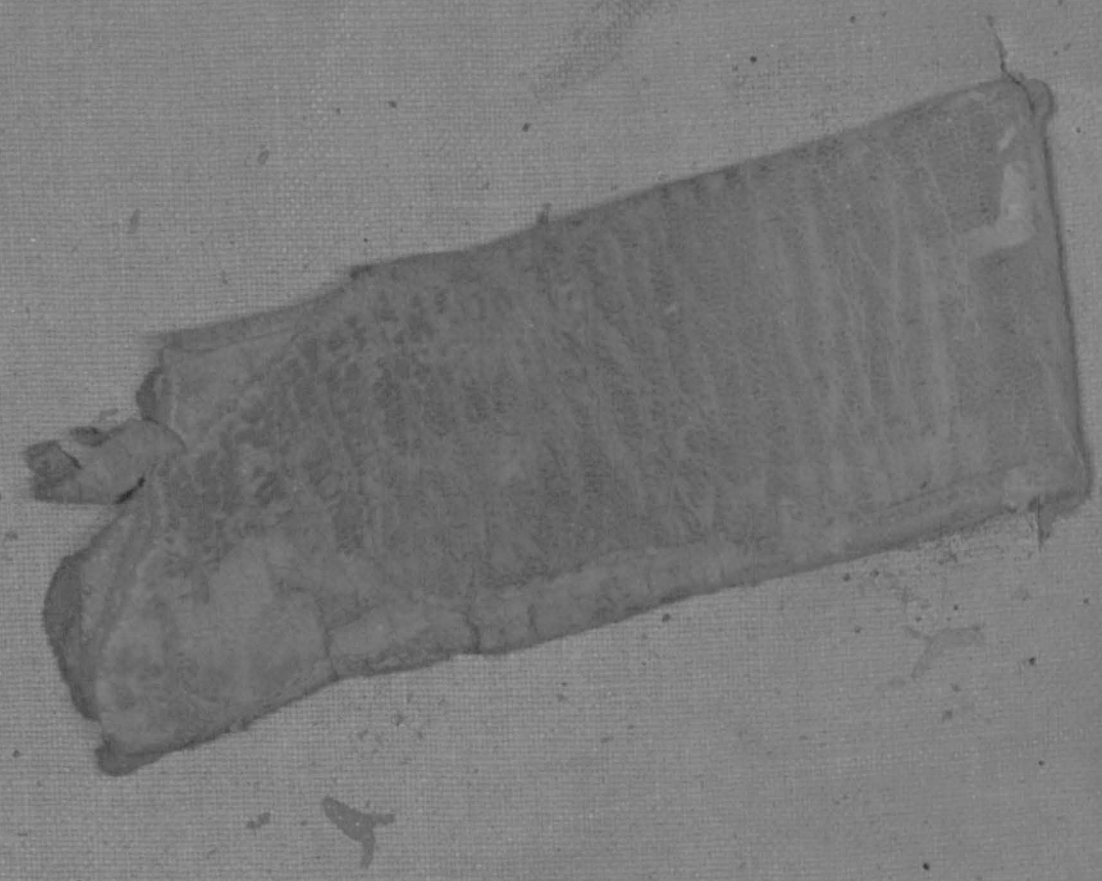
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Altho' the Duty of the Principal Agent is meant to be confined to the general Superintendence & Control of the Department over which he is placed, yet as cases may possibly occur when the Commanding Officer of the Army may find it expedient to direct him to provide Bullocks in the first instance, — for example, in an Enemy's Country where the whole of the Grain Bullocks with the Grainkeeper are detached with a Convoy, & during the execution of which Service many Bullocks may be lost & an opportunity offer in the absence of the Convoy to recruit the Numbers deficient, or when the Commanding Officer of the Army wishes to have an Extra Number of Bullocks, on Marching into a part of the Country where there is not a prospect of obtaining Army — on such occasions, it may be found necessary, as it was by the Marquis Cornwallis to employ the principal Agent, under the same regulations of Muster &c.a as has been laid down for Garrison Storekeepers & others who may provide Bullocks for the Army on which account I have inserted an Article adapted to this Object — as

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3 As it may not be intended to appoint Subordinate Agents until an Army shall be assembled in the Field, I have likewise enclosed for your Consideration, a Separate Order, Applicable to the Situation of the Principal Agent under such circumstances, & have prepared the Necessary Forms for keeping the Accounts of his Department, as well with as without those Assistants, accompanied by every Voucher which will be required in the examination & Audit of the Several Charges which may be incurred therein.—

I have the honor to be with great respect

& &c. &c.

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 31st. August 1798.—

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

G. O. By Government

1 The Right Honble the Governor in Council having been pleased to appoint Major Thomas Dallas principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks he is accordingly to take the General charge of all the Draught and Carriage Bullocks which have been, or may be, entertained for the use

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of the Army, and to make up his Monthly
Accounts conformably to Instructions which he
will receive from the Military Auditor General.—
The Advances which he may require for his
Department will be made, at present, on the
recommendation of the Military Board, to Govern-
ment, who will accordingly direct the Military
Paymaster General to Estimate for the Amount
which is to be carried to the personal Debit of
the principal Agent in the Books of his Office—
The Application of the principal Agent for such
Advances is to be laid before the Military Board,
on or before the 15th. day of every Month, for the
Month succeeding.—

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of all the Bullocks in the pay of the Company,
are to be in the Military Board until further
Orders, & the principal Agent as well as the Heads
of Corps & Departments to which such Bullocks
are or may be attached, are to pay implicit
Attention to the directions which they may receive
from the Military Board for that purpose.—

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3 The Heads of Corps & Departments are to send to the Principal Agent regular Monthly Certificates, agreeably to the accompanying Form N.1, of the Number of Bullocks employed with each respectively, which Certificates are to specify the dates of all Casualties that may have happened in the course of the preceding Month.—

4 The principal Agent is in like Manner, to make a Monthly report to the Commander in Chief & to the Military Board, of the Number of Bullocks with the several Corps & Departments, noting the Casualties that have occurred, with their Dates, the degree to which they have been replaced, or the extent to which the means of Carriage may have been increased, the Manner in which the Bullocks, Draught or Carriage, have been employed during a part or the whole of the Month preceding.—

5 Bullocks ordered to be provided by the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort St. George, by the Garrison Storekeepers at Out Stations, or others, for the use of the Army, are to be reported as they are brought in, if at the Presidency to the Military

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Auditor General, who will immediately order them to be Mustered, Marked, and Certified by his Deputy or Assistant, and if at out Stations, to the Commanding Officer on the Spot, who will, in like manner, order them to be Mustered, Marked & Certified in the absence of the Muster Master, by the public Staff Officer of the Station, and the Draught Bullocks fit for Service to be branded in presence of the Mustering Officer with the Letter D. and the Carriage Bullocks with the Letter C. The Certificates of the Mustering Officer (of which a Duplicate is to be forwarded to the Military Auditor General) is to express the date of the Bullocks being entertained and the Number of each description, in words at length as well as figures, declaring them fit for Service; & this Certificate, which is to be the Voucher for the commencement of the hire, is at out Stations, to be Approved under the Countersignature of the Commanding Officer.—

6 The Garrison Storekeepers & Gram Agents by whom Bullocks have been provided for the Army, are to send to the principal Agents for Draught and Carriage Bullocks a Register of the Bullocks entertained, with an account of Advances

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Vc. to the Owners or Masters, in Order that all Charges incurred may be debited to his Department, and that Stoppages, on Account of such Advances may be regularly made. — The Paymasters, acting as Garrison Storekeepers, by whom such Bullocks have been provided, are accordingly, to debit the principal Agent in their Accounts Current and Abstract of Receipts & Disbursements, for all Advances or Sums paid on that Account, but are not to enter any Charge for such Bullocks in their detailed Disbursements. —

7 When Bullocks shall be provided by Garrison Storekeepers for occasional public Service, or Trips in time of peace or War, they are to be Mustered and Certified as directed in the 5th Article, but not to be marked, as such. — Bullocks will be discharged as soon as the purpose for which they were hired, shall have been completed. —

8 The principal Agent is Authorized to make out the Account of what is due to the Masters or Owners for the Monthly hire of Cattle, upon the following Principles, Viz.: charging half a Month's hire for every Bullock dying, the 1st and 15th provided, the Casualty shall be replaced by

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by another Bullock, on or before the 15th and Charging hire for an entire Month, for Cattle dying and replaced between the 16th and end of the Month. But for every Casualty that is not replaced within the periods above Specified, hire is only to be charged to the date of such Casualty. ~

The principal Agent is to use ~ every means in his power to detect and punish the Maistries who may be found guilty of making false reports. ~

Bullocks provided by the Maistries
9 to replace Casualties after being approved by the Principal Agent shall be branded with the Mark of the Corps or Department to which they are or ~ may be attached, and the Dates of Admission are to be entered in a Book to be kept by the Principal Agent, to enable him, at the expiration of each Month, to regulate the Hire accordingly. ~

The Muster Master or Officer, ~
10 Appointed to take Musters at the Stations where the ~ Bullocks may be distributed is to accompany the ~ principal Agent, as often as the Commander in Chief may direct, for the purpose of Mustering the whole of the Bullocks in the Pay of the Company; and the

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Muster Returns, according to Form No. 2, with the Certificates of Heads of Corps or Departments, as before directed, are to be the Vouchers in support of the principal Agents Agents Account.—

11 All Bullocks rejected by the Muster Master shall be branded with the Letter R. and no Allowance will be made for any Bullocks which on being Mustered shall not Appear Marked according to the Standing Orders.—

12 No Cattle, in the pay of the Company, shall be employed except on the public Service; and any instance to the contrary that may come to the knowledge of the principal Agent is to be reported by him to the Commander in Chief.—

13 The principal Agent will be Allowed to charge for a Writer, & the Establishment of Servants which he may find indispensibly necessary for conducting the business of his Department, but it is expected at all times that he keeps this Establishment as low as possible.—

14 The general rates of hire for all Cattle engaged for the public Service under the Agency is to be regulated at two Pagodas and eight fanams per Month for each Draught, and one

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One and half Pagoda for each Carriage Bullock, which rates include the provision of Pack Saddles, & Attendants in the proportion of 1 Driver to every 3 Carriage Bullocks, and 1 Driver to every pair of Draught Bullocks.—

15 The only Monthly charge to be admitted in the Accounts of the principal Agent, over & above his Salary, the Stated hire of the Cattle and the pay of Servants, will be for the Maistries, but this charge is not to exceed the proportion of one Maistry to every fifty Bullocks and one Head Maistry to every two thousand Bullocks, the pay of the former to be two Pagodas, and of the latter ten Pagodas per Month.—

16 The principal Agent is to make up a General Monthly detailed Account of Sums disbursed in the Bullock Department, and is, on or before the 15th. Day of every Month to transmit two Copies thereof together with the Vouchers to the Office of the Military Paymaster General, one of these Copies to remain in that Office and the other with the Vouchers to be forwarded to the Military Auditor General for Audit.—

17 The Agency is to be conducted upon

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upon honor, that is to say, the strictest Occonomy is to to be observed in every expence Attending it, and only the precise Sums advanced or disbursed to be entered in the Accounts of the Principal Agent, which are to Attested in the following Form.—

"I do hereby Solemnly declare upon "my honor, that these Accounts contain nothing to the "best of my knowledge but bonâ fide transactions — "between the Honble Company and the Individuals — "respectively concerned, that I have endeavoured, in the "Adjustment of them to see strict justice done between "the Company and the Proprietors who furnish the Cattle, "and that no item of expence is included in this account, "which I do not think has been necessarily and exclusively "incurred for the public Service, and further that I do "not, nor shall not, derive, directly or indirectly, any "Advantage or Emolument whatever from this Agency "over and above my established Salary of — Pags. "per Month."—

18 The Agents for Cavalry Supplies to the several Regiments are directed, to send to the principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks on or before the 5th. Day of every Month for the Month preceding, their Accounts for the Hire &c.a of

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provided for carrying Grain, which Accounts are to be Countersigned by the Commanding Officer of the Corps & is to be Attested by the Agent in the following — Words. — "I do hereby solemnly declare, on "my honor, that to the best of my Knowledge and "belief, the Hire of the Cattle charged for in this — "Account is justly due from the Company to the "Maistries and Owners of Cattle employed in my — "Department, that I have not, nor shall not have — "any interest, directly or indirectly therein, and "that the whole Sum shall be bonâ fide "disbursed to the parties as soon as received "allowing for the Stoppages made by the "principal Agent on Account of Advances "formerly made." —

(Signed) W. Sydenham
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Form No. 1.

Certificate of Draught and Carriage Bullocks from the Heads of Corps and Departments.—

This is to Certify that the following Number of Draught and Carriage Bullocks were employed with, or on the [illegible] Corps or Department during the Month of ——— 179

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September 1st From 1st to 31st ..... Inclusive
Draught Carriage
Five Hundred and Twenty
one Draughts ..... 521. ... "

From 1st to 31st ..... Inclusive two hundred
and Seventy Six Carriage
Bullocks ..... 276.

Casualties

From 23d to 24th ..... 2 Draught Bullocks
Dead ..... 2.—"

10 Carriage Bullocks
Discharged ..... 10.

25 ..... 3 Draught Do. dead ... 3.—"

12 Carriage Do. discharg ... 12.—

26 ..... 8 Ditto Ditto Ditto ... 8.

From 27th to 31st ... Inclusive 20 Do. Ditto Do. ... 20.

(Signed) A.B.
Commanding 19th Reg.t L.t Dragn.s
or C.D. Commd.g 2d Bn. 2d Reg.t N.I.
or E.F. Commissary of Stores &c &c.

Form No. 2.

General Muster Return of Draught and Carriage Bullocks [illegible] Maistries and Drivers attached to the undermentioned Corps and Departments assembled to a Muster taken on the Month of _____ 179-

	Draught Bullocks								Carriage Bullocks							
	Maistries	Drivers	Cattle Serviceable	Ditto Rejected	on Command not Mustered Maistries	Drivers	Cattle	Total	Maistries	Drivers	Cattle Serviceable	Cattle Rejected	on Command not Mustered Maistries	Drivers	Cattle	Total
1st Battalion Artillery _____	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	32	102	"	"	"	"	102
19th Regiment Light Dragoons	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	10	"	"	"	"	"	10
Total																

Remarks.—

I do declare that I saw at the time of making or taking the Muster the Number of Draught and Carriage Bullocks, Maistries & Drivers borne upon the above Return excepting such as are otherwise Accounted for therein, as being absent on Command &c.a

(Signed) A. B. Muster Master

Abstract

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Abstract of the Muster Return of Bullocks attached to Corps & Departments —
for the Month of _____ 179. —

Denominations	Mustered Present			Absent —		
	Admitted as good and fit for Service		Rejected	On Command at not to be Mustered		
	Ministries	Drivers	Bullocks	Bullocks	Ministries	Drivers	Bullocks
Draught							
Carriages							
Total —							

Remarks —

(Signed) C. D.
Muster Master

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The Honorable the President in Council is pleased to establish the following Regulations for the Department of Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks in the field.—

1 The Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks in the Field will receive from the Garrison Storekeepers or others who may be Appointed by Government to provide Cattle for the Army, a regular Account or Register of the Number & date entertained, the Names of the Owners & the Advances made to them to enable him to furnish the Subordinate Agents to whose Departments they may be Attached with the necessary information in regard to Advances, which it will be the duty of the Principal Agent to see realized by Stoppages from the Monthly hire of the Cattle which such Owner or Owners may have in the Service.—

2 The Stoppages to be made from the Monthly hire of Bullocks on Account of Advances to the Owners is to be 3/4 Pagoda P month on each Carriage Bullock, & one Pagoda P month on each Draught Bullock, but if from circumstances the

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principal Agent has reason to be of Opinion that a greater Stoppage can be afforded, he is with the Sanction of the Commander of the Army, to give such directions as may Appear suited to this object.-

3 Bullocks ordered to be provided by the Garrison Storekeeper at Fort Saint George, by the Garrison Storekeepers at Out Stations, or others for the use of the Army, are to be reported as they are brought in, if at the Presidency to the Military Auditor General who will immediately order them to be Mustered Marked & Certified by his Deputy, or Assistants, and if at out Stations to the Commanding Officer on the Spot, who will in like manner Order them to be Mustered, Marked & Certified in the Absence of the Muster Master by the public Staff Officer of the Station, & the Draught Bullocks fit for Service to be branded in presence of the Mustering Officer with the Letter D, and the Carriage Bullocks with the Letter C. The Certificate of the Mustering Officer (of which a Duplicate is to be forwarded to the Military Auditor General) is to express the date of the Bullocks being entertained & the Number of each description in words at length as well as figures declaring them fit for Service, & the Certificate, which is to be the Voucher for the Commencement of the hire is at Out Stations to be approved

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under the countersignature of the Commanding Officer
The same regulation is to apply to the Bullocks —
which may be provided by Authority for the Carriage
of Grain with the different Cavalry Regiments in the
Field — And, altho' the general superintendence and
controul of the Bullock Department is vested in the
principal Agent, yet as cases may occur in the Field
to render it necessary for him to provide Bullocks for
the public Service, in the first instance, on all such
occasions the Cattle so provided by him are to be
Mustered & marked according to the principle above
laid down. —

// The Garrison Storekeeper or other
person by whom such Bullocks may have been
provided, is to forward, with them, to the principal
Agent in Camp, a Return of their Numbers,
accompanied by the Certificates of the Mustering
Officer, the Indents on which supplied to Corps or —
Departments & by Registers as directed in the 5th Article
according to Forms which will be furnished by the
Military Auditor General, and it will be the special
duty of the principal Agent to Muster them when
they arrive in Camp & on being approved, to brand
them with the Mark of the Department to which
they are or may be attached. — Copies of all such
Certificates

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Certificates & Indents are to be entered by the persons furnishing the Bullocks in a Book to be kept for that purpose.—

5. When Bullocks shall be provided by Garrison Storekeepers for occasional public Services or Trips in time of peace or War, they are to be Mustered & Certified as directed in the 3d Article, but not to be Marked, as such Bullocks will be discharged as soon as the purpose for which they have been hired shall have been completed.—

6 As the interior detail & due execution of the Service & duties which are to be performed as well by the Cattle, as by the people Attached to them, cannot possibly be Attended to with effect by the Principal Agent alone, whose Chief business is to be that of general Superintendence, Subordinate Agents will be appointed for the internal regulation of each Department.—

7 The Commissary of Stores, the Commissary of Grain & the Commissary of Provisions in the Field are respectively to hold the Subordinate Agencies in their Several Departments, in order that the responsibility for the care of the provisions & Stores may be attached to them at all times, &

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these Subordinate Agents are accordingly to be held Answerable to the Public for the Articles under their charge, & to be subject to the repayment of the value of Stores lost, as well as to removal from their Offices when any Losses occur from their own — Negligence, or that of the people under them, & which they cannot make clearly appear to have proceeded from causes which it was obviously not in their power to prevent, on all such occasions, the Commander of the Army will Order a Committee of Officers to inquire into & to report to him the — circumstances of the case, & if it should be found that any part of the Losses shall have arisen from want of care or proper exertion on the part of the Owners or Maistries, the principal Agent will obtain the — Sanction of the Officer Commanding the Army for recovering by regular Stoppages the value of the Stores or Provisions which have been lost according to — Tables of rates which will be furnished to the respective Commissaries, excepting the Articles of Rice & Salt, which are to be charged at one Seer on every Pagoda's worth above the Bazar price. —

8 All the Cattle employed in the — Carriage or Conveyance of Camp Equipage, & in the Head Quarter

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Quarter, Engineer & Medical Departments, are to be placed under Charge of an Officer Specially Appointed for that purpose, to whom all Applications for that branch of the Service are to be accordingly made.

9 In consequence of the responsibility required from the heads of Departments in the 7th Article, & that it may not happen that the responsibility for the loss of Provisions & Stores shall be disavowed from the time they are moving from one ground to another, by the Commissaries, or Agents not professing the necessary Authority over the Servants, the propriet-tors & maistries of Cattle are to be placed under their immediate Orders & direction, & accountable to them, for which purpose, the Advances that may have been made to them shall be adjusted by the Subordinate Agents, & their pay & the hire of the Bullocks pass from the principal Agent thro' their Mediums, &, while they feel that degree of necessary dependence upon the Subordinate Agents, which is likely to secure Attention to their duty, they will, at the same time, know that there is a general Superintendent established for them over the different Departments of the Army, thro' whom they may apply

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to Head Quarters for the redress of any grievance they may suffer.—

Whenever it may be deemed expedient to make Advances of Cash, to enable the Maistries to increase their Number of Bullocks in the Public Employ, the Commander of the Army will give the principal Agent an Order in Writing for the same, specifying the Number, for what Department & whether Draught or Carriage— The principal Agent is accordingly to make the Necessary Advances to the Subordinate Agents, who are to take Receipts for such Advances, specifying the Number of Bullocks to be provided for the Advance made; such Cattle when provided are, in the first instance, to be presented to the principal Agent & if Approved, he will cause them to be branded in his presence, & that of the Muster Master, with the Mark of the Department for which they are designed, & transfer them accordingly; the same rule, in regard to taking receipts & delivering over the Cattle to Departments, is to be observed when the principal Agent shall himself make Advances to persons not under the Subordinate Agents— but he will, at the same time, deliver to the

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the latter the Account of Advances, to enable them to make the regulated Stoppages as before directed.—

11 Bullocks provided by the Maistries to replace Casualties shall be presented to the Subordinate Agent under whose immediate Authority they are employed, & who will, after Approval, cause them to be branded with the Mark of his Department, noting in a Register Book which he will be directed to keep for that purpose, the dates of such Admissions, to enable him, at the expiration of each Month, to regulate his Certificates in respect to Casualties—

12 All Casualties, as they occur, shall, in like Manner, be Registered by the Subordinate Agents, who are Strictly enjoined to require Daily Reports of them from the Maistries, to impress them with the Necessity of being correct in making such Reports, & to incite them to exert themselves in replacing all Casualties that may happen without loss of time; the principal Agent is authorized to make out the Account of what is due to the Maistries or Owners for the Monthly hire of Cattle upon the following principles, Viz.t Charging half

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a Months hire for every Bullock dying between the 1st & 15th provided the Casualty shall be replaced by another Bullock, on, or before the 15th & charging hire for an entire Month for Cattle Dying & replaced between the 16th & end of a Month,— But for every Casualty that is not replaced within the periods above specified, hire is only to be charged to the date of such Casualty— The principal Agent is to use every means in his power, to detect, & punish those who may be found guilty of making false reports.—

13. To enable the principal Agent to form the Weekly Reports hereafter mentioned, he is to be furnished with a Report, for the same period, by each Subordinate Agent, Specifying the Number of Cattle in their several Departments, all— Casualties that have occurred in the course of the preceding Week, the degree in which they have been replaced, & the extent to which their means of Carriage have been encreased, & these Reports are— also to Specify the Number of Loads carried on, Carriages drawn in each Department, according to a Form which will be prescribed for that— purpose.—

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11 It will be the duty of the principal Agent to take frequent Musters of all Bullocks & Drivers that may be entrusted to his Superintendence in Order to check and controul all failures of engagements, and to prevent all impositions upon the public, or neglect in executing the business of the Department. To effect these purposes with the more certainty, it will be incumbent on him to Examine, upon Marches, the Appearance & Number of the Bullocks & Drivers that are under his Management and Controul.—

15 The Indents of the Commissary of Stores for Bullocks for the Ordnance & Store Department are to be countersigned by the Commanding Officer of Artillery — Those of Corps & Departments for the Carriage of Camp Equipage, by the Quarter Master General, & those of the Grain & Provision Departments sanctioned by the Commanding Officer of the Army, either under his own Signature or that of a Staff Officer, appointed by him for that purpose. — These Indents are to be the Authority of the principal Agent for furnishing Bullocks to such Corps or Departments.—

16 The Certificates of heads of — Departments

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Departments and Corps, checked by frequent Musters as hereafter mentioned, are to be the Vouchers of the Principal Agent for all payments for the Monthly hire of Bullocks, which Certificates are to express the precise dates of all Casualties, to be ascertained in the manner already prescribed.—

17 Whenever Musters of Cattle are ordered, which should be at or as near the close of each Month as possible, the Principal Agent will be accompanied by the Muster Master of the Army with whom the power of rejecting unserviceable Cattle is vested, but it will be his province as Agent to point out any causes which may arise from unfavora-ble Seasons or temporary hard Services, to entitle the proprietors of Cattle to the indulgence of time to restore them to a condition for Service, uniting his endeavors however with the Muster Master to relieve the public from the expence of any Cattle which admit of no hope of recoverings, or prospect of becoming Serviceable to the public, & if notwith-standing such representations on the part of the Principal Agent, the Muster Master should deem

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it his duty to reject the Cattle in question, the former is to furnish him with his reasons for differing in Opinion, which the Muster Master is to transmit with his Muester Return to the Commanding Officer of the Army for his ultimate decision, until which decision, the Cattle objected to shall be kept a part from the rest, & to be continued in the Service only upon the written authority of the Commanding Officer of the Army to the Muster Master, Copy of which authority shall be transmitted with a Duplicate of his General Muster Return to the Military Auditor General. — All Bullocks — finally rejected by the Muster Master shall be branded with the Letter R at the time of such final rejection. — No Allowance will be made for any — Bullocks which on being Mustered, shall not Appear — Marked according to the Standing Orders. —

18 Weekly Reports are to be made every Monday Morning by the Principal Agent to the — Commanding Officer in Camp, specifying the Number of Cattle in the several Departments, all Casualties that have occurred in the course of the preceding Week, the degree in which they have been replaced, or the extent to which the means of Carriage may have been increased, & these Reports are likewise to specify the Number of Loads then carried; or Carriages drawn

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in each Department.

19 The Principal Agent is to have the first Selection of all Prize Cattle, & the choice of such as the Maistries are willing to receive for the Service either Carriage or Draught, passing his receipts to the Prize Agents for such Cattle, & distributing them to the different Maistries, from whom he is to recover the value which the Company become responsible for to the Prize Kind, by Stoppages from the Monthly hire as in the cases of Cattle provided & sent to Camp, as before Specified.

20 The principal Agent is to be regularly furnished with Copies of all proceedings of Committees assembled for the purpose of valuing Prize Cattle selected for the duties of his Agency, in order to enable him to comply with the regulation in the preceding Article.

21 When Cattle are provided by one Subordinate Agent & transfered to another, under proper authority, particular Accounts of all such Cattle & the Advances made to the Owners & Maistries are to be kept, copies of which the Subordinate

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Agents are to be punctual in furnishing each other other with, for the purpose of realising such Advances by proportionate Stoppages from the Monthly Hire becoming due; another Copy to be sent, at the same time, to the principal Agent, that he may See that the Stoppages are fully made.

22 Should Cattle be at any time, sent to Camp which have not been already delivered over to Owners and Maistries, or selected from the Prize Cattle, Owners are to be found for them as soon as possible, as the preservation of the Bullocks is most likely to be secured by their becoming the property of Individuals; in the mean time they are to remain under the Charge of the principal Agent, who will include them separately in his Weekly report to the Commander of the Army.

23 Cattle, the property of the public are never to be sold or delivered to Bullock Owners for less than their cost; except by the express Order of the Officer Commanding the Army, but the purchase of Cattle on Account of the Company is to be Avoided as much as possible, & when they

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are likely to be equally well procurd thro' the medium of the Maistries by Advances, where proper Security can be obtained, this mode is to be always preferd.—

211 The general rates of hire for all Cattle engaged for the public Service under the Agency is to be regulated at 2 Pagodas 48 fanams pr. Month for each Draught, & 1 8½ Pagoda for each Carriage Bullock, except the Carriage Cattle employed in the conveyance of Camp Equipage, for which ¾ Pagoda & ¾ is to be allowed in consideration of the Nature of their loads, the greater Number of Casualties that Department is liable to, & the superior Strength & quality of the Cattle requisite for the performance of the duty in that Branch of the Service.— The above rates include the provision of Pack Saddles & Attendants in the proportion of 1 Driver to every 3 Carriage Bullocks, and 1 Driver to every pair of Draught Bullocks.—

25 The public Cattle attached to Corps and Departments are to be mustered Monthly or oftner, as the Commander of the Army may direct by the Mustering Officer or Camp, whose returns, accompanied by Certificates from

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From the Commanding Officers of Corps, and heads of Departments, according to the Annexed Form No. 1 & 2; are to be the Vouchers to support the Agents Charges, as provided for in Articles 16 ~ 8 17. ~

26 The Principal Agent in Camp is to keep a Monthly Register or Return of all Cattle entertained in the Service whether by himself or received from the Garrison Storekeeper, or other Agents, shewing the dates received, the dates distributed to Corps or Departments, the dates of Casualties and of such being replaced and the Number remaining at the close of each Month under his Charge, not Attached to any Corps or Departments, which must also be ~ Mustered by the Muster Master, & the Muster Certificate to accompany the Account in which the hire or Charges are inserted ~ A Separate return is to be kept of Cattle purchased by the principal Agent or received from any quarter on Account of the Company without owners ~ Shewing the dates of their being received, the casualties, the deliveries to Owners & the Number remaining ~ under his charge at the close of each Month, to

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be in like Manner Mustered by the Muster Master, whose Certificate is to accompany the Account in which a Charge is made for their Keeping.—

27 When Bullocks shall be received to which no Valuation, has been affixed, & that it becomes necessary to deliver them to Owners before such Valuation, can be obtained, the principal Agent is with the Sanction of the Commanding Officer of the Army, to fix the rates at which they are to be charged to the Owners.—

28 The principal Agents will receive his Advances from the Paymaster in Camp and is to make up a General Monthly detailed Account of Sums disbursed, as well by himself, as by the Subordinate Agents, which he will be enabled to do from the Accounts and Vouchers transmitted to him, by them—

The principal Agent is to Submit his Monthly Accounts to the Commander in Chief, on, or before, the 10th. day of each Month & is to forward two Copies thereof together with the Voucher, to the Military Paymaster General, one of these Copies to remain, in his Office, & the other to be forwarded with the Voucher, to the Military Auditor General for Audit.— The Accounts of the Subordinate Agents are to—

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to be made out in Duplicate as well as those of the principal Agent, in order that each Set forwarded to the Military Paymaster General may be complete.—

29 As it may sometimes happen when a proportion of Cattle belonging to the several Departments are detached, that advances of Cash on Account of Hire will be required from the Paymaster of the nearest Station; in such Cases, Bills are to be granted, by the Person authorized to receive such Advances, on the principal Agent in favor of the Paymaster of the Army, who will Credit the Paymaster of the Station for the Amount thereof, and Debit the principal Agent accordingly.—

30 No Cattle in the pay of the Public shall be employed except on the public Service, & every instance to the contrary that may come to the knowledge of the principal or Subordinate Agents, or fall within their observation, is to be reported by the former to the Commander in Chief.—

31 The principal Agent will be allowed to charge for such a Number of Writers, Conicoplies & Servants as he may find indispensably necessary for conducting the business of his Department,

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but it is expected at all times that he keep the Establish-
-ment as low as possible.—

32 The only Monthly charge to be—
Admitted in the Accounts of the principal Agent over
and above his Salary, the Stated hire of the Cattle, and
the pay of Servants, will be for the Maistries, but
this charge is not to exceed the proportion of 1 Maistry
to every Fifty Bullocks, & Head Maistry to every
two Thousand Bullocks, the pay of the former to be
2 Pagodas P.r Month, & the latter Ten.—

33 Should circumstances at any time
render Extra, or Contingent charges unavoidable, they
are to be drawn for in a Separate Bill under the—
head of "Charges Extraordinary," & Certified on honor
by the principal Agent that the Money has been
actually and bonâ fide disbursed for the several—
purposes expressed, & previous to payment being made
the Commanding Officer of the Army will Certify
on the Bill, that the Charges contained therein, were
indispensibly necessary for carrying on the public
Service, & to the best of his Knowledge & Belief according
to the established or current rates at the time they
were incurred.—

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34 As it is the principal of the present System, by liberal and avowed Allowances, to place those who are employed in it upon so respectable a footing as to leave no temptation to seek for unauthorized Advantages, the principal Agent, as well as the Subordinate Agents under him are not on any Account, directly or indirectly, to derive any other Advantage or Emolument from their Situation, than the Salary and Allowances fixed by Government.—

35. The three Subordinate Agents who have the charge of the extensive Departments of Commissary of Grain, and Commissary of Stores, are to be allowed to draw 1½ Madras fanam, ℔ month on each Bullock employed in their respective Departments for the public Service, provided such Calculation, does not exceed for any Month, the Sum of 500 Pagodas, & as the Number of Bullocks in the employ of the Company must fluctuate continually from Casualties & other Causes, the Allowance is to be drawn, upon the Number of Cattle which shall be in the pay of the Company on the last day of each Month, but this Allowance is not to be drawn upon Cattle provided prior to the Month in which they were actually delivered over to the charge and Superintendance of the Subordinate Agent, & when Cattle are at any time

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lent by one Department, to assist in the Conveyance of Stores belonging to the other this Allowance shall only be drawn, by the Agent of that Department to which, the Cattle property belong.—

36 The Department of the Commissary of Provisions and of Camp Equipage requiring comparatively with the other Departments, but a small Number of Cattle, any Allowance to them on the foregoing principle must either be considerably increased in the rate, or else would fall greatly short of an adequate recompense for the trouble and responsibility of their several Agencies— It is on that Account intended that they shall be respectively allowed a fixed Monthly Salary for the execution, of those duties of Agency, in the Department to which they may be Appointed.—

37 The Agents for Cavalry Supplies are to act as Subordinate Bullock Agents in the Field for the Regiments to which they are respectively Attached under the Regulations and Forms before mentioned & in consideration of the Responsibility which such a charge will involve they will be allowed a suitable addition to their present Salary while they shall be so employed.

38 The Agency is to be conducted upon honor—

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honor, that is to say, the Strictest aconomy is to be observed in every expense Attending it, and only the precise Sums Advanced or disbursed are to be entered in the Accounts of the Principal Agent which are to be Attested in the following form.—

"I do hereby Solemnly declare upon "my honor that these Accounts contain, nothing, to the "best of my knowledge, but bonâ fide transactions — "between the Honble Company and the Individuals — "respectively concerned, that I have endeavored, in the "Adjustment of them, to see strict justice done between "the Company, and the Proprietors who furnish the Cattle, "and that no item of expense is included in this Account, "which I do not think has been necessarily and — "exclusively incurred for the public Service & further that "I do not, nor shall not derive, directly or indirectly, "any Advantage or Emolument whatever, from this Agency "over and above my established Salary of Pagodas "for " Month."—

39 The Accounts of the Subordinate — Agents for each Month are to be Signed and Attested in the following words.—

"I do hereby Solemnly declare on— "my honor, that to the best of my knowledge and belief the

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"the hire of the Cattle charged for in this Account is
"justly due from the Company to the Maistries and
"Owners of Cattle employed in my Department, that I have
"not, nor shall not have, any interest directly or indirectly
"therein, & that the whole Sum shall be bonâ fide disbursed
"to the parties as soon as received, allowing for the Stoppa-
ges made by the Principal Agents on account of Advances
"formerly made.

40 The Forms in which the principal Agents is to keep his Accounts, will be furnished to him by the Military Auditor General, and the Principal Agent is in like Manner to furnish the necessary Forms to the different Subordinate Agents requiring of them and observing himself the most particular attention thereto, so that his general Account when forwarded for Audit may be stated, in a clear & distinct point of view & supported by the proper Vouchers for being admitted, and passed to his Credit.

41 In cases of emergency where the Regulations here laid down do not exactly Apply, or

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are found defective in any respect, the Principal
Agent is to take into consideration, the general scope
and object of his Appointment, which is to secure in
the most effectual Manner the due and full performance
of the Public Service, and is accordingly, in cases
where the immediate Sanction of the Commander of
the Army cannot be had, to exercise his own discretion
when necessary in order to provide for it in
the completest Manner, making a report thereof
as soon as possible, and he is above all things
to watch over the Interests of the Public, and
to take care that Individuals shall neither
be suffered to sacrifice those Interests to
their own private Advantage; nor to fail
in any respect in the Attention due to their
respective Departments.—

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Sec.y Govt.

31st August 1798.—

Muster

Note—
This G. O. published under date
the 2d January 1799 with alterations

Form No. 1.

Muster Return of Draught and Carriage Bullocks, Maistries & Drivers belonging to

agreeably to a Muster taken in Camp on the _____ day of _____ 179_

Department of Camp Equipage		Draught Bullocks									Carriage Bullocks									
		Maistries	Drivers	Cattle Serviceable	Ditto Rejected	On Command not Mustered				Total	Maistries	Drivers	Cattle Serviceable	Ditto Rejected	On Command not Mustered				Total
						Maistries	Drivers	Cattle							Maistries	Drivers	Cattle		
X	1st Battalion Artillery	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	32	102	"	"	"	"	"	"	102
	19th Regiment Light Dragoons	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	10	"	"	"	"	"	"	10
	Total																			

Remarks—

I do hereby Certify that the Bullocks, Maistries & Drivers stated to be present in the above Return were Effective for the whole or intermediate time during Muster, & that the rest are truly accounted for as expressed in the said Return. — (Signed) A. B.
Commissary of Stores, Grain, or Provisions, or Camp Equipage.

I do declare that I saw at the time of making or taking the Muster, the Number of Draught & Carriage Bullocks, Maistries & Drivers borne upon the above Return excepting such as are otherwise Accounted for therein, as being Absent on Command &c.ra and that the whole of the Carriage Bullocks Mustered present were complete with Pack Saddles &c.ra (Signed) C. D.
Muster Master to the Army.

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Abstract of the Muster Return of Bullocks belonging to [illegible] for the Month of ——— 179 ———

Mustered Present ——— Absent ———

Admitted as good and fit for Service ——— Rejected ——— On Command at ——— not Mustered ———

	Masties	Drivers	Bullocks	Bullocks	Masties	Drivers	Bullocks
Draught							
Carriage							
Total							

Descriptions

Remarks

(Signed) C. D. Muster Master to the Army

(Signed) W. Sydenham Milty. Asst. Genl.

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Form No. 2

Certificate of Draught and Carriage Bullocks from the Heads of Corps & Departments to their respective Subordinate Agents.

This is to Certify that the following Numbers of Draught & Carriage Bullocks were Employed with, or in the [illegible] During the Month of ——— 179— ———

		Draught	Carriage
1798 September 1st	From 1st to 31st Inclusive five hundred and twenty and Draught	521	—
	From 1st to 31st Inclusive two hundred and Seventy Six Carriage Bullocks		276

Casualties

From 23d to 24th	2 Draught Bullocks Dead	2	—
	10 Carriage Bullocks Discharged		10
25th	3 Draught Do. dead	3	—
	12 Carriage Do. discharged		12
26	8 Ditto Ditto Ditto		8
From 27th to 31st Inclusive	20 Do. Do. Do.		20

(Signed) A.B.
Commanding 19th Regt. Light Drags.

or C.D.
Commg. 2 Batt. 2nd Regt. N. Iy.

or E.F.
Head Quarter &c. &c. Department

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Minutes on the foregoing Letter from the Military Auditor General.—

The Board Approve the regulations Suggested by the Military Auditor General for the Department of draft and Carriage Cattle; and it is accordingly resolved that they be published in general Orders.—

To

The Honble Lieutenant General Harris

President & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

From the Military Auditor General submitting for decision certain Retrenchments standing against Mr. T. Cockburn late Commissary General of Grain and Provisions.—

1 At the request of Mr. Thomas Cockburn late Commissary General of Grain & Provisions at the Presidency, I do myself the honor to refer for the Decision of Government, a charge for Sheep furnished by him for victualling European Troops at different periods at the rate of 3 ℳ Pagoda, of which Pag. 2110. 12 40. was Retrenched, being Allowed on the Audit & Rewalt of his Accounts only at the rate of 4 Sheep ℳ Pagoda Agreeably to the General Orders of Government dated 15th May 1793; Mr. Cockburn's letter to one of the 13th Instant, of which a Copy is enclosed, States the Grounds upon which he conceives the Retrenchment should be remitted, but as the Order upon which it

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was founded had no Allusion to the particular Stations at which purchases were to be made at the last mentioned rate, the Office of Audit could not, without Authority exempt the Presidency from its Operation, and it must therefore rest with Government to decide whether Mr. Cockburn's Declaration, that the prices charged were actually disbursed, & that it was not in his power to procure Sheep at the Presidency on lower terms may be admitted in removal of the Retrenchment:— It is at the same time to be observed that Government in determining on similar Charges made by Mr. Commissary Hawkins for Victualling the European Troops at Pondicherry, passed his Accounts at the rate of 3 & 2½ Sheep ℔ Pagoda, on his Declaration on Honor that the Sums charged were Bonâ fide disbursed on that Account.—

Mr. Cockburn has further referred for

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the Decision of Government, a charge for 3½ Reams of China Paper Amounting to Pagodas 5.. 16.. 50. purchased by him for the use of his Department, which was objected to on Audit & confirmed on the Re-audit of his Accounts, because the Commissary General received his Supplies of Stationary from the public Stores.— I can however

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however have no doubt, as Mr. Cockburne States, that the Charge was necessarily incurred for the public Service. — I have the honor to be with great respect

Mily. Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 16th. August 1798.

&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mily. Aud. Genl.

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your final recandit of my Accounts as Commissary General of Grain and Provisions to the 17th. May 1793, and as Acting Commissary General to 30th. September 1794. —

I have to request that you will refer to the Consideration and determination of Government the following Charges which you do not deem yourself authorised to pass under the Orders of Government of 1793. —

Charge

			Pags.	
1791 August	Sheep purchased for victualling the Troops	2506. at 37 Ps.	835. 14.	
" September	Do.	377. at do.	125. 28.	
			961.	
Admitted by the Auditor General at 11 Ps Pagoda			720. 35. 10.	
Retrenched Pagodas			240. 10. 10.	

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In reply to this retrenchment I observed "The Price here charged for the Sheep was "actually paid, and is a very cheap rate at Madras "as all must know who eat Mutton. The order of "Government does not apply here; it applies to "Sheep seized from the Inhabitants where they cannot "be purchased to secure to them payment at 4 per "Pagoda; it was with difficulty I obtained them at "three." I shall in addition only observe that before the date of the Order in question, which has clearly no Operation at the Presidency — I purchased the Sheep occasionally required in the urgency of the Moment at three per Pagoda, as I did after it; This price at Madras is very Moderate; and as such was before this Order, passed by the Office of Audit; as I doubt not the present bonâ fide charge will be by Government under this explanation.

In regard to the other Charge retrenched on reaudit for 3½ Reams of China Paper purchased without the Sanction of Government for the use of the Office in March 1793, Pagodas 5.16.50. I have only to remark that, being in want of Paper for the Current duties of the Office I purchased the quantity at the price here charged, being the cheapest I could procure not

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not thinking it necessary to Apply for the Sanction of Government, and, I trust, on this explanation and my Assurance that it was used for the public Service the Charge will be passed. —

I am

Madras
13th August 1798. —

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) Thomas Cockburn
late Commissary Gent.
of Grain & Provisions

a true Copy
(Signed) J. Brunton
Depy. M.G.A.G.

Minute thereon

Upon consideration of the circumstances Stated by Mr. Cockburn resolved to remit the retrenchment Standing against him upon the final audit of his Accounts. —

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
President & Governor in Council
Fort St. George

My Lord

From the Military Auditor General proposing an Establishment of Servants for the Offices of Agent for Bullocks & Commissary of Grain with the Guntoor Detachment.

1 Agreeably to the intimation, & directions contained in Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 25th Instant respecting the appointment of Lieutenant John Goldsworthy to the Offices of Agent for Draught & Carriage Bullocks, & Commissary of Grain to the Detachment ordered to assemble in the

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the Neighborhood of Innacondah, & the Establishment of Servants which should be attached thereto, I have the honor to state that the following Appears to me to be necessary for carrying on the public Service in each Department Viz.-

Bullock Agency

1 Writer at	20.-.-
1 Assistant at	10.-.-
1 Head Conicoply	10.-.-
1 Assistant to Do.	5.-.-
1 Head Mestry	5.-.-
2 Peons at 2.- 2/-	5.-.-
	55.-.-

Commissary of Grain

1 Writer to keep the Accounts	20.-.-
1 Conicoply	10.-.-
2 Assistants at 5 each	10.-.-
1 Measuring Man at	5.-.-
2 Peons at 2½ each	5.-.-
	50.-.-
Stationary for both Departments	7.-.-
Total	112 P Month.

2 It is proper to observe that the above Establishment of Servants proposed to be allowed for the Grain Department is proportioned to the probable Strength of the Detachment, but altho'

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I do not presume to conjecture what may be its object or destination it becomes my Duty to suggest, if circumstances should at any time occasion its removal into the Territories of His Highness the Nizam, the expediency of resorting in this case to the mode before observed of supplying the Troops with Lieutenant Colonel Roberts's Detachment, as the most convenient & least expensive to the public viz.t that the difference between the price of Rice established by the Company in the Field and that at which it can be purchased in the Bazars attending the Detachment, should be paid to the Troops by the Paymaster upon a Nerick of the Bazar rates properly Certified, & to be transmitted with the Paymasters Accounts as a Voucher in support of the Charge. — In this case an Establishment of Bullocks & Servants with the Grain Department will be no longer necessary, & may be discontinued at the same time that the Duties of that Department will cease to be performed.-

I have the honor to be with respect.

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Vc. Vc.
(Signd) W. Sydenham
Mily. Audr. Genl.

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Minute thereon.

The Board approve the Establish-
-ment of Servants recommended by the Auditor
for Lieutenant Goldsworthy and agree that he be
authorized to draw those Sums untill further Orders.

Read the following letter from
Mr. Thomas Cockburn. —

To the Honble Lieutenant General Harris
Governor in Council of
Fort St. George

From Mr. T. Cockburn setting forth his Claim to an adequate Salary for the period he officiated as Commissary General of Grain and Provisions and principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies.

Honorable Sir,

I have this day addressed the
Auditor General requesting that certain Charges —
retrenched on the final Audit of the Accounts of
my late Office of Commissary General of Grain and
Provisions Amounting to Pagodas 2115.. 27.. 10. may
be refered to the determination of your Board;
and as it will thereby appear this Sum was —
actually disbursed for the Public Service — I have
no doubt you will see it just to order it to be
admitted to my Credit. —

As your decision on this point
finally closes the Accounts of my late Employ,

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I deem it the proper period for bringing to your Consideration how far the Salary and Emoluments derived by me as Commissary General from the 1st January 1790 to the 17th May 1793, and as acting Commissary General from that date to 30th September 1794, can be deemed an adequate recompence for my labor and responsibility in that Office, especially during War, and, that the most active and important in which the Company were ever engaged.-

The whole Amount received by me including Pay at 10 Shillings per day, Office rent at 10 Pagodas P. Month, Advantage of making up Gunny Bags, difference of Exchange between 42 & 45 fanams, in fanam payments, and including every Emolument whatsoever from 1st January 1790 to 30th September 1794 amounted to Pagodas 1707 ... 9 .. 33, and of this the Company's Allowance and Office rents Amounted to Pagodas 2736, but, from the amount must be deducted the Office rent which I calculate moderately

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moderately at 25 Pagodas P. Month having on an
Average paid more, Pagodas 1425.— besides presents at
different times to deserving Servants in the Office to
Stimulate them in the performance of their duty —
Pag.s 3224 — leaving no more than Pagodas 3068. or
53 Pag.s P.r Month as the reward for my Services.

How far those Services were —
beneficial to the public it is not for me to State;
the records I believe shew they were approved by the
Government of that time, of which two of the present
Council were Members, and the Situation of the Honble
the President with the Army must have enabled
him also to judge — of the exertions of my Office;
it will be permitted me however to Observe that
scarcely a trace of my labors at the most important
period of the War, the Re-equipment of the Army
prior to, and measures taken for providing for its
Supply during the Seige of Seringapatam, appear
on your Records, the Correspondence having passed
directly with Marquis Cornwallis thro' one of the
Staff Officers — This correspondence is too flattering
to me, however I may wish to avoid egotism, not
to State that, it contains the noble Marquis's —
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unequivocal Acknowledgements of my Services.—

Small as the emoluments of my Office were, Government were pleased in March 1790 to decrease them by Ordering a Reported, Authorized Emolument of the Office of Commissary, (i.e. the property of all Gunny Bags received with Rice) to be transfered to the Garrison Storekeeper;— One from which my Predecessor derived very great Advantage during the 2nd. War with Hyder Ally; and to my Letter to Government under date 5th. April 1790, and the Statement of Emoluments delivered into the Accountant General for the information of the Honble Court of Directors I beg leave to refer, to prove the justice of my Claim and any right to Compensation for the loss thereby sustained.—

The Right Honble Marquis Cornwallis was pleased to allow me a Salary for my Service as Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks of 600 Pagodas ₱ Month from the 1st. October 1791 which was continued to me until the 17th. May 1793— from which date I, at the request of Sir Charles Oakeley acted as Commissary General of Grain and Provisions, Principal Agent for Draught and Carriage Bullocks and Principal Agent for Cavalry Supplies until September 1794— when I was at length

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length permitted to resign these Offices,— Nor was this an inactive period; as the proceedings relative to the Expedition to Pondicherry will evince.—

Under these circumstances and as it has been deemed just & reasonable to allow a Commissary of Grain and Provisions with an Army 600 Pags. per Month; I trust it will not be considered unreasonable in me to request that I may be allowed a Salary proportionate to the duties which I performed from 1st January 1790 to 30th September 1794 deducting from thence the Salary I received as Principal Agent, and the Salary and Emoluments as Commissary General of Grain & Provisions already Stated,— Having never received an Anna either in Salary or Emoluments as Agent for Cavalry Supplies, tho' I had the whole trouble of Arranging the Office and Superintending the duties of it from January 1793.—

I am aware that heavy objections may be stated against the revival of Claims of so old a date, but I deemed it proper to wait the final audit of my Accounts before I prefered this; and, as important Services have actually been rendered to the State under Circumstances when Zeal supplied the place of Salary, and as similar Services if rendered under the present constitution of the Service would progressively receive

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the rewards Appropriated to such exertions, I trust that I may be considered to have a well founded claim to rewards which have been detained from me owing to the defects of the Service at the time of exertion.—

I have the honor to be

Madras
13th. August 1798.—

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(Signed) Tho.s Cockburn

Minute thereon—

The Board are sensible no less of the arduous duties entrusted to Mr. Cockburn in his late department of Commissary General, than of his meritorious and Successfull exertions, but, as they are concerned that they cannot take upon themselves to grant him such a reward, as they think him justly entitled to, they will have much—Pleasure in giving their Strongest Recommendation to the Honble the Court of Directors that he should receive a compensation calculated upon the proportion of the Salary, which under the improved establishment of the Service has been allotted to the department held by that—Gentleman.—

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Upon the foregoing principle of calculation the Statement will stand thus, Viz.t—

Salary of 600 Pag.s per Month, from
1st January 1790 to 17th May 1793 ... 21,320.
Do. from 17th May 1793 to 30th September
1794 at 300 Pagodas P Month ..... 4940.
29,260.—

Deduct net receipts from the Office of Commissary General and Grain Provisions including the whole amount of Salary & emolument received from 1st January 1790 to 30th September 1794 as per Mr. Cockburn's letter ..... 3068.—

Deduct Salary allowed as Principal Agent at 600 Pags. P Month from 1st October 1793 to 17th May 1793 ..... 15,720. ... 14,788.

Balance due to Mr. Cockburn 14,472.—

Read the following letters from

Major General Braithwaite—

To Josiah Webbe Esq.r
Secretary to Government

Sir.

I have the Honor to enclose to you a Letter I have received from Monsieur Chermont which

From Major General Braithwaite submitting an Application of Colonel Chermont & other

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other Officers at Pondicherry for leave eventually to quit the Place and retire either to Madras or Bengal.—I request to know the Board's decision on Mr. Caillaud's suspension & that Government will authorize the Paymaster at Pondicherry to discharge the Interest due on a Bond belonging to the poor's Funds—

Which I request you to take an early Opportunity to lay before the Honble the Governor in Council, I take the liberty to say an early Opportunity, because you will see by the date that the Letter has been Written some time since. On Account of the Multiplicity of business which prefsed upon the Governor I have forborne to prefs this, but by another Letter I have received I find Monsieur Chermont is extremely anxious for a reply, and I therefore wish as soon as possible to be enabled to reply to it by the Governor's Authority.—

I request also to call your Attention, and through you that of the Honble the Governor in Council to the case of Monsieur Caillaud's Suspension, as, till Government is pleased to decide upon that Matter, the contest between those who should be under legal Authority and those who should exercise legal Authority remains at large, indeed until Monsieur Caillaud is restored to his functions, or some other appointed to his employ, (which latter I cannot but strongly recommend) the Tribunal is in a State of vacation.—

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I must also call your Attention to a Bond from the Company for 1000 Pagodas, for Money belonging to the poor of Pondicherry, which I lodged with the Greffier of the Council, and the Interest of which is due, and Request that an Order may be sent to the Paymaster to pay the Interest, that the distribution which is much wanted may be made. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

Madras
20th August 1798. —

(Signed) John Brathwaite

To Major General Brathwaite
Commanding at Pondicherry

Sir,

I have received the Letter you addressed to me on the moment of your departure from Pondicherry, & have imparted the Contents of it to the French Officers who remain Prisoners of War, They, equally with myself, feel infinitely grateful for your kind Attention, as well as for that of your Government, and in particular of

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General Harris towards us, in Anticipating, in so obliging a manner, what so nearly concerns our future Safety. —

Many of the Officers conceived, Sir, that your letter left them the Chance of remaining at Pondicherry, at least until they should be necessitated to leave it; this will not astonish you when you consider the difficulties they must experience with their Families & Property by a Removal, Momentary, as well as expensive but these Motives are not Sufficient — they request to be assured that it would be perfectly Proper, as neither they or myself can feel otherwise than Animated with the desire of conforming ourselves in every thing to the Intentions of Government. —

Others have demanded of me, whether they may be permitted to proceed to Bengal, I could do no more than promise to mention their Request to you. —

I venture to hope, Sir, that you will have the goodness to point out to me your Opinion

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Opinion on the Subject, that we may be enabled to fix, according to the Wishes of Government, on those plans which may be most conducive to their Views. — I have the Honor to be with the greatest Esteem & Respect. —

&c &c &c

Pondicherry
23d July 1798. —

(Signed) P. Chermont

A true translation
(Signed) J. G. Keble
French Translator

To Josiah Webbe Esq.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From Major General Brathwaite submitting an Application from Mr. St. Pol for leave to procuid to Calcutta. —

Monsieur St. Pol one of the Members of the Council at Pondicherry, is very sollicitous to obtain leave to proceed to Bengal for about three Months on Account of some Privat Concerns of his Family, and as Monsr. Mottil the President of the Council concurs in this request, I shall be obliged to you to lay it before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council and to favor me with his Lordship's determination as

soon

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soon as you conveniently can, as in the event of Monsieur St. Pole's request being complied with, he would avail himself of this favorable Season to proceed to Calcutta by Sea?.—

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

Madras
August 28th. 1798.—

(Signed) John Brathwaite

Minutes on the two foregoing Letters.—

Agreed to inform General Brathwaite that although there is no immediate intention of evacuating Pondicherry, yet, as Mons.r Chermont's letter seems to be a provisional Application for that event, the Board can have no hesitation in granting him, or the Gentlemen whom he has mentioned Prisoners of War, permission to quit that place, whenever he may find it convenient upon Representation to General Brathwaite.—

In the event of their proceeding to Bengal it will be necessary that their permission for that purpose should be certified to the Supreme Government, which will accordingly be done upon General Brathwaite's recommendation.

Resolved

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Resolved that the consideration of Mr. Caillaud's suspension be postponed, and that the Paymaster at Pondicherry be authorized to discharge the interest on the bond belonging to the poor of Pondicherry

Resolved that Mr. St. Pol be permitted to proceed to Bengal for the adjustment of his affairs.—

Read the following letter from Brigadier General De Meuron.—

To the Honble Lieutenant General Harris
President in Council
&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Hble Sir.

From Brigadier General De Meuron advising of the Death of the King of Candia.—

I had the Honor of informing you by my letter of the 20th June last that I had sent two Horses as a present to the Prime Minister of the Court of Candy, Pillemi Tellove, I have been informed of their arrival and of their being received in great ceremony, which announces that the Minister is well pleased with the Present.— I have not yet received an Official

Communication

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Communication of their having been received by him, on account of the Indisposition of the King of Candy A Man who Arrived here from that Capital the day before Yesterday, assured me, that the King was dead, an other Arrived this Morning Confirms the report and adds the following particulars. —

As soon as the Kings' Death was known, a Number of Pretenders Appeared, this occasioned a Commotion which lasted only a few Hours, the Grandees of the Court then Assembled in the Palace and having turned the Pretenders out of it, they shut themselves up and proceeded to the Election of a new King, the result of which was that a Young Naigue, a near Relation of the late King who has been under the Tuition of the Prime Minister was proclaimed. — The Obsequies of the late King and the Ceremonies attending the accession of his Successor will occupy the Court of Candy for some time, which leads me to suppose that they will not propose an Extraordinary Embassy on Account of this event, before the Arrival of Mr. North, but in the Event of their doing so I shall devise some means to

postpone

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postpone it— As soon as I receive any Official
despatch I shall do myself the Honor of Communica
-ting it to you.—

It is reported that no Stranger
is permitted to approach within a certain distance
of Candy as long as the Ceremonies are not finished.

I have the Honor to acknowledge
the receipt of the Hon. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the
26th Ultimo as a Guidance for my Conduct.—

I remain with Respect
&c. &c.
(Signed) P. F. de Meuron
B.G.
C.

Columbo
10th August 1798.—

Read the following letter from the
Collector at Ramnad.—

To the Honorable Lieutenant General Harris
Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

I have the honor to lay before you,
Copy & translation of a letter to me from the Akbar
Navees at Manapara, with a Copy of a letter
written by me in consequence, to the Seree Naigue
of Ramghurry.— I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Collr

From the Collector at Ramnad, with Copy of Orders sent to the Ramgherry Poligars to seize the persons of some French men who were likely to pass thro' his Pollam from the Mysore Country.—

Ramnad
20th August 1798.—

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From the Munapara Akbar Naveez —

Dated 17th August 1798 — received 19th —

Reporting that he had received —

information from the Serre Naigue of Ramgherry, that it had been reported to him that three Frenchmen — accompanied with a Man acting as Dewangee with Tippoo, and some Men were arrived at Carroor, that one Frenchman and some Men were Arrived at Aruvarcourchy and that all of them purposed — proceeding to the West and North of the Ramgherry Pollam to inspect those parts of the Country — consequently in a supposition that they might — enter the Vangarrah Boundary of Ramgherry, Situated on the Borders of the Mysore Country — He (the Serre Naigue) had Stationed a Number of Peons at that place. —

(Signed) Ameen Shaheb

Akbar Naveez

To the Serre Naigue

of Ramgherry

The Akbar Naveez at Munapara

has

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has reported to me that he has received information from you, that three Frenchmen, accompanied by a Man acting as Tippoo's Dewangee, and others had Arrived at Caroor – that one Frenchman, and some Men were Arrived at Aruvarcourchy – and that all of them purposed proceeding to the West and north of the Ramgherry Pollam to survey the Country – It is my desire in case any Frenchmen from Tippoo's Country should actually enter the Ramgherry Boundary but not else, that you instantly secure their Persons, and send them under a Guard to Ramnad. Should you have the good luck to secure any of them, you will render an acceptable Service, and no doubt meet with reward – but be extremely careful not to seize any one out of the limits of the Ramghurry Pollam. –

(Signed) W. C. Jackson.

Ramnad
29th. August 1798. – (True Copies)

(Signed) J. Balfour
Ha. dc. aspt.

Extract of the Board.

The Board very much approve the vigilance of the Serve Naig of Ramghurry and of

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of the Collectors' Orders to him for the Apprehension of Suspicious Persons.—

As it is of importance that similar Vigilance Should be exerted at this time throughout the Southern Province—Resolved to desire that the Collector will publish the offer of Reward not exceeding ten Pagodas for the Apprehension of any Straggling European with or without a passport, with orders for carrying the person so Apprehended to the nearest Garrison.—

Read the following letter from the Attornies to the Captors of Trincomaly.—

To the Honble Lieutenant General George Harris
Governor & President in Council
Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

We are desired by the Army Agents for the Capture of Trincomalee, Jaffnapatam, Manar Batacoloa, and their Dependencies, to lay before your Honor in Council. The accompanying Accounts viz.

From the Attornies to the Captors of Trincamale &c.— enclosing a reduced Statement of their Claim on Account of Prize Stores at Batacolao delivered over for the public Service.—

Attested Copy of Account of Sundry Articles of Captured Property at Baticaloa valued by a Committee

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Committee held at that Place on the 6th November 1796 and ordered by General Stewart to be retained for the Service of the Honble Company, estimated at Rix D. 5188..16..—

Making in Star Pagodas ..... 1383..25..40.

Account of the Agents against the Honble Company for the value of the same Articles reduced (by Major Barton in conformity to the rates charged on similar Articles by the other valuation Committies on the Island of Ceylon) to Star Pagodas ..... 724..37..40

as Appears by Major Burton's Certificate Annexed to the latter Account.—

It may be proper to observe to Your Honor that the Amount of the former Account had been comprehended in our Account already laid before Government entitled No. 3 which stated two Items Viz.—

Paddy expended on the Public Account by Capt. Parkinson ..... 331..35..10

And the Amount of the accompanying Valuation Acco. Rix D. 5188..16.. or 1385..25..40

Making the total Amount of No. 3 ..... Pags. 1715..15..50

The former Item has been since passed and a Government bond granted for its Amount: but the latter was objected to for want of the detailed Voucher now produced.—

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For

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For the further explanation of this Subject We take the liberty to lay before your Honor Extract of a letter from the Prize Agents, and as the above Claim now reduced from its estimated Amount of Pagodas 1383....25...40. to 724...37...40. and a Claim for copper Coins issued to the Paymaster of Trincomalee for Pag.s 32...36. are the only two Sums remaining unsettled / the Ordnance Arms & Military Stores / excepted. We hope your Honor will be pleased to Grant the Agents' Bonds for both bearing date from 6th November 1796.—

We have the honor to be, &c.a &c.a

Fort St. George
6th August 1798.—

(Signed) Tulloh & Brodie
for Capt.n James Rodgers and
Lieut.t Samuel Torrens Agents
to the Captors of Trincomalee &c.a

Extract of a letter from Captain James Rodgers Prize Agent for the Army dated Columbo 14th July 1798.

"On referring to the Trincomalee Accounts I find there is one still remains unsettled being for Amount of the enclosed Batticoloa Valuation Committee, the Original of which having been inserted in continuation with other Accounts in a Book received from Captain Parkison it escaped our Notice at the time it ought to have been sent or a Copy of it which we now send enclosed but having compared it with similar Accounts valued by Major Barton here we find many of the Articles so much overcharged that I have requested of him to correct it & now forward you one Signed by him & to which we hope there will be no objection made by the Auditor General."—

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Sundry Articles of Prize found at Batticoloa and valued for the public use of a Committee composed of the Dutch Surgeon Mr. Peters. Harm.s Barent the former Master Attendant, and H.s De Silva Master Carpenter.

Valued on the 6th November 1796 — R.D.s Hs.s Pag.s F. C.

A large Bell computed at 1000 Rattals at 2 fan.s P Rattal	2000.—
One large Beam and Scales with weights complete	858.—
One Sloop complete / now at Trincomalee	850.—
3 Paddy Boats each Boat at 200 Rix Dollars	600.—
1 D.o small at	150.—
3 Iron Crows	6.—
3 Trowels	18.
3 Pick-axes	1.36.
20 Pieces of wood kept for repairing the Paddy boats	6.—
12 Pieces Ditto D.o D.o	5.—
2 large Vices fixed	20.—
1 D.o D.o	12.—
1 Small Grind Stone	6.—
1 D.o	3.24.
1 D.o	45.—
1 large D.o	20.—
2 Small Anvils	20.—
1 large D.o computed at 1100 Rattals each Rattal 2 fs.	66.32.
1 D.o D.o D.o at 511 D.o D.o D.o 2 dt.	83.16.
1 D.o D.o D.o at 250 D.o D.o D.o 2 dt.	41.32.
1 Small D.o D.o at 250	9.—
1 large Pair of Bellows	12.—
6 large Paddy measures each at 2 R. D.s	7.24.
5 Small D.o D.o at 1½ D.o	5.—
5 D.o D.o D.o at 1 D.o	26.—
1 large Chest with Iron Clamps	8.—
2 Anchors / now in the Sloop /	2.36.
2 D.o for the Paddy Boats	4.
1 Chunam measure	41.32.
Chunam in bulk computed at 1000 Parrahs each Parrah 2 Sivers	4.36.
57 Pieces of wood used in making Palisades each Piece 1 fan.m	85.—
Carpenters & Coopers Tools with a large Chest	44.—
2 Leavers	12.—
2 large Saws	
Carried over	5033.2.

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R.D.s Stivers Pay.t F. C.

Brought forward..5033.. 2

16 Pieces of Timber.....33.—

4 large Wooden Stands used in

sawing Wood.....8..—

6 Crooked Pieces of Wood.....3..—

2 Pieces of Wood.....1..—

5 Coils of Country Cable/used

for the Paddy Boats each 2 —

8 R. D.s.....40..—

2 D.o Europe/taken for the Sloop/

each 12 R. D.s.....24..—

1 D.o small D.o.....6..—

2 Wooden horses.....32.

Salt 476 Parrahs at 1/4 p.r Parrah.... 39. 32.

Total....5188. 16. 1383. 25. 40.

(Signed) B. Pieters.tz Praesident

Harm.s Barentz

Columbo
14.th July 1798.—

J. Garnanus

a True Copy of the original
Valuation Committe
(Signed) T. Rodgers Capt.n
1.st B.n 7.th Reg.t
for self & Prize agents
for the army — &c.a

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The Honble Company Dr. to the Captors of Batticaloa for articles kept for the Company by General Stuarts order—

6th November 1796.—

St Pag. F. C.

A large Bell computed at 1000 Rattals at 6fs 1/4 Rattal		133	15
One large Beam and Scales with weights complete		6	—
One Sloop complete (now at Trincomalee)		226	30
3 Paddy Boats each Boat at 200 Rix Dollars		160	—
1 Do small at		40	—
3 Iron Crows		1	27
3 Trowels		14	40
3 Pick axes		21	—
20 Pieces of wood kept for repairing the Paddy Boats		1	27
12 Pieces Do	Do	1	15
2 large Vices fixed		5	—
1 Do	Do	2	22
1 Small Grind Stone		1	24
1 Do	Do	1	—
1 large	Do	5	—
2 Small Anvils		5	—
1 large	Do	6	—
1 Do	Do	8	22
1 Small	Do	1	—
1 large Pair of Bellows		2	18
6 large Paddy measures each at 2 R	Do	3	9
5 Small Do	Do at 1½	Do	2
5 Do	Do Do at 1	Do	1
1 large Chest with Iron Clamps		1	15
2 Anchors (now in the Hoop)		6	12
2 Do for the Paddy Boats		2	6
1 Chunam Measure		—	33
Chunam in bulk computed at 1000 Parrahs each Parrah 2 Rixes		—	1
57 Pieces of wood used in making Palisades each Piece 1fs		11	5
Carpenters & Coopers Tools with a large Chest		1	12
2 Leavers		22	30
2 large Saws		11	33
16 Pieces of Timber		3	9
		8	36
Carried over		687	17 40

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	St. Ps. F. C.
Brought forward	687. 57. 10
4 large wooden Stands used in Sawing Wood	2. 6.—
6 Crooked Pieces of Wood	36.—
2 Pieces of wood	12.—
5 Coils of Country Cable / used for the Paddy Boats	10. 30.—
each 8 R. Ds.	
2 Do. Europe / taken for the Sloop / each 12 R. Ds.	6. 18.—
1 Do. Small Do.	1. 27.—
2 Wooden horses	5.—
Salt 476 Parrahs at 1 fm. P Parrah	10. 26.—
Total St. Pags.	724. 37. 10

(Signed) J. Rodgers Capt.
5th Batt. 7th Reg.
for self & Prize Agent
for the Army.—

This Certifies that I examined the proceedings of the Committee that valued the Captured property at Batticolo, many of the Articles Appearing to be over rated, I reduced the Prices so as to correspond with the rates charged by the other valuation Committies on the Island, for the like Articles, kept on account of the Company and which has been Captain Rodgers guide in making out the above Account.—

14th July 98.—

(Signed) J. Barton Major
President of the Committee that
valued the Captured property
in Colombo and its dependancies
ordered

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Ordered that the above mentioned Account be referred for the examination of the Auditor General.—

Minute thereon—

Read the following letter from the Attorneys to the Administrators to the Estate of the late Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.—

To T. Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From the Attorneys to the Administrators to the Estate of the late Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell requesting to receive the Amount ordered to be paid to the Estate on Account of Table Money—

Sir,

As Attorneys to the Administrator to the Estate of the late Colonel Maxwell We beg leave to apply for payment of the Table Money due to the deceased from 17th October 1793 to 3d June 1794 being 230 days at Pagodas 5 Fldem making Pagodas 1150.....

We have the honor to be
&c &c
Benj. Sulivan
Tho. Cockburn

Madras
27th August 1798.— (Signed)

Minute thereon—

Ordered accordingly that the Arrears Amounting to Pagodas 1150 due to Lieutenant Colonel Maxwells estate be discharged by a bill on Bengal at 365 a Rs. 100 p. Pagoda.—

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The Commander in Chief lays before the Board the following Representation from Major of Brigade Ogg, which he recommends to their favorable consideration.—

To Lieutenant General George Harris
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

Sir,

I beg you will permit me to lay before you the following Representation, and hope the peculiar hardship of the Case, will be an excuse for troubling you, when occupied with matters of so much importance, and that if my claim appears to you just and well founded, you will please to adopt such Measures, as you may deem proper for redressing the grievances I labor under.—

From Brigade Major Ogg stating the extent of the duty he has lately had to perform and the inadequate Staff Allowance granted him—and requesting that he may at all times be allowed Full Batta and an establishment of Writers.—

Permit me Sir, to State to you, that all officers Appointed Generally to Divisions or Districts, as Judge Advocates, Barrack masters, Muster Masters and Engineers, are allowed Full Batta at all times, but that Brigade Majors are only allowed the difference betwixt half and a

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and full Batta, for the time they are actually travelling.

That the Brigade Majors, are always expected to be ready to attend the General Officer, to whom they may be Attached, on his Tour of Review or any other duty that may occur; and that since the Appointment, of Major General Bridges, to the Command of the Northern Division, I have travelled between two and 3,000 Miles, at an exceeding great expence, equal to, or more than the difference of half and Full Batta for the whole Year. I further beg leave to represent, that the Duties of a Brigade Major require at least two writers for the circulation of General Orders; Division and District Orders, keeping General, Division and District Orderly Books, Books of Correspondence, Returns &c. &c. and that I have been Obliged to defray this expence out of my own pocket, no Allowance being made by Government.

That the difference of half and full Batta except for the time when Actually travelling

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travelling, has been directed by Audit, to be refunded, and the purport of this Address, is, to solicit, that the Batta to be drawn by me, may be allowed, that I may be put upon the same footing in this respect, with the Aid de Camp — and that I may be permitted to draw an Allowance for writers, Suitable to the Duties of the Office

I have the honor to be

&c. &c.

(Signed) S. W. Ogg

Maj. Brig to
Major Gl. Bridges

Madras
5th August 1798. —

Route

Attending General Bridges in consequence of the Mutiny —

From Masulipatam to ..... Guntoor
Ongole
Masulipatam

On the Tour of Review .... Candapilly
Chintapilly
Bellemcondah
Timmicottah
Innacondah
Ongole
Nellore
Rampore

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Nellore
Ongole
Guntoor
Masulipatam
Coringah
Samulcottah
Vizagapatam
Chicacole
Berhampor
Ganjam
Aska
Ganjam
Chicacole
Vizagapatam
Samul Cottah
Rajamundry
Ellore
Masulipatam.—

Resolved in consideration of the foregoing letter and of the Commander in Chiefs' recommendation to allow the Majors of Brigade attached to General Officers on the Staff to draw at all times the difference between half and full batta from the 1st of the ensuing month.—

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Minute thereon

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The Commander in Chief proposes that the Officers of the 3d. Regiment Native Cavalry be allowed house rent for the time they may be quartered at Vellore as an indemnification for the expence they may incur in fitting up the barrack and erecting Cook Rooms.—

House rent to be allowed the Officers of the 3d. Regiment Native Cavalry while Stationed at Vellore.—

Agreed to and ordered accordingly

The Commander in Chief submits to the Board for their consideration, whether under present Appearances, and with a view to economy all extra expence with the Corps lately arrived in Cantonments, at Arnee Walajahbad and Vellore except for tent Lascars and Carriage Cattle may not cease from the 1st. September.—

All extra Expences with the Troops cantoned at Wallajabad Arnee and Vellore except for tent Lascars and Carriage Cattle to cease from the 1st. September next.—

Agreed to and ordered accordingly.—

Read the following letter from the Commandant of Trincomaly.—

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Commandant at Trincamale, pointing out the Serious consequences

Major General Ross having disapproved and returned the Estimate sent to him by Captain

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consequences of delay in providing proper accommodation for the Troops at that Place previous to the setting in of the Winds.—

Captain Norris for the repairing of Barracks or — Building of Bungalo's for the Troops at Trincomallie has offered a new Scene of difficulties that I apprehend cannot be well removed but by the most pointed exertion. I allude to the considerable delay that must be occasioned by the Chief Engineer's punctilio which I make no doubt is perfectly correct and in obedience to his Instructions but the loss of time at this advanced Season before any directions can be received from Madras will I fear be the — means of exposing some of the European Troops to the violence of the approaching Monsoon, which I am informed is in general very severe on this part of the Island—by this delay there is but one choice left as to the practicable mode of erecting cover for the Soldiers so as to protect them from bad — weather— I mean by building Bungalo's and — simple as the operation may appear I doubt without great exertion and some additional expence/ from the number of disadvantages We labour under here/ that they cannot be erected till late in the

Year

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Year supposing it will be near a Month before I can receive an Answer to this representation—

To describe the Barracks that—

have been the cause of so much Mortality (and the repair of which are now under the consideration of Major General Ross) is an easy business by declaring they do not possess any one Quality that Quarters for the most seasoned Soldiers ought to possess and that it is not in the power of the most able Engineer with unlimited Expence to make them habitable or healthy without removing the most formidable part of the Fortification,— Should it however be thought proper to repair them it will be necessary to send Bricks, Tiles and I believe Chinnam from the Coast as the— rain will prevent those Materials from being made at Cotiar about twenty five Miles from— hence none being made here except some of the latter.—

If I did not see the absolute Necessity of getting our Men under cover before the breaking in of the Monsoon which is expected to—

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to be this Year very severe from the uncommon mildness of the last, I would not dwell so long or indeed trouble you on the subject. —

I have the honor to be

&c. &c. &c.

Trincomalee
August 9th 1798. —

(Signed) T. Champagné
Colonel

Resolved under the pressing urgency of the occasion that Colonel Champagné be authorized to give such Orders as he may judge necessary for erecting bungalows for the accommodation of the Troops. —

Read the following letter from the Accountant General. —

To
Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Sir,

From the Accountant General desiring Instructions respecting the Instalment of 25 P Cent payable to the Nabob's Consolidated Credetors

The Holders of Bonds in the Consolidated Debt of His Highness the Nabob being now entitled in virtue of the acknowledgements granted by Orders of Government from my Office to another Issue of 6 per Cent Certificates in the same Form as last year

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Year for another Instalment of 25 per Cent — bearing Interest from 31st. August 1798. I request you will procure me Instructions on this Head from the Right Honble President in Council and further, whether the Years Interest accruing on the uncertificated Part of the Debt, is to be paid in Cash or by other Certificates bearing 6 per Cent Interest as expressed in the Acknowledgements. —

I have the honor to be

Sirs, Yr. Mo. Obt. Servt.

(Signd) Robert Woolf
Acco. Genl.

Fort St. George
Accountant General's Office
31st. August 1798.

Resolved that another instalment of 25 per Cent upon the Consolidated debt of His Highness the Nabob be issued to the bond holders in 6 per Cent Certificates bearing interest from the 31st. August 1798. —

Minute thereon —

In regard to the interest accruing on the uncertificated part of the debt Resolved to direct that it be discharged by other Certificats bearing 6 per Cent interest as expressed in the Read acknowledgements. —

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Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General. —

The Honble Lieutenant General George Harris
President and Governor in Council —
of Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

In reply to Mr. Secretary Webbes Letter of the 11th instant, enclosing an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Garrison Storekeepr for the current Month, Amounting to Five Thousand Pagodas (Pags. 5000 ...) for the purpose of making an Advance of One Pagoda each for 2000 Draught Bullocks entertained in the Service, and the remainder for Draught and Carriage Bullocks to be employed on occasional duties, I beg leave to State, that as an Advance of Three Pagodas has been already made for each of these Bullocks, it appears that an Advance of half a Pagoda more each on Account of the same for the present Month will be sufficient, in which opinion I am confirmed on reference to the Advances for Bullocks entertained for the —

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Army during the last War. —

As the Garrison Storekeeper has not particularized the Service for which he requires an Advance of Three Thousand Pagodas (P.as 3000.—) I can only from general information express my belief that Pagodas 1500. will be sufficient to Answer for any occasional supplies of Bullocks during the course of the present Month. —

I have the honor to be

&c.a &c.a

(Signed) W.m Sydenham
Mil.y Aud.r Gl.

Military Auditor Generals Office
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The Honble Lieutenant General Harris
President & Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Hble Sir,

Auditors report on the additional estimate of Cash required on Account of the Deputy Kings Paymaster Generals. —

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of Yesterdays date, accompanying an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops for the present Month, & to report that there appears to be no objection to the Amount, Viz.t Two thousand Seventy three Pagodas (2,073.—) being Issued from the Treasury, as Captain Young states —

that

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that this Sum is required to complete his payments up to the 24th of next September, which I have no doubt of his having ascertained from the abstracts of the several Corps, altho' it has not yet been possible for him to arrange & to transmit his Accounts for that period for Audit.—

I have the honor to be with great respect.—

&c. &c.

Mil.y Auditor Generals Office
Fort St. George 17th August 1798.—

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Mil.y Aud.r Gen.l

Ordered, in conformity with the recommendation of the Military Auditor General, that the Sum of Four thousand five hundred and Seventy three Pagodas (Pag.s 4573) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on Account of the additional estimates which accompanied his Letters of the 13th and 15th Instant.—

Cash ordered to be issued from the Treasury on the above reports.—

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General.—

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The Right Honble Lord Clive

President & Governor in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I have the honor to acknowledge

Report of the Military Auditor General on an Additional Estimate of Cash lately received from the Military Paymaster General

the receipt of Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of yester-day's date, accompanying an Additional Estimate of Cash required by the Military Paymaster at the Presidency for the current Month, amounting to Seventeen thousand three hundred and forty Nine Pagodas, forty Fanams, & forty three Cash (17,349. 40. 43) which is unobjectionable & may be issued from the Treasury, this Sum being required for the purposes expressed in the Estimate which had either received the previous Sanction of Government, or was passed in this Office agreeably to established Regulations.

I have the honor to be with great respect.

& C. a & C. a

Military Auditor Generals Office (Signed) W. Sydenham

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Ordered that the Sum of Seventeen thousands

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Cash ordered to be issued from the Treasury on the foregoing Account.—

Thousand three hundred and forty nine Pagodas, forty fanams, and forty three Cash (Pag.s 17,349..40..43) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General on account Estimate which accompanied his Letter of the 22d Instant.—

In consequence of the return of Colonel G. V. Hart to resume his Situation as Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops Serving for Madras, Resolved that he be furnished with the Papers relative to the balance adjudged to be due by him and that he be required to pay the Amount being Pagodas 12,571..39..40 into the treasury.—

Resolution of the Board to furnish Lieutenant Colonel Hart with Copies of the Papers relative to the Balance stated against him & to call upon him for payment of the same

Resolved also that Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner be permitted to make over charge of Colonel Hart's affairs, and that

Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner to be relieved from his Charge.—

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that he be exempted from all farther —
responsibility on that Account as far as —
depends upon this Government. —

The Right Honorable the —
President informs the Board that he has
Appointed Clement Cartwright Esquire to
be his — private Secretary. —

Clement Cartwright Esqr. being Appointed by the Governor to be his private Secretary.

The Oath of Secrecy is in —
consequence Administered to Mr. Cartwright
who Attends for that — purpose. —

takes the customary Oath of Secrecy. —

His Lordship also informs
the Board that he has Appointed
Captain Alexander Grant to be
his Town Major and Captain —
John Brown to be his Aid de Camp —

Captain Alexander Grant Appointed — Town Major and Captain John Brown of the 52d. Regiment, Aid de Camp to the Governor. —

Ordered

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Ordered that the foregoing

Appointments be Notified in General

Orders. —

Ordered that the Letters —

Letters ordered to be written to the Nabob Rajah of Tanjore, the Nizam, the Peishwa and Tippoo Sultaun, notifying Lord Clives accession to the Government. —

be Addressed to the Nabob, the Rajah

of Tanjore, the Peishwah, the Niram,

and Tippoo Sultaun, informing

them of Lord Clive's having

taken upon him the Charge

of this Government. —

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Death of Captain Beasley of the Infantry.—

The Secretary reports the death of Captain William Beasley of the native infantry on the 16th Instant at Salsas.—

" Clk
" Geo. Harris
" Eow Saunders
" Ch Pillefeiu

Comb
G. Strachey

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Diary

The following Letter from Mr. T. Conway having been this day returned from Circulation is now recorded. —

To His Excellency Lieutenant General Harris
Governor in Council &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

From Mr. T. Conway representing the severe and unjust treatment he has experienced from Captain Davison the Commanding officer at Tutacoryn

It is with no small degree of concern and reluctance that I presume to intrude myself on your Excellency's attention, and various important occupations, but as it is to you that Individuals naturally look for redress of grievances, this consideration will, I trust, be the best apology for such Intrusion

Your Excellency is already ac-quainted with the Circumstances under which I came into the Company's Service, namely, at the recommendation of Marquis Corn-wallis, and by the appointment of Sir Charles Oakeley and the Council of Madras, which was confirmed by the Honorable the

Court

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Court of Directors in a subsequent despatch
in the publick Department, and the Paragraphs
relating to which was delivered to me by Mr
Jackson, by order of my Lord Hobart, and
will appear on the Records of your Govern=
=ment. As I had it in some degree in my
option either to continue in this Civil Situation
or resume my Rank in the Irish-Brigades,
when received into the Pay and on the establish=
=ment of their own Country, and having pre=
=ferred the former I considered myself from that
moment as a Company's Servant — From a
desire to promote my views and Interest,
Lord Hobart was pleased to permit me to come
to this part of the Country, about a year and an
half ago, to pursue a mercantile Speculation,
likely to prove beneficial to me, and without
any Injury to my Situation at Pondicherry (
the duties of which I was allowed to discharge
by Deputy) Or to the Salary annexed to it.
Your Excellency after his Lordship's departure
was pleased to renew and prolong the same
indulgence, as signified to me by Mr. Webbe.

Under

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Under such sanction and protection I had every reason to think myself secure from private injustice and oppression, the following Statement of which, without any comment from me, will shew how unfounded these hopes have been. —

About 4 Months ago I came to reside at the Factory House at Ponocoil, the property of the late Dutch Company, & situated about 15 miles to the Southward of Tuticorin — that House had been unoccupied since the Capture of their Possessions, and was in entire want of repair, which I was under the necessity of making to render it habitable, and I did so with the more readiness as it was adapted to my business, and I did not suppose myself liable to be dispossessed of it, as the Company had no use whatever for it, the only Authority I had for residing in it was from Captain Dawson Commanding at Tuticorin, although it was the opinion of every body that it was at the disposal of

Mr.

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Mr. Jackson the Collector, but I thought it unnecessary to make further application, & relying upon Mr. Jackson's good will towards me. About a Month ago Captain Dawson ordered me to quit the House immediately, with to which Summons I expressed my compli= =ance the Instant I could accommodate myself elsewhere, and which should be done with as little delay as possible, adding at the same time, that I would apply to Mr. Jackson, in whom the disposal of the House was vested, for leave to reside in it. The morning after Captain Dawson ordered a Havildar and Guard to turn me out im= =mediately by force of Arms, alleging as one reason for so doing, the oppressions and violence I had been guilty of towards the Inhabitants; to refute this Charge, I have the honor to enclose your Excellency, a Cer= =tificate signed by the head Inhabitants of the Village, as well as one from Colonel

Child

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Child, late of the 19th Dragoons who was on a visit to me from the moment of my taking poſſeſſion of the House to the hour of my quit=
=ting it, and as a further proof of my not=
having merited the treatment I have received,
I have also the honor of enclosing you a Letter
written to me in January last by Mr. =
Martin the Commercial Resident at Tin=
=nevelly -- With respect to Captain Davison's
Claim to the House I beg leave to enclose you a
Letter from Mr. Jackson expreſsing his acquies=
=cence in my residing at the House, as he con=
=sidered it entirely under his orders. - In conse=
=quence of the above unexpected and peremptory
Commands, I immediately quitted the House
to my no small inconvenience and expence, and
was obliged to remove about 11 Miles more to the
Southward, to the great detriment and prejudice
of my business, having at the same time a Black
Merchants House at the Village of Pono Coil to
lodge my Goods in, and embark them thence,
when an opportunity should offer - Shortly =

after

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after my receiving Mr. Jackson's Letter, I sent Captain Davison a copy of it, and as he was then absent from Tutacorin, I only received his answer yesterday, evading a compliance with the purport of it, by saying he could not receive any such requisition, or any other through me. As several days however had elapsed without my having received an answer, I supposed he might have given orders to deliver over the House to me, and having occasion to go to Pons Coil on my private business, I sent to ask the Havildar stationed there whether he had received orders to that effect, and if so, to deliver the Keys to the Bearer - He answered that he had received no Instructions, upon which I went to the House I had hired to inspect my Goods, and yesterday while employed in so doing in the presence of Colonel Child and my Servants, a Havildar and Guard came to

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me and said they had orders from Captain Dawson to turn me out of the Village by force of Arms, and to tell me, they had previous orders not to allow me to come into it, but that supposing the Factory House and not the Village was meant, they had not executed them but that a Sepoy having just arrived with a Confirmation of these orders, they insisted on my quitting the Village instantly, and having no conveyance posted, as I had not intended to return for 2 days, I was compelled to walk exposed to the Rays of a Noon day Sun along a deep, sandy Beach for 11 miles —

Unwilling to trespass on your Excellency's time and patience, I have hitherto only set forth those Claims to your protection with which you are already acquainted — there are others however which might entitle me to your further notice. —

When Marquis Cornwallis meditated an expedition against the French Islands in 1793, I tendered my services which were

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were accepted; and brought round his dis=
=patches from Bengal to Madras - I had pre=
=viously offered my services during the Mysore
War, which were refused from motives of his
Lordships kindness and Consideration for me.-

In 1794, I was employed by
Government in conjunction with Colonel Petrie
on a Mission to the French Islands, on Board
His Majesty's Ships the Centurion and Diomede
- and afterwards offered my services to General
Stuart on the expedition against Ceylon.-

I have to repeat my apologies
for thus troubling your Excellency with this
long detail, to whom I look up with Confidence
for that redress which I am persuaded no In=
=dividual asks in vain, and leave to your
Consideration to judge how far Troops intended
for the Protection of British Subjects, ought to
be employed as the Instruments of Violence
and oppression.- I have the honor to be with
profound Respect.

Trichendore
near Palamcotah
August 14th
1798.-

(Signed) Th. Conway

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We the undersigned head Inhabitants of Ponocoil, certify that since Mr. Conway has been at Ponocoil, he has paid us regularly, and the full value of every Article We furnished him with, and that he has not committed either violence or injustice towards any of the Inhabitants, as far as it has come to our knowledge since his residence at this Place. -

Signed, in Malabar. ——

Ponocoil
July 23d 1798. — I do hereby certify and declare that from the 23d April last (the period of my arrival at Ponocoil on a visit to Mr. Conway) to the 28th July last - the day of my departure thence - I never saw or heard of any act of oppression or violence on the part of Mr. Conway towards the Inhabitants, on the contrary - I was present when the Head Men of the Village voluntarily signed a Certificate on the part of the Inhabitants declaring that no violence or injustice had been shewn to them — I

have

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have moreover been a Witness of the uncommon pains and attention Mr. Conway has at different times taken that every Inhabitant should receive his due for every Article purchased by Mr. C. who has ever been ready to listen to the Complaints and attend to the prejudices of the Natives. —

Tuckendore (Signed) W G Child
August 14th. 1798. —

I do further declare that I was present when the Havildar of the Guard stationed at Ponakoil ordered Mr. Conway to quit the Factory house there without delay — and I was also present when the Havildar marched his Guard into the Cloth Merchants house where Mr. Conway was sitting yesterday at Ponicail and insisted on his quitting that Village immediately.

August 14th. — (Signed) W. G. Child

To Thomas Conway Esqre
at Pona Coil

Sir.

The Dutch Factory House at
Pona Coil

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, Pono Coil, being, as I consider, under my charge, I have considerable pleasure in acquiescing in your request to reside in it — Should any Claim be set up tending to invalidate this right, a Reference can be made by you direct to Government, and you have my full permission to make what use of this letter you may think proper. —

I have the honor to be,

&c — — — &c

Ramnad
28th July 1798. — (Signed) W. C. Jackson

Dear Conroy

I received your Letter of the 20th this morning, requesting me to send you by the returning Tappal a written testimony "or "declaration stating that since your Residence "in this part of the Country, you have taken every "precaution in your power to prevent any inter = =ference with the Company's Loans and have, as far as depended on you, invariably adhered

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"to such Regulations as I pointed out to that effect" – I not only readily subscribe to this declaration, but I can add with Justice, that in the few unavoidable Instances, when the rascality of the Weavers have imposed upon you under false Names, and such as were not registered in the Company's List, to which you have agreable to my request and the Company's standing orders always applied for Information previous to the Employment of Weavers, upon their Injurious Conduct being laid open, you have Instantly resigned them at the hazard of considerable loss rather than be supposed to Infringe upon the Company's Public Investment, or in any respect swerve from that line of Conduct you have hitherto invariably and strictly observed towards the 2 Looms Working for the Public Service – It would have saved me no small trouble and anxiety if every private Merchant in the Finnevelly followed your Example. –

Finnevelly
21 January 1798. –

Yours truly
(Signed) Geo. Sul.n Morten

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Received and sent the under=
=mentioned Letters entered in M.B. Nos 111-112-113-
114-115-116-117-118-119-120 -.-

From the Com=
=mandant at
Amboor -

From Lieutenant Colonel Wahab
=advising of his having assumed the Command
of Amboor. -

From the Secretary
at Bengal.

From Mr Barlow - enclosing a
Letter for Rear Admiral Rainier. -

From the Secretary
at Bombay

From Mr Richards - enclosing
a Letter for the Admiral. -

From Command.t
at Southerydorg

From Major Cuppage - representing
the claim of the Native Doctor to the 1st Batta=
=lion 5th Regiment to some Compensation for his
attendance on the Sick during the absence of
the assistant Surgeon. -

From Captain
H. S. Cosby -

From Captain H. S. Cosby - stating
the period to which he has received his Subsistence
in England, and requesting that the Arrears due
to him may be discharged in Cash. -

To the Comman=
=dant at Trinc=
=male

To Colonel Champagne - authorizing
him to give immediate orders for erecting Bun=
=galoes for the accommodation of the Troops

on

28th on such plan as he may deem most eligible; paying every possible attention to Economy in the disbursement of the public Money. —

To the Military Board. To the Military Board — appriizing them of the Authority given to Colonel Champagne; and desiring that orders may be given for receiving into Store the Shot consigned to this Presidency on the Dover Castle. —

To the Secretaries at Bengal and Bombay and Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad. To Messrs. Barlow, Richards, Palmer, and Kirkpatrick — enclosing Mysore Intelligence. —

To Admiral Rainier. To Rear Admiral Rainier — enclosing Letters received by Express from Bengal. —

To the Resident at Nagore. To Mr. Torriano — enclosing the following Letter for the Admiral with instructions respecting the disposal of it. —

Substance of Letters to the Nabob and Rajah of Tanjore. — 29th Sent Letters to the Nabob and Rajah of Tanjore entered in C.C. No. 115 — appriizing them of Lord Clive's having taken

charge

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29th charge of the Government. —

Sent also Letters to Tippoo Sultaun the Peshwa and the Nizam entered in C.C. Nos 116 — and 117. to the purport abovementioned. —

Subsistence of Letters to Tippoo Sultaun the Peshwa and the Nizam. —

30th Sent the following Letters. —

To Major General Sydenham
Military Auditor General.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your several Letters dated 9th. 14th. 16th. and 28th. Instant with their respective enclosures. —

To the Military Auditor General decision on retrenchments standing against Major Fergusson — irregularity of Captain Livingston's Conduct on the mode of making Stoppages — Regulations for the Agency for Bullocks approved and issued — retrenchments against Mr. Cockburn remitted — establishment of Servants for the Bullock Agent &c with Colonel Roberts's Detachment approved — advances of Caste authorized on account of Works at Tranquebar and the Granaries in the Barramaul — Bills of the Engineer at Arcot and Hestingherry; the Agent of Supply and contractor for Gun Carriages to be passed for Payment —

I enclose the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council upon the retrenchments from the Accounts of the Paymaster at Trincomale objected to by Major Fergusson: in regard to the retrenchments which have already been refunded by that Officer the Governor in Council is of opinion that a compliance with his request can serve no purpose but to cause trouble and confusion in the public Accounts; and therefore rejects

Captain

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Captain Macleod Paymaster of the 73d Regiment allowed full Batta Bills of Ceylon Pregue Agents referred and compensation authorized to be made the Sepoys at Hisnagherry for the removal of their Huts.

rejects the application. —

Upon consideration of the mode adopted by Captain Kingston for enforcing the retrenchments against Major Fergusson by withholding the pay of the Battalion, the President in Council looks upon it to be totally objectionable, and directs that it may never be resorted to in future by any paymasters. —

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council approves the regulations which you have suggested for the department of principal Agent for draft and Carriage Cattle, and has accordingly published them in general orders. —

The Separate order which you have enclosed the Governor will avail himself of whenever circumstances may render it expedient to appoint Subordinate Agents. —

Sir

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In consideration of the circum-
-stances stated by Mr. Cockburn the Governor
in Council is pleased to remit the retrenchment
of Pagodas 245. 27. 10. standing against
that gentleman upon the final audit of his
accounts. —

The Governor in Council ap-
-proves the establishment you have recom-
-mended for Lieutenant Goldsworthy as
Agent for Cullochs and Commissary of Grain
with the detachment under Lieutenant Colonel
Roberts; and desires that he may be ac-
-cordingly authorized to draw those sums
until further orders. —

The Right Honorable the
Governor in Council desires that you will
authorize payment of the following bills and
advances on account of the public Service —

— Viz.t

an advance of 256 pagodas to Lieutenant
Blair on account of repairs at Innaeondah —

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30th an advance of Pagodas 872.9.49 to the engineer in the Baramahl for the repair of Ryacottah and the different granaries in those districts. ⁊

Inclosed bill amounting to Pagodas 252.174 for constructing tem=porary varandahs to the barracks occupied by his Majesty's 25th Dragoons at Arcot. ⁊

Inclosed bill of articles pro=vided by the Agent for supply upon extra=ordinary indents amounting to Pagodas ⁊ 5732.23.54-. ⁊

Inclosed bill for Articles supplied by the Gun Carriage & Contractors amounting to Pagodas 685.16.37. ⁊

Inclosed bill from Lieutenant Tothersingham for repairs to the Granary on the Hill of Kistnaghery, amounting to ⁊ Pagodas 25.11.74. ⁊

Inclosed bill of the paymaster to his Majesty's 73d Regiment amounting to

Pagodas

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Pagodas 152. 34. 11. being the difference —
between half and full batta, which the Governor
in Council is pleased to allow him for taking
charge of the Sick, convalescents and recruits
of his Majesty's other regiments, who may be
left in Madras. —

I am directed to refer for your
examination and report a letter from the —
Attorneys to the prize Agents on Ceylon with
the papers therein inclosed. —

I inclose an original Account
of a Compensation, which the Governor in
Council has authorized Lieutenant Colonel
Read to pay for the removal of certain houses
for the repair of the fortifications of Kissna =
=ghery. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. — — — &c

Fort St. George
29th August 1798. —

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to the Government

To

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To Mr. Thomas Cockburn

Sir,

To Mr. T. Cockburn
- retrenchments standing against him remitted - his services in the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions &c. acknowledged, and his Claim to Compensation promised to be fully stated to the Court of Directors. -

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 14th Instant and to inform you that orders have been transmitted to the office of Audit for remitting the retrenchment of Pagodas 245. 27. 10 - standing against you upon the final audit of your accounts. -

In regard to the application which you have made for compensation of services performed in your late department of Commissary General, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council is no less sensible of the arduous duties entrusted to you than of your meritorious and successfull exertions for the public Service; but as he is concerned that he cannot take upon himself to grant you such a reward as he thinks you justly entitled to, he will have much pleasure

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pleasure in giving his strongest recommenda=
=tion to the Honorable the Court of Directors
that you should receive a compensation cal=
=culated upon the proportion of the Salary which
under the improved establishment of the
Service has been allotted to the department
held by you. —

I am, &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George
29th August 1798. —

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to the Government

To Major General Brathwaite

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your Letters dated 20th and 28th
Instant. —

Although there is no immme=
=diate intention of evacuating Pondichery, yet
as M. Chermonts letter seems to be a provi=
=sional application for that event The Right
Honorable the Governor in Council has no

hesitation

To Major General Brathwaite - orders on the application of French officers for leave to proceed to the Presidency and Bengal - Mr. Cadland's case under consideration - Interest on the Bond of the poor fund ordered to be paid and Mr. St. Paul allowed to go to Calcutta. —

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hesitation in granting him, or the gentleman whom he has mentioned prisoners of War, per=
=mission to quit that place wherever he may find it convenient upon representation to you.

In the event of their proceeding to Bengal it will be necessary that their per=
=mission for that purpose should be certified to the Supreme Government, which will ac=
=cordingly be done upon your recommenda=
=tion. —

The Governor in Council will furnish you with his decision upon the case of M. Caillard's Suspension hereafter; and has authorized the paymaster to dis=
=charge the interest upon the bond belonging to the poor of Pondicherry. —

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council permits M. St Pol to proceed to Bengal for the adjustment of his private affairs. —

I have the honor to be,

Fort St. George
29th August 1798. —

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

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

Gentlemen,

We have received your several letters of the 14th - 17th - 20th 24th and 25th Instant with their enclosures. —

We are satisfied with your opinion of the inconvenience of granting pen- -sions to comcopolies, and shall hereafter be guided by it. —

We shall issue immediate orders for furnishing the Contractor for supplying — tents with such quantity of cloth as will — enable him to comply with your demands. —

We acknowledge the force of your reasons against an immediate compliance with the indents for pistols and necessary tents for his Majesty's 19th Regiment and though we have directed the indent to be complied with on the present occasion, we have transmitted

extract

To the Military Board - Cloth required by the Tent Contractor will be supplied - Orders sent to General Floyd to conform to the Regulations in making Indents - a Shed authorized to be built at Cheracole - Sankery droog to be repaired - Data fixed for their guidance in regulating a permanent establish- -ment of Draft and Carriage Bullocks, - and determining the question re- -lative to granting Tent allowance to the Army on this Estab- -lishment - orders respecting the dis- -posal of Stores and Provisions at Tame- -recotah, Chintapilly and Rampore - State- -ments required of the Appropriation of certain Ordnance Stores and provisions shipped in Bengal for the Manilla Expedition - a report required of the Quantity of Gun- -powder likely to be wanted

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Extract of your letter for the guidance of Major General Floyd in future. —

wanted in the ensuing year from Bengal — Captain Tweedale to be called upon to explain the cause of Deficiency of Copper Hoops — repairs authorized to be made, eventually to the Paymasters Quarter at Trichinopoly —

The late Conductor of Stores at Pondicherry had been ordered to Masulipatam previous to the receipt of your letter. —

We authorize the erection of a Building at Chicacole for the protection of the ordnance detained there by Lieutenant Colonel Mucat. —

We acquiesce in your reasons for the immediate repair of Shenkerdroog according to the plans you have recommended; and authorize you to give such directions, as you may in consequence judge necessary for that purpose. —

It is our intention that in recommending a System for the Speedy collection of draft and carriage cattle you should be guided by the field train now ordered to be prepared as to the proportion of troops to be put in motion, and that in calculating

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calculating the expence of tent allowance you will extend it to the whole of the Officers Kings and Company's now serving with the dif-ferent regiments under this Presidency. —

We inclose extract of our orders to Major General Bridges upon the Subject of evacuating Chintapily and Tennericotah as will as to Captain Lieutenant Rigg for the evacua-tion of Rampore, and desire that such orders may be issued by you for the disposal of the Stores and provisions in those garrisons, as may be most suited to the public service. —

We desire that you will — furnish us with returns for transmission to Bengal of the ordnance, ordnance Stores, provisions &c. sent from thence on the dif-ferent Ships intended for the late expedition against Manilla and which were taken out of those Ships either at Pinang, or Fort St. George for the Service of this Presidency in order that they may be compared with the returns of

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articles received back in Bengal. —

We also desire that you will report whether there is any probability of any Gun Powder being required from Bengal for the use of this Presidency during the ensuing season in order that the necessary Steps may be taken for preparing it there, if any should be wanted. —

We inclose copy of a letter from the officer commanding the Ship Fitzwilliam relative to the copper hoops taken from the powder barrels sent upon her to Vizagapatam, and desire that you will furnish us with extract of your proceedings on that subject, in order that the fact may be brought home to Captain Tussedale. —

We inclose estimate of repairs required for the paymasters quarters at Trichinopoly, and desire that orders for executing those may be issued, if you see no objection. —

We are, &c. &c. &c.

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(Signed) Clive & Council

Sent

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Substance of a Letter to the Nabob —

Sent a Letter to the Nabob entered in C.C. No. 118 — apprizing him of the obstacles still opposed to the completion of the Stabling at Conatore, by his Servants at Arnboor refusing to allow the Palmira Trees to be felled — informing him of the apprehension of three Thieves at Madura, and requesting they may be brought to punishment. —

Received and sent the under-mentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos. 121 — 122 — 123 — 124 — 125 — 126 — 127 — 128 — 129 — 130 — 131 — 132 — 133 — 134 — 135 — 136 — 137 — 138. —

From the Military Paymaster General. From Mr. Roebuck — enclosing an account Sales of 12 Horses sold at Pinang under the direction of Brevet Captain Elliot

From Do. Do. From Ditto — enclosing an additional estimate of Pagodas 1909 required by the Deputy Paymaster to the King's Troops —

From the Secretary at Bombay. From Mr. Richards — enclosing a Letter addressed to Rear Admiral Rainier —

To Admiral Rainier To the Admiral — enclosing the above

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above Letter with one received from Bengal.

To the Resident at Nagore. To Mr. Torriano - enclosing the above Packet for the Admiral. -

To the Secretary at Bengal. To Mr. Barlow - enclosing a letter from Serfogee Rajah addressed to the Governor General. -

To the Collector at Ramnad. To Mr. Jackson - commending the Conduct of the Sree Naig of Ramgherry, and desiring that a Reward of ten Pagodas - may be held out to the Inhabitants for apprehending any Straggling European, with, or without a Passport. -

To the Military Paymaster General. To Mr Roebuck - enclosing Copies of the Auditor's reports on the additional Estimates enclosed in his Letters of the 13th and 15th Instant; and acquainting him that the Sum of Pagodas 4573 - will be accordingly advanced to him from the general Treasury.

To Captain Ogg. To Captain Ogg - acquainting him that in consequence of his representation the Board have resolved that Majors of Brigade attached to General Officers on the Staff shall

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at all times be allowed the difference between half and full Batta from the first of the ensuing Month.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Orr—

To the officer Commanding 3 Regiment Native Cavalry at Vellore.—

desiring that he will clear out the Choultry in which he has deposited regimental Stores &c. and restore it to the Proprietor—and informing him that the Board have resolved to allow the officers of his Corps house rent while stationed at Vellore, as an indemnification for the expences they may incur in fitting up the Barrack &c.

To Messrs. Sulivan and Cockburn informing them that the amount due to the estate of the late Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell, on the orders lately received from the Court of Directors will be discharged by a Bill on Bengal.—

To the Attorneys to the administrators to the estate of Lieutenant Colonel Maxwell.—

To Major General Floyd—enclosing for his Information an extract from the Military Board's Letter respecting his Indents

To the officer Commanding Southern Division of the Army.—

for

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30th for Pistols and necessary tents for the 19th Dragoons

To Captain Davison - enclosing

To the Command.t at Tutacoryn. the Paroles of certain Officers made prisoners at Tutacoryn which have been lately received from Colonel Dugald Campbell. —

To Mr. John Clapperton - inform-

To the Surgeon of the Ship Good Hope. -ing him that his case will be stated to the Court of Directors to whom his Claim on account of his attendance on the Men of the 29th Dragoons must necessarily be referred. —

To Captain Forbes - desiring

To the Command.t at Nellore. he will relieve the detachment of the 11th Regiment Native Infantry stationed at Jauldenny by a Havildar Guard from his Garrison. —

To Lieutenant Colonel Vigors-

To the Command.t at Angole. - apprizing him of the orders sent to Captain Forbes - authorizing him to execute on honor the repairs required to the Sepoy Barrack - and desiring that the Family of the Subadar Dessier may be released. —

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To the officer Comm= manding on Ceylon.

To Brigadier General De Meuron - desiring that the Detachment of Bombay Grenadier Battalion may be em= barked for the Malabar Coast on the Bombay Frigate, on her arrival at Columbo. -

To the officer Com= manding in the Baramahaul.

To Lieutenant Colonel Read - informing him that the charge for com= =pensating the Sepoys at Kistnagherry for the removal of their Huts will be passed by the Auditor General - and desiring he will refer himself on the other Subjects of his Letter of the 13th Instant to the regular chan= =nel of the Military Board. -

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Received the undermentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos. 139-140-141. -

From the Com= mandant at Pyaullah.

From Major Doveton - acknow= =ledging receipt of Mr. Webbe's Letter of the 23d Instant with a Khoorstah enclosed for Tippoo Sultaun which has been duly forwarded.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From Mr. Stracy - stating the number of Hammocks shipped for the use

of

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of the 33d Regiment with a view to their being received into the public Stores on the arrival of the Corps at Madras. —

From Major General Conyngham — offering his Services in the event of the Army taking the Field. —

From Major General Conyngham

Sent the following Letter to the Accountant General. —

To Mr. Robert Woolf

Accountant General.

Sir,

To the Accountant General - respecting the instalment of 25 p. Cent due to the Nabobs Creditors, and the Interest due on the certificed part of the Debt. —

In answer to your Letter of this date I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to desire that an other instalment of 25 per Cent upon the consolidated debt of his Highness the Nabob may be issued to the Land holders in 6 per cent certificates bearing interest from the 31st August 1798. —

In regard to the interest accruing on the uncertificated part of the debt, his Lordship in Council desires that

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That it may be discharged by other certi-
-ficates bearing 6 per Cent interest, as
expressed in the acknowledgements. —

I am, &c.a — — &c.a

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31st August. 1798. —

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to Govt.

To the Military Paymaster General —

Sent a Letter to Mr. Roebuck entered in MB. No. 142 — enclosing Copy of the Auditor's report on the additional estimate which accompanied his Letter of the 22d of Instant, and informing him that the Sum of Pagodas 17349. 40. 43 — will be advanced to him on that account from the general Treasury. —

To the Honble Lieutenant General Harris
President in Council &c.a — &c.a — &c.a

From Brigadier General D'Auvergne — requesting instructions relative to the mode of proceeding to be adopted in the case of a robbery lately committed at Tricomale. —

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Honble Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit you a letter from Colonel Champagné accompanying the Proceedings of a Court

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Court of Enquiry, assembled by the Colonel's Orders, to examine the circumstances of a considerable Robbery that has been committed at Trincomallie. —

It would appear that Mr. Garrow is inclined to dispute the Judicial Authority and I cannot take upon my self to decide the question, which induces me to take the liberty of submitting the Case to your decision. —

I have the honor to be,

&c. — &c.

Columbo
13th August 1798. —

(Signed) P. T de Meuron
B. G.

Major Agnew
Adjutant General

Sir,

In consequence of having received a report that a most daring Robbery attended with some aggravating circumstances had been committed on the Black Town on the Night of the 14th. Instant on the person and property of the Mess

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Messrs Man of His Majesty's 80th Regement and other followers of the Army I judged it proper to direct a Committee of Officers to assemble in this Garrison to enquire into the circumstances and have the honor of sending you the proceedings for the information of the Brigadier General.—

I reported this unpleasant Business to Mr. Garrow and expressed a desire that he would allow some of his people who were concerned to appear at the Court of Inquiry but none of them made their appearance nor do I understand he has ever confined them.—

Mr. Garrow wanted to have the matter referred to him in his Cutcherie, but that I could not submit to as I thought the Crimes of too serious a nature to be adjudged by him as Culprits chiefly employed in his Service.—

I make no doubt but that the propriety of bringing these offenders to

trial

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trial will meet the approbation of General De Meuron / to whom the injured look up / with confidence of redress / and that he will be pleased to give directions accordingly. —

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) J. Champagné
Colonel

Trincomallie
17th July 1798. —

Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry held by Order of Colonel Champagne Commanding Trincomalee July 16th 1798. —

Captain Thomas Hayes President
Lt. Dalrymple 80th Regt. } Members { Lt. Thomas 80th Regt.
Lt. Gerelon 7th Regt. N.I. } Members { Lt. Kingston 80th Regt.

The Court proceed to examine into the Complaints of Davy Naegrum a Dubash, Sawmey and Appoo Butlers to the Mess of his Majesty's 80th Regiment, and Davy a Native Servant to Doctor Christer of said Regiment, and other followers of the Army, against several of the Inhabitants, for Breaking open their House on the night

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night of the 14th and Morning of the 15th Instant,
and attempting their Lives and Robbing them
of Cloaths, goods and Money to a considerable
Amount. —

(Signed) J. Walch
Town Major

Lieutenant Walch Town Major informs the
Court that yesterday Morning Davy Naigrum
a Dubash, Sawmy, and Appoo, Butlers to the
Mess of his Majesty's 80th Regiment and Davy
a Native Servant to Doctor Christie of said
Regiment, informed him that their House
was broke open the night before by a party of
the Inhabitants and said they had been
robbed of their cloaths, goods and Money and
begged that he, Lieutenant Walch, would go and
see the state their House was in, upon which
he did in Company with Lieutenant Pocoche
of the 80th Regiment and upon their going to
the Front Door of their House He, Lieutenant
Walch, observed a number of Stones, Bricks,
and Tiles near the Door which appeared to
have been thrown at the Door as the Door
appeared to be a good deal shattered, and upon

his

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his going to the back part of the House - he observed the Back Door broke and the Lock forced off, and on his going into the Room, he had seen a Box with the Lock forced off. which Appoo said was his, and that there was one hundred and Twenty Pagodas & taken out of it, and some Cloathes by the Inhabitants, and at the same time Davy produced a Long Rope which the Inhabi= =tants had brought along with them, and that he heard Tomopiley who appeared to be one of the Principle Ringleaders of the Partysay to some of his Party bring out Davy and Vungalou that we may tie them with the Rope which appeared, they had brought with them for that purpose, saying at the same time they should be killed there and Carried in the yard - also yesterday Mor= =ning a Native Woman wife to Dofsofe a Tindal in the Store Lascar Department & complained to him of some of the same Party that had been at Appoo's House the night before came to her Hut about the same

time

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31st time saying they wanted some Fire to burn Appoo's House - upon her refusing to let one of them take the Fire she struck her on the Head and cut her very much. - At the time she had seen the Woman yesterday Morning she appeared to be covered over with Blood - which she said was occasioned by the Blow she got the night before for refusing to give the Fire to burn Appoos House. -

Lieutenant Pocock of the 80th. Regiment being called into Court Corroborated the Depo- -sition of Lieutenant Walsh in every Particular - except that part of not seeing the Woman yes- -terday Morning, who had been cut in the Head by some of the Inhabitants the Night before. -

Appoo Head Butler to the Mess of his Majesty's 80th. Regiment informs the Court, that on the night of the 14th. Instant about Half-past 10 o'Clock there was four Boatmen belonging to Mr. Garrow came to his House, began to abuse him and throw Stones, Sticks and Tiles

at

31. his House and some time after there was a
Number of other People Joined them amongst
whom was Tempopley Mr. Garrow's Head Man
Arnachelum Mr. Garrow's Interpreter, and
Gongerum a Servant to Mr. Garrow who gave
orders to the Mob that they brought with them
to break open his Door which they accom-
-plished some time after, by making use of
Rice Beaters &c. - and after they had got into
the House they broke open his Box and took
out of it, one hundred and Twenty Pagodas and
some Cloaths all his Property which they took
off, leaving three Men as Peons to watch at
the House in order to catch him, Appoo; Davy,
and Vengalow, if they possibly could. But be-
fore they left the House he heard Tempopley
give directions to some of his Mob to Kill him
Appoo, Davy, and Vengalow, and to bury
them in the yard, and that he would be
answerable for the Consequences - but upon
their not finding him Appoo, Davy, nor
Vengalow they left the House about the hour
of Two o'Clock, leaving three Men as Peons

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31st to watch for the People of the House, until day Light appeared when they thought proper to run away, leaving a Rope behind them — which was supposed was intended for tying him Appoo, and other of his friends living in the House; during all the time he, Appoo, says that he was obliged to hide himself — behind a hedge which was close to the house where he heard every thing going on; at — which time he knew that Davy Sawmy, Vengalow and Doctor Christie's Servant were locked up in an inner Room of his House, which he found after was attempted to be broke open by the Mob, but very fortunate for them it proved too strong although they appeared in Number to be about thirty People. —

Davy Naigrum corroborates the whole of the above Deposition of Appoo and further adds that the Mob when they broke open the House had taken a considerable Sum of — Money, and Goods his Property to a great — amount, an Inventory of which he begs leave

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to produce to the Court.— From being well acquainted with Tompoplay, Arnauchelum, and Gingerum who were the Principle & Ringleaders of this Factious Mob — He knew each of their Houses perfectly well, and it was then that had given all the orders about breaking open the Door &c. &c. and ordering Fire to be brought to burn down the House.

Sawmy 2d Butler to the Mess of his Majesty's 80th. Regiment corraborates the whole of the above Deposition of Appoo and Davy Naigurm. in every respect, and further adds that he was in the Inner Room the whole time with Davy and Doctor Christie's Boy.—

Davy Doctor Christie's Servant corroborates the whole of the above Evidence and further adds that he heard Gingerum and several of the Boat People abusing Colonel Champagne in a most disrespectfull Manner; Vengalow & Colonel Champagne's Butler, corroborates the above Evidence.—

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Question from the Court — How many People appeared to you that composed the Mob — Answer — As near as I can Judge there was about Twenty People — at the time I was obliged to go into the inner Room and lock myself up along with Davy Naigrum, Sammy and Doctor Christie's Man to save my Life as we ex= =pected all to be Killed. —

Moctos Store Lascar corroborates the whole of the above Deposition, excepting that part respecting the Fire which he knows nothing of. He further says that he lives next Door to Appoo's House, and was an Eye Witness to the whole Business, and the plainly seen Tomproply, Arnachellaem and Gingorum the Principle Ringleaders of the Mob which had given the orders for Breaking into the House, and that he knows two of the Peons who had been left at the House as a Watch after the Mob had been despersed their Names are Conaumely and Contapaw. —

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Cheteram Brannin informs the Court that he was in the Veranda of Appoo's House at the time the Mob assembled where he was accustomed to Sleep; and that he had at the time 40 Pagodas in his Cloth which the Mob took from him. He further adds that there was not the least Provocation given on the part of Appoo. Davy Naugrum or Sawmy for the Mob to act in the manner they did as he was an Eye witness to the whole Proceedings. Veeraply Merchant. Andeaply. Mootoy Cooper. Dummoodey and Corradoo. Captain Norris's Servant. Armogum, Carpenter. Velleden (Carpenter) Coopoo Mootoo, and Vem-patachelum Gun Lascars corroborate the above Evidence — The Court adjourned till 9 o'Clock to Morrow Morning. —

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The Court having assembled pursuant to adjournment, the President and Members all present. —

Ravanaugh, Wife to Defoy, Tindal in the Store Department, informs the Court that

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on the Night of the 14th. Instant about 11 o Clock She heard a very great Noise about Appoos House which was next Door to her, Her Husband not being at home at the time made her very much afraid, When four of Mr. Garrow's Boatmen came up to her demanding some Fire to burn Appoo's house, upon her not giving the Fire to them, they abused her and struck her several times with a Stick and cut her Head very much, which appears to the Court to have been done with a Stick, She knows the four Boatmen very well but cannot tell their Names, She thinks it was about twelve o Clock when the the Mob appeared to go away, there was another Woman in the House with her at the time She was abused and cut on the Head by the Boatmen her Name is Chiada. —

Sheada a Native Woman informs the Court that She was present in the House on the Night of the 14th. Instant when the four Boatmen came to demand

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some fire; and upon their not getting it they abused and struck Ravanaugh Wife to the Tindal in the Store Department and cut her in the Head very much for not giving them Fire to burn Appoo's House.

(Signed) Thomas Hayes
Captain of Artt. and President

List of the Things and Money was plundered by Mr. Garrow's People on the 14th July 1798 at Night the property of Davys Naigrum -

74 Porto Novo Pagodas
2 Star Pagodas
2 Gold Moirs
5 English Guineas
30 Silver Rupees
6 Spanish Dollars
1 Silver Watch with Gold Chain and 2 Seals valued at 30 Pagodas -
Several Papers, and Bonds, a Penknife and Ink Stand. -
The above mentioned Articles were in a writing Box. -

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3/2 Pieces of Russia Duck ——— 35 Pagodas
3 Cloths - 12 Cubits ——— 5 ——— do
2 Ditto - 6 - ditto ——— 2 ——— do.
150 ℔ of small Nails ——— 20 ——— do.
8 ℔ Large - do. ——— 1 - do 3/an.
1 Keg Yellow Paint ——— 3/n do 5an.
1 Jar Linseed Oil ——— 2 5an. -
1 Brass Pot Large - 2 Small - 1 Kettle and 1 Lamp
— 9 Pagodas —

(Signed) Davy Naigam

To the Honorable Lieutenant General Harris
President in Council &c. — &c. — &c.

Fort St. George

Honble Sir,

From Brigadier General de Meuron - stating the result of his Enquiry into Mr Parrots representation respecting the seizure of his arrack. —

I was duly honored on the 7th receipt of Mr Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 13th I sine with enclosures, as I have no documents respecting the Capture of Manar, excepting the Capitulation I can form no opinion on the Subject of the Claim of Mr Lenoir of Pon = = dicherry. —

On Captain Rodgers's return = = ing from Trincomallee I communicated to

Him

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Have the Petition and other Papers of the said Mr. Lenoir and have now the honor to transmit you copy of a Letter and Enclosures I received from him in answer which do not throw any light upon the subject. —

The Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry respecting Prize Property at Manar as well as the Vouchers there were found with the property captured have been sent to Fort St. George and among the latter I presume some may be found which will enable you to decide as to the validity of Mr. Lenoir's Claim. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. —— &c.
(Signed) J. F. de Meuron
B. G.

Columbo
the 15th August 1798. —

To Brigadier General De Meuron

Sir,

I have the honor to acknow-
-ledge Receipt of your letter with the several enclosures respecting a Claim made by Mr. La-
Noir for Eleven Leagers of Arrack captured at Manar, with Copy of a Letter from General
Braithwaite

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Brathwaite to Government, and in compliance with your orders I have now the honor to transmit Copies of several papers relative thereto, amongst them of a Letter from Lieutenant Kerr who was present at the time, by which you will see the impossibility of my allowing Mr. La Noir's Claim to be well founded any more than the rest of the arrack captured by the Swan Cruizer, all of which was condemned as public property.—

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

Columba
25th July 1798.—

(Signed) J. Rodgers Captain
for self and Prize Agents for
the Army.—

To Captain Rodgers &c.
Prize Agents of the Army for property
Captured on Ceylon.

Gentlemen,

I have received the letter you did me the honor to address me with its several enclosures for my information on the subject of their contents which I was having been present at the Capture of Manar by Lieutenant

Colonel

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31st Colonel (then Captain) Borbet might be able to give you. —

In consequence of Captain Bowser's having drawn in favor of certain Arrack Merchants, for the value of 1120 1/4 Leagers of Arrack which he certified were found at Manar on its capture and were purchased by him from the Proprietors for the use of the Company, and which he himself, as President of a Court of Enquiry had previously adjudged to be prizes, you formerly called on me for the reasons which have on this occasion induced you to adopt the same measure and I had then the honor in conjunction with other officers present at the Capture of Manar to give a Certificate as to the quantity of Arrack found at Manar on its capitulating, which amounted to only four Leagers, and which quantity was ensured to its Proprietors as being private pro=

=perty. —

In the Letter of Major General Braithwaite to Government dated Pondicherry the 26th May 1798, and which is one of your enclosures

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enclosures, he states that he believes the Eleven Leagers of Arrack claimed by the Petitioner La Noir were taken in a Doney with many others in the Gulph of Manar when our Troops were going to Ceylon, I beg to be permitted to say that Manar capitulated to Captain Barbut on the 5th. October 1795, who had been sent by Colonel Stuart from Jaffna to take possession of it, and not to the Detach=ment sent from the Coast under Lieutenant Colonel Campbell, whose Detachment with the Queen Cruizer, did not arrive till next day, and consequently it will appear that all Arrack (Dutch Property) taken after the arrival of the Queen Cruizer can be by no means included in the List of Articles claimed by the proprietors previous to Capitu=lation and given up to them as private pro=perty by Captain Barbut.- That Mr. La Noir might have been trading with the Dutch under our protection and ignorant of our being at War with them is highly probable,

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but that he at the time of the Capture of his Arrack was not at Manar, but in the Mar= =rava Country is a Circumstance in which I must believe Major General Brathwaite has been misled as will appear not only by the Passport granted La Noir by Captain Barbut at Manar dated the 18th of October 1795 between which period and the 7th of October the whole of the Arrack not included in the Capitulation was taken afloat by the Queen Cruizer Lieutenant Hall, but also by the Petition of La Noir to the General dated the 14th April 1798. —

What I have stated I know to be facts, from which I will not presume however to draw inferences. —

I have the honor to be.

Columbo
the 25th July 1798. —

&c. &c.

(Signed) T. W. Kerr

PS. The Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry above alluded to, were sent to Madras by Lieutenant Colonel Campbell, in order to effect the final Condemnation of the Arrack taken by the Queen as Prize property according to the

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31st the opinion given by the Court.—

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Rodgers Captain
for self and Proje Agents
for the Army.—

To Messrs. Rodgers and Torriens
Agents for the Captured property
Columbo

Gentlemen,

I Barend de Vaas the first sejour of this, had yesterday the honor to appear before you as joint Attorney, to Salomon de Vaas of Negapatam, and as such made a Claim for Star Pagodas 3928 3/4 on account of 112 1/4 leagers Arrack delivered to Major Bowser at Manar by the said Salomon de Vaas's factor, Mahomed Miralebbe; now we request to be favored with your answer whether you think yourselves authorized to pay the said amount, if not, we beg you will please to assign your reasons in not complying with our Request, and have the honor to be with great Esteem.

(Signed) Baren de Waas
R. J. Schorer

Columbo
13th. September 1796.

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Rodgers
Capte. for self & Proje Agents
for the Army

To

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To Messrs. Barend de Waas

and

R. Schorer

Gentlemen,

In answer to your applica-
tion of yesterday's date respecting the 112¾
leagers of Arrack which you say was
delivered to Major Bowser at Manar and
which you claim payment for as Agents
to Salomon de Waas at Negapatam We have
to acquaint you that we are not authorized
to pay you the amount you demand, as
we have a Certificate in our professions (a
Copy of which we enclose for your Satis-
faction) Signed by three Officers who were
at the Capture of Manar, declaring that the
Arrack afloat - there when the place was
taken, and which was claimed as private
property was allowed by Captain Barbut
to proceed to the Coast, that there were four
leagers only found in the Fort and that all

the

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31st the Arrack that was lodged there afterwards was captured by the Queen Bombay Cruizer after Manar was taken, which cannot be considered otherwise than Prize, and which must be, that you lay claim to . . ,

We are, &c.a &c.a

Columbo
14th October 1798. (Signed) I. Rodgers
Captain 1st B.I. R.t N.I.

I. Torrens
Lieut. 52d Regiment

A true Copy
(Signed) I. Rodgers
Captain for self and Prize Agents
for the Army

We hereby Certify that at the time Captain Barbut took possession of Manar on the 5th October 1795 the Arrack afloat there being claimed as private property was allowed by him to proceed to the Coast, nor was there any on Shore excepting four leagers in the Fort - All the Arrack afterwards lodged there and delivered over

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by Captain Barbut to Captain Bowser was captured by the Queen Bombay Cruizer after Manar was taken. —

(Signed) J. Campbell
Lieut 73d Regiment
W. Kerr
Lieutenant 73d Regiment
T. McLeod
Captain 73d Regiment

Columbo
20th September 1798. —

A true Copy
(Signed) J. Rodgers
Captain for self and Prize Agents
for the Army. —

Right Honble the Governor in Council

From Major General Floyd on the Subject of Extra Bullocks employed in conveying Grain from Trichinopoly for the use of the 19th Dragoons and 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry.

My Lord,

When His Majestys 19th Dragoons and the Honorable Companys 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry were ordered to march from this Station for Walyjabad, last Month, There was a very large quantity of Grain in their Stores, which usually spoils after being long laid up — In the view of employing as much of this Grain as

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as possible, and in order to provide for the whole march, I directed both Regiments to carry with them three Bullock Loads of Gram for every two Horses. -

Nine days afterwards ins=
=tructions arrived from the Military Board for providing those Regiments with one Bullock Load only, for each Horse. - But the Bullocks had been provided, and marched with the Corps.

The Military Auditor General declines auditing the Gram Agent's Accounts for the extra Bullocks. -

I beg leave to observe that I -
received urgent Orders to march off these Corps as soon as possible - One Bullock carries only 14 days Gram - The 3d Regiment was 21 Days on its March. - The 19th Dragoons will - probably be as long, or longer, on account of the Weather. -

I therefore imagined myself -
warranted in using my discretion for the con=
=venience of the Service. - and request, if your Lordship approves of my measures, that you

will

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31st will be pleased to authorize the Military Auditor General to pass the said extra Bullocks in the Gram Agents Accounts of His Majesty's 19th Dragoons - and of the H. C. 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry, as far as their respective Stations. —

I have the Honour to be,
&c. — — — &c.

Trichinopoly
August 26th 1798. —

(Signed) J. Floyd
Major General

Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad respecting two Deserters from the Mysore Regiment and Artillery Corps lately apprehended and sent to Condapillee. —

I have the honor to transmit to you for the notice of the Honorable the Governor in Council Copy of Letters that have passed between me, and the Commanding officers of the Hyderabad Detachment, on the Subject of two Europeans acknowledging themselves Deserters from the British Army, and who proceed tomorrow Morning under a Guard to Masulipatam. —

I am, &c. — &c.

Hyderabad
22d August 1798. —

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant
Captain

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Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick

Acting Resident

Hyderabad

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, that two Europeans were this Morning appre=
=hended in the Bazar, and as the account they give of themselves joined to other Circumstances, leaves room to suspect, the Motives which brought them into Camp, I have committed them to the Guard, until favored with your Sentiments regard=
=ing them. —

The one calls himself John Story, a Native of Saxony and the other John Norris, born at Frankfort. But from some expressions which inadvertently dropped from the former, there is just grounds to conclude that he is an Irishman, and that both have deserted from some of the Corps at Madras. — Their intentions, as far as can be gathered from themselves, were to enter the Service of Mr. Finglas. — That in consequence of the con=
=fusion which prevails in Monsieur Piron's Camp, they last night deserted, and by mis=

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mistake came into this Camp, instead of Mr. Finglass - But as they did not reach this until near one o'Clock, this Story is entitled to little credit. -

I have the honor to be &c.

Camp
12th July 1798. -

(Signed) L. Grant.
Major Commanding the
Detachment. -

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

Major L. Grant
Commanding the Hyderabad Detachment

Sir,

I have the honor to acknow=
=ledge the receipt of your Letter of this date, on
the Subject of two Europeans of suspicious ap=
=pearance taken up in your Bazar, and very
properly confined by you in consequence of
the unsatisfactory account they gave of them=
=selves. - If these Men are really foreigners as
they pretend to be, they are probably Deserters
from his Majesty's Swiss Regiment of De
Meuron, from whence I understand the
desertions are very numerous. - The Govern=
=ment of Fort St. George apprized me in December
last

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Last of two Deserters from that Corps having taken Service in his Highness's Dominions: their names are Constantine Wesley, and F. Frederic Kauthman, but I have no description Roll of them to assist in identifying their Persons.

Should they be as you suspect Irish or British, they are probably Deserters from the Division of the 2d European Regiment stationed at Masulipatam. - The accompanying description Rolls of thirteen Men, who have deserted from that Corps within these last Eighteen Months may perhaps assist you in clearing up this point - I will thank you to return them, after you shall have done with them. -

Whether you should be able to identify those Men or not, the likelihood of their being Deserters from the Company's, or his Majesty's Service is so great, that it is my determination to send them down Prisoners to Masulipatam, unless they can give a more satisfactory account of themselves, than they have as yet done to you.

I have the honor to be &c.

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant P.S.

Hyderabad
12th July 1798. -

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P.S. I likewise enclose you a Description Roll of thirteen more Europeans who deserted in 1793 from the 4th Battalion - now 2d Regiment on its march to Ellore. —

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

Captain J. A. Kirkpatrick
Acting Resident
Hyderabad

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you that having again examined the two Europeans who were taken up in Camp, the one, John Hardy, acknowledges himself a Deserter from the Regiment De Meuron, and the other Hurry Hawison, confesses to having deserted about fourteen Months since from the Company of Artillery Commanded by Captain Bell and afterwards by Captain Tanner, serving with Colonel Roberts's Detachment — Both are I believe Foreigners. —

I have the honor to return

the

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31st the Description Rolls. —

I have the honor &c.

Camp
14th July 1798. —

(Signed) L. Grant
Major Commanding the
Detachment

A true Copy
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant
Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman
Commanding the Hyderabad
Detachment

Sir,

I have to desire you will send off the two European Prisoners in your Custody named John Hardy and Henry Harrison acknowledging themselves Deserters, one from the Coast Artillery, and the other from his Majesty's Swiss Regiment De Meuron, under a sufficient Guard to Condapilly, where I shall write to the Officer Commanding at Masulipatam to send a Party to take charge of them. —

I have the honor to be, &c.

Hyderabad
22d August 1798. — (Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

A true Copy
(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant
Major

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Major General Bridges
Commanding the Northern Division
of the Army
Masulipatam

Sir,

Two Europeans named Jno. & Hardy and Henry Hanison acknowledging themselves Deserters one from the Coast Artillery, the other from his Majesty's Swiss Regiment de Meuron leave this tomorrow Morning, under a Guard of Sepoys, belonging to the Hyderabad Detachment for Condapilly, where I have to request you will send a relieving Party to take charge of them. —

I have the honor to be &c.

Hyderabad
22d August 1798. —

(Signed) J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant

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

1st

Sent the following Letters.

To Lieutenant Colonel John Gardiner

Sir.

In consequence of the return of

To Lieutenant Colonel J. Gardiner permitting him to deliver over

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No. 1.

of Lieutenant Colonel George Hart to his situation as deputy paymaster General for his Majesty's troops serving for Madras, the Right Honble the Governor in Council permits you to deliver over to him the charge of his affairs, with which you were entrusted and hereby exonerates you from all further responsibility on that account as far as depends upon this Government. —

Jam, &c^a — &c^a

Fort St. George
1st September 1798. —

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to the Government.

To Colonel G. V. Hart
Deputy Paymaster General to His Majesty's
Forces serving for Madras —

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you that Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner has been desired to make over to you the charge with which he was entrusted by this Government on your account; — I have it also in command

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over charge of his affairs to Colonel Hart, and exonerating him from all further responsibility on that Account.

To Colonel Hart informing that Lieutenant Colonel Gardiner has been desired to deliver over to him the charge of His affairs — Copies of correspondence enclosed for his information and calling upon him for payment of the Balance of Account struck by the Auditor General.

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From the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to furnish you with the accompanying Copy of Correspondence on the Adjustment of your former Accounts and relative to your public situation during your absence from this Presidency, in which you will find, marked X, a Report annexed to a Letter from the Auditor General, wherein it appears you stand accountable for and indebted to the Honorable East India Company the Balance of Pagodas 12,571-39-40 - arising from Sums drawn by you prior to the 24th of December 1792, but specified in your own Indent to be for the payment of His Majesty's Troops subsequent to that date; which therefore you are deemed answerable for to the Honorable Company and are hereby required by Government forthwith to pay the same into the Company's Treasury, from which sufficient Receipts will be granted to you. — I am, &c. — — &c.

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1st September 1798. —

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

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No 1.

To Robert Rickards Esqr.
Secretary to the Government
Bombay

Sir,

To the Secretary at Bombay apprizing him that the private Signals of the Woodcot had been destroyed previous to her falling into the Hands of the Enemy —

Before the receipt of your letter of the 20th. June last, Captain Hannay had sailed for Bengal, in consequence of which application was made to the Supreme Government upon the Subject of the Woodcots Signals; and I have now the honor to acquaint you for the information of the Governor in Council at Bombay that the private Signals were destroyed previous to the Capture of that Ship. —

I have the honor to be.

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1st. September 1798. —

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Secretary to the Govt.

Sent a Letter to the Military —

To the Military Auditor General.

Auditor General (entered in M.B. for September No 1) referring the additional estimate of Cash required by the late Deputy Kings Paymaster General for September. —

Received

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Received the following Letter
from the Military Auditor General --

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

My Lord.

1 Having examined the Estimate
of the Military Paymaster General for the
Month of September 1798, I have the honor to
report that the Sum of Two Lacks, Seventy Six
thousand two hundred and Sixty one Pagodas,
Forty One Fanams, and Fifty one Cash (Pag.
2,76,261.41.51) is required for the payment of
such Military Charges as become due upon
the first of the ensuing Month. — P. F. C.
From the Treasury at the Presidency - 1,67,135.12.12

By Bills on the Military
Paymaster General . . . . } - 1,09,126.29.39
2,76,261.41.51

Report of the Auditor on the Military Paymaster General's Cash Estimate for the Month of September. —

2 From the Estimate of the Mili-
tary Paymaster in the Baramaul, has been
deducted Five thousand, two hundred, and
forty three Pagodas, and thirty one Fanams (
Pagodas

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2. Pagodas 5243-31-) being the Balance of Cash stated in his abstract of Receipts and Disburse=ments dated the 31st. July which he has omitted to set off against the Amount of his Estimate for September.—

3 3 Altho it appears in the Estimate of the Military Paymaster of Inna=condah, that a Balance of Cash amounting to three hundred and ninety three Madras Pagodas, has been deducted from the total, yet I find on reference to the abstracts of Receipts and Disbursements for July, a Balance equal to Two thousand, Six hundred, and Sixty five Madras Pagodas, forty one Fanams, and thirty nine Cash stated to be on hand the 31st. of that Month; this Sum instead of the former ought therefore to have been deducted from the Paymaster's Estimate for September dated the 1st. of the present Month, and I have corrected the Difference accordingly.—

4 The Military Paymasters at Columbo and Trincomalee, having each stated

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2 a Balance of Cash on hand which exceeds the
total of their respective Estimates, the Amount
consequently has not been included in the
Gross Sum herein reported upon. —

5 Notwithstanding the Garrison
StoreKeeper at Trichinopoly has been directed
to lay up in Store at that Station and at
Tanjore, a considerable quantity of Provisions,
for the purchase of which he has in his capa-
city of Paymaster at those Stations, included
in his Estimate for the ensuing Month, the
Sum of Forty one thousand Pagodas (41,000)
yet as the Regulations direct that advances
of Cash on account of Provisions, which may
be ordered to be purchased by the Garrison
StoreKeeper at the Presidency, shall be made
on the recommendation of the Military
Board to Government, I apprehend the same
Regulation should equally apply to purchases
of Provisions at the Out Stations, as that Board
alone has the means of judging of the extent to
which

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2d which Advances should be made on that ac=
=count, from the Estimate of Quantities and prices
submitted to them by the Garrison Storekeeper,
I have therefore not included the Sum stated
to be necessary for that purpose in the Pay=
=master's Estimate, on the supposition that
Government may be pleased to adopt the sug=
=gestion of an application for such Advance
being made thro' the Military Board. —

I have the honor to be,
with great respect.
&c.a ——— &c.a

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
31st August 1798. —

(Signed) W. Sydenham
Military Aud.r Genl.

The following Order of Council —
having been sent in Circulation with the foregoing
Letter, and approved, was accordingly despatched
to the Clerk of the Treasury. —

Order of Council
Military Department
2d September 1798. —

Ordered that the Sum of One

Lack

Cash ordered to be
advanced from the
Treasury on Account
of Mr. Roebuck's
General estimate
for September. —

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2 Lack, Sixty Seven thousand, One hundred and thirty five Pagodas, twelve fanams, and twelve Cash (Pagodas 1,67,135.12.12) be advanced from the Treasury to the Military Paymaster General, on account of his estimated disburse-ments for the Current Month. —

Received and sent the under-mentioned Letters entered in Mem. Nos. 2-3-4-5. 6. —

From the Paymaster to Lieutenant Colonel Roberts's Detachment. — From Mr. Peter Cherry - desiring to know on whom he is to indent for the Cash required to pay the Detachment. —

From the Officer Commanding on the Guntoor Circar. — From Lieutenant Colonel Roberts - requesting that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Peat may be permitted to draw the regulated allow-ances on account of a detachment of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment Native Infantry doing duty at Guntoor. —

From the Pay-master at Trin-comalee. — From Captain Kingston advising of his return to his Station and his having resumed the charge of his office. —

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To the Collectors at Masulipatam and Vizagapatam

To Messrs Brown and Ince desiring they will comply with the indents of the Commercial residents to enable them to provide the Cloth required by the last Contractor.

To the Military Paymaster General

To Mr Roebuck - enclosing Copy of the Auditors report last entered and apprizing him of the Amount ordered to be issued from the Treasury on account of his disbursements for September. —

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Substance of Letters from the Rajahs of Calastry Vencatagherry and Bomraauze

Received Letters from the Rajahs of Calastry, Vencatagherry and Bomraauze entered in C C. Nos 119-120- and 121 congratulating Lord Clive on his Succession to the Government. —

Received and Sent the under-mentioned Letters entered in MB. Nos 7-8-9-10-11-12. —

From the Military Paymaster General

From Mr Roebuck - enclosing an additional estimate of Pagodas 8966. 6. 40 required by the Presidency Paymaster for the Current Month. —

To the Military Auditor General

To Major General Sydenham referring the above estimate for Examination. —

From

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From the Officer Commanding 3d Regiment Native Cavalry at Vellore.

From Lieutenant Colonel Ar- -stating the cause of his having deposited Re- -gimental Stores &c. in the Vellavadoo Choultry- and recommending that one hundred Stalls of temporary Stabling be erected for cover of the Sickly horses of his Corps during the Rains.

From the Commandant at Cuddalore

From Lieutenant Colonel Vigors - requesting to be informed of the resolution of Government respecting the Mode of relieving the Party of the 11th Regiment Native Infantry at Tewaldenny.

From the Paymaster at Vellore

From Mr Mordon - enclosing an Estimate of the expence that will attend the storing of 240 Garce of Paddy laying in at Arnee; and requesting the sanction of Government for charging it in his Accounts.

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal.

From Mr Stracey - stating that before the representation of the deficiency of Copper Hoops on powder Barrels shipped on the Dundas had reached Bengal Captain Curruthers had again sailed for the Coast.

At

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honble Lord Clive
Governor - President

Lieutenant General Harris

Tuesday 4th September

Edward Saunders ... } Esquires
and
Ernst William Fallofield }

Minutes of last Consultation read and approved. —

Read the following letter from the Military Board. —

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor in Council &c. — &c. — &c.

My Lord.

From the Military Board - Bill of the Garrison Storekeper for provisions supplied in the Months of February, March and April recommended for payment. —

1st

We do Ourselves the honor to lay before your Lordship in Council the accompanying Account in the Provision Department of the Garrison Storekeper of Fort St. George for the

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the Months of February, March, and April last, amounting to Pagodas 642. 14. 75-, and in consequence of the Charges included thereon being supported by the necessary Vouchers, We recommend that payment of the same be authorized. —

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

Fort St. George
29th August 1798. — (Signed) Patrick Ross
W. Sydenham
J. Richardson
By Close

Minute thereon: — Ordered that the Account as the provision Department be passed for payment. —

Read the following Letter from the Attorney General. —

To the Honble Lieutenant General G. Harris
President and Governor in Council

Honble Sir,

From the Attorney General stating his opinion

I have had the honor to receive

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opinion on the Proceedings held on the Superior Council at Pondicherry relative to the Suspension of Mr. Cailland the Procureur General.

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I receive your Secretary's letter of the 8th Instant inclosing Copy of a letter from Major General Braithwaite with several papers therein referred to, and communicating your desire, in a matter involving so materially the professional character of an Individual, placed in the distinguished situation of Mr. Cailland under this Government, to give the Subject the fullest and most impartial consideration, and therefore to have my opinion How far the conduct of the President and other Members of the Superior Council was justified by the Regulations established for the interior duties of the Court, in suspending Mr. Cailland from his office. Whether Mr. Caillands Conduct appears deserving of so serious a punishment as dismission from the Court, or under what apology he may be permitted to resume his Seat. —

In obedience to these orders I have given the Subject the fullest consideration in my power, and submit it as my opinion that in their Suspension of Mr. Cailland the Superior Council

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Council acted in repugnance of the Regulations established by the Declaration of the late King Lewis the 16th. under date the 3d. February 1776 for the interior discipline of that Court - that the Conduct of Mr. Cailland does not appear deserving of dismission from the Court - And that having been precluded by an extraordinary act of the Council from making a very ample apology, it will now be abundantly sufficient to order that apology to be received by the Council in the manner he intended to make it, and to direct that he be exhorted by the Dean of the Council, to whom the interior discipline is committed by the 10th. Article of the Declaration to take in future, time to consider his conclu-sions before he delivers them to the Court.-

The reasons which induce me to this opinion are these - By an irregularity of their own, the Superior Council made it very difficult to the Procurer General to give them an opinion, or on their Idiom, his

Conclusions

Conclusions. They had decreed a Watch Maker to apologize to a Gentleman at Pondicherry before the Chief of the Police and four Witnesses for some improper expressions he had used; and they neglected to give it in charge to any officer of their Court to see that the apology was made; and in the event of refusal, to make his report. The Watch maker having refused to apologize the process verbal or report of the refusal was made by the four Witnesses, and certified by the Chief of the Police - none of whom were in any wise connected with the Court. What was proper to be done in a matter construed into rebellion against their authority, coming so irregularly before them, would have been a difficult question to a man in full possession of himself - for should his Conclusions expose the irregularity, he would most probably draw on himself the resentment of the Court; and should he advise measures of rigour - where for want of a report by an Officer of their own, no notice could with propriety be taken of the refusal,

as

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as an act of rebellion, he would not only be irregular himself, but in my opinion criminal, and should he to avoid either supporting or opposing the irregularity, decline giving any conclusion at all, he would lay himself open to a charge of neglect of duty. to determine what was to be done would have required time and thought in a man in full health and possession of himself, yet this was what the Council required of Mr. Cadland, then absent from indisposition, and in so peremptory a manner as to desire it ~~may~~ be sent "audience tenants "during the sitting of the Court. In better health and with more leisure to consider what it would be proper to advise, his Conclusions, if I can form a Judgment from his general conduct in office, would have been drawn up with great circumspection, but called on suddenly, and not allowed no time to collect his thoughts he hastily gave it as his Conclusion that Mr. La Fevre, the Gentleman offended, should carry his arrest into execution in the manner that

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jugere convenable: —

As this expression has been represented to you in a highly criminal point of view I have endeavoured to inform myself of its proper meaning, and find that the "Convenable" is the Conformity of Conduct to established usage and surely there could have been no great ground of Complaint had Mr. Cailland said, at length, that Mr. Le Fevre should carry his arret into execution in the manner he should think agreeable to the established usage, convenable a l'usage etablie, but leaving the Sentence short he put it in the Court's power to supply the deficiency and they have strained the construction into convenable a sa fantasie, or liberty to enforce the decree as he thought proper. the expression in a legal paper, which requires precision, was no doubt ambiguous, but this ambiguity is more likely considering the State he was in, to have proceeded from a perplexity of thought, than from a premeditated design to authorize Mr. Le Fevre to act as he pleased, an

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idea which in justice to his own character he could never have conceived, and which I therefore think nothing short of prejudice could impute to him. —

When the Council saw the impropriety of the expression, they would have acted liberally had they sent the conclusion back to Mr. Caillaud for reconsideration; instead of which they immediately ordered it to be publickly read, and then voting it to be not only not conformable to law, but injurious to justice they decreed that their President should wait on General Brathwaite to give him an account of the Procurer General's conduct. —

Coming to him in so formal a manner General Brathwaite thought it perhaps incumbent on him to take the matter up with warmth, and accordingly in a letter of 23d. June he reprimanded Mr. Caillaud with great severity, telling him that his conclusion was an insult not only to the Council

but

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but to him, and to the Government of Madras whose Representative he was, and an open attempt to subvert and ridicule all legal authority; and that if he did not make such an apology, as should be satisfactory to the Council, he should use his utmost endeavours to have him removed from his employ. —

On the next day the 24th General Brathwaite enclosed a Copy of this Letter to Mr. Mollet as President of the Council, and informed him that he may see plainly by it, what his sentiments were on the occasion, and may communicate them to the Gentlemen of the Council, as it had been resolved in Council that he should be made acquainted with Mr. Cailland's conduct. —

The sole motive then of General Brathwaite's writing this letter of the 24th to the President, and inclosing copy of that of the 23d to Mr. Cailland, as also of one from that Gentleman of the same date, seems to have

been

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Cun to return a Compliment, and to make the
Council acquainted with what he had done
and intended to do, as they had acquainted him
with the conduct of Mr. Cailland. on the
strength of these letters however the Council
endeavour to justify their subsequent proceedings.

On the 25th the second day
after he had received General Braithwaite's
letter Mr. Cailland wrote to the President of
the Council that on the 27th the next Court day
he would lay the letter he had received from
the General before them, and it is impossible
to assign a reason why he should lay it before
them, if not to make the apology it demanded,
that he intended to make the apology, and in it
to disavow every intention imputed to his con-
clusions in General Braithwaites reprimand,
is I think beyond a doubt as Copies of that
and of his letter to the President came inclosed
in his letter to me of the 26th which as meant
for your perusal I had the honor to lay before
you. the apology was by letter addressed to
the

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the Members of the Council which, after stating the intentions he was charged with, proceeds in these terms — "The Procurier General then "declares to you Gentlemen this day, and affirms that in drawing up his conclusions in haste being sick, he had not, nor ever had, the intention nor the Idea to offer the smallest insult to the Council, nor to the Commandant, nor to the Government of Madras that he never had the intention of subverting and rediculing any Authority whatsoever, and that he had it not even in thought. —

Having given notice to the President that on the 27th he intended to lay General Brathwaite's letter before the Council, and with an evident view to comply with the injunction it contained, he had a right to expect that nothing would be done in the business before the 27th which was the regular Court day. But the President thought fit to disappoint his expectations and called an Extraordinary Court on the 26th, at which I do not find that Mr. Cailland was summoned to attend, and

there

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- there taking into consideration General Braithwaite's letter of the 24th they denounce Mr. Caitland's conclusions to be not only injurious to Magis- -tracy and to the Public, but that being given by a principal Magistrate, who by his situa- -tion is bound to enforce an observance of the Laws, they carry with them an impression which tends to make them contemptible" they then say that General Brathwaite desiring to have the opinion of the Council on the satisfaction they had a right to demand in such circumstances "they are unanimously of opinion that the conclusions of the Provincial General having been publicly read in Court" which was entirely their own act" - its retracta- -tion ought to be as public as the offence had been and that less could not be demanded as a reparation to justice" and conclude the business of this extraordinary meeting by decreeing that their President should wait on the Commandant to acquaint him with what they had done, and that until his final

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final orders they considered the Procureur-General as interdicted from the functions of his place - a Decree which I conceive to be not only unjust as being given without hearing - what the accused had to say in his defence - and as being given in his absence, but in direct violation of the 37th Article of the Declaration for the discipline of the Council - for this Article prohibits interdiction, suspension or deprivation of office without the King's express order, an order which I conceive must now pass necessarily and immediately from this Government.

Mr Caillaud having complained in a Letter addressed to the Board of the illegality of the proceedings against him, and inclosed it to General Braithwaite to be forwarded to Madras; it was by him inclosed to the President of the Council in a letter requesting him to submit it to the perusal of the Council; and if in conse-

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perusal of the Council; and if in conse-

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consequence he wished to make any observations on it, desiring he would transmit them to him, that the whole may be laid before Government. —

The Council observing on Mr. Caillands address to the Board say "We have been the more surprized at its contents, as we did not give our opinion on this affair, but on the invitation which you (meaning General Brathwaite) gave us by your Letter to the President of the 24th of this month to which we looked in vain for this invitation in ~~this Letter~~ of the 24th did not invite them to give any opinion; and most probably for this reason that they had already given it by their arret of the 20th, pronouncing the Conclusion of the Procureur General to be not only not conformable to the laws, but injurious to Justice. —

In further observation they say" rules prevented the Procureur General —

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after this Arrêté, and the injunction which you laid on him to conform to it, to make the Declaration which he says he proposed to give in to Council on the 27th — I think they prevented it themselves. First by calling an extraordinary meeting on the 26 when they had notice that on the 27th the regular Court day Mr Cailland intended to lay before them General Brathwaite's letter of the 23d which could proceed as I have already observed from no other motive, than an intention to make the apology that letter required and Secondly by passing, without hearing him, to a Sentence of interdiction, after which a diference of any Kind before them, could come too late. —

There are two other observations of the Council on Mr Caillard's address to Government which I think it necessary to notice, the one is an acknowledgment that they

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that they had no power to judge the Procureur General, the other a denial that they had judged him, the first as well as I can translate it, says "Complaint against a Procureur General ought "always to be carried to the Supreme authority, "which may, if it think proper pronounce ac- "cording to circumstances". the second we have not judged the Procureur General, we have given our opinion by a declaration, and this because it was required of us, and because it was impossible for us to do otherwise". —

How far these observations are consistent with General Brathwaite's letter to Mr. Mollet of the 24th June, which certainly contains no requisition of any kind - and how far consistent with the decree of suspension, I submit to the judgment of the Board. —

I have only to add that Mr. Caillard having been already reprimanded by the Commandant, and not likely, by in- -attention, to expose himself again to similar reproof, he may be permitted to resume the

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duties of his Office under the apology he pre-
=pared to deliver to the Council, and under the
exhortation from the Dean of the Council to
take time to consider his conclusions, which
may not be an unreasonable hint to the Council
that he ought not to be hurried. But should
his conduct appear to the Board more culpable
than it seems to me, and sufficiently so to -
require dismission from his office I know not
how his plan can be supplied, for General
Braithwaite says, there is no person at Pon-
-dicherry at all qualified for it but Mr. De
Changy, and against that Gentleman there
are objections, entered I believe on the Con-
-sultations of the 18th and 22d July 1794, which
occasioned his removal from the office of Pro-
=curieur General and Mr. Caillaud's appoint-
=ment to it, when General Nixon was Com-
=mandant at Pondicherry. -

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) Bery. Sullivan

Fort St. George
17th August 1798. -

Read

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Resolutions of the Board on the subject of Mr. Caillaud's suspension.

Read also letters from Major General Braithwaite, as entered in Consultn. 7th July upon the subject of M. Caillaud's suspension.

Upon mature consideration of the case the Board are of opinion that in their Suspension of M. Caillaud the Supreme Council at Pondicherry acted in repugnance to the regulations established by the declaration of the late King Louis the 16th under date 3d February 1776. Resolved therefore to direct that Mr. Caillaud's apology be received and recorded, and that he be warned to take time to consider his conclusions before he delivers them into Court, as suggested by the Attorney General.

As repeated applications have been made in vain to his Highness the Nabob for payment of the field expences incurred by the detachment against the

Colmorpilly

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Resolutions of the Board respecting money due from the Nabob on account of Detachments sent against the Poligars.

Colmarpilly and Worriorpollam Poligars, the President is requested to apprize his Highness that agreably to the 9th Article of the treaty, the Amount must be carried to the Debit Side of the Balance Account now under adjustment.

President's communication to the Board respecting the following Letter.

The President acquaints the Board that having yesterday received intelligence from Captain Kirkpatrick that the presence of the Guntoor Detachment at Hydrabad was much to be wished for he had directed the Secretary to issue the necessary orders which he now lays before the Board.

To Lieutenant Colonel Roberts
Commanding the Detachment at
Innacondah

To Lieutenant Colonel Roberts directing him to cross the Kistnah with his Detachment and to march towards Hydrabad agreably to the Instructions he will receive from the Resident.

Sir,

In consequence of advices received from the acting Resident at Hydrabad that the movement of the Detachment under your command into the territories of his Highness the Nizam is immediately expedient,

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I am directed by the Right Honorable the President in Council to desire that you will lose no time in crossing the Kistna for that purpose. —

According to the permission granted to Captain Kirkpatrick for calling upon you, he will explain the plan he wishes you to pursue, after the Troops may have crossed the River, mean while the Governor in Council enjoins you to maintain the most exact regularity among the Troops, in their March through the Dominions either of the Company or the Nizam. —

Major General Bridges has been informed of this order, and directed to give you every assistance in his power in complying with it. —

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2d September 1798. —

I am, &c. &c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Govt
To

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To Major General Bridges
Commanding the Northern Division
at
Masulipatam

Sir,

To Major General Bridges - communicating the orders sent as above to Lieutenant Colonel Roberts -

I am directed to acquaint you that, in consequence of advices this day received from the Acting resident at Hydrabad, orders have been despatched to Lieutenant Colonel Roberts to lose no time in moving the Detachment under his Command acrofs the Kistna, with a view to it's entering the Nizam's territories, according to the plan he will hereafter receive from Captain Kirkpatrick -

Lieutenant Colonel Roberts has been enjoined to preserve the most exact regularity in marching the Troops through the dominions of the Nizam, or the Company, and the Governor in Council relies upon you for affording such afsistance as may be in your power to prevent any

delay

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delay in the execution of this Order. —

Fort St. George
2d September 1798. —

I have the honor to be
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Webbe Secy to Government

The Commander in Chief delivers in the following Memorandum. —

Memorandum

Lieutenant General Harris's representation respecting expences incurred by Captain Malcolm on account of the late Prince of Johanna and the necessity of making some provision for the maintenance of his followers till they can be sent back to their own Country. —

The accompanying is a Statement of Expences incurred by Captain Malcolm on account of the Prince of Juanna and his attendants no advances have been made since the Prince's death — His attendants, 15, of whom one was his Tutor represent themselves in much distress — an allowance of 15 or 20 Pagodas per Month till they could be sent back to Juanna would relieve them. —

Minute thereon —

Ordered that the expences incurred by Captain Malcolm being Pagodas 101 be discharged by the Civil paymaster & General on account of the Prince of Joanna, and that 20 Pagodas per Month be in future

allowed

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allowed for the support of his followers, untill an opportunity for their return may occur. —

The two Companies of the 1st Regiment of European Infantry at Jaffnapatam to be ordered to the Coast. —

The Commander in Chief proposes that the two Companies of the 1st Regiment European Infantry now at Jafnapatam be ordered to the Coast. —

Agreed to and Ordered accordingly. —

Read the following letter from Lieutenant Montgomery. —

Josia Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

From Lieutenant Montgomery requesting leave to resign the Command of the detail of Cavalry doing duty at this Presidency.

Sir,

I request you will solicit permission of the Right Honorable the Governor for me to resign the Command of the detail of Native Cavalry, doing duty at the Presidency as His Lordship's Body guard. —

I have the honor to be.
&c — — &c
(Signed) H. C. Montgomery
Lieutenant of Cavalry.
Agreed

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26th August 1798. —

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Lieutenant Montgomery's resignation accepted and Captain Alexander Grant appointed to the Command.

Agreed that Lieutenant Montgomery be permitted to resign the command of the detail of Cavalry doing duty at the Presidency.—

The President proposes that Captain Grant be appointed to the Command of the above detail.—

" Clive

" Geo: Harris

" Edwd Saunders

" H. Fallofield

Comp
G. Strachey.

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Diary

The following is Copy of the Certificate granted Mr. John Braunckter for Salt provisions furnished by him for the use of the Troops at the Molucca Island Agreeably to the Resolution of the Board recorded in the Council the 10th July, and signed by the Board at the Meeting of Council of this Date.—

Certificate granted to Mr. John Braunckter for provisions furnished by him for the use of the Troops serving at the Molucca Islands.—

This is to Certify that we have received from Mr. John Braunckter Acting as Agent Victualler to His Majesty's Squadron at the Molucca Islands the following Salt Provisions for the use of the Troops, serving on that Station on the 24th September and the 19th and 27th October 1796.—

Salt Beef two Hogsheads containing one hundred and thirty two double Pieces, of eight Pounds each, with Seaven Iron hoops.—

Salt Pork twenty three Hogsheads, containing two thousand Seven hundred and sixty Pieces of four Pounds each, and one hundred and eighty four Iron hoops.—

And we do hereby Agree that the Honorable Court of Directors shall pay the Honorable Commissioners

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Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy in London for the Same in one Year after Date & hereof at Such rate as the Honorable Court of Dirs. may determine upon, with the Honorable Commissioners for Victualling His Majesty's Navy in London. —

Given under our hands in Fort St. George this fourth day of September 1798 in Triplicate of the same Tenor and Date the one of which three being Accomplished the other two to stand Void

To the Hon.ble Court of Directors for affairs of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies. —

(Signed) Clive
George Harris
Edw.d Saunders
E. W. Fallofield

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M.B. No. 13. 14. 15. —

To Mr. Peter Cherry desiring him to apply in the first Instance to Mr. Gordon, for the

To the Paymaster to the Detachment at Innaconda. —

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the Cash he may require for the Payment of the A
Detachment and eventually to the Collector at Guntoor

To Mr. Gordon desiring he will be A
prepared to Answer Mr. Cherry's Demands, and
give particular directions for the conveyance of the
Money in the most expeditious Manner.—

To the Paymaster at Masulipatam.—

To Mr. Ram desiring he will retain A
any Balance of Cash he may have in hand to Answer
Mr. Cherry's eventual Demands.—

To the Collector at Guntoor.—

Ruceived the following Letters.—

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

From Bombay, intend sending the Belvidere with Pepper to Calicut — and to convey the A Detachment of the A Grenadier Battalion to the Malabar Coast instead of the Bombay Frigate.—

In the interim of the necessary detention
of the Belvidere Indiaman on this Coast, of the Reasons
for which you have already been advised for the A A
information of the Honorable the President in Council
I am now directed to add that Subsequent to the date
of the above Communication, or the 7th Instant; it has
been Resolved to employ the Services of this Ship A
in

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in transporting from Anjengo to Columbo the 4 Quantity of Pepper required thereby the Commercial Resident for the package of the Company's Cinnamon as the destenation of the Bombay Frigate has been lately altered the Belvidere presents moreover a preferable opportunity of transporting the Grenadier Detachment to this Presidency - and as she will be dispatched from hence about the beginning of September - I am further directed to request that the Governor in Council will please to issue the necessary Orders for this Detachment being embarked on her 4 instead of the Frigate, and that the Troops may be supplied with a Sufficient Stock of provisions for their Voyage to Bombay. -

I have the honor to enclose a Packet to the address of the Commander of the Frigate. -

I have the honor to be,

Hr. Hr.

Bombay Castle 14th August 1798. - } [Signed] R. Rickards

Secretary to Government

Josiah

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government.

Sir,

I have communicated the contents of your letter to me of the 8th Instant to the Prisoner Samaralinguem Pillah who seems full of Gratitude to the Honorable the Governor in Council for attending to his Petition. The A enclosed I have just Received from the Old Man who is A reported to me to be in such a Miserable unhappy A Situation as to raise a doubt if he will ever see his home A or Family again.—

I have the honor to be,

&c &c

(Signed) J. Champagne

Colonel

From Colonel Champagne A with a letter from Samaralingum Pillay offering two Inhabitants of his Country as Securities for his future Conduct in the event of his Release from Confinement

Trincomalle

24th August 1798.

To Colonel Champagné

Commanding Trincomale &c &c &c

The humble Petition of

Sunkerlingam Pillah

Humbly Sheweth

Your Honor's Petitioner having been informed that the Right Honorable the Governor of Madras

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To

His Excellency Lord Hobart Governor in Council of Fort St. George

The Petition of Sinnatamby Modliar Inhabitant of Jaffnapatam

Most humbly Sheweth

That your Petitioner has been Confined in the Gaol of Trincomale for the Space of Eighteen Months, and that he has been Sick during the whole time, and that he is now very Sick with Fever and Swelling all over his body and Legs that he cannot Walk or move but by the help of 2 Men

Your Humble Petitioner will give Security for his future good and peaceable behaviour

Eyangar and Balabadranajoo Respectful Inhabitants of My Place at Rajoopollam of Tinnevelly Country

which Act for Charity I and my family

Shall Ever Pray

Trincomale
24th August 1798

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Rec.d the undermentioned Letters

Entered in M:B: Nº. 16.. 17.. 18.. 19.. 20.. 21.. 22.

From Mr. Roebuck - enclosing a Receipt

From the Military Paymaster Genl.

of Captain Parkinson for 8000 P.N. Pagodas delivered to him by Lieutenant Colonel Barbett Superintendant of Jaffna, with a request that it may be passed thro the Treasury in the Regular Manner. -

From Mr. Shaw - enclosing Lists of

From the Sub Secretary at Bengal. -

Provisions Shipped on the Lord Camden, Henry Dundas, Fitz William and Busbridge for the 33d Regiments in order that what Remains unconsumed may be received & into Store at Fort St. George. -

From Mr. Snodgrass enclosing Copies

From the Collector at Ganjam. -

of a Correspondence with Captain Johnston from which it appears that that Officer, in a most unprovoked and unwarrantable Manner, has taken upon himself to beat and Maltreat the Public Contract while & employed on the duties of his Office. -

From Major General Floyd - enclosing

From the Officer Commanding Southern Division of the Army. -

a Bill for Pagodas 2. 39. - for trifling Repairs & executed

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executed on Emergency to one of the Granaries.—

From the Garrison Storekeeper at Tanjore.— From Mr. Hawkins enclosing a 4th continued report of Paddy issued from the Store to be beat into Rice.—

From the Commander of the Princess Charlotte From Captain Prescott enclosing a Bill Amounting to £ 13.. 10 for wine furnished to Men of the 12th Regiment during the outward bound Voyage.—

From the Military Paymaster General.— From Mr. Roebuck enclosing an Additional Estimate for Pagodas 15,233.. 22.. 15

Substance of a Letter to the Nabob Sent a Letter to the Nabob entered in C. C. No. 122 requesting he will immediately discharge the Amount of the expenses of the Detachments employed against the Wonicepollam and Colmaspully pollegars (Pag.s 6345. 47.. 16) as that Sum must otherwise be carried to the Debit of the Balance Account now under adjustment

Sent the following Letters.—

To

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15.

To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board re
intimation relative to
extra Bullocks provided
by Major General Floyd for
the Carriage of Gram order
respecting the Supplies of
provisions shipped in
Bengal for the 33d Regiment
Temporarily Stalling to the
Establishment by Lieutenant Colonel
Orr for the Sickly Homes
of his Corps. —

We have Received your letter of 29th Ultimo
and have in consequence ordered the Account of the Garrison
Storekeeper of Fort St George to be passed for payment

We have instructed the Paymaster
at Trichinopoly to provide a certain Number of
Bullocks for the public Service in addition to those
required for the corps lately ordered from that Station,
and we have Directed Major General Floyd to
forward upon a proportion of those Bullocks a quantity
of gram which had been laid in for the regiments of
Cavalry lately cantoned to the Southward both of
which Orders we now Communicate for your
information. —

We enclose Copy of a letter from the
Secretary to the Military Board in Bengal and
desire

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No 5.

To Lieutenant General Harris

President &c. Members of the

Military Board

Gentlemen,

To the Military Board re intimation relative to extra Bullocks provided by Major General Floyd for the Carriage of Grain - orders respecting the supplies of provisions shipped in Bengal for the 33d Regiment temporarily attaching to the Detachment by Lieutenant Colonel Orr for the Sickly Homes of this Corps. -

We have Received your letter of 29th Ultimo and have in consequence ordered the Account of the Garrison Storekeeper of Fort St George to be passed for payment

We have instructed the Paymaster at Trichinopoly to provide a certain Number of Bullocks for the public Service in addition to those required for the corps lately ordered from that Station, and we have Directed Major General Floyd to forward upon a proportion of those bullocks a quantity of gram which had been laid in for the regiments of Cavalry lately cantoned to the Southward both of which orders we now Communicate for your information. -

We enclose Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Military Board in Bengal and desire

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desire that the hammocks therein mentioned may be received into Store upon the Arrival of his & Majestys 33d Regiment. –

We inclose extract of a letter from & Lieutenant Colonel Orr and desire that he may be Authorized to erect temporary Stables in the & manner he proposes for weakly horses during the Monsoon. –

Orders have been sent to the Collector for assisting him with Palmeras &c. –

We are, &c. &c.

Fort St. George
5th. September 1798. –

(Signed) Clive
& Council.

To Major General Brathwaite
Commanding at
Sir, Pondicherry

To Major General Brathwaite conveying the resolutions of the Board on the Subject of Mr Call and his suspension by the Superior Council. –

I am directed to acquaint you that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council having given the subject of Mr. Call and his conduct

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the fullest consideration is in consequence, of opinion that in their suspension of that Gentleman, the Superior Council acted in repugnance to the regulations established by the declaration of the late King Louis 16th under date 3d February 1776 for the interior descipline of that Court, that the conduct of Mr. Call and does not appear deserving of dismission from the Court & and that having been precluded by an extraordinary act of the Council from making every ample apology it will now be abundantly sufficient to order that apology to be received by the Council and to direct that he be exhorted by the Dean of the Council to take time in future to consider his conclusions before & he delivers them to the Court.-

The Governor in Council Refrains from going into the particular reasons, upon which his opinion is founded as involving considerations not very creditable to the proceedings of the Superiors Council. and therefor directs that a suitable apology be received from Mr. Call and and recorded, and that

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he be warned by the Dean of the Council to take time for the consideration of his conclusions before he delivers them to the Court.—

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I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(signed) Josiah Webbe Secy to Govt.

Dispatched the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28.—

To the Commandant at Pondicherry

To Major General Braithwaite enclosing Extract of a letter from Brigadier General D. Munro with the papers referred to relative to M. La Nour's claim to some Arrack seized as Prize by the Captors of Ceylon.—

To the Secretaries at Bengal Bombay & Residents at Poonah and Hydrabad.—

To Messrs. Barlow Rickards, Palmer and Kirkpatrick forwarding Mysore Intelligence.—

To Captain Davison—stating the heads of Complaint preferred against him by M. J. Conway, and apprizing him that although it is supposed by many corroborative Circumstances, the Board will withhold their Judgment on the Case, till they hear what he has to offer in Vindication of his Conduct:—

To the Commandant at Tellicherry

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desiring him, at the same time, forthwith to deliver over Charge of the Factory house at Pennacoil to Mr. Jackson the Collector.—

To Mr. Jackson enclosing Extract of the latter part of the above Letter.—

To the Collector at Rammad

To Major General Sydenham—enclosing a Bond of Lieutenant Peter Smith for Money advanced him by the Court of Directors and desiring that the Amount may be recovered according to the tenor of the Bond desiring agreeably to the Orders of the Court—that a Statement may be furnished of the periods at which money advanced in England to different & Officers is recovered in India—enclosing Certificates of pay advanced Officers on Furlough on England and desiring that the Arrears due to Captain Cosby and other Officers lately returned to their Duty may be discharged by Bills on Bengal at the & exchange of 385 Rs. ₹100 Pagodas.—

To the Military Auditor General.—

To D°. desiring that a Bill for & expences incurred in Storing Grain at Arnee and &

D°.—

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an Amount of provisions supplied by the Garrison Storekeeper may be passed for payment - referring also Mr. Roebuck's last additional estimate of Cash. -

Received the following Letters. -

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council.

My Lords,

From the Chief Engineer - enclosing Copies of Correspondence between the Engineer and Commanding Officer at Trincomale respecting the fortifications at that Place

I have the honor to lay before your Lordship, a letter Received from Captain Norris the Engineer at Trincomalee, enclosing a letter of this to Colonel Champagne the Commandant of the Garrison, on the Subject of the Fortifications of that Place, together with Colonel Champagne's Answer on the Subject. -

And have the honor to remain &

most Respectfully. -

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My Lord
Your Lordship's most Obedient
humble Servant.
(Signed) Patrick Ross
Chief Engineer M. G. &c

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To Major General Ross

Chief Engineer

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you a Copy, my public Letter of August 6. addressed to Colonel Champagne with Copy of his Answer.

I conceive it my duty to lay them before you for the information of Government

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Norris

Capt. Engineers.—

Trincomallee August 11th. 1798

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Patrick Ross

To Colonel Champagne

Commanding Trincomallee

Sir,

Observing that a great many Stones have been taken away from in front of the Works in

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in Back Bay, which I am apprehensive may be the cause of damage to the Fortifications if should the next Monsoon be violent; I could wish if you approve to have them replaced as soon as possible; and as the land Winds are abating the Season is now favorable to bring Stones from other parts of Trincomalee Hill, in Boats or Cattamarans &c.

I also beg leave to remind you of the State of the Portuguese Bastion which requires some Stones to be placed in the Breach, before the ensuing Monsoon.

I conceive it my duty to represent these Circumstances to you.

And have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Norris
Capt. Engr.

Trincomallee
August 6th 1798.

A true Copy
(Signed) Patrick Ross
Captain

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To

Captain Norris

Commanding Engineer

Sir,

I have the honor of your Letter of the 6th Instant and much as I may Agree with you as to it's contents, I cannot at present think of given you the directions you wish for, more particularly as you and I have submitted to the Consideration of Government Works of much more Material consequence than so what you now recommend.—

I have the honor to be,

&c. &c.

(Signed) J. Champagne

Colonel

Trincomalee
August 18th 1798.

A true Copy

(Signed) Patrick Ross.—

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No 5:

The Right Honorable Lord Clive

President and Governor in Council

My Lords, Fort St. George

From the Military Auditor General reporting on the two last estimates sent in by the Military & Paymaster General. —

1 In reply to Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 1st Instant accompanying an Additional & Estimate of Cash required by the late Deputy King's & Paymaster General for the Current Month, I have the honor to report that the Amount Viz.t One Thousand Nine hundred and Nine Pagodas /1909/ does not & appear objectionable, being for the purpose of paying Subsistence to Officers and Recruits lately arrived & from Europe for his Majesty's Regiments serving under this Presidency. —

2 The Additional Estimate of the & Military Paymaster at the Presidency which & accompanied Mr. Sub Secretary Parry's Letter of the 3rd Instant Amounting to Eight Thousand Nine & hundred and Sixty Six Pagodas, Six Fanams and & forty Cash / Pagodas 8966.. 6.. 40 / is admissible & with the exception of the Sum included on Account of

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5. of Cadets and Recruits, for whom I have admitted a One thousand five hundred Pagodas, which I conceive must be fully sufficient to discharge their Claims for the Current Month –

3 The Sum issuable on these Additional & Estimates and Payable from the Treasury is & Pagodas 8875. 6. 40

I have the honor to be with great Respect

& &c.

(Signed) Wm. Sydenham

Mily Audr. Genl

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
5th September 1798.–

6 The following Order of Council having & been approved in circulation was accordingly sent to the Clerk of the Treasury.–

Cash ordered to be advanced from the Treasury to the Mily Paymaster General on the above Account.–

Ordered that the Sum of Eight & thousand eight hundred and seventy five Pagodas Six Fanams and forty Cash (Pags. 8875. 6. 40) be & advanced from the Treasury to the Military & Paymaster General on Account of the additional & estimates sent in by him with his Letters of the

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the 30th Ultimo and 3d Instant.

Sent a Letter to Mr Roebuck entered in

To the Military Pay-master General.— M: B: N°29/ enclosing Copy of the foregoing report of the Auditor General and apprizing them of the Sum ordered in consequence to be advanced to them from the Treasury.—

11 8 Rec'd the undermentioned Letters & entered in M: B: N°30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36.—

From Adjutant General From Lieutenant Colonel Close recommending that Supernumerary Cornet Washington may be appointed a Cornet of Cavalry vice Haffey struck off.—

From the Owner of the Snow Perseverance— From Mr. J. Lautier requesting leave & furnished with a letter of Marque for the Snow Perseverance.—

From the Resident at Mysore.— From Mr. Soriano requesting that a Shed or Guard Room may be built to Shelter the Sepoys Stationed near the Flag Staff at an expence as per Estimate enclosed, of P.P. Pagodas 22. 6. 40.

From the Commander of the Ship Good Hope From Captain Hilton enclosing a Bill of Amounting to Pagodas 47. 27. 40 or £ 19. 1. 9 for Tea and Tobacco supplied to Men of the 29th Dragoons on the passage from England.—

From

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From Major General Floyd - requesting

From the Officer Commanding the Southern Division

that Mr. Surgeon Ingles may be permitted to draw the regulated allowance for attending the detachment of the 1st Battalion 3rd Regiment Native Infantry & stationed at Palamcotah -

From the Commandant at Tripasore -

From Major De Meuron requesting that the Barracks at Tripasore may be repaired & previous to the setting in of the Monsoon: -

From Lieutenant Colonel Campbell &

From the Commandant at Malavee

acknowledging Receipt of Mr. Webbe's Letter of the 14th October and 6th April with the Provisions and Money thereon alluded to - and enclosing a Certificate of the Continued ill state of his health. -

Ruined also the following Letters. -

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to the Government -

Fort St. George

From the Secretary at Bombay - respecting the Recruits for the King's & Regiments on board the Walpole. -

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose extract of a letter from the Company's Agent at the Cape of Good

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Good Hope dated the 17th of June which you are #
requested to lay before the Honorable the Governor
in Council with intimation that the Commander
of the Walpole will be referred to Madras for
Payment on Account of the Troops embarked on
that Vessel

Bombay Castle
11th August 1798. — 8

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) R. Rickards
Secy to Govt.

Extract of a Letter from the Company's Agent at
Cape of Good Hope dated 17th June 1798

The Recruits for His Majesty's
Regiments in India that were landed from #
the Belvedere, have remained here ever since #
for want of an Opportunity to forward them to
Madras — and as there is much Reason to believe #
that few or none of the Honorable Company's #
Ships outward bound will touch here this #
Season, Lord Macartney has given Directions that
they may proceed on those now here, and be #
distributed

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distributed as equally as possible - The very Crowded state of the Madras Ships, has rendered it, however inconvenient, absolutely unavoidable to order a proportion of them " with an Officer, to go on the Walpole, and to be forwarded with the Men of the 29th Regiment Light Dragoons to their ultimate Destination on the Coast of Coromandel -

I Recieve / £ 118.2.6 / One hundred and eighteen Pounds, two Shillings and Six pence from Capt.n Christie of the Belvidere, being three eighths of the whole Passage Money from England to India for three " Officers of His Majesty's Regiments, who were landed here from that Ship - Mr. Mansell is not one of that Number, but I imagine the same Sum of / £ 39.7.6 / Thirty nine Pounds Seven Shellings and six pence " must be paid for his passage, should he proceed on the Walpole which from Circumstance may perhaps not be the Case / and with Respect to the Recruits, " I beg you will pay Captain Butler what is usual or proper. -

True Extract

/ Signed / P. L. McSpurrier

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Josiah Webbe Esqr.

Secretary to Government,

Sir,

From Lieutenant Colonel David Campbell - respecting his Claim to full Batta while on board Ship on the Passage to Malacca -

I beg leave to request you would be so pleased to submit to the consideration of the Right Honorable the President in Council the following representation on the Subject of Table Allowance -

On the 27th October 1797 I addressed General Sydenham respecting the insufficiency of the Table Allowance of One Pagoda per diem, made to Officers on board Ship, and proposing to draw full Batta in lieu thereof as the above Allowance was totally inadequate to the Charges made by the Captain of the Transport on board of which I was, having paid One hundred and Seventy four Pagodas as my Share of the expences incurred in Messing with him during the Space of Five Weeks - I simply to which he informs me, that as the Allowance of One Pagoda per diem was expressly ordered by Government, it is entirely out

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of his power to sanction any deviation, and &
therefore trusts on this explanation that I will
draw the Table allowance ordered by Government
for myself and Officers, from the time I left. &
Pondicherry until my Arrival at Malacca as it
is the only charge which he is authorised to admit-
Permit me Sir, to quote the following Extract from
Government orders, under date the 20th April 1797
"The Right Honorable the President in Council is
"pleased to order that Officers Embarking on the &
"Public Service shall only receive the customary &
"allowance of half Batta while on board Ship, and
"Government will make the necessary arrangement
"for their being suitably entertained during the &
"passage – Should this mode however be found &
"impracticable or inconvenient in the case of one
"or more Individuals being directed to Join their
"Corps or Station by Sea such particular cases &
"will on Representation be entitled to the consideration
"of Government" – Circumstanced as I was, I trust &
Government will however dispense with the operation
of

of this Order in regard to me as the Captain of the Harriet declared that Government had made no arrangement whatever with him as to any Offices being suitably entertained during the Passage, besides he deemed the Table Allowance highly inadequate – and there being no possibility in so small a Ship for laying in provisions to Mess ourselves, independent of the want of time for such a purpose, I was therefore with the other Officers reduced to the necessity of complying with his terms – From the above statement of facts I am in hopes that his Lordship in Council will be pleased to grant me the Allowance of Extra half Batta, in lieu of Table Money, from the time of my leaving Pondicherry until my Arrival at Malaca, as the loss I unavoidably sustain in receiving the latter Allowance, is so very material, and I trust in Muting with his Lordship's indulgence for the liberty I have taken in intruding so much on his patience. –

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) D. Campbell
Lt. Col. Com. 1st Div 2d Regt. N. I.

Malacca
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To the Honorable Lieutenant General Harris

President in Council

&c. &c. &c.

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Honorable Sir,

From Brigadier General De Meuron - with Copy of a letter addressed to him by Mr. McDonall on the subject of the late orders regarding the Specification of the Coins in which the different pay abstracts are discharged. -

I have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Mr. Sub Secretary Parry's letter of the 4th July which I immediately communicated to Mr. Paymaster McDonall, a copy of whose Answer I have the honor to enclose No 1 - I must beg leave to say that although I conceived the Observations therein stated by the Paymaster, as Judicious, I did not however consider myself Authorized to suspend the Order you were pleased to give on the Subject - I therefore desired Mr. McDonall to commence the Arrangement Suggested by the Military Auditor General, and I have the honor to Report that it has taken place on the 1st of this Month. -

In consequence of the orders of Government of the 21st October 1797 the Paymaster Reported.

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Reported to me Monthly the Number and description of Species that Remained in the Treasury for the ensuing Payments, according to which Irregulated the proportion of Copper Gold or Silver in which the pay was to be issued and I have now & the pleasure to enclose a list N°2 Stateing & the different proportions - It is however nessesary to observe that the Dutch Prisoners of War have hitherto always Rec'd their Allowances in Coppers, and that the 33d Battalion Rec'd the whole of their Pay and Allowances in Gold and Silver all the time they were in the Field, on Account of the Expence and difficulty to transport the Copper Coin. -

When there was not a Sufficient & quantety of Copper in the Treasury to issue the fixed Proportion the Paymaster procured some on his private Credit as the Copper Rec'd from the Revenue, is not Sufficient to make a proportion in the Monthly issues from the Paymaster's Office. -

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I am concerned to inform you that
owing to the want of Copper Money in the
Treasury, the Payments for the first of the
Current Month were made in Gold; and as I see
no probability of receiving a quantity of Copper
So as to regulate a tolerable proportion in the
Payments for the first of September next, the
Gold now remaining in the Treasury will be so
far exhausted as not to be equal to the Sum
Required for the payments on the 1st. of October
next, this Circumstance puts me under the
Necessity of Representing to you that, Should
Mr. North not Arrive in time, you may be
pleased to provide for the Current Expences.—

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

Columbo
27th. August 1798.

(Signed) P. De Meuron
B. G. C.

To Brigadier General De Meuron
Commanding on Ceylon

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the
Receipt

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Receipt of Mr. Secretary Reynolds' letter of yesterdays
date giving cover for my information to two &
enclosures being Extract of a letter from Govern=
=ment to you and of one from the Auditor General
to Government —

The intentions of Government having been
fulfilled and the information required transmitted
in the Monthly Reports from this office, I cannot
for a Moment suppose that General Sydenham, &
thought or wished it to be inferred that such a &
Measure was necessary from the conduct of the
Paymasters on Ceylon but attribute it to a wish
to establish necessary controuling power over &
the different Departments, his Zeal for the &
Interests of the Honorable Company and his
being unacquainted with the immediate object of
Government, which, as stated in Mr. Secretary's
Webbe's Letter to me of the 6th. September 1797 was
"to ascertain the proportion which the quantity
"of Copper issued bore to that of Gold & issued
in the Payments of the Troops — I lose no
time

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time therefore in stating to you my opinion that while the Paymasters on Ceylon conduct the duties of their very laborious employ agreeable to the Orders and to the Satisfaction of their immediate Superiors and without Complaint against themselves, the check proposed appears unnecessary and I hope will not be adopted, for though the attention will be paid, when your orders to that effect are issued, I conceive it to be my duty to point out to you, that it will occasion a very considerable delay in the transmission of the Monthly Accounts and render impracticable in the limited time (to be at Madras by the twelfth or the fifteenth of each Month at farthest) the transmission of Estimates to be laid before Government — In the mode now proposed the payment of a Corps at Columbo would occupy me for days and the duration of the Month scarcely admit of my Satisfying every

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every one entitled to draw pay from this Office For
Example The 9 Companies of the 2nd Battalion 6 Regt
N.I. and Staff attached furnish me with 26 different
pay Abstracts, which cannot be made up until &
some days of each Month are expired, are then to be
transmitted to the Pay Office for Examination and if
found Correct on succeeding days the Officers of each
Company must attend to make joint calculations
with me and detail them on the back of this Abstracts,
Neither leaving one time to see my Accounts &c.
properly Kept nor to carry on the Correspondence &
necessary with Point De Galle &c. and for the &
discharge of the other duties of my Employ.—

To you who are acquainted with the &
Tediousness of the Payments on this Island, &
what I have stated will appear obvious and &
I request you will Submit it to the Honorable the
Governor in Council with such further Remarks as
you may deem proper but should you think it.
necessary to carry into execution the latter plan
recommended

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Recommended by the Auditor General for Sept.

as the payments have been already made for

this Month – I have to request that you will

direct it in General Orders for the Island, but

on the contrary if you are satisfied that much

inconvenience would arise from the Order &

without benefit either to the Honorable

Company or the Troops serving on the Islands,

if it may be allowed me, I would Recommend

your directing the Paymaster of Trincomale to

furnish the Commanding Officer there with a report

of the same kind as is made to you Monthly from

this office, and that he report to you the proportion

of Coins which he may have in consequence &

directed to be issued in payment to the Troops.

I have the honor to be &c.

Pay Office
Columbo 21st July 1798.

/Signed/ John Mc Donall
Paymaster

A true Copy
/Signed/ J. Reynolds
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The Paymaster Reported on the 7th November 1797
that he had Rcvd from the Revenue in the Course
of the Preceding Month.—

In Coppers at Columbo ---------- 2500.—.—
" " at Galle ---------- 1500.—.—

The Paymaster was directed to issue the Pay for
the 1st of November 1797 as follows Viz.t—
Gold and Silver Coin at the rate of Exchange they
are Charged in the Invoice.—
Coppers in such proportion, that none may Remain
in the Treasury on Account of the Honorable
Company.—

The Paymaster Reported on the 7th December 1797
that he had Rcvd no Money whatever from
the Revenue in the Course of last Month.—

The Paymaster was Ordered to Issue
the Pay for the 1st of December
One half in Silver Coin
One half in Copper
And to Negociate Bills on the Presidency to
procure the latter.—

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The Paymaster Reported on the 1st January 1798 that he had Received from the Revenue in the Course of last Month

In Copper at Galle ---------- 7000 ----

The Paymaster was Ordered to Issue the Pay for the 1st of January in Copper Money and he was also Authorized to issue one third of it in Silver Coin to those who had no Objection to Receive it at the following Rates of Exchange Viz.t

Sicca Rupees ---------- Fanam 13 Cash 65

Dollars ---------- " 29 " 32

The Paymaster Reported on the 5th February 1798 that he had Received from the Revenue Department in the last Month.-

In Copper at Galle ---------- 8000 ----

Pay to be issued as last Month

No Copper Received from the Revenue in the Course of February.-

The Paymaster is authorized to issue the Pay for the 1st of March in Copper Coin and one third in Silver to those who have no Objection ~~to receive it~~ at the Rate of Exchange fixed for the Payments for the 1st Jany

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The Paymaster Reported that he had
received from the Revenue Department in the
Course of the Month of March Viz.t –

In Gold at Columbo Star Pagodas .... 19000.. –.. –
" Copper .... " ..... 709.. 31.. 60
" Copper at Galle ..... 1866.. 30.. –

The Paymaster is Authorized to issue
the Pay for the 1.st of April 1798 in Copper &
Money and one Quarter in Star Pagodas to
those who may Require it. –

The Paymaster Reported on the 4.th May
1798 that he had Received from the Revenue
Department. –

In Gold at Columbo Pagodas .... 14438.. 30.. 76
" Copper at Galle ..... 800.. –.. –

The Paymaster is directed to issue the
Pay for the 1.st of May. One half in Copper and
One half in Gold to those who may require it

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The Paymaster Reported on the 4th of
June that he had Received from the Revenue
Department in the course of the preceding
Month Viz.t –

In Gold at Columbo ---- Pag.s 100,000 ----
" Copper ---"--- 1,600 ----
" Copper — Galle ---- 1166.30 —

The Paymaster is directed to issue the
Payments for the 1st of June –
Two thirds in Gold and
One third in Copper –

The Paymaster Reported that he
had Received in the Month of June from the
Revenue Department at Galle
In Copper ---- 3000 ---

The Paymaster is directed to issue
the Payments for the 1st of July –
One third in Copper Money
Two thirds in Golds –

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8th: The Paymaster reported on the 3d August that he had Received from the Revenue in the course of last Month at Galle Rix Dollars 4500 and that notwithstanding he is authorized to draw Bills on the Presidency he cannot undertake to Supply Copper Money for this Month.-

The Paymaster is therefore directed to issue the Payments for the 1st of August in Gold and Silver Coins at the following rates of Exchange Viz.t-

Porto Novo Pagodas at 118 ℔ for 100 Star Pag.

Sicca Rupees at Fanams 13. Cash 65

Dollars - - - at - - - 20 - - - 32.-

And he is directed to avail himself of every opportunity to draw on the Military Paymaster General in order to procure Copper Money.-

9th Received and sent the undermentioned Letters entered in M. B. Nos. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41 42. 43.-

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From Rear Admiral Rainier acknow-

From Rear Admiral Rainier

ledging the Receipt of his Letters addressed to

him on the 22nd and 30th Ultimo

To Major General Bridges &

To the Officer Commanding Northern Division of the Army.—

apprizing him of the expected Arrival of the

Bengal Marine Battalion at Masulipatam

and desiring him to provide for their accommo-

-dation in the Public Buildings in the Fort

To Major Dallas

To Major Dallas enclosing a Copy

of the General Regulations lately established

for the department of principal Agent for &

Draught and Carriage Bullocks.—

To Lieutenant Colonel Basbutt

To the Commanding Officer at Jaffnapatam.—

desiring that immediate Measures may

be taken for conveying the two Companies of

the 1st Regiment European Infantry now

at Jaffnapatam to such part of the Coast

as he may deem most advisable with a

view to their proceeding to Trichinopoly.—

To

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To Brigadier General D. Munro

To the Commanding Officer on Ceylon

Apprizing him of the foregoing Order, and &
desiring him to make such Arrangement as
he may deem most advisable for supplying
the place of the Troops ordered to the Coast. —

To Major Doveton Captain Kirk-
patrick and Lieutenant Colonel Palmer &

To the Commandant at Ryacottah — and Residents at Hyderabad and Poonah —

enclosing Letters for Tippoo, the Nizam and
Poshwah advising them of Lord Clive's &
Accession to the Government. —

To Major General Bridges enclosing
a Letter addressed to Commodore Sutherland of
the Bombay Frigate. —

To the Officer Commanding Northern Division of the Army. —

11 Recvd. the undermentioned Letters &
entered in M. B: Nos. 44. 45. 46. 47.

From Major Cuppage enclosing a Letter
from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Payton respecting
his attendance on the Sick of the detachment
of the 1st Battalion 5th Regiment Native Infantry:
stating also the expences incurred by the Native
Doctor

From the Commandant at Sankeydroog. —

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11 Doctor on this Account.

From Military & Paymaster General

From Mr. Roebuck enclosing an & additional Indent for Pagodas 9724.12.59.

From Colonel Champagné - repeating

From the Commandant at Trincomalé

his Representation of the low State of the Store of Salt Provisions - and advising of his having authorized the purchase of the Bengal Rice lately offered for Sale.-

From Mr. Richards enclosing a Letter

From the Secretary at Bombay.-

addressed to Rear Admiral Rainier.-

Rec.d and sent the undermentioned

Letters entered in C.C. No. 123..124.

From the Nabob requesting a discharge

Substance of a letter from the Nabob.-

of 78 Guns on the Morning the Corpse of his father

departs to Trichinopoly for interment.-

To the Nabob - informing him that orders

Substance of a letter to the Nabob.-

will be given for the discharge of Cannon agreeably

to his Request and that every Respect will be

shewn on the occasion by the Collector in the

Jaghire.-

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At a Consultation

Present

The Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor President
Lieutenant General Harris
Commander in Chief
Edward Saunders — } Esqrs
and
Ernst William Tallofield }

Minutes of last Consultation

Tuesday
11th September 1798. read and approved.—

Read the following Letter from
Rear Admiral Rainier—

Right Honorable Lord Clive

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

From Rear admiral Rainier enclosing Copies of his Correspondence with the Bombay Government regarding the Protection of the China Trade.—

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My Lords,

I have the honor to acknowledge
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The Receipt of a Copy of the Correspondence between Mr John Spencer Smith, The Honorable Company's Agent at Constantinople, and Mr. Samuel Manneshy Their Resident at Bassorah, transmitted by Mr. George Barry the 22nd Ultimo 18[illegible]

And herewith enclose Copy of a Letter I have received from the Bombay Government & regarding the China Convoy with my Answer for your Lordship's consideration.—

I have the Honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Peter Rainier

Suffolk Madras Road
September 3rd 1798.—

To His Excellency Vice Admiral Rainier
Commander in Chief of His Majesty's
Ships and Vessels in the
East Indies

Sir,

We have the Honor to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter under date the 11th Ult.o favouring us with a communication of the proposed Distribution of His Majesty's Ships & under

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under your Command.—

Under the apprehension that the Convoy which you have appointed for the protection of the Trade to China might leave Malacca previous to the Arrival of the Exeter, Brunswick and Bombay Castle Indiamen, We judged it necessary to address the Commanding Officer in the Straits, by some Ships which Yesterday left this Port for Canton, and we have herewith the honor to transmit Copy of our Letter on this occasion.—

As your determination respecting a Second Convoy for the Honorable Company's Homeward bound Ships, seems to have been adopted under a supposition that Some of the Vessels may be as late this Season as they were the last, and consequently be thrown as far back in their dispatch from China, We deem it of the Most essential consequence to inform you that all the returning Indiamen

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of the Season, which are this Year Confined to three direct Ships - four which have already left this port, three which leave it on the 15th Instant, besides one or two Botany Bay Ships, will be ready to sail, if they must protection, from the 1st. to the 15th Middle of January. - Under these Circumstances We beg leave most particularly to submit to your Consideration, the expediency of adding the Arrogant to the appointed Convoy of the Fox and Cape fort, when, if these Vessels can be permitted to remain in China, as long as the abovementioned period they will secure, as far as possible, the safety of this Valuable Mercantile Fleet. - This Arrangement, whilst it Separates part of your Squadron for a short time only, would, we conceive, relieve you from the Necessity of sending a Second Convoy, at an advanced and

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and boisterous Season) Save the Honorable Company from a very heavy Charge of Demurrage, and to secure the Arrival of the Ships for the May Convoy at St. Helena, without subjecting them to the delays and dangers of a Winter's passage.—

We are aware that the Straits of Malacca will, for a time, be left defenceless; but it will only be at a period, we imagine, when no ill consequences need be apprehended, except it may expose the Country Ships, which may leave China, at the opening of the Season.— This danger, we conclude, may be provided against, by the Detachment of a further Frigate to that Quarter; in which case we beg leave to offer you such assistance from hence, as you may think our Marine capable of supplying.—

In the event however of this Arrangement being Deemed ineligible or impracticable, it appears to us, that the losses and inconveniencies, arising

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arising from the necessity of the Indiamen awaiting the Arrival of a Second Convoy in China, might possibly be obviated by appointing a Rendezvous at the South end of the China Seas, which the Ships would be certain of reaching from the East end of the Straits of Malacca; and from whence, as their passage into the Ocean, either by one of the Eastern Straits, or by the Streights of Sunda might be secured: Suppose the Gaspar Bank under the East point of Banka, at which such Ships as you may be pleased to appoint, would be ready on a certain day - say the 1st. February: In this case however, the Company's Ships must of course take their Chance down the China Seas.-

In the event of your adoption of either of these plans; We need not suggest to you the necessity of the alteration being immediately communicated, to the Supercargoes at

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at Canton.-

We have the honor to be,

Bombay Castle,
4th August 1798.— /Signed/ Jonn. Duncan,
J. Stuart
Jas. Rivett
William Page

/True Copy/
/Signed/ Jnº. Brouncker
Secy.

To
The Honorable Jonathan Duncan Esqr.
Governor in Council,
Bombay

Honorable Sir,

I have received Mr. Secretary Rickards Letter of the 5th Ultimo covering Correspondence between Mr. John Spencer Smith, the Honble Company's Agent at Constantinople, and Mr. Samuel Manners at Your Resident at Buffarah.—

I have also to acknowledge the Honor of your Letter of the 4th Ultimo, in Answer

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Answer to mine of the 11th of July last, Covering Copy
of your Letter of the 3d ultimo to the Senior Officer
of His Majesty's Ships on the Straights of &
Malacca, with which I am perfectly satisfied
and flatter myself I have in a great Measure
met your views in a Letter dispatched the &
13th ultimo to the above Officer from Negapatam
by His Majesty's Armed Schooner the Providence
Commanded by Lieutenant Mayo, wherein he
is directed to detain the Frigates till the &
Arrival of the Exeter, Bombay Castle, and &
Brunswick, and send the Schooner immediately
to China, to inform the Committee of Supracargoes
of the Arrangement, and to Return as early
as possible in the Season with such &
information as they may have to communicate
to me, or to be employed by the Senior &
Captain in any other Manner, if the &
Public Service should so require, with the
concurrence

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concurrence of the Committee.—

Since my Arrival here, have been
informed of a very novel Appointment of the
Company's Ships, Authenticated by the Commander
of the Dover Castle, of which no Notice is
taken in your Letter, nor does it appear to be
known to this Government, which is that
Seven of the Company's Middling Size Ships
are sent with Money and Goods from
England, direct to China, and after the
delivery thereof to proceed from thence to
the Coast and Bengal (without Cargoes)
it was so noticed in the public papers
but struck me to be an error of the Printers
These Ships in all probability will
Arrive there early in this Month, if
they are fortunate enough to escape the
Spanish Cruizers, and of Course be ready
to Sail with the whole Trade from thence
about the Period you Apiegn for the Europe
Ships

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Ships having completed their Cargoes, which
with His Majesty's Ships will Compose a very
have been a satisfaction to me to
respectable Convoy. — I would have been duly
apprized of this circumstance as it is out of
my power at present to make any alterations,
at least till I hear from His Excellency the
Governor General in Answer to my Letter
of July 9th whereof you have the Extract,
and too late to give any Intelligence
to the Supracargoes at Canton. —

I have not at present a single
Frigate within my reach, La Virginie
has Arriving at Bengal at an unreasonable
and unhealthy time of the Year has
been detained in that River near three
Months. — Her Arrival is now hourly
expected, Still when 'tis not possible to
judge of her fitness for Service owing to
the Reduction of her Crew by death and
Sickness

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sickness — I have no information respecting the
your Frigate the Bombay, but apprehend it may be
be as eligible a plan as I can at present devise,
under the Restriction above mentioned, to join
her with La Vengeance to proceed to China
if Circumstances will admit of their leaving
this Coast in time to reach Macao in all
January, and no Intelligence of consequence
should, in the mean time, interfere to prevent
its being carried into execution —

Several of the Ships of the Squadron —
will require docking in the ensuing season
as they can be spared from Service, of which
due Notice shall be given to the Naval Officer,
and I have to request the Docks may be
kept clear for their reception —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) Peter Rainier

Suffolk Madras road,
September 3d: 1798 —

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Wm Broncker
Secy

Right

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Right Honble Lord Clive

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

Fort St. George

My Lord,

From Rear Admiral Rainier requesting an advance of 15000 Pags.—

Mr. Henry Lovell Naval Officer at this place having represented to me by Letter of this date, that he has occasion for a further supply of Cash for the use of His Majesty's Squadron, and that he has no expectation of being offered any in the usual way by Advertisements; I have to request your Lordship will please order Fifteen Thousand Pagodas to be advanced to him out of the Money remitted from Bengal last year for that purpose; for which he is willing to take Bills upon the Government of Bengal.—

I have the Honorable,

&c. &c.

(Signed) Peter Rainier

Suffolk Madras road
September 3d 1798.—

Resolved

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Minutes on the last & letter from Rear Admiral Rainier.—

Resolved to acquaint the Admiral & that the reduced State of the Treasury precludes the Board from affording him the Assistance he requires in Cash; but that they will readily grant him Bills on Bengal for the Amount, at the ordinary Rate of exchange.—

At the Suggestion of the President, Rear Admiral & Rainier's Opinion to be taken on Certain points, on which the practicability of sending home the French Prisoners with the Fleet expected to sail shortly for England, must Materially depend.—

The President proposes that, with a view to relieve this Government from the & heavy expences of Subsisting the French & Prisoners, as well as the embarrassment & Attending their Confinement in the Black Town, the Admiral be called upon to state whether, in the event of tonnage being engaged for their transportation to Europe, he can spare one of His Majesty's Ships for their protection to the Cape, or whether, in the event of his being & unable to spare a Ship for this Service, he & considers the Company's Ships about to be & dispatched from hence for Europe, a sufficient protection

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protection to the Vessels which may be taken
use for the transportation of the prisoners. —

Approved and ordered accordingly. —

Read the following Letters from the
Resident at Tanjore. —

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government. —

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have now the honor to lay before
the Right Honorable the Governor in Council
the Accounts and Statements promised
in my Letter of the 21st. August. —
No 1 Contains the Collections and Balance
of the Three Soubahs Remaining in the
Hands of the Rajah of Tanjour to the
day of Ameer Sing's deposition, and since
the day of Serfoyee Rajah's Elevation, to
the

From the Resident at Tanjore - with Statements of Collections and Balance at the period and since the revolution at Tanjore - Lists of all the property found in the Seals apartments and a proposed division of the late Rajah's Private from the Circar property; to which both Ameer Sing and Serfoyee are willing to accede - certain remaining Jewels still retained by Ameer Sing. —

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the present time —

I have already mentioned that the
Spirit for the Collections was almost &
expired at the time of the Change in &
Administration, & that but little remained
to be actually Collected. —

Proper Vouchers have been taken
for the Remission of that part of the &
Balance under the Head of Warrum-and
the remaining Balance of Churtrams 45591-
5. 9. must I fear Cay over to be accounted for
by the Inhabitants in the present year,
and to be collected from the Cur Crop. —

The Account N°2 shews the Amount
of Collections of this Year as well as of last,
and of its Appropriation, with the Balance
in hand. —

It is now two Months since &
Desfoges Rajahs accession to the Musnud
and

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and According to an Average Statement, the H.
publick and private expenditure would
Amount to upwards of 60,000 Pagodas but
as it was foreseen that little Money could
be Received, no Issues were made but those
the most necessary; and the Right Honorable
Governor will perceive by the Account particulars
that these disbursements were considerably
increased by the expences of the Rajah's
Instauration, altho they were made under
the strictest Economy.

No 3 Contains the Account of Cash found in
the Treasury at the Palace, with a List of all
the other Articles in the Sealed Departments
separating the Present Rajah's publick or
Circar Property from the private Claims of
Amersing.

I have the honor to add that this
division has been made by the respective
Servants of both Parties and without any

unreasonable

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unreasonable objections on either side — The two Rajahs will be very well contented if it be the pleasure of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to confirm this Adjustment and will patiently wait the decision. —

In the Treasury was also found an Account of small Sums advanced at different times from the Cash Chest by the Rajah's Order, but as these seem to have been for special Services and to be Accounted for, rather than to be repaid I cannot promise much in the way of recovery N°4. —

I have thought it proper to add a list of the Jewells, the Seal, and Ornaments of State, at first withheld and since restored by Annexing to the present Rajah N°5 contains every Article in the late Rajah's possessions appertaining to the Musnud, and is the best atonement for His Excellency's former misconduct in so positively denying them. —

I have

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I have not yet been able to obtain the List of the Women's Jewells still in his possession, but the daily progress I am making towards a Reconciliation of the two Rajahs affords me a hope that this will be settled hereafter by an Amicable adjustment.—

I must not omit to mention the two Houses at Tanjour, formerly purchased of European Gentlemen by Ameer Sing, and now considered Circar Property— I understand there are claims upon this Property by way of Mortgage, and which may probably be laid before Government at Madras— The Houses originally cost the Rajah 20,000 Pagodas but are very much out of Repair.—

The 11,000 Callums of Grain mentioned in my Letter of 25th July has also been adjudged the Property of Ameer Sing, and is to be added to the List of Articles to be restored to him, or to be disposed of in any other manner the Right Honble the Governor in Council shall be pleased to direct.—

I have the honor to be
&c: &c:
/Signed/ Benj:n Torin
Resident

Tanjour
2nd: September 1798.—

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D.r — { Account of Collection for Fasly 1207 from the Sunbahs of Combaconum Tiruvady and Puttaiottah &c.a during the Administration of Annee Sing Rajah ——— } C.r

To Amount of Collection	1,00,237 9. 4	By Amount of Revenues for Fasly 1207	1,22,906. 5. 1
To Balance	1,29,568. 5. 21.		
Chuck.r	1,22,906 5. 1.	Chuck.r	1,22,906. 5. 1.

Tanjour 29th June 1798

This Account is Signed by Nama the Head Accountant

/Signed/ B. Torin Resd.r

To Amount of Collection from the Balance of Fasly 1207 to 22d August	33877 9. 12.	By Amount of Balance Established in the Country for Fasly 1207 on the day of Sevajee Rajah ascending the Musnud	1,29,568 5. 21.
To Amount of Advance for Waraum to the Inhabitants in encouragement for their Collection of present Crop	50,099 1 .		
	83977. . 12.		
To Balance to be Collected	45,591- 5. 9.		
Chuck.r	1,29,568 5. 21	Chuck.r	1,29,568 5. 21.

Tanjour 19th August 1798 E. E. F

This Account is also Signed by the Accountant and the Balance acknowledged by the Pattamdars and Head Inhabitants. —

/Signed/ Benj.a Torin Resident —

An Account of Collection and Charges from 30th June to 22nd August 1798

To Amount of Collection from the Balance of Fusly 1207	33877. 9. 12	By His Excellency's Private Expence as p Account Particular — A	23145. 3. 15.
To Amount of Ditto — Ditto for Fusly 1208	7828 9. 3	By Ditto — Ditto Public Expences as p Ditto — Ditto — B	13135. 3. 4½
			36280. 6. 19½
		By Balance of Cash Remaining to this day	5426 1. 19½
Chuckl	41706. 8. 15.	Chuckl	41706. 8. 15.

Tanjour 22nd August 1798

E. E.

p Benjn Torin

Resident

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A

An Account Particular of His Excellency's Private Expenses from 30th June to 22d August 1798.—

Cattle	P.	264	7. 21
Repairs of Palace		1849	6. 7
Cloths		816	7. 6
Jewells		1071	6. 18
Flowers and Small things &c.		65	1. -
Provisions		4602	7. 18
Brass Pots &c.		72	6. 12
Charity		1347	2. 22
Presents &c. Expenses of Installation		10849	2. 7
Lucan's Jointure		1078	5. -
Singers		227	
Total Chuckl.		23145	3. 15

An

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B

An Account particular of the Hon.ble
Excellency's Public Expences from 30th June
to 22nd August 1798.-

Elephants	222. " 23
Horse Stable	1184 1. 11½
Troopers Sepoys Peons &c.a	10,141. 1. 18.
Harricarrahs	477 9. "
Poonah Agent	187 5. "
Hurkbar	22. 5. "
Total Chuckl.	13,135. 3. 4½

Account

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Account of Cash and List of different Articles found

N°

1st Ready Cash in different Coins left in the Office / called / Sheygoo Mahawl / Kuseh Mahawl, and Rajah Mahawl, Amounting to Chuckrums —

2d Amount of Jewels left in the Office / called Zeejus Kanah Sugoor Mahawl, Raja Mahawl and Jayetha Mahawl Vizt

Gold Jewels Set with Rubies &c —
Plain Gold Joyes —
Silver Joyes —
Gold Weighing to Pagodas Weight —
Silver — Ditto — Ditto —
Precious Stones
Rubies —
Emeralds —
Diamond —
Pearls —
Sapphires —
Cats Eyes —
Topazes —
Different Size of Rubies &c. Kept for Charity —
Pearls String —
Coral Ditto containing Pices —
Ceylon Stones —
Cinnamon Stone —

3d List of Things of Brass and other Metal in the Office / Called / Zeradkanah and Kitchen —

4th List of Cloths left in the Offices / Called / Zamadar Kanah and Sugoo Mahawl &c
Gold Cloths —
Silk Ditto —
Cotton Ditto —
Shawls — Total —

/ Signed / Dittaju Head Servant of Sursoogee Mahe
/ Signed / Ramnagee Ragoonath Accountant of Amen

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in the Sealed Apartments of the Palace of Tanjour 31st August 1798.

On the day of the late Tujah Maharajah's Death—			On the day of His Excellency Sir Jorge Rajah's decease to the Throne.—			Amercing Rajah's Property			Remaining Estates of Circars Property		
Chuckl.	Gff.	Cr.	Ch.	Gff.	Cr.	Ch.	Gff.	Cr.	Ch.	Gff.	
116,478..	7..	13	15,435..	7..	6	6077..	2..	6	9358..	5..	—

877	66	56	10
1002	33	17	16
1642	394	147	247
3018 ½ of Pagodas weight	143 ¾	143 ¾	"
3931 of Ditto	255 ¾	2557 ¾	
		2761	546
4923	3307	270	26a
2892	330	122	34
759	156	9216	2200
4767	1416		40
84	40	38	12
12	50	3	5
5	8	10	9.
9	19	2	
	2	200	701
2845	901	2	"
"	2	5	4.
4	9		

Number of Salt.

2218	1570	525	1045 Casts of which Amercing took away about 233 to his Apartment.—
		233	409
1467	642	541	853
2196 ½	1394	1137 ½	2862
7907	3999 ½	18	177
287	195		4301.
12,457 ½	6230 ½	1929 ½	

Rajah of Tanjour
being Rajah

Tanjour 31st August 1798

[Signed] Benjn Torin
Resident

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List of the Persons that are indebted to the Cavan Treasury at Tanjore

			Rupees	Fs.	C.	Chuck.	Gs.	C.
1794		Rymette Cavan (Deceased)						
April	26	Advanced him				47.	7.	16½
1795								
July	23	Do	1859.	18.	30			
November	16	Do	16.	28	70.			
		Kistna Row						
1796								
March	14	Advanced him	69.	7.	..			
April	3	Do	2.	..	..			
	9	Do	5.	..	..			
	10	Do	13	..	..			
June	30	Do	115.	5.	16½			
July	7	Do	1000.	..	..			
	14	Do	10.	2.	..			
		Veswanaudian Head Hircarah						
1797			1171.	8.	18			
November	20	Advanced him	6.	4	6			
	21	Do						
1797		Jewan Row						
March	14	Advanced him	30	1	6			
		Appoo Modely Inhabitant of Kelappal Village						
1795								
March	21.	Advanced him	4200	..	..			
		Appoo Viani						
1796								
August	31.	Advanced him	13	..	..			
		Viziataven Polygar of Paupanaud						
		Advanced him	11.	..	..			
		Ramaujee Baushee Vencajee Ranga Royan } Advanced them	9					
		Total	33.6076.	3.	..	24711	3.	15.

(Signed) Ramakistna Sunkar
Mootaddie

(Signed) B. Torin
Asst

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List of Jewells &c.a Received from Amursing Boralak

	Value P.N.P.
Jewells Set with precious Stones	
1 Sapaink, tied on the Turband	1800 " "
1 Do Do	3800 " "
2 Do Dawleys Do	1000 " "
2 Luncars Do	1000 " "
2 Bauseins Do	200 " "
1 Maundaly Do	2400 " "
2 Gatahs Do	1100 " "
1 Buhoovah held in the hand	
Pearl and Necklaces &c.a	
1 Pair of Pearl Jewells	400 " "
1 Kalelghee	100 " "
1 Neck Lace of Rubies and Pearls &c.a	570 " "
1 Mootoo Jellam	2500 " "
1 Ring or Seal of State	
1 Neck-Lace of Chella Maunicut, of little Value	
17	Total P.N Pagodas. 14870 " "

Tanjour
2nd August 1798.

/Signed/ Dettajee Head
Servant of Serfogee
Maha Rajah of Tanjour

/Signed/ B. Torin
Resident

Lieut.

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List of the Persons that are indebted to the Circar Treasury at Tanjore

1794		# Regiment Cavan (Dec'd)	Rupees 108	f. c. Chuck. 56	6.
April	26	Advanced him		47.	7. 16½
1795					
July	23	Dº	1859.	18.	30
November	16	Dº	16.	28	70.
1796		Kistna Row			
March	14	Advanced him	69.	7.	..
April	3	Dº	2.	..	..
	9	Dº	3.	..	..
	10	Dº	13	..	..
June	30	Dº	115.	5.	16½
July	7	Dº	1000.	..	..
	14	Dº	16.	2.	..
		Veswanaudiam Head Hircarah			
1797			171.	8.	18
November	20	Advanced him	6.	4	6
	21	Dº			
1797		Sevan Row			
March	14	Advanced him	30	1	6
		Appoo Modeley Inhabitant of Kalappal Village			
1795					
March	21.	Advanced him	1200	..	..
1796		Appoo Viani			
August	31.	Advanced him	13	..	..
		Viziataven Polygar of Panpanaud			
		Advanced him	11.	..	..
		Ramanjee Baushen Vencajee Ranga Royan ... } Advanced them	9		
		Total	33.6076.	3. ..	24711 3. 15.

(Signed) Ramakistna Sunkar
Mootteddee

(Signed) B. Torin
Sec.

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Fort St. George 11th September 1798.

List of Jewells &c. Received from Amar Sing Bovalah

	Value P.N.P.
Jewells Set with precious Stones	
1 Sapaich, tied on the Turband	1800 " "
1 Do Do	3800 " "
2 Do Dawleys Do	1000 " "
2 Lunears Do	1000 " "
2 Bauseuls Do	200 " "
1 Maundaly Do	2400 " "
2 Gatahs Do	1100 " "
1 Bachoovah held in the hand	
Pearl and Necklaces &c.	
1 Pair of Pearl Jewells	400 " "
1 Kalelghee	100 " "
1 Nuk Lace of Rubies and Pearls &c.	570 " "
1 Mootoo Jellam	2300 " "
1 Ring or Seal of State	
1 Nuk-Lace of Chella Maunent, of little Value	
Total P.N. Pagodas	14870 " "

E.E.

Tanjour
12th August 1798.

/Signed/ Dettajee Head
Servant of Serfojee
Maha Rajah of Tanjour

/Signed/ B. Torin
Resident

Lieut.

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List of the Packet.—

Letter
N. 1 Account Collection and Balance of July 1207
up to the 28th June and since
2 Account Collection and Charges since the 4th
28th June Containing Account particular
Marked A and B
3 Account of Cash and Different Articles found
in the Sealed Apartments of the Palace at
Tanjour.—
4 A Statement found in the Treasury
of Small Advances from the Cash Chest
5 List of the Jewells and Ornaments
of State surrendered by Amoo-sing &
late Rajah to Maha Rajah Serfoge.—

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

Sir,

I am desired by His Excellency the
Rajah of Tanjour to transmit to you the
enclosed

From the Resident at
Tanjour enclosing a letter
from Serfoge congratulating
Lord Clive on his arrival
to the Government.—

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enclosed Letter for the Right Honorable Lord Clive &c.
and to request you will take a suitable opportunity
of presenting it to His Lordship.—

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
/Signed/ Benj.n Torin

Tanjour
5th September 1798

To the Right Honorable Edward Lord Clive
President and Governor in Council
Fort St. George

Serfoge Rajah presents his respectful Salam.—

Letter from Serfoje Rajah Congratulating Lord Clive on his accession to the Government.—

Your Lordship's Name is already
known and highly honored in the East by the Virtues
and great Military Character of your Father, your
safe Arrival at Madras is therefore a joyful
event to all the Princes of India, and your
Lordship's accession to the Chair of Madras is
an event of such importance to me, that it
would be a Crime if I remained Silent.—

I have hitherto very much wanted
the Kind care and Protection of both Governments:
and

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Government; and since the Honorable Company
has been pleased to take my just cause into
consideration, has restored me to my lawful
hereditary Rights and established me upon the
Musnud of my Ancestors, I stand still more in
need of the same. I have enjoyed it from Lord
Cornwallis, Sir John Shore, General Meadows,
Sir Charles Oakeley, Lord Hobart and General
Harris, and I entertain no doubt, but I shall
also be favored with it from your Lordship
as well as from the Earl of Mornington; for
from what I have already learnt of your
Lordship's most excellent Character, I cannot
but conclude I may confidently rely on your
Lordship's indulgent lenity, kind care and effectual
Protection. However whilst I am congratulating
your Lordship to your high Station, wherein
your Lordship will have it in your power to
make Millions of people happy,

I beg

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I beg leave to crave a share of
your Lordship's Zeal in administering justice
with equity and promoting the welfare of others,
to be bestowed on me. - For in my present &
Circumstances, My Lord I stand very much in
Need of your Lordship's and the Honorable &
Company's lenity and indulgence, because &
I have Removed my Country in a ruined State. -

I have found the Treasury empty
and the late Rajah deep in debts, However
I am sure your Lordship's generosity and love
of justice will not suffer me to be embarraped,
will prevent me from enduring want and
enable me to keep up my Dignity. -

What can I say more!

Tanjore
15th September 1798

[Signed] Serfogee Rajah

As the division of the Circar and &
private property of the late Rajah appears &
to be mutually approved by Serfogee and &
Comen Sing

5284 Fort St. George 11th September 1798.

Minutes on the foregoing letter from the Resident at Tanjore—

Ameer Sing, it is Resolved to Authorize Mr. Torin to deliver it over to them, according to the List he has submitted the eleven thousand Cullums of Paddy the Board consider the property of Ameer Sing.—

The Board Remark that the foregoing Letter, as well as those lately Received from Serfoge, are evidently the production of an European Pen: and it is accordingly Resolved to direct Mr. Torin to convey to Serfoge the Board's desire that in all his future communications he will confine the expression of his Sentiments either to his own Language, or to such a Style of English as he is Known to possess the Knowledge of.

Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Bombay.—

To Josiah Webbe Esqr.
Secretary to Government

Fort St. George

From Bombay with Translation of Peppe's last letter to Governor Duncan maintaining his right to the District of Wynaad Kastmergul and Kolambacky.—

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt

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Receipt of your Letter of the 11th Ultimo, with its
enclosure from Tippoo Sultaun, to the address of
the Governor and to Request You will lay the
accompanying English Translation of the
Letter before the Honorable the President in
Council. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) R. Richards
Secy to Govt. —

Bombay Castle
4th August 1798. —

Translation of a Letter from Tippoo Sultaun to the
Governor of Bombay Dated the 17th of Mohurrem
1213 Hegeree or 2nd of July 1798. —

I have had the pleasure to receive
your friendly Letter, which has apprized me of
what you have written Respecting Wynaad &
Kantmungle, and Cloorbache: on which &
Subject, having, also heard from John Spence
Esqr. the Talookdar of Calicut, that Gentleman
with

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will no doubt have advised you of the Answer that has been transmitted notwithstanding which, I have now, Amicably to advise that Wynaad is situated above the Ghaut of Tamberchery, and I have not given any footing to the English above that Ghaut - but under the Ghaut, is the Country of the Honorable English Company, and what is above it, belongs to the Khodadaad / God given / Sircar or Government; as a Barrier, between which, huge Mountains intervene. -

Kantmungle and Coloorlachy; are two Kerecas, or spots of territory, over grown with Trees in the quarter of Cawreyal / Mangalore / and dependant thereon. The People of Coorg, in having come there, occasion molestation to the Ryots and people, and do not understand; wherefore, to guard against any misrepresentation they might make, to the Honorable English Company; I wrote to General Harris the Governor of Madras to apprize him thereof; and from that Governors Letter, you, Sir, have become acquainted with the Circumstance:

by

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By the Divine favor. The Ties of Friendship and
Amity exist between the two States; and the corroboration
of the Grounds of Amity, is daily on the Increase.
Thieves and ill-intentioned People, are seeking, by
the occasioning of disputes and raising up of
Enimity, in matters of such small Import, to
work out their own Ends of which I have no doubt,
but you must yourself Sir, be fully convinced; and
these clear points require, from their being so
extremely evident neither Investigation or
Adjustment, and it was in view to the prevention
of the recurrence of alteration, that the Talooks
Committed /suspend/ to the Honorable English
Company, have been fully and specifically
inserted, under their respective Names, in the
Treaty of Peace; wherefore you ought to
judge; since, where there are written specifications
there is no call for Enquiry - afford me always the
Satisfaction of hearing from you. -

A true Translation
/Signed/ Jonathan Duncan

A true Copy J. White Chief Sec.
/Signed/

Read.

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Read the following Letter from
Brigadier General de Meuron.—

To the Honble Lieutenant General Harris
President in Council
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From Brigadier General De Meuron stating that the Assumption to the Candian Throne has been settled by the Grandees of the Court without any material disturbance

I have the honor to acquaint you that the Adigar or Prime Minister of the King of Candy has sent me a Message through the first Moodelier informing me that the Grandees of the Court are ready to proceed to Columbo, if I was willing to receive them—to which I assured the Adigar to be informed that as I was in daily expectation of the Arrival of Mr. North at Columbo I requested their departure might be postponed, and that I entertained no doubt of this informing them of his readiness to receive the Contempy himself

As their Habits and prejudices do not allow the Candians to speak of the Death of their Sovereign—they only state in terms

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terms peculiar to their Language that the King has
renewed his existence, and that on this occasion they
look for considerable Presents.—

The only Particulars I have as yet been
able to obtain are that the present King was born at
Candy and a ralation to the deceased, that he &
Naiques who were in competition with him for
the Crown, having caused some disturbances, they
had been confinedby the leading Men of the Court
to certain Separate limits, that the prime &
Minister enjoys the greatest degree of power
that all those who were his opponentsunder
the late Reign are now reconciled to his party,
and that they are on the best terms together, which
circumstance leads me to hope that we shall
continue on an Amicable footing with the Court

I have the honor to be
with Respect.— &c. &c.
/Signed/ P. de Meuron
B.G.C

Columbo
2nd. August 1798.—

Read the following Letter from
the Assistant Resident at Hydrabad.—

The

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The Honorable Lieutenant General Harris

Governor in Council,

Fort St. George

Honorable Sir,

From the Assistant at Hydrabad requesting the Mission of Syed Mohi ud Deen to purchase Elephants at Porto Novo

Syed Mohi Uddeen Khan the Person, who will have the honor of presenting you this Letter, is a Servant of his Highness the Nizam proceeding to Cuddalore, or Porto Novo, for the purpose of purchasing Ceylon Elephants for his Highness's Use.—

I am instructed by Azeem ul Omrah to request of your Honorable Board an exemption from duties on this occasion in favor of his Highness, (if any duties are actually levied) on the purchase or conveyance of Elephants through the Nabob of Arcot, or the Honorable Company's Territories; and that a preference may also be given (if practicable) to Syed Mohi Uddeen in the first Choice of such Elephants, as may be

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be brought to Porto Novo for Sale—With regard to this latter request, I have expressed great doubts to the Minister, of the possibility of a Compliance on the part of your Honorable Board.

I have the honor to be with great respect

&c.a &c.a

Hyderabad 19th July 1798

/Signed/ J. A. Kirkpatrick
Assistant.

The President is requested to do
Minute thereon— communicate the purport of the foregoing Letter to His Highness the Nabob.—

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Hart.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive
Governor President in Council, &c.a &c.a &c.a
Fort St. George

My Lord.

From Colonel Hart advising of his having paid the Balance demanded of him into the Company's Treasury for which he requests proper Receipts.—

I have the honor of informing your Lordship that in immediate Compliance with the peremptory Order of your Government conveyed to me in Mr. Secretary Webbs Letter of the 5th Instant,

I have

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I have paid the Amount of Twelve Thousand five hundred and Seventy One Star Pagodas thirty nine Fanams, and forty Cash (St. Pags. 12,571.. 39.. 40) formerly Received by me as due to the Crown for the Service of His Majesty's Old Regiments prior to the 24th of December 1792; which, altho' stated in my Indent or demand as applicable to the Subsistence of these Troops after that period, (not then aware, as it was impossible I could at that time be, of the termination of such Accounts between the King and the East India Company,) I must still consider as having belonged to the Crown; my Accounts already sent to The Pay Office General of England having stated it so. I trust however that the Receipts from Your Treasury will, as your Honorable Board is pleased to assure, be a sufficient Voucher for me and my Securities.—

I have the honor to be with all possible Respect.— &c. &c.

(Signed) G. V. Hart
Deputy Paymaster General &c.

King's Pay Office
Madras the 7th Decr 1798.

Received

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Resolved that a Receipt, in 4 quadruplicate, of the following form, be granted to Colonel Hart for the Amount paid into the Treasury.—

Fort St. George - Madras
the Seventh 7th September 1798

Copy of the Receipt granted to Colonel Hart for the Balance paid by him into the Company's Treasury —

Received from Colonel G. V. Hart Deputy Paymaster General to His Majesty's Forces serving for the Government of Madras, the Sum of Twelve Thousand five hundred and Seventy one Star Pagodas thirty Nine fanams and forty Cash, being the Balance stated by the Auditor General in the Adjustment of his Accounts, and now ordered by Government in their Letter of the 1st Instant to be paid into the Company's Treasury. Out of Sums drawn by Colonel Hart as part of the Subsidy & due the King for the Service of His Majesty's Old Regiments prior to the 24th December 1792, but specified in his Indent to be for the payment of the Kings' Troops subsequent to that date.—

(Signed) Jos: Webbe Secy to Govt.—

St. Pag. 12571. 39. 40

A true Copy of the Original signed in Quadruplicate
(Signed) George Parry
Asstt Secy

Read

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Read the following Letter from the Secretary at Bengal.—

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

Sir,

From the Secretary at Bengal conveying the authority of the Supreme Government to detain & Order any Recruits on the outward bound Ships destined for Coast arriving in Bengal.—

As it may be desirable under present circumstances that the European Corps of Fort St. George should be strengthened as much as possible, the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council has desired me to request that you will express his wish to the Honorable the Governor in Council that he will take out of the Ships expected from Europe as many of the Recruits destined for His Majesty's or the Honorable Company's Regiments in Bengal as he may think indispensably necessary for the public Service.—

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient
humble Servant,
(Signed) G. H. Barlow
Secy to the Govt
Bengal

Fort William
the 20th August 1798.

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Ordered that the Commander in
Chief be furnished with a Copy of the foregoing
Letter.-

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

Sir,

I am directed by the Right Honorable
the Governor General in Council to transmit you the
enclosed * Copy of a letter from the Assistant at
Hydrabad, with its enclosure, and to request that you
will express to the Honorable the Governor in Council
his Lordship's wish that the measures suggested in
the 3rd Paragraph of the Assistant's letter, or any other
that may be deemed preferable, may be adopted for
preventing Frenchmen or other Europeans from
proceeding to join the Armies of the Nizam or
any of the other Native powers.-

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) G: H: Barlow
Secy to the Govt.-

Fort William
the 22nd August 1798.-

The Commander in Chief is requested
to republish the orders issued from Head Quarters on

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Minute thereon.—

on the 22d September 1795, as the most effectual means of preventing Frenchmen or other Europeans from proceeding to join the Armies of the Nizam or any of the other Native powers

Read the following Letters from the Military Board.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council.—

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

My Lord

From the Military Board entering into a detailed explanation of the circumstances relating to the complaints made by Col. Hyndman, of the deputation quality of Arms &c.a issues from the Store under their Provisionary and calling the attention of Government as well to the disrespect shewn to their Board by that Officer as to the irregular mode of his Communications.—

1st We have the honor to acknowledge the Receipt of Government's Letter of the 29th ultimo, with enclosures.—

2nd We beg leave to recommend that an Advance of three hundred and fifty two (352) Pagodas on Account of the hire of Carriage Bullocks provided under an Order of Government for the Service of the 11th Regiment Native Cavalry may be authorized to the Agent for Supplies to that Corps.—

Having

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3rd Having in consequence of the 3d Paragraph in Governments Letter of the 8th Ultimo referred to our Proceedings respecting Supplies of Stores Sent to the Detachment of Bengal Troops under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman at Hyderbad We are satisfied that no inattention can justly be imputed to Us on that Subject.— It appears from those Proceedings.—

1st That a Letter was Recived from Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman dated 17th January 1798, enclosing two Survey Reports of Camp Equipage sent from Masulipatam for the use of the Bengal Detachment, which Reports stated the Tents to be defective in materials, and workmanship, and that they were not of the dimensions prescribed by the Regulations of the Madras Government, to which Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman added an intemation of his having "long ago from necessity stated to the Military "Board in Bengal the little attention that he "thinks has been paid to the business of the Stores &c.

of

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of the Detachment by the Military Board at &
Fort St. George.—

2d That, in consequence of the above &
communication, Copies of the Survey Reports respecting
the Camp Equipage were transmitted to Major General
Bridges Commanding the Northern Division of the
Army, with Our desire that, as such Reports &
differed materially from the state of the Tents as
Reported by a Committee Assembled for the purpose
of Surveying them previous to their being Received
from the Contractor, he would make the necessary
enquiries on the Subject, and State how far the
objections of the Hyderabad Committee appeared
to be well founded.—

3d That in Answer to this Letter, the
Commanding Officer of the Northern Division, &
transmitted to Us a Survey Report upon part of
the Tents originally indented for, on Account of the
Detachment but that were not sent, (an equal &
Number having been provided by Order of Lieut
Colonel Hyndman in the interval between the &
Indent, and despatch of the others,) which Tents,
appeared to be of the same pattern, and composed &
of

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of the same materials as those reported upon by the Hydrabad Committee, and are stated in the Survey & Report transmitted by Major General Bridges to be full Company's measurement, and in all Respects fit for the Service, with the exception of the Ropes, which were considered to be very bad.—

4th That the Tent Contractor was accordingly written to under date the 2nd March respecting the inferior quality of the Ropes, as also of the tapes, and leathers, Reported to be of that quality by the Hydrabad Committee, and our expectation expressed, that particular attention should be paid to the future provision of those Articles.—

5th That a Letter of the same date was addressed to Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman by the Secretary of Our Board, transmitting Copy of the Proceedings of the Committee held at Masulipatam, and stating that as the dimensions of every part of the Tents surveyed by that Committee Corresponded exactly with those prescribed by the Regulations, We could only Account for the great difference on that point between the two Reports,

by

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by supposing the Committee of Hydrabad to have
ascertained the Area of the Tents when pitched:
whereas the measurement should have been
made from the extremity of the Fly, and inner
Tent, or Shell, to the ridge, and from thence,
in the same direction, to the opposite extremity.

6th That an Answer was returned to
this Letter by Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman
on the 19th March, in which he says that the
error in respect to the dimensions of the Tents
arose from the express cause stated in the
Secretary's Letter of the 2nd of that Month that
he himself, from the appearance of the Tents,
had judged them to be of the like dimensions to
those he had before seen, but was told after
Regulation had directed they should be larger.

7th That a Letter was addressed by
Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman to the Secretary
of Our Board under date the 1st of March, inclosing
a Survey Report upon sundry Articles received
from Masulipatam for the use of the Detach-
ment, and stating that of those Articles 91 half

Hides

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Hides of Country Leather appeared to have been long in Store, badly tanned, and Rotten; and & that they had been in consequence returned to Masulipatam by the same Carriage that & brought them.—

8th That a Copy of this Letter, and of the Survey Report, was transmitted to the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army on the 19th of the same Month: with Our desire that, on account of the frequency of Complaints & reputing Stores supplied from Masulipatam to the Bengal Detachment serving with His & Highness the Nizam, he would instruct the Commissary to be particularly careful that no Articles were sent in future but such as were perfectly & Serviceable, for which Our Board would hold him (the Commissary) responsible.—

9th That in Answer to the above communication, Major General Bridges on the 5th April forwarded to Us a Survey Report on the same Hides which had been returned from the & Detachment, stating them to be sound and serviceable.—

That

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That, on the 3d May, Lieutenant
Colonel Hyndman transmitted to the Secretary of
Our Board, Survey Reports upon Stores supplied
to the Detachment from the Arsenal of Fort St. George,
with a List of the Articles which he had ordered to
be Returned, Vizt. Country Fifes 3, Drum Slings 18
and Muskets, with Ramrods, and bayonets 56
the first not being of the same kind as those in
use with the Regiment, which were Europe Fifes,
the second as not being uniform, but of different
colours; and the Muskets, as being defective in
several Respects, and in a worse state than any
of the Committee had hitherto seen served out to
a Corps for ordinary use - not to say Corps on
Service, to which Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman
added, that, he had particularly examined the
state of those Arms himself, and that he had
never seen such bad conditioned Arms as would
be put them into the hands of the least likely
to be employed Sibbendy Corps in the Service -
that, he had therefore, though with much regret
at the necessity, returned them to Fort St. George
on

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on the Carts that conveyed them to Hydrabad, as
well as the Fifes, and Drums Slings; and
requested the Secretary to shew the Arms to
the Board on their Arrival at Fort St. George.—

" That inconsequence of the above &
communication from Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman,
a Letter was addressed by the Secretary to the Commissary
of Stores at the Arsenal under date the 27th June,
referring to the Report of the Committee of Survey at
Hydrabad on the Articles Returned, and to Lieutenant
Colonel Hyndman's own examination, in which
Report is stated "that the Muskets are Invoiced as
" repaired Arms, and that the Stocks of the whole
" were in bad condition— that a piece of Wood of about
" eleven inches long has been introduced into each, &
" running from the tail pipe to the lower swivel &
" through the guard brass, and which, from not being
" fastened with glue or secured at the end, it is &
" apprehended will fall out upon the Firelock being
" brought into use— that the lower end of the tail
" pipes have lost their security from a considerable
" part having been cut off to admit those pieces of
" Wood

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"Wood - that the ramrods of several of the Muskets
"are so loose as to make them liable to fall
"out on the piece being presented, and that the
"Springs of the Locks of a few of them are weak" -
and expressing Our desire that the Commissary
would state the considerations under which he
sent Arms which, though not used before, had
undergone a reform in the Arsenal, rather than any
of the other unused Arms in the Arsenal; and
whether, he forwarded the reformed Arms in the
question, as being in every respect fit for a Corps
on Service. -

12th That in Answer to this Letter, the
Commissary of Stores acquainted Us under date
the 30th June, that, as We had directed on the
face of the Indent from Hydrabad repaired
Arms to be supplied, he had accordingly, after
making enquiry into the condition of all the
Repaired Muskets in the Arsenal, given those
in question a decided preference, as they were
new Arms, and, although not approved of in the
State

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State they had been originally fitted up at the recommend-
-ation of the late Major Pringle, the alteration since
made to them by the insertion of a slip of wood to fill
up the space below the tail pipe, and lower swivel,
had received the approbation of the Board, as
communicated to Captain Scott, the late Commissary
of Stores, under date the 25th November 1797.-

13th That, in a Letter from the
Secretary to the Commissary of Stores, at the
Arsenal, under date the 11th July, We declared Ourselves
satisfied with the explanation which he had given
in the above Letter for having sent to the Detach-
-ment serving with His Highness the Nizam, the
Arms which had been objected to, and Returned; &
but desired he would endeavour to fall upon some
mode of effectually securing the piece of Wood
inserted between the tail pipe, and guard brass:
which alone appeared to the Board wanting to
render them fit for a Corps upon Service. The
Commissary of Stores was at the same time
instructed to send 56 stand of new Muskets &

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from the Arsenal by the earliest Sea conveyance to Masulipatam, in order to be forwarded from thence to the Detachment at Hydrabad, in the room of an equal number returned of the Kind beforementioned.-

14th And that, on the 15th July, a Letter was addressed by the Secretary to Lieut. Colonel Hyndman, acquainting him that the Report of the Committee of Survey held on the 1st May upon Military Stores forwarded from the Arsenal at Fort St. George for the Service of the Detachment under his Command, had been submitted to the consideration of Our Board; and a particular inspection of the 56 stand of Muskets by noted as unfit for use had been made by Us; and that he was inconsequence instructed to signify our opinion that the probability of the piece of wood inserted between the tail pipe, and guard brass, of each, being liable to be shaken out by use, rendered them objectionable to a Corps upon Service; & which

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which circumstance, did not occur at the time they were sent; that, as the state of the Musketry in Store at that time would not admit of new Arms being supplied, those which had never been used, although they had undergone a reform, appeared to be in all respects preferable to any repaired Arms that could have been sent from the Arsenal: but that, as a supply of new Musketry has since & been Received from England, We had directed an & equal number of that description to be sent by the earliest Sea Conveyance to Masulipatam, & in order to be forwarded from thence to the &

Detachment.—

4th From the circumstances above detailed, We trust it will appear to Government that so far from having been inattentive to the wants of the Bengal Detachment for Military Stores, either with respect to the quality of the several Articles, or to readiness in supplying them, & We have shewn a constant solicitude to prevent every

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every shadow of complaint from that quarter -

5 . Under this impression, We are concerned to remark upon the want of delicacy on the & part of Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman in & acquainting Us "that he had stated to the & Military Board in Bengal the little attention which he thought had been paid to the business of the Stores for the Detachment by the Military Board at Fort St. George" - without entering into any explanation of the particular instances of such inattention, so as to have enabled Us to Reply on the Subject, and to have justified, had he afterwards found it necessary, his & appealing to the Authority of that Government, under whose Orders the Board are immediately placed: but, as Lieutenant Colonel Hyndman has thought fit to adopt a different line of procedure by a reference to the Military Board at Bengal, which may have subjected the Conduct of our Board to an interpretation very & different

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different to what We conceive it merited; and as We have had Reason, to be dissatisfied with Lieutenant Colonel Hyndmans mode of public Correspondence, but particularly with his having Returned Articles sent for the use of the Detachment without waiting for our Sanction to such a measure, We now consider it a justice due to Ourselves to observe & (although motives of Forbearance have hitherto Kept Us silent) that, if Lieutenant Colonel & Hyndman is to be so independantly situated as to allow of his dispensing at will with Our Sanction, and of his continuing to make distant appeals, & instead of having recourse in the first instance to & the more ready, and natural, Channels of explanation and Redress at this Presidency, the relation & established by the constitution of Our Board & between Us, and that Officer must be done away. —

We have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

Fort St. George
4th September 1798.

(Signed) Geo: Harris
Patrick Ross
Wm Sydenham
Jno Richardson
By Close. —

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We have the Honor to be, &c. &c.

Fort St. George
4th September 1798.

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Patrick Ross
Wm Sydenham
Jno Richardson
By Close. —

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The Board are perfectly satisfied with the foregoing explanation, on the Subject of the Stores supplied for the use of Lieutenant Colonel Flyndman's detachment.—

Minute on the foregoing Letter from the Military Board.—

Resolved that an extract of the foregoing Letter be forwarded to the Governor General in Council with a request that such directions as may be sent to Lieutenant Colonel Flyndman, as may restrain him from a mode of proceeding which apparently can have nothing less for its object than the good of the Service.—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

Governor in Council

&c. &c. &c.

My Lord,

From the Military Board recommending that an Advance of Cash be made to the Agents of Supply to the 1st & 19th Regiment Light Dragoons and 2nd Regiment Native Cavalry and to the Garrison Store Keeper at the Presidency—and that the Balance due to the Sircarpore for Cleaning the Mint Quarters of the King's Barracks be paid.—

1st We do ourselves the honor to recommend that authority be granted for an Advance of one thousand (1000) Pagodas being made to the Agent for Cavalry Supplies to His Majesty's 19th Regiment Dragoons, and of Five hundred (500) Pagodas to the Officer holding the like appointment to

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to the 2nd Regiment Native Cavalry, on Account of the Current, and extraordinary, Expences, & incidentals to their Respective Departments.—

2nd The accompanying Quarterly Account in the Provision Department, ending the 31st of July last, and Amounting to Pagodas 7949:30:50 as likewise Bill for the hire of Carts employed in the Honorable Company's Garden, Amounting to Pagodas 74:.10:.40, having been laid before us by the Garrison Storekeper of Fort St. George, together with the requisite Vouchers in support of the Charges contained in each, We in consequence Recommend that payment of the former be authorized; and that, in like manner as before, the latter be discharged in the Civil Department up to the 9th of May last, at which period the Charge was discontinued, Agreeably to the order of Government under date the 2nd of that Month.—

3rd Having Revied a Report of the Contract entered into by the completion of the Scavengers for the expungation of the Nuisance to the King's Barracks We accordingly recommend that

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that payment of the Sum due to them on
that Account Viz.t Pagodas 117 — — may
be ordered —

We have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.
(Signed) George Harris
Patrick Ross
Wm. Sydenham
Jno. Richardson
B.J. Close.

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Resolved that the Scavangers Bill be passed for payment, and that advances be made the Gram Agents to the 19th Dragoons and 2nd Regiment Native Cavalry and to the Garrison Storekeeper at the Presidency, agreeably to the Recommendation of the Military Board —

Minute thereon

Read the following Letter from the Military Auditor General —

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

From Military Auditor General submitting a Difference of Half and full Batta to be made by Captain Wilson and recommending an Establishment of Servants for the Department of Grain and Provisions at Trincomalee

My Lord,

I have the honor to inclose Copy of

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of a Letter from Captain Wilson Major of Brigade &
attached to the Office Commanding on the Island of
Ceylon, in support of a Claim to the difference between
Half and Full Batta during his absence on private
business at the Presidency, from the 18th September 1797
to the 16th January 1798 Amounting to Pagodas 112. 21.—
which was Retrenched in the Office of Audit, under the
following Extract of the Orders of Government dated
12th July 1797 respecting Officers who may have Leave
of Absence from Ceylon or the Eastward, Viz.t "In regard
"to Officers who may be absent on Account of private
"business The President in Council is pleased to
"direct that their Full Batta shall cease from the
"day of quitting their stations, and that it shall
"not Recommence until the day of their joining."—

2 It will rest therefore with your Lordship
in Council to determine, how far the plea
advanced by Major of Brigade Wilson Viz.t—
that it was not on any business of his own that
he came to Madras, but solely on Account of the
affairs of the late Major General Doyle which

over

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were left to his care and Management, can entitle
him to relief from the Retrenchment in question

3 No. Establishment of Servants having
been fixed for the Department of Commissary
of Grain and Provisions at Trincomalee and
its dependencies, and Captain Davidson the acting
Commissary of that Station having requested a
reference to Government on the Subject, I have the honor to
inclose a Statement of the Number and Rates
of pay of the several descriptions of Servants,
which I conceive to be adequate to the Duties
of that Department, and should it meet with
your Lordship's Approbation, I beg leave to
recommend that the proposed Allowances may
have a retrospect to the time that Captain
Kingston took Charge of the Office, as no
part of the Establishment to which he has drawn
Monthly on that Account, has yet been passed
to his Credit for want of due Authority, at
the same time it must be understood, that if
should any considerable reduction take place
hereafter

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hereafter in the Number of Europeans to be victualled at Trincomalee, a proportionate diminution of the Establishment of Servants will consequently be made according to the principle of Calculation in the enclosed Statement.—

I have the honor to be with great respect—

&c. &c.

(Signed) Wm. Sydenham
Mily Aud. Genl.

Military Auditor
General's Office
Fort St. George
11th. September 1798.—

To J. Mac Dowall Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I had the honor of receiving your Letter of Yesterdays date, with the Account of Retrenchments made against me by Major General Sydenham of half Batta for the Months of October, November, & December 1797 and January February 1798 and stating that I was Absent for that time on my own Private business. In Answer to which I can only say that it was not on any business of my own that I went to Madras but Solely on Account of the late

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late General Doyle, I trust this will be a sufficient
reason to General Sydenham to admit my batta
for the above period, or to induce him to lay my
Claim before Government.-

Columbo
31st July 1798

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
/Signed/ J. Wilson

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ P. Bruce
Asst. M. A. G.

Major General Willm. Sydenham
Military Auditor General
Fort St. George

Sir,

In reply to the Retrenchments &
regulating the Servants in the Department of
the Commissary of Provisions, from there being
no Authority of Government for a Separate &
establishment at Trincomale, I have to request
the favor of you to make an application to
Government on this Subject, in order that the
Number of Servants they may deem necessary for
Trincomale

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Trincomale and its dependencies may be fixed by them.— Captain Kingston has had to Victual upwards of one Thousand Europeans and the only Regulations he had to go by, were those published in 1789 of which the following is an extract.— "As "it has been found impossible to regulate the "precise prices of Provisions in the Field, so "likewise it is impossible that the Number of "Servants to be employed in this Department can be "limitted, for it must depend in a great Measure "upon the difficulty or ease with which in "particular situations the Necessaries for that "purpose can be procured; The following Number is "allowed by Government for Victualling 500 Men "and so in proportion for a greater or lesser Number "and when any deviation is necessary it is expected "that sufficient Reasons shall be assigned for it "in a Letter Accompanying the Accounts."—

"One Head Conicoply ——————— 5.— —
"1 Conicoplies at 4 Pags. each pr. Month — 16.— —
"1 Do. at 3 Pagodas each pr. Do. ——— 12.— —
"4 Do. at 3 Pagodas each pr. day —— 14. 12.—
"10 Butchers at 2 Fanams each pr. day —— 14. 12.—
"10 Wood Cutters at Do. ——————— "1 Shepherd

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Trincomale and its Dependencies may be fixed by them.— Captain Kingston has had to Victual upwards of one Thousand Europeans and the only Regulations he had to go by, were those published in 1789 of which the following is an extract.— "As "it has been found impossible to regulate the "precise prices of Provisions in the Field, so "likewise it is impossible that the Number of "Servants to be employed in this Department Can be "limitted, for it must depend in a great Measure "upon the difficulty or ease with which in "particular situations the Necessaries for that "purpose can be procured; The following Number is "allowed by Government for Victualling 500 Men "and so in proportion for a greater or lesser Number "and when any deviation is necessary it is expected "that sufficient Reasons shall be assigned for it "in a Letter Accompanying the Accounts."—

"One Head Conicoply			5
"4 Conicoplies at 4 Pags. each p.r Month			16
"4 Do. at 3 Pagodas each p.r Do.			12
"10 Butchers at 2 Fanams each p.r day		14.	12
"10 Wood Cutters at Do.		14.	12
"1 Shepherd			

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" 1 Shepherd for 20 Bullocks or 19 Sheep } 1. 18. —
at 2 fans. pr. day ——————

" 2 Men for Measuring Arrack Rice and } 1. 36. —
Salt at D°. ——————

" 2 Peons at 2 Pagodas each pr. Month ... 4. — —

" 1 Maistry Shepherd to 20 Shepherds
" 1 D° Butchers to 20 Butchers } 6. 18. —
" 1 D° Wood Cutters to 20 Wood Cutters
3 fans. pr day ——————

But According to the above extract one Shepherd is allowed to 19 Sheep & which I imagine to be an error in the printing, and if so must be respended.

I have the honor to be,
D°. D°.

Trincomale
19th July 1798.

/Signed/ T. Parkison Capt.
Act. for
Capt. Kingstone
Commissary

A true Copy
/Signed/ P. Bruce
Asst. M. A. G.

Proceed

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Proposed Establishment of Servants for the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Trincomalé and its Dependencies.—

For Victualling about 1000 Europeans daily at Trincomale and Ostenburgh in the proportion allowed by the Regulations for 500 Men, not including Wood Cutters		119.30.	
1 Cooper — at Pagodas 6 ℔ Month	6.		125.30.
Grain Department at Trincomalé			
1 Writer — at 10 Pagodas ℔ Month	10.		
1 Head Conicoply at 8 Pagodas ℔ Month	8.		
1 Assistant Do — at 5 Do — Do	5.		
1 Measuring Man at 5 Do — Do	5.		
2 Peons — at 2 Do — Do — each	4.		
1 Sweeper — at 1 Do — Do	1.		33.
Ostenburgh			
1 Conicoply — at 5 Pagodas ℔ Month	5.		
1 Measuring Man at 3 Do — Do	3.		8.
Victualling & Grain at Jaffnapatam			
1 Conicoply — at 5 Pagodas ℔ Month	5.		
1 Assistant Do — at 4 Do — Do	4.		
1 Measuring Man — at 5 Do — Do	5.		
1 Peon — at 2 Do — Do	2.		16.
Battacaloa			
1 Conicoply — at 5 Pags ℔ Month	5.		
1 Measuring Man at 3 Do — Do	3.		8.
Mollative			
1 Conicoply — at 5 Pagodas ℔ Month	5.		
1 Measuring Man at 3 Do — Do	3.		8.
	Total Pags:		198.30.

Military Auditor General's Office 11th September 1798.—

Signed Wm Sydenham
Mr Aud. Genl

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The Board, considering the business on which Brigade Major Wilson was employed at the Presidency, entirely of a private Nature, cannot admit his Claim to full Batta.

Minute thereon — The Board approve the proposed Establishment of Servants for the Department of Commissary of Grain and Provisions at Trincomale, and consent to give it a retrospect to the Time when Captain Kingston took Charge of the Office. —

The Commander in Chief records the following Minute. —

Commander in Chief's Minutes in Council

September 11th 1798

Commander in Chief's Minute proposing the employment of Tent Lascars in lieu of Bamboo Coolies for the Field — & intimating his intention of shewing at one view & Sundry Expences to be incurred — and stating that every Charge should be made separate in order to effect a saving or shewing from this Arrangement. —

Having reconsidered my Observations and the Resolution of the Board in consequence, as entered on the Consultations of the 28th August "That all extra Field Expence of the Corps ordered to be in Readiness, except Tent Lascars, and Carriage for the Camp Equipage should cease from the 1st Sept.

I think it right to submit to the Right Honorable the President in Council the following

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me to propose that Saving, as however well they
were understood by the Board, I conceive they should
be on Record to prevent the Supreme Government
from Receiving the impression that we have
deviated from their Orders without sufficient Cause

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to the Troops which came from the Southward being
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the Supposition that the Movements of the Army,
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propose a distribution of them and in the mean time submit the expediency of calling on the Military Auditor General for a comparative Statement in the intention to shew at one point of View The Expence of the Troops in Cantonments under Orders of preparation for the Field including House Rent to the Officers who have not Quarters and what would actually be incurred by Encamping them.-

To make this the more useful Document, it should be stated by Corps according to the Returns with Columns for each head of the Several Charges Separately, by which mode it may on a Moment be seen how far it may be eligible to effect a saving on any particular Article with the hazard incurred to the Service from the want of it-

Resolved that a distribution be made of the Doolies as soon as the Returns are laid before the Board by the Commander in Chief-

Minute thereon

The Commander in Chief also delivers in the following Minute with the Papers

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Papers to which it refers.—

Commander in Chiefs Minute recommending that Conductor Murphy be placed on the Non effective List that Conductor Mac Cann, be dismissed the Service—and that an additional Number of Non Commissioned Officers be attached to the Supernumeraries of Native Infantry Corps—

The Commissary of Stores in charge of the Arsenal at the Presidency, having represented to the Commander in Chief that Mr. Murphy, Conductor of Stores, is in such a state of health as to be incapable of further effective Duty; and this Report being confirmed by a Surgeons Certificate the Commander in Chief recommends that he may be placed on the Invalid List—to which he has great Claims from long Service, and particularly for his gallant Conduct, in heading the Storming party at the Assault of Rachore.—

The Commander in Chief also Submits to the Board a Correspondence, lately Received from Major General Floyd, containing a complaint against Mr. M'Cann, Conductor of Stores at Tanjore shewing that he has committed an Outrage in a fit of Drunkenness, which has totally disqualified him from holding that Situation

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Situation - and that independently thereof his conduct for
some time past has been by no means unexceptionable -

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of extreme irregularity, while serving in the year 1797
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of Non Commissioned Officers, proportioned to the
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Commanding

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Conductor of Stores at Tanjore, of which I hope the
Commander in Chief will be pleased to take notice
Notice, as the general Conduct of Mr. Macan is of
by no means such as to entitle him to any of
indulgence. —

Captain Rand Adjutant, and Quarter Master
of the 5th Regiment N. I. applies in the regular manner
for Six Weeks Leave of Absence to the Presidency,
and I beg leave to recommend to the Commander
in Chief accordingly. —

Trichinopoly
August 20. 1798. —

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c.
(Signed) J. Floyd. M.G.

To Major General Floyd
Commanding the Southern Division of the
Army

Sir,

I have the honor of transmitting a
Letter from Lieutenant Macleod Junior of the
36th Battalion N. I. stating the very Improper
Conduct of Conductor Mr. Kan, I ordered him to
this

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this Morning from the Main Guard, to his Quarter,
in Arrest Sam Jony to observe that Mr. McHans
General Conduct, since his arrival in this Garrison
has been such as to preclude my urging any thing
in his favor, Lieutenant Macleod begs leave to
submit the Business entirely to you.—

I have the Honor to be with respect,
&c.a &c.a
(Signed) B. Fennell
Capt.n Lt. Commanding

Tanjore
August 19. 1798.

To Captain Fennel
Commanding at Tanjore

Sir,

I beg leave to inform you, that
about two o'Clock this Morning, the Corporal of the
Main Guard reported to me, that Mr. McCand,
Conductor of Stores, came to the Guard and wished
to have the Gates opened. I told the Corporal
that the Gates should on no Account be opened,
before the usual time.—

About

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About ten Minutes afterwards, the Corporal came, and brought along with him a Drummer, and two Sepoys of the 36th Battalion N.I. Composing a part of the Guard, who told me that Mr. M.c Cand had flogged the Drummer unmercifully and had also struck the two Sepoys.—

Mr. M.c Cand came to me at the same time, but in a State of Intoxication, when I enquired into the Matter; and asked how he came to flogg the Drummer, and Strike the two Sepoys of the Main Guard. He told me, that I had no business with what he did, and made use of terms of Grose abuse, and talked to me in the most insolent Manner.—

Seeing I could get no Satisfactory Answer from him, I took it upon me, to commit him a Prisoner to the Main Guard, and Reported the same to you this Morning, on my being Relieved.—

I also beg leave, Sir, to submit to you, the propriety of your taking such Steps as

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as may bring Mr. Mc Cand to ajust Sense of his highly improper, and, outrageous Conduct on the present Occasion.—

I have the honor to remain

&c. &c. &c.

(Signed) Elias Macleod

Lieut. 36th Batt. N.I.

Tanjore
19th August 1798.

Resolved that Conductor Murphy be placed on the Non effective List, that Conductor Mr. Cann be dismissed the Service and that the additional non Commissioned Officers be attached to the Supernumeraries of Native Infantry Corps agreeably to the Recommendation of the Commander in Chief.—

Conductor Murphy to be placed on the non effective list Conductor Mr. Cann dismissed the Service and additional Noncommissioned Officers attached to the Supernumeraries of Native Infantry Corps.—

Read the following Letter from Lieutenant J. H. Cruciffix of the Nabobs Service—

To the Right Honorable Lord Clive

President in Council

Fort St. George

My Lord,

I had the honor to address the Right Honorable the President in Council in Sept. and

From Lieutenant Cruciffix of the Nabobs Service complaining the injustice under which himself & brother Officers continue to experience from the Nabob and praying the interposition of Government to procure them Redress.—a Statement of their own demand on the Nabob enclosed.—

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and October last on behalf of myself and Brother
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to Circumvent of our Arrears, under pretence of
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of clearing up our Accounts we beg leave to address
your Honorable Board, for information how
to act, least the Nabab of Arcot should avail
himself of our supposed Neglect to refuse a Settlement
at a future Period, or to allow us any Interest, or
our respective Claims under pretence of non
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I beg leave to enclose my own Account Current up to the last of December as Sworn to before the Mayor of Madras in January which will I trust clear up every thing which may not fully appear on the face of the Correspondence alluded to— and praying such Redress as your Lordship in Council shall in your Justice conceive us entitled to

I remain &c. &c.

(signed) J. H. Cruttenden
for myself and on behalf of my
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Nabob's Circar Service—

Madras
11th September 1798

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Madras 2 Sd. September 1798

[signed] J. H. Craycester

for self and on behalf of my Brother Officers late in the Nabob of Arcots Service—

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Case

On the last of August the Nabob told us thro' Colonel Barnett and Colonel Smith that if we would wait two days we should have our Affairs settled to our Compleate Satisfaction, and in Consequence on the 2d Sept. after a Variety of proposals on the part of the Nabob, one more scandalously mean than another such as proposing our Accepting a Bond for the Nett pay of our respective Ranks given us all Allowances as Batta &c. &c. all which we rejected; and at last he ordered us to put our propositions on paper which we did as follows

Proposal 1st.

We Agree if we leave the Service to allow the Nabob one third of our Account provided the remaining two thirds immediately be paid and will if necessary Swear to our Accounts; but will have nothing to do with Mutsuddys or their Accounts.—

Proposal

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Proposal 2nd

If we are to remain in the Service we will take a Bond for the Sum now due us from the Nabob first giving us, A Subaltern 400 Pagodas in part, a Captain 600 Pagodas in part; a Captain 600 Pags. a Major the Same a Colonel 1000 Pagodas / to which the Nabob Agreed / The Nabob at the same time Signing our Commissions and giving each a Duplicate of this pay Chit for Monthly pay hereafter, according to the Company's Regulations and in future the same alterations to take place with us as the Company's Officers may sustain either for the better or for Worse this not to be binding on our part unless the Nabob does his part before the End of the present Month.-

/Signed/ A. Dupree Major
Tho: Smith Capt.
Wm Smith Capt.
J. H. Cruttenden Lieut
Answer

Tripplicane
28th August 1798.

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Answer to the 1st Proposal

The Nabob of Arcot will not hear of
discharging any one of his Officers. —

Answer to the 2nd Proposal

Will give 3000 Pagodas among Colonel
Smith Major Dupree Captains Thomas and
William Smith and Lieutenant Crigdon first to
divide Among them according to the beforementioned
Statement will deliver the Commissions as soon
as Signed, and Sealed — will deliver Copy of
the Pay Chits and pay regularly their whole
pay according to them and thanks them for
their Liberality in giving up the Interest due on
their Arrears, at the same time gave an Order
on Mr. Lautour at two Months to pay one
Thousand Pagodas in part of the three, and
payment was to give a Note for two thousand
at Six Months after the 16th September for the
remainder of the three thousand which when
Received was to be taken off the Bond of each
Gentleman

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Gentleman according to his proportion —

Lautaro Note is in hand but uncertain

of payment he not having accepted but promises

conditionally to pay. —

Caupiah is Ruined after deducting every

heavy discount (24 ℔ Cent ℔ Annum) and is the Cause of

our Ill treatment for the Nabob not Complying with

his promise on the 17th we waited till the 23rd when having

no Money nor prospect of geting any we determined

on staying at the Durbar till we Received Some which

we did by Caupiah's Note on Sunday last and immediately

after he had left the Garden the Nabob sent us the

enclosed No2. meaning thereto Rob us of our property under

pretence of our having a Bond for our Arrears; but even

this plea will appear in its true Colours for the Bond is dated

1st August 1797 for Arrears due before that Date So that the

Sum he means to give us is not equal to the Interest

due on our Arrears which we gave up only in the prospect

and his pledged faith of Remaining in the Service and being

paid Regular and the two Months due Since the arrears

utterly to Swindle us of. — Signed

Copy J. H. Crucifix D.o

Dr. The Nabob of Arcot in Account Current with Lieutenant J. W. Crucefix — ..... Cr.

1797 August	1	To Balance of my Account Current rendered to Colonel Barnett by Order of the Nabob up to the last July 1797	2561. 22.47	1797 Sept.	25	By Cash from Penpiah Branning by the hands of Colonel Smith on Account of the Nabob of Arcot, which ought to have received 230 Pag.s but by the Treaty of Penpiah who Charged me 2½ Cent p.r Annum as a Discount Received only — 220. . .
		To Interest on 2305 Pagodas being the balance of the Principal in the above mentioned Account from 1.st August to the 31.st December 97 at 12 ½ Cent.	115. 10.60			By Interest on Dr. to the 31st December 1797 at 12 ½ Cent p.r Annum — 7. 1. 54
		To My pay allowance as Lieutenant of Cavalry for August 1797	95. . .			Balance due — 3334 6 17
		Interest on Dr. to 31 December at 12 ½ Cent	3. 33.48			
		To my pay Dr. as Lieutenant of Cavalry for September 1797	95. . .			
		Interest on Dr. to 31. December at 12 ½ Cent	2. 35.56			
		To my pay Dr. as Lieutenant of Cavalry for October 1797	95. . .			
		To Interest on Dr. to 31. December at 12 ½ Cent	1. 38.48			
		To my pay Dr. as Lieutenant for November 1797	95. . .			
		To Interest on Dr. to 31. December at 12 ½ Cent	39.72			
		To My Pay Dr. for the Month of December 1797.	95. . .			
		Star Pags.	3561 7. 71			Star Pags. 3561. 7. 71

E. E. Signed J. W. Crucefix 1st Jany 1798.

NB. I hold a Bond of the Nabob of Arcot dated 5. August 1797 for principal 2305 Star Pagodas payable in twelve Months and to bearing an Interest of 12 ½ Cent p.r Annum which was passed upon me by fraud under false pretences on the part of the Nabob and which Bond I am ready to give up on my Account being Cleared off — Vide the Case No 3 in the Accompanying Correspondence.

Sworn to before me
in Madras the 17th January 1798

Copy
Signed J. W. Crucefix

Signed W. Abbott Mayor

Arcot

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Copy of Lieut.t Crucefix's Account 1797

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Resolution thereon

Although the Board are sensible of the Injustice which the Officers alluded to in the foregoing Letter have suffered, yet having, in as effectual a manner stated the hardship of their case, in every strong terms to His Highness the Nabob, and having referred the Subject to the consideration of the Honble Court of Directors, they feel themselves precluded from affording the Officers any further redress

With the permission and at the recommendation of the Commander in Chief it is Resolved that Captain John Malcolm the persian Interpreter at Head Quarters, be permitted to join the Detachment under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Roberts, and to act as persian Interpreter to it, untill further orders.—

Captain John Malcolm Interpreter to the Commander in Chief permitted to join Lieut Colonel Roberts's Detachment and act as persian Interpreter to it untill further orders.—

The President proposes with a View to provide for the Casualties in the different Corps of Cavalry that Lieutenant Montgomery be authorized to purchase three hundred horses, in addition to the one hundred ordered on the 11th October last, and that he be furnished with a Credit on the Bombay Government to the extent of Sixty thousand Rupees.—

Lieutenant Montgomery the Agent to purchase 300 horses in addition to the former limited number and to have a Credit for 60000 Rupees on the Bombay Government.—

Approved and Ordered Accordingly

The President proposes that Colonel H: H: Aston be appointed to Command the Fort and Garison of Arnee, and Major James Innes the Fort and Garison of Tanjore untill further orders.—

Approved and Ordered Accordingly.—

Colonel H: H: Aston appointed to the Command of the Fort and Garison of Arnee and Major James Innes of the Fort and Garison of Tanjore untill further orders.—

The Secretary Reports to the Board the Death of Captain Thomas Peters of the 2d Infantry establishment, at the Presidency on the 5th Instant.—

Death of Captain Thomas Peters of the Infantry Establishment.—

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At the recommendation of the Commander in Chief it is Resolved that His Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons be ordered to March to St. Thomas Mount and cantoned there; and that 73d be ordered to March to Poodamalle and to Canton there until further orders, on the Arrival of the 33d Regiment from Bengal. —

" Edwe

" Geo. Harris

" Ed Hollond

The 19th Dragoons to be cantoned at the Mount and 73d Regiment at Condamalle on the Arrival of the 33d from Bengal. —

Comp
G Strachey